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ORDER OF CLUNI.

IT may be proper here to say a few words upon the History of the CLUNIAc ORDER ; and, perhaps, we cannot do better than adopt what Tanner has said, in the preface to the *Notitia Monastica*, as our groundwork. To this, with such fresh particulars as have occurred, we shall add what Stevens has translated from the French History of the Monastic Orders, in his *Continuation of Dugdale* ; with some passages from Reyner, and one or two older writers ; finishing with the Account given by Whethamstede, abbat of St. Albans, of the Deputation sent to King Henry the Sixth, toward the close of his reign, for the restoration of its old dependencies in England to the parent Abbey abroad.

The reformation of some things, says Tanner, which seemed too remiss in St. Benedict's Rule, begun by Bernon abbat of Gigni in Burgundy, but increased and perfected by Odo abbat of Cluni, about A.D. 912, gave occasion to the rise of the Cluniac Order ; which was the first and principal branch of the Benedictines ; for they lived under the rule of St. Benedict, and wore a black habit ; but observing a different discipline, were called by a different name.

William earl of Warren, son-in-law to King William the Conqueror, first brought these monks into England, and built their first house at Lewes in Sussex, about A.D. 1077.^a

All the monasteries of this order in England were governed by foreigners, had more French than English monks in them, and were not only subject to the foreign houses of Cluni, La Charitè sur Loire, St. Martin des Champs at Paris, but could be visited by them only. None of their priors were elected by the respective convents, but named by the above-mentioned foreign houses. They could not receive the profession of their novices in England, nor could so much as any of their differences be determined here ; but they were obliged, in almost all cases, to go to their superiors beyond sea ; by which means the greatest part of their revenues were carried to those foreign houses : and upon that account, during the wars with France, the different establishments of this Order were generally seized into the king's hands as Alien Priories. But after the petition to the parliament at Winchester, 4th Edw. III., these inconveniences were by degrees removed : some of their houses were, in that and the following reign, made denizen ; Bermondsey was made an abbey ; and all of them at last discharged from all manner of subjection and obedience to the foreign Abbeyes : but, perhaps, says Tanner, not till the 36th Henry VI., or A.D. 1457, when three monks were sent from Cluni^b to desire restitution of those possessions which had been long detained from them, with leave to enter all places depending upon their houses : but instead of obtaining what they desired, they were deprived of the subjection of all Houses of their order in England.^c

^a There are two entries in the first volume of the Domesday Survey in which the monks of Cluni are noticed as under-tenants of land in England : fol. 196 b, at Carlentone in Cambridgeshire, where they held four hides and two acres of land of William de Warrene : and fol. 205 b, where they were tenants of the manor of Vpeforde in Huntingdonshire under Arnulf de Hesding. This last manor, which afterwards went by the name of Offord Cluny, was still held by the abbat in the 14th Edw. I. The Pleadings in Quo Waranto for Huntingdonshire recite the charters of Henry I. Henry II. and Richard I. by which this land was confirmed to the abbey of Cluni. See the *Plac. de Quo War.* p. 296. These possessions in Offord Cluny "in terris, molend. et pratis," in 1291, were rated at the annual sum of 20*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* See the *Taxat. P. Nich.* IV. p. 52.

In the same Taxation, p. 73, we read "Abbas de Cluny habet in decanatu de Roteland 14*l.* 17*s.* 1*d.*" Again, in the diocese of Salisbury, among the Spiritual possessions, "Porcio in ecclesia de Ledecumbe Regis 15*s.*:" and among the Temporalities of the same diocese, "In Ledecumbe Regis abbas Clunacens. 46*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*" Ibid. pp. 186 b, 191.

^b Whethamstede, as will be seen hereafter, places their arrival in the following year.

^c Stevens dates the cutting off of these Monasteries from their obedience to the abbat of Cluni, as early as Henry the Fifth's time, in consequence of the war between the Kings of France and England ; whereupon some of them, he says, as Lenton and Daventry, took out new foundation charters, and united themselves to the Chapter and Congregation of the Black Monks. Others, however, he adds, remained under the title and discipline of the Order of Cluni, but not under their subjection ; and all the priors subscribed by the Title of the Cluniac Order to the deeds of their surrender.

The Houses of Cluni had pensions from the Houses of their Order in England, called *Apportus*, which probably amounted, in the whole, to a large sum; for Cotton, in his Abridgment, p. 51, says, the Abbat of Cluni had a pension from England of £2000 per annum; and, according to Rymer, old edit. vol. iii. p. 1009, and Prynne's Records, vol. iii. pp. 386, 858, the foreigners sometimes demanded occasional supplies from their houses here; and even ran them into debt, as Prynne, vol. iii. p. 750.^a

The Prior of Lewes, in Sussex, was accounted high chamberlain to the abbat of Cluni, and was often his vicar-general in England, Ireland, and Scotland. See Rymer, vol. xi. p. 464.

Tanner says, there were twenty-seven priories and cells of this Order in England. But the monks who were deputed to King Henry the Sixth, in 1457, complained that they had been deprived of the obedience of thirty-eight. The number, however, of which we shall really be able to give an account certainly amounts to forty-two, exclusive of three Cells, whose existence is not very distinctly described.^b

The greater part of the Houses of the Cluniac order were founded prior to the reign of King Henry the Second. Slevesholm, in Norfolk, was the last founded, about A.D. 1222.

Four houses of this Order were among those which Cardinal Wolsey dissolved in 1525.

In D'Achery's Spicilegium, fol. Par. 1723, tom. i. p. 641, are the "Antiquiores Consuetudines Cluniacensis Monasterii, collectore S. Udalrico Monacho Benedictino."

Of the Original and Progress of the Order of Cluni, the first branch of that of St. Benedict.

[Stevens, Contin. of Monast. Vol. ii. p. 7, from the Hist. des Ordres Monast. &c. tom. v. p. 184.]

"FATHER Mabillon, with good reason, admires, that the monks of Cluni have taken so little notice of the blessed Bernon, the first abbat of Cluni, and that they have not reckoned him among their first founders, as well as St. Odo, St. Mayeul, St. Odillo, and St. Hugh, in whom they glory as their heads and masters. If we consider the advancement and progress of this Order, says that learned Benedictine, the honour is justly due to St. Odo, whom Peter the Venerable calls the first Father of the Order of Cluni; but, if we regard the original and beginning of that Order, it must also be owned that the venerable Bernon cannot be denied the honour of having been the founder. Odo perfected and increased the order of Cluni; Bernon happily begun and governed it for several years. There is therefore the more cause to admire that some writers of this Order have not reckoned him among the abbats of Cluni, and that no one has written the life of this founder, who has had the same fate as St. Robert, St. Alberic, and St. Stephen, the first abbats of Cisteaux, whose honour and merit have been obscured by St. Bernard; and all Cistercian monks have taken his name.

"It is, therefore, after that renowned writer of the order of St. Benedict, that we look upon the blessed Bernon as the founder of the order of Cluni. He was of the family of the Earls of Burgundy, and perhaps was the son of Earl Audon, who for some years kept upon some part of his estate the body of St. Maurus, to secure it from the fury of the Normans. The anonymous author who has written the life of St. Hugh, monk of that monastery, tells us, that Bernon received the first rudiments of the monastical life in the monastery of St. Martin of Autun, and adds, that he left that monastery to go to reform that of Beaume. It is true, says also Father Mabillon, that Rodolphus, or Raoul, king of the Transjuran Burgundy, conferred the government of the abby of Beaume on Bernon; but it was at the time when he was building the monastery of Gigni; and it is likely that he took not

^a In the Chron. of Joh. de Oxneade, MS. Cotton. Nero B. II. fol. 233 b, we read, "Anno m.cc.xc. Dominus papa concessit abbati Cluniacensi ad reformationem status monasterii sui, per vj. annos, vicesimam omnium spiritualium bonorum de omnibus abbatiis, prioratibus, et cellis citra mare vel ultra, necnon et de personis universis ab eisdem beneficiatis suæ jurisdictionis spectantibus."

^b These were HITCHAM in Norfolk, BABLEW in Somersetshire, and MANTON in Rutlandshire.

Stow mentions a *Hospital* in the parish of St. Andrew, Holborn; another in the street without Aldersgate; and another near Cripplegate; CELLS to the House of Cluni in France, which were suppressed, 3d Hen. V. among the Priories Alien. Tanner says, IF THERE WERE SUCH, probably they were founded before the reign of K. Edw. III., whose seizure of all estates belonging to the French abbeys discouraged all foundations of that kind.

the monastical habit in any other place than at Gigni, it being the custom of that time for princes that renounced the world to build monasteries, to which they retired to profess the monastic life.

“The precise time is not known when Bernon laid the foundations of the monastery of Gigni, in Burgundy, situated between Lions-le-Saunier and St. Amour, in the diocese of Lions. But it is certain that it was finished in the year 895, when Pope Formosus granted to Bernon, who was then abbat, a charter, by which he takes that monastery, the priories and lands depending on it, particularly the priory of Beaume, under the dominion and power of the Holy See, to which Bernon had submitted the same: that same pope also granted to the monks of that abby licence to chuse an abbat, according to the rule of St. Benedict. It appears, by the instruments concerning the same, that Bernon, and his cousin Laifin, had perfected that which his predecessor had begun. He finished the church, the dedication whereof was performed with much splendor and magnificence, in the presence of a great number of prelates, who had been invited to it. After having ordered all that regarded the material structure of the monastery, he applied himself diligently to the spiritual structure. He settled such excellent discipline in that monastery, that several monasteries in France, as well of ancient as modern foundation, submitted themselves to it. Regular observance was so much gone to decay, especially in the ancient Monasteries, as well in France as in England, and in Spain, that they were so far from observing the rule of St. Benedict in them, that they scarce knew the name of it; which is the reason that some writers, contemporaries with St. Odo, have believed that he was the first that published that Rule. Among the rest, the anonymous author of *Monstier-en-der*, who has written the miracles of St. Burchaire, abbat of that monastery, tells us, that, in the days of St. Odo, the rule of St. Benedict was unknown in France, and that in the monasteries they followed the observances which were practised in that of Luxeuil. But were those people ignorant, says Father Mabillon, of the decrees of ancient Councils, and those of Chapters, which, ever since the fifth century, had recommended the Rule of St. Benedict to the monks, as a model for them to follow; and did not they remember what St. Benedict of Aniane had done at the Council of Aix-la-Chapelle, in the year 817, to cause that Rule to be observed in all monasteries? If any man has deserved the name of first reformer of the abbats of St. Benedict, continues the learned historian of that Order, it is doubtless St. Benedict of Aniane, who was general of almost all the monasteries in France, out of which he had formed a body of a monastical congregation. That holy abbat dying, and no one having inherited his zeal for upholding of regular discipline, the Order of St. Benedict fell again into the same chaos and confusion as it had been in before, as well by reason of the wars which happened between the sons of Lewis le Debonnaire, as on account of the frequent invasions of the Normans, who, having ruined most of the monasteries, occasioned a relaxation therein, and abolished even the memory of the Rule of St. Benedict. The honour of being the supporter and restorer of the Order of St. Benedict, then ready to fall, was reserved for St. Odillon. In short, scarce were the customs of Cluni made known by his care, before a considerable number of monasteries resolved to embrace them: some thought it sufficient to receive them, without submitting themselves to Cluni; others willingly submitted, and, together with the abby of Cluni, founded that renowned Order, which afterwards so far spread itself over all the earth.

“But, to make known the sanctity of the monks of Cluni, at the first beginning of that Order, we here give a specimen of their principal observances. They every day sung two solemn masses, at each of which a monk of one of the choirs offered two hosts, though only five communicated on Sundays, or but three on ferias, or common days. The other did before dinner, and by way of thanksgiving, receive the hosts which had not been consecrated, but only blessed. But at the solemn masses for the dead, and on the three Rogation Days, both choirs offered the hosts. On solemn festivals, the deacon communicated of the host of the priest that said mass, and the sub-deacon of the others; but on the three days before Easter, all the monks received the communion. If any one would celebrate mass on Holy Thursday, before the solemn mass was sung, he made no use of light, because the new fire was not yet blessed. The preparation they used for making the bread, which was to serve for the sacrifice of the altar, is worthy to be observed. They first chose the wheat, grain by grain, and washed it very carefully. Being put into a bag, appointed only for that use, a servant, known to be a just man, carried it to the mill, washed the grindstones, covered them with curtains, above and below; and, having put on himself an alb, covered his face with a veil, nothing but his eyes appearing. The same precaution was used with the meal. It was not boulded till it had been

well washed ; and the warden of the church, if he were either priest or deacon, finished the rest, being assisted by two other religious men, who were in the same orders, and by a lay-brother particularly appointed for that business. Those four monks, when matins were ended, washed their faces and hands. The three first of them did put on albs ; one of them washed the meal with pure clean water, and the other two baked the hosts in the iron moulds ; so great was the veneration and respect the monks of Cluni paid to the holy Eucharist.

“ As to their regular exercises, silence was so strictly observed among them, as well by day as by night, that they would rather have died than break it before the hour of prime. During the hours of silence, they made use of signs instead of words. After the 13th of November, the elders stayed in the choir when matins were ended, and the young ones went to the chapter-house to learn to sing. When they were at work, they recited the Psalms. The publick declaring of their faults was in use among them. After Complin they received no gifts, nor were the monks ever permitted to eat any thing after that time.

“ Udalric gives us an instance in the person of a cellerer, who, though he had been employed the whole day in receiving the wine that was laid in for their store, yet could not obtain leave to eat after Complin. After the 13th of September they had but one meal allowed, except on festivals of twelve lessons, and within the octaves of Christmas and the Epiphany, when they had two. The remains of the bread and wine that were served in the refectory were distributed among poor travellers. Besides that they fed eighteen poor persons every day, and they were so profuse in their charity in the Lent, that one year, at the beginning of Lent, there were seven thousand poor, among whom they distributed a very large quantity of salt flesh, and other alms. Young people were there brought up with the same care ; they had the same education bestowed on them that the sons of princes could have had in the houses of their fathers ; and to this day they there breed up six boys of good families, who serve as choristers, and wear the habit of the order. This strict discipline was the care of the abbat, who had under him a great prior, deans, a cloister prior, chanters, masters for the boys, a pre-chanter, a cupboard keeper who kept the books that were for the use of the church in a cupboard in the cloister, a chamberlain who took care of the clothing, a treasurer who had charge of the treasure of the church, a cellerer, a master of the guests, an almoner, and an infirmary keeper. Thus the extraordinary discipline observed at Cluni, the great number of religious men there, the piety and devotion that moved all such as came into that holy monastery, rendered it most renowned. Its reputation spread abroad into all parts. France, Germany, England, Spain, and Italy desired to have some of those religious men, for whom they built new monasteries, or else they were put into the old, where regular observance was decayed. They also went over into the East, and there was scarcely any place in Europe where that order was not known.

“ To pass by what relates to monasteries of other countries in particular, which our author mentions, I will from him take notice of the account he gives of the Oblats, or persons given or offered up to the order.

“ About the year 948, a person of quality, with his wife, whose name was Doda, by consent of their children, renounced the world, and gave themselves to the abby of Cluni, with all they possessed in the villages of Macere and Norond, on the river Garonne. Father Mabillon is of opinion that this was the original of the Donnes, or Oblats, that is, persons given or offered up to monasteries, of which there were afterwards many, in several monasteries of the order of St. Benedict. These Oblats, or persons so given, receiving the religious habit, yet different from that worn by the monks, offered themselves up to God, with their possessions, and entirely gave themselves to a monastery, insomuch that they and their children entered into a state of servitude. In token of the offering they made of themselves and their possessions to the Lord, they put about their necks the bell-ropes of the church, and some money on their heads. Others took the money from off their own heads, and laid it on the altar. And a woman of quality, whose name was Gysa, after her husband's death, having also given up herself and her descendants to servitude, in the year 1022, in the monastery of St. Michael, left as a token of her offering to God, a piece of money with an hole through it, and the fillet of her head. There were also some of these Oblats in other orders ; but this sort is not to be confounded with those which the monasteries and abbeys of France, of the royal foundation, were obliged to receive and to maintain, and which were presented by the king. That sort of Oblats were called Lay-monks, and the religious men were obliged to give them a monk's portion, upon condition that they should ring

the bells, and sweep the church and the choir. These places were intended for maimed and invalid soldiers. This was afterwards converted into money, and since then, these Oblats and their pensions have been transferred to the Hospital of the Invalids at Paris, which King Lewis the Fourteenth began to build in the year 1671, two years after the foundation he had made in the year 1669^a.

“This Order was divided into ten provinces, being those of Dauphine (which includes Provence and Savoy) Auvergne, Poitiers, Saintonge, and Gascony, in France; Spain, Italy, Lombardy, Germany, in which is comprehended Lorain and the County of Burgundy; and lastly, England, which includes Scotland.

“At the general chapters, formerly held yearly, and now every three years, two visitors are chosen for every province, and two others for the monasteries of nuns; fifteen diffinitors; three auditors of causes; and two auditors of excuses. There were formerly five principal Priories; which were also the five first daughters of Cluni; but since the priory of St. Pancrace at Lewes, in England, has been involved in the destruction of other monasteries of that kingdom, there are only four of those principal Priories, or first daughters of Cluni, being those of la Charité-sur-Loire, St. Martin des Champs, at Paris, Souvigni, and Souxillanges.”

Cluniacensis Ordo.

[Glaber Rodulphus monachus Cluniacensis, lib. iii. Hist. Franc. cap. 5.]

AD ultimum quoque prædicta videlicet Institutio (ordinis sancti Benedicti) jam pene defessa, authore Deo, elegit sibi sapientiæ sedem, vires collectura, ac fructificatura germine multiplici, in monasterio scilicet cognomento Cluniaco, quod etiam ex situ ejusdem loci ad-clivo atque humili, tale sortitum est nomen: vel etiam, quod aptius illi congruit, à cluendo dictum, quoniam cluere, crescere dicimus: insigne quippe incrementum diversorum donorum à sui principio indies locus idem obtinuit. Construxit igitur prædictum cœnobium primitus pater monachorum Balmensis monasterii Berno vocatus, jubente Willermo piissimo Aquitanorum duce, in pago Matisconense, super Graonam fluvium. Quod etiam cœnobium in primo, non amplius quam quindecim terræ colonias dicitur in dotem accepisse, fratres tamen duodecim numero inibi memorantur convenisse. Ex quorum veluti optimo semine multiplicata stirpe domini exercituum innumerabilis magnam cognoscitur replese. Qui quoniam his quæ Dei sunt, videlicet justitiæ & pietatis operibus incessanter adhæserunt, idcirco bonis omnibus repleti meruerunt, insuperque futuris mirabile reliquerunt exemplum; nam post præfatum Brunonem suscepit regiminis curam sapientissimus Abbas Odo, &c.

^a Having given an account of the Oblats, or persons offered to a monastery, says Stevens, it may not be unacceptable to take notice of the several sorts of exterior acts formerly used to denote the firm disposition made, or as it were a confirmation of any donation made in the most authentic manner.

Several forms were formerly used for giving possession to the persons that were to receive the donation. The most common was to give a glove, a knife, the haft of a knife, a stick, the stalk of an herb, the bough of a tree, a bit of wood, a book, or some other thing. Sometimes the donor broke or bent his own knife or another's. They brought some earth from the very place which was given, which was hung up in the church, before the high altar, tyed up in a piece of linnen. The donation was also made by touching the bells, or the bell-ropes; by a publick declaration made with a loud voice; by the leather-thong the donor was girt with, or by the kiss of peace, a ceremony which seems to have been essential, and which religious persons had performed by seculars, when decency would not permit them to do it to persons of a different sex. Therefore one Mainon, with the consent of his son and of his daughter-in-law, having given the land of Breschiot to the abby of St. Abuin of Angers, in testimony thereof he and his son embraced the monk Walter, who received the donation; but it being indecent for that Walter to give the kiss of peace to a woman, he ordered the provost of the abby to do it for him to Mainon's son's wife. Father Mabillon, in his Annals of the Benedictines, gives us two very singular instances of this sort of donations, the one made by cuffs on the face, and the other by paring a nail till the blood came, as appears by the Acts of the Donations made to the abby of Moissac, by Ponce Earl of Toulouse, and by one Honfroy to the monastery of Preaux in Normandy. For Ponce Earl of Toulouse, having, in the year 1045, given a parcel of land to the abby of Moissac, now changed into a Collegiate of regular canons, he made that donation by paring the nail of his thumb to the quick, and drew blood; and Honfroy having also given some land, in the year 1034, to the monastery of Preaux, with the consent of Robert Duke of Normandy, the prince sent his son William for him, to place that donation on the altar, which he did in the presence of several persons, among whom were Roger and Robert William, sons to Honfroy, who gave Robert William a cuff on the face. Richard de Lillebonne received a greater, and asking Honfroy, why he had given him so great a cuff; he answered, that being younger than he, and in all appearance likely to live longer, he would be a witness of that action. In fine, Hugh, son to Earl Valeran, received a third cuff. Father Mabillon adds, that this is the only example he has met with of this sort of donations made by cuffs.

[Scriptor anonymus Hist. Franc. qui vixit tempore Philippi, Ludovici Pii filii. MS.]

CAROLO Sitaque Simplicie regnum Franciæ gubernante, G. Dei providentia dux Aquitaniæ, venerabili Abbati Bernoni anno Christi DCCCXC. concessit locum in partibus Burgundiæ, qui dicitur Cluniacus, qui per Dei gratiam diversis temporibus multipliciter adauctus gloriôsè refulget, &c.

[Reyneri Apostolatus Benedictinorum in Anglia, fol. Duac. 1626. p. 158.]

IGITUR postquam per quadringentos annos nullos alios Anglia viderat religiosos, præter monachos sive Scotos, et Britannos Ægyptiæ disciplinæ professores, sive quos S. Augustinus secum adduxit, et nos Benedictinos fuisse diximus; primum omnium sub Gulielmo primo Conquestore, gener ipsius, Gulielmus comes de Warennæ, Cluniacenses monachos introduxit, anno Domini 1077 vel circiter; qui tametsi sub regula D. Benedicti militarent, et habitu etiam nigro amicirentur, quia tamen longè diversam disciplinam in cæremoniis modoque agendi sequebantur ab ea, quam Monachi nigri ante ipsorum adventum servaverant, non Benedictini, nec de ordine S. Benedicti, sed Ordinis Cluniacensis monachi appellabantur; prorsus eodem modo, quo licet monachi Britones et Scoti secundum communem multorum opinionem, regulam sequebantur S. Benedicti: tamen quia in ritibus paschatis et tonsuræ, et candore vestimentorum a Monachis Romanis cum Augustino Angliam ingressis differebant, hi ut ab illis distinguerentur, monachi nigri appellati sunt.

Supplicatio Cluniacensium exhibita Regi Edwardo III. in Parlamento; ex bundello Petitionum Parlamenti apud Winton. anno quarto Edwardi III. num. 63.

[Reyneri Append. p. 147.]

A nostre Seigneur le Roy et a son Conseil monstrent plusieurs de L'Ordre de Cluny, coment les mesuns sont malement gouvernè en spirituaute e en temporaute en grant dishonour de nostre Seigneur le Roy, e en grant damage des moynes e des mesmes, et de ce prient remedie.

Premierement en grant damage de nostre Seigneur le Roy e en disheritage de ces ministres que fonderent les mesons, la ou dussent estre karant moynes, ou trent, il ny a sur la tierce partie, e nommement a Montaguee a Bermondsey: e per tant e de ce ke il dussent sustener lesmoynes, ils donnent grans dons pur mentenyr lur errur, e emportant les byns hors de la terre a dishonour de Roy e grant damage de mesons e des moynes.

Le second mal, il ne sont visité de Arceveke ne de Eveke, ne de nul de la natiun de la terre a grant damage de mesmes, e de moynes.

Le ters mal, il ny a nul election e ce encontre la Reule Seynt Benet: mes cel sera pastor ke ne set reyns de clergie mes queiller le argent e emporter savent il byn hors de la terre.

Le kart, ke si un moyne parle de ordre ou de

DOMINO nostro Regi, et Consilio suo, remonstrant complures de Ordine Cluniacensi, quod Domus male gubernentur in spiritualibus et temporalibus, in grande dedecus Domini nostri Regis, et grande damnum Monachorum et ipsorum (Cluniacensium) et ejus mali remedium orant.

Primum, in grande damnum Domini nostri Regis, et in exhæredationem subditorum suorum, qui Domus (Ordinis Cluniacensis) fundaverunt, ubi debeant esse quadraginta vel triginta Monachi, non est tertia pars eorum, nominatim in Montacuto et Bermondseia, et similiter in aliis omnibus domibus: et ex eo quo deberent monachos alere, magna dant munera ad suum errorem manutenendum, et exportant bona extra terram in dedecus Regis, et grande damnum Domuum et Monachorum.

Secundum malum, non visitantur ab Archiepiscopo, Episcopo, aut ullo nationis Anglicæ; in grave damnum Domuum et Monachorum.

Tertium malum, nulla fit electio; et hoc est contra Regulam S. Benedicti: sed talis erit pastor, qui nihil noverit clericale (indoctus) sed tantum argentum colligere, et exportare sæpius bona extra provinciam.

Quartum, quod siquis monachus loquatur de

religiun, il sera mandé cent lewes hors, e a pe, e a poy despenses, e pur ice le Ordre de Cluny e alle a hunte et per ice nul ne ose parler de religiun.

Le quint mal est : nous ne sumus vint profes en cete terre, e les aliens averunt despenses, et les Engleys faudrunt byn : e les uns sunt karant anns en le Ordre avant ke il seyent profes, e les autres ne sunt james profes. Ce fut un des ordonances ordinè en parlement pur le Ordre de Cluny, ke ky fut priur de Lewes dust estre un Abbè pur fere les moynes profes en lur terre deymeine, e oyr e determiner les pleynts en lur terre, ke ons ne usent mester de passer la mere e estre huny e perdu.

Le sime grant mal est, ke le une natiun serunt tuz mestres per heritage ne seyent il y a si poy, e ne facent il si malement ; e les autres tus suges, ne facent il si byn, e ce en encontre la Reule seyent Benet. Les deus naciuns en une mesun ne sey accorderunt jamés. Grante bonte sereyt de amender les grant damage ke auenent de ces maus.

ordine, aut de religione (de moribus emendandis) amandabitur per centum leucas pedes, cum expensis parvis : propter quod ordo Cluniacensis abit in ignominiam, et hinc nemo audet loqui de religione.

Quintum malum est ; non sumus viginti professi in hac provincia, et alienigenæ habent quod expendant, Anglicis verò desunt commoda, et aliqui erunt per quadraginta annos in Ordine priusquam profitebuntur, et alii nunquam sunt professi. Fuit ordinatum inter cætera Parlamento pro Ordine Cluniacensi, ut qui fuisset prior Lewiarum (S. Pancratii) debuisset esse abbas, ut exciperet professiones Monachorum in terrâ propriâ, et audiret ac terminaret querelas in ipsâ Provinciâ, absque eo quod necessarium foret mare transire, cum periculo ignominie et perditionis.

Sextum magnum malum est quod unius nationis Monachi (Franci) omnes dominabuntur quasi hæreditario, quantumvis pauci sint, et mala faciant, alii verò (Angli) omnes erunt subditi, quantumcumque bene agant ; quod est contra Regulam S. Benedicti. Ambæ nationes in eadem domo nunquam convenient : magnæ bonitatis foret mederi magnis incommodis, quæ ex his malis oriuntur.

Apostilla seu Responsio superscripta à tergo hujus Supplicationis.

Soyt maundé a les Abbes et Priours del dit Ordre, que sont del patronage del Roy en Engleterre qil facent hastife amendement des choses contenues in cest petition, in peril appertement issi, que le Roy ne ad mestre de metere la maine en autre manere.

Et quant as Abbeis et Prioreis que sont de autre advoere, nihil fiat.

Sit injunctum Abbatibus et Prioribus dicti Ordinis, qui sunt de patronatu Regis in Anglia, ut celeriter contenta in hac petitione reforment, sub periculo alias imminente : ne Rex habeat causam admovendi manum alio severiori modo.

Quantum ad Abbates et Priores qui alios habeant patronos : nihil fiat.

Ingressus trium Monachorum de Cænobio Cluniacensi in regnum Angliæ, causa videndi dominum Regem, petendique ab eo illa quæ olim debebantur eis ex jure. A.D. 1458.

[Joh. de Whethamstede Chronicon, tom. ii. p. 433. ed. Hearne.]

Ejusdem itaque anni in temporibus, mense videlicet illo, quo rejungetur cultrum aratro, solentque homines exire in agros causa primariæ seminationis, intraverunt in regnum Angliæ tres monachi de cænobio Cluniacensi, viri probi et spectabiles, viri graves moribus, et sensu ac scientia plurimum prævalentes. Qui applicantes apud Dovoriam perrexerunt itinere recto, quousque venirent ad civitatem Londoniarum. Illuc utiq ; venientes, et dominum regem apud sanctum Albanum esse intelligentes, mox mora seposita inde recesserant, ascendentesque iterum in equos, usque ad villam prothomartiris veniebant. Ingredientes autem ecclesiam, et varios de ministris regiis habentes sibi obviam, petierunt dari licentiam adeundi domini regis præsentiam, ad exponendam sibi causam adventus sui, ac ulterius ad promovendam materiam suam. Certioratus rex de eorum adventu et de desiderio, mandavit domino episcopo Dunelmensi custodi protunc sui privati sigilli, domino de Gray

de Ruthyn, et suo secretario, viro solido, sobrio et sensato, ut ipsi eos ad partem traherent, audirentque ab ipsis quid in sui causa adventus dicere vellent. Gradients igitur tres viri isti valentes ad ecclesiam, traxerunt eos seorsum ad locum privatum, ad videlicet vestiarium, ibique quæsierunt ab illis quæ fuerat causa sui adventus, et quæ ipsi habuerunt domino regi pro sua parte ad dicendum? Tunc eorum frater senior, vir in se grandævus et in facultate sacræ theologiæ doctoratus, aperuit os suum et loquebatur, dicens: “Egregii patres et domini. Missi per patrem nostrum abbatem Cluniacensem, propter tres causas accessimus ad istud regnum. Primo, ad aperiendum excellentiæ regiæ quomodo super omnes reges universæ terræ nobiles ipsius progenitores maximi amplissimique fuerunt benefactores ecclesiæ nostræ, qualiterque inter eos rex Henricus secundus, tam largus et largifluus ditator ac etiam dotator illius fertur fuisse, ut dicatur pronunc à nobis præcipuus noster fundator, præcipueque ac etiam singularissime habeatur recommendatus in omnibus omniphariisque suffragiis nostris. Secundo, ad petendam possessionem et confirmationem bonorum illorum omnium, quæ dicti progenitores loco nostro contulerant, et per tempus non paucum jam dudum à manibus nostris detenta distractaque erant. Tertio vero, ad impetrandam plenam licentiam et liberam, ad ingrediendum singula loca religiosa, à nostro Cœnobio dependentia, et per nobiles progenitores nunc regis posita fuerunt sub regimine et gubernatione nostra. Propter has tres causas ad regnum istud accessimus, peroptamusque, si regiæ placeat dignationi, propter eas aperiendas accedere ad præsentiam ipsius.” Rex, audita causa sui adventus, iussit eos recedere usque ad civitatem Londoniarum, expectaturos ibidem tam suum adventum, quam etiam per avizamentum sui concilii responsum eis dandum. Disponentes igitur se ad recessum, perrexerunt prius ad præsentiam reginæ, quæ fuit regis Siciliæ filia et de Gallicana natione. Deinde, per reginæ directionem, ad abbatis hospitium, à quo tam humaniter recepti fuerant, tam in mensa prima, quam etiam in secunda, quod in recessu eorum ab Anglia mitteret eorum senior, una cum habitu suæ religionis, et quodam tractatulo de ordine militari in regno isto, sibi litteram quandam regratiatoriam, continentem hunc tenorem:

“Reverendissimo in Christo patri ac domino, Domino Abbati Sancti Albani, sacræ theologiæ doctori famosissimo, vestræ reverendissimæ paternitatis humilis et devotus orator, Frater Mundus^a Bennalet, theologorum minimus. Reverendissime in Christo pater, et domine insuper honorande, humili præmissa recommendatione. Quoniam audivi, vos desiderare copias habitus nostri Cluniacensis, quem portabamus quando ad serenissimum dominum Regem accessimus, vestram intelligens paternitatem in Domino Jhesu esse devotam, et virum plenum scientia et virtute, non immemor caritatis michi et sociis meis impensæ, tam in domo quam in mensa vestra, in qua vos optime nos refecistis et pavistis (unde merito orare debemus, ut Deus vobis retribuât, et hoc in retributione justorum) hinc habitum meum, quo vestimur in vita et involvimur post mortem, per nepotem meum præsentium latorem transmitto. Utinam esset novus; sed licet sit miser, ad tegendam tamen humanam fragilitatem terream aptior est et melior. Omnes enim beati Benedicti patris nostri filii, hoc habitu tegimur in vita, et post mortem. Exiguum ergo munus, quod offert vobis devotus amicus et servitor, gratum habere dignemini, si valeret plus decies, etiam bono corde transmitterem. Transmitto etiam vobis unum brevem tractatulum, quem hîc edidi, non pro clericis, sed pro ordine serenissimi domini Regis, et suorum nobilium. Ideo in illo nullam infero scientiam, quia nec unum librum possideo. Corrigatis, si placet, ignorantiam meam. Ceterum, domine, noveritis, quod postquam per quatuor menses cum dimidio fuimus in itinere, et in prosecutione iurium nostrorum apud serenissimum dominum regem, et illius sacrum concilium, omnino nichil impetramus, imo remittimur valde tristes, nostris maneriis privati, pensionibus alienatis, imo, quod pejus est, omnium nostrorum conventuum, qui sunt numero triginta octo, obedientia sumus privati, nec valuerunt nobis legitima documenta, neque vestrarum cronicarum testimonia et tandem nostra universa exposita, expensa et pecunia vacui revertimur, quia certe hiis, quæ comedimus et bibimus, solutis, non restant nobis nisi quinque scuta^b pro recedendo ad ducentas sexaginta leucas. Set quid? vendemus nostra, et transibimus, et Deus ordinabit. Alia vestræ paternitati non occurrunt^c scribere, nisi quod, sicut cum lætitia intravimus Angliam, sic cum summa tristitia ab eadem recedemus, uno tamen primo sepulto nostro socio, videlicet archidiacono juniore nostrorum. Requiescat in pace, Amen. Humiliter supplicamus pro nostra omniumque salute dignemini orare, et sanctis orationibus dominorum patrum vestri sancti Conventus nos reconvertere. Et si quid ex nostris regionibus placet imperare, optimo corde faciemus.

^a sc. Edmundus.

^b id est, quinque denarios argenteos ad scutum, intelligendosque esse opinor de denariis albis Henrici nostri VI. cum binis scutis Franciæ et Angliæ. HEARNE.

^c pro occurrunt.

Valeat vestra reverenda paternitas, cum universo vobis grege credito, ut optatis. Amen. Mensis Novembris die tertio decimo." Abbas, visis litteris dictis et perlectis, receptisque munusculis, de quibus fit mentio in præmissis, mox calamum sumpsit et scedulam, rescripsitque præfato monacho quandam brevem regratiatoriam, cujus tenor hîc subsequitur per hunc modum :

"Recolende pater et domine. Visis vestræ paternitatis apicibus, una cum duobus placentioribus vestris munusculis, nuper nobis missis, cum munusculo videlicet regularis habitus vestræ domus, et cum munere cujusdam tractatuli de ordine militiæ regni hujus, in tanto lætiori oculo perspeximus, de quanto ex illo processisse animo intelleximus, qui recenter recordatur humanitatis exhibitæ, exiguæ quamvis et exilimæ, nec solet, ut moris est plurium, statim post digestionem, gustato modico de letheo poculo transmittere in oblivionem. In tanto etiam duo vestra munuscula fuerunt nobis acceptiora, de quanto illorum unum invitat nos ad bonum, alterum vero instruit ad mores, et dat doctri nationem. Habitus enim vester ad vitam sanctiorem nos invitat. Sanctus enim est, et sanctum ad se trahit, non sanctum aut^a emendat. Tractatulus quippe plenus est pinguedine moralis scientiæ, moraliterque unumquemque instruit, qui in ipso vel legere vel studere velit. Et propterea, si non venissent locusta et brucus in nostras fruges, intelligatis vos prout vultis, et devorassent singula quasi granellula in patria nostra, fuissetis vobis pro vestris munusculis retributor talis, qualem de- cuisset nos fuisse, placuissetisque non diffidimus melius vobis. Modo vero licet assit voluntas, deficit tamen facultas, ad convertendam aut tristitiam vestram in gaudium, aut miseriam in successum prosperum seu felicitatem. Nichilominus, ne omnino videamur claudere viscera nostræ caritatis à vobis, transmittimus vobis per præsentium bajulum, vestrum nepotulum, de illis modicis, imo modi- cissimis, quæ adhuc nobis restant, pauculos denarios aureos,^b qui et si nequaquam in toto, de tantillulo tamen relevare vos poterint in itinere versus vestras partes. Ad quas prospera sorte, prout optamus, cum veneritis, rogamus vos Cyneam, Pirri Epirotarum regis legatum, statuere vobis in exemplum, et licet nequaquam omnia vobis in vestro fuerint negotio pro voto responsiva, quemadmodum tamen ipse suo respondebat domino in suo regressu de Romanis, ita et vos etiam pro nobis Anglicis singulis quæstionantibus respondeatis. Responsum ideo non exprimimus quia bene scimus, satisque recenter illius recordati statis. Honesti enim viri est honesta dicere, in aliis vero vel interpretari in melius, vel omnino tacere. Igitur vel omnino taceatis, vel in melius reportamen facitatis. In æternum felicius quemadmodum nos vobiscum valere appetimus, vos nobiscum in precibus orationum, et in suffragiis caritatis valeatis. Amen. Cursivo calamo et festino, &c."

^a *f.* autem.

^b *Angelos aureos Henrici nostri VI. angeli nimirum figuram præ se ferentes, utrumque Franciæ et Angliæ scutum tenentis.* HEARNE.

MONASTICON ANGLICANUM.

Lewes Priory, in Sussex.



WILLIAM earl of Warren, who came into England with William the Conqueror, founded the priory of St. Pancras at Lewes in 1077 or 1078.^a

The history of the foundation of this priory is given to us by the founder himself in his charter; who tells us that he, with the Lady Gundreda his wife,^b were going on a pilgrimage to St. Peter at Rome, and in their

passage through France and Burgundy visited divers monasteries to make their orisons: but understanding in Burgundy that they could not in safety proceed with their purpose, on account of the war which was then carrying on between the pope and the emperor, they took up their abode in the great monastery of St. Peter at Cluni in that country, and there paid their devotions to the saint. The appearances of sanctity, religion, and charity which they met with in that abbey were great beyond their expectation; and these, together with the special respect shown to them by the prior (in the abbat's absence) and the whole convent, who admitted them to their fraternity, charmed them, and raised their esteem both for the Order and the House of Cluni above all others. And because, long before that time, the earl and his lady had determined (by the advice of Lanfranc archbishop of Canterbury) to found some religious house to make atonement for their sins, and for the welfare of their souls; they forthwith resolved that it should berather of the Cluniac than of any other Order. They therefore, soon after, sent over their request to Hugh abbat and the convent of Cluni that they would favour them with two, or three, or four monks out of their flock: and the intention was to give them a church, anciently dedicated to St. Pancras, under the castle of Lewes, and which the earl and countess purposed, at the setting out, to endow with lands and possessions sufficient for the maintenance of twelve monks. The abbat, at first, made great difficulty in the affair, and seemed unwilling to comply, as the proposed place of abode for his monks was to be a long way off in another land, and especially as the sea would be between them and the parent convent; but understanding at length that the earl had obtained licence from King William to introduce monks of their order into England, and having himself applied to the king on that behalf, and being satisfied of his approbation thereof, he became reconciled to the proposal, and agreed to send them four monks of his convent, Lanzo being chief. Whereupon the earl did immediately by his charter grant and confirm what he had before so designed and promised; and remitted the deed to the abbat and convent of Cluni. For the abbat and convent of Cluni would by no means send over the monks, till they had in their hands a sure confirmation both from the earl and the king of the possessions they were to be endowed with on their arrival. And thus it was, says the earl, that I and my wife procured a convent of Cluniac monks in England.

This affair took up some time in transacting, and abbat Hugh showed himself very backward in complying with the earl's proposals, either on account of some real difficulties in the case, or, as seems most likely, to make the

greater advantage of the pious disposition of the earl, and retain the new settlement, as far as might be, dependent upon his own monastery. To this purpose he had recalled Lanzo the prior, and kept him for a whole year together at Cluni. At which usage the earl was so far provoked, as almost to have determined in his mind wholly to lay aside his design, or at least to take away his church from them, and give it to the greater monastery of Tours. But the abbat, who was come to speak with the king in Normandy, there meeting with the earl, and finding his temper, agreed to send over again Lanzo the prior directly: and moreover, then, at much entreaty, promised and agreed that if God should give a sufficient encrease to the earl's house, he would make it, as one of the great ones, independent; and when, upon the death of Lanzo, or his promotion to any higher dignity, the monks of St. Pancras should send to Cluni for a prior the next best monk of their whole convent, after their own prior and the prior of the abbey of Charity, should be returned: that is to say, one whom they knew to be the most strict and regular in his devotions, to maintain the religious Rule and Order of the House, and also the most skilled in secular wisdom to manage the affairs of it: and that he, the said prior, should remain with them, and never be removed back again, unless for some such apparent reason as no one could gainsay. And hereupon the Earl had the abbat's deed in writing, signed and sealed.

The earl tells us, that he took these precautions, fearing lest when Lanzo came back again he should soon lose him: for the king laid hands upon every man of better note he could meet with, and raised them to dignities in the church; and in his hearing, he tells us, he desired the abbat of Cluni to send him over a dozen of his holy monks, and he would make them all bishops and abbats in the land of his Inheritance, which God had given him. And the earl did it too, thinking with himself, that if his house should thus in its infancy and first beginnings be every now and then changing its prior, and come into the management of fresh hands, it would never arrive at any great proficiency. And to prevent this his work and labour of love from being liable at any time hereafter to any secular service or encroachments thereupon, it was then settled between him and the abbat, that the abbey of Cluni should receive yearly fifty shillings English money of the gift of St. Pancras, in lieu of all service, imposition, and tax: and that the abbat of Cluni should by no means interfere with the prior of Lewes in the ordering of the house, unless it were in the case of establishing and amending the rules of the Order, which the prior could not do of himself; nor of any of the houses, if so be by the grace of God he should come to have any under him: but the prior and convent of St. Pancras should always have them free under their own direction, as they should be given them. And this he provided for, because he had it in his intention to settle some monks in his castle at Acre, which he chose should be subject to no other place but St. Pancras.

The unsettled times which followed upon the death of King William, the doubtfulness of the succession, and the uncertainty of the life of their founder, put Lanzo the prior and his monks upon remonstrating with the earl that the writing made by him of the possessions which he had given them was at Cluni; that they themselves had no deed thereof; and that therefore they begged of him to make out to them for their security another charter of his do-

^a The Chronicle of Bermondsey says expressly that Lanzo the first prior came over in 1077.

nations. With this request of theirs he readily complied, and, by the name of William de Warren earl of Surrey, gave and confirmed to the abbey and convent of St. Peter at Cluni the Church of St. Pancras lying under his castle of Lewes; and to the said church and the Cluniac monks serving God therein, for the health of his soul and of the soul of Gundreda his wife; and for the soul of his sovereign lord King William who brought him over into England, and gave him licence to bring over those monks, and confirmed his former grant to them; and for the health of his sovereign lady Queen Maud his wife's mother; and for the health of his sovereign lord King William their son, after whose coming into England he made this present charter, and who made him earl of Surrey; and for the health of all his successors, and all the faithful of Christ, living and dead; he gave, for the maintenance of the said monks of St. Pancras, his mansion or manor called Falemel, viz. all that he had in demesne there, with a hide of land which Eustace held in Burgamel, and which belonged to that manor: the manor also of Carlentone which Maud the queen, with the permission and confirmation of King William, gave Gundreda his wife and him to assist them in their foundation for their new monks: and in Swamberge five hides and a half: the land also called the Isle, near the monastery, with the meadows and pasture fields: all the land also which he had in demesne within the island in which the monastery was situated, with the mill upon the pond adjoining and with one tenant out of the town^a near there called Lewine: in Tuniac the land that was Norman's: to wit, one yard-land called Redrewell, and another called Stanforde: in Wastedene two hides with four villans and one meadow:^b the tithes also of his lands, and those in particular which Richard the priest held, and was to hold for life, the monks having the reversion of them: and all the grants of tithes which his tenants there had made, or should at any time thereafter make, he confirmed.

With these donations he had at the first endowed them; and afterwards he gave them the lordship of Walton, reserving to himself and his heirs the right of two nights' entertainment in a year there, the one in going to, and the other in returning from Yorkshire, in lieu of all services which the tenants of that manor owed him. And if he or they lodged there more than twice a year, whatever charges the monks were put to, over and above the two times mentioned, were to be brought to account and allowed for at the year's end.^c

Moreover he gave them the church of Acre with two plough-lands, where he, and his wife Gundreda before she died, purposed to make another monastery, and to supply it with monks from those of St. Pancras; and where they were still to be subordinate to and in the free disposition of the prior and convent of St. Pancras. And he himself at the time of making this his charter, which was after the death of Gundreda his wife, continued still in the resolution so to do, provided God granted him health and life; but, if, it happened otherwise, and he himself could not complete it, he left it in charge to his heir. And if any of his heirs who came after him, should, in their time, found and

endow any house of religion, he directed them to subject it to St. Pancras; and always to have St. Pancras the head of their Honor. And he desired them to fix upon the church of St. Pancras for the place of their burial, as he intended it for his own, and had already laid there Gundreda his wife.^d

All these aforementioned possessions he gave them in the life-time and with the consent of Gundreda his wife, and of William and Raymond his sons and heirs. But, between Gundreda's death and the time of making this his charter he moreover gave them for the health of her soul, his own soul, and the souls of his posterity, his manor of Hecham, in Norfolk: commanding that his heirs should confirm the same; as his sovereign lord King William had done, and as the king's father had confirmed his other donations.

Whatever this earl now gave the monks, and whatever he should add at any time hereafter, or his heirs after him, he confirmed to them, quite free from all services, customs, taxes, and impositions whatsoever: and bound it upon himself and his heirs after him in like manner for ever, to answer all such demands for them and their tenants, as for their own demesne lands; and if any dispute or offence chanced to arise between their tenants and the earl or his tenants, which incurred a penalty, the prior of St. Pancras was always to levy the forfeiture of his own tenants, that it might not be in the power of any one else to injure or oppress the tenants of the saint. And he intended, as God increased his substance, to increase that of the monks; and as their substance increased to increase their number. This charter of his was allowed and witnessed by the king in his great council at Winchester, and by the bishops, earls, and barons then present.^e

Furthermore, to those lands in Sussex and elsewhere already recited, wherewith he endowed this his priory of St. Pancras and the monks of Lewes, he added these churches in Yorkshire, viz. Cuningeburgh, Hertille, Fislac; Hetfeld with the chapel of Torne; the church of Little Sandal with the chapel of Harnoldesthorp; the church of Wakefield with the chapel of Horbirie; the church of Halifax; the church of Dewesbury^f with the chapel of Hertesheved; the church of Burton; and the church of Great Sandal.^g

As for other Benefactors to Lewes:

William the second earl gave and confirmed to them the lordship of Hercheham, according to the desire of his father before expressed, it being one of his best manors in the North; and likewise all that land there which William de Cailli held of him.^h He gave them too the church of Dicelinges, with one hide of land to keep the anniversary of his brother Raynald.ⁱ In two distinct charters he granted venison from his parks, and the privilege of fishing in his several waters at Lewes, when such advantages were necessary for the benefit of sick monks in the infirmary of the priory.^k He likewise settled the tithes of his revenues where-soever through England, in the priory: in kind of his demesnes; in money of his rents. The livery of seisin which he gave on this occasion was remarkable, the bishop of Winchester cutting a portion of hair from the head not only of the grantor, but of his brother, before the high altar of the church, at the time of the donation.^l

^a In folio 26 of the first volume of Domesday, under the demesne lands of William de Warene, we find NIWORDE entered for fifty-eight hides.

^b De hac terra ten. monachi S. Pancratii vj. hid. et dim. et ibi habent in dominio ii. car. et x. villanos cum iii. car. Non geldant hæ hidæ."

At the end of the entry of this manor it is said "Modo dominium Willielmi xxxv. lib. *Monachorum* iii. lib. *Hominum* lxxxv. solid."

^c In Falemere Hund. Sanctus Pancratius tenet de Willielmo FALEMERE. Abbacia de Wiltunia tenuit tempore Regis Edwardi, et in die ejus fuit saisita. Tempore Regis Edwardi se defendebat pro viginti [et] una hida, et modo pro xviii. hid. aliæ sunt in rapo Comitum Moritonii, et non geldant. Terra xv. car. In dominio ii. car. et xxxv. villani et vii. bord. cum xiii. car. Ibi æcclesia et unus servus. Ibi iii. acr. prati. et silva de xx. porcis. Tempore Regis Edwardi, et post, et modo xx. lib." Ibid. fol. 26, col. 2.

^d Cum uno suburbano.

^e King William the Conqueror gave the monks of Lewes an especial confirmation of this grant of Walton. See the charter in the Appendix, Num. IV.

^f The Rev. Mr. Hayley of Brightling and Sir William Burrell, in their respective Collections for the History of Sussex, both of which have been constantly referred to in compiling the present Account, have preserved Lists, of some length, of the members of the family of

Warren, as well as of other benefactors, who were interred, some in the Chapter House and some in the priory church of Lewes. See the Donation MSS. in the British Museum, numm. 5706; 6343, col. 182; and 6344, col. 566.

^g See the Charter in the Appendix, Num. II.

^h "Joh. comes Warren præsentavit Will. de Lond. ad eccl. de Dewesbury, sed prior de Lewes ostendebat instrumenta sua quæ habuit de prædecessoribus dicti com. Warren. quibus apparebat pr. et conv. plenum jus habere, et præd. comes totum jus suum et clamium in eadem remisit, fest. Purif. beatæ Virg. A.D. 1266." Harl. MS. 6970, p. 45, è Regist. Giffard archiep. Ebor.

ⁱ See Num. III.

^k See the Append. Num. VI.

^l Ibid.

^m See the Append. Numm. VII. and VIII.

ⁿ Compare Num. IX. This grant was made to the monks by the earl before his marriage, and was, in truth, but a confirmation of what had been before granted to them by his father and grandfather: yet Ala, his countess dowager, refused, after his demise, to continue the payment of the tithes of the rents of her dowry: whereupon the monks made their complaint to Theobald archbishop of Canterbury, who directed his admonition to her, wherein he sets before her the heinousness of her offence, and counsels her to give the monks their own; or otherwise, he assures her, he must take it upon him to see that justice be done them. The Instrument of Admonition is printed in Selden's Hist. of Tythes, pp. 333, 334

Ranulf de Warren gave the monks of Lewes one yard-land at Estun, in Norfolk: and William, his son, the tithe of the land which one Godvine held at Gelham.^a

Walter de Grantcourt gave them the churches of St. Mary and St. Peter at Burnham, with their glebes and tithes: all which Philip de Warren then held, for his life, for two marks of silver.^b

Simon de Fleinvile gave the tithe of Epinges: and Geoffrey Bainard and Ralph his brother the church of Essendun.^c

Richard son of Haerdewine de Scalers gave lands in Willingham, as did William de Pigchenie a garden at Thatesford.^d

The mother of Robert de Bachentune gave the church of Bere, in Devonshire: and Girard Fitz-Baldwin a hide and half of land at Melesberie, in Dorsetshire. The church of Winterburn, in Wilts, was given by Reginald de Dunstanvill. The church of Compton, in Sussex, by Roger de St. John. The church of Bercham, and twenty shillings rent, and the chapel of Greteham, by Robert de Dunstanvill. Walter de Dunstanvill gave to the monks his lands in Nytymbre.^e

Roger de Caisneto, or Cheney, gave to Lewes the tithe of Grafham. Ralph de Cheney senior gave a hide of land at Elintune for the soul of Maud his wife: and Ralph de Cheney junior, his son, gave another hide of land, with the mill at Bardesey, for the soul of Emme his wife; as also the church of Brighthelmston, with the tithes of all he had in that town; and his tithes of Sadlescombe.^f

William de Cahaynes, or Keynes, gave a hide of land in Langney for the souls of his sons Richard and William, and a piece of land at Rameginges which rented for half a mark: Adelais, his wife, gave two hides at Duclintune for the soul of her husband: and Hugh de Keynes two hides and a half at Sidenore "pro monachatu."^g

Philip de Braose gave four salt-pans at Bramber: and Reynald de Poynings the tithe of his lordship at Pangdean. In the castelry of Sevensey Alured Pincerna gave the church of Grenestede, and half a hide of land belonging to it: and at Hastings Reginald de St. Leger gave, for the soul of his wife, his land of Crotteslee, of 25s. per annum; the produce of which was made to maintain a monk to pray for her soul.^h

The monks of Lewes had moreover Erdlaveswyk; the tithe of Sutton, in Surrey; the land of Banberge; the tithe of Saldeford; the tithe of William Damartin of Michelham; and the tithe of Geoffrey de Baileol of Bineley, in Kent.ⁱ

Dionysia widow of Robert de Beauchamp gave, for herself and the soul of her said husband, and for the temporal and eternal welfare of their children, and all their ancestors, xij^d. yearly rent, and ten shillings which Richard her son was bound to pay from a tenement which he held of the convent.^k

Eustace, the son of King Stephen, gave the monks of Lewes a fishery at Pcvensey.^l

Gilbert de Tonebridge gave them twenty shillings per annum rent out of the toll of Tonebruge for eight days preceding the feast of St. Pancras.^m

Gilbert earl of Clare gave them the church of Tonebruge;ⁿ and Roger earl of Clare, his brother, the church of Blechingley.^o

Josceline of Lovaine, who married the daughter and heir of Percy, and to whom William earl of Arundel had

given the Honour of Petworth, castellan of Arundel, confirmed to the monks of Lewes the church of Budinkton, which they had of the gift of William Fitz-Ralph.^p

Alan Basset confirmed to the monks the grant of the church of Winterbourne which Walter de Dunstanvill his uncle had previously given.^q

Richard de Scalers gave to the monks Willingham, in Norfolk.^r

Hugh de Scalers, son of Richard, gave the churches of Wadone, Withiale, Ruthenalle, and Berchamstede:^s which grant Henry his son confirmed, adding the gift of certain lands in Wadone, of ten shillings per annum value, upon the day in which his father became a monk in the abbey.^t Hugh de Scalers ratified those grants made by Henry his father and Hugh his grandfather.^u

In the time of Henry II. Adam de Poynings of Poyning was a benefactor to the monks of Lewes.^x

Robert Martin bestowed on the monks half a ferling of land in his manor of Cumbe, in Devonshire; quit-claiming his title to the chapel of Cumbe.^y

Richard earl of Arundel, by his testament bearing date Dec. 5th, 49 Edw. III. bequeathed two hundred pounds to purchase lands and rents for the monks of Lewes, or else one or two churches to be appropriated to that monastery, for the maintenance of two monks to celebrate two masses perpetually every day, for the souls of his father and mother, his wife, with their children and successors, and all Christian people, in the chapel of St. Thomas the Martyr in that House; or else in the chapel of Our Lady on the north of the great church; the one mass of Our Lady, the other of the Holy Ghost: and that every prior of that house, at the first entrance upon his government, should swear to see the same punctually performed.^z

George Nevil Lord Bergavenny, by his testament bearing date July 1st, 1491, bequeathed his body to sepulture here, and directed his executors to pay two hundred marks to the prior of Lewes, to cause mass to be sung at the altar near the place of his burial every day; and to keep his obit yearly in the church.^a

Selden says, the priory of Lewes had the tithes of the demesnes of Henry de Hologhe at Reygate, in Surrey; which, in the 44th of Henry the Third, William prior of Lewes granted away, for ever, to the priory of Southwark, reserving yearly two shillings and sixpence to be paid for them to the sacristan of Lewes priory.^b

The advowson of the rectory of Rede, in Hertfordshire, was in the prior and convent of Lewes from 1361 to 1431.^c

In the time of Richard the Second we find the temporal possessions of the priory of Lewes in London valued at the annual income of a hundred shillings.^d

Allusions to the prior's hostel, or inn, as it was called, in Southwark, occur in the Register of Lewes in Instruments of the 45th and 47th of Edward III.^e Stow says, "Over against the parish church" of St. Olave, "on the south side of the street, was sometime one great house builded of stone, with arched gates, pertained to the prior of Lewis in Sussex, and was his lodging when he came to London: it is now a common hosterie for travellers, and hath to signe the Walnut tree."^f

The church of St. Olave, in Southwark, was appropriated to Lewes, by Peter bishop of Winchester, as early as 1238, for the purpose of increasing hospitality at the priory.^g

The connection of the prior and convent of Lewes with

^c Newcourt, Repert. Ecclesiast. vol. i. p. 860.

^d This appears by the following Instrument:

"Ricardus Dei gratia rex Angliæ et Franciæ et dominus Hiberniæ, omnibus ad quos præsentis literæ pervenerint salutem. Sciatis quod inspectis rotulis de particulis taxationis bonorum temporalium cleri archidiaconatus London. London. dioc. compertum est in eisdem quod bona prioris de Lewes taxantur ad c^s. videlicet, in parochiis sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ Melkstrete ad xx^s. sancti Thomæ Apostoli ad lxxiiij^s. iiij^d. et Beatæ Mariæ de Arcubus ad vj^s. viij^d. quod vobis innotescimus per præsentem. In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste R. de Plesington apud Westm. tricesimo die Januar. anno regni nostri sexto per dictos rotulos de particulis in Thes. existentes et per barones." Registr. de Lewes.

^e Registr. de Lewes, foll. 183 b, 185.

^f Stow's Survey of London, 4to. Lond. 1603. p. 418.

^g Registr. de Lewes, fol. 189 b, 190.

It may not be irrelevant to add here a few extracts from the Hundred Rolls.

The author of a manuscript chronicle of St. Augustine observes that some of the hair of William earl of Warren was, to his time, preserved in the priory of Lewes. See Stillingfleet's Orig. Britann. p. 20.

^a See the Append. Num. VI.

^b Ibid.

^c Ibid.

^d Ibid.

^e Ibid.

^f Ibid.

^g Ibid.

^h Ibid.

ⁱ Ibid.

^k Ibid.

^l See his Charter in the Appendix, Num. X.

^m Dugd. Bar. tom. i. p. 207 b, from the Regist. of Lewes.

ⁿ See the Charter, Num. XI.

^o Dugd. Bar. tom. i. p. 210 b, from the Reg. of Lewes.

^p Ibid. tom. i. p. 271.

^q Ibid. tom. i. p. 384, from the Lewes Reg. fol. 198.

^r Chauncy's Hertf. p. 111.

^s Dugd. Bar. tom. i. p. 616 b, ex coll. R. Glov. Som.

^t Ibid.

^u Ibid.

^x Ibid. tom. ii. p. 133 b.

^y Ibid. tom. i. p. 729.

^z Dugd. Bar. tom. i. pp. 317, 318.

^a Ibid. p. 309 b.

^b See Selden's Hist. of Tythes, p. 344.

the foreign monastery of Cluni, made them subject to the like inconveniencies with other alien priories, of being seized, with all their possessions, into the king's hands upon every war which broke out with France, of paying a fine for the privilege of farming their own lands, of answering an annual rent for the same, and whatever other taxes and demands should be laid upon them. And, therefore, in the 25th of Edw. III. they made over to the king and his heirs for ever the perpetual advowsons of the churches of Fichlak and Great Sandale in the diocese of York, Riston in the diocese of Norwich, and Whaddon and Caxton in the diocese of Ely, and therewith purchased to themselves an immunity from all those burthens and impositions to which alien priories were liable; and they and their successors were thenceforward to be deemed and treated as Natives and not Aliens; and they had the king's letters patents thereupon. And in the 47th of Edward the Third, on the petition of Richard earl of Arundel, patron of the priory of Lewes, the king extended the like privilege and immunity to the cells and members of the said priory, viz. the priories of Castle-Acre, Prittlewell, Parley, Horton, and Stanesgate, though not expressly mentioned in the former grant, providing that, if the priors of the said cells had been accustomed to pay any apport to any religious House in parts beyond the sea, the same should, for the future, be paid to the king and his heirs.^a

In the 21st of Richard II. the patronage of Lewes priory having fallen into the king's hands by the attainder of Richard earl of Arundel and Surrey, was granted to Thomas duke of Norfolk, who, thereupon, as patron, gave the convent a charter of confirmation.^b

The prior of Lewes^c was summoned to the parliament called by Simon earl of Leicester in the king's name, in the 49th of Hen. III.^d The prior of Lewes was in like manner summoned to the second parliament in 1st Edw. II.;^e again, in the third summons of the same year;^f and again in the 2d and 4th years of Edw. II.^g to one of the parliaments in

the 5th of Edw. II.^h in the 6th Edw. II.;ⁱ and as it seems in all the summonses through the rest of that reign.^k

In the time of Edw. III. no prior was summoned till the fourth year of that king, when the prior of Lewes was;^l as also in his fifth year,^m and so on in every summons till the 27th year of the same king, when he was the only prior summoned to a great council.ⁿ The prior of Lewes was then omitted till the 36th Edw. III. when he was again summoned, as also in the year following.^o But in the 39th Edw. III. he is again omitted, as also in the next summons which is of the 42d year, and so likewise in the rest till the middle of the reign of Richard II.^p

Selden, from whose Titles of Honor this enumeration is taken, says that some of the foregoing omissions might proceed, perhaps, from the vacancy of the House, or some such like occasion, or sometimes from the clerk's fault that entered not all them that were summoned, whence it is no necessary argument to say, that such an one was not summoned because his name is not remembered in the summons.^q

The writs of summons of the priors of Lewes to parliament from the 49th Henry III. to 23 Edw. IV. are extant in the Clause Rolls and Lists of Summons in the Tower of London.

We have very few of what may be called historical notices of Lewes priory.

The knight who by mischance shot Richard the son of Robert duke of Normandy with an arrow in the New Forest, took refuge there and became a monk: "infortunio gravi territus, ad *Sanctum Pancratium* statim confugit, ibique mox monachus factus."^r

In 1377, at the beginning of Richard the Second's reign, the French, who had made a sudden landing at Rotingdean, carried off the prior of Lewes as their prisoner, he having risked an opposition to them with too small a force.^s

In the 4th Edw. III. the prior of Lewes had the king's writ directed to him (as had likewise several other persons) prohibiting him to be any ways assisting towards putting a

In that of the 3d Edw. I. for Hertfordshire we read:

"Dicunt (Juratores) quod antecessores Galfridi de Scalar habuerunt advocationem Ecclesie de Wydihal et Waddune & . . . et advocationem illam habent modo monachi de Lewes ad dampnum domini Regis eo quod hæres ejusdem Galfridi est in custodia Regis." Rot. Hundred. tom. i. p. 193.

In the Inquisition for Norfolk, of the same year, it is said, "Dicunt quod comes Hamelinus predecessor comitis Warenn. dedit Priori et Conventui de Lewes in puram et perpetuam elemosinam totum teneamentum quod tenent in Walton, Walpol, Walsok, Tirrington, Tilneye, Wugehale, Clenchwardton, Sud Lenn, West Lenn, et Hecham, cum advocatione medietat. ecclesiarum de Walton, Walpol, et cum advocacione ecclesie Sancti Petri de West Lenn, et ecclesie de Harpele et Hecham tempore Henrici Regis avi in prejudicium Regis." Rot. Hundred. tom. i. p. 462.

So again, "Dicunt quod Prior de Lewes tenet manium de Hecham et ecclesias ejusdem cum pertinentiis de dono Hamelini quondam comitis Warenn. in puram et perpetuam elemosinam tempore regis Henrici avi in prejudicium domini Regis eo quod predictum manerium et ecclesia possent accidere in manu domini Regis per escaetum vel per wardam." Ibid. p. 464.

Several other entries relating to the prior of Lewes occur in the same inquisition, viz.

"Prior de Lewes habet assisam panis et cervisie in Hecham et super Hug. de Caly pro dim. mar. quam dant com. per annum nesciunt quo warranto."

"Prior de Lewes per ballivos suos ponit contentionem contra ballivos domini Regis in Sarveburne et super Will. fil. Galfr. de Sarveburne, et clamant habere correctiones panis et cervisie et perprestur. sine warranto, et non permittunt tenentes suos respondere rationabiliter ad letam coram ballivo domini Regis, ita quod omnes in dicta villa sunt extra decenam et assisam domini Regis."

"Dicunt quod episcopus Norwyc. Prior de Lewes, Prior Norwic. Joh. de Ingaltorp, Willielmus Rusting, omnes usi sunt libertatibus suis aliter quam facere debuissent eo quod capiunt redemptionem pro assisis panis et cervisie fractis et non faciunt judicium."

"Dicunt quod Prior de Lewes fecit perprestur. super dominum Regem eo quod levent quoddam mercatum in Hecham in communi et in via regia et ibi facit restrictiones suas pro voluntate sua ad nocumentum totius patrie."

"Prior de Lewes facit perpresturam super Regem eo quod cum ballivus domini Regis tenuisset letam in vill. de Hecham sicut consueverat eodem die post nonam venerunt ballivi dicti Prioris et tenuerunt letam aliam et posuerunt liberos homines invite ad sacramentum et quos culpabiles invenerunt amerciaverunt pro voluntate sua, et super illos qui non venerunt pro voluntate amerciaverunt pro defalta, et primo hoc fecerunt in hoc anno." Ibid. p. 464.

"Dicunt quod episcopus Norwic. aliter utitur libertate sua, &c. in hoc quod cum debeat habere amerciam. hominum suorum ex concessione Regum Angl. idem episcopus cap. amerc. tam de hominibus aliorum quam de suis. Et Prior de Lewes qui habet assisam panis et

cervisie in Heyham, proximo die postquam tenuerit letam suam ibidem iterum fac. convocar. homines ejusdem letæ coram ballivo suo, et ab-sentes amerciat pro default. ubi nunquam pro defaultis aliquid capere consuevit et etiam hoc anno capi fac. in mercato suo de Heyham ulnas et mensur. ut de eis visum haberet de quibus nihil pertinet ad eum sed tamen nihil cap. ab. aliquo." Ibid. p. 522.

In the Roll of the same year for Sussex, Rot. Hundred. tom. ii. p. 201. the privileges of the prior of Lewes, in the vill of Sefford, are mentioned, with the following entry, under the Hundred of East Grinstead:

"Dicunt quod Prior de Lewes incarcerationem fecit unum tenentem suum Johannem de Molendino et ipsum Johannem in carcere contra vadium et pleg. et contra communem justitiam retinuit, et domos suas et catalla sua interim asportavit. Et Baselia uxor ejus impetravit Breve domini Regis ad Vicecomitem, videlicet Matthæum de Hasting ut ipsum Johannem a prisa prædicti Prioris deliberaret secundum formam mandati domini Regis sed dictus vicecomes illud mandatum et alia tria mandata domini Regis favore prædicti Prioris contempsit, officium suum facere nolendo, eo quod prædictum Johannem a prisa deliberare noluit. Ex dictus prior adhuc detinet catall. dicti Johannis ad valentiam xl. marc. et amplius." Ibid. tom. ii. p. 205.

^a See Num. XII. of the Appendix. King Edward IV. by an instrument, dated Nov. 13th, in the 7th year of his reign, granted to Thomas Wilmote, vicar of the church of Asheleford in Kent, for the foundation of a chantry in that church, the portion which had been paid by the prior and convent of Lewes to the abbey of Clugny as an apport: "annuam portionem centum solidorum, quam prior de Lewes nobis reddere tenetur de quodam APPORTO Abbatie Cluniacensis nuper debito et nobis reservato." See Morant's Hist. of Essex, vol. i. p. 220.

^b See the Register of Lewes, MS. Cotton. Vesp. F. xv. fol. 42 b.

^c "Prior de Leus."

^d Dors. Claus. 49 Hen. III. m. 11, in schedula. See also Rym. Fœd. tom. i. p. 803, old edit.

^e Dors. Claus. 1 Edw. II. m. 11.

^f Ibid. m. 8.

^g Claus. 2 Edw. II. m. 11, dors. 4 Edw. II. m. 2. dors.

^h Claus. 5 Edw. II. m. 17, dors.

ⁱ Claus. 6 Edw. II. m. 35, dors. et m. 17, et m. 2.

^k Vide Claus. eorund. Annor.

^l Claus. 4 Edw. III. m. 41, dors. et m. 19.

^m Parl. 1. 5 Edw. III. Claus. dors. m. 25.

ⁿ Dors. Claus. 27 Edw. III. m. 12.

^o Claus. 36 Edw. III. m. 16, dors. Dors. Claus. 37 Edw. III. m. 22.

^p Claus. eorund. Annor. See Selden's Titles of Honour, pp. 598, 600, 601, 602.

^q Seld. ut supr. p. 602.

^r Order. Vital. 780. C.

^s A. D. 1377. "Edem anno Gallici intraverunt ad villam de Rotingdene, prope villam de Lewes, ubi obviavit eis Prior de Lewes cum parva manu, et superveniente copia Gallicorum captus est, ductusque ad naves eorum cum duobus militibus qui sibi adhæserant, videlicet domino Johanne de Fallerley, et domino Thomas Cheyne, et uno armigero cujus nomen erat Johannes Brokas." Walsingh. Hist. Ang. edit. 1574. p. 198.

cardinal to whom the pope had given the treasury of York in corporal possession of the same to the prejudice of his crown.^a

From one or two anecdotes which have been preserved incidentally, it is clear that learning had its share of protection at Lewes.^b

PRIORS of LEWES.

LANZO has been already sufficiently noticed as the first Prior. Wharton calls him *Lanro*, as does Willis. The Chronicle of Bermondsey dates his coming to England A. D. 1077. William of Malmesbury gives him a high character.^c

HUGH prior of Lewes was promoted by King Henry the First to be abbat of Reading in 1123.^d About A.D. 1129 he became archbishop of Rouen, where he died on the ides of November, 1134.^e He attended King Henry the First in his last moments, and wrote an account of his end to the pope.^f

ANSGERUS was apparently the successor of Hugh.^g

ARNALDUS died A. D. 1139.^h

WILLIAM occurs prior of Lewes in a charter of the year 1170. "Anno primo Henrici regis junioris filii regis Henrici."ⁱ

OSBERT was prior about A. D. 1180.^k

HUGH, A. D. 1186.^l

VINBERTUS occurs in the time of Eustace bishop of Ely, who held that see from 1198 to 1214.^m

WILLIAM prior of Lewes signs a charter from Godfrey de Lisewis to Reinham priory in Norfolk, probably about the year 1200.ⁿ

STEPHEN occurs A. D. 1219.^o

HUGH, A. D. 1226.^p Madox, in his History of the Exchequer, informs us that in the 18th Hen. III. the prior of Lewes had the king's letters to the tenants of the convent for a reasonable aid towards discharging his debts.^q Whether this relates to prior Hugh, or any successor between him and Albertus, is uncertain. In this place we must probably insert the name of

HENR. de FLEG. In the Annales de Lewes we read, "A. D. 1252. Hoc anno iiij^{or}. non. Sept. obiit bonæ memoriæ venerabilis pater dominus *Henr. de Fleg* quondam prior hujus loci cujus animæ propicietur Deus."

ALBERT occurs A. D. 1236,^r and again in 1243. He died in 1244.^s

GUICHARD DE OSAYE, called also GYCARDUS, and GUYGARDUS, was admitted May 7th, 1244.^t He died in 1248.^u

^a Brady's Contin. of Hist. of Engl. pp. 308, 309.

^b John Pecheham, archbishop of Canterbury, who was born in Sussex of obscure parents, had his first education in the monastery of Lewes toward the middle of the thirteenth century. See Parker de Antiq. Brit. Eccles. p. 290. Another person educated there was Edmund Dudley, famous in the time of Henry VII. His father is said to have been a travelling carpenter, who happening to be entertained at this priory, was at length appointed a workman for the House. His son Edmund being brought up there at school, was by the prior, who had divers scholars rooms in the university, placed in one of them. The prior afterwards placed him at the inns of court, and used him as a solicitor to follow the suits of the house. Compare Erdeswicke's Staff. pp. 120, 121. Dugd. Warw. p. 420.

^c "Quis Lanzonem taceat, qui ea ætate nullo inferiùs sanctitate floruit, monachus Cluniacensis, et prior sancti Pancratii in Anglia, qui probitate sua ita locum illum reverentiæ monachilis gratia nobilitavit, ut unicum bonitatis pro vero asseratur esse domicilium. De cujus vita, quia quicquid dixero infra illius merita esse denuncio, solum illius obitum verbis, quibus scriptum inveni apponam, ut liquidò pateat, quam gloriose vixit, qui tam gratiosè obiit." Will. Malmesb. de Gestis Regum, fol. 97.

Again, in the section 'De Episcopis Selesiensibus,' "In ejus diœcesi sunt duo duntaxat cœnobîa è novo facta: sancti Martini de Bello quod rex Willielmus fundavit—et—sancti Pancratii de Lewes, quod auctore Willielmo comite de Warrenna, LANZO quidam monachus Cluniacensis in supremo religionis locavit cacumine. Efficaciam viri sublimitas prætendit loci, adeò ut veraciter asseratur, nullum omninò Monasterium posse illud vincere religione ad monachos, affabilitate ad hospites, charitate ad omnes. Vincit pompam famæ rerum veritas, licet fatiget audientes referentium verborum. Certè de Lanzone plura loquerer, nisi aliàs non contemnenda dixissem, simulque ejus meritum omne transcendit eloquium." De Gestis Pontif. lib. iii. fol. 147.

^d See the present Work, vol. iv. p. 30.

^e Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. i. p. 158.

^f Ord. Vital. 901.

^g "A. D. 1130. Religiosus prior de Lewes Ansgerus, Radingensis ecclesiæ abbas eligitur Wintonien." Contin. Flor. Wigorn. sub an. He died A. D. 1135.

WILLIAM RUSSINOL succeeded in 1249.^x

ROGER WILLERMES, late prior, "jadis prior de Lewes," occurs in Rot. Parl. 6 Edw. I. In the Annales de Lewes we read, "A.D. 1251. Hoc anno venit prior ROGERUS in crastino sanctæ Mariæ."

WILLIAM NEVIL occurs A.D. 1255,^y and again A. D. 1268.^z In the Annales de Lewes we read, "A. D. 1257. Hoc anno venit WILLIELMUS DE FOVILE Prior de Lewes;" probably the same person. Under the year 1268 we read, "Obiit Willielmus de Fouuile prior Lewen. vigil. sancti Michael. qui Domum dimisit in bono statu et sine debito: et assignavit conventui unum calicem aureum cum v. gemmis pretiosis et cuppam deauratam ad Euchar. et iiij^{or}. cuppas in choro de melioribus et unum pellium argenteum in choro ad cereum. Item assignavit ad opus Conventus c. libras sterlingorum in denariis pro tunicis emendis secundo anno quo non percipiunt pelicias de camera. Item ad duas turres in fronte ecclesiæ perficiendas cc. marcas sterlingorum. Item ad recuperand. prioratum de Stuteville in pig-noratum c. libras sterling. Item ad thesaur. c. marcas. Et rexit ecclesiam Lewens. xj. annos a festo sancti Laurentii ad dictum diem. Item in refector. unam cuppam deauratam. Item in infirmar. suum ciphum argenteum."^a

MILO DE COLUMBERS succeeded in the same year. He occurs by the name of Milo only in A. D. 1269, 1271, and 1273.^b

PETER DE NIWACO was made prior in 1275.^c He resigned the same year,^d when

JOHN DE THYENGES, prior of Gay, succeeded: called by Willis JOHN DE TIRENGES, or FIRINGES. He occurs in the Register of Lewes in the Cottonian library, in 1282, as JOHN DE TENGES. In 1284 he went to attend the General Council, when he appears to have become the principal of a foreign monastery: "remansit Prior apud Sanctam Mariam quæ dicitur de la Wonte in Avernia."^e

JOHN DE AVINON, prior of Wenlock, succeeded Thyenges:^f called also JOHN DE AVYNN.^g

JOHN occurs 25 Edw. I. A. D. 1296.^h "Obiit JOH. DE CASTRO NOVO prior Lewens. iiij. id. Januar. 1301."ⁱ

STEPHEN DE SANCTO ROMANO occurs 31 Edw. I. A. D. 1303.^k

JOHN, A. D. 1308.^l

ALBERISUS, A. D. 1309.^m

JOHN DE MONTMARTIN, or DE MONTE MARTINO, A. D. 1309; in 1319;ⁿ and again in 1321.^o JOHN, probably the same person, occurs A. D. 1324.^p

ADAM DE WINTON, A. D. 1327.^q

Willis, in his Mitred Abbies, vol. i. p. 173, says, *John de Courtenay*, eldest son to Hugh earl of Devonshire, be-

^h Annales de Lewes, MS. Cotton. Tib. A. x.

ⁱ Registr. de Lewes, MS. Cotton. Vesp. F. xv. fol. 139 b.

^k Willis's Lists of Principals of Relig. Houses, in Tann. Notit. Monast.

^l Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 237.

^m Registr. de Lewes, ut supr. fol. 284.

ⁿ See the former edit. of the Monasticon, tom. i. p. 636.

^o Burrell's MSS.

^p Ibid.

^q "Prior Lewensis habet literas directas hominibus suis de rationabili auxilio ad debita sua acquietanda." Pat. 18 Hen. III. m. 16. Madox, Hist. Excheq. vol. i. p. 617.

^r Registr. de Lewes, foll. 112 b, 117, 154, 264, 264 b.

^s Annales de Lewes, MS. Cotton. Tib. A. x.

^t Harl. MS. 6957, p. 89.

^u Annales de Lewes, ut supr.

^x Ibid.

^y Willis's Lists, in Tanner, ut supr.

^z Harl. MS. 6970, p. 46, e Registr. Giffard archiep.

^a Annales de Lewes, MS. Cotton. ut supr.

^b Registr. de Lewes, foll. 47, 212, 263.

^c "Petrus prior Lewes et ejusdem loci conventus nominant procuratores suos super correctione taxationis vicariæ eccl. de Halifax. dat. apud Lewes die Ascensionis Domini 1275." Harl. MS. 6970, p. 59, e Reg. Giffard. archiep. Ebor. P. ii. fol. 111.

^d Annal. de Lewes.

^e Ibid.

^f Ibid.

^g Willis, ut supr. In Rymer's Fœdera, old edit. tom. ii. p. 193, JOHN DE SANCTO ROMANO occurs as prior of Lewes in 1282. According to the Annales de Lewes, *John de Tyenges*, the prior, was at this time absent: he went to Rome in 1280, and returned in 1282.

^h Prynn's Papal Usurpations, tom. iii. p. 707.

ⁱ Annal. de Lewes, ut supr.

^k Registr. de Lewes, foll. 140, 229 b. Willis, probably by some error, speaks of STEPHEN ROMANO, or DE ROAN, as prior in 1292.

^l Pat. 2 Edw. II. "Joh. Prior Lewes profectus ad partes transmarinas, 2 Jun." Harl. MS. 6958, p. 217.

^m Willis's Lists.

ⁿ Ibid.

^o Registr. de Lewes, fol. 32 b.

^p Ibid. fol. 153 b.

^q Ibid. fol. 102 b.

taking himself in his youth to a monastic life, left his second brother, Hugh, to succeed his father in the earldom, which he lived to see him possessed of. In the year 1330 (he being then a monk of Tavistock) the pope bestowed on him the priory of Lewes. However, the patron, John de Warren earl of Surrey, opposing his election, and the pope yielding thereto, he lost his preferment, and got no other, except the abbacy of Tavistock in 1333, which he held till his death, an. 1348.^a

PETER DE JOCEAUX was, in fact, the successor to Adam de Winton. He occurs Feb. 23d, 1329;^b and again in 1336.^c

JOHN GAIN, CANA, or GAINCARIA, occurs in 1343 and 1349.^d The same person, by the name of JOHN DE JANITURA, occurs as late prior in 1351, in an Instrument which will be mentioned in a Note hereafter.

HUGH occurs prior of Lewes, in the 25th Edw. III.^e

WILLIAM prior of St. Andrew's Northampton, according to Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 159, was removed to the priorate of Lewes in 1358.

STEPHEN occurs in 1360.^f

HUGH DE CHYNTACO, or CHINTRACOA, occurs A. D. 1361.^g

JOHN DE CARILOCO, or CHERLEWE, occurs prior in 1364.^h He is mentioned in the Lewes Register as late as the 16th of Rich. II. A. D. 1393.ⁱ

Thus far the priors of Lewes appear to have been foreigners, put into their office by the Abbat and Convent of Clugni.

JOHN OK, 21 Ric. II. A. D. 1398, is noted in the confirmation charter of Thomas duke of Norfolk.^k

JOHN DE TENY, called also JOHN DE TRING, occurs in 1417.^l

^a See also Dugd. Baron. tom. i. p. 638.

^b Rym. Fœd. tom. iv. p. 376.

^c Rymer, Fœd. tom. iv. p. 376. Registr. de Lewes. fol. 161. Willis, in his Mit. Ab. tom. i. p. 238, calls him heir to John de Warrenne, earl of Surrey; but this could not be.

^d See Sir William Burrell's Collections, MS. Donat. Brit. Mus. 5706. He was the JOHN prior of Lewes who in the 19th Edw. III. A. D. 1345, was sent to treat with the kings of Jerusalem, Sicily, and Hungary, concerning leagues of friendship. See Rymer, Fœd. tom. v. p. 451. Franc. 19 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 19.

^e See the Instrument in the Appendix, "Quod hujusmodi prioratus sit indigena," Num. XII.

^f "Stephanus prior de Lewes qui de licentia regis profecturus est ad curiam Romanam habet litteras regis de attorn. sub nominibus fratris Guichardi de Caro Loco commonachi ejusdem prioris et Thomæ de Holm, duraturas per biennium, præsentibus, &c. T. R. apud Westm. 7 die Aprilis." Pat. 33 Edw. I. p. 1, m. 7.

^g Harl. MS. 6955, p. 6, e Reg. Sudb. episc. London.

^h Harl. MS. 6972, p. 50. ⁱ Registr. de Lewes, fol. 98 b.

^k Ibid. fol. 42 b. ^l Willis's Lists of Principals in Tanner.

^m Hayley's MSS. Collections for Sussex, MS. Donat. Brit. Mus. 6344. vol. ii. col. 69.

ⁿ Willis's Lists, ut supr.

^o Hayley's MSS. Collections, vol. i. col. 517.

^p Ibid. vol. ii. col. 70.

^q Mit. Ab. vol. i. p. 159.

^r Pat. 37 Hen. VI. p. 2. Compare Harl. MS. 6963, p. 113.

^s Lists, ut supr.

^t Wood, Fasti Oxon. vol. i. p. 9.

^u Willis, Mit. Ab.

^x A copy of the Surrender will be found in Sir William Burrell's Collections, MS. Donat. Brit. Mus. 5706.

^y The following are the entries in the Taxation:

Temporalia.

Dioc. Cant.

In Dovor. de redd. 1*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.*

Dioc. Lond.

In paroch. S. Mar. Magd. Melkstret, 1*l.* S. Thomæ Apostoli, 3*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* B. M. de Arcub. 6*s.* 8*d.* Summa in Dioc. Cant. et Lond. 5*l.*

Dioc. Norwic.

In Dallinge de redd. 5*s.* In Castone de redd. 6*s.* 8*d.* In West Walton de terra, redd. cons. molend. perquis. et fetu animal. 48*l.* 1*s.* In Tilneye de redd. 15*l.* 15*s.* 11*d.* In Geytone de redd. 1*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.* In Illington de redd. 1*l.* 12*s.* In Dersingham de redd. 1*s.* In Walpol de redd. terra, et mol. 34*l.* 3*s.* 3*d.* In Walsokne de redd. terra, et cons. 6*l.* 12*s.* 8½*d.* In Santone de redd. 4*l.* 5*s.* In Dudlington de redd. 13*s.* 4*d.* In Corpesty de redd. 3*s.* 4½*d.* In Heydone de redd. 1*l.* 7*s.* In Upwell et Utwell de redd. 3*l.* 1*s.* In Hecham de terra, redd. cons. molend. et fetu animal. 75*l.* 9½*d.* In Ringstede Magna de terris, reddit. et molendin. 2*l.* 18*s.* 1*d.* In Sarneburn de redd. 2*l.* 10*s.* In Matelasck de redd. 4*d.* In Northbingham de redd. 1*s.* 4*d.* In Taterford de redd. 2*s.* In Brunham Sutton de redd. 1*l.* 10*s.* In Tyrinton de redd. 12*l.* 3*s.* 2½*d.* In Merton de terra et redd. 2*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.* In Derham de redd. 2*l.* In Schypedham de redd. 6*s.* In Lecton de redd. 12*s.* In Risingg de redd. 2*l.* 1*s.* Summa in Dioc. Norwic. 218*l.* 17*s.* 1*d.*

THOMAS occurs A. D. 1421, 9th Hen. V.^m He was the same with THOMAS NELOND who died prior here on the 14th kal. May, 1429.ⁿ

JAMES HONEYWOOD, or HONIWODE, 12th Hen. VI.^o

ROBERT AUNCCELL, or ANSELL, occurs in the same year.^p The Register or Chartulary of Lewes still remaining among the Cottonian manuscripts, which will presently be described, was compiled by his order in 1444.

JOHN DANYEL is noticed by Willis as occurring in 1450.^q He occurs again in 1458;^r and, Willis says, in 1460.

THOMAS ATWELL, *alias* AWELL, A. D. 1486, and 1493.^s

JOHN ASHDOWNE, prior of Lewes, was admitted LL. B. at Oxford, March 29th, 1506, 21 Hen. VII.^t

ROBERT CROWHAM, S. T. B., A. D. 1526. He was the last prior, and by this title was collated to the prebend of Langford in the church of Lincoln April 11th, 1537.^u On the 6th Nov. 1538, he surrendered his convent into the king's hands.^x

The total of the spiritual and temporal revenues of Lewes Priory, returned in the accounts of the different dioceses of Canterbury, London, Lincoln, Norwich, Exeter, Salisbury, Winchester, Ely, and York, in Pope Nicholas's Taxation, amounted to no less a sum than 361*l.* 12*s.* 3*d.*^y

We have no return of the possessions of Lewes among the extents of the alien priories, in the reigns of Edward I. and II.^z

Just before the Dissolution, as will be seen in the Valor Ecclesiasticus of the 26th of Henry VIII., the clear income of this monastery amounted to 920*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.* The gross revenue to 1091*l.* 9*s.* 6½*d.*^a

Dioc. Sarum.

In Mapudre, 10*s.* In Melebury, 12*s.*

Dioc. Elien.

In Carleton et Willingham, 59*l.* 15*s.* 7*d.* In Wrottinge, 11*s.* In Brinkele, 1*l.* 1*s.* Summa in Dioc. Sarum et Elien. 61*l.* 7*s.* 7*d.*

Spiritual.

Dioc. Lond.

Pensio in eccl. de Reed, 6*s.* 8*d.* Pensio in eccl. de Wydihall, 10*s.* Porcio in eccl. de Eystan ad Montem, 1*l.* Pensio in eccl. de Canefeud Parva, 1*l.* 10*s.* Porcio in eccl. de Tillebury, 1*l.* Porcio in eccl. de Gelham Magna, 10*s.* Pensio in eccl. de Assyndon, 5*l.* Porcio in eccl. de Manewedon, 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Pensio in eccl. de Coln Alba, 12*s.*

Dioc. Linc.

Porcio in eccl. de Mapeldureham, 15*s.* Pensio in eccl. de Berchamstede, 10*s.* Pensio in eccl. de Langeport, 2*l.* Pensio in eccl. de Carleton, 6*s.*

Dioc. Norwic.

Porcio in West Walton, 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Porcio in Schirforde, 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Porcio in Bonewelle, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Porcio in Letton, 1*l.* Porcio in Rysing, 10*s.* Porcio in Gymygham, 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Porcio in Fuldane, 5*l.* Porcio in Wellton, 2*l.* Porcio in Feltewelle Sanctæ Mariæ, 5*l.* Porcio in Meyelwodde, 2*l.*

Dioc. Exon.

De ecclesia de Bory, 2*l.*

Dioc. Sarum.

Pensio in eccl. de Wynterburn Basset, 1*l.* 10*s.*

Dioc. Winton.

Pensio in eccl. de Dorkinge, 6*l.*

Dioc. Elien.

Pensio in eccl. de Elm, 5*l.* Porcio in ecclesia de Trumpiton, 3*l.* Porcio in ecclesia de Wyllyngham, 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Porcio in ecclesia de Weston, 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Pensio ejusdem in ecclesia, 2*s.* 6*d.* Prior de Lewes in pens. de eccl. de Willingham, 1*s.* Item in ecclesia de Carleton, 1*s.*

Dioc. Ebor.

Porcio in eccl. de Birton, 3*s.* Pens. de eccl. de Dewesbyry, 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Pens. in eccl. de Wakefeld, 3*l.* Pens. in eccl. de Sandale, 2*l.* Pens. in eccl. de Roderham, 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Summa Spiritual. 76*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.*

See the Tax. Eccl. P. Nich. IV. fol. Lond. 1802, pp. 5, 12, 18, 18 b, 22 b, 23, 30, 37, 39, 61 b, 80, 81, 84, 85 b, 86, 88, 95, 95 b, 96, 96 b, 97, 99, 99 b, 100 b, 101, 105, 105 b, 106, 107, 108, 112, 146 b, 184, 184 b, 185, 189 b, 208, 265 b, 267, 267 b, 269 b, 298 b, 300.

^z In a copy of the "Compot. Custod. Dom. Relig. alienig. an. 18 Edw. II." MS. Donat. Mus. Brit. 6164, fol. 467 b, it is said,

"PRIORAT. DE LEWES. De exit. Priorat. de Lewes cum pertin. a dicto viij. die Octobris anno xvij. usque xij. diem Novembris prox. sequentem non respondent, quia Rex per breve suum ad supplicationem Johannis de Warena Comitiss Surr. mandavit prædictis custodibus (*scil.* Petr. de Worldham et Steph. Power) quod de dicto exit. de prioratu aut ejus pertin. se non intromittent, sed quod dictum prioratum cum suis pertin. et exit. inde perceptis una cum bon. et cat. in eodem invent. dicto comiti restituant."

^a See the Valor in the Appendix.

There is a valuation of the lands of this priory, temp. Hen. VIII., in the Chapter-House, Westminster; but it seems little more than an abridged account of the Valor Ecclesiasticus, with a few unimportant variations.

There are no Ministers Accompts of this priory in the Augmentation Office, owing, perhaps, to the short time it remained in the Crown before it was ganted away.

The Site of Lewes Priory, with a very large portion of its possessions, including some of those which belonged to the Cell of Castle Acre, was granted in 1538 to Sir Thomas Cromwell, Lord Cromwell, the different premises to be held of the king and his heirs by knight's service, as the twentieth part of a knight's fee; and also by yielding therefrom yearly to the king and his heirs 77*l.* 14*s.* 5½*d.* in the name of tenth, or first fruits of the tenth part of all and singular the premises so given. An enumeration of the lands, rectories, &c. included in the grant will be found in an abstract of the Originalia roll below.^a

Upon Lord Cromwell's attainder, the site of Lewes Priory reverted to the Crown. In the 32nd of Henry VIII.

^a Orig. 29 Hen. VIII. Anglia. Sussex. "Rex xvj^{mo}. die Februarii concessit Thomæ Crumwell militi, Domino Crumwell scitum nuper Monasterii de Lewes, ac totum nuper monasterium illud, ac omnia mesuagia, &c. in Southover, Kyngeston juxta Lewes, et Lewes; ac etiam maneria de Swanbergh, Kyngeston juxta Lewes, Southover, Falmer, Ballysden, Whytten, Dechenyng, Garden, Balneth, Horsted Parva, Atlyngworth, Imberhorne, Langney, Ovingden, Nytymber, et Wantley in com. Sussex.: necnon manerium de Carleton in com. Cantabr. ac etiam manerium de Melton Mowbray in com. Leic.: necnon manerium Regis de Halifax in com. Ebor.: ac etiam rectorias &c. de Brighthelmeston, Peecham, Falmer, Kyngeston juxta Lewes, Iford, Rotyngden, Pedyngho, Dychehyng, Wyvelefeld, Cookfeld, Estgrensted, Westhothelegh, Esseborne, Herdham, Heryngham, Coottys, Waldern, Ousty, et Mokincourt in com. Sussex.: ac advocaciones et jura patronatum ecclesiarum de Ekyngton alias Rype, Beatae Mariæ in foro de Lewes, Sancti Andreæ in Lewes, Sancti Petri Westout de Lewes, Beatae Mariæ Westout de Lewes, Sancti Johannis sub Castro de Lewes, Sancti Johannis Baptistæ in Southover, Blachyngton, Wayfeld, Clayton, Kymer, Pycomb, Mechyng, Horsted Kaynes, Waldren, Balcomb, Erthinglegh, Tarring, Bercomb, Newike, Ludershale, Stedeham, Hayshett, Sutton, et Tollyngton in dicto com. Sussex.: necnon advoc. &c. ecclesiarum de Stoke juxta Gyldeford, Gatton, et Sancti Olavi in Southwerke in com. Surre.: ac advoc. &c. ecclesiarum de Carleton et Weston in com. Cantebr.: ac advoc. &c. ecclesiarum de Canfeld Parva, Alta, Rodyng, Berkhamsted Parva, et Ashedon in com. Essex.: necnon rectoriam, &c. de Melton Mowbray in com. Leic. ac advoc. &c. ecclesiæ de Whetheall in com. Hertf.: necnon advoc. &c. ecclesiæ de Berynerbere in com. Devon. ac advoc. &c. ecclesiæ de Wynterborne-Basset in com. Wiltes.: ac rectoriam, &c. de Sutton Pallett alias Sutton in Holland in com. Linc.: necnon rectoriam, &c. de Haverell in com. Suff.: ac etiam rectorias de Halifax, Cunsborough, et Braywell in com. Ebor.: necnon advocaciones, &c. de Herthyhill Parva, Sandyll, et Donyngton in com. Ebor. una cum omnibus mesuagiis, &c. in parochiis de Lewes, Southover, Kyngeston juxta Lewes, Wingham, Hamsay, Newike, Rotyngden, Falmer, Boromer, Peecham, Cheley, Dychehyng, Twynham, Bolney, Slaugham, Chiltyngdon, Herst Perpound, Berwynt, Balneth, Lynfeld, Fletchyng, Horsted Parva, Altyngworth, Portyslade, Aldryngton, Bryghthelmeston, Hove, Imberhorne, Estgrensted, Westhotheley, Horsted Caynes, Langney, Westham, Pevensey, Wyllnyngdon, Estborne, Borham, Hethelfelde, Soynghden, Sutton, Seeford, Nytymber, Wantley, Goryng, Pedynghoo, Cookefeld, Hangylton, Ekyngton, Rype, Bletchyngton, Clayton, Pycomb, Mechyng, Waldern, Balcomb, Erchyngley, Tarring, Preston, Bedyngton, Berecomb, Berynden, Westmeston, Walland sub Castro, Twynham, Southberwyke, Benhover, Shotenbere, Perchyng, Plumton, Mullescomb, Ballysden, Radmell, Northes, Ludershale, Bygner, Medlers, Compton, Upm'den, Midlavan, Stedham, Weysbett, Tollyngton, Cottys, Ipyng, et Boxgrave in com. Sussex.: necnon in parochiis &c. de Southwerke, Katerlane, Stoke juxta Guldeforde, Reygate, Dorkyng, Hedeley juxta Reygate, Estbecheworth, Mykylham, Gatton, Chepsted, et Tanrygge in com. Surre.: ac etiam in civitate London.: necnon in parochiis de Carleton, Elme, Weston, Colnye, Weston, Barbadors, Wyllnyngham, Trumpeton, Wechesham, et Fowledon in com. Cantebr. ac in parochiis &c. de Prytwell, Cantfeld Parva, Berkhamsted Parva, Alta Rodyng, Asheton, Maunden, Wykeham, et Ledenrodyng, in com. Essex.: necnon in parochiis de Melton Mowbray in com. Leic.: ac in paroch. de Whetheall in com. Hertford.: necnon in paroch. de Berynerbere in com. Devon.: ac etiam in paroch. &c. de Wynterbornbasset in com. Wyltes. et in Horton in com. Kanc. ac etiam in Sutton Pallett et Fleet in com. Lincoln.: necnon in Haverell, Butley, Nethyrfelde, Blonorton, et Debden in com. Suff. ac in villa de Westm. in com. Midd.: necnon in Halifax, Heptonstall, Tronflete, Wakefeld, Cunsborough, Braywell, Herthyll Port, Sandyll, Donyngton, Southerby, Warlegh, Ovingden, Wydegeley, Waddesworth, Langfelde, Eryngden, Russesheworth, Norland, Barsland, Stayneland, Eland, Greteland, Rastrik, Fysebye, Totehyll, Bryghouse, Southwrom, Iprom, Northowrom, Shelve, Styrcoate, Stanffeld, Clyston, Waresworth, Ranfeld, Morthyng, Dalton, et Brysbooke in com. Ebor. q. dicto nuper Monasterio de Lewes aut nuper Cellæ Monasterio de Castelacre spectabant percell. ejusdem nuper Monasterii illius." ro. liij^{to}.

Some little difficulty seems to have arisen in setting out the title of this grant to Lord Cromwell, as appears by the following letter to his lordship preserved in the Cottonian MS. Cleop. E. IV. fol. 233 b.

we find it leased for twenty-one years to Nicholas Jenny.^b In the 2nd of Elizabeth, however, it was granted in fee to Richard Baker and Richard Sackville. In 1609 it passed to John earl of Thanet, by his marriage with Margaret eldest daughter and coheir of Richard earl of Dorset. A century afterwards it was sold by . . . to Nathaniel Trayton, Esq. whose brother, Edward Trayton, devised it to Samuel Durrant, Esq. who sold that part whereon the Mount stands, and a piece called the Paddock, to . . . Pelham, of Lewes, Esq. whose son, John Pelham, Esq. of Lewes and Crowhurst, was the possessor of the parts afore-said in Sir William Burrell's time.^c

Dugdale quotes a REGISTER of Lewes Priory, as, in 1649, in the possession of John Selden, Esq. The register, however, which that learned writer copies from in his History of Tythes, is the one which is still preserved in the Cottonian collection of manuscripts marked Vespasian F. xv.; a folio of considerable bulk, an analysis of which will be found in the note.^d Tanner notices this volume as follows: "In bibl. Cotton. ex dono viri summæ industriæ et de

"My bounden duetie remembred unto yo^r good lordeshipp, thes shalbe to signifie the same that the prior of Lewes hathe, this present Monday, knolaged a fyne bothe of Lewes and Castelacre. Albe it is thought that Castelacre passithe not by the fyne: and as concernyng the preamble of the dede it is nowe fully resolved that ther shall not be any suche preamble. The prior affirmed this daye, that my lord of Norfolks grace promysed hym to have all the goods of the monastery, and the oone half of the debts. I am sory that my chauce was not to come a litle rather upon Sondaye, that I might have spoken withe yo^r lordeshipp in the premisses, asserteynyng yo^r good lordeshipp that Master Pollard and I entend, God willing, tobe at Reygate to morowe at night according to my lord of Norffolks appointment. And thus our Lorde have yo^r goode lordeshipp in his tuicion. Writen at the Rolls this Mondaye the xijth daye of November.

"Yo^r lordeshippys servant, HERRY POLSTED."

From the grant it appears that the surrenders of Lewes and Castle Acre priories were both jointly and separately taken on this occasion: jointly, for both, from the prior and convent of Lewes; and separately from the prior and convent of Castle Acre: it being considered that though Castle Acre was a different possession, it held of Lewes priory ut caput honoris.

^b Orig. 32 Hen. VIII. p. 1. Sussex. "Rex xxvij^{mo}. die Novembris de avisamento generalium supervisorum dimisit ad firmam Nicholao Jenny scitum monasterii de Lewes et terr. &c. in Bercombe, Kingeston, Broughmer, et Langney, pro termino xxj. annorum." ro. xxvj.

In the 33 Hen. VIII. William Earl of Arundel, in exchange for several lordships and lands of his own, had given him, together with the possessions that belonged to the priory of Michelham, some also that then lately pertained to the monastery of Lewes: viz. the advowson of the rectory of Ripe; and likewise all those manors and lordships of Swanborough, Horsted, and Imberhorne, and the parks called Horsted Park. Pat. 33 Hen. VIII. p. 1. Dugd. Bar. i. 324 a.

^c Burrell, Collections for Sussex, MS. Donat. Brit. Mus. 5706.

^d Eight leaves at the beginning of this Register seem from their different size to have belonged to some smaller chartulary of the monastery: they relate to the possessions of Lewes priory in Southenovre. The Chartulary really begins at folio 9, on the upper part of which is written,

"Robertus Auncell, quondam prior de Lewes me fieri fecit, Anno Domini millesimo cccc^{mo}. quadragesimo quarto."

The following is an enumeration of the more important charters preserved in the volume.

1. Carta qualiter Willielmus comes Warenn. concessit et dedit Radulpho de Rya mesuagium et totam terram Martini de Peccham pro terra et insula vocat. Southeye juxta Lewes quam dedit Deo et monachis S. Pancr. de Lewes imperpetuum ut patet in decimo septimo folio sequente, fol. 9.

2. Prima Carta Willielmi de Warennæ primi fundatoris, fol. 9 b.

3. Carta secunda Willielmi primi fundatoris, fol. 11 b.

4. Carta Willielmi secundi fundatoris qua confirmavit monachis de Lewes omnia et singula quæ Willielmus de Warennæ pater suus antea eis donaverat, fol. 12.

5. Carta Willielmi secundi comitis de Warennæ in qua concedit monachis quod accipiant veneyon ad opus infirmorum monachorum,* fol. 16.

6. Carta ejusdem de licentia piscandi ad opus infirmorum monachorum, fol. 16 b.

7. Carta ejusdem qua seisivit et dotavit ecclesiam Sancti Pancratii per capillos capitis sui, ibid.

8. Carta ejusdem qualiter concessit et confirmavit omnes donationes quas pater suus Willielmus et mater sua Gundreda fecerant sive viventes sive morientes monasterio Sancti Pancratii et eas fecit confirmari sigillo Willielmi Regis Angliæ et magnatum suorum: et postea in dedicatione ecclesiæ dotavit eandem ecclesiam Sancti Pancratii cum omnibus quæ pater suus et ipse dederant eidem ecclesiæ et monachis Deo servientibus, &c. fol. 17.

9. Carta Willielmi comitis Warenn. qua concessit terram Sancti Pancratii esse liberam ab omnibus causis et consuetudinibus, fol. 17 b.

10. Carta qualiter Willielmus comes Warenn. dedit monachis totum mercatum lignorum in villa de Lewes, et primum mercatum eadem et in aliis locis ubi forus habetur de carnibus, piscibus, et omnibus aliis rebus, &c. ibid.

antiquitatibus Anglicanis optime meriti Matthæi Hutton S. T. P. Nigrum Registrum prioratus de Lewis quod fieri

fecit Robertus Auncell prior A. D. 1444, olim. com. Dorset, dein v. cl. Edw. Bysh peculium."

11. Carta ejusdem de libertatibus, fol. 17 b.
12. Carta ejusdem de ecclesiis de Cunyngeburgh et Bradewell, et de aliis ecclesiis et capellis in com. Ebor. fol. 18.
13. Carta ejusdem comitis qua confirmavit donationem quam Johannes de Caysneto dedit, ibid.
14. Carta ejusdem qua dedit quicquid habuit in dominio suo a ponte de Benehorn usque Chaglegh ab orientali via, ibid.
15. Carta qua Willielmus comes Warenn. dedit tres hidas terræ in Kyngeston, et Isabella comitissa dedit ecclesiam de Dorkyng, fol. 18 b.
16. Carta generalis Willielmi tertii comitis de Warenn. ibid.
17. Carta Willielmi comitis de ecclesiis de Ponynges et de Penge-dena, et de terra de Cumcistr. &c. fol. 19 b.
18. Carta ejusdem de iij. hidis in Molescumba, ibid.
19. Cartæ duæ ejusdem de ij. hidis in Yfordia, ibid.
20. Carta ejusdem de v. ecclesiis, videlicet eccl. de Gymmyng-ham, eccl. de Feltwell, &c. fol. 20.
21. Carta ejusdem de vj. ecclesiis, videlicet eccl. de Bright, eccl. de Hangeltona, eccl. de Clay, &c. fol. 23.
22. Carta Reginaldi de Warenn. de molendino de Meching, ibid.
23. Carta Hamelini comitis Warenn. de confirmatione, ibid.
24. Carta alia ejusdem de confirmatione, fol. 23 b.
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26. Carta Hamelini comitis de tota decima de parredo suo de Rikeburgh, ibid.
27. Cartæ aliæ Hamelini comitis, fol. 24 b, 25, 25 b, 26.
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30. Carta Willielmi comitis de Warenn. de c. sol. annui redditus percipiend. annuatim de maneriis suis de Meching et Pidingeho, &c. fol. 26 b.
31. Carta ejusdem de decima denariorum suorum in partibus Norff. ibid.
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42. Carta qua Johannes de Warenn. comes Surreg. quietum clamavit monachis totum jus quod habuit vel habere potuit in advocacy ecclesiæ de Dewesbyry, fol. 34 b.
43. Carta qualiter Johannes comes Warenn. dedit licentiam ut episcopus Cicestr. et prior et conventus de Lewes de novo facere possint unam præbendam de ecclesiis de Waldern et Horstedkeynes, 20 Edw. III. fol. 35.
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45. Carta in qua Thomas dux Norff. concessit et confirmavit priori et conventui de Lewes omnes donationes antecessorum suorum. Dat. in Castro de Lewes 21 Ric. II. fol. 39.
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In the same collection, Tiberius A. x. article 21, were formerly "ANNALES CONSCRIPTI A MONACHO QUODAM DE LEWES a Christo nato ad annum M.CCC.XII." The volume containing these Annals was so damaged in the fire which happened at Westminster in 1731, that it was in part reduced to a mere crust. Upon separating the leaves however, much information in the middle of them was accessible; and a few facts and dates, chiefly relating to the prior of Lewes, have been gleaned from them for the present account.

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* They are as follows:

" nobis unum de melioribus maneriis suis de North. Et idem Willielmus secundus Comes dedit nobis ibidem quicquid tenebat de eo Willielmus de Cailli, et cartam inde nobis fecit Et Lambertus monachus dedit ei pro eo xx. libras.

Terra Rainaldi de Chailli reddit i. marcam argenti.

Præpositus de Hercheam reddit nobis pro Hercheam et pro appendiciis suis, scilicet quicquid habemus in Ringesteda et in Scerneburne xl. libras.

Presbyter de Hercheam redd. pro ecclesia xx. sol. et pro terra quam Walterius tenuit xvj. sol.

In Etuna habemus ii. marc. argenti pro terra et molino quod tenent filii Pagani, et cum illis Hugo filius Enan ad Hercheam pertinet. Ad Bestedam quæ pertinet ad Hercheam habemus lx. sol.

Hercheam cum omnibus pertinentibus suis reddit xl. et vii. libras et xv. sol.

Willielmus comes primus concedente filio suo secundo comite dedit nobis pro anima Gundradæ uxoris suæ Waltunam cum pertinentibus suis; scilicet dimid. Walpolam et terram de Cheneswica, et terram Brunsuen. Reddit Sancto Pancratio viii. libras cum x. sol. quos accrevit Rannulfus Decanus quando placitavit contra Achi.

Godwinus diaconus redd. xxx. sol. de terra sua, et Stangelinus junior et Mainerus filius ejus xx. sol.

Stangelinus presbyter de Luna reddit pro terra sua xvi. sol.

Godricus miles de Walsocha redd. xx. sol. pro terra sua. Cæteri homines nostri de Walsocha pertinent ad Waltunam, et hoc quod reddant est in firma de Waltuna, et tertia pars de Anamera quæ nostra est pertinet ad Waltonam, et redditus ejus est in firma de Waltuna.

In Wella piscatores reddunt lx. sol. et cæteri homines nostri reddunt et pertinent ad Waltonam.

Waltuna et quicquid habemus infra maresia redd. lx. et xj. libras et v. sol.

Ecclesia de Chuningsburgh et quæ ad illam pertinent cum decima de aula reddit modo xv. sol. et plus potest reddere.

Ecclesia de Wachefella cum illis quæ ad illam pertinent et cum decima de aula modo reddit xxx. et v. sol. et plus potest reddere.

Summa autem omnium quæ pertinent ad decaniam de Norfuch H. Novies xx^{ti}. libræ, et iii. libr. et ix. sol. et vii^d. cum Cachestona quæ redd. ei lx. sol. sine decimis Drogonis de Muncheio et sine decimis comitis de denariis suis.

Terra de Bieham xxx. et ij. de servitio et x. karratas de busche et unum present. valens vj^d. in vig. Sancti Pancratii et gavel Swin. In Natali Domini vj. gallinæ."

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ner for another Instrument, was destroyed in the Cottonian fire.^a

The Harleian MS. 66. contains, fol. 185 b, "Preceptum Edwardi I. regis de amovenda causa super avocatione East Grenstede, dat. 11 Mart. anno regni xxxii.

The COMMON SEAL of Lewes had for its subject the martyrdom of St. Pancras, represented by the saint bound and sitting, having before him a Roman soldier ready to strike the fatal blow. An impression of this seal, on white wax, is nearly perfect, with the exception of the legend, of which nothing remains but the words SIGILLV CRASII. The instrument to which it is attached bears date A. D. 1218, and is preserved in the office of the Duchy of Lancaster. There is a counterseal with a head, intended perhaps for St. Pancras.

The priory also used a smaller seal, an impression of which is attached to a deed in the Chapter-House, Westminster, dated 16 Edw. II. in this the saint appears on his knees, the soldier behind him with an uplifted hand ready to strike. The inscription, as far as it is legible, is thus, SECRETV CRASII.

Few particulars as to the building of the different parts of the old structure of Lewes priory have reached us.

In what remains of the annals of Lewes we read under the year M.CC.XLIII. "In die anniversarii domini Willielmi Comitis, positum est fundamentum in NOVO OPERE ECCLESIE NOSTRE:" and an extract has been already given relating to Prior Fovile's donation in 1268, of two hundred marks toward completing the two towers of the western front of the church. Nothing more occurs till the dissolution, when

^a The following are from Tanner's references to public records concerning Lewes:

"*Vide Computos, &c. in бага intit. Peryent duke of Suffolk's lands, in superiori archa quintæ archæ in Officio nuper Curie Augmentationis.*

"A bag of original Deeds concerning Churches in several dioceses, and pensions out of the same, belonging to the priory of Lewes, in the custody of the chamberlains of the Exchequer." A Repertory to the same, made by Mr. Ed. Fauconberg, was in Bishop Tanner's custody, MS. folio.

"Cartam Willielmi Prioris de Lewes, de terris et libertate faldæ in Hecham Norf. concess. Rogero capellano et Reginaldo fratri suo, in vol. MS. Collectaneorum Thom. Tann. p. 480.

"In Cartulario archiepisc. Cantuar. MS. p. 189, compositionem super decimis de Binelham in paroch. de Maghfild inter archiepisc. Cantuar. et Priorem et Conventum de Lewes, A.D. 1262.

"In Registro Episc. Cicestr. d. fol. 162—164, ordinationem sive arbitrium fact. per episc. Cicestr. inter Priorem et Conventum de Lewes et Rectorem de Westmeston, A.D. 1497: ibid. fol. 164 b, 165, Compositionem inter Priorem et Conventum de Lewes et Rectorem ecclesie de Radmeld super decimas sive portiones in eadem parochia, A.D. 1500: ibid. C. foll. 78, 79. Appropriationem eccl. de Est Grenstede una cum ordinatione Vicarie ejusdem fact. a Roberto Episc. Cicestr.: ibid. fol. 80. Confirmationem Seffredi ii. Episc. Cicestr. super omnibus beneficiis appropriat. Priorat. Lewen. temp. prædecessorum suorum usque ad tempus suum, una cum ordinationibus vicar. de Ifeld, de Kyngston, et de Botynden: ibid. fol. 81. Ordinationem vicariar. de Pydynggho, et Brighthelmston, una cum ordinat. de Brighthelmston et eccl. de Radmelde per Ricardum ii. episc. Cicestr. A. D. 1252: ibid. fol. 81 b. Confirmationem Ric. episc. Cicestr. super appropriatis ecclesiis de Peccam et Dytehnynghes cum capell. de Wyvelesfelde, necnon eccles. paroch. de West Hodelegh, A. D. 1392.

"Cart. antiq. K. m. 40. Scil. R. Hen. II. confirmatorium.

"Fin. Norf. 3 Ric. I. n. . . de quarta parte feodi mil. in Hecham.

"Plac. coram rege, 4 Joan. Pasch. rot. 8, d. de advoc. eccl. de Weston dioc. Elien.

"Fin. com. ignot. 3 Hen. III. p. 12, pro advoc. Eccl. de Erdington Warw.: ibid. n. 14, de medietat. maner. de Newyk: Fin. Norf. 9 Hen. III. n. 173, de xxxix. reddit in Heidon: Fin. com. ignot. 9 Hen. III. n. 40, de terris in Stanham: ibid. 10 Hen. III. n. 43, de consuetudinibus tenentium in Twyno: Plac. de banco, 10 Hen. III. Hill. rot. 6, pro advoc. eccl. de Burnham Thorp Norf. versus Rad. de Brunham: Claus. 13 Hen. III. m. 4, d: Claus. 14 Hen. III. m. 7, d: Fin. com. ignot. 19 vel. 20 Hen. III. n. 65, de advoc. eccl. de Colveston Norf.: Cart. 33 Hen. III. m. 3, pro pratis et mariscis in Langeney et Wytinden: Cart. 36 Hen. III. m. 3: Fin. com. ignot. 40 Hen. III. n. 33, de tenementis in Isefeld: Fin. com. ignot. 43 Hen. III. n. 47, de advoc. eccl. de Herthill: Fin. com. ignot. 44 Hen. III. n. 48, de advoc. de Cotes; n. 50, de ten. in Melton: Fin. com. ignot. 53 Hen. III. n. 68, de piscaria in Utwell, Norf.

"Pat. 2 Edw. I. m. 19, d. Fin. com. ignot. 5 Edw. I. n. 18, de advoc. eccl. de Ryston com. Norf. et Meriton: Fin. Norf. 6 Edw. I. n. 15, de terris in Merton cum advoc. eccl. de Ryston et Merton, et ii. partibus decim. de dominico Fulconis in Haddesco: Plac. in com. Sussex. 7 Edw. I. assis. rot 54, d. pro libertat. allocandis: Fin. Norf. 7 Edw. I. n. 34, de ten. in Walpole: Fin. com. ignot. 7 Edw. I. n. 20, de terris in Walpole et Mersplond: Fin. Norf. 8 Edw. I. n. 65, pro advoc. eccl. de Ryston: Fin. com. ignot. 8 Edw. I. n. 22, pro advoc. eccl. de Lotegars-hall juxta Petworth: ibid. n. 23, pro advoc. de Dyrton: ibid. n. 25 vel 29, pro advoc. de Ryston concess. Phil. Burnel: Fin. Norf. 14 Edw. I.

a letter from John Portmari to Lord Cromwell affords an ample detail of the rapidity with which the priory was pulled to pieces. It is preserved in the Cottonian volume Cleopatra E. iv. fol. 232.

"My lord,

"I humbly commend my selfe unto yo^r lordshyp. The laste I wrote unto yo^r lordshyp was the xxth daye of thys present monith, by the hands of Mr. Wyliamson, by the whych I advertised yo^r lordshyp of the lengthe and greatness of thys church, and how we had begon to pull the hole down to the ground, and what maner and fashion they used in pulling it down. I told yo^r lordshyp of a vaute on the ryght syde of the hyghe altare, that was born up w^t fower greate pillars, having abowt it v. chappells, whych be compased in w^t the walls lxx steks of lengthe, that is fete cex. All thys is down a Thursday and Fryday last. Now we are pluckyng down an hygher vaute, born up by fower thicke and grose pillars, xiiij fote fro syde to syde, abowt in circumference xlv fote. Thys shall down for o^r second worke. As it goth forward, I woll advise yo^r lordshyp from tyme to tyme; and that yo^r lordshyp may knowe w^t how many men we have don thys, we brought from London xvij persons, three carpentars, two smythes, two plummars, and on that kepith the fornace; every of these attendith to hys own office; x of them hewed the walls abowte, among the whych ther were three carpentars. These made procts to undersette wher the other cutte away, thother brake and cutte the waules. Thies ar men exercised moche better then the men that we fynd here in the contrey. Wherfor we must bothe have mo men and other things also that we have nede of, all the whych I woll within thys ij or thre dayes show yo^r lordshyp by mouth. A Tuesday they began to

n. 128, de molendino in Ringsted Magna: ibid. n. 174, de ten. in Walton: Fin. com. ignot. 14 Edw. I. n. 32, de terris in Ringsted Magna: ibid. n. 33, de terris in Walton: Plac. in com. Norf. 14 Edw. I. assis. rot. 8, pro advoc. eccl. de Wode Rising: Plac. in com. Sussex. 16 Edw. I. assis. rot. 11, de terris in Walderne: ibid. rot. 39, de reddit. exeunte e maner. de Porteslade.

"Claus. 16 Edw. II. m. 4, de eccl. et terris in Hallifax, Coningburgh, Braithwell, &c. Claus. 17 Edw. II. m. 3, de reddit. in com. Ebor. Fin. 18 Edw. II. m. 12, 13, et 14, de maner. de Hecham et Walton, portionibus in Sculthorp, et Methwold, &c. Pat. 19 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 31, pro advoc. eccl. de Dewesbury et Wakefeld.

"Rom. 2 Edw. III. m. 2, compositionem inter abbatem Cluniacensem et comitem Surria patronum hujus cœnobii, de forma præsentandi Priorem in vacatione: Claus. 2 Edw. III. m. 14, pro eccl. de Melton Moubay in proprios usus: Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 17, de advoc. eccl. de West Walton Norf. Brev. reg. 4 Edw. III. n. 4, de maner. de Hecham et Walton Norf. Claus. 7 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 12, d. de decimis Will. de Warennæ, et tenentium in Enemedæ, et alibi infra mariscos de Lynn: Pat. 14 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 27, pro eccl. de Petham: Cart. 15 Edw. III. n. 8, pro mercat. et feria in West Walton: Pat. 15 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 24 vel 25, de advocacione prioratus: Cart. 17 Edw. III. n. 8, pro mercat. et feria apud Walpole et quamplurimis aliis libertatibus in Norf. et Suff.: Pat. 18 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 18 vel 19, pro advoc. eccl. de Dewesbury et Wakefeld: Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 4, pro maner. de Carleton et Willingham dimittendis: Pat. 21 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 10, de custodia et regimine Scholarum apud Melton Moubay, Leicester: Escaet. Cantab. 24 Edw. III. n. 50: Pat. 25 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 27, quod sit indegena: Pat. 26 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 4, pro appropriat. eccl. de Dichenyng, West Hodelegh, Horsted Kenyns, Est Grinsted, Suss. et Walpole, Norf. in recompensatione pro eccl. de Birton, cujus advocacionem Prior et Conventus dederunt capellæ regis S. Stephani Westmonast. et aliarum pensionum de ecclesiis de Riston, Caxton, &c.: Pat. 27 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 7, de decimis villæ de Melton Mowbray: Plac. de banco 27 Edw. III. Hill. rot. 120, pro redditu xvi. sol. per ann. pro portione decimarum in Alfricheton: Pat. 35 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 20 vel 21, pro libertat. in villa de Hecham et hundred. de Smethdon: Pat. 39 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 27 vel 28. Plac. de banco, 43 Edw. III. Pasch. rot. 332.

"Plac. coram rege, 6 Ric. II. Trin. rot. 28, pro advoc. eccl. S. Nicolai de Feltwell, Norf.

"Pat. 11 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 18, de ten. in Walpole et West Walton: Pat. 12 Hen. IV. p. . . m. 44.

"Escaet. Norf. 3 Hen. VI. n. 19, pro maner. de Wigenhale: Plac. de banco, 17 Hen. VI. Hill. rot. 119, de annua pensione xx. marcarum exeunte e rectoria de Elme, pro portione decimarum in Enemedæ dioc. Eliens.: Pat. 30 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 14 vel 15.

"Pat. 5 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 27. Rec. in Scacc. 11 Edw. IV. Mich. rot. 3. de xxx. acr. terræ in Ballesdon."

Among the ancient charters given to the British Museum by the late Lord Frederick Campbell, formerly Mr. Astle's, are two relating to Lewes.

1. L. F. C. iv. 7. Breve Regis Edw. III. de debitis Johannis de Janitura Prioris de Lewes, dat. 28 Jan. an. regni xxiv. It is indorsed, "Johannes de Janitura Prior de Lewes infrascriptus mortuus est. Et ideo de executione istius Brevis nichil actum est. Per. Thom. de Hoo vic."

"2. L. F. C. lxvi. 16. Conventio inter Johannem de Monte Martini Priorem de Lewis ac ejusdem loci Conventus, ac fratrem Petrum de Ripariis priorem humilem de Clifford de ecclesia de Dorsington."

cast the ledde, and it shalbe don with such diligence and savyng as may be, so that o^r trust is yo^r lordshyp shall be moch satisfied with that we do, unto whom I most humbly commend my self, moch desiring God to mainteyn yo^r helth, yo^r honor, yo^r harts ease. At Lewes the xxiiij of March, 1537.

“Yo^r lordshyps servant,

“JOHN PORTMARL.

“Under nethe here, yo^r lordshyp shall see a just mesure of the hole abbey.

“The church is in lengthe, cl. fote.

The heygthe lxiiij. fote.

The circumference abowte it, M. D. lviiij. fote.

The walls of the forefronte, thicke x. fote.

The thykenes of the stepill wall x. fote.

The thickenes of the walls intorno, v. fote.

Ther be in the church, xxxij. pillars standyng equally from the walls.

An hyghe roufe, made for the bells. Eyght pillars verry bygge. Thicke xiiij. fo. Abowte xlv. fo.

Thother xxiiij. ar for the most parte x fote thicke, & xxv. abowght.

The heygthe of the greater sorte is xliij. of th’other xviiij. fote.

The heygthe of the roufe before the hyghe altare is lxxxiiij. fote.

In the midds of the church where the bells dyd hange, an ev. fote.

The heygthe of the stepil at the fronte is lxxx. fote.”

The present remains of the priory itself are inconsiderable, although the area, encircled by a wall, contains not much less than forty acres. In 1789, when Mr. Gough published his edition of Camden, the shells of some of the apartments of the priory were distinctly visible, a cloister with rude massive vaulted roofs like caverns, the side of the hall, under which ran a clear stream, an oven seventeen feet wide, and the piers of the gate with the postern with clustered round pillars of Sussex marble, some adorned with nail-head quatrefoils.^a

The author of the Ancient and Modern History of Lewes and Brighthelmston published in 1795, says: “The site of the Priory is now called the Lord’s Place, on account of a seat which had been erected there about the end of the sixteenth century, and inhabited by the earls of Dorset; and though the Lord’s Place or Residence here was burned down about an hundred years ago, the name still continues. This building stood on and near the site of the present barn near the church-yard. Eastward of it stood the great church of St. Pancras, and, to the south of that church, stood all the other buildings of the priory. The remains of a large oven, still extant, point out the site of the bakehouse, and, by implication, that of the kitchen and other culinary offices necessarily attached to so large a monastery. The hall and refectory stood over a clear stream, a branch of the Cockshut river, or sewer, which supplied a mill and the priory with a perennial current of the purest water. This hall, which happened to escape the general demolition of Portmarus,

was converted by the first earl of Dorset into a malt-house, and its walls are still in better preservation than any other part of the ruins. There are still traces of two vaulted subterraneous passages, whose original use is not easily ascertainable at this day. One seems to have led from an inhabited part of the monastery; perhaps the Cells or Dormitory, to the great church; the other, which seems to have been smaller, is not far from the eastern wall of the orchard or Place garden, and might have been only a covered or arched sewer. The former of these passages has been continued by the imagination of the ignorant, ever prone to the marvellous, as far as the Friars, or the Castle, or St. Anne’s Church, according to the whim or local partiality of the narrator.^b

“Of the priory gate there is still enough to give an idea of the grand and expensive style of architecture which this wealthy society affected in all their buildings. It consisted of Caen stone, and Sussex marble, carved and ornamented in the best taste of the fifteenth century.”^c

A south view of the priory and castle was engraved by Buck, 1737. Two views of the priory, S. and W. were engraved by Grose, Sparrow, and Godfrey, 1761.

The CELLS to LEWES PRIORY were, CASTLE ACRE, and HITCHAM, or HECHAM, in Norfolk; CLIFFORD in Herefordshire; FARLEY in Wilts; HORTON in Kent; and PRITTLEWELL and STAINESGATE in Essex. CASTLE ACRE had its subordinate Cells of *Bromholm*, *Normannesberchor Reinham*, and *Slevesholm* in Norfolk, and *Mendham* in Suffolk. WEST ACRE, which Dugdale inserted in the former edition of the Monasticon as a Cell to Lewes, was an independent monastery.

Tanner, speaking of HITCHAM or HECHAM in Norfolk, says, “Here is said to have been a cell of Cluniac monks to Lewes,^d to which monastery this town was given by their founder, William de Warren, earl of Surrey.” “After the Dissolution the manor and church here, with several other estates belonging to that priory in Norfolk, were granted, 29th Hen. VIII., to Thomas duke of Norfolk.” He adds, “*Vide Cart. 56 Hen. III. m. 3, pro merc. et feria apud Hicham com. Norf. concess. Priori de Lewes.*”

MELTON MOWBRAY, in Leicestershire, is also called a Cell, but seems really to have been only an estate belonging to Lewes priory: as parcel of which it was granted in the 29th Hen. VIII. to Thomas lord Cromwell. Tanner gives these references to manuscripts concerning Melton Mowbray: “In Museo Britan. MS. Peck, vol. iv. Inquis. 16 Edw. II. de redditu in Melton Mowbray: vol. v. Inquis. 2 Edw. II. de terris in Melton dandis capellano Cantariæ in ecclesia ibid. Plac. assis. in com. Leicestr. 12 Edw. I. rot. 6, 15. Claus. 2 Edw. III. m. 14, de eccl. de Melton Mowbray approprianda. Pat. 21 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 10, de custodia et regimine scholarum apud Melton Mowbray in manu regis ratione temporalium prioratus de Lewes. Pat. 27 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 7, Composit. pro decimis de Melton Mowbray cum Priore de Kirkly Monachorum.” None of these, however, afford evidence that a Cell existed here.

Cartae ad Lewesense Coenobium in agro Sussexiae spectantes.

NUM. I.

[Will. Malmesb. de Gestis Pontif. fol. 147, a.]

SANCTI Pancratii de Lewes, quod, auctore Willielmo comite de Warrenna, Lanzo, quidam monachus Cluniacensis

^a Camd. Britan. edit. 1789. vol. i. p. 201.

^b Sir William Burrell, MS. Brit. Mus. Donat. 5706, says, Sept. 13, 1772. “I measured part of the remains of this priory, and found them to be as follows: The oven was 17 ft. diameter; near half of it is standing. The roof is composed of tiles set perpendicularly each 6½ in. broad, 11 in. long, 1 in. thick. Not far from this oven, on the north side of the ruins, is a subterraneous passage, which common fame reports to have served for a communication with the town of Lewes near Sir Ferdinand Poole’s house: it is in great part filled with rubbish. The width of this passage is three feet, and the heighth clear of rubbish 4 ft. 6 in.

in supremo religionis locavit cacumine. Efficaciam viri sublimitas prætendit loci, adeo ut veraciter asseratur, nullum omnino monasterium posse illud vincere religione ad monachos, affabilitate ad hospites, charitate ad omnes. Vincit pompam famæ rerum veritas, licet fatiget audientes referen-

At the east end of these ruins is a noble cellar supported by columns 68 feet in length, 19 ft. 6 in. wide, 10 ft. high, exclusive of rubbish. I observed in the main walls square holes which ran throughout, as I conceive, to communicate air.”

^c Anc. and Mod. Hist. of Lewes and Brighthelmst. 8°. Lewes, 1795, pp. 417, 418.

^d Lib. depositionum in Registr. principali dom. episc. Norvic. pro anno 1632, in causa Byng contra Beales. The Hicham Priory mentioned in Willis’s Hist. of Abbies, vol. ii. p. 146, is a false print for Flitcham in Norfolk.

tium verbositas. Certè de Lanzone plura loquerer, nisi alias non contemnenda dixissem, simulque ejus meritum omne transcendit eloquium.

NUM. II.

Carta foundationis per Willielmum de Warennā Surregiæ comitem.

[Ex Regist. de Lewes penes virum clariss. Joh. Seldenum armig. 1649.]

IN nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti Amen. Ego Willielmus de Warrenna et Gundreda uxor mea volentes peregrinationem facere ad sanctum Petrum in Roma, pereximus per plura monasteria quæ sunt in Francia et Burgundia, causa orationis. Et cum venissemus in Burgundiam didicimus quod non potuimus secure transire propter guerram quæ fuit tunc inter Papam et imperatorem. Et tunc divertimus ad Cluniacum monasterium, magnam et sanctam abbatiam in honore sancti Petri. Et ibi adoravimus et requisivimus sanctum Petrum. Et quia invenimus sanctitatem et religionem et caritatem tam magnam ibi et honorem erga nos à bono Priore et à toto sancto conventu qui receperunt nos in societatem et fraternitatem suam, incepimus habere amorem et devotionem erga illum ordinem et illam domum super omnes alias domos quas videramus. Sed dominus Hugo sanctus abbas eorum tunc domi non fuit. Et quia longè ante et tunc magis habuimus in proposito et voluntate per concilium domini Lanfranci archiepiscopi ego et uxor mea quod faceremus aliquam domum religionis pro peccatis nostris et salute animarum nostrarum, tunc visum fuit nobis, quod de nullo alio ordine tam libenter quam de Cluniacensi eam facere vellemus. Et ideo misimus et requisivimus a domino Hugone abbate et à tota sancta congregatione quod concederent nobis duos vel tres vel quatuor monachos de sancto grege suo, quibus daremus ecclesiam unam quam de lignea lapideam fecimus sub castro Lewiarum, quæ fuit ab antiquo tempore in honore sancti Pancratii, et illam daremus eis, et tantum in principio terrarum et animalium et rerum unde duodecim monachi possent ibi sustentari. Sed sanctus abbas prius valde nobis fuit durus ad audiendam petitionem nostram propter longinquitatem alienæ terræ et maxime propter mare. Sed postquam nos perquisivimus licentiam à domino nostro rege Willielmo adducendi monachos Cluniacenses in Anglicam terram, et abbas ex sua parte requisivit voluntatem regis, tunc tandem donavit et misit nobis quatuor de monachis suis dominum Lanzonem et tres socios suos; quibus donavimus in principio omnia quæ eis promisimus, et confirmavimus per scriptum nostrum quod misimus abbati Cluniacensi et conventui, quia noluerunt nobis ante monachos mittere quam haberent confirmationem nostram et regis quam eis promisimus de omnibus rebus quas eis donavimus. Et sic dati sunt mihi et uxori meæ monachi Cluniacenses in Anglicam terram. Post mortem vero domini mei Willielmi regis cum filius suus Willielmus venisset in Anglicam terram propter regnum, et multa fuisset discordia de regno et dubitatio de fine, et ego in multis periculis cotidie, monstraverunt mihi dominus Lanzo Prior et monachi mei quod apud Cluniacum esset confirmatio mea quam feceram de rebus quas illis dederam in principio, et quod ipsi inde nullum munimentum haberent, et quod propter dubia et futura tempora deberem eis omnem securitatem de meis donis et concessis facere. Quod feci libenter consilio fidelium meorum per hanc alteram cartam meam. Volo ergo quod sciant qui sunt et qui futuri sunt, quod ego Willielmus de Warrenna Surreiæ comes donavi et confirmavi Deo et sancto Petro et abbati et conventui de Cluniaco ecclesiam sancti Pancratii quæ sita est sub castro meo Lewiarum, et eidem sancto Pancratio et monachis Cluniacensibus quicumque in ipsa ecclesia sancti Pancratii Deo servient in perpetuum, donavi pro salute animæ meæ et animæ Gundredæ uxoris meæ et pro anima domini mei Willielmi Regis qui me in Anglicam terram adduxit, et per cujus licentiam monachos venire feci, et qui meam priorem donationem confirmavit, et pro salute dominæ meæ Matildis reginæ, matris uxoris meæ, et pro salute domini mei Willielmi regis filii sui, post cujus adventum in Anglicam terram hanc cartam feci, et qui me comitem Surregiæ fecit, et pro salute omnium hæredum meorum et omnium fidelium Christi vivorum et mortuorum, in sustentationem prædictorum monachorum sancti Pancratii, mansionem Falemelum nomine, totum quicquid ibi in dominio habui, cum hida terræ quam Eustachius in Burgamela tenet

et ad ipsam mansionem pertinet. Mansionem quoque Carletonam nomine quam domina mea Matildis regina dedit Gundredæ uxori meæ et mihi, et hoc concessit et confirmavit dominus meus rex Willielmus in auxilium ad fundandum novos monachos nostros, totum quod ibi habuimus. Et in Swanberga quinque hidas et dimidiam. Terram etiam quæ vocatur Insula, juxta monasterium, cum pratis et pascuis. Totam etiam terram quam ego in dominio habui intra Insulam in qua monasterium situm est, cum molendino super stagnum quod ibi juxta est positum, et cum uno suburbano ibi juxta posito, Lewino nomine. In Tuniaci terram quæ fuit Normanni virgam terræ quæ vocatur Redrewell, et alteram virgam nomine Stanforde. In Wastedena duas hidas cum quatuor villanis et uno prato. Decimas quoque terrarum mearum, et illas nominatim quas Richardus presbyter tenet et tenebit in vita sua, ita quod post mortem ejus monachis remanebunt. Concessionem feci etiam omnium decimarum quas homines mei ibi dederunt vel postea daturi sunt. Postea vero donavi eis Waltonam cum omnibus liberis hominibus quos Gundreda cum ipsa mansione ibi de me tenuit, quicquid ibi habui tunc inter duas aquas de Limea et de Wellestream, in terris et mariscis et pascuis et aquis cum hominibus et omnibus eorum serviciis et cum omnibus rebus, ita quod duo hospicia mihi et hæredibus meis ibi per annum retinui, unum in eundo in Everwicsire et alterum in redeundo pro omnibus serviciis quæ mihi facere solebant homines de marisco in vecturis et summagiis per terram et aquam, huc et illuc, et pro omnibus aliis serviciis, unde volo quod liberi et quieti sint erga me et hæredes meos de omni servicio in perpetuum. Et si ibi hospitamur plus quam bis in anno, totum quod ibi de suo vel nos vel homines nostri quicumque illuc per annum per nos venerit, super duo prædicta hospitia expendimus, computabunt, et reddemus eis de nostro in fine anni super periculum animarum nostrarum. Sic facio ego, et sic faciam, et sic volo quod faciant hæredes, mei, ne propter hanc causam vertant elemosinam meam et suam in servitutem et rapinam, sicut volunt salvari in die judicii. Præterea donavi eis ecclesiam de Acra cum duabus carucis terræ, ubi ego et Gundreda adhuc vivens proposuimus facere monasterium et domos et ponere monachos de monachis nostris sancti Pancratii, de quibus etiam posuimus primo in ecclesia castelli nostri de Acra. Et hæc promisit mihi dominus Lanzo quod faceret, sic tamen quod Prior et monachi de Acra semper subditi sint et in libera ordinatione Prioris sancti Pancratii. Et Prior et conventus sancti Pancratii habeant et disponant domum de Acra sine omni contradictione sicut proprios monachos suos de clastro suo, et sic faciam si Deus servaverit mihi vitam et sanitatem. Et si non possum perficere, volo quod hæres meus perficiat. Et si hæredes mei post me in suo tempore aliquam elemosinam fundaverint, volo quod eam sancto Pancratio submittant, et semper sanctum Pancratium caput honoris sui habeant, et ibi se mecum reddant ubi jacet Gundreda uxor mea, et ego cum ea reddidi corpus meum, et ipsi similiter mecum faciant. Omnes has antedictas res dedi Deo et sancto Pancratio et monachis ibi Deo servituris, vivente et volente Gundreda uxore mea, et Willielmo et Raynaldo filiis et hæredibus meis. Sed post mortem Gundredæ feci eis hanc cartam. Post cujus mortem donavi etiam eis pro anima illius et mea et omnium hæredum meorum mansionem in Norfolk, Hecham nomine, totum quod ibi habui cum terra Pagani præpositi, et cum omnibus liberis hominibus quorum censum idem Paganus recipiebat. Et hanc donationem meam volo quod hæredes mei concessam et firmatam habeant, quia et eam concessit et confirmavit dominus meus rex Willielmus sicut alias fecerat pater suus. Has omnes supradictas res donavi monachis ad habendum in perpetuum tam liberas et quietas ab omnibus causis et custumis et servitiis sicut eas liberas habui et sicut aliquis liber homo habet vel habere potest suum dominium vel dare suam elemosinam. Et si eveniat quod rex terræ aliquid inde quærat vel hidagium vel danegildum vel qualecumque geldum vel servicium vel quancumque rem, ego quamdiu vivam eas liberatas et acquietatas faciam sicut meum dominium, et hæres meus post me, et sui post illum similiter in perpetuum faciant de omnibus rebus quæcumque solent vel poterunt vel unquam continget in posterum ab aliquo domino vel homine requiri erga regem, et omnes homines ut monachi semper sint in pace, et sui omnes et omnia sua. Pro qua re volo quod si aliqua contentio vel dissensio vel lesura vel aliqua injuria surgat inter homines sancti Pancratii et me vel meos unde forisfac-

tura eveniat, Prior sancti Pancratii semper capiat et habeat pro me forisfacturam et emendationem de hominibus suis, ne per hanc causam possint qui venturi sunt lædere et confundere homines sancti, et sic volo quod faciant hæredes mei. Et si ego aliqua adhuc addidero vel hæredes mei post me, volo quod omnia illa tam libere donentur et habeantur sicut ego ista omnia donavi, et quod ipsi similiter velint et faciant. Et volo quod sicut ego cresco crescant et res monachorum, et sicut crescunt res et bona eorum, quod crescat numerus eorum, et sic volo et laudo et præcipio quod velint et faciant et servant hæredes mei, et firmum et stabile habeant quod ego feci, et ego firmum et stabile habeo quod ipsi facturi sunt. Et quicumque contra hanc donationem meam venerit vel eam in aliquo minuerit vel in pejus mutaverit, iram et maledictionem Dei omnipotentis et celerem vindictam in corde et in anima in hoc mundo et in die iudicii incurrat, et tota maledictio quam pater potest dare malis filiis suis ex parte mea super illum veniat. Fiat, Fiat. Et quicumque hanc meam donationem servaverit et defenderit et accreverit, benedictionem Dei omnipotentis et gratiam in hac vita, et in alia in corpore et in anima super se habeat, et tota benedictio quam pater potest dare bonis filiis suis, ex parte mea super eum veniat et maneat sine fine. Amen. Amen. Similiter precor Deum ut eveniat si hæres meus post me vel suus post eum, vel quicumque ex successoribus meis aliqua bona addiderit ad ea quæ ego donavi, quicumque post eos contra illorum donationem venerit in malum, veniat Deus contra illum in malum, et quicumque eam defenderit et servaverit, defendat eum Deus ab omni malo. Præterea volo quod sciant monachi mei et hæredes mei, quod quando ego et Gundrada perquisivimus à domino Hugone abbate, qui venerat ad loquendum cum domino meo rege in Normanniam, quod redderet nobis dominum Lanzonem Priorem nostrum quem toto anno apud Cluniacum retinuerat, unde tam commoti fuimus quod penè proposuimus dimittere conceptum nostrum, vel auferre eis et dare ecclesiam nostram Majori monasterio, tunc etiam concessit nobis et promisit abbas ad multam deprecationem, quod si Deus cresceret domum nostram faceret eam sicut unam ex magnis post mortem domini Lanzonis vel promotionem in aliquam maiorem dignitatem; quando monachi sancti Pancratii mitterent ad Cluniacum propter Priorem, mitterent eis in Priorem unum ex melioribus monachis suis de tota congregatione quem scirent sanctiorem ad ordinem et ad animas regendas secundum Deum, et sapientiores ad domum gubernandam secundum seculum præter maiorem Priorem de Cluniaco et Priorem de Caritate. Et quod ipse foret ad remanendum et nunquam removeretur, nisi tam justa et manifesta esset causa, quod nemo rationabiliter deberet contradicere, et inde fecit nobis scriptum suum cum sigillo suo quod habeo. Et hæc perquisivimus quia timuimus ne dominus Lanzo cum redisset, cito auferretur nobis, quia rex quos meliores invenire potuit in dignitates ecclesiæ exaltavit, et nobis audientibus requisivit ab abbate quod mitteret ei duodecim de sanctis monachis suis, et eos omnes faceret episcopos et abbates in terra hæreditatis suæ quam ei dederat Deus. Et etiam præcogitavimus quod si nova adhuc domus et tenera sæpe novum Priorem haberet, et in novas manus veniret, nunquam ad magnum profectum perveniret. Et quia nolumus quod elemosina nostra in posterum in secularem servitutem verteretur, tunc constitutum est inter nos et abbatem, quod Cluniacum habeat omni anno l. solidos monetæ Anglicæ de dono sancti Pancratii, et sic libera sit ab omni alia servitute et exactione et geldo, et abbas de nulla ordinatione domus se intromittat super Priorem nisi de observantia vel emendatione ordinis ubi Prior emendare non potuerit per se; neque de domibus suis, si aliquas unquam per gratiam Dei sub se habuerit, sed Prior sancti Pancratii et conventus semper eas liberas habeant in sua ordinatione sicut eis fuerint donatæ. Et hoc voluimus et fecimus quia in desiderio semper et spe fuimus facere domum et ponere monachos apud Acram castellum nostrum quam nolumus alibi nisi sancto Pancratio esse subjectam. Hanc donationem et cartam meam feci dominum meum regem apud Wincestriam in concilio concedere et testimoniari per signum sanctæ crucis de manu sua, et per signa et testimonia episcoporum et comitum et baronum qui tunc fuerunt feliciter. Amen. Venientibus contra hæc et destruentibus ea occurrat Deus in gladio iræ et furoris et vñdictæ et maledictionis æternæ; servantibus autem hæc et defendentibus ea, occurrat Deus in pace gratia et misericordia et salute æterna. Amen, Amen, Amen.

NUM. III.

Carta W. comitis Warrennæ de Ecclesiis in comitatu Eboracensi.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentibus et futuri quod ego Willielmus comes de Warennæ dedi, &c. Deo et sancto Pancratio et monachis de Lewes ibidem Deo servientibus ecclesiam de Cuningeburgh cum pertinentiis, ecclesiam de Hertille cum pertinentiis, ecclesiam de Fislac cum pertinentiis, ecclesiam de Hetfeld cum capella de Torne et omnibus pertinentiis, ecclesiam de Parva-Sandall cum capella de Harnoldesthorp cum omnibus pertinentiis, ecclesiam etiam de Wakefeld cum capella de Horbirie cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ecclesiam de Halifax cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ecclesiam de Dewesbury cum capella de Hertesheved et omnibus pertinentiis suis, ecclesiam de Burton cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ecclesiam de Majori-Sandale cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, &c. Hiis testibus, &c.

NUM. IV.

Donatio Mansionis nomine Walton. Monasterio S. Pancratii apud Lewes, per Regem Will. I.

[Autogr. MS. Cotton. Vespas. F. III. fol. 1.]

NOTUM sit præsentibus et futuris quod ego Willelmus Dei graciâ rex Anglorum, concedo monasterio S. Pancratii quod situm est apud Lewes, pro animâ Domini et antecessoris mei regis Edwardi, et pro animâ patris mei comitis Rotberti, et pro meâ ipsius animâ, et uxoris meæ Matildæ reginæ, et filiorum atque successorum meorum, et pro animâ Gulielmi de Warennæ et uxoris suæ Gundfredæ filiæ meæ, et hæredibus suis, quandam mansionem in Norfolc. nomine Walton. cum omnibus quæ ad eandem mansionem pertinent, quæ Willelmus ad illam mansionem tenet de me.

Concedo eciam, ut monachi in eodem monasterio conversantes et conversaturi eâ libertate possideant quam ecclesiæ quas barones mei, me concedente, construunt, possident elemosinas quas ego eis concessi: et ita quod ego in istâ elemosinâ habeam quidquid in illis habeo. Et ut donatio hæc firma et inconcussa perpetuo maneat, signo sanctæ crucis manu propriâ confirmavi, et manibus fidelium meorum testificandum liberavi.

S. Willi[✠]elmi regis. S. Will.[✠] fil. regis. S. Hamr[✠]ici filii regis. S. Will. de [✠]Warennæ. S. . . . [✠]ingard nep. S. Osm[✠]undi ep. S. Wauche[✠]lini ep. S. Remigii[✠] ep. S. . . . [✠] S. Willelmi[✠] ep. Dunelm. S. Ham[✠]rici. S. Michael[✠] de Tona. S. Walteri[✠]. . . S. E. . . [✠]vicecom. S. Milonis[✠] Crispini. S. . . . [✠]

NUM. V.

Carta Henrici I. Regis de Immunitatibus.

[Ibid. fol. 1 b.]

Ego Henricus Dei graciâ rex Anglorum, archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, baronibus, et omnibus fidelibus, salutem perpetuam. Sciatis me dedisse et concessisse Deo et S. Pancratio, et monachis de Lewes, pro salute animæ meæ et omnium parentium et fidelium meorum, et pro statu regni mei, omnem immunitatem, quietanciam, et libertatem, quam regia potestas alicui monasterio conferre potest. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio, quod prædicti monachi de Lewes omnia tenementa sua, tam laica quam ecclesiastica, quæcumque in præsentem habent, vel in posterum vendicione seu donacione fidelium habituri sint, benè et in pace, liberè et quietè, plenariè et honorificè teneant, in omnibus locis et in omnibus rebus, ubicumque fuerint, quæta de dangeldis, et omnibus geldis, et auxiliis, et schiris, et hundredis, et lastagiis, et hidagiis, et tallagiis; de summagiis et carriagiis; de navigiis et clausuris; de poncium et castrorum edificacione; de conductu thesauri et omni operatione. Sint eciam prior et monachi de Lewes et omnia sua quæta de theloneis, et omnibus exactionibus et consuetudinibus in nundinis et foris quorumcumque sint, in terris et aquis, in viis et transitibus poncium et portubus maris, per totam Angliam et Normanniam. Quod si, hæc libertate cognitâ, ab eis aliquis aliquid acceperit, pro forisfacturâ decem libras regi persolvat. Sint eciam feuda eorum et maneria ex omni exactione et consuetudine quæta et libera, sicut nostra propria. Habeant eciam prior et mo-

nachi prædicti de hominibus suis ubicumque intercepti fuerint, et de totâ possessione suâ, et de alienis in eâ forisfacientibus, vel ibi cum forisfactura interceptis, curiam suam et placita omnia, cum sacca et socha, et tol et them, et infangenethef, in omnibus locis qui sunt vel esse possunt, sicut aliqua ecclesia Angliæ melius et liberius, vel quietius vel integrius, habet. Hanc libertatem et immunitatem rogatu Willielmi comitis Sugreg. et omnium baronum meorum inviolabiliter et indissolubiliter in perpetuum concessi, quam regibus post me in Anglia regnaturis, pro Deo et salute animarum suarum, servandam commendo. Ut autem hæc mea concessio et donacio firma et inconcussa perpetuo maneat, signo sanctæ crucis manu propriâ signavi, et manibus fidelium meorum testificandam tradidi, et insuper sigilli mei auctoritate confirmavi.

Signum ✠ Henrici regis. S. ✠ Girardi ep'i. S. Wil ✠ lelmi com. Moritonii. S. Wal ✠ terii Giffard. com. S. Wil ✠ lelmi cancellarii. S. Hugonis ✠ comit. Cestrens. S. Hen ✠ rici com. de Pulchro Monte. S. Ro ✠ g'i Bigod. S. Wil ✠ lelmi de Albini.

NUM. VI.

De antiquis Benefactoribus Abbatiae de Lewes.

[Ex Libro Computorum, olim Prioratui de Lewes, spectante.]

In Devenschira, ecclesiam de Bere dedit nobis mater Roberti de Bachentuna.

In Dorseta, ad Melesberiam habemus unam hidam et dimidiam terræ, quam dedit nobis Girardus filius Baldwini.

Ad Winterburnam in Wiltuneshira, dedit nobis Rainaldus de Dunestanesvilla ecclesiam de eadem villâ, et quicquid ad eam pertinet.

In Sussexia, in episcopatu Cycestriæ, ecclesiam de Contuna, de dono Rogerii de S. Johanne.

Decima de Grafham, de feodo Rogerii de Caisneto, de dono ipsius Rogeri ecclesia de Bercham, quam dedit nobis Robertus de Dunestanvilla, de feodo Alani nepotis sui, qui postea concessit redditum xx^s.

Capella de Greteham, de dono Roberti de Dunstanvilla.

Apud Brembram habemus quatuor salinas, de dono Philippi de Braiuse.

Feodum Willielmi de Warene, et in parte feodum Johannis de Chaisneto, Erdlaveswyk.

Decimæ Radulphi de Caisneto de Sadelescumba, et Bristelnestuna.

In Surregia, decima de Suttuna, de feodo Stephani comitis de Moritonio.

Terra de Banberga, de feodo comitis Rothroci.

Decima de Saldeford, de feodo Ricardi filii Gilberti.

Decima Willielmi Damartin, de Michelham.

Domina Dionysia uxor quondam domini Roberti de Beauchamp, dedit nobis pro se et animâ mariti sui prædicti Roberti, et filiorum et omnium antecessorum suorum salute temporali et æterna, xii^d. annuatim reddendos, cum x^s. quos Ricardus, filius ejus nobis teneter solve de tenemento, quod de nobis tenet.

Anno Domini mccvii. venit Ricardus Russell, filius Eustachii Russell, de Malpudre et petiit quandam terram quæ fuit patris sui die quo obiit, et obtinuit.

In Cantiâ.

De feodo Reginaldi de Sancto Leodegario.

Decima Gaufredi de Baileolo, de Binelea.

In castelariâ de Pevenesel dedit nobis Aluredus pincerna ecclesiam de Grenesteda, cum dimidiâ hydâ terræ ad eam pertinente.

Willielmus de Cahaynes dedit nobis, pro animabus filiorum suorum Ricardi et Willielmi, unam hidam terræ in Langenia.

Ad Ramegingas, de feodo Hugonis de Cahaennis, unam partem terræ, quæ reddit dimidiam marcem.

Ad Duclintunam, duas hidas terræ, quas dedit nobis Adeleidis, pro animâ Willielmi de Chaennis viri sui; et hoc donum confirmavit Hugo filius ejus.

Ad Sidenoram, Hugo de Cahaines dedit nobis duas hidas et dimidiam pro monacatu; et Ricardus filius ejus confirmavit per cartam suam.

Apud Hastings, de feodo Reginaldi de S. Leodegario, habemus terram suam de Crotteslee, quam dedit nobis pro animâ uxoris suæ, et fecimus quendam monachum pro animâ ipsius; et reddit nobis ipsa terra per annum xxv^s.

Ecclesiam villæ de Bristelmestonâ, dedit nobis Radulfus de Cheisneto, pro animâ Emmæ uxoris suæ, et decimam omnium quæ habet in eadem villâ: et Willielmus comes junior concessit.

Ad Pinchendenam, decimam de dominio suo dedit Raynaldus de Puninges filius Reinerii, concedente comite.

Ecclesiam de Dicelinges, cum una hidâ terræ, dedit nobis junior comes, pro Rainaldo fratre suo, ad opus anniversarii Rainaldi.

Ad Elintunam dedit nobis Radulfus vetus de Chaisneto unam hidam terræ; pro animâ Mathildis uxoris ejus.

Radulfus junior de Chaisneto dedit nobis unam hidam terræ, et molinum de Bardeseiâ, pro anima Emmæ uxoris ejus, concessu comitis junioris. Et ab utroque Radulfo, patre et filio, datæ sunt nobis duæ hydæ.

Primus comes, fundator hujus loci, dedit nobis Phalmeram.

In Norfolciâ.

Ad Estunam Rannulfus de Warena dedit nobis unam virgatam terræ.

Ad Gelham dedit nobis Willielmus filius Rannulfi, decimam terræ, quam tenet Godvinus.

Simon de Fleinvilla dedit nobis decimam de Epinges.

Ecclesiam de Essenduna dedit nobis Gaufredus Bainardus, et Radulfus frater ejus; quando terra venit in manu ejus, accrevit, &c.

Karletuna, quam dedit Matildis regina, mater Henrici regis et Gundredæ comitissæ; et ipsa Gundreda dedit nobis: locata fuit pro x. libris.

Ricardus filius Haerdewini de Scalariis, dedit nobis terras in Willingham.

Ad Thatesfordam unum ortum dedit nobis Willielmus de Pigchenie.

Walterus de Grantcurt, dedit nobis ad Burnham duas ecclesias, unam S. Mariæ, et alteram S. Petri, et terras et decimas; quæ omnia tenet Philippus de Warena, pro duabus marcis argenti, quoad vixerit.

Hercheham dedit nobis Willielmus secundus comes, ad mortem patris sui; qui rogavit eum per barones suos, ut daret nobis unum de melioribus maneriis suis de North. Et idem Willielmus secundus comes, dedit nobis ibidem, quicquid tenebat de eo Willielmus de Cailli, et cartam inde nobis fecit.

Willielmus comes primus, concedente filio suo secundo comite, dedit nobis pro animâ Gundredæ uxoris suæ, Waltunam.

NUM. VII.

Carta Willielmi secundi Comitis Warennæ, de Venatione.

[Registr. de Lewes, MS. Cotton. Vesp. F. xv. fol. 16 b.]

WILLIELMUS comes de Warena salutem. Sciatis quod concedo monachis de Sancto Pancratio quod accipiant extra parcas et infra de veneyoun ad opus infirmorum monachorum quotiens contigerit ipsos monachos infirmari. Testibus Rog. capellano, Hugone de Petrop. Willielmo de Petrop. &c.

NUM. VIII.

Carta ejusdem de Piscaria.

[Ibid.]

WILLIELMUS comes de Warena omnibus baronibus suis et ministris suis et ballivis suis de pertinentia Lewensi, tam præsentibus quam futuris, salutem. Sciatis quod ego dono infirmario monachorum Sancti Pancratii de Lewes, quicumque infirmarius fuerit, licentiam piscandi in omnibus piscaturis meis et aquis de Lewes, ad opus infirmorum, quando voluerit, de ministris comitis ibi uno præsentem. Testibus Rogero capellano, Johanne de Kaysneto, Radulfo de Plaiz, Willielmo de Broseyo.

NUM. IX.

Carta ejusdem de Decimis Denariorum et de omnibus rebus.

[Ex autogr. Cart. antiq. Cotton. xi. 56.]

SCIANT præsentem et futuri quod ego Willielmus comes de Warena dono et concedo Deo et sancto Pancratio et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus in libera elemosina omnes terras et omnia tenementa sua quæ habent de feodo meo cujuscunque donationis sint, absoluta et quieta ab omnibus

donis et auxiliis, et ab omnibus consuetudinibus, et a servitiis. Dono quidem eis quicquid in illis haberem si mihi retinuissem ea. Ego autem de meo proprio adquietabo illa erga regem de danegeld, et de omnibus aliis servitiis quæ ad regem pertinent. Dono etiam illis de omnibus dominiis meis plenariam decimam; videlicet de blado, de fœno, de agnis, de velleribus, de caseis, et plenariam decimam denariorum de omnibus redditibus meis de Anglia. Quamvis autem ex illius denariis in procuratione mea sive aliorum quorumlibet expendatur, ex illis tamen plenaria supradictis monachis reddatur decima. Et si dominium meum aut redditus mei creverint, eotenus crescat et decima monachorum. Hæc supradicta ergo pro salute animæ meæ, et pro animabus antecessorum meorum prædictis monachis concessi, et hac præsentī carta confirmavi, quando feci dedicare ecclesiam sancti Pancratii; et de decima denariorum de omnibus redditibus meis de Anglia dotavi ipsam ecclesiam; *et inde savi sivi eam per capillos capitis mei et fratris mei Radulphi de Warennæ, quos abscidit cum cultello de capitibus nostris ante altare Henricus episcopus Wintoniensis.* Teste Teobaldo archiepiscopo Cantuar. Henrico episcopo Wint. Rodberto episcopo Bad. Ascelino episcopo Rouecestr. qui eandem ecclesiam dedicaverunt: et test. Edwardo abbate Rading, Waltero abbate de Bello, Waltero priore Cant. Waltero archidiac. Cant. Ricardo decano Cicestr. Roberto archid. Johanne de Pagaham, Willielmo comite Cicestr. Radulpho de War. Reg. de War. Hugone de Petrep. Rad. de Pleiz, Rodberto de Wesneval, Rodberto de Frievill, Rodberto de Petrep. Willielmo de Petrep. Adam de Puninges, Gwidone de Mercecurt, Willielmo filio suo, Willielmo de Droseio.

NUM. X.

Carta Eustachii Comitis.

[Reg. ut supr. fol. 89 b.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego Eustachius comes, filius regis, dedi Deo et sancto Pancratio et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus piscariam de Pevenesell, quæ est juxta Langenya, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, pro salute animæ et patris mei, et matris meæ, et fratris mei W. com. de Waren. et omnium antecessorum meorum in liberam elemosinam perpetuo possidendam, libere et quiete et absolute ab omnibus consuetudinibus et omnibus rebus. Conventus vero concessit michi anniversarium meum faciend. annuatim festive de hac piscaria. Test. Willielmo com. de Waren. fratre meo, Hugone de Petraponte, Ricardo de Chahams, Simon. fil. Crog, Ric. filio Willielmi, Rodberto pincerna, Rad. filio ejus, Bald. de Chayho, Rodberto fratre ejus, Adelulfo vicecomite, Willielmo Bachone, Henr. de Novo Mercato, Sab. fil. Willielmi, Philippo de Folchituna, Willielmo de Bercampa, Willielmo de Capenni, &c.

NUM. XI.

Carta Gileberti Comitis de Clara.

[Ibid. fol. 86 b.]

GILEBERTUS comes de Clar. universis sanctæ Dei ecclesiæ filiis salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et dedisse, et hac carta mea confirmasse, ecclesiam de Tonebrugia in bosco et plano, et pratis, et aquis, et nemoribus, et hominibus, et omnibus appenditiis eidem ecclesiæ pertinentibus, ecclesiæ de sancto Pancratio et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam pro anima patris mei et omnium antecessorum meorum, et pro salute animæ meæ. Et si aliquid laici feudi pertinet ad prædictam ecclesiam illud do et concedo in perpetuam elemosinam. Testibus istis Ham. Pecto. Haldewino fratre Gaufr. Waltero fratre Hunfr. Rodberto de Taleword, Rad. Walays, Stephano de Daumart, Hugone de Capell, Haunero sacerdote, Juliano clerico.

NUM. XII.

Quod hujusmodi Prioratus sit indigena.

[Ex Regist. de Castleacre, fol. 131. Vide Pat. 47 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 10.]

EDWARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ et Franciæ et dominus Hiberniæ omnibus ad quos præsentēs literæ pervenerint salutem. Sciatis quod cum dilecti nobis in Christo frater Hugo nuper prior Lewensis et ejusdem loci conventus, ordinis Cluniacensis, Cicestrensis diocesis, nuper nobis advocaciones ecclesiarum de Fichlak, de Magna Sandale, Eboracensis diocesis; Riston, Norwicensis diocesis; Whad-

don et Caxton, Eliensis diocesis; de patronatu suo per caritatem suam dederunt et concesserunt, habendas et tenendas nobis et hæredibus nostris imperpetuum, sub ea conditione quod immunitati eorum, videlicet quod ipsi ut indigenæ et non alienigenæ teneri et reputari, et de fine, firma, subsidio, ac omnibus aliis oneribus, impositionibus, et demandis quæ ab eis ut de alienigenis occasione guerræ inter nos et adversarios nostros Franciæ exigenterentur vel alia quacunque causa, ut de alienigenis exigi possent quietari et exonerari valerent provideri faceremus: ac nos vicesimo quinto die Februarii, anno regni nostri Angliæ vicesimo quinto, prætextu donationis et concessionis prædictarum, et in recompensationem advocacionum prædictarum, ex nostra certa scientia, et de concilio et assensu præfatorum comitum, baronum, et aliorum de concilio nostro nobiscum existentium concesserimus eisdem priori et conventui, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, quod iidem prior et conventus, et eorum successores, cujuscunque nationis vel conditionis forent ut indigenæ et non alienigenæ, ex tunc tenerentur et reputarentur. Et quod dictus prioratus terras, tenementa, redditus, servitia, feoda militum, et advocaciones ecclesiarum, libertates, et omnia alia prædicto prioratui qualitercunque spectantia, occasione alicujus guerræ inter nos et hæredes nostros et Gallicos, seu aliquos alios alienigenas, tunc motæ vel movendæ vel alterius cujuscunque causæ propter quam terras, tenementa, redditus, servitia, feoda militum, advocaciones ecclesiarum, libertates, vel quæcunque alia ad religiosos alienigenas spectantia in manum nostram vel hæredum nostrorum capi contingeret vel seysiri, ex tunc non caperentur vel seysirentur, nec quod aliqua impositiones seu auxilia eis ut alienigenis ex quacunque causa imponerentur, licet aliqua impositiones seu auxilia aliis religiosis alienigenis per nos vel hæredes nostros imposita forent, sed in omnibus ut indigenæ et Anglici haberentur et pertractarentur, et essent de eadem conditione in omnibus sicut Anglici essent in perpetuum. Et quod ipsi prior et conventus et eorum successores de fine, firma, subsidio, ac omnibus aliis oneribus, impositionibus, auxiliis, et demandis quæ ab eis, ut de alienigenis occasione guerræ prædictæ vel alterius cujuscunque causæ alienigenas tangentis motæ vel movendæ imposita vel ex tunc imponenda exigenterentur vel exigi possent: ac de arreragiis et omnibus aliis demandis ratione terrarum alienigenarum in manibus nostris aut antecessorum nostrorum seysitarum vel non seysitarum, vel alia quacunque causa inde si quæ, pro tempore præterito deberentur, vel exigenterentur, erga nos et hæredes nostros liberi essent, exonerati, quieti, et penitus imperpetuum absoluti prout in literis nostris patentibus inde confectis plenius continetur. Ac dilectus consanguineus et fidelis noster Richardus comes Arundeliæ patronus dicti prioratus nobis jam supplicaverit, ut cum prioratus de Castelacre, Pritilwell, Farleye, Horton, et Stanesgate sint, et à tempore foundationis eorundem semper fuerunt cellæ et membra dicti prioratus de Lewes, et ad eundem prioratum de Lewes pertinent, velimus eandem immunitatem præfatis priori et conventui de Lewes sic concessa prioribus dictorum prioratum de Castelacre, Pritelwell, Farley, Horton, et Stanesgate, concedere gratiose; videlicet quod ipsi ut indigenæ et non alienigenæ de cætero teneri et reputari: ac de fine, firma, subsidio, ac omnibus aliis oneribus, impositionibus, et demandis quæ ab eis, ut de alienigenis occasione hujusmodi guerræ exiguntur, vel alia quacunque de causa ut de alienigenis exigi possint, quietari valeant et exonerari. Nos ob specialem affectionem quam ad personam dicti comitis gerimus et habemus, et propter gratitudinem maximam quam in eo præ cæteris semper in nostris conciliis et agendis pronam et promptam invenimus; ac pro eo quod per inspectionem tam cartæ domini H. quondam regis Angliæ progenitoris nostri quam aliarum cartarum et evidentiæ coram concilio nostro ostensarum, nobis constat quod dicti prioratus de Castelacre, Pritilwell, Farleigh, Horton, et Stanesgate sunt, et à tempore foundationis eorundem semper fuerunt cellæ et membra dicti prioratus de Lewes, et ad eundem prioratum de Lewes pertinentia, supplicationi prædictæ inclinati, de gratia nostra speciali, et ex nostra certa scientia, concessimus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris dilectis nobis in Christo Johanni nunc priori de Lewes et ejusdem loci conventui, ac prioribus et conventibus dictorum prioratum et successoribus suis, quod iidem priores de Castelacre, Pritilwell, Farleigh, Horton, et Stanesgate, et quilibet eorum ac monachi ibidem commorantes, ac eorum successores cujuscunque nationis fuerint, ut indigenæ et non

alienigenæ de cætero teneantur et reputentur, et quod dicti prioratus de Castelacre, Pritilwell, Farleigh, Horton, et Stanesgate, ac terræ, tenementa, redditus, servitia, feoda militum, et advocaciones ecclesiarum, libertates, et omnia alia eisdem prioratibus qualitercunque spectantia, occasione alicujus guerræ inter nos vel hæredes nostros et Gallicos, seu aliquos alios alienigenas motæ vel movendæ, vel alterius cujuscunque causæ propter quam terras, tenementa, redditus, servitia, feoda militum, advocaciones ecclesiarum, libertates, vel quæcunque alia ad religiosos alienigenas spectantia in manum nostram, vel hæredum nostrorum, capi contigerit vel seysiri in posterum, non capiantur vel seysiantur; nec quod aliquas impositiones seu auxilia eis ut alienigenis ex quacunque causa imponantur; licet aliqua impositiones seu auxilia aliis religiosis alienigenis per nos vel hæredes nostros in futurum imposita fuerint, sed in omnibus ut indigenæ et Anglici habeantur et pertractentur, et sint de eadem conditione in omnibus sicut Anglici sunt in perpetuum: quodque ipsi priores et monachi de Castelacre, Pritilwell, Farleigh, Horton, et Stanesgate, et eorum quilibet et eorum successores, de fine, firma, subsidio, ac omnibus aliis oneribus, impositionibus, auxiliis, et demandis, quæ ab eis ut de alienigenis occasione guerræ prædictæ, vel alterius cujuscunque causæ alienigenas tangentis motæ vel movendæ impositæ et imposterum imponendum, exigi poterunt in futurum, ex nunc erga nos et hæredes nostros liberi sint, exonerati, quieti, et penitus imperpetuum absoluti, sine contradictione vel impedimento nostri vel hæredum nostrorum aut ministrorum nostrorum quorumcunque; eo non obstante quod dicti prioratus de Castelacra, Pritilwell, Farleigh, Horton, et Stanesgate, in literis nostris prædictis expressè nominati non fuerunt. Proviso semper quod si prædicti priores dictarum cellarum vel successores sui aut aliquis eorundem, apportum aliquod alicui domui religiosæ in partibus transmarinis solvere teneantur vel teneatur, iidem priores earundem cellarum et successores sui apportum illud nobis et hæredibus nostris de cætero solvant. In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste meipso apud Westmonasterium vicesimo die Maii, anno regni nostri Angliæ quadragesimo septimo, regni vero nostri Franciæ tricesimo quarto.

NUM. XIII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

PRIORATUS DE LEWES.

Unde ROBERTUS CROHAM modo est Prior.

Brighthelmyston.

Firma rectoriæ ibidem cum omnibus proficuis et comodit' et dir Ricō Nicolle p termino annorum, et redd' inde per annu' 16*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Paccham.

Firma rēoriæ ibidem appropriat' dōo monasterio cum omnibus proficuis et comodit' in tenura Johannis Marchaunt, rē per annu' 8*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*

Falmer.

Firma rēoriæ ibidem cum capella de Boreughmere in manu ejusdem prioris per annu' 18*l.* 9*s.* 3*d.*

Kyngeston.

Profic' rēoriæ ibidem cum omnibus suis comodit' in manu ejusdem prioris per annu' 10*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Rotyngden.

Firma rēoriæ ibm cum omnibz proficuis et comodit' in tenura Hugonis Okendem per annu' 8*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Iford.

Profic' rectoriæ ibidem cum omnibus proficuis et comodit' in manu ejusdem prioris per annu' 5*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Pedynghoo.

Firma rēoriæ ibidem cum omnibz proficuis modo in tenura Johis Capelen, rē per annu' 12*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Dychenyng.

Firma rēoriæ ibm cu' omnibz pfic' et cu' capella de Wyveffeld in tenura Johis More, rē per annu' 10*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Cokefeld.

Firma rēoriæ ibidem cum omnibus proficuis et comodit' modo in tenura Radulphi Burrell, rē inde per annu' 6*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Estgrensted.

Firma rēoriæ ibidem cum omnibus proficuis et dimittit' Edwardo Mercer, Johanni Payne, et Thomæ Saxpeys per annu' 18*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Westtholye.

Firma rēoriæ ibm cu' omnibz proficuis et comodit' in tenura Johis Browne, rē per annu' 8*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Portislade.

Porcio sive pensio decimarum ibidem per annu' 2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Hangylton.

Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' 0*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu' 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Ekyngton al' Rype.

Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Lewes.

Pensio ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ ibm per annu' 0*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.*

Pens' ecclesiæ sancti Andreae ibidem per annu' 0*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.*

Pens' ecclesiæ sancti Petri in Westout ibidem per annu' 0*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Pens' ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Westout ibidem per annu' 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Pensio ecclesiæ sancti Johannis sub castro ibidem per annu' 0*l.* 15*s.* 0*d.*

Southover.

Pens' ecclesiæ sancti Johannis Baptistæ ibidem per annu' 2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Blachington.

Pens' ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' 1*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*

Clayton.

Pens' ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' 0*l.* 3*s.* 0*d.*

Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu' 1*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.*

Pyecombe.

Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' 0*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.*

Porcō decimarum ibidem per annu' 3*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.*

Mechyng.

Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' 0*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Porcio decimarum ibm per annu' 0*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

Horsted Kaynes.

Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' 0*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.*

Walderne.

Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' 0*l.* 4*s.* 0*d.*

Balcombe.

Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' 0*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.*

Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu' 2*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Erthinglegh.

Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' 0*l.* 3*s.* 0*d.*

Torryng.

Porcio decimarum ibidem et dir rectori ibidem per composiçōem realem 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Fletching et Alfryston.

Porcio decimarum ibm sol' per priorem de Micham per annu' 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Atthelmydworth.

Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu' 0*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*

Preston infra parroch' de Bedyngham.

Porcō decimarum ibidem per decanum et capitulum ecclesiæ cathedralis Cicestren' per annu' 14*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Wyllingden.

Porcō decimarum ibidem per annu' 0*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*

Berecombe.

Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' 0*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.*

Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu' 0*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.*

Estborne.

Porcō decimarum ibidem per annu' 1*l.* 15*s.* 0*d.*

Beringden infra proch' de Pedynghoo.

Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu' 0*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*

Westmyston.

Porcō decimarum ibidem per annu' 1*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*

Walland sub Castro.

Porcio decimarum ibm per annu' 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Twynam.				Ferlegh.			
Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu'	0l.	13s.	4d.	Pensio ibidem sol' per priorem de Ferlegh per annu'	0l.	13s.	4d.
Berwike.				Gynnynggham et Methwolde.			
Porcō decimarum ibidem per annu' .	0l.	11s.	0d.	Decimæ denariorum dominiorum comit' ibidem per annu'	8l.	0s.	0d.
Hurst Ppound.				Methwoldys.			
Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu'	0l.	13s.	4d.	Pensio ecclīæ ibidem per annu' . .	2l.	0s.	0d.
Ovyngden.				Westwalton.			
Porcō decimarum ibidem per annu'	2l.	0s.	0d.	Pensio ecclīæ ibidem per annu' . .	2l.	13s.	4d.
Newyk.				Vetus Lyn.			
Pensio ecclīæ ibidem per annu' .	0l.	6s.	8d.	Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' . .	0l.	10s.	0d.
Benchover.				Marton.			
Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu'	0l.	4s.	4d.	Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' . .	0l.	6s.	8d.
Shotynber.				Shyrford.			
Pens' ecclīæ ibidem per annu' .	0l.	6s.	8d.	Pensio ecclīæ ibidem per annu' . .	1l.	0s.	0d.
Perchyng.				Gynnynggham.			
Porcio decimarum ibidem sol' per rōrem de Gadbur-				Pensio ecclīæ ibidem per annu' . .	3l.	6s.	8d.
ton per annu'	2l.	0s.	0d.	Undrisyng.			
Newtymber.				Pensio ecclīæ ibidem per annu' . .	0l.	5s.	0d.
Porcio decimarum de Sadlyscombe ibidem per annu'	1l.	6s.	8d.	Letton.			
Plumpton.				Pens' ecclīæ ibm per annu' . . .	1l.	0s.	0d.
Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu'	1l.	6s.	8d.	Tettford.			
Radyngden.				Pensio ecclīæ ibm per annu' . . .	0l.	1s.	0d.
Porcio decimarum ibm per annu' .	0l.	14s.	0d.	Skulthorpe.			
Petcham.				Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' . .	0l.	13s.	4d.
Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu'	2l.	12s.	8d.	Hyllyngton.			
Dychynyng.				Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' . .	0l.	6s.	8d.
Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu'	2l.	0s.	0d.	Bomwell.			
Mullyscombe.				Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu' .	0l.	6s.	8d.
Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu'	2l.	0s.	0d.				
Ballysden.				Cant'.			
Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu'	2l.	13s.	4d.	Elme.			
Radmell et Northese.				Porcio de Ennemeth ibidem per annu'	8l.	13s.	4d.
Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu'	2l.	13s.	4d.	Weston Colvile.			
Baronia de Lewes.				Pensio ecclīæ ibidem per annu' . .	0l.	2s.	6d.
Decimæ denariorum dñoz infra baronia' de Lewes præ-				Weston.			
dict' per annu'	24l.	0s.	0d.	Porcio ecclīæ ibidem per annu' . .	1l.	0s.	0d.
Ludgarshall.				Barbadors.			
Pensio ecclīæ ibidem per annu' .	0l.	6s.	8d.	Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu' .	0l.	13s.	4d.
Bignor.				Wyllyngham.			
Pensio ecclīæ ibidem per annu' .	1l.	6s.	8d.	Pensio ecclesiæ ibm per annu' . . .	0l.	2s.	0d.
Medlers.				Trumpeton.			
Pensio ecclīæ ibidem per annu' .	0l.	13s.	0d.	Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' . .	3l.	0s.	0d.
Compton et Upmerden.							
Pensio ibidem per annu' . . .	4l.	0s.	0d.	Essex'.			
Midlaunt.				Pryttewell.			
Pensio ecclīæ ibidem per annu' .	1l.	0s.	0d.	Pensio sol' per priorem ibidem per annu'	0l.	13s.	4d.
Stedham cu' Capella de Heyshett.				Canfeld.			
Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' .	2l.	0s.	0d.	Pensio ecclīæ ibidem per annu' . .	1l.	10s.	0d.
Sutton.				Alta Rodyng.			
Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' .	1l.	6s.	8d.	Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' . .	1l.	0s.	0d.
Tolyngton.				Ashton.			
Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' .	0l.	12s.	0d.	Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' . .	5l.	0s.	0d.
Coot'.							
Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu' .	0l.	2s.	0d.	Hert'.			
Iping'.				Wythyall.			
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Sutton.							
Decimæ fabarum ibidem per annu' .	0l.	1s.	4d.	Essex'.			
Boxgrave.				Mawnden.			
Portio decimarum fabarum ibidem per annu'	0l.	12s.	0d.	Porcio decimarum sol' per priorem de Hatfeld Regis			
Norff'.				pro ecclia ibidem per annu'	0l.	10s.	0d.
Walpole.				Estbechworth et Howlegh.			
Profic' rectoriæ ibidem cu' oībz pfic' et comōdit' dco				Porcio decimarum ibidem per annu' .	0l.	17s.	6d.
monasterio appropriat', viz per annu' .	16l.	16s.	11d.				
Heccham.				Surr'.			
Firma rcoriæ ibm cum oībz profic' et comōdit' eidm				Southwork.			
mon' appropriat' per annu'	20l.	0s.	0d.	Pensio sancti Olavi ibidem per annu'	4l.	0s.	0d.
Castelacre.				Mykelham.			
Pensio ibm sol' per priorem de Castelacr' per annu'	2l.	0s.	0d.	Portio decimarum ibidem per annu' .	0l.	5s.	0d.
				Stoke juxta Gulford.			
				Pensio ecclīæ ibidem per annu' . .	0l.	5s.	0d.

Gatton. *			acr' terr' arabilis, et estimatur per dcos cōmission' esse annui valoris 22l. 0s. 0d.		
Pensio ecclesiæ ibidem per annu'	1l. 10s.	0d.	Profic' pastur' ibidem pro pasturagio 2600 ovium, cui let 100 pastura ad 20s. In toto per annu' . . . 26l. 0s. 0d.		
Leycestr'.			Reddit' Assis'.		
Melton Mowbrey.			Redditus assis' tenentium custumar' ad mañium prædcm spectan' in pochiis de Fulmer, Paccham, Rottyngden, et Charley, per annu' 38l. 0s. 4½d.		
Firma rectoriæ ibidem cum omibz profic' et cōmoditatibz eidem rectoriæ spectan' et dimittitur Willmo Gunson, et reddit per annu' 59l. 0s. 0d.			Perquisit' Curiaë.		
Ebor'.			Profic' perquisit' curiaë ibidem cōmunibus annis 1l. 0s. 0d.		
Halifax.			Wygden.		
Profic' rectoriæ ibidem cum omibz profic' et cōmodit' eidem rctoriæ pertinen' per annu' . . . 133l. 6s. 8d.			Profic' manerii ibidem jacen' in parrochia de Petcham in manu prædci prioris ad usum domus suæ in quo cont' 128 acr' terræ arabil' quælit acr' ad 12d. in toto per annu' . . . 6l. 8s. 0d.		
Devon.			Profic' pasturæ ibidem pro pasturagio 700 oviu' pastura cujuslibt centu' ad 1l. in toto per annu' . . . 7l. 0s. 0d.		
Beryngerherber de Tirewell.			Reddit' Assis'.		
Pensio eccliaë ibidem per annu'	2l.	0s. 0d.	Reddit assis' ibidem per annu' . . . 2l. 5s. 0½d.		
Wiltes'.			Dychenyng Garden.		
Wynterborne Bassett.			Profic' manerii ibidem in manu ejusdem prioris ad usum domus suæ in quo cont' 80 acr' pastur' et 30 acr' prati pro pastura aviorum suorum quælibt acra valoris 1s. in toto per annum 6l. 0s. 0d.		
Pensio eccliaë ibidem per annu'	1l. 10s.	0d.	Reddit' Assis'.		
Kanc'.			Reddit' assis' ibidem tam tenentium custumar' qam liberoru' ad mañiu' prædict' spectan' in parrochiis de Dychenyng, Twynam, Bolney, Slaugham, Chiltonington, et Hurst per annu' 13l. 5s. 11d.		
Horton.			Perquisit' Curiaë.		
Pensio eccliaë ibidem per annu'	0l. 13s.	4d.	Profic' curiaë ibidem cōmunibz annis 0l. 10s. 0d.		
Tempal' in Com' Sussex'.			Balneth.		
Southover et Kyngeston.			Profic' manerii ibidem in parrochia de Balcombe in manu ejusdem prioris ad usum domus suæ et cont' per estimacōem 120 acr' terr' in toto per annu' . . . 7l. 16s. 8d.		
Profic' terrarum dnicalium ibidem in tenura prædci prioris vocat' le Graunge occupat' ad usum hospicii sui et estimat' per dcos cōmissionar' esse annui valoris 4l. 10s. 0d.			Reddit' Assis'.		
Terr' Dnicales.			Redd' assis' ibidem tam tenen' custumar' qam liborum ad prædcm mañium spectan' in parrochiis de Chayley, Lynfeld, et Fletchinge per annu' . . . 13l. 4s. 3½d.		
Profic' provenien' de 50 acris pasturæ vocat' le Hame in manu dci prioris ad usum hospicii sui, estimat' per dcos cōmissionios esse annui valoris . . . 3l. 6s. 8d.			Profic' Pasturæ Bosci.		
Profic' provenien' de 100 acr' terræ voc' le Marres Brokes, jacen' fere per totum annu' sub aqua, in manu dci prioris, et estimat' per dcos cōmissionios esse annui valoris 1l. 0s. 0d.			Profic' provenien' de 100 acr' bosci in manu ejusdem prioris voc' le Homewood et Balneth Wood occupat' ad usum domus suæ pro focal' in quo tenen' sui clamant fiere pannag' et pasturam pro eor' porcis et re' per annu' . . . 0l. 3s. 8d.		
Profic' provenien' de 120 acr' terr' voc' le Northrie et Southrye instaurat' cum cuniculis, et estimatur per dcos cōmissionarios esse annui valoris . . . 5l. 0s. 0d.			Perquisit' Curiaë.		
Reddit' Assis'.			Profic' perquisit' curiaë ibidem cōmunibus annis 1l. 6s. 8d.		
Reddit' assis' in burg' de Southov,' Lewes, Woughton, et Hamesey per annu' 6l. 17s. 10d.			Harbagia Parci infra Maneriu' de Pva Horsted.		
Cranedoun.			Profic' terrarum dnicalium ibidem in uno pco est instaurat' cum feris et damis, &c. in manu ejusdem prioris ad usum domus suæ et arbagium p̄dci parci estimat' per dcos cōmissionios esse annui valoris . . . 1l. 0s. 0d.		
Firma molendini ventritici ibidem per annu'	3l.	6s. 8d.	Reddit' Assis'.		
Swanbergh.			Redditus assis' mañii prædci per annu' . . . 6l. 3s. 0½d.		
Profic' mañii ibidem jacen' in poch' de Ifford in manu ejusdem prioris, in quo continent' 200 acr' terr' arrabilis, et estimat' per dcos cōmissionios esse annui valoris 10l. 0s. 0d.			Perquisit' Curiaë.		
Profic' cujusdam pastur' in eodem manerio pro pastur' 400 oviu', cujlibt pastur' ad cxxs. in toto . . . 4l. 0s. 0d.			Profic' pquisitarum curiaë ibidem cōmunibus annis 0l. 1s. 0d.		
Terr' in le Mshe.			Maneriu' de Atlyngworth in Portislade.		
Profic' certarum terr' ibidem voc' le Brokez jacen' fere per totum annu' sub aqua, et estimatur per dcos cōmissionios esse annui valoris 0l. 13s. 4d.			Firma terrarum dnical' ibidem et dimittit' Petro Snelling pro termio annorum et re' per annu' . . . 7l. 6s. 8d.		
Reddit' Assis'.			Redditus Assis'.		
Redditus assis' mañii prædict' jacen' in parochiis de Ifford, Kyngeston, Newyke, et alibi, tam liberorum qam nativ' tenentium ibidem per annu' . . . 32l. 11s. 0d.			Redditus assis' ibidem in parrochiis de Porteslade, Aldryngton, Brightelmyston, et Hova per annu' . . . 7l. 15s. 3½d.		
Perquisit' Curiaë.			Perquisit' Curiaë.		
Profic' perquisit' curiaë ibidem cōmunibus annis 0l. 6s. 8d.			Profic' perquisit' curiaë ibm cōmunibus annis 0l. 6s. 8d.		
Ballysden.			Maner' de Imberhome.		
Profic' mañii ibidem jacen' in poch' de Rotyngden in manu ejusdem prioris, in quo cont' 90 acr' terr' arabilis, quælt acra valoris 12d. In toto per annu' . . . 4l. 10s. 0d.			Firma terrarum dnicalium ibidem in parrochia de Estgrynsted et dimittit' Edwardo Marcer p̄ termio annoru' et re' per annu' 7l. 6s. 8d.		
Profic' cujusdam pasturæ in eodem manerio pro pasturagio 600 ovium cujuslibt 100 pasturag' ad 1l. In toto per annu' 6l. 0s. 0d.					
Falmer.					
Profic' manerii ibidem jacen' in parrochia de Falmer in manu prædci prioris ad usum domus suæ, in quo cont' 440					

Reddit' Assis'.

Reddit' assis' ibidem in parrochiis de Estgrynsted, Westhothley, Tanrygge in com' Surr', et Horstedkaynes in com' Sussex' per annu' . . . 14l. 6s. 1d.

Perquisit' Curiae.

Profic' perquisit' curiae ibidem comunibus annis . . . 1l. 0s. 0d.

Manerium de Langney in Westham et Willyngdon.

Firma terrarum dñicalium ibidem et dimittit' Willmo Chester pro termio annoru' et re' inde per annu' . . . 20l. 0s. 0d.

Reddit' Assis'.

Redditus assis' ibidem in parrochiis de Westham, Willyngdon, Boram, Hethfeld, et Borne per annu' . . . 22l. 3s. 7½d.

Perquisit' Curiae.

Profic' perquisit' curiae ibidem comunibz annis . . . 0l. 10s. 0d.

Ovyngden.

Firma certarum terr' ibidem dimittit' Johannæ Everard viduæ pro termio annorum cum redditu de la Wyke per annu' . . . 4l. 13s. 4d.

Quiet' Redditus.

Redditus quiet' exeunt' de mañio de Sutton annuatim sol' per priorem de Mychelham 5l. de eodem priore pro quieto redd' exeunte de certis terris in Sefford per annu' 2l. in toto . . . 7l. 0s. 0d.

Newtymber.

Firma manerii ibidem per annu' . . . 3l. 6s. 8d.
Reddit' ejusdem manerii per annu' . . . 5l. 6s. 8d.

Wanteley.

Firma manerii ibidem cum redd' ejusdem per annu' . . . 2l. 13s. 4d.

Goryng.

Firma 4^{or} acr' terr' ibidem per ann' . . . 0l. 4s. 0d.

Norff'.

Westwalton.

Firma manerii ibidem dimittit' Johanni Reppes pro termio annor' et re' p annu' . . . 26l. 13s. 4d.

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Reddit' liboru' tenentium ibidem per annu' . . . 51l. 9s. 5½d.
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Walpole.

Firma certarum terr' ibm per annu' . . . 8l. 9s. 7½d.

Walsokyn.

Redditus tenentium ibidem dco manerio spectan' per annu' . . . 5l. 0s. 0d.

Perquisit' Curiae.

Profic' curiae dci mañii comunibus annis 5l. 0s. 0d.

Heccham.

Profic' mañii ibidem in partibus Norff' per annu' . . . 24l. 0s. 0d.

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Firma mañii ibidem per annu' . . . 10l. 16s. 8d.
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Redditus dñorum comit' Warren' mañii ibidem juxta Reygate per annu' . . . 1l. 0s. 0d.

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Episcopo Cicestriae et archino Lewes pro eorum indempnit' pro eccl'is de Petcham, Dychnyngge, et Westhothelegh per annu' . . . 1l. 10s. 0d.

Eidem epō pro procuracone sua racōne visitaconis suae triennalis harum eccliar', videlt, pro ecclia de Brightelmyston 10s. Ecclia de Petcham 8s. 8d. Ecclia de Falmer 6s. 8d. Ecclia de Kyngeston 7s. 4d. Ecclia de Rotynden 6s. 8d. Ecclia de Iford 6s. Ecclia de Pedyngghoo 6s. Ecclia de Dychnyng 8s. 4d. Ecclia de Cokefeld 7s. 4d. Ecclesia de Estgrensted 1l. 6s. 8d. Et ecclia de West Hotheley 6s. 8d. In toto 5l. videlt quolibet anno . . . 1l. 13s. 4d.

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Vicario de Pedyngghoo pro pensione annua . . . 2l. 0s. 0d.

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Diversis pauperibz in tribus elimosinis voc' Doles ppetuis distribut' videlt feria tertia in Carnipedoio die Jovis in cena Dñi et in die Pentecost' pro animabz Wiffi de Warennia comit' Surr' et hared' suor' primi fundatoris dicti monasterii ex antiqua fundacone inde . . . 5l. 3s. 8d.

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Resoluco Redd'.

Dño duci Norff' et copeconis suis dñis baroniae de Lewes in redd' eis annuatim soluto, viz. 6d. pro manerio de Cokfeld et 6d. pro manerio de Dychnyng, in toto per annu' . . . 0l. 1s. 0d.

Rogero Lewkeno^r milit' et hæred' suis pro annuali redd' pro certis terris in pochia de Rotyngden per annu'

0l. 1s. 0d.

Thomæ Theccher et hæred' suis annuatim sol' pro redd' capitali 0l. 6s. 8d.

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Wifmo Connyngesby sñescallo mañii de Westwalton p̄dca p feodo suo p a^m 3l. 0s. 0d.

Johi Reppes receptori oīm reddituu' et revencōnum dco manerio spectan' pro feodo suo per annu' 3l. 6s. 8d.

Wifmo Connyngesby sen^{lo} curiæ manerii de Heccham prædict' pro feodo suo per annu' 2l. 0s. 0d.

Johanni Halle ballivo et receptori reddituu' oīm provenien' de dco manerio de Hycham prædict' pro feodo suo per annu' 6l. 0s. 0d.

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Roberto Waterhouse ballivo dñi ibidem pro feodo suo per annu' 1l. 6s. 8d.

Thomæ Thacher sen^{lo} terraru' infra com' Sussex' pro feodo suo per annu' 6l. 0s. 0d.

Wifmo Connyngesby gen^{li} receptor' terr' p̄dca abbicæ in ptibz Norff' et Cant' p feodo suo p a^m 8l. 0s. 0d.

Duobz auditor' p comp̄is oīm offic' mañior' audiend' et determinand' p feodo suo p annu' 10l. 0s. 0d.

Suñma repris' et deduct' prædict' 171l. 5s. 0d.

Et valet clare 920l. 4s. 6d.

Decima inde 92l. 0s. 5½d.

NUM. XIV.

Fines de termino Sancti Michaelis anno regni Regis Henrici octavi vicesimo nono, A.D. 1537.

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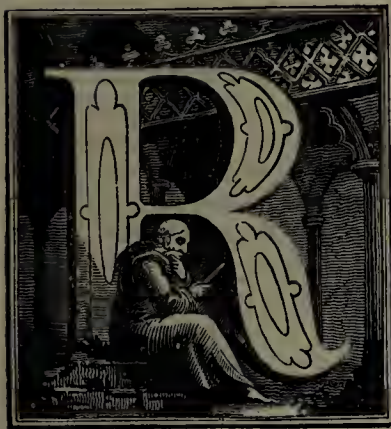
Proclam.

INTER ipsum dominum regem querentem et Robertum priorem monasterii Sancti Pancracii de Lewes in comitatu Sussex deforcientem, de maneriis de Swanbargh, Kyngeston juxta Lewes, Southover, Falmer, Ballysden, Wyghtden, Dychenyng, Garden, Balnethe, Horsted Parva, Atlyngworth, Inberhorne, Langney, Ovingden, NytyMBER, et Wantley, cum pertinenciis; ac de tenementis et redditibus in eisdem villis Wongham, Hamsaye, Iford, Newyke, Raingden, Boromer, Peccham, Cherley, Twynham, Bolney, Slaugham, Chiltingdon, Herst Perpound, Berwynber, Lynfeld, Fletchyng, Portyslade, Aldryngton, BrighthelmeSTON, Hove, Estgrensted, Westthotheley, Horsted Caynes, Westham, Pevensey, Willingdon, Estborne, Borham, Hethfeld, Sutton, Seeford, Goryng, Pedyngho, Cookfeld, Hangilton, Ekington, Rype, Blechington, Clayton, Pycombe, Meching, Waldern, Balcombe, Erthingle, Torryng, Preston, Bedingham, Berecomb, Beringden, Westmeston, Walland sub Castro, Twynham, Southberwike, Benhover, Shotenbere, Perching, Plompton, Mullescomb, Ballysden, Raddemell, Northes, Ludgarshale, Bygner, Medlers, Compton, Upmerden, Midlavant, Stedham, Heyshett, Tollington, Coots, et Boxgrave; ac de rectoriis de BrighthelmeSTON, Peccham, Falmer, Kyngston juxta Lewes, Iford, Rotyngden, Pedinghoo, Dychenyng, Wyvelesfeld, Cookfeld, Estgrensted, Westthothlegh, Esseborne, Herdham, Heringham, Cottys, Waldern, Ousty, et Monkencourt; ac de advocacionibus earumdem ecclesiarum, Ekyngdon, alias Rype, Beatae Mariæ in foro de Lewes, Sancti Andreæ in Lewes, Sancti Petri Westout de Lewes, Beatae Mariæ Westout de Lewes, Sancti Johannis sub castro de Lewes, Sancti Johannis Baptistæ in Southover, Blachington, Wayfeld, Clayton, Kymer, Pyccomb, Meching, Horsted Kaynys, Waldern, Balcomb, Erthingle, Torryng, Bercomb, Newike, Ludgarshale, Stedham, Hayshett, Sutton, et Tollington, in comitatu Sussex; ac de tenementis et redditibus in Suthwerke, Water Lane, Stoke juxta Gyldeford, Dorkyng, Hodeley juxta Reygate, Reygate, Estbecheworth, Mykylham, Gatton, Chepsted, et Tanrigge; et de advocacionibus ecclesiarum Stoke juxta Gyldeford, Gatton, et Sancti Olavi in Suthwerk in comitatu Surriæ; ac de tenementis in London in comitatu London; et de manerio de Carleton cum pertinenciis; ac de tenementis et redditibus in Elme, Weston Colvyle, Weston Barbadors, Wyllyngham, Trumpeton, Wechesham, et Fowledon; ac de advocacionibus ecclesiarum de Carleton et Weston in comitatu Cantebrigia; et de cella et monasterio Beatae Mariæ de Castelacre; ac de maneriis de Westwalton, Walsokyn, et Hecham, Castelacre prioris, Kempston, Heringeshall, Bagthorp, Westrudham, Westbarsham, Systemne, et Massyngham Parva, cum pertinenciis; ac de tenementis et redditibus in eisdem villis et aliis multis; necnon de rectoriis de Walpole, Heccham, et Tostrees, cum pertinenciis; ac de advocacionibus ecclesiarum de Westwalton, Gymmyngham, Lynn vetere, Marton, Shyrforthe, Woodrysyng, Letton, Sancti Petri in Thetford, Feltwell, et Colneston, in comitatu Norfolkia; et de redditibus in Pritwell, Cantfeld Parva, Berkhamsted Parva, Alta Rodyng, Asheton, Manuden, Wykham, et Leden-Rodyng; ac de advocacionibus ecclesiarum de Cantfeld Parva, Alta Rodyng, Berkhamsted Parvava, et Asheden in comitatu Essex; et de maneriis de Melton Mowbraye prioris, cum pertinenciis, ac de tenementis et redditibus in Melton Mowbray, ac de rectoria et advocacione ecclesiae de Melton Mowbray in comitatu Leycestria; et de 10s. redditûs in Wethehall, ac de advocacione ecclesiae de Wethehall in comitatu Herefordia; et de 40s. redditûs in Berynerbere, cum advocacione de Berynerbere in comitatu Devonia; et de 30s. redditûs in Wynterbornbassett, cum advocacione de Wynterbornbassett in comitatu Wiltes; et de 20s. redditûs in Horton in comitatu Kancia; et de redditu in Sutton Pallett et Flete, ac rectoria de Sutton Pallett

cum advocacionibus ecclesiarum de Sutton Pallett et Flete in comitatu Lincoln.; et de redditibus in Haverell, Butley, Netherfeld, Blonorton, et Debden, ac rectoria cum advocacione ecclesiæ de Haverell in comitatu Suffolciæ; et de redditibus in villa Westmonasterii in comitatu Middelsex.; et de manerio de Halyfax, cum pertinenciis ac tenementis

et redditibus in Halyfax, Heptonstall, Tronfeld, Wakefeld, Cunsborough, Braywell, et aliis villis; ac rectoriis ecclesiarum de Halyfax et Cunsborough, necnon advocacionibus ecclesiarum de Halyfax, Cunsborough, Braywell, Herthill Parva, Sandall, et Donyngton in comitatu Ebor.

Priory of Prittlewell, in Essex.



ROBERT the son of Swein of Essex,^a called also Robert de Essex and Robert Fitz-Swein, founded Prittlewell priory, according to Newcourt and Tanner, in the reign of Henry the Second, but more probably in that of Henry the First. He dedicated it to the honour of the Virgin Mary, and made it a Cell to the then Alien Priory of Lewes in Sussex.

In his charter, which will be found in the Appendix, Robert de Essex ordained that the prior of Prittlewell should pay to the prior of Lewes for ever, on the feast of St. Pancras, a mark of silver, yearly, as an acknowledgement.^b

Newcourt says, "Soon after the founding of this priory, Thomas Becket archbishop of Canterbury became a great favourer thereof, as appears by his charter: 'Thomas Dei gratia Cant. ecclesiæ minister humilis, universis sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis ad quos præsentis litteræ pervenerint, salutem. Suscepti nos officii sollicitudo admonet servorum Dei paci et tranquillitati cura providere pervigili: inde est quod monasterium beatæ Mariæ de Pritewell, cum capellis suis de Sutton et Eastwood, et cum omnibus decimis villæ de Middleton, et omnia parochialia jura ejusdem villæ: ecclesias etiam de Rayleigh vel Ragele, et Thundersley, et utraque Shobery, et Canwedon, Wykeford, Stook, Clavering, Langley, cum omnibus pertinentiis earum, &c. sub Dei et nostra constituimus protectione:' which was afterwards seconded by Hubert Walter one of his successors, viz. 'Nos autem prænominati gloriosi martyris Thomæ prædecessoris nostri in hac parte vestigiis non immerito inhærentes, supradictum monasterium de Pritewell fratresque ibidem Deo famulantes, cum bonis suis omnibus et possessionibus, pari favore sub Dei et nostra constituimus protectione: ecclesias quoque universas, quæ superius continentur, prout eidem monasterio rite collatæ sunt, cum omnibus ad eam juste pertinentibus, memoratis fratribus præsentem scripto autentico confirmamus.'"^c

In the 47th of Edward the Third, as has been already mentioned under Lewes Priory, Prittlewell, as one of the Cells of that House, was made denizen.

Weever says that Prittlewell was held to be a Cell to the priory of Lewes till A. D. 1518 only: "whenas a great contention arose between the two houses, insomuch that

John prior de Prittlewell 'noluit solvere unam marcam Priori de Lewes nomine subjectionis.'"^d

PRIORS of PRITTLEWELL.

W. occurs prior between the years 1213 and 1226.^e

SIMON DE WALTHAM, monk of Lewes, was presented by the prior of Lewes to Prittlewell, and confirmed by the king, May 12th, 1241.^f

WILLIAM was the next prior.^g Upon whose resignation

NICHOLAS DE COKEFELD, prior of Cliff, was preferred to Prittlewell, and had the temporalities restored to him May 16th, 1281.^h

PETER DE MONTELLIER, upon the death of Cokefeld, was made prior by John prior of Lewes, and had the temporalities given to him October 24th, 1290.ⁱ

HENRY DE FAUTRARIS received the temporalities May 4th, 1308.^k He was succeeded by

GILES DE SEDUNO, who received the temporalities July 1st, 1309.^l

THOMAS DE SHELNESTROD had the temporalities restored to him July 1st, 1310.^m

WILLIAM DE ANMUMACO, AUMUMACO, or AVERNUS, received the temporalities April 20th, 1311.ⁿ He had the king's letters of protection March 14th, 1314.^o Whether or not this prior was removed is not certain, but from the following entry upon the Patent Rolls it may be concluded more than probable: "Prioratus de Priterwell ære alieno oneratus, rex concessit custodiam ejusdem Adæ de Osgodeby 10 Feb. an. 9 Edw. II." ^p

JAMES DE CUSANTIA was appointed prior of Prittlewell by the prior of Lewes Dec. 1st, 1316.^q He occurs again in 1325.^r

GUICHARD DE CHENTRIACO was presented by the prior of Lewes in 1360. The king restored the temporalities to him on March 24th that year.^s

FRANCIS DE BAUGIACO, also presented by the prior of Lewes, had the temporalities restored to him Oct. 2, 1361.^t

JOHN SAVER was the next prior appointed: the king received his fealty July 28th, 1363.^u

RICHARD YSEWODE received the temporalities March 5th, 1377. He had been presented to the priorate by John prior of Lewes.^x

RICHARD LACHEME was appointed prior in 1428. He received the temporalities on June 23rd that year.^y

HUGH had the temporalities restored to him Jan. 28th, 1467.^z

JOHN ESTON was prior in 1513.^a

THOMAS NORWICHE was the last prior.^b

^a Swein of Essex is one of the great land-holders in Domesday Book. Kelham says, "He was son of Robert, who was son of Wilmarc, and had fifty-five lordships in Essex alone. He was settled in England before the Conquest, and readily joining with William the Conqueror, was either confirmed in the possession of his lands, or had them restored to him." Domesd. Book illustrated, 8°. Lond. 1788, p. 129.

^b See the Append. Num. I. From the following entry in the Abbreviatio Placitorum, p. 2, the founder seems to have granted the priory of Prittlewell another charter:

"Henricus arbalistarius petit advocacionem ecclesiæ de Wikford versus Priorem de Priteswell, sicut illam quæ pertinet ad liberum dominium suum quod habet in eadem villa ex dono domini Regis. Prior venit et dicit quod Robertus de Essex filius Sweni dedit ecclesiam illam Ecclesiæ de Pritewelle et monachis Sancti Pancratii de Lewes in puram et perpetuam elemosinam; et inde profert cartam ipsius Roberti in qua illud idem continetur et confirmationem regis Henrici avi quæ prædictam ecclesiam eis confirmat ex dono ipsius Roberti tunc capitalis domini ejusdem fundi." Plac. 6 Ric. I com. Essex.

^c Newcourt, Repert. Ecclesiast. vol. ii. pp. 472, 473, from Reg. Gilbert. 187.

^d Fun. Mon. p. 606.

^e Newc. Repert. vol. ii. p. 473.

^f Pat. 25 Hen. III. m. 6. "Rex ad pres. pr. de Lewes suscepit fratrem Sim. de Waltham monachum de Lewes in priorem de Pritelewell, cum jus patronatus ejusdem prioratus de Pritel. ad regem pertinere ratione Honoris de Essex in manu regis existentis, 12 Maii." MS. Harl. Mus Brit. 6357, p. 76.

^g Pat. 9 Edw. I. p. 1.

^h Ibid.

ⁱ Pat. 18 Edw. I.

^k Pat. 1 Edw. II.

^l Pat. 2 Edw. II. p. 1.

^m Pat. 3 Edw. II.

ⁿ Pat. 4 Edw. II.

^o Pat. 3 Edw. II. 22 Feb.

^p Pat. 9 Edw. II. p. 1.

^q Pat. 10 Edw. II. p. 1.

^r Pat. 18 Edw. II. p. 1.

^s Pat. 35 Edw. III. p. 2.

^t Ibid. p. 3.

^u Pat. 37 Edw. III. p. 2.

^x Pat. 51 Edw. III.

^y Pat. 6 Hen. VI. p. 1.

^z Pat. 7 Edw. IV. p. 3.

^a Newc. Repert. vol. ii. p. 473.

^b Grant to Audley. See Num. III. of the Appendix.

The entries relating to the spiritual and temporal possessions of Prittlewell in the Taxation of 1291 are numerous; though no total or aggregate valuation of its possessions appears upon the Record.^a

The Return in the Liber Valorum 26 Hen. VIII. in the First Fruits Office is no more than this:

“Monasterium sive Prioratus de Prittlewell. In temporalibus et spiritualibus per annum clare valet 155*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.* ob. Decima inde 15*l.* 11*s.* 1*d.* ob. q.”

Speed makes the gross income to have been 194*l.* 14*s.* 3*d.* ob.

The site of this priory was granted in 1537 to Sir Thomas Audeley, together with Prior's Manor in Prittlewell, and the rectory and advowson of the vicarage.^b Sir Thomas Audeley, in 1551, parted with them to Sir Robert Riche.^c After 1673, upon the partition of the Riche estates, this came to Daniel earl of Nottingham, who sold it to Mr. Daniel Scrutton, of Billericay, in whose family it continued in Morant's time.^d

Beside the Plea of the 6th Ric. I. already given in a Note, Tanner refers to

“Plac. coram rege 27 Hen. III. rot. 18, de advoc. eccl. de Canewdon.

“Brev. in Scacc. 6 Edw. II. Pasch. rot. 8. Rot. pat. 13 Edw. II. m. 19, de maner. de Shobery. Pat. 18 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 15.

“Pat. 33 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 12.

“Pat. 1 Hen. IV. p. 5, m. 1, pro eccl. de Estwode et North Shobury appropriandis.”

In the Tower of London is an Inquisition 30 Edw. I. entitled “Prioratus de Pritterwell. De modo et consuetudine vacationis ejusdem.”

Among the Harleian charters in the British Museum is one, 43 A. 30. “Innocentii papæ bulla priori et monachis de Pritewell concessa de ecclesia de Clavering: an. pontificatus duodecimo, A. D. 1314.”

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office is another Record: “Pritelwell. De Edwardo Marten, uno executorum Thomæ nuper domini Audeley, exonerando de 400*l.* onerat. super executores in compoto Johannis Williams militis, nuper thesaurarii Curie Augmentationum, pro situ et terris dominicalibus nuper Monasterii de Pritelwell in comitatu Essexiæ.” Mich. Record. 8 Eliz. rot. 127.

An impression of the COMMON SEAL of this priory, on white wax, is attached to a deed in the Office of the Duchy of Lancaster, bearing date 1343.^e The subject is the Annunciation. The angel has a scroll, the words on which are illegible. Between him and the Virgin is a flower-pot. The field of the Seal is diapered. The figures are standing between two slender pillars, under ornamented arches. The legend is s. COMVNE. COVENTUS. DE. P. TE. WELLE: but the five last letters can only be conjectured; the legend being much defaced.

Cartae ad Prittlewellensem Prioratum in agro Essexiensi (Cellam de Lewes) spectantes.

NUM. I.

De Prioribus de Castle-Acre et Prittlewell attachiandis ad ostendendum Curie Compositiones et Foundationes suas.

[Recorda de term. Mich. 6 H. IV. rot. 37.]

COMPERTO in originali de anno xlvij. domini Edw. nuper regis Angliæ avi regis nunc, rotulo videlicet xiiij. quod idem nuper rex, pro eo quod frater Hugo nuper prior Lewensis, et ejusdem loci conventus, ordinis Cluniacensis, Cicestrensis dioc. eidem nuper regi advocaciones ecclesiarum de Fishlake, et Magna Sandale Ebor. dioc. Riston Norwicen. Whaddon et Carton Elien. dioc. de patronatu suo per cartam suam dederint et concesserint, habendas et tenendas dicto nuper regi et hæredibus suis imperpetuum, sub ea conditione quod immunitati eorum, videlicet quod ipsi ut indigenæ et non alienigenæ teneri et reputari, &c. possent, &c. prior de Prittlewell ad eundem diem venit in propria persona sua et exhibuit curiæ quoddam transcriptum

^a The following are the entries:

“Temporalia.

Dioc. Roff.

In parochia de Syburne 2*s.*

Dioc. Lond.

In paroch. de Ax 13*s.* 4*d.* Redd. in Novindon 13*s.* 4*d.* Redd. in Bowers 10*s.* Terr. in Rammesden Belhous 3*s.* 4*d.* Redd. in par. Omn. Sanct. et Petri de Maldon 4*s.* Terr. redd. &c. in Schobery Magna 20*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.* Terr. &c. in Pritelewell 6*l.* 19*s.* 2*d.* Terr. et redd. in Schobery Parva 1*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* Redd. in Magna Stacbregge 4*s.* Redd. in Pakelisham 9*s.* 4*d.* Redd. in Hakewell 5*s.* 4*d.* Redd. in Lega 2*s.* 0½*d.* Redd. in Reylie 7*s.* 10*d.* Terr. et pastur. in Hadleye 1*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.*

Dioc. Norwic.

Terr. et pastur. in Stokeneyland 13*s.*”

“Spiritualia.

Dioc. Lond.

Pensio in ecclesia de Reyleye 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Porcio in Wikford 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Pensio in eccl. de Bournsted Helyoun 4*l.* Pensio in eccl. de Horkisleye Magna 1*l.* Pensio in eccl. de Estmersey, 4*l.*”

See the Taxat. Ecclesiast. P. Nich. IV. fol. Lond. 1802, pp. 8 b, 12 b, 21 b, 22, 22 b, 23, 24, 24 b, 25, 26 b, 133 b.

^b Morant, Hist. Essex, vol. i. p. 293. See the Letters Patent in the Appendix, Num. III.

^c The following entries occur among the Originalia relating to the site of this Priory:

Orig. 29 Hen. VIII. Essex. “Rex viij^{to}. Maii concessit Thomæ Audeley seniori domum et scitum nuper prioratus de Pritwell alias Prittlewell, ac rectoriam, &c. de Prittlewell, et al. terr. &c. in Prittlewell,

de quodam veteri libro penes domum suam prædictam remanente, quod est inter billas de hoc termino; cujus tenor sequitur, in hæc verba:

“Sciant præsentes et futuri quod ego Robertus filius Sueni, dedi Deo et beatæ Mariæ ad locum sancti Pancratii de Lewes, ecclesiam de Pritelwell, et quicquid tres presbiteri ipsius ecclesiæ tenent, in terris et herbis, et decimis, et quicquid aliud ad eandem ecclesiam pertinet, in liberam elemosinam, absolutam et quietam ab omnibus consuetudinibus et serviciis secularibus. Hoc autem dedi pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ et patris et matris et aviæ meæ Beatricis, atque illorum omnium qui locum ipsum augere et manutenere studuerint. Prædicti vero presbiteri quamdiu vivent quinque solidos ad locum sancti Pancratii omni anno pro recognitione dabunt. Cum autem aliquis dictorum presbiterorum mortuus fuerit, portio mortui ad locum sancti Pancratii deveniet; postquam autem prædictæ res liberatæ fuerint, ut monachi de Pritelwell

habend. ei et hæredibus masculis de corpore suo legitime procreatis.” ro. cxlij.

Orig. 5 Edw. VI. p. 1. Essex. “De domo et scitu nuper prioratus de Pryttewell cum manerio voc. Priours Manour ibidem, et al. terr. ibidem spect. Roberto Ryche et al. et eorum hæred. alienand.” ro. cv.

Orig. 5 Edw. VI. p. 2. Essex. “Rex 24 die Martii concessit Ricardo Riche mil. domino Ryche reversionem domus et scitus nuper prioratus de Prytwell cum cert. terr. et ten. ibidem spect. habend. sibi et hæredibus suis.” ro. xcij.

^d Morant, ut supr. p. 297.

^e It is attached to the following very singular Instrument relating to a monk of Prittlewell.

“Omnibus justiciariis et ministris domini regis ad quos præsentes literæ pervenerint. Prior de Pritewell et ejusdem loci conventus, London. diocesis salutem in Domino. Vobis omnibus et singulis notificamus quod frater Henricus de Suthcherche, domini Petri de Suthcherche militis quondam filius, non tamen de legitimo matrimonio procreatus, intravit religionem ordinis Cluniacensis, habitumque suscepit monachalem in domo prioratus nostri de Pritewell, et ibidem prout monachus stetit in ordine et religione prædictis per octo annos subsequentes et amplius, atque promotus erat ad omnes sacros ordines virtute privilegiorum religionis prædictæ, hujusmodi illegitimatione non obstante, et sic canonice, licet non expresse, post annum et diem ipsum professum fuisse in dicta domo nostra de Pritewell, ex consuetudine ordinis nostri, et postmodum prædictum fratrem Henricum spiritu ductus maligno, domum nostram prædictam exivit, religionem habitumque monachalem sprevit dampnabiliter apostatando, sicque per spatium viginti sex annorum et amplius in seculo conversatus vagando. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum nostrum commune præsentibus apposuimus. Datum apud Pritewell in capitulo nostro quarto die mensis Octobris anno Domini Millesimo ccc. quadragesimo tertio.”

competenter habitare possent, prior de Lewes de monachis suis, ordinabit ibi libere et sine alicujus contradictione priorem et conventum monachorum qui pro me et omnibus antecessoribus et successoribus meis, et omnibus illis qui locum ipsum augebunt et manutenebunt Deo et beatæ Mariæ sub beato Pancratio deservient imperpetuum, ad quorum sustentationem omnia snpradicta quæ ibi à me donata sunt, et quæ in futuro à me et hæredibus meis, vel aliis fidelibus donabuntur, semper ibidem remanebunt. Hæbebit autem prior de sancto Pancratio imperpetuum, emendationem et ordinationem et subjectionem de priore et monachis de Pritelwell tanquam de suis propriis secundum regulam sancti Benedicti et ordinem de Cluniaco. Reddet autem prior de Prittelwell priori de Lewes singulis annis imperpetuum in festo sancti Pancratii unam marcam argenti pro recognitione. Hanc autem meam donationem ego et hæredes mei warantizabimus erga dominum regem et omnes alios homines. Hæc donatio facta est solempniter in capitulo sancti Pancratii et ibidem sigillo meo confirmata. Teste, Alberico de Ver, et Roberto fratre ejus, Warino filio Geroldi, et Willielmo filio Odonis, et Oilardo filio Adelelmi, et Reimundo filio Walteri, et Jordano filio Radulphi, et Ricardo filio Willielmi."

Et quoad ostendendum aliquam aliam foundationem prioratus prædicti non habet, nec aliqui prædecessorum suorum habuerunt, &c.

NUM. II.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 29 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

PRITTEWELL NUPER PRIORATUS.

Com' Essex'	£.	s.	d.
Stoke Neyland—Rectoria . . .	20	0	0
Claverynge—Rectoria . . .	18	0	0
Fulnez—Firma decimarum diversorum mariscorum . . .	6	13	4
Estewodde—Rectoria . . .	8	0	0
Canvey—Firma marisci . . .	5	0	0
Showbury Magna—Maner' . . .	40	0	0
Showbury Parva—Rectoria . . .	5	6	8
Canewdon—Rectoria . . .	5	10	0
Hadleigh—Firma terr' . . .	1	6	8
Prittelwell—Redd' assis' tam lib' ten' quam tenenc' p cop' . . .	18	6	4 ob'
Estewodde—Redd' assis' . . .	1	12	3
Showbury Magna—Redd' assis' . . .	0	2	5
North Showbury—Redd' assis' . . .	0	8	7
Schoplonde—Redd' assis' . . .	0	7	11
Pakelsham—Redd' assis' . . .	0	10	10
Fulnes et Waletts—Redd' terr' et tenem'	0	6	0
Hawkewell—Redd' terr' et tenem' . . .	0	5	6
Hockeley—Redd' terr' et tenem' . . .	0	3	0
Rayley—Redd' terr' et tenem' . . .	0	7	10
Hadley et Canvey—Redd' terr' et tenem'	0	5	0 ob'
Bowreshalle et Rawrethe—Redd' terr' et tenem'	0	16	8
Nevyngdon et Ramesdon Bel- lowes—Redd' terr, et tenem' . . .	1	8	4
Kelyngton et Stepylhalle—Redd' terr' et tenem'	2	3	4
Prytwell—Redd' terr' et tenem' pertin' conventui nuper prioratus	8	17	7
Pritewell—Pens' de vicar' . . .	0	10	0
Rayleigh—Pens' rector' . . .	1	13	4
Rawreth—Pens' rector' . . .	1	13	4
Wyckeford—Pens' rector' . . .	2	13	4
Thundersley—Pens' rector' . . .	0	10	0
North Benstete—Pens' rector' . . .	0	13	4
Warley Magna—Porc' rector' . . .	1	0	0
Estmerley—Pens' rector' . . .	4	0	0
Horksley Magna—Pens' rector' . . .	1	0	0
Showbury Magna—Pens' rector' . . .	0	2	0
Claverynge—Rec' 3 lib' albæ ceræ . . .	0	1	6
Plumborough—Porc' x ^{mar} . . .	1	0	0
Hatfeld Regis—Porc' x ^{mar} de			

Com' Essex'	£.	s.	d.
Bumbsted et al' terr' prior' de Hatfield Regis	4	0	0 non resp' quia prioratus ille modo existit.
Thundersley—Porc' de Thundersley hall' de rector' . . .	0	5	0
Rawreth—Porc' x ^{mar} de rector' . . .	0	13	4
Summa totalis oneris . . .	51	16	10

NUM. III.

Copy of Letters Patent to Sir Tho. Audley, 29 Hen. VIII.

[From the Ministers' Accompts, 29 Hen. VIII. in the Augm. Office.]

HENRICUS octavus Dei gratia Angliæ et Franciæ rex, fidei defensor, et dominus Hiberniæ, et in terra supremum caput Anglicanæ ecclesiæ, omnibus ad quos præsentis litteræ pervenerint salutem. Sciatis quod nos de gratia speciali, ac ex certa scientia et mero motu nostris, ad humilem petitionem et requisitionem Thomæ Audeley militis, cancellarii nostri Angliæ, ac pro quadraginta libris sterlingorum per ipsum Thomam nobis ad manus nostras proprias fideliter persolutis de quibusquidem quadraginta libris fatemur nos plenarie fore persolut. et satisfact. dictumque Thomam, hæredes et executores suos, inde esse quietos et exoneratos per præsentis dedimus et concessimus, et per præsentis damus et concedimus dilecto nobis Thomæ Audeley seniori, fratri dicti Thomæ Audeley militi, domum et scitum nuper prioratus de Pritewell, alias Pritelwell, in comitatu nostro Essex. auctoritate parlamenti suppressum et dissolutum; necnon totam ecclesiam et plumbum super eandem, ac campanile et cimiterium ejusdem nuper prioratus, necnon omnia mesuagio, domos, ædificia, orrea, columbaria, ortos, pomaria, gardina, aquas, stagna, vivaria, terras, et solum nostrum infra scitum, circuitum, ambitum, et procinctum ejusdem nuper prioratus existentia; ac etiam totum dominium et manerium nostrum vocatum le Priours Manour cum pertinentiis in Prytewell, alias Prytelwell, in comitatu prædicto, dicto nuper prioratui spectantem et pertinentem, et rectoriam ecclesiæ parochialis de Pritewell, alias Pritelwell prædict. in comitatu prædicto; ac advocacionem, donationem, et jus patronatus ecclesiæ parochialis et vicariæ de Prytewell, alias Pritelwell prædict. dicto nuper prioratui simili modo spectantem et pertinentem; necnon omnes illos boscos nostros cum pertinentiis vocatos Horseleigh Woode, Sowth Bryge Wood, West Brige Wood, Northbrygewood, et Shoberie Grove, in Pritewell alias Pritelwell, Est Wood, Hadley, et Lee, in comitatu prædicto, dicto nuper prioratui spectantes et pertinentes; ac etiam omnia maneria, mesuagia, terras, tenementa, molendina, prata, pascuas, pasturas, boscos, subboscos, redditus, reversiones, servicia, feod. militum, warda, maritagia, escaeta, relevia, aquas, stagna, vivaria, communias, piscarias, annuitates, firmas, feodi firmas, pensiones, portiones, decimas, obventiones, proficua, oblationes, jura, possessiones, et hæreditamenta nostra quæcumque, tam spiritualia quam temporalia, cujuscunque sint generis, naturæ, vel speciei, et quibuscunque nobis senceantur vel cognoscantur scituata, jacentia, et existentia in villis, campis, et parochiis de Pritewell alias Pritelwell prædict. in comitatu prædicto, dicto nuper prioratui spectantia et pertinentia, et quæ Thomas Norwiche nuper prior dicti nuper prioratus, in jure prioratus illius, quarto die Februarii anno regni nostri 27^{mo}. aut antea, habuit, tenuit, vel gavisus fuit, et quæ ad manus nostras ratione et prætextu cujusdam actus de quibusdam monasteriis, abbatiis, prioratibus, et domibus religiosis dissolut. in parlamento nostro apud London. tertio die Novembris anno regni nostri vicesimo primo inchoato, et deinde usque Westmonasterium adjornato, et per diversas prorogationes usque ad et in quartum diem Februarii anno regni nostri vicesimo septimo continuato, et tunc ibidem tento inter alia editi et provisi devenerunt et devenire debuerunt, ac in manibus nostris, jam existunt seu existere debent vel deberent. Et ulterius, de uberiori gratia nostra, dedimus et concessimus, ac per præsentis damus et concedimus præfato Thomæ Audeley seniori visus franciplegii ac omnia quæ ad visus franciplegii pertinent, curias letas, ac fines, amerciamenta, exitus, proficua, et perquisitiones eorumdem, jura, jurisdictiones, libertates, franchises quæcumque in omnibus et singulis prædictis maneriis, mesua-

giis, terris, tenementis, et cæteris præmissis, cum pertinentiis, adeo plene et integre prout prædictus Thomas Norwyche nuper prior dicti nuper prioratus, et prædecessores sui priores ejusdem nuper prioratus, in jure prioratus illius, ante et usque dissolutionem et suppressionem dicti nuper prioratus, habuerunt et tenuerunt, vel gavis fuerunt, aut habere, tenere, vel gaudere debuerunt. Et ulterius damus et per præsentis concedimus præfato Thomæ Audeley visus franciplegii ac omnia quæ ad visus franciplegii pertinent, necnon extrahuras, ac bona et catalla, waviata, bona, et catalla felonum de se, ac deodanda, necnon bona et catalla utlagatorum et felonum, fugitivorum, et dampnatorum in omnibus et singulis prædictis maneriis, mesuagiis, terris, tenementis, et cæteris præmissis superius specificatis et in qualibet eorumdem parcella. Quæ quidem situs, ecclesia, campanile, cimiterium, maneria, rectoria, terræ, tenementa, visus franciplegii, et cætera omnia et singula præmissa superius per præsentis concessa sunt clari valoris 45*l.* 4*s.* et non ultra per annum. Habend. tenend. et gaudend. omnia prædicta scitum, ecclesiam, campanile, cimiterium, maneria, rectoriam, advocationem, terras, tenementa, visus franciplegii, curias letas, et cætera omnia et singula præmissa superius specificata, cum omnibus et singulis suis juribus, pertinentiis, et commoditatibus quibuscunque, præfato Thomæ Audeley seniori et hæredibus masculis de corpore suo

legittime procreatis seu procreandis; tenend. de nobis, hæredibus, et successoribus nostris in capite per servitium militare, videlicet, per decimam partem servitii unius feodi militis, ac per annualem redditum 4*l.* 2*s.* ad Curiam nostram Augmentationum Reventionum Coronæ nostræ, ad festum sancti Michaelis Archangeli, omnino solvend. pro omnibus aliis servitiis, exactionibus, et demandis quibuscunque. Et ulterius, de uberiori gratia nostra, damus ac per præsentis concedimus præfato Thomæ Audeley seniori exitus et redditus, reventiones, et proficua prædictorum scitus, maneriorum, rectoriæ, terrarum, tenementorum, et cæterorum omnium et singulorum præmissorum superius concessorum, cum pertinentiis, a festo Annunciationis beatæ Mariæ Virginis anno regni nostri vicesimo septimo, hucusque provenientes sive crescentes; habend. eidem Thomæ Audeley seniori ex dono nostro, absque compoto seu aliquo alio proinde nobis, hæredibus, vel successoribus nostris quovismodo reddend. solvend. vel faciend. Volumus etiam et per præsentis concedimus eidem Thomæ quod prædictus Thomas Audeley senior habeat has litteras nostras patentes sub magno sigillo nostro sigillatas, absque fine seu feodo magno vel parvo, nobis in hanaperio nostro vel alibi, ad opus nostrum reddend. solvend. vel faciend. eo quod expressa mentio, &c. In cujus rei, &c. Data apud Westmonasterium vicesimo octavo die Maii anno regni nostri vicesimo nono.

Priory of Farleigh, Farlega, Fernlegh, or Monkton-Farleigh, in Wiltshire.



UMPHREY de Bohun the second, says Tanner, gave the church of Farleigh to the priory of Lewes; whence a convent of Cluniac monks was placed here about the year 1125. He ascribes the foundation of this priory to Humphrey de Bohun the second, rather than to his son the third Humphrey, to whom Dugdale attributes it in one page of the Baronage,^a because this last was not come to his estate, nor was dapifer till the 5th of Stephen; and the charter of Humphrey de Bohun the third, and Margaret or Margery his wife, printed in the Appendix to the present Account,^b is rather of *confirmation* (and supposes the monks to have been some while settled here at Farley) than of *foundation*. He did not die till A. D. 1187, and so was not likely to found this priory sixty-two years before.^c

Reyner, vol. i. p. 209, ascribes the foundation of this house to Humphrey de Bohun the fourth earl of Hereford, and Maud the empress.^d

Another charter from Humphrey de Bohun the third, beside that already referred to, will be found in the Appendix;^e as well as a confirmation from King Henry the Third of the priory's possessions, in the 11th year of his reign, in which the donations of the empress Maud are enumerated.^f

William fitz John, in addition to other donations, gave the monks here the hermitage of Havescumbe.^g

The Lewes Chartulary preserves a Composition between the prior and convent of Lewes and Henry de Bohun earl of Hereford, relating to the nomination, institution,

and election of the priors of Farleigh. It stipulates that, upon any vacancy in the priorate of Farleigh, the patron or his agents, and two of the monks of that house, should proceed to Lewes, and ask for the appointment of a new prior; upon which, the prior of Lewes was to name two persons, monks either of Lewes or Farleigh, one of whom was to be chosen, by the patron and the two monks of Farleigh, to be the prior of that house. The prior of Lewes was to be the Visitor of Farleigh, and, upon just cause, could remove the prior there. In lieu of all other customs or exactions, the prior of Farleigh was to pay one mark annually to the priory of St. Pancras Lewes; and he was to make his personal appearance once a year at Lewes upon the feast of St. Pancras. This Composition is dated on October the 10th, 1280.^h

Two Instruments will be found in the Appendix, taken from the third volume of Prynne's Works; one dated in the 24th Edw. I. when the revenues of the convent were restored, upon its being found by inquisition that the priory was not under the power or obedience of the king of France;ⁱ the other in the 26th Edw. I. when the Prioress and Nuns of Martigniaco, having alienated several manors which had been given to them in frankalmoigne by King Stephen for the maintenance of divine service, to the prior and convent of Farleigh and others, the same were seized for the king's use into the hands of his escheator.^k

The following names of the

PRIORS of FARLEIGH

have been chiefly obtained from the Register of the monastery of Lewes.

HENRY, prior of Farleigh, resigned in 1247.^l

MAIN occurs prior in 1280.^m

WILLIAM died in 1281.ⁿ

which do not appear to be mentioned in either of these charters. See Rot. Hundred. tom. ii. p. 232.

^l See Num. III.

^g See Num. IV.

^b Compare Num. V.

ⁱ See Num. VI.

^k Num. VII.

^l Registr. de Lewes, MS. Cotton. Vesp. F. xv. fol. 160.

^m Ibid. fol. 164. See Num. V.

ⁿ Ibid. fol. 165.

^a Dugd. Baron. tom. i. p. 179.

^b See Num. I.

^c Tann. Notit. Mon. Wilt., xvi.

^d Leland's Collectanea, tom. i. p. 84, says, "Hunfredus de Bohun comes Hereford primus fundator. Matildis imperatrix benefactrix."

^e Num. II. In the Hundred Roll for Wilts of the 39th Hen. III. two acres of land in the manor of Melkeshamare noticed, of the annual value of xij*d.* given to the priory of Farleigh by Humphrey de Bohun,

LAURENTIUS ARCHENBAUD occurs prior, in the Lewes Register, fol. 166.

STEPHEN resigned in the ides of March, 1291.^a

JOHN occurs in 1313.^b

JOHN DE FESCAMP occurs in 1322.^c

WILLIAM GALSHAM, prior, presented to the chantry of St. Andrew Chippenham in 1334.^d

In 1336 the prior of Farleigh appears to have absented himself in foreign parts; upon which, the prior and convent of Lewes, considering that he had not gone upon any necessary business of the house, committed the administration of the affairs of the cell to two of its monks.

WILLIAM PRESTON was prior in 1409, in which year he died.^e

JOHN STONE occurs prior anno 17 Hen. VIII.^f

LODOWICK was prior in the 26th Hen. VIII.^g

Leland, in his Collectanea, tom. ii. p. 84, gives the valuation of this priory at 100*l.* per annum:^h "Monk-Farleigh prior. Cluniacen. cella de Lewes, annui redditus centum libræ." In his Itinerary he speaks of it as "a Priorie standing on a litle hille, sumtyme having Blak Monkes, a prior, and a convent of twelve."ⁱ

In the Valor of the 26th Hen. VIII. the gross revenue of Farleigh appears to have amounted to 217*l.* 0*s.* 4½*d.* per annum; the net income to 153*l.* 14*s.* 2½*d.* Tanner says, a Benet MS. gives 152*l.* 3*s.* 7*d.* as the value.

This priory was dedicated to St. Mary Magdalen, and was granted in the 28th Hen. VIII. to Sir Edward Seymour viscount Beauchamp.^k

Tanner has the following references to public Records concerning Farleigh:

"*Vide* "Cart. 11 Hen. III. p. 1, m. 134. Claus. 12 Hen. III. m. 5, d, pro ii. hidis terræ in Broughton Parva. Claus. 13 Hen. III. m. 13, de maner. de Broughton Parva. Claus. 30 Hen. III. m. 14, pro una carucata terræ apud Foxangre in Ruda. Fin. div. com. 43 Hen. III. de terris in Culdeford Corn.

"Plac. in com. Wilt. 9 Edw. I. assis. rot. 47, de secta ad hundred. de Kingsbridge.

"Brev. 7 Edw. II. Mich. rot. 1. Pat. 14 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 1, pro mess. et terris in Westbury et Lye in exchange pro molendino aquatico, &c. in Westbury et Broke, ex concess. Walteri de Pavely. Rec. in Scacc. 19 Edw. II. Mich. rot. 1, ubi irrotulatur carta R. Henrici, pro eccl. de Chipenham.

"Pat. 21 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 13 vel 14. Quære.

"Pat. 8 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 38, pro commun. pastur. ibidem et in Chepinham, Stanleigh, Wroxale, &c. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 39, pro ten. in Shepham, Langley Burell, Stanley, Cokelbergh, Alington juxta Chipenham, Estmede, &c. Pat. 20 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 24, pro ten. in Farley, Farleywike, &c.

"Pat. 10 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 4.

"Pat. 5 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 2."

^a Registr. de Lewes, MS. Cotton. Vesp. F. xv. foll. 159 b, 165.

^b Ibid. fol. 166 b.

^c Ibid. foll. 166 b, 167.

^d Sarum Institutions.

^e Ibid.

^f See the Computus, Num. X.

^g See Num. XI.

^h The following Entries relating to this priory occur in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas IV. A.D. 1291:

"Dioc. Linc. Spirit.

Pens. in eccl. de Wywell 2*l.*

Temp.

Prior. de Farle 5*s.* In decanat. de Graham et Framelund 13*l.* 12*s.*

Dioc. Sarum. Spirit.

Portio in Wynelesford 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Portio in eccl. de Bissopestrowe 2*l.*

Temp.

In Cheldertone 12*s.* In Farle 15*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* In Wrockeshale 3*l.* In Broctone 5*l.* 14*s.* 10*d.* In Cortyngtone 3*l.* In Lye 4*l.* 8*s.* Porcio in ecclesia de Cosham 13*s.* 4*d.* Porcio in ecclesia de Edinton 2*l.* In Clive Pypard 7*l.* 6*s.* In Mershtone 5*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Apud Brome in Swyndone 10*l.* In Slahtreford 4*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* In Alinton 4*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* In Soppeworth 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Prior de Farlegh.

In spiritual. de porcione ejusdem in ecclesia de Cosham in dec.

The Lewes Chartulary already quoted, fol. 159 b, contains the account of a process against the prior and convent of Farleigh on the part of Lewes Priory for withdrawing from the obedience of the latter; but it leaves the business to further process.

Ibid. fol. 167, we have a separate charter of Humphrey de Bohun "de ecclesia de Bischopistrete."

Among the charters given to the British Museum by the late Lord Frederick Campbell, which had belonged previously to Thomas Astle, Esq. are the following grants to Farleigh:

xiii. 11. Carta Walteri Croc Deo et B. Mariæ Magd. de Ferleia et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus de una virgata terræ in Wadeswic com. Somers.

xiii. 12. Carta Willielmi fil. Johannis de Heremitorio de Havescumba, cum terris apud Lim et Chinectunam. See the Append. to the present Account, Num. IV.

xiii. 13. Carta Roberti de Ferleg de mesuagio cum pertinentiis in villa de Bradeford.

xiii. 14. Carta Simonis Porter de terris et tenementis cum omnibus suis pertinentiis infra parochias de Langley et Chipenham. 2 Hen. IV.

xiii. 15. Carta Adalelmi filii Gaufridi Dapiferi de una virgata terræ apud Hornigeham.

In the Abbreviatio Placitorum, pp. 190, 198, 204, several Pleadings occur relating to the manor of Alinton in Wiltshire, belonging to this priory in the 4th, 8th, and 10th Edw. I. See also the Placita de Quo Waranto of the reign of Edw. I. pp. 798, 800, 808: and the Rolls of Parliament, vol. i. p. 64.

The following Records relating to this priory occur in the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office in the Exchequer:

"De Priore de Farlegh in comitatu Wiltoniæ occasionato ad respondendum de octo bobus pretii capitis vj*s.* viij*d.* quæ fuerunt Edwardi Knight convicti de Felonia." Mich. Rec. 8 Hen. V. rot. 5.

"De Edwardo comite Hertfordiæ exonerand. de pensione exeunte de nuper prioratu de Farley in com. Wiltes." Hil. Rec. 10 Eliz. rot. 139.

"De Henrico Britton, exonerand. de annua pensione xlv*s.* viij*d.* exeunte de nuper prioratu de Farleigh in com. Wiltes." Mich. Rec. 12 Eliz. rot. 10.

"De Edwardo comite Hertfordiæ hærede masculo Edwardi nuper ducis Somerset. de pensione xlv*s.* viij*d.* exeunte de Domo et Situ priorat. de Farley eo quod idem comes eundem Situm quietum clamavit imperpetuum." Mich. Rec. 18 Eliz. rot. 109.

No SEAL of Farleigh priory has been yet discovered: nor do any Remains of the Buildings, of the smallest consequence, exist.

Malm. 6*s.* 8*d.* De ecclesia de Boxe in eodem decanatu 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* De ecclesia de Slahtreford 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* De pensione ejusdem in ecclesia de Soppowork 1*l.* De pensione de Wockesleye 1*l.* De ecclesia de Chippeham in dec. prædicto 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* De pensione ejusdem in vicar. ejusdem 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* De porcione ejusdem in ecclesia de Edyntone in decan. Avebur. 1*l.* Item in temporal. de Clive Pippard in dec. Avebur. 3*l.* 13*s.* De Mershtone in decanat. Creck 2*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* De Swyndone 5*l.* De Slahtreford in dec. Malm. 2*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* De Alyntone in eodem dec. 2*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* De Soppewrth in eodem dec. 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* De Chippeham in eod. decan. 1*l.* 10*s.*

Summa 45*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.*

Dioc. Wygorn.

Prior de Farley habet apud Holtley de redd. assis. tres marc. et dimid. 2*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Dioc. Heref.

Prior de Farle habet apud Farle de redd. assis. 5*s.*

Taxat. Eccles. P. Nicholai IV. pp. 62, 67 b, 74, 180 b, 181 b, 185, 185 b, 186, 186 b, 189, 189 b, 192 b, 193, 196, 238 b, 283 b."

ⁱ Lel. Itin. vol. ii. p. 55. Though but six monks in MS. Bened. See Tann. Notit. Monast. ut supr. Note ^a.

^k "Monketon-Farley among other thynges was a late gyven to therle of Hertford." Lel. Itin. ut supr.

in quietam et perpetuam elemosinam, ecclesiæ de Farleg et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute animarum nostrarum et omnium ad nos pertinentium, salvis omnibus servitiis supra nominatis. Testibus hiis, dominis Humfrido de Bohun filio nostro primogenito et hærede, Henrico de Boun fratre suo, Waltero de Avenebire, Osberto de Avenebire, Johanne de Vernun tunc vicecomite Wiltissiriæ, Wilhelmo le Mansel, Milone de Morle, Henrico le Rus, domino Andrea capellano nostro, Ricardo de Arseville, Henrico de Wermeleie, Petro de Dunintun, et multis aliis.

NUM. III.

Carta Regis Henrici Tertii Donatorum Concessionem recitans et confirmans.

[Pat. 10 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 4 per Inspex.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos intuitu Dei, concessisse et præsentem cartam confirmasse ecclesiæ de Ferleia, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, omnes terras, et ecclesias, et decimas, et tenuras, quas Humfridus de Bohun, ejusdem loci fundator, et milites sui, eis dederunt sicut cartæ eorum testantur, et ecclesiam de Chippeham, cum decimis, et terris, et capellis, et pratis, et pascuis, et omnibus rebus ad eam pertinentibus, et Merstonam, quæ est membrum de Wurda, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et unam hidam terræ in Ruda, quæ vocatur Forangra, sicut eis dedit domina imperatrix,^a mater Henrici regis avi nostri, et quadraginta acras de assartis in foresta de Wesbiria quæ facta sunt in Havedingehull, et omnibus pertinentiis suis, et dimidiam hidam terræ in Penlegh, et pannagium porcorum suorum in foresta nostra de Chippeham, quos homines sui poterunt affidare suos esse proprios, et in eadem foresta, quantum poterunt attrahere unaquaque die cum una carecta de mortuo bosco, et medietatem villæ de Lya, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, sicut Radulfus de Lamvaley eis dedit, et molendinum de Broc, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, sicut Ailricus illud unquam melius habuit et tenuit, et unam mansuram in Leya, scilicet ad Pleistude, et dimidiam hidam terræ in Brattun, quam Rogerus Cocus tenuit, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et unam virgatam terræ in Buthona, quæ vocatur Puriland, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et molendinum in Boxa, sicut Bartholomeus Bigot eis dedit, et terram de Wadeswica, quam Herebertus tenuit, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ex dono prædicti Bartholomei, et decimas piscariarum de Gerva et Redleya, et de Herlyngeliam, et heremitorium de Grosmunt, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et omnes tenuras quas habent de dominiis nostris, et omnes terras, et ecclesias, et decimas, et tenuras quashabuerunt tempore regis Henrici primi, et quas postea rationabiliter perquisierunt, sicut carta donatorum eis testantur, de cujuscunque feodo, vel donatione sint. Quare volumus, &c. Hiis testibus, venerabilibus patribus J. Bathoniensi, R. Sarisburiensi, episcopis; H. Burgo comite Kanciæ, justiciario nostro; Radulfo filio Nicholai, Ricardo de Argenton, seneschallis nostris; Henrico de capella, et aliis. Datum per manum venerabilis patris R. Cicestriæ episcopi, cancellarii nostri, apud Westmonasterium xvj. die Martii anno regni nostri undecimo.

NUM. IV.

Carta Will. fil. Johannis patris H. de Tilli.

[Ex autogr. Cart. antiq. Mus. Brit. L. F. C. XIII. 12.]

SCIANT præsentem et futuri quod ego Willielmus filius Johannis, et Dionysia uxor mea, et Henricus filius meus, concedimus et donamus et hac carta confirmamus Deo et sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ de Ferleia et monachis ejusdem loci fratribus nostris Heremitorium de Havescumba cum boscho et plano sicut aqua dividit, et duos rusticos, scilicet Almetum et Alwardum, cum terris suis, et tres croftos; et præterea unam hydram terræ apud Lim quam Geri presbyter tenuit; et dimidiam virgatam terræ apud Chinctunam; et terram et pasturam suam apud Pridj. Hæc omnia donamus eis in liberam et quietam et perpetuam elemosinam pro nobis et pro omnibus ad nos pertinentibus tam vivis

quam defunctis. T. R. episcopo Bapton. Eustach. archid. Anschetill. Nichol. capell. Rad. clerico, et multis aliis.

NUM. V.

Compositio inter Priorem et Conventum de Lewes et Henr. de Bohun com. Hereford et Hæredes suos, super nominatione, et institutione, et electione Prioris Prioratus de Farleigh Prioratu ibidem vacante.

[Registr. de Lewes, MS. Cotton. Vesp. F. xv. fol. 164.]

UNIVERSIS Christi fidelibus præsentem litteras inspecturis frater Main prior de Ferl. et ejusdem loci humilis conventus æternam in Domino salutem. Noverit universitas vestra quod cum mota esset controversia inter nos et nobilem virum Henr. de Bohun com. Hereford ex una parte, et priorem et monachos de Lewes ex altera super institutionibus et destitutionibus priorum in domo de Farle et debita obedientia secundum regulam beati Benedicti. Tandem amicabile compositione lis inter nos mota in hunc modum conquievit: videlicet quod vacante prioratu de Ferl. Henr. de Bohun comes Hereford et hæredes sui vel nuncii ipsorum cum duobus monachis de Ferl. ad hoc destinatis venient Lewesiam, et priorem sibi dari a priore de Lewes postulabunt. Prior vero de Lewes bona fide et sine qualibet fraude nominabit duos quos idoneos ad hoc esse crediderit de domo de Lewes vel de Ferl. vel de aliis domibus Clun. ordinis. Quo facto dict. comes et hæredes ipsius vel nuncii ipsorum ac prædicti monachi ad hoc destinati assument sibi in priorem unum ex duobus quem magis idoneum ad hoc esse crediderint et illum habebunt pro priore. Qui quidem prior abbati Clun. et priori de Lewes debitam exhibebit obedientiam secundum regulam beati Benedicti et institutionem ordinis Cluniac. salvo eo quod superius et inferius dictum est de institutione et destitutione priorum, priori etiam de Lewes spectantem. Habet autem prior de Lewes potestatem in eadem domo ordinem corrigendi tam in priore ibidem instituto quam in monachis, secundum regulam beati Benedicti et consuetudinem Cluniacensis ordinis, non obstante carta quæ dicebatur prædecessoribus ipsius Henrici de Bohun a prædecessoribus prioris de Lewes et monachis antea concessa. Salvo tamen eo quod prior de Ferl. amovere non poterit nisi ex justa et rationabili causa. Pro omni vero exactione et consuetudine temporal. dicti prior et monachi de Ferl. annuam marcam argenti ad sanctum Pancratium in festo sancti Pancratii persolvent sicuti a longis retro temporibus fuerat constitutum, priore de Ferl. capitale domum de Lewes semel in anno, scilicet in festo sancti Pancratii personaliter visitante. Renunciatum est etiam ex utraque parte impetratis et impetrandis. In hujus rei testimonium ut perpetuum robur optineat, sigillum nostrum cum sigillo conventus de Ferl. huic scripto apposuimus. Actum anno Gratiae millesimo cc. octavo, decimo mensis Octobris.

NUM. VI.

De Priore et Conventu de Farleye.

[Prynne, Papal Usurpations, tom. iii. p. 686. Claus. 24 Edw. I. m. 8.]

REX thesaur. et baronibus suis de scaccario salutem. Quia compertum est per inquisitionem quam per dilectum et fidelem nostrum Petrum Malorre fieri fecimus quod prior et conventus de Farleye sunt Anglici et non alienigenæ de potestate regis Franciæ, vel sibi adhærentium, et quod census seu pensionem aliquam alicui de potestate regis prædicti non solvant, nec alicui de potestate prædicta affinitate, vel aliquo alio modo sunt astricti, nisi in hoc, quod abbas Cluniac. aliquando cum ipsum ad partes Angliæ venire contigerit, in prædicto prioratu visitare consuevit, nihil nisi tantum expensas suis inde percipiendo, et quod iidem prior et conventus de prædicto abbate in hujusmodi visitationibus suam receperunt professionem, sicut per prædictam inquisitionem quam vobis sub pede sigilli nostri mittimus, plenè liquet; vobis mandamus, quod inspecta inquisitione illa, prioratum prædictum cum omnibus ad illum spectantibus si prætextu mandati nostri de domibus et maneriis religiosorum alienigenarum de potestate regis

^a So in the Abbreviatio Placitorum, p. 243, an. 29 Edw. I. "Juratores dicunt quod ecclesia de Slaughterford com. Wiltes. non est matrix ecclesia nec per se separalis, &c. Immo est capella annexa ecclesiæ de Chippeham quam quidem ecclesiam simul cum capellis suis, &c. Ma-

tilda imperatrix dedit et concessit Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ Magdalenæ et monachis de Farley, &c. Ideo prædictus Prior sine die salvo jure domini regis, &c." ro. 15.

prædicti et sibi adhærentium existentium, vel qui eis obedientia, affinitate, vel aliquo alio modo astricti essent, in manum nostrum capiendis, et non alia de causa captus sit in manum nostram, præfatis priori et conventui sine dilatione restiti faciatis; tenend. sicut illum ante captionem ejusdem in manum nostram tenuerunt. Teste rege apud Castelacre 25 die Januarii.

NUM. VII.

De quibusdam Maneriis Monial. de Martigniaco capiendis in manum Regis.

[Prynne, tom. iii. p. 786. Claus. 26 Edw. I. m. 2.]

REX dilecto et fideli suo Waltero de Gloucestr. escaet. suo ultra Trentam, salutem. Quia pro certo intelleximus quod maneria de Slaghteneford, Alynton, Bronce, Welleby, Navenby, et quædam aliæ terræ et tenement. quæ bonæ memoriæ Stephanus, et alii progenitores nostri quondam reges Angliæ, per cartas suas dederant monialibus de Martiginaco habend. sibi et successoribus suis monialibus ibidem Deo servituris, in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, pro cultu divino ibidem imperpetuum celebrando, per quosdam priores de Martiginaco et moniales ejusdem loci, in manibus prioris de Farleye et aliorum diversorum hominum, sine licentia nostra et progenitorum nostrorum prædictorum sunt in defraudationem elemosinæ hujusmodi in feodum alienata, in nostri præjudicium, et contra voluntatem progenitorum nostrorum et nostram, ac formam feoffamentorum præfatis monialibus inde confectorum; quod nolumus, sicut nec debemus aliquid sustinere; vobis mandamus, quod maneria prædicta, et omnes alias terras et tenem. cum pertin. quæ vobis constare poterit prædictis monialibus per præfatos progenitores nostros in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam collata fuisse, et postmodum per prædictos moniales et priores ejusdem præfato priori de Farleye, aut aliquibus aliis in balliva vestra sic in feodo alienata, sine dilatione capiatis in manum nostram, et ea salva custodiri faciatis donec aliud inde præceperimus. Ita quod de exitibus inde provenientibus nobis ad scaccarium nostrum respondere possitis. Teste rege apud Cestr. juxta Dunolm. xxvj. die Octobr.

Per concilium.

NUM. VIII.

Extenta de Farlegh e Rot. de Extent. factis in Wiltes. anno regni Regis Edw. I. xxij.

[MS. Donat. Mus. Brit. 6164, p. 60.]

THORNHULL.

EXTENTA manerii de Thornhulle prioris de Farlee facta die Nativitatis beatæ Mariæ per sacramentum Thomæ Bernard, Rogeri Bernard, Johannis Edmund, Johannis, Scolace, et aliorum qui dicunt super sacramentum suum quod curia cum gardino et aysiam. domorum valet per annum vj^s. viij^d. Dicunt etiam quod in eodem manerio sint cciiij^{xx}. acræ terræ arabilis quarum quælibet valet per annum vj^d. Summa cxl^s. Item in eodem manerio sint xxxv. acr. prati quarum quælibet valet per annum xij^d. Summa xxxvj^s. Item in eodem manerio xxxij. acr. pasturæ quarum quælibet valet per annum vj^d. Summa xvj^s. Item libere tenentes ejusdem manerii reddunt per annum de redd. assis. per annum xlv^s. Item in eodem manerio Sibill. de Molend. tenet j. molend. et unam virgatam terræ in villenag. et reddit inde per annum x^s. et fac. opera in autumpno quæ extendunt ad iiij^d. Item Henr. Shoure tenet unam virgatam terræ et reddit per ann. vj^s. viij^d. et facit opera quæ extendunt ad iiij^d. Item Walterus Atte Nelme tenet medietatem unius virgatæ terræ et aliam terram non mensuratam, et reddit per annum v^s. pro omni servitio. Item Johannes de Molend. tenet j. molendinum et reddit inde per annum iiij^s. Item Willielmus Dunnyn-ton tenet j. virgatam terræ, et reddit inde per annum vj^s. ij^d. et facit opera quæ extendunt ad j^d. ob. Item sunt in eodem manerio novem dim. virgat. terræ quorum quilibet reddit per annum iiij^s. si non operantur, et si operantur non reddunt in cherechet, videlicet quilibet eorum iiij. gallinas et j. gallum. Summa xxx^s. et non plus. Item Jordanus le Palmere tenet quandam peciam terræ reddit per annum xij^d. Item sunt in eodem manerio quinque coterelli qui omnia in universo tenent medietatem unius virgatæ terræ et reddunt per annum omnes iiij^s. et

opera eorum unius diei extendit ad ij^s. ob. Item Alicia Donek tenet j. mes. et j. croftum et reddit per annum ij^s. et facit opera quæ extendunt ad j^d. ob. Item Colenn. et Adam, videlicet duo tenentes, tenent duo mes. cum. curtilag. et reddunt per annum xvij^d. et faciunt opera quæ extendunt ad iiij^d. Item Nicholas Colyn tenet j. mes. et j. mouendayes Lond. et reddit per annum si non operatur xij^d. et reddit ad cherechet iiij. gall. et j. gall. pret. cujuslibet j^d. Summa iiij^d. Summa xv^{li}. xv^s. vj^d. ob.

CHIPPEHAM.

Extenta manerii prioris de Farleye apud Cheppenham facta ibidem dominica prox. post festum Nativitatis beatæ Mariæ anno r. r. Edw. xxij. per Johannem de Gatectle, Walterum de Budeston, Ricardum de Crombewall, et alios: qui dicunt super sacramentum suum quod curia cum gardino et columbar. valet per annum dim. m. Item redditus assis. octo libere tenent. valent per annum xxiiij^s. Item pensio ecclesiæ de Hardemwyche ij^s. Item operationes vij. villanorum val. per annum xv^s. Item iidem debent churechet, videlicet xxvij. gall. pret. cujuslibet j^d. Summa ij^s. iiij^d. Item dicunt quod sunt ibi ciiij^{xx}. xj. acr. terræ arabilis, pret. cujuslibet iiij^d. Summa xlvij^s. ix^d. Item xiiij. acr. prati, pret. cujuslibet xvij^d. Summa xxj^s. Item stagnum valet per annum xij^d.

Summa cxix^s. ix^d.

SLAUTERFORD.

Extenta manerii prioris de Farleg apud Slauteford facta per supradictos juratos die et anno supradictis: qui dicunt quod aysiam. curiæ cum gardino et columbar. val. per ann. v^s. Item dic. quod redd. assis. libere tenent. valet per annum lxxij^s. Item in eodem manerio Robertus le Waggar tenet j. molend. aquaticum et valet per annum xx^s. Item operationes vij. villanorum valent per annum xij^s. ob. Item iidem debent cherechet et val. per annum ij^s. iiij^d. Item sunt cc. et viij. et dim. et j. rod. acr. terræ arabilis, et valet acr. per annum ij^d. Summa xxxiiij^s. ix^d. ob.

Summa vij^{li}. vij^s. ij^d.

ALINTON.

Item in hamelet. de Alinton est j. liber tenens et deb. per annum iiij^s. Item redditus ass. ix. villanorum val. per annum l^s. vij^d. Item redd. ix. coterellorum val. per annum xv^s. ix^d. Item consuet. ix. villanorum val. per annum xiiij^s. vj^d. Item sunt clxxvij. acr. arabiles et val. acr. per annum iiij^d. Summa lix^s. iiij^d. Item sunt xiiij. acr. prati et val. quælibet acr. per annum xvij^d. Summa xxj. sol.

Summa vij^{li}. xiiij^s. ij^d.

BOXE.

Extenta manerii prioris de Farleg apud Boxe facta per supradictos juratores die et anno supradictis: qui dicunt quod aysiam. curiæ cum gardino et columbar. val. per annum dim. m. Item sunt xlv. acr. terræ arabilis et dim. et val. quælibet acr. per annum iiij^d. Summa xj^s. iiij^d. ob. Item sunt iiij. acr. prati et val. quælibet acr. per annum xvij^d. Summa iiij^s. vj^d. Item est ibidem j. molendinum aquaticum et valet per annum iiij^s. iiij^d.

Summa xxxv^s. x^d. ob.

SOPWORTH.

Item extenta prioris antedicti apud Sopworth facta per supradictos jur. die et anno supradictis: qui dicunt quod aysiam. curiæ cum curtilag. val. per annum iiij^s. Item redd. ass. ibidem xxij^s. x^d. Item sunt ibid. ciiij^{xx}. acr. terræ arabilis et val. quælibet acr. per annum ij^d. Summa xxx^s.

Summa lv^s. x^d.

FARLEG.

Extenta manerii prioris de Farleg monachorum facta die Sabbati prox. post festum Nat. beatæ Mariæ anno r. r. E. xxij^{do}. per Willielmum atte Wathe, Stephanum atte Slade, Rogerum de Berlegh, et alios juratores, qui dicunt per sacramentum suum quod aysiam. curiæ cum gardino et columbar. val. per annum xx^s. Item redd. assis. vj. libere tenentium val. per annum lxiiij^s. iiij^d. Item de xxj. coterell. xlvij^s. ij^d. Item sunt iiij. villani qui debent per annum viij^s. Item operationes dictorum villanorum subtractis diebus festis val. per annum xiiij^s. Item placita et perquis. cum finibus terrarum et nundinis valent per annum dim. m. Item sunt dcc. et lxxij. et dim. acr. terræ arabilis

et val. acr. per annum iij^d. Summa ix^{li}. xiijs. j^d. ob. Item sunt xxxvj. et dim. acr. prati et val. quælibet acr. per annum ijs. Summa lxxiij^s. Item sunt xxxviij. acr. bosci et val. per annum xl^s. Item dicunt quod in hameletto de Woxehall sunt cc. et dim. acr. arrabiles et val. quælibet acr. per annum ij^d. Summa xxxiijs. v^d. Item dicunt quod sunt xij. acr. prati et val. quælibet acr. per annum xij^d. Summa xij^s.

Summa totius extent. xxiiiij^{li}. xjs viij^d. ob.

LYE.

Extenta manerii de Lye prioris de Farleye facta die Jovis prox. post festum beatæ Mariæ anno r. r. E. xxij^o. per xij. jur. videlicet per Galfridum de Bratton, Robertum Plogenet, et alios qui dicunt super sacramentum suum quod aysiament. cur. cum gard. val. per annum ijs. ij^d. Item dicunt de redd. assis. tam de liberis quam de nativis vij^{li}. vjs. j^d. ob. q. Item de larder. x^s. Item boscum val. per annum iij^s. Item Churechet ijs. ij^d. Item dicunt quod sunt xiiij^{xx}. et vij. acr. terræ arabilis et val. acr. per annum vj^d. Item de prato ix. acr. pret. acr. ijs. Item de redd. villan. de Coronton per annum lxxijs. ij^d. Item xij^d. de una crofta. Item pro lardar. xxiijs. Item de Churechet ibidem v^d. Item de firma de Horspoles per annum xl^s. Item pro lardar. ibid. xvij^d. Summa xvij^{li}. iij^s. x^d. ob. q. Item bona et catalla ibidem inventa val. xvj^{li}. xvij^s. viij^d. prout patet per cyrographum quod residet penes magistrum R. de Abyndon et priorem de Farleye.

BROUTON.

Extenta manerii prioris de Farleg de Brotton facta die Veneris prox. post festum beatæ Mariæ Nativit. anno r. r. E. xxij^o. per xij. jur. videlicet per Willielmum Attewrth, Stephanum Atte Slade, et alios, qui dicunt quod aysiament. cur. cum gardino et columbar. val. per annum i. m. Item de redd. assis. xiijs. Item placit. et perquis. cum finibus terrarum val. per annum dim. m. Item operar. villan. et custumar. subtractis diebus festivis val. xxxvj^s. Item sunt clxij. acr. et dim. terræ arabilis et val. acr. vj^d. Summa iij^{li}. xv^d. Item sunt xxx. acræ prati et valet acr. per annum ijs. Summa lx^s. Item pastura val. per annum xvij^s.

Summa xj^{li}. ix^s. iij^d.

MERSTON.

Prior de Fal. habet in Solmerston xiiij. villanos quorum redd. et servic. val. per annum vj^{li}. xiijs. j^d.

Summa vj^{li}. xiijs. j^d.

BROME.

Idem prior habet in Brome duos tenentes qui solvunt per annum pro i. car. terr. x^{li}.

Summa x^{li}.

BREMESFELDE.

Item prior de Faleye habet ecclesias de Cheppenham et Boxe in proprios usus quæ non extenduntur. Et val. ecclesia de Cheppenham per annum xxx^{li}. Ecclesia de Boxe valet per annum c^s.

Summa xxxv^{li}.

NUM. IX.

Extenta eodem Anno de Bonis et Catallis.

[Ibid. p. 76.]

FARLEG.

BONA et catall. invent. in manerio de Farleg monachorum appreciat. per xii. jur. videlicet per Will. de Attewrth, Stephanum Ate Slade, Rogerum de Berleg, Johannem de Wolfele, Robertum le Jovene, Simonem le Jovene, Hugonem Cocum, Henr. le Frie, et Johannem de Grenhull. Videlicet liii. boves: pretium cujuslibet vjs. viij^d. Summa xvij^{li}. Item xvj. vaccæ et unus taurus: pretium cujuslibet v^s. Summa iij^{li}. v^s. Item xj. boveti: pretium cujuslibet iij^s. Summa xxxiij^s. Item ix. vituli: pretium cujuslibet xij^d. Summa ix^s. Item vij. affri: pretium cujuslibet v^s. Summa xxxv^s. Item v. asinæ: pretium cujuslibet ijs. Summa x^s. Item c. oves mat'cis: pretium cujuslibet vj^d. Summa i^s. Item iij^{xx}. agni: pretium cujuslibet vj^d. Summa xl^s. Item xxx. porci: pretium cujuslibet xij^d.

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Summa iij^{xx}. vj^{li}. xij^d.

CHIPPEHAM.

Bona et catalla invent. in manerio prioris de Farleg apud Chippeham et appreciat. per xij. jur. videlicet per Edw. Fabrum, Robertum de Ebrigg, Johannem de Eneford, Egidium de Chiverden, Ricardum de la Sarterie, Ricardum le Tabler, Walterum de Budester, Ricardum de Camberwell, Godwynum de la Chureth, Hugonem Drak, Johannem le Chepman, Humfridum Payn. Videlicet, i. lavator. cum pelvi pret. ijs. Item duæ ollæ æneæ, pret. vjs. vj^d. Item i. patell. pret. vj^d. Item dayer. pret. xvij^d. Item iij. juvent. pret. cujuslibet v^s. Summa xx^s. Item i. affr. pret. iij^s. Item xxiiij. boves pret. cujuslibet vjs. viij^d. Summa viij^{li}. Item vj. boveti pret. cujuslibet v^s. et i. taurus pret. v^s. Summa xxxv^s. Item xj. vaccæ: pret. cujuslibet v^s. Summa lv^s. Item vj. boviculi: pret. cujuslibet ijs. Summa xij^s. Item ix. vituli: pret. cujuslibet xij^d. Summa ix^s. Item xxxix. porci: pretium cujuslibet xvij^d. Summa lvij^s. vj^d. Item xiiij. porcell. pret. cujuslibet iij^d. Summa iij^s. vj^d. Item duo plaustra pret. xij^s. Item i. carect. pret. ijs. viij^d. Item blad. de dominico et decima val. per annum xxvj^{li}. xiijs. iij^d. Item fenum val. xiijs. iij^d. Item tres carrug. pret. cujuslibet x^d. Summa ijs. vj^d.

Summa xlvi^{li}. xjs. iij^d.

SLAUT'FORD.

Bona et catall. invent. in manerio dicti prioris apud Slauterford et apprec. per. xij. jur. supradictos. Videlicet, i. lavator. cum pelvi, pret. ijs. Item i. olla ænea pret. ijs. Item i. patell. pret. xij^d. Item duo juvene. pret. . . Item xxiiij. boves pret. cujuslibet vjs. viij^d. Summa viij^{li}. xiijs. iij^d. Item i. vacca pret. v^s. Item xxx. quarter. frumenti, pret. quarter. v^s. Summa viij^{li}. x^s. Item xx. quarter. ordeii pret. quarter. ijs. viij^d. Summa liijs. iij^d. Item xxx. quarter. avenæ pret. quarter. xvj^d. Summa xl^s.

Summa xx^{li}. xvjs. viij^d.

ALYNTON.

Bona et catall. invent. in hameletto de Alinton appret. per supradictos jur. videlicet vij. quarter. frumenti; prec. quarter. v^s. Summa xxxv^s. Item duo quarter. ordeii, pret. quarter. ijs. viij^d. Summa v^s. iij^d. Item x. quarter. avenæ, pret. quarter. xvj^d. Summa xiijs. iij^d. Item apud Boxe i. olla ænea fracta pret. xij^d. Item vj. boves, pret. cujuslibet vjs. viij^d. Summa xl^s. Item i. vacc. pret. v^s. Item i. plaustrum pret. iij^s. Item i. caruc. cum apparat. pret. x^d. Item blad. de dominico et de decima val. viij^{li}.

Summa xiiij^{li}. iij^s. vj^d.

SOPWORTH.

Bona et catall. invent. in manerio dicti prioris apud Sopwrth et apprec. per supradictos jur. Videlicet i. olla ænea pret. ijs. vj^d. Item i. patella pret. vj^d. Item i. pocinet pret. vj^d. Item duæ equæ pret. x^s. Item xiiij. boves pret. cujuslibet v^s. Summa lxv^s. Item i. vacca pret. v^s. Item vj^{xx}. bidentes pret. cujuslibet vj^d. Summa lx^s. Item i. plaustrum et i. carect. pret. vjs. Item duæ carug. pret. cujuslibet x^d. Summa xx^d. Item xv. quarter. frumenti pret. quarter. v^s. Summa lxxv^s. Item vj. quarter. ordeii, pret. quarter. ijs. viij^d. Summa xvjs. Item xij. quarter. avenæ, pret. quarter. xvj^d. Summa xvij^s.

Summa xij^{li}. xvij^s. ij^d.

I

Lye.
Bona et catall. invent. in manerio prioris antedicti apud Lye et apprec. per xij. jur. videlicet per Galfrid. de Bratton, Robertum Plugenet, Johannem de Caunterton, Ernulphum Heywod, Ricardum de Stok, Thomam le Lung, Will. le Knytt, Johannem Frie, Walterum Wynecok, Rogerum Wineband, Johannem Luce, et Jacobum de Sexhamcot. Videlicet i. lavator. cum pelvi, pret. xij^d. Item i. olla ænea et i. patell. pret. iij^s. Item i. affr. pret. iij^s. Item ix. boves pret. cujuslibet vj^s. viij^d. Summa lx^s. Item duo vaccæ pret. x^s. Item duo boviculi, pret. cujuslibet iij^s. Summa vj^s. Item duo vituli, pret. ij^s. Item i. carrecta, pret. iij^s. Item i. caruc. cum apparat. pret. xvij^d. Item xx. quarter. et dim. frumenti per estimationem, pret. quarent. v^s. Summa cij^s. vj^d. Item duo quarter. siliginis, pret. quarter. iij^s. iij^d. Summa vj^s. viij^d. Item de eodem v. quarter. de quadam firma, pret. quarter. ij^s. viij^d. Summa xij^s. iij^d. Item viij. quarter. fabarum, pret. quarter. iij^s. iij^d. Summa xxvj^s. viij^d. Item v. quarter. aven. pret. quarter. xvj^d. Summa vj^s. viij^d. Item de quadam firma i. quart. pret. xvj^d. Item de vescis vj. bussell. et val. xij^d. Item fenum val. xx^s.

Summa xvj^{li}. xvij^s. viij^d.

BROUTON.

Bona et catall. invent. in manerio prioris supradicti apud Brouton et apprec. per xij. jur. Videlicet per Will. de Attewrth, et Johannem Ate Slade, Rogerum de Berlaye, Johannem de Morteleye, Johannem de Wolvele, Simonem le Jonge, Johannem de Grenhull, Hugonem Coquum, Henr. le Frie, Walterum Gore, Walterum Seliman, et Robertum le Jonge. Videlicet i. affr. pret. vj^s. Item xvij. boves, pret. cujuslibet vj^s. viij^d. Summa cxij^s. iij^d. Item i. taurus, pret. vj^s. viij^d. Item vij. vaccæ pret. cujuslibet v^s. Summa xxxv^s. Item vj. boviculi, pret. cujuslibet ij^s. vj^d. Summa xv^s. Item vij. vituli pret. cujuslibet x^d. Summa v^s. x^d. xvij. hogast. pret. cujuslibet vj^d. Summa ix^s. xj^d. Item duo plaustra, pret. viij^s. Item duæ carug. pret. ij^s. Item xxx. quarter. frumenti, pret. quarter. v^s. Summa vij^{li}. x^s. Item xvij. quarter. ordeï, pret. quarter. iij^s. Summa lj^s. Item vj. quarter. fabarum, pret. quarter. iij^s. iij^d. Summa xx^s. Item xl. quarter. avenæ, pret. quarter. xvj^d. Summa liij^s. iij^d. Item fenum valet lx^s.

Summa xxvj^{li}. xvj^s. j^d.

THORNHULL.

Bona et catall. invent. in manerio prioris antedicti apud Thornhull et apprec. per. vj. jur. videlicet per Thomam Bernard, Rogerum Bernard, Johannem Edmond, Johannem Scolace, Nicholaum le Bayllif, Johannem de Molendino. Videlicet duo affr. pret. cujuslibet ix^s. Summa xvij^s. Item xxv. boves, pret. cujuslibet ix^s. Summa xj^{li}. v^s. Item duæ juvencæ, pret. viij^s. Item iij. boveti, pret. cujuslibet iij^s. Summa xij^s. Item xvj. oves pret. cujuslibet vj^d. Summa viij^s. Item ix. agni pret. cujuslibet iij^d. Summa iij^s. Item vestur. lxx. acrarum frumenti, pret. cujuslibet acr. iij^s. Summa x^{li}. x^s. Item sunt viij. et dim. acr. fabarum, et val. vestur. cujuslibet acr. ij^s. Summa xvij^s. Item xxj. et dim. acr. ordeï et val. vestur. cujuslibet acr. ij^s. Summa xliij^s. Item xl. acr. avenæ et val. vestur. cujuslibet acr. xvij^d. Summa lx^s.

Summa xxx^{li}. iij^s.

NUM. X.

COMPUTUS PRIORATUS DE FARLEGH temp. JOH. STONE
PRIORIS, A^o. 17 REGIS.

[Abstract of the Roll in the Augmentation Office.]

Reddit' et Servic' Maneriorum.

Com' Wiltes'	£.	s.	d.
Monketon in Broughton—Situs maner'	10	0	0
Monketon in Broughton—Tene- menta ibidem	2	4	0
Monketon in Broughton—Prat' voc' Chaldmede	1	6	8
Chippenham—Maner'	9	0	0
Chippenham—Redd' lib' et cust' ten'	13	15	4

Com' Wiltes'	£.	s.	d.
Slaughtenford—Redd' lib' et cust' ten'	10	4	2
Slaughtenford—Redd'	0	8	0
Slaughtenford—Firma maner'	6	13	4
Alyngton—Maner'	5	0	0
Alyngton—Redd' lib' et cust' ten'	7	0	0
Thornehill—Maner'	6	0	0
Thornehill—Red' lib' et cust' ten'	6	0	8
Thornehill—Cert' redd' et tyth- ing silver	0	16	10
Marssheton—Redd' lib' et cust' ten'	5	5	2 ob'
Marssheton—De tenentibus pro lardar'	1	10	0
Marssheton—Cert' redd' et tyth- ing silver	0	8	0
Brome—Maner'	12	0	0
Corton—Redd' assis' et lib' ten'	4	2	8
Holley et Elmore—Redd' assis' et lib' ten'	2	5	6
Wroxhale—Redd' assis' et lib' ten'	3	18	8
Lye juxta Westbury—Redd' as- sis' et lib' ten'	9	5	8
Farleigh—Redd' assis' lib' et cust' ten'	15	3	0
Com' Linc'			
Willet et Naunby—Terr' et ten'	6	0	0
Soppewurth—Maner'	2	0	0
Com' Glouc'			
Hava—Maner'	1	13	4
Com' Som'			
Bathe—Diversæ shopæ	0	3	4
Reddit' Forinc'.			
Foxanger—Redd' de lib' ten'	1	0	0
Tymmeburgh—Redd' de terr' et ten'	0	5	0
Tymmeburgh—Al' redd' ibidem de maġro Sċi Joh' Bathon'	0	4	0
Tymmeburgh—Redd' de terr' voc' Tyngler	0	4	0
Clutton—Lib' redd'	0	4	0
Farneburgh—Redd' un' ten'	0	12	8
Lynley juxta Rode—Terr' et pastur'	0	18	0
Hedyington—Redd' terr' et ten'	0	12	0
Lacock—Pastur' voc' Brockers- marsh	1	0	0
Boxe—Un' mol' aquat'	1	0	0
Waddiswyke—Domus et terr'	0	13	4
Bishopstrowe—Pastur' et terr' voc' Horsepole	1	0	0
Wodeburgh—Un' mol' aquat'	0	13	4
Denelichwake juxta Bridgwater —Un' mol' aquat'	0	10	0
Hilprynton—Lib' reddit'	0	2	0
Cheldryngton—Lib' reddit'	0	6	0
Cheldryngton—Terr' de rector' itm	0	6	0
Hichilhamton—Redd' terr'	0	8	0
Freshford—Lib' redd' de priore de Henton	0	0	3
Dultyng—Lib' redd' de maner' recept' de rectore de Edyngton	0	13	4

Com' Som'

Powlettsbere—Lib' redd' de ma- ner'	1	2	0
Bristoll—Ten' apud Laffordisyate	0	18	0
Penlegh—Redd' dedño de Stourton	1	0	0
Hornyngesham—Lib' reddit'	0	8	0
Litilcote—Lib' redd' de terr' pri- oris de Bradensloke	0	5	0
Kenet—Lib' reddit'	0	6	0
Somerford Magna—Redd' pro terris	0	4	0
Henton S. Georgii—Redd' pro terris	0	10	0
Lepeyate—Redd' pro terris	0	10	0

Com' Som'	ℓ.	s.	d.
Over Wroughton—Redd' . . .	0	2	0
Hertham—Redd' terr' . . .	0	1	0
Newhalys in Clyste—Terr' et ten'	0	5	0
Tedenham in Wallia—Terr' et ten'	0	0	6
Sherevenewton—Terr' et ten' .	0	5	0
Shepton Berenger—Terr' et ten'	0	6	8
Leyghterton—Terr' et ten' . .	0	5	0
Boxe—Redd' un' cotag'	0	2	0
Pensford—Redd' un' al' cotag' et mol'	1	0	0
Predy—Cert' reddit'	0	2	0
Sernewyke—Redd' terr'	0	6	8
Bradeford—Redd' un' ten' . . .	0	7	0
Braiton—Redd' lib' ten'	0	6	8
Firmæ Decimarum.			
Byddeston—X ^{mæ}	6	0	0
Chippenham—Rectoria	20	0	0
Boxe et Ryddelaw—Rector' sive parsonatus	11	0	0
Staverton—X ^{mæ}	1	6	8
Hedynton—X ^{mæ}	2	0	0
Slaughterford—X ^{mæ}	2	0	0
Wevermede—X ^{mæ} prati	0	1	6
Prunbury—X ^{mæ}	0	4	0
Woxsey—Pens' eccl'	2	0	0
Soppewurth—Pens' eccl'	2	0	0
Hedyngton—Pens' eccl'	0	2	0
Chippenham—Pens' de vicar' . .	2	13	4
Wyllisford et Manyngford—Pens' de ecclesiis	3	6	8
Bysshopstrowe—Pens' eccl' . . .	1	6	8
Stanley—Pens' de abbate	0	13	4
Wyvell—Pens' de rector'	2	0	0
Hardyng Nash—Pens' de capell'	0	2	0
Byddiston—Pens' eccl'	0	2	0
Chippenham—Recept' decantaria	0	2	0
Clutton—X ^{mæ}	0	13	4
Clutton—Exitus de pretio Multon vacc', bov', et al' staur' .	69	19	8 ob'
Clutton—Vindic' lan'	10	4	4
Clutton—Vindic' bosc'	1	5	0
Clutton—Perquis' cur' cum finibus et heriëttis	0	11	8
Summa totalis receptæ	298	1	11

NUM. XI.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

PRIORATUS DE FARLEGH.

Lodowico nunc Priore ibm val', viz^t in Sþual' in Com' Wiltes'.
 Annuæ Porc' Decimar' recept' in diſs' Vill' subsequen'.
 In Chippenh^{am} 20ℓ. In Box 11ℓ. In Bydston cu' Harth^{am} 6ℓ. In Barley 1ℓ. In Hedyngton 2ℓ. In Pumbrye 4s. In Slaughtonford 2ℓ. Et Staſton 16s. In to^o 44ℓ. 0s. 0d.
 Annuæ Penciones recept' de et in diſs' Vill' subsequen', videlt.
 In Hedyngton 2s. In Wilsford et Mannyngford 3ℓ. 6s. 8d. In Bysshoppestrowe 2ℓ. In Bydeston 2s. In Hardnassh 2s. In Chippenh^{am} 2s. In Soppwurth 2ℓ. In Okeley 2ℓ. In Fayrlegh 1s. Et in Chippenh^{am} 2ℓ. In toto. 11ℓ. 15s. 8d.

Com' Soims'.

Annua porc' x^{mar} rec' de rçoria de Tymesburgh 18s. 55ℓ. 13s. 8d.

Tempal' in Com' Wiltes'.

Mañiu' de Farelegh.

Val' p a^m, videlt, In redd' et firm' 12ℓ. 15s. Profic' terr'

dñic' in man' prior' existen' 14ℓ. 12s. 2d. Et in pquis' cur coibz annis 6s. 8d. In toto 27ℓ. 13s. 10d.

Mañiu' de Chippenh^{am}.

Val' p a^m, viz. In redd' et firm' 22ℓ. 19s. 9d. Et in pquis' cur' coibz annis 8s. In toto . . . 23ℓ. 7s. 9d.

Mañiu' de Stawtonford.

Val' p a^m, viz. In redd' et firm' 18ℓ. 6s. 0½d. Et in pquis' cur' coibz annis 6s. In toto . . . 18ℓ. 6s. 0½d.

Mañiu' in Thornhill.

Val' p annu', viz. In redd' et firm' 12ℓ. 2s. 8d. Et in pquis' cur' coibz a^{is} 5s. In toto . . . 12ℓ. 7s. 8d.

Mañiu' in M'sshton.

Val' p a^m, viz. Redd' et firm' 7ℓ. 6s. 8d. Et in pquis' cur' coibz annis 2s. In toto . . . 7ℓ. 8s. 8d.

Redd' et firm' in Brome p annu' . . . 14ℓ. 0s. 0d.

Mañiu' de Monketon jux^a Broughton.

Val' p a^m, viz. In redd' et firm' 12ℓ. 4s. Et in pquis' cur' coibz annis 3s. 4d. In toto . . . 12ℓ. 7s. 4d.

Mañiu' de Wraxhall.

Val' p annu', viz. In redd' et firm' 3ℓ. 8s. Et in pquis' cur' coibz annis n^l. 3ℓ. 8s. 0d.

Mañiu' in Lye jux^a Westbury.

Val' p a^m, viz. In redd' et firm' 11ℓ. 5s. 9d. Et in pquis' cur' coibz annis 4s. In toto . . . 11ℓ. 9s. 9d.

Redd' terr' in Soppeworth p a^m . . . 2ℓ. 0s. 0d.

Mañiu' in Corton.

Val' p annu', viz. In redd' et firm' 4ℓ. 3s. Et in pquis' cur' coibz annis n^l. In toto . . . 4ℓ. 3s. 0d.

161ℓ. 6s. 8½d.

Com' Glouc'.

Mañiu' in Haſh^{am} cu' Terr' in Holley et Elm'.

Val' p a^m, viz. In redd' et firm' 7ℓ. 16s. 11d. Et in pquis' cur' coibz annis 3s. 1d. In toto . . . 8ℓ. 0s. 0d.

Com' Lincoln'.

Redd' in Naveby et Welby p annu' . . . 8ℓ. 8s. 8d.

Diſs' Com'.

Redd' for' in diſs' locis passim solut' p a^m . . . 8ℓ. 0s. 0d.

217ℓ. 0s. 4½d.

D' quibz

Deduct' et Alloc' jux' forma' Statuti inde edit', viz.

Reddit' Resolut'.

P' terr' in Sheldon p annu', viz. Walto Hungford militi 17s. Et dño de Codford 6s. 8d. In toto 1ℓ. 3s. 8d.

Comiti Arundell p terr' in Corton 3s. 4d. Abbi de Kensham p terr' in Ferneburgh 1s. Gardian' collegii de Eaton p feod' firm' 38ℓ. Vic' Wiltes' p cert' redd' p annu' 1ℓ. 5s. Abbissæ de Shafton' p terr' in Coñwell 3s. 4d.

40ℓ. 16s. 4d.

Pcur' solut'.

Archidec' Wiltes' p eccl'is de Chipenham . . . 0ℓ. 5s. 9½d.

De Box 0ℓ. 5s. 9½d.

Pro ecclia de Slaughtonford 5s. 9½d. Et Bideston 5s. 9½d. 0ℓ. 11s. 7d.

Annua Penc'.

Solut' priori de Lewys 0ℓ. 13s. 4d.

Elemos'.

Distribut' paupibz in diebz cœnæ Dñi et Pascheves p anniſsar' Humfri de le Bound fundator' huj^s priorat' p annu' 2ℓ. Distribut' paupibz quatuor diebz anni ex fundat' et donat' Barthei Bygote p a^m 13s. 4d. . . 2ℓ. 13s. 4d.

Feod'.

Henrici Long milit^s sen^{li} capiſlis dçi priorat' p annu' 2ℓ. Thomæ Mounford subsen^{li} ibm p a^m 2ℓ. Willi Burton auditor' ibm p a^m 2ℓ. Riçi ap' Harry receptor' ibm p annu' 1ℓ. 6s. 8d. Joñis Psons collector' redd' mañior' de Hanham, Ferneburgh, et Tymesburgh 2ℓ. Joñis Ussher colloor' redd' in Lye, Corton, et Bysshopstrow p annu' 2ℓ. Riçi ap' Harry

ball' libtat^s de Farlegh 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Thomæ Wilks coll' redd' in Chippenh^m p annu' 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Thomæ Yonge coll' redd' mañior' de M^{ss}hton, Brome, et Thornehill p a^m 63*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.* 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* 18*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
Et sic reman' ultra clare p annu' 153*l.* 14*s.* 2½*d.*
Inde p x^{ma} 15*l.* 7*s.* 5¼*d.*

NUM. XII.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

FARLEIGH MONASTERIUM SIVE NUPER PRIORATUS.

Wiltes'	£.	s.	d.
Slaughtenford — Redd' custum' tenen'	2	18	9
Slaughtenford — Firma maner' cum terris dominicalibus . .	13	5	8
Slaughtenford—Perquis' cur' . .	0	3	0
Slaughtenford—Rectoria . . .	2	16	0
Chippenham—Rectoria . . .	20	0	0
Marston—Redd' assis' . . .	0	19	4
Marston—Redd' custum' tenen' .	4	6	10
Marston—Redd' custum' voc' Lardresilver	1	11	0 q'
Marston—Pannag' porcorum . .	0	1	2
Marston—Perquis' cur' . . .	0	8	0
Wraxhall cum Box—Redd' assis' in Wraxhall	0	3	0
Wraxhall—Redd' custum' tenen' .	1	3	0
Wraxhall—Firma maner' . . .	3	0	0
Box—Redd' custum' tenen' . . .	0	4	0
Box—Firma molend'	1	5	0
Ligh juxta Westbury — Redd' assis'	4	9	9
Ligh—Redd' custum' tenen' . . .	4	3	8
Ligh Firma—maner'	3	6	8
Ligh—Perquis' cur'	2	0	0
Alingeton—Redd' assis'	0	6	0
Alingeton—Redd' custum' tenen' .	4	10	4
Alingeton—Firma maner' . . .	6	13	4
Alingeton—Perquis' cur' . . .	0	10	10
Corton— Redd' custum' tenen' . .	4	2	8
Soppeworth—Firma un' mesuag' cum terr'	2	0	0
Box et Rydlawe—Firma rector' .	11	13	4
Buddeston et Hartham—Firma rector'	6	0	0
Hedington—Porcô x ^{mar} '	2	0	0
Wroxall—Porcô x ^{mar} '	0	10	0
Pumbray in Wyntefeld—Porcô x ^{mar} '	0	8	0
Staverton—Porcô x ^{mar} '	0	6	8
Chippenham—Pens'	0	13	4
Willeford et Mannyngeford — Pens'	3	6	8
Woxsey—Pens'	2	0	0
Sopworth—Pens'	2	0	0

Wiltes'	£.	s.	d.
Bisshopestrowe—Pens	2	0	0
Hardenhues—Pens'	0	2	0
Hedington—Pens'	0	2	0
Farleigh Monachorum—Pens' .	0	1	0
Chippenham—Pens' cantar' . .	0	2	0
Chippenham—Pens' vicar' . . .	3	6	8
Tymmesborough—Pens'	0	18	0
Hartham—Redd' assis'	1	8	1
Hartham—Redd' custum' ten' . .	3	0	0
Hartham—Firma maner'	2	0	0
Hartham —Perquis' cur'	0	9	6
Hollewey et Ellemore—Redd' assis'	2	5	7
Welby—Firma cap', mesuag', &c.	8	15	9
Navenby—Redd' assis'	1	17	1 ob'
Bisshopstrowe—Pastur'	1	13	4
Box—Redd' ten' voc' Churchouse	0	0	4
Rowde—Redd' assis' voc' Fox-hanger	1	0	0
Kenette—Redd' assis'	0	3	0
Hedington—Firma un' mesuag' .	0	12	0
Overwroughton—Redd' assis' . .	0	2	0
Barford—Cotag'	0	5	0
non respond' quia in decasu.			
Stanley—Redd' assis'	0	10	0
Hardinghues—Redd' terr'	0	6	0
Aston Keynes—Redd' custum' . .	0	6	8
Rowde—Redd' custum'	0	18	0
Litehcote—Redd' assis'	0	5	0
Westbury—Redd' assis'	0	6	8
Lacock—Redd' custum'	0	1	0
Milkesham—Redd' custum'	0	13	4
Hilpertont—Redd' assis'	0	2	0
Chippenham—Firma terr'	0	3	4
Atteford—Terr'	0	1	0
non respond' eo quod nullus ill' affirmare voluit.			
Somers'			
Pouletsbury—Redd' assis'	1	2	0
Henton S. Georgii—Un' mes' . . .	0	10	0
Wodborough—Redd' pro molend'	0	13	4
Stratton le Fosse—Redd' assis' .	0	4	0
Bathe—Tria tenementa	0	3	4
Pensford—Redd' molend'	1	0	0
Farneborough—Redd' custum' . .	0	12	0
Clutton—Firma pastur', &c. . . .	0	4	0
Tymmesborough—Redd' assis' . .	0	4	0
Bathe—Redd' un' ten'	0	2	0
Tymmesborough — Redd' terr' nuper Lysley	0	4	0
Glouc'			
Leighterton—Redd' assis'	0	5	0
Upton—Redd' assis'	0	4	0

Priory of Monks Horton, in Kent.



ASTED, who had access to the Chartulary of Horton, has been the most minute of any of our topographical writers upon the history of this priory. It appears to have been founded in the beginning of the reign of Henry the Second, by Robert son of Bernard de Ver,^a on part of the demesne of the manor of Horton. The founder dedicated it to the honour of God, the blessed Virgin Mary, and

St. John the Evangelist; and, placing in it monks of the Order of Cluni, subjected it as a Cell to the priory of St. Pancras at Lewes.^b The said Robert, with Adeliza, daughter of Hugh de Montfort, his wife, by a second charter, gave to the monks here the manor of Horton with its appurtenances, together with the land and tenants of Haiton and Hingsell, and of the Marsh, and the services which the tenants performed at Saltwood, with the woods of Redbroc and Wittingehangre; the prior of Horton paying yearly to the church of St. Pancras above mentioned one mark of silver as an acknowledgement. And they ordained that the prior of St. Pancras Lewes from time to time should have the management, government, and disposition of the prior and monks of Horton, in the same manner as of his own, according to the Rule of St. Benedict and the Order of Cluni. And they gave to the monks of Horton, besides, the tithes of Etretton, in the same manner in which Robert the chaplain had held them; and in Essex the church of Purley with its appurtenances; and likewise five shillings which were paid from Hait and Saltwood, and twenty-five pence paid from a portion of the said land at Estbrogie.^c By a third charter they gave the manor of Tinton, the churches of Stanford and Brabarne, and other premises; and confirmed their former donations.^d

Other benefactors to this priory were, Osbert marshal of Robert de Ver above mentioned, Hugh de St. Quintin, Alberic de Marinis, John and William de Orlestone, John earl of Ewe, and Adeliza his countess, John and Stephen de Heringod, William de Valoins, Robert and Hamo de Aldelose, Simon de Tevegate, Richard Fitz Dering of Hayton, &c. whose various donations were confirmed by Henry

de Essex, by King Stephen, and by several different popes.^e

The release of this house from the condition of an alien priory, together with several other of the cells of Lewes, in the 47th of Edward the Third, has been already noticed in a former page.^f In the eighth year of the following reign its revenues in temporal and spiritual possessions were valued at 98*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*^g In the reign of King Henry the Sixth this priory is stated to have been taxed at 106*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* although the total revenue of it was 117*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.*^h The Valuation in the 26th of Henry the Eighth makes its total revenue to have amounted, at that time, to 111*l.* 16*s.* 11½*d.*; the clear income to 95*l.* 12*s.* 2*d.*ⁱ

Hasted has given the following names of the

PRIORS of HORTON.

PETER DE ALDINGE, 42 and 48 Hen. III.^k

WILLIAM, 56 Hen. III. and 6 Edw. I.^l

CONON, 11 Edw. I.^m

JAMES, 25 Edw. I.ⁿ

RICHARD also occurs prior 25 Edw. I.^o

GAUFRID.^p

HUGH.^q

WILLIAM DE WAREIM, 9 Edw. III.^r

RICHARD, 20 Ric. II.^s

JAMES HOLBECH, *t.* Hen. VI.^t

RICHARD was prior in the 19th Edw. IV.^u

RICHARD GLOUCESTER, *alias* BRISLEY, was the last prior. He surrendered his monastery into the king's hands; and was provided for with an annuity of 15*l.* a year, which was still paid in 1553.

The site of the priory of Horton, with the possessions belonging to it, did not remain long in the hands of the crown; for the king, in his 29th year, granted them, subject to certain exceptions and payments therein mentioned, to Thomas archbishop of Canterbury and his successors;^x who, that same year, conveyed the site of the priory, with sundry lands adjoining and belonging to it, in this parish and elsewhere, back again to the crown; whence they were in the next year of that reign, being the 30th of it, granted, to hold in capite by knights service to Richard Tate of Stockbury, Esq.^y who was then in possession of them by a former lease from the crown.^z He was afterwards knighted, and in the 1st

^a Leland, Collect. tom. i. p. 88, calls him "Robertus de Ver constabularius regis Angliæ."

^b See the charter in the Appendix, Num. I.

^c See the charter, Num. II.

^d Num. III.

^e See Hasted, Hist. Kent, vol. iii. p. 318, from the Chartulary of Horton, cart. 204, 209—212. The following are the only entries in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas IV. A.D. 1291, relating to this Priory. Dioc. Cant. Spiritual. p. 3. "Decimæ prioris de Horton in eccl. de Hope 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*" Pag. 6. "Temporalia prioris de Horton. In maneriis de Horton, Stuting, Braburne, Elham, Werehorne, Kenardinton, 65*l.* 10*s.*" Pag. 184 b. "Dioc. Sarum. Decanat. de Pymperne. Prior de Horton 4*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.* in Horton."

^f See the present Volume, p. 4.

^g Viz. The church of Braborne 30*l.* Their portion in Hope 66*s.* 8*d.* Their temporals in the diocese of Canterbury 65*l.* 10*s.* Total 98*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.* See Stevens, Contin. vol. i. p. 40. The difference seems to have been comparatively trifling between this Taxation and that of Pope Nicholas IV.

^h Hasted, ut supr. from the Register of Horton priory; by which it appears there were here at that time only six monks, with the Prior, all priests and professed, though by their charter of foundation, Hasted says, thirteen were to be maintained, or, if their revenues came short, at least eight. But see the Append. Num. IV.

In the Harleian manuscript 2044, fol. 56 b, we have,

"Exemplificatio Status Monasterii de Horton.

"Imprimis sunt sex monachi cum priore, omnes sacerdotes et professi. Item divinum servitium tam die quam nocte horis competentibus cum aliis observantiis secundum numerum fratrum ibidem existentium devote celebratur et observatur," &c.

ⁱ Compare Num. VI.

^k Hasted, e Reg. de Horton, cart. 76, 92.

^l Reg. Horton, cart. 67.

^m Ibid. cart. 57.

ⁿ Ibid. cart. 235.

^o Prynn, Papal Usurp. tom. iii. p. 707.

^p Reg. Horton, cart. 230.

^q Ibid. cart. 231.

^r Ibid. cart. 232.

^s Ibid. cart. 150.

^t He collected and transcribed the Register of the Priory, says Hasted, as it now remains.

The original of this Register was formerly in the possession of the family of Rooke, afterwards of William Somner of Canterbury. See Tann. Notit. Monast. A transcript of it was not many years since in the Surrenden Library, though now in other hands.

The Collectanea from this Register in the Harleian manuscript 2044, fol. 54, consist of the three charters of Robert de Ver copied by Dugdale: immediately following the first of which is a hortatory letter of encouragement to the founder from R. abbat of Cluni. After the third charter is a copy of King Stephen's confirmation, and a letter of Pope Lucius II. entitled "Lucius Papa super prima fundatione monasterii de Horton ad Henricum Winton. episcopum, dat. Lat. v^{to}. idus Maii, indict. vij^a. Incarn. Dominicæ anno m.c.xliij^{to}. pont. vero Lucii II. papæ anno primo."

Hasted says, "There is a MS. Chartulary in the Bodleian library at Oxford, Dodsw. lv. which seems to be that once in the possession of William Somner. And I have in my possession part of an original Chartulary on vellum containing the twenty first charters of those in the Register above mentioned; and a complete transcript of that once in the Surrenden Library." Hist. Kent, vol. iii. p. 319, Note 7.

^u Dugd. Hist. Imbanking, edit. 1772, p. 59.

^x Hasted, vol. iii. p. 319, from Deeds of Purchase and Exchange, Augm. Off. box A. 21.

^y Orig. 30 Hen. VIII. Canc. "Rex xxv^{to}. die Aprilis concessit Ricardo Tate domum et scitum nuper prioratus de Horton et terr. &c. in Great Ewtham habend. ei et hæredibus suis imperpetuum." ro. cxxij.

^z Hasted says, King Henry VIII. by his indenture, in his 29th year, let for twenty-one years to Richard Tate of Stockbury, Esq. the House and Site of the late priory of Horton, with all houses, buildings, orchards, gardens, &c. within the site and precinct of the same, and also one water-mill, with the mill and whole stream of water running to it, and thirteen pieces of land therein described, containing in the whole ninety-two acres; and also the tythes in all and singular the aforesaid premises, with the fisheries, liberties, and commodities belonging to the

year of king Edward the Sixth alienated the site of the priory, with the lands belonging to it, to Walter Mantell, Esq.^a who being, with his nephew Walter Mantell and others, attainted and executed for being concerned in Sir Thomas Wyat's rebellion in the 1st of queen Mary, this estate became forfeited to the crown, where it staid till queen Elizabeth, in her 13th year, restored it to his eldest son Matthew Mantell, to hold to him and his heirs male; in whose descendants the property is still vested.^b

Tanner refers to "Rot. pat. 18 Edw. II. p. 1. m. 17. de manerio de Tynterdon et reparatione walliarum in marisco de Romenel."

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office in the exchequer, is an instrument "De vicario de Romeney et priore de Horton, in comitatu Kancie accusatis de receptione firmæ ecclesiæ de Romeney." Trin. Rec. 21 Edw. III. rot.

The following is Hasted's account of the Ruins of this priory as they remained in his time :

"The priory of Horton stands among the meadows in a bottom, near the stream which flows by it from Broadstreet. The situation is very low and damp, and so obscure and retired, having a large wood which reaches close up to it, that it is hardly to be seen before you are within a very small distance of it. There is but a small part of it remaining; what is left is made use of for a dwelling-house, being a long narrow building, of ashler stone and flints, seemingly of the time of king Henry VIth, though by the windows it appears to have been much altered at different times; and there are the remains of a tower at the east end, and a small part of a very fine, large, circular arch, with zigzag ornaments of a much antienter date, seemingly the great entrance into the priory, or perhaps the church of it; beyond which, still further eastward, that part which was taken down by the king's order soon after the suppression of it, seems to have stood."

Less of the ruins of Horton are now remaining than were extant in Hasted's time.

Cartae ad Hortonensem Prioratum in com. Cantu', Cellam de Lewes, spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Roberti filii Bernardi de Ver de fundatione Prioratus de Horton.

[Ex Regist. ejusdem Prioratus.]

REVERENDO in Christo patri et domino domino R. divina miseratione abbati Cluniaci radiis sinceræ devotionis et omnium virtutum viro commendabiliter adornato vir humilis et devotus Robertus de Ver filius Bernardi omnimodum honorem debitum tanto patri et fructum servicii salutaris. Noverit almifica vestra paternitas lucidius Deo gratissima me apud Hortonam Cantuariensis diocesis in honore Dei beatæ Mariæ et sancti Johannis Evangelistæ ad salutem animæ meæ et pro animabus antecessorum et successorum meorum ecclesiam fundasse et construxisse, et eam tam in temporalibus quam spiritualibus promovisse et accumulasse, volentemque et affectantem ministros vestri sanctissimi ordinis Cluniaci monachos Deo servituros imperpetuum fore in eadem, insignissimi nostri regis concessionem gratiosa et confirmatione votiva primitus peroptatis, ac vestro sacratissimo patrocinio benignius confovente, idem opus caritativum in puram et perpetuam elemosynam ab adversis facilius conservari et in prosperis æternaliter communiri. Igitur vestræ prælibatæ paternitati supplico humiliter et devote ut me in sinum vestræ puræ religionis devotionis et orationis elementius suscipere, ac vestræ fraternitatis piis suffragiis consolare, dictæque ecclesiæ vestræ de Hortonæ universa et singula jura privilegia et libertates à sanctis patribus sedis apostolicæ et vestris prædecessoribus vestro venerabili monasterio Cluniaci data concessa et confirmata à piæ fundationis tempore conferre et largiri dignemini gratiose, quatinus in divinis officiis validius et avidius se exercere gaudeat sine fine.

NUM. II.

Alia ejusdem Roberti Carta.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri quod ego Robertus de Ver constabularius regis Angliæ, et Adeliza filia Hugonis de Mountford uxor mea damus et concedimus et præsentem carta

same; and also the manor of Horton, with its appurtenances, to the said late priory belonging, with all lands, meadows, pastures, fisheries, rents, fee-farms, and hereditaments whatsoever belonging to it; except all wards, marriages, escheats, reliefs, trees, woods, advowsons, and rectories; and except all those buildings within the said site and precinct which the king had already ordered to be pulled down, and carried off the said premises; to hold the said site or precinct, mill, stream, and lands first-mentioned, at the yearly rent of a hundred and fourteen shillings, and for the said manor, with its appurtenances, the yearly rent of 35*l.* 10*s.* 2*d.* Inrolm. Augm. Off.

confirmamus Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et sancto Johanni et sancto Pancratio et monachis de Lewes apud Hortonam Deo servientibus idem manerium cum omnibus rebus ad illud pertinentibus scilicet cum terra et hominibus de Hayter et de Hangsel et de maresio et cum operibus quæ homines faciebant apud Saltwood et cum nemoribus Redebroc et Witinghanger in elemosynam liberam et quietam sicut dominium nostrum. Prior de Horton reddet singulis annis ecclesiæ sancti Pancratii unam marcam argenti pro recognitione. Habet autem prior de sancto Pancratio inperpetuum emendationem ordinationem et mercationem de priore et monachis de Horton tanquam de suis propriis secundum regulam sancti Benedicti et ordinem de Cluniaco. Præter hæc damus decimam de Etretona sicut Robertus capellanus eam habuit. Et in Essexia ecclesiam de Parl. cum omnibus decimis et consuetudinibus ei pertinentibus. Damus etiam quinque solidos qui reddebantur de Hayter et Saltwood et viginti et quinque denarios qui de eadem terra reddebantur Estbrogia. Hæc et omnia quæ dedimus et quæ daturi sumus damus pro anima Regis Henrici domini nostri et incolumitate nostra et pro animabus nostrorum antecessorum et parentum et propinquorum et benefactorum nostrorum. Quicquid etiam barones vel homines nostri ibidem in elemosinam dederint eodem animo damus et concedimus. Testibus, Roberto de Ver juvene, Roberto de Well, Roberto de Orchaldeston, Normanno de Essetot, Turstano Dapifero, Hamone de Avenaro, Willielmo filio Henrici, Willielmo filio ejus, Simone de Meald, Willielmo filio Normanni, Ricardo de Well filio Roberti, et Willielmo fratre ejus, Godfrido de Meald filio Simonis, et multis aliis.^c

NUM. III.

Alia etiam ejusdem Roberti Carta.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit omnibus tam præsentibus quam futuris quod ego Robertus de Ver constabularius regis Angliæ et Adeliza filia Hugonis de Monte-forti uxor mea dedimus et concessimus Deo et beato Apostolo Johanni Evangelistæ et ecclesiæ de Horton, et monachis in eadem ecclesia ad serviendum Deo et beato Johanni commorantibus manerium de Titendon cum

^a Orig. 1 Edw. VI. Com. Kanc. "De homagio Walteri Mantell generosi pro scitu nuper priorat. de Horton per licenc. inde fact." ro. xli.

^b Hasted, ut supr.

^c Irrotulatur in memoranda scaccarii, videlicet inter recorda de termino sancti Michaelis anno sexto regis Henrici quarti, ex parte rememoratoris regis, videlicet in quodam processu tangente priores de Castelaere, Pritewell, Horton, et alios.

omnibus pertinentiis ipsius manerii in perpetuam elemosynam pro redemptione et salute animæ Regis Henrici et Regis Stephani et animarum nostrarum et omnium fidelium antecessorum nostrorum, ita libere et quiete et honorifice tenendum et habendum sicut nos tempore Regis Henrici prædicti dono ejusdem tenuimus et habuimus, et postea Regis Stephani, scilicet cum soca et saca et tol et team et infangeniteof cum omnibus consuetudinibus et libertatibus et quietationibus de warpeni et nupeni, in bosco et plano, in pratis et in pasturis, in terris et mariscis, in via et in semitis; adhuc ecclesiam de Stanestead cum ejusdem ecclesiæ pertinentiis omnibus scilicet beneficiis ecclesiasticis atque ecclesiam de Bradburn cum sibi pertinentibus beneficiis ecclesiasticis scilicet decimas Estbrugie et Haneild excepto sale. Teste, Gaufrido de Vere, et Roberto fratre suo, Radulpho filio Willielmi, Willielmo de Pilatavil, Hero Dapifero, Hugone de Eschelot, Hugone Talbott, Willielmo de Well, Osberto Mariscallo Willielmi filii Trustan Dapiferi, Radulpho de Scaldis, Radulfo filio Turaldi, Roberto de sancto Martino, Ernaldo sacerdote, Pagano clerico, Simone de Chandos, et Hugone fratre suo, Johanne sacerdote.

NUM. IV.

In catalogo abbatiarum, prioratuum, &c. cænobio Cluniaci subjectorum qui extat in bibliotheca Cluniacensi, columna 1749 Status hujusce Prioratus sic se habet.

PRIORATUS de Hortuna immediate subditus Prioratui Lewensi, in quo secundum aliquos debent esse octo monachi et secundum alios debent esse tredecim, et debent ibi celebrari tres missæ, major, et secunda beatæ Mariæ, et tertia pro defunctis. Debet dici Evangelium per diaconum ad majorem missam, et debet haberi lectio in refectorio ad prandium. Et sunt tres ad custodiendum sigillum, videlicet prior, subprior, et unus alius.

NUM. V.

Extenta de Horton 44 Edw. III.

[MS. Donat. Mus. Brit. 6164, p. 415.]

EXTENTA prioratus de Horton in com. Kanc. facta apud Horton, die sabbati in vigilia Ramis palmarum anno regni regis Edwardi tertii post Conquestum xliij^{to}. coram Johanne de Bisshoppeston escaet. domini regis in com. prædicto virtute cujusdam brevis domini regis huic extentæ consut. per sacramentum Johannis Poreman, Willielmi atte Broke, Johannis Daveys, et aliorum. Qui dicunt super sacramentum suum quod prior de Horton tenet apud Horton in dicto com. situm prioratus prædicti quæ est percella manerii de Horton quæ nihil valet per annum ultra repris. Item dicunt quod tenet ibidem manerium de Horton quod valet per annum x^{li}. Item percipit nomine decimæ pensionis v^s. de ecclesia de Uphorton cujus advocatio spectat ad prioratum prædictum. Item tenet apud Brabourne in dicto com. ecclesiam ibidem cum xl. aeris terræ et pasturæ quæ val. per annum x^{li}. manerium de Tynton in eodem com. quod val. per annum x^{li}. et sic solebat dimitti ad firmam. Item percipit nomine annuæ pensionis de ecclesia de Purlee in com. Essex. viij. libras ad quatuor anni terminos principales equaliter. Et dicunt quod advocatio vicariæ ecclesiæ de Brabourne spectat ad dictum prioratum de Horton. Item dicunt quod idem prior percipit annuatim quamdam portionem garbarum decimarum provenien. de maneriis de Honychilde et Estbrigge, et de quibusdam terris quorundam tenentium eorundem meneriorum in marisco de Romeneye quæ val. per annum xxx^s. Item idem prior percipit annuatim quamdam porcionem garbarum decinabilium voc. Atterton juxta Dovor. in villa de Bokeland in com. prædicto quæ dimittit ad firmam pro vj^s. viij^d. per annum. In cujus rei testimonium prædicti juratores huic extentæ sigilla sua apposuerunt. Dat. die, anno, et loco supradictis.

NUM. VI.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

PRIORATUS DE HORTON.

De Horton RiCUS GLOUCESTER Prior ibm.

In lands and pasture belongyng to the seid priory by yere 5l. 0s. 0d.

Of the psonage of Braboñe appried to the seid priory 16l. 0s. 0d.
And for a porcõn of tythes at Atterdondane besids Dovor 0l. 15s. 0d.
Also a porcõn of tythe at Honychild by the yere 0l. 15s. 0d.
The ferme of the demean lands of the manor of Horton by yere 18l. 0s. 0d.
Also in rents pteynyng to the seid manour of Horton 15l. 14s. 2d.
In pfetts of the courts of the same maner 0l. 15s. 6d.
The ferme of the demean lands of the man' of Tynton 20l. 16s. 8d.
In rent pteynyng to the same man' 21l. 14s. 8d.
In pfetts of courts ther 0l. 14s. 7d.
And in fe fermes pteynyng to the manor of Horton 1l. 16s. 0d.
In fe fermes pteynyng to the man' of Tynton 1l. 10s. 0d.
Also of the psonage of Purley in Essex in the diocesse of London in yerely pencõn 8l. 0s. 0d.
Of the pson of Horton in pencõn yerely 0l. 5s. 0d.

Wherof to be deducted for the fee of Cristofer Hales steward ther 2l. 0s. 0d.
The fee of the audytour there yerely 0l. 13s. 4d.
To the baylyves, and receyvours of rents of the seid maners of Horton and Tynton, and other fermes 5l. 6s. 8d.
To the manours of Selling and Harryng for rent 0l. 0s. 7d.
To the manour of Hennege for rent 0l. 0s. 6d.
To the castell of Dovor yerely for Castell ward 0l. 10s. 0d.
In almes to be gevyn yearly at dyv's dayes 1l. 6s. 8d.
In almes assigned out of the psonage of Braboñe 0l. 10s. 0d.
Also for dyv's obyts yerely for the founder of the seid priory and other their benefactours 2l. 6s. 8d.
To the priour of Lewes in a pencõn for ev' 2l. 0s. 0d.
To the same priour for pxes yerely 1l. 10s. 0d.
Sma deduct' 16l. 4s. 5d.
Rem' 95l. 12s. 2d.
Decima pinde 9l. 11s. 2½d.

NUM. VII.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Transcript of Roll 29 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

Terræ et Possessiones nuper Prioratui de HORTON pertinentes.

Manerium de Tynton.

Comp'us Ricardi Tate armigeri firmarii ibidem per tempus prædictum.

Arreragia.

Nulla quia primus computus ipsius nunc computantis ad usum domini regis.

Summa nulla.

Firma.

Sed reddit computum de 42l. 2s. 4d. de firma manerii ibidem, cum omnibus redditibus et aliis suis pertinentiis sic dicto computanti dimiss. per indenturam sigillo curiæ augment. revencionum coronæ domini regis sigillatam datam septimo die Augusti anno regni regis nunc 28^{vo}. reddend. inde per annum ut supra prout per dictam indenturam quarum quidem copia inter memoranda hujus officii verbatim irrotulatur plenius apparet.

Summa 42l. 2s. 4d.

Summa firmæ 42l. 2s. 4d. de quibus allocat. ei 2l. pro vadiis sive regardis dicti computantis causa diligentie et laboris suæ hoc anno per mandatum cancellarii curiæ prædictæ et in allocatione ut supra, &c.

Manerium de Horton.

Firma.

Sed reddit computum de 41*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.* de firma manerii ibidem, cum omnibus redditibus et singulis suis pertinentiis, unacum 5*l.* 14*s.* de firma terrarum dominicalium sic præfato Ricardo dimiss. per indenturam sigillo curiæ augmentationum revencionum coronæ domini regis sigillatam datam 20^{mo} die Maii anno regni regis prædicti 29^{no} reddend. inde per annum ut supra.

Summa 41*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.*Summa firmæ 41*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.* De quibus.

Reddit. Resolut. cum aliis.

Idem computat in redditu resolutu annuatim wardo castri Dovar. ad 10*s.* per annum, videlicet in allocatione hujusmodi hoc anno ut in annis præcedentibus 10*s.* Et in consimilibus denariis solut. domino de Heryngton pro redditu resolutu exeunte de terris ibidem ad 6*d.* per annum, et sic in allocatione per dictum tempus 6*d.* Et in denariis per ipsum computantem solut. hoc anno pro le 8 wateryngscotts in mariscis ibidem ad 2*d.* ob. le scott, &c. Et in consimil. denariis sol. pro le 2 marshelondescotts ad 2*d.* ob. le scotte, &c.

Summa 12*s.* 7*d.*

Alloc. Firmæ Manerii prædicti pro prima medietate hujus anni.

Et in allocatione firmæ manerii pro prima medietate hujus anni superius onerat. ad 41*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.* eo quod dictus exitus totaliter receptus fuit per nuper priorem ibidem et exitus ejusdem firmæ pro prima medietate hujus anni expend. in et circa necessarias expensas hospitii prædicti prioratus ex recognitione dicti prioris coram commissionariis domini regis et sic in allocatione hujusmodi 20*l.* 12*s.* 1*d.*

Summa 20*l.* 12*s.* 1*d.*

Rectoria de Braybourne.

Sed respondet de 16*l.* 10*s.* de firma rectoriæ ibidem.

Pensio de Purley.

Computus Willielmi Webster vicarii ibidem per tempus prædictum.

Sed respondet de 8*l.* pro pensione vicarii ibidem ut in annis præcedentibus.

NUM. VIII.

Paper Surveys, temp. Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.

PRIORATUS DE HORTON.

The Demaynys there, viz.

FIRST, an old water myll there . . . 0*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*

Arable Lande.

It' a pece of arrable grounde called the Ffrithe, cont. 5 acres, at 8*d.* the acre . . . 0*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

Item a piece of arable grounde called Mydell Ewlham, cont. 8 acr. di. at 8*d.* th'acre . . . 0*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.*

Item a close of arrable grounde called Sowthe Feld, cont. 10 acres, at 8*d.* th'acre . . . 0*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

It' in Great Ewlham arrable grounde, 11 acres, at 8*d.* th'acre . . . 0*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.*

Pasture.

It' a pasture called the Mill Baye, cont. 1 acre, at 12*d.* the acre . . . 0*l.* 1*s.* 0*d.*

It' a pasture called the Grene Ewlham, cont. 10 acres, at 1*s.* the acre . . . 0*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*

It' a pasture called the Penfold, cont. 11 acres, at 1*s.* the acre . . . 0*l.* 11*s.* 0*d.*

It' a pasture called the Grene Felde, cont. 10 acres, at 1*s.* the acre . . . 0*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*

It' one acre of pasture lying in a feld called the Redd . . . 0*l.* 1*s.* 0*d.*

Medowe.

It' a medowe called the Spere Mede, cont. 8 acres, at 1*s.* 4*d.* the acre . . . 0*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.*

It' a pcell of mede lying in Horre Mede, cont. 2 acres di. at 1*s.* 4*d.* th'acre . . . 0*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

It' a medowe called the Kinge Medow, cont. 9 acres, at 1*s.* 4*d.* th'acre . . . 0*l.* 12*s.* 0*d.*

It' in Great Ewlham of mede 5 acr. at 1*s.* 4*d.* the acre . . . 0*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

The Precincte of the Howse.

It' the precynete of the priorye, w^t. the orchards, gardyns, and other grounde their cont. 12 acres, at 1*s.* the acre . . . 12*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

The Tythe of the Demaynes.

It' the tythes of the demaynes . . . 0*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

S^m to^{lis} . . . 5*l.* 14*s.* 0*d.*—We sey fyve pounds fouertene shyllyns.

P nos { WILLM CAVENDYSSH.
THOMA' SPILMAN.

Priory of Stanesgate, in Essex.



WITHIN the precincts of the parish of Steple, on the brink of the river which runs from Maldon, near Ramsey, stood the Priory of Stanesgate, dedicated to St. Mary Magdalen. By whom it was founded does not appear; but, from a grant of tithes made by the prior and convent here, with the consent of the prior and convent of Lewes, to the nuns of Clerkenwell, in

1176, it is evident that it was, at that time, a Cell to Lewes.^a

The taxation of 1291 contains but few entries relating to the possessions of Stanesgate.^b Two Extents, however, of the 18th of Edward II. explain fully the total of its revenues at that time.^c As one of the Cells of Lewes, it was made denizen in the 47th of Edward III.^d

The only names of the

PRIORS of STANESGATE

which have occurred, are

ALEXANDER, A.D. 1176.^e Another
ALEXANDER, in the 25th of Edward I.^f

B. M. de Malden, 1*s.* 4*d.* In Wodeham Mortimer, 2*s.* 6*d.* In Stepildone 19*s.* 6*d.* In Tillingham, 18*s.* 11½*d.* In Toteham Magna, 2*s.*

See the Taxat. Eccles. P. Nich. IV. pp. 21 b, 23, 25, 28.

^c See Numm. II. III.

^d Compare the present volume, under Lewes Priory.

^e See the Charter, Num. I.

^f Brev. in Turre Lond. Prynne, vol. iii. p. 707.

^a See the Charter in the Appendix, Num. I.

^b They are as follow:

Lond. Dioc. Spirit.

Ecclesia de Steple. Porcio Prioris de Stanesgate, 3*l.* Porcio Prioris de Stanesgate in eccl. de Messing, 9*s.*

Lond. Dioc. Temporal.

Prior de Stanesgate in villa Sancti Laurentii, 1*s.* 4*d.* In paroch.

In 1525 this house was suppressed, among the smaller monasteries which were granted to Cardinal Wolsey toward the endowment of his two colleges at Oxford and Ipswich.

From the release of the prior and convent of Lewes, in that year, made to the dean and canons of Wolsey's College at Oxford, it appears that, beside the site of their house, the monks then possessed the manor of Stanesgate; the priory manor of Stanesgate; a water-mill, and several messuages, lands, and tenements, in Stanesgate, Steple, Ramesey, Woodham Mortimer, Tillingham, Maldon, Great and Little Tottingham, Tiptree, Messing, Tolleshunt Darcy and Tolleshunt Major; the great tithes of Stanesgate, Steple, and Raynham; and the advowsons of those vicarages.^a

The revenues of Stanesgate were then rated, in spiritualties, at 5*l.* 3*d.*; and, in temporalties, at 38*l.* 8*s.* 3*d.*

Upon the Cardinal's fall, in 1525, this house fell again into the king's hands; and, in the 28th of Henry VIII. A. D. 1536, was granted in exchange for other possessions to the prior of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem.

After the suppression of St. John's Hospital, in 1543, King Henry VIII. granted the manor of Stanesgate, with its appurtenances, and the rectory and advowson of the vicarage of Steple, to Edmund Mordaunt and his heirs.^b He, by licence, dated 1st June, 1544, alienated them to Sir Richard Riche, Lord Riche. They passed to his descendants, the Earls of Warwick. The possessor of Stanesgate manor, in Morant's time, was said to be Charles Hoskyns, Esq. of Croydon.^c

The church, or, as it is called, the chapel of Stanesgate, is now converted into a barn.^d

Tanner, in the *Notitia Monastica*, says, "*Vide* In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 7022, n. 3. Inquis. pro terris in Essex.

"*Cartas quasdam originales ad prioratum de Stanesgate spectantes, in pyxide cartarum ab Antonio Wood, legat. Academiæ Oxon. in Museo Ashmol. ibid. Vide etiam ibid. MS. Wood, 32 f. 58.*

"The Cardinal's bundle, among the records in Chancery."

No SEAL of Stanesgate Priory has been yet met with.

Cartae ad Stainesgatensem Prioratum spectantes, in agro Essexiensi; Cellam de Lewes.

NUM. I.

Carta Prioris et Conventus de Stanesgate facta monialibus de Clerkenwell.

[Ex regist. de Clerkenwell in bibl. Cotton. f. 14 a.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego Alexander Prior ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Magdalænæ de Stanesgate, assensu conventus sancti Pancratii de Lewes, concessimus ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Clerkenwell, et monialibus ejusdem ecclesiæ et hac nostra carta confirmavimus omnes decimationes nostras de feodo de Clerkenwell, cum pertinentiis suis in perpetuum tenendas de nobis; et terram nostram in eodem feodo, quam Godricus filius Turgisi tenuit, quæ solebat reddere nobis annuatim xx denarios in perpetuum; habendam cum pertinentiis suis, annua pensione decem solidorum ad duos terminos anni persolvenda; scilicet v. sol. infra octab. sancti Johannis Baptistæ, et v. sol. infra octab. sancti Michaelis. Quare volumus, et firmiter concedimus quod prædictæ moniales in perpetuum habeant, et teneant præscriptas decimas et præfatam terram, cum pertinentiis suis, bene et in pace, liberè et quietè, reddendo, nobis prænominatam pensionem. Et si canonici sancti Bartholomei vexaverint nos, vel monachos de Lewes, vel prædictas moniales, super hiis decimis, nos stabimus in earum expensis ad acquirendas eis decimas quæ eis desunt de eodem feodo. Hæc autem conventio facta fuit anno mclxxvj. ab incarnatione Domini. Hiis testibus, Roberto decano de Maldonia, Alano nepote ejus, Jordano aurifabro, Ricardo aurifabro, Roberto pictore, magistro Alexandro, Reginaldo fratre ejus, fratre Alexandro.

NUM. II.

Extentā de Stanesgate an. 18 Edw. II.

[MS. Donat. Mus. Brit. 6164, fol. 158.]

EXTENTA et Appreciatio facta apud Stanesgate coram Johanne de Enefeld milite et Rad. Hereward clerico custod. terr. et ten. bonorum et catallorum alienigenarum qui est de potestate domini Regis Franciæ in com. Essex. et Hertf. die Sancti Lucæ Evangel. anno regni regis E. fil. regis Edwardi decimo octavo per sacramentum Thomæ Dunnyng, Johannis Colebayn, et al. juratorum qui dicunt quod sunt ibi clx. acr. terr. arab. quæ valent xl*s.* pretium acrae iiij*d.* Item ij. acr. prati quæ val. iiij*s.* pretium acrae xvij*d.* Item sunt ibi duo marisci q. possunt sustentare iiij^{xx}. ov. q. val. per annum xx*s.* Item sunt ibi de redd assis. iiij^{li}. xij*s.* iiij*d.* solv. ad festa Pasch. et Mich. Item de firma mol. aquatici

vj. quart. tolkorn q. val. xx*s.* per quarter. xl*d.* solv. ad fest. Pasch. et Nat. Domini. Item sunt ibi de redd. xx. gallinarum q. val. ij*s.* vj*d.* solv. ad festum Nat. Domini. Item et de c. ovis q. val. iiij*d.* solv. ad Pasch. Item sunt ibi x. cust. q. debent ccciiij^{xx}. opera q. val. xx*s.* pretium operis ob. Item est ibidem li. cymini q. val. ob. solv. ad fest. Ph. plac. et perquis. cur. val. per annum ij*s.*

Summa x^{li}. xij*d.* ob.

Item juratores dicunt quod sunt in grang. x. quarter. frumenti q. val. xl*s.* ultra repris. sem. et liberat. pret. quart. iiij*s.* Item de ord. j. quarter. q. val. iiij*s.* Item de aven. nil ultra repris. Item est ibi unus equus q. est palefr. dicti prioris et val. xx*s.* Item vj. stott. pro caruc. q. val. xxx*s.* prec. v*s.* Item ij. bov. q. val. xxx*s.* prec. x*s.* Item ij. apr. ætate dim. anni. ij. sues, viij^{to} porci, et x. porcelli q. val. in toto xxij*s.* vj*d.*

Summa vij^{li}. vj*s.* vj*d.*

In cujus rei testimon. huic extentæ et appreciationi prædicti juratores sigilla sua apposuerunt. Dat. apud Stanesgat. die et anno supradictis.

NUM. III.

Alia Extenta ejusdem eodem anno.

[Ibid. p. 204.]

EXTENTA facta apud Prioratum de Stanesgate coram Johanne de Enefeld milite et Radulpho Hereward clerico custod. terr. et ten. religiosorum et aliarum personarum secularium qui sunt de potestate domini Regis Franciæ in com. Essex. et Hertford. die Sabbati prox. post festum Sancti Martini episcopi anno regni Regis Edwardi filii regis Edwardi decimo octavo, per sacramentum Johannis le Ken, Ricardi Schort, Johannis le Kyng, Johannis le Ferour, Radulphi le Heyr, Johannis Colebayn, Augustini de Kyrkeby, Williclmi Vigrous, Johannis Leman, et alior. jurat. qui dicunt quod Prioria de Stanesgate, cum fructibus gardinorum et profic. columbar. val. per annum iiij*s.* Item sunt ibi de redd. assis. cvij*s.* viij*d.* solv. ad festa Sanct. M. et Ph. Item sunt ibi x. customar. q. debent ccciiij^{xx}. opera, q. val. xx*s.* prec. op. ob. Item placita et perquis. cur. q. val. per annum iiij*s.* vj*d.* Item c. oves de redd. solv. ad Pasch. q. val. per annum iiij*d.* Item sunt ibi clx. acr. terr. arab. q. val. per annum liij*s.* iiij*d.* prec. acr. iiij*d.* Item sunt ibi ij. acr. prati q. val. per annum iiij*s.* Item sunt ibi ij. marisci q. possunt sustent. c. ov. et val. per annum xxv*s.* Item est ibi molend. aquaticum quod val. per annum xxvj*s.* viij*d.* solv. ad festum Na-

Priory of St. John of Jerusalem; but states nothing as to its former situation as a priory of itself.

^a See the Instrument, Num. IV.
^b The Particular for the grant to Mordaunt, 35th Hen. VIII. of the site and demesnes of the priory, is extant in the Augmentation Office. It speaks of Stanesgate as being part of the possessions of the

^c See Morant's Hist. of Essex, vol. i. p. 359. Newc. Rep. Ecclesiast. tom. ii. pp. 558, 559.

^d Excursions in Essex, vol. i. p. 129.

tivitatis Domini et Pasch. Item prior ejusdem loci habet medietatem decimarum ecclesiæ de Steple in proprio usu q. val. per annum iij^{li}. vj^s. viij^d.

Summa xvj^{li}. x^s. jd.

In cujus rei testimonium huic extent. prædict. jurati sigilla sua apposuerunt. Dat apud Stanesgate die et anno supradictis.

NUM. IV.

Relaxatio Prioris et Conventus de Lewes, Decano et Canonicis Collegii, Thomæ Wolsey Card. Ebor. pro Prioratu de Stanesgate.

[Rym. Fœd. tom. xiv. p. 180, claus 18 H. 8.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus, ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, nos, Robertus Prior Monasterii sive Prioratus Sancti Pancracii de Lewes in comitatu Sussexiæ et ejusdem loci conventus, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noveritis nos, præfatum priorem et conventum, unanimi assensu, consensu, et voluntate totius capituli nostri, remisisse, relaxasse et omnino pro nobis et successoribus nostris imperpetuum quietum clamasse Decano et Canonicis Collegii Thomæ Wolsey Cardinalis Eboracensis in alma Academia sive Universitate Oxoniæ, in eorum plena pacificaque possessione et seisina existentibus, totum jus nostrum, statum, titulum, clameum, usum, interesse, et demandum, quæcumque quæ unquam habuimus, habemus, seu quovismodo in futurum habere poterimus, de et in patronatu et donatione nuper Monasterii sive Prioratus de Stanesgate in Comitatu Essexiæ, ac de et in omnibus illis domibus, ædificiis, solis, et mansionibus, quæ prioratus sive monasterium de Stanesgate nuper vocabantur, necnon de et in maneriis de Stanesgate, Tillingham, et Totham Magna cum pertinentiis, in comitatu prædicto; ac de et in curiis letis, et visibus franci plegii, et cunctis proficuis, commoditatibus, et emolumentis, eisdem curiis letis, et visibus franci plegii pertinentibus infra maneria de Stanesgate, Tillingham, et Totham Magna prædicta, ac de et in uno molendino aquatico situato in villa et parochia de Stanesgate, ac de et in advocationibus ecclesiarum de Stanesgate et Steple, cum omnibus decimis, oblationibus, obventionibus, et emolumentis eisdem ecclesiis pertinentibus sive spectantibus, ac insuper de et in omnibus et singulis mesuagiis, terris, pratis, pasturis, boscis, et redditibus in Stanesgate, Tillingham, Totham Magna, Totham Parva, Steple, Ramesey, Woodham Mortmer, Tiptre, Mesings, Tolleshunte Trego, alias Tolleshunte Darcy, Tolleshunte Magna, et Maldon, cum omnibus et singulis suis pertinentiis in comitatu prædicto; necnon de et in omnibus et omnimodis maneriis, dominiis, mesuagiis, terris, tenementis, redditibus, servitiis, wardis, maritagis, releviis, escaetis, villanis, nativis et eorum sequelis, pratis, pascuis, pasturis, piscariis, aquis, viis, semitis, boscis, visibus franci plegii, curiis letis, warennis, feriis, mercatis, portionibus, pensionibus, annuitatibus, advocationibus ecclesiarum, capellarum, cantiarum, et aliorum beneficiorum ecclesiasticorum quorumcumque, ac omnibus aliis possessionibus et hæreditamentis quibuscumque, in dicto comitatu Essexiæ seu alibi infra regnum Angliæ, quæ præfato nuper monasterio sive prioratui nuper fuere pertinentia sive spectantia, ita (videlicet) quod nec nos iidem prior et conventus, nec successores nostri, nec aliquis alius per nos pro nobis seu nominibus nostris, aliquid juris, status, tituli, clamei, usus, interesse, seu demandi de aut in patronatu sive donatione prædicti nuper Monasterii sive Prioratus, ac de et in omnibus aliis domibus, ædificiis, solis, et mansionibus quæ Prioratus sive Monasterium de Stanesgate nuper vocabantur, necnon de aut in prædictis maneriis, mesuagiis, dominiis, terris, tenementis, ac omnibus et singulis cæteris præmissis cum suis pertinentiis, seu de aut in aliqua parcella eorundem de cætero exigere, clamare, seu vindicare poterimus, nec debemus quovismodo in futurum, sed ab omni actione juris, tituli, clamei, usus, interesse, et demandi totaliter simul exclusi imperpetuum per præsentis; habenda et tenenda omnia prædicta nuper Prioratum, patronatum, donationes, maneria, dominia, mesuagia, terras, tenementa, ac omnia et singula cætera præmissa cum omnibus et singulis suis pertinentiis præfato Decano et Canonicis et suis successoribus imperpetuum; et nos vero præfati Prior et conventus et successores nostri, omnia prædicta nuper prioratum, patronatum, donationes, maneria, terras, tenementa, et cætera præmissa, cum omnibus et singulis suis pertinentiis præfato decano et canonicis et successoribus suis contra nos et successores nostros warantizabimus et imperpetuum

defendemus per præsentis. In cujus rei testimonium tam sigillum officii mei prioris antedicti—quam sigillum nostrum commune præsentibus apponi fecimus. Dat in domo nostro capitulari vicesimo quarto die Julii, anno regni regis Henrici octavi decimo octavo.

ROBERTUS, Prior Lewensis.
Antonius Wolvey, Subprior.

Willielmus Atherold.
Simon Evry.
Clemens Brown.
Johannes Canterbury.
Johannes Clement.
Willielmus Plumster.
Johannes Symson.
David Fremfyld.
Willielmus Bayley.
Thomas Maydston.
Johannes Lewe.

Robertus Harverding.
Dionisius Mayoll.
Thomas Attwell.
Willielmus Gravysend.
Nicholaus Canterbury.
Matheus Fayth.
Thomas Steven.
Robertus Burton.
Willielmus Felicianus.
Johannes Martyne.
Richardus Lucy.

NUM. V.

Breve Regis Hen. VIII. de eadem.

[Ibid. p. 183, claus. 18 H. 8.]

HENRICUS octavus, Dei gratia, Angliæ, et Franciæ rex, fidei defensor, et dominus Hiberniæ, dilecto et fidei suo Willielmo Shelley, servienti ad legem, salutem. Sciatis quod dedimus vobis potestatem recipiendi cognitiones, quas Robertus prior monasterii sive prioratus Sancti Pancracii de Lewes in comitatu Sussexiæ, et ejusdem loci conventus, coram vobis facere voluerint, de quodam scripto, gerente datam in domo capitulari monasterii sive prioratus prædicti vicesimo quarto die Julii anno regni nostri decimo octavo, per quod idem prior et conventus, ex unanimi assensu consensu et voluntate totius capituli remiserunt, relaxaverunt, et omnino pro eis et successoribus suis imperpetuum quietum clamaverunt decano et canonicis Collegii Thomæ Wolsey cardinalis Eboracensis in alma academia sive universitate Oxoniæ, in eorum plena pacificaque possessione et seisina existentibus, totum jus suum, statum, titulum, clameum, usum, interesse, et demandum, quæcumque quæ unquam habuerunt, habent, seu quovismodo in futurum habere poterint de et in patronatu et donatione nuper Monasterii sive Prioratus de Stanesgate in comitatu Essexiæ, ac de et in omnibus illis domibus, ædificiis, solis, et mansionibus quæ prioratus sive monasterium de Stanesgate nuper vocabantur; necnon de ac in maneriis de Stanesgate, Tillingham, et Totham Magna cum pertinentiis, in comitatu prædicto; ac de et in curiis letis, et visibus franci plegii, et cunctis proficuis, commoditatibus, et emolumentis, eisdem curiis letis, et visibus franci plegii pertinentibus, infra maneria de Stanesgate, Tillingham, et Totham Magna prædicta, ac de et in uno molendino aquatico situato in villa et parochia de Stanesgate, ac de et in advocationibus ecclesiarum de Stanesgate et Steple, cum omnibus decimis, oblationibus, obventionibus, et emolumentis eisdem ecclesiis pertinentibus sive spectantibus, ac insuper de et in omnibus et singulis mesuagiis, terris, pratis, pasturis, boscis, et redditibus in Stanesgate, Tillingham, Totham Magna, Totham Parva, Steple, Ramesey, Woodham Mortmer, Tiptre, Mesings, Tolleshunte Trego, alias Tolleshunte Darcy, Tolleshunte Magna, et Malden, cum omnibus et singulis suis pertinentiis in comitatu prædicto; necnon de et in omnibus et omnimodis maneriis, dominiis, mesuagiis, terris, tenementis, redditibus, servitiis, wardis, maritagis, releviis, escaetis, villanis, nativis, et eorum sequelis, pratis, pasturis, pascuis, piscariis, aquis, viis, semitis, boscis, curiis, warennis, feriis, mercatis, portionibus, pensionibus, annuitatibus, advocationibus ecclesiarum, capellarum, cantiarum, et aliorum beneficiorum ecclesiasticorum quorumcumque, ac omnibus aliis possessionibus et hæreditamentis quibuscumque in dicto comitatu Essexiæ, seu alibi infra regnum Angliæ, quæ præfato nuper Monasterio sive Prioratui nuper fuerint pertinentia sive spectantia; ita videlicet, quod nec iidem prior et conventus nec successores illorum nec aliquis alius per illos, pro illis, seu nominibus eorum aliquid juris, status, tituli, clamei, usus, interesse, seu demandi, de aut in patronatu ac donatione prædicti nuper Monasterii sive Prioratus, ac de et in omnibus illis domibus, ædificiis, solis, et mansionibus quæ Prioratus sive Monasterium de Stanesgate nuper vocabantur; necnon de et in prædictis maneriis, mesuagiis, dominiis, terris, tenementis, ac omnibus et singulis cæteris præmissis cum suis pertinentiis, aut in aliqua parcella eorundem de cætero exigere, clamare,

seu vendicare poterunt nec debent quovismodo in futurum, sed ab omni actione juris status, tituli, clamei, usus, interesse, et demandi totaliter sint exclusi imperpetuum per præsentes, habenda et tenenda omnia prædicta nuper prioratum, patronatum, donationem, maneria, dominia, mesuagia, terras, tenementa, ac omnia et singula cætera præmissa, cum omnibus et singulis suis pertinentiis præfatis, Decano et Canonicis et suis successoribus imperpetuum. Et per idem Scriptum iidem prior et conventus et successores illorum omnia prædicta nuper prioratus, patronatus, donationes, maneria, terras, tenementa, et cætera præmissa, cum omnibus et singulis suis pertinentiis, præfato Decano et Canonicis et successoribus suis, contra eosdem Priorem et Conventum et successores illorum, warantizabunt et imperpetuum defendent, etsi scriptum prædictum sit factum ipsorum prioris et conventus, tam sigillo officii prædicti Prioris quam sigillo communi ejusdem Prioris et Conventus sigillatum; et si iidem Prior et Conventus scriptum prædictum in rotulis cancellariæ nostræ irrotulari voluerint necne; et ideo vobis mandamus quod ad præfatos Priorem et Conventum personaliter accedatis, et cognitiones suas prædictas recipiatis; et cum eas receperitis, nos inde de die et loco cognitionum illarum, in dicta cancellaria nostra, sub sigillo vestro distincte et aperte constare faciatis; mittentes nobis scriptum prædictum unâ cum hoc brevi. Teste meipso apud Westmonasterium vicesimo quinto die Julii, anno regni nostri decimo octavo.

HANYBALL.

Executio istius brevis patet in quadam cedula huic brevi annexa.

Domino regi in cancellaria sua certifico, quod, virtute istius brevis michi directi, ego infra nominatus Willielmus Shelley, serviens ad legem, vicesimo octavo die Julii, anno regni domini regis nunc Henrici octavi decimo octavo in domo capitulari Monasterii sive Prioratus Sancti Pancratii de Lewes in comitatu Sussexiæ, ad infra nominatos priorem et conventum personaliter accessi, et de eis accepi cognitionem quam iidem prior et conventus in breve prædicto nominati coram me præfato Willielmo Shelley facere vellent de scripto unde infra fit mentio, quo die et loco prædicti Prior et Conventus coram me præfato Willielmo Shelley, sponte et absolute, absque aliqua contradictione, cognoverunt scriptum unde infra fit mentio fore eorum verum et legitimum factum, tam sigillo, officii prædicti prioris quam sigillo communi prædictorum prioris et conventus sigillatum, et petierunt quod scriptum illud et omnia in eodem scripto contentæ in rotulis cancellariæ domini regis tamquam eorum verum et legitimum factum irrotulari possit, quod quidem scriptum, ut verum et legitimum factum prædictorum prioris et conventus in rotulis cancellariæ domini regis irrotulandum brevi prædicto annexatum in cancellariam domini regis mitto ac certifico. In cujus rei testimonium huic præsentî cedulæ ego infra nominatus Willielmus Shelley sigillum meum apposui quinto die Novembris, anno regni domini regis nunc Henrici octavi decimo octavo.

Per me

WILLIELMUM SHELLEY, servientem ad legem.

NUM. VI.

The Manor. of Stanesgate with the custumes thereunto belongyng.

[Paper Survey, temp. Hen. VIII. Chapter-House, Westm.]

FIRST, the same manor. haith a courte baron to be holden there evy 3 weke if the Lord so pleas.

Item, to the same court belonge aswell freholders, copieholders, as teñnt at will or for tme of yeir.

Item, evy of the foresaid teñnt ar bounde to sue to the court upon the payn of amciament.

Item, evy teñnt within the seid lordship ar bound to pay their rent at 2 tmez in the yere, videlt at the Feist of Eister and Mighelmas.

Item, evy copieholder at evy deth or alienaçon by theme made, shall fyne for his land as the lord and he can agree.

Item, nether copieholder teñnt for tme of yeir ner at will shall comyt no waist upon payn of forfayture of their tenur.

Item, th'advowson or psonage of the church of Stanesgate is appendunt to the foresaid manor. of whiche church the colledge is pson inpsonye and no vicar indued, howbeit

a yerelie pfitt owt of the same psonage may cum to the colledge for asmuch as the demesn sumtyme belongyng to the late priorie there be now in the hand of a fermo. whiche now must yerelie pay tythe. So that there may now a vicar be indued havynge a convenient lyvyng and also to retofne greit pfitt to the colledge.

Item, there belongeth to the seid manor. th'advowson or psonage of the church of Steple, whereof the colledge bene psons inpsonye and a vicar alrede sufficiently indued.

NUM. VII.

STANESGATE.

[Paper Survey, temp. Hen. VIII. Chapter-House, Westm.]

THE demaynes of the manour: Furst, the place withe the howses, the church withe church-yard, the orcharde ande court lyinge betweyn. 5 acres, di.

Wooddlande.

Item, a grove called Estgrove conteynging too acres and oon rode lyinge betweyne the landes demaynes est, west, north, ande south. 2 acres, 1 rode.

Marsshe and arable land.

Item, the fresshe marsshe, ande lande arable, belonginge to Stanesgate, conteynging three hundreth twelve acres di. ande three perches, lyinge betweyne the landes of the manor of Steple Hall, calleyd Short parcell of the lande callede Flegge belonginge to Stanesgate in the teanure of John Stoner, ande Cooke lande onne the west, ande the manor of West Newlande, ande the yllande callede Ramsey, ande the water called Ramsey Wade onne the est, ande butteyth uppon the lande of the manor of Steple Halle calleyd Shoorth towarde the south, ande uppon a water called the Ponte towarde the north ande conteyneth . . 2 acres di. 3 perch.

Marsshe lande.

Item, the salte marsshe lyinge on the est syde of the place, conteynging foure score acres ande oon roode, lyinge betwene the landes demaynes onne the west parte, ande Ramsey wade onne the est parte, ande butteyth uppon Newlande towarde the south ande uppon the ponte towarde the north, conteynging 80 acres, 1 rode.

Marssh lande.

Item, the salte marsshe lyinge of the south syde of the sayde place, conteynging fourtye-eight acres di. lyinge betwene Cocke Marsshe onne the west, and the lande demaynes onne the est, ande butteyth uppon the ponte towarde the northe, ande the landes demaynes towarde the south, and conteyneth 48 acres, di.

In the teanure of John Bridge.

Furst, John Brydge holdeyth a messuage withe too peces of lande lyinge togethers, callede Greate Kinge, wherof the oone pecelyeth between the landes of William Rochester, called Newlande onne the est parte and west boith ande butteyth uppon a pece of lande called Clyfford landes towarde the southe ande uppon a nother pece of lande callede greate Kyng landes towarde the northe, the other pece of lande is callede Greate King landes, lyinge betwene a marsshe callede Naye Marsshe oon the north parte ande a pece of lande callede Greate King towarde the north, and butteyth uppon Newlande towarde boith est and west, ande conteyneth 42 acres.

Item, the sayed John holdeyth another pece of lande calleyde Kokking lyinge betwene Golding Lande onne the est parte, and Newlande onne the west parte, ande butteth uppon a hye way ledinge from Steple to saynte Lauren's towards the south, and upon Clyfford landes toward the north.

Item, the same John holdeith a croft callede Maynard lyinge betwene Newlande boith est and west, and butteyth uppon a hye waye ledinge to Steple towarde the north, ande Newlande towarde the south ande conteyneth togethers

In the teanure of Thomas Stone.

Item, Thomas Stone holdeth too peeces of landes lyinge togethers, whereof the oon is callede Clyfford landes,

lyinge betwene Greate King℄ landes towarde the north, ande Golding℄ Hawe and Kokking℄ onne the south, and butteith uppon Newlande boith est ande west, the other pece lyinge betwene kokking℄ onne the west ande Newlande onne the est, ande butteyth uppon Clyfford℄ landes towarde the north, ande uppon the hye waye ledinge from Steple to Saynt Lawran's towarde the south, ande conteyneth togethers 15 acres.

In the teanure of Ryc. Collevylle.

Item, Rycharde Collevylle holdeth a tenement and 21 acres of lande called Dawedragg℄ lyinge together betwene the landes of Johanne Soame onne the est ande Ramsey wade onne the west, and butteyth uppon a water callede the Ponte towarde the northe, and Mellers lande towarde the south, ande conteyneth 21 acres.

Item, the same Rycharde holdeth too peeces of lande callede Currys, ande lyinge betwene Dewdaggh onne the est parte, ande Ramsey wade on the west, ande butteith uppon the landes calleyde Dawedagge towarde the south, ande uppon the ponte towarde the north, conteynging togethers 17 acres, di.

In the teanure of John Owham.

Item, John Owham holdeth a tenement callede Mellers, withe tenne acres of lande, ande thre acres marsshe, lyinge betwene Dawedagg℄ onne the north, ande Ramsey wade onne south, ande butteth onne the landes callede Pryke ande Rabbett℄ towarde the est, ande Ramsey wade towarde the west, and conteyneth 13 acres.

Item, the same John holdeth a pece of land callede Goslyngg℄ lyinge betweyne Brambell Hawe onne the west parte, ande Ramsey Wyke onne the est, ande butteth uppon Aynott℄ landes towarde the north, ande Ney Marsshe towarde the southe ande conteyneth 8 acres.

In the teanure of John Sawyer.

Item, John Sawyer holdeth a barne ande 14 acres lande calleyde Aynott℄ lyinge betwene Prykk℄ and Rabett℄ north ande south, ande butteyth uppon Sawyers towarde the est. and Brambell have towarde the west, and conteyneth 14 acres.

In the teanure o Edmonde Freké.

Item, Edmonde Freke holdeyth a tenement with 15 acres of lande ande marsshe, calleyde Brombell Halle ande Scarlett℄, lying betwene Rabett℄ ande Prykk℄ onne the west, and Goslinge onne the est, and butteyth uppon Ponte towarde the north, ande Ramsey wade towarde the south ande conteyneth 15 acres.

In the teanure of John Soame.

Item, John Soame holdeyth a tenement with 9 acres of lande, callede Rabett℄, lyinge betwene Mellers onne the west pte, ande Brombell, have onne the est parte, ande butteyth uppon the Ponte towarde the north, and Ney marsshe towarde the south, and conteyneth 9 acres.

Item, the same John holdeyth a mese, ande certayne landes callede Prykk℄, lying℄ betwene Mellers onne the west parte, ande Brambell Halle onne the est parte, ande butteyth uppon the Ponte towarde the north, ande Nay marsshe towarde the south, and conteyneth 5 acres.

NUM. VIII.

[From a Paper book in the Chapter-house, Westminster.]

Anno 17^{mo}. regis Henrici 8^{vi}.

STANESGATE.

ONUS compoti Thomæ Alen firmarij sive occupatoris omnium et singulorum reddituum terrarum et tenementorum, necnon aliarum possessionum quarumcumque prioratui ibidem nuper pertinentium sive spectantium, tam de omnibus et singulis denariorum summis per ipsum receptis nomine et auctoritate cujusdam warranti sibi per magistrum Aleyn, utriusque juris doctorem, et alios commissionarios facti, viz. a festo sancti Michaelis archangeli, anno regni regis nunc Henrici 8^{vi}. 16^{mo}. usque idem festum sancti Michaelis archangeli anno regni ejusdem domini regis 17^{mo}. scilicet per unum annum integrum.

De arreragiis ultimi compoti anni proximi precedentis Nil.

De redditu assiso tam custumariorum quam bondagiorum ibidem per annum, viz. ut patet per librum dicti computantis de particulis super hunc compotum examinatum et remanentem 11*l*. 14*s*. 11*d*.

De redditu mobili ibidem per annum, non recepto hic eo quod respectuatur quousque supervidendo, &c. Nil.

De redditu et firma ibidem per annum, viz. unius parcellæ terræ vocatæ Bolehowse per annum 2*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*.

De firma scitûs manerij ibidem cum terris dominicalibus pratis pascuis et pasturis cum suis pertinencijs per indenturam 23*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*.

De diversis decimis ibidem hoc anno receptis ultra granum ad usum domini et nondum venditum sed remanentem 1*l*. 0*s*. 3*d*.

De precio grani ibidem remanentis et provenientis de decimis ibidem hoc anno ut patet per librum de particulis super hunc compotum

Summa oneris 39*l*. 8*s*. 6*d*. de quibus allocatur ei 7*l*. 4*s*. 1*d*. pro diversis reparationibus factis circa mariscum ibidem hoc anno ut patet per librum dicti computantis de particulis, super hunc compotum examinatum. Et debet 32*l*. 4*s*. 5*d*. Ad quos oneratur de 39*l*. 10*s*. 0½*d*. de precio catalorum granorum et aliarum utensilium domus ibidem inventorum tempore suppressionis dicti prioratus, et patet per inventorium inde de particulis, super hunc compotum ostensum et examinatum. Et summis conjunctis debet 71*l*. 14*s*. 5½*d*. de quibus allocatur ei 3*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. pro salario domini Willielmi Tocket, capellani divina celebrantis infra ecclesiam ibidem, viz. a festo nativitatis sancti Johannis Baptistæ, infra tempus hujus compoti usque festum Michaelis archangeli, super clausum hujus compoti ad 6*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. per annum, scilicet per tempus dimidij anni infra tempus predictum. Et eidem 5*l*. pro denarijs solutis predicto nuper priori per speciale mandatum domini, &c. ut patet per acquietanciam penes Thomam Cromwell remanentem. Et eidem 9*l*. 9*s*. 4*d*. pro denarijs per dictum computantem solutis magistro Johanni Aleyn, legum doctori, pro expensis suis equitante a London, usque Snape, Dodnesh, Wyk, Horke-sley, Typtre, Stanegate, Thoby, et Blakamour, cum servientibus et equis suis per spacium dierum ut patet per billam de particulis super hunc compotum examinatum. Et eidem 2*l*. 1*s*. 1*d*. pro denarijs per predictum computantem solutis Johanni Ute de Maldon Bocher pro denarijs per ipsum nuper priorem debitis eidem Johanni ut patet per billam restitam, &c. Et debet 51*l*. 17*s*. 4½*d*.

De quibus.

Liberatione denariorum.

Et in denarijs liberatis supradicto nuper priori ibidem per manus Johannis King, nuper firmarij scitûs manerij cum terris dominicalibus ibidem, viz. de firma sua a festo sancti Michaelis archangeli anno 18^o. regis, predicti usque festum Nativitatis Domini proximum sequentem, scilicet per quarterium unius anni infra tempus hujus accident.

Summa liberationis 6*l*.

Et debet ultra 45*l*. 17*s*. 4½*d*.

Totum

Super

Ipsium computantem tam de exitibus revencionum hujus anni 6*l*. 7*s*. 4*d*. quam de precio stauri et utensilium domus ibidem invent. ut patet superius 39*l*. 10*s*. 0½*d*. 45*l*. 17*s*. 4½*d*.

De quibus.

Liberavit Thomæ Crumwell per manus dicti computantis una vice pro reddit. et firm. et al. revencion. de exitibus 6*l*. 7*s*. 4*d*. et alia vice pro utensilibus domus et aliarum consimilium 7*l*. 8*s*. 0½*d*. in toto ex recognicione dicti Thomæ super hunc compotum . 13*l*. 15*s*. 4½*d*. Et remanet ulterius 32*l*. 2*s*.

Priory of Clifford, in Herefordshire, A Cell to the Priory of Lewes.



FROM a return to an Inquisition, taken in the 20th of K. Edward the Third, it appears that Simon Fitz Richard Fitz Ponce was the founder of Clifford Priory. He had been lord of the fee of Clifford, and was the ancestor of the Countess of Lincoln.^a Tanner dates his foundation of it in the time of K. Henry the First.^b

From a previous Inquisition, taken in the 18th of Edward the Third, it appears that this priory had never been alien, and that it was neither subject to, nor paid an apport to any priory abroad. It is farther stated, that it was subjected to Lewes Priory by the ancestors of Alesia countess of Lincoln.^c

Roger earl of Hereford granted to the monks of Clifford the liberty of buying and selling in his lands, free of toll, "citra Waïam."^d John, the son of Gilbert de Monmouth, also gave them similar liberties, with freedom from toll in his town of Monmouth.^e

In the 19th of Edward II. the prior and convent of Clifford had licence to appropriate the church of Dorston.^f

The PRIORS of this house being appointed by those of Lewes, but few of their names have been preserved.

PAUL KYNTON received the temporalities from Thomas Nelond, prior of St. Pancras Lewes, March 1, 1427.^g

NICHOLAS HUGHES is mentioned by Cole as the last prior.^h

According to Pope Nicholas's Taxation, if we include

the church of Clifford, the spiritualities of this priory amounted, in 1291, to 33*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*: the temporal possessions to 18*l.* 12*s.* 4½*d.*ⁱ

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the clear value of the whole was no more than 57*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.*; the gross income 65*l.* 11*s.* 11*d.*

The site of this house was granted in the 6th of Edward the Sixth, to William Herbert earl of Pembroke.

In Nasmith's edition of Tanner, exclusive of the patent already noticed, of the 19th of Edw. II., the following records are referred to:

"Carta Ricardi fil. Ricardi fil. Pontii donans duos homines in Framtune, MS. Macro, 12. ii. 10.

"Cart. 35 Hen III. m. 11, de lib. war. in Clifford, La Bache, et Sinicumb.

"Pat. 4 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 5, pro mess. et c. acris in Herdwyke."

The Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office contains the following record relative to this priory:

"De Samuele et Nathaniele Tracy, occasionatis ad ostendendum quo titulo tenent situm nuper Prioratus de Clyfford, et alias terras in comitatu Herefordiæ."—Pasch. Rec. 12 Eliz. rot. 52.

A small portion of an impression from the SEAL of Clifford Priory is still appendant to the deed, L. F. C. xvi. 16. in the British Museum. The area of the obverse represents the Virgin Mary seated, with the infant Jesus in her arms; but the inscription round it is gone. The Counter Seal gives a smaller oval representation of the same subject, with the figure of an ecclesiastic beneath. The inscription, MATER. DEI. MEMENTO. MEI.

The priory of Clifford was situated in the parish of its own name, on the borders of the county of Hereford, nearly two miles from Hay, in the county of Brecon.

Cartae ad Cliffordensem Prioratum in agro Herefordensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Quod hujusmodi Prioratus non est alienigena.

[Claus. 20 E. III. part. 2. In dorso. m. 16.]

Rex thesaurario et baronibus suis de scaccario salutem. Cum nuper ad prosecutionem dilectorum nobis in Christo prioris et conventus beatæ Mariæ de Clifford ordinis Cluniacensis, nobis suggerentium ipsos Anglicos de regno nostro Angliæ oriundos existere, et aliquem alienigenam de partibus exteris inter ipsos minimè conversantem, nec ipsos apportum aliquod ad partes exteris facere, nec aliquibus temporibus facere consuevisse, et nobis supplicantium ut manum nostram de eodem prioratu quem nuper inter alios prioratus alienigenarum occasione guerræ inter nos et illos de Francia motæ, capi et dicto priori pro quodam certo nobis inde annuatim reddendo committi fecimus, amoveri jubere velimus, præceperimus vicecomiti nostro Herefordiæ quod super præmissis et aliis circumstantiis ea tangentibus per sacramentum tam mi-

litum quam aliorum proborum et legalium hominum non suspectorum de balliva sua diligentem faceret inquisitionem; ac per inquisitionem illam de mandato nostro sic factam et in cancellaria nostra retornatam sit compertum quod dictus prioratus non est alicui domui de partibus exteris subjectus, et quod prior et monachi prioratus illius sunt Anglici et à fundatione illius fuerunt, absque eo quod aliquis alienigena inter eos est conversans; quodque idem prior et monachi nullum apportum extra dictum regnum nostrum Angliæ debent nec facere consueverunt. Et quod prædictus prioratus fundatus extitit per Simonem filium Ricardi filii Poncii quondam dominum de Clifford antecessorem comitissæ Lincolnæ in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Nos ex causis præmissis et pro eo quod per certificationem vestram de mandato nostro in cancellaria nostra missam est compertum, quod anno regni domini Edwardi quondam regis Angliæ avi nostri xxix. per thesaurarium et barones de scaccario dicti avi nostri, inspecta quadam inquisitione de

"Bona Temporal.

Prior habet apud Clifford quinque caruc. terræ pret. caruc. 13*s.* 4*d.* De redd. ann. ibid. 6*l.* 13*s.* De ten. ad term. vitæ, 7*s.* 8*d.* Item de custum. ad Natal. 5*s.* 3½*d.* De servitiis quæ debentur per annum, 3*s.* 6½*d.* Item in civitate Hereford. de redd. ann. 14*s.* Item de uno molend. 13*s.* 4*d.* De exit. gardini et curtilag. 13*s.* 4*d.* De uno columbar. 1*s.* De placitis et perquis. 1*l.* Item de redd. assis. ibid. 2*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.* De tenent. ad term. vitæ, 6*s.* 2*d.* De prato ibid. octo acras, pret. acrae, 1*s.* Summa temporal. pr. de Clifford, 18*l.* 12*s.* 4½*d.*"

See the Taxat. Eccl. P. Nicholai IV. fol. Lond. 1802, pp. 159 b, 171, 173 b.

^a See the copy of the Claus. Roll, 20 Edw. III. in the Append. Num. I.

^b Notit. Monast. Heref. vi.

^c See the Instrument, Num. II.

^d Compare Num. III.

^e Num. IV.

^f Pat. 19 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 17. 26 Mart.

^g Pat. 6 Hen. VI. p. 1.

^h MS. Cole, Brit. Mus. vol. xxvi. fol. 194 b.

The following are the entries in detail:

"Spiritualia.

Dioc. Heref.

Ecclesia de Clifford, 30*l.* Porcio in ecclesia de Dorsiton, 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Porcio in ecclesia de Standon, 1*l.*

mandato dicti avi nostri per processum coram ipsis virtute cujusdam petitionis in parlamento dicti avi nostri exhibitæ, habitum, facta, per quam compertum fuit, quod prædictus tunc prior non fuit alienigena nec amovendus ad voluntatem alicujus prioris sui de partibus transmarinis, nec aliquod reddit superioribus suis ultra mare de exitibus prioratus sui; necnon examinatis rotulis de finibus hujusmodi religiosorum alienigenarum, concordatum fuit quod dictus prior haberet respectum de debitis prædictis quousque, &c. Et quod non est compertum per vos quod responsum fuit de avo nostro de aliqua firma prioratus prædicti à prædicto anno xxix. nec quod prioratus ille captus fuit in manum domini Edwardi nuper regis Angliæ patris nostri neque in manum nostram usque tertium diem Julii anno regni nostri decimo octavo quo quidem die commisimus fratri Petro de Caro-loco custodiam prioratus prædicti pro xx. lib. nobis quamdiu prioratum illum in manu nostra remanere contigerit annuatim reddendis. Volentes tam pro nobis quam pro prædictis priore et monachis in hac parte fieri quod est justum, dedimus eis respectum de firma sua prædicta, ac de arreragiis ejusdem usque ad xv. Paschæ proximo futuram, ut interim habita super præmissis deliberatione pleniori, ulterius inde fieri faciamus quod de consilio nostro rationabiliter duxerimus ordinandum. Et ideo vobis mandamus quod prædictos priorem et monachos hujusmodi respectum habere permittatis in forma supradicta. Teste custode prædicto apud Westmonasterium xij. die Octobris.

NUM. II.

De subjectione ejusdem prioratui de Lewes.

[Claus. 18 E. III. part 1, m. 20.]

REX dilecto sibi Willielmo de Radenore escaetori suo in com. Herefordiæ et marchia Walliæ eidem com. adjacente salutem. Cum vicessimo octavo die Januarii proximo præterito dato nobis intelligi prioratus de Clifford, Tutley, et Crassewell quibusdam domibus religiosis in partibus transmarinis de inimicitia nostra existentibus fore subjectos, et inter alia prioratus terras tenementa et possessiones alienigenarum in Anglia quæ nuper in manum nostram occasione guerræ inter nos et homines de Francia motæ capi fecimus in manum nostram, captos non extitisse, vobis mandaverimus, quod si ita esset tunc dictos prioratus de Clifford, Tutley, et Crassewell, ac omnia maneria terras et tenementa ad eos spectantia una cum omnibus bonis et catallis ac aliis rebus in eisdem prioratibus (&c.) inventis, sine dilatione caperetur in manum nostram, et ea salvo custodiri faceretur donec aliud inde duxerimus demandandum. Jamque ex parte dilecti nobis in Christo prioris dicti prioratus de Clifford nobis est supplicatum quod cum idem prioratus de Clifford alicui domui de dictis partibus transmarinis subjectus non existat, nec idem prior, nec aliquis prædecessorum suorum priores ejusdem loci alicui domui de eisdem partibus transmarinis apportum aliquod fecerint, quodque idem prioratus per antecessores dilectæ nobis Alesie comitissæ Lincolnie, pro quibusdam elemosinis et cantariis inibi faciendis fundatus, et prioratui de Lewes tantum sit subjectus. Et quod prior de Lewes qui pro tempore fuerit ad dictum prioratum de Clifford cum vacaverit monachum de ordine suo Anglicum vel Gallicum pro libito suo debeat præsentare, et quod nos nec aliquis progenitorum nostrorum quondam regum Angliæ firmam aliquam aut exitus aliquos de dicto prioratu de Clifford vel maneriis terris tenementis aut aliis rebus ad eum spectantibus aliquo tempore occasione guerræ inter nos seu dictos progenitores nostros et homines de Francia motæ non percipissemus: velimus præmissis consideratis manum nostram de eisdem prioratu de Clifford (&c.) facere amoveri (&c.) vobis mandamus (&c.) T. R. Apud Westm. vj. die Marci.

NUM. III.

Carta Rogeri comitis Herefordiæ.

[Ex autographo in bibliotheca Hattoniana.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri, quod ego Rogerus comes Herefordiæ dedi Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Clifford, et monachis de sancto Pancratio, ibidem Deo servientibus, omnem libertatem emendi et vendendi, sine gablo, et tolneo, et placitis et querelis, et omnibus consuetudinibus, solutam, et quietam in Haya, et Brekenan, et in aliis tenementis meis,

citra Waiaam positis. Hanc concessionem feci eis pro salute animæ meæ et patris mei, et matris meæ, et omnium parentum. Testibus, Olivero, Roberto, Brito, &c.

NUM. IV.

Carta Johannis de Monemutha.

[Ex autogr. Cart. antiq. Mus. Brit. L. F. C. xviii. 4.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri quod ego Johannes de Monem. filius Gilberti de Monem. dedi, concessi, et hac præsentis carta mea confirmavi Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Clifford et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus omnes libertates emendi et vendendi in villa mea de Monem. sine tolloneo et sine aliis omnibus consuetudinibus. Hæc eis etiam concessi pro salute animæ meæ et patris mei et matris meæ et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, habendum et possidendum in perpetuum. Et ut hæc donatio et concessio rata sit et stabilis, hanc cartam sigilli mei impressione roboravi. Hiis testibus, domino Johanne de Monem. filio meo, domino Walt. filio meo, Ric. filio meo, domino Waltero de Clifford, domino Herv. de Pinebrig, domino Albric. de Cappell. et multis aliis.

NUM. V.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

PRIORATUS DE CLIFFORD INFRA ANTEDICT' DECANAT' DE WEBLEY.

Valet in temp'al' v̄z. in

Mansione sive domo dict' prioris cū redd' assis' eidm prioratui ptin'	17l.	16s.	3d.
Terr' dñic' ibm p annū	8l.	9s.	0d.

Spual'.

Rectoria de Clifford.

Valet in gross' p scrutin' et exāiācōem cōmissionar' cōmunibz annis	11l.	14s.	0d.
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Rectoria de Bruntles et Llandewathly.

Valet in gross' p scrutin' et exāiācōem cōmissionar' cōmunibz annis	16l.	0s.	0d.
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Rectoria de Frampton.

Valet in gross' p scrutin' exāiācōem et cōmissionar' cōmunibz annis	8l.	6s.	8d.
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Rectoria de Dorston.

Valet in gross' p scrutin' et exāiācōem cōmissionar' cōmunibz annis	2l.	10s.	0d.
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Porcōn'.

Decimaz de Cusoppe cōibz annis	0l.	16s.	0d.
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65l. 11s. 11d.

Temp'al' v̄z. in

Feod' Thomæ Baskerville ar' sen ^{li} . ibm	2l.	0s.	0d.
Feod' Ric'i Warnecombe auditor' ibm	1l.	0s.	0d.
Feod' balli ibm	1l.	6s.	8d.
Reddit' resolut' p'ori de Breckenock	0l.	4s.	6d.
Distribuōnibz paupu' q'libet anno	0l.	13s.	4d.

Spual' v̄z. in

P'curac' et sinodal' e'po Meneven' p ecclia de Bruntles	0l.	10s.	8d.
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Visitaōe ejusdm e'pi q'lit t̄cio anno 5s. juxta rat' p annū	0l.	1s.	8d.
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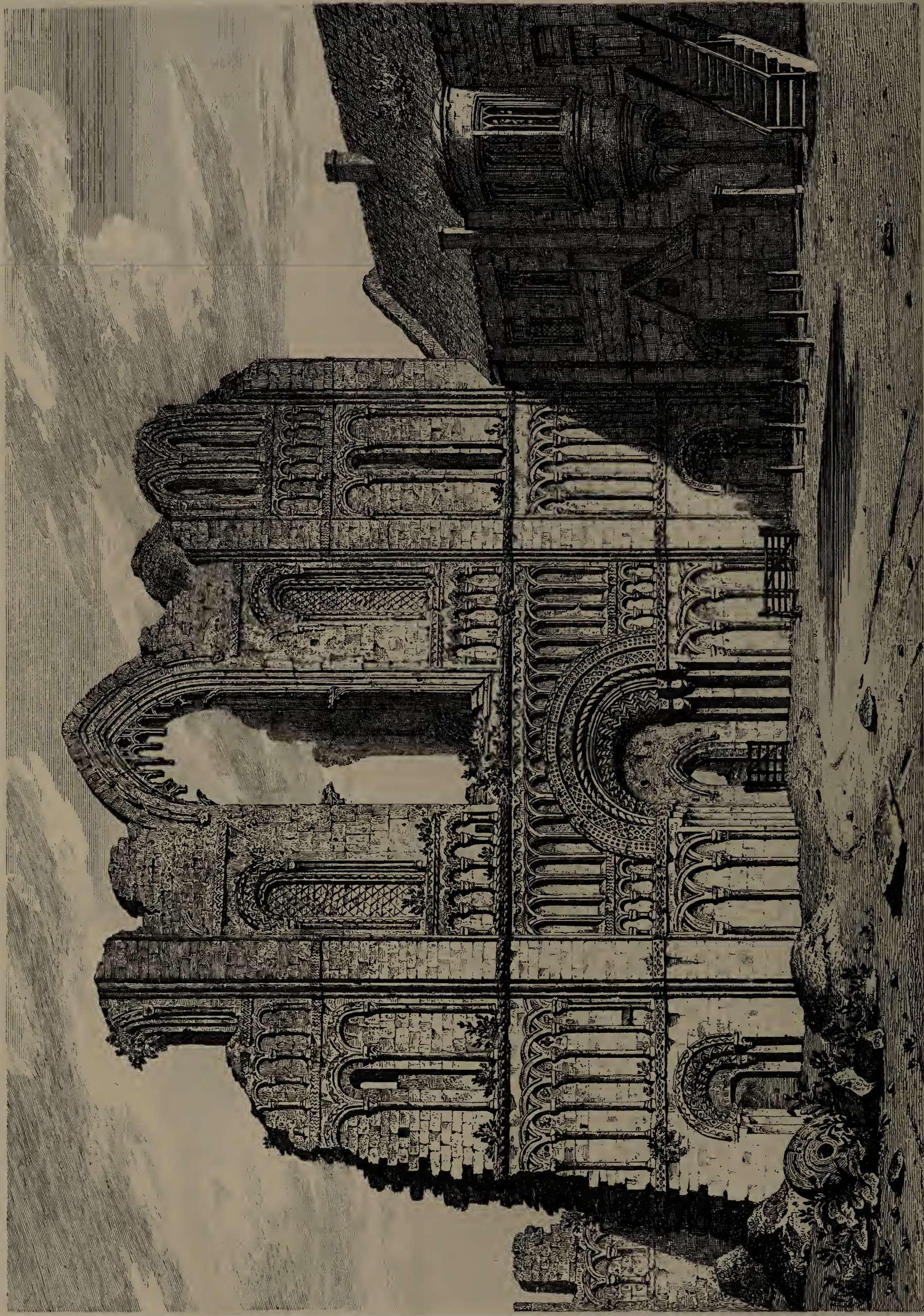
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Pencōn' v̄z. decano et capitlo Hereford' 6s. 8d. et p'ori de Lewes 13s. 4d.	1l.	0s.	0d.
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Visitaōe p'oris de Lewes q'lit t̄cio anno 1l. 10s. juxta rat' p annū	0l.	10s.	0d.
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8l. 4s. 7d.

Et valet clare cōmunibz annis	57l.	7s.	4d.
X ^{ma} ps	5l.	14s.	9d.



Drawn and Engraved by John Coney.

Beaulieu Abbey, Dorset, 1841. West Wall.

NUM. VI.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

CLYFFORD PRIORATUS.

Com' Heref'	£.	s.	d.
Hardwykecumbe Hey—Reddit' assis'	2	19	5
Hardwyke—Reddit' tenen' ad vol' d'ni	0	0	4
Hardwyke—Diversæ firmæ . .	3	10	10
Hardwyke—Molendinum vocatum Myddellwod Mill . . .	1	0	0
Clyfford—Lib' reddit'	3	8	8 ob.
Clyfford—Reddit' cert' prat' in Midelwodd	0	1	0
Sybcombe—Redd' terr'	1	6	8
Le Bach—Redd' terr'	0	1	5
Clyfford—Diversæ firmæ . . .	3	10	5
Dorston—Reddit' x ^m molend' .	0	3	4
Dorston—Reddit' x ^m de Sowe-myn	0	13	4
Cusopp—Porcio sive Pensio .	0	16	0
Clyfford—Scitus nuper prioratus cum terris dominicalibus . .	11	0	10
Bruntlez et Llandavaley—Firma decimarum garbarum et fœni rectoriæ	16	0	0
Frampton—Firma rectoriæ . .	10	0	0
Clyfford—X ^{mæ} molendinorum .	0	4	0
Hardewyke—X ^{mæ}	2	3	4
Medelwood, Castelton, et Newton—X ^{mæ}	3	6	8
Clyfford—X ^{mæ} granorum et fœni	6	0	0
Le Bache et Bodest—X ^{mæ} . .	2	10	0
Com' Salop'			
Sybington—Tentum et terr' .	0	16	0
Hylhall—Maner'	0	13	0

NUM. VII.

[Paper Surveys, temp. Hen. VIII. Aug. Office.]
CLYFFORD.

Terræ dominicales nuper prioratus de Clyfford in Comitatu Herefordiæ dissolutus, absque aliqua usualiter soluta.

SCITUS nuper prioratus ibidem cum ortis gardinis et alijs domibus firmario magis aptis arrentatus per commissionarios ibidem ad 0l. 6s. 8d.
Summa 6s. 8d.

Pasturæ ibidem continentes inter se 90 acras 3l. 0s. 9d. viz. clausum vocatum Byefield 3 acr' dimid' 3s. 6d. clausum vocatum le Fourtye Acres 28 acr' 1s. 8d. clausum vocatum Seynt Thomas Wall 15 acr' 7s. 6d. clausum vocatum le Westfield 40 acr' 1l. et parv. claus. vocat. Yokhings 1 acr' dim' 9d. ac pastura vocata Little Wythbyd 1s. in toto ut patet per particulas prædictas 3l. 0s. 9d.
Summa 3l. 0s. 9d.

Prata ibidem continentia inter se 13 acras un' rod' 4l. 12s. 1d. viz. in clauso vocato Monks Medowe 5 acr' 8s. 4d. pratum vocatum Blakehouse Medowe 5 acr' un' rod' 8s. 9d. et certa alia prata vocata Medowe Plotts 3 acr' 5s. et pratum vocatum le Bache Medowe valet per annum 3l. 10s. In toto ut supra 4l. 12s. 1d.
Summa 4l. 12s. 1d.

Terræ arrabiles et pasturæ ibidem continentes inter se 184 acras 3l. 1s. 4d. viz. in campo vocato Canon Mere 80 acr' 1l. 6s. 8d. in campo vocato Whitby Bede 32 acr' 10s. 8d. in campo vocato le Wodkoks Pate 20 acr' 6s. 8d. in campo vocato le Pyts 27 acr' 9s. in campo vocato le Barley Furlong 9 acr' 4s. in campo vocato 3 acr' 1s. et in campo vocato the 15 Acr' 13 acr' 4s. In toto, ut patet per particulas prædictas 3l. 11s. 4d.
Summa 3l. 11s. 4d.

Summa totalis acrarum 286 acr' 1 rod.

M^d. y^t the late priorie of Clyfford had longyng to the demaynes cõmons in Benefeld mounteyne, and in certyn of the other mountenes in the lordeshippe of Clyfford, w^t all man' of catall w^tout number, and cõmon w^t certyn cattell in the lords de^{nes} of Clyfford, and fysshying in the rever of Wye as fere as the lordship of Clyfford extendyth.
P me Robtū Burgoyne, audit.'

Castleacre, or Estacre Priory in Norfolk,
A Cell to the Priory of Lewes.



ASTLEACRE priory was founded by William de Warren, the first earl of Surrey,^a according to Tanner, in or before the year 1085,^b for monks of the Cluniac order; whom the founder made subordinate to the house of that order at Lewes. The monastery of Castleacre, according to Blomfield, was dedicated to God, St. Mary, and the Apostles St. Peter and St. Paul. Tanner speaks of it as dedicated to the blessed Virgin Mary only.

^a Not William de Warren the second, as in Leland, Collect. tom. i. p. 238, and Weever.
^b Tanner says, "Matth. Westminster and the Norwich Annals, place the foundation in A.D. 1090, whereas the Monasticon (see the present volume, p. 12. col. 2.) has the grant of the church of Acre, and lands here to the priory of Lewes before the death of Gundreda, the founder's

In a charter, which will be found in the Appendix, William de Warren, the first earl of Surrey, gives to this priory the church of Acre, the church and advowson of Methelwold, the church and advowson of Leaden Roding in Essex; together with the churches of Wickmere and Trunch, and two parts of the tithe of his demesnes in Grimston in Norfolk.^c Herbert bishop of Norwich confirmed this grant, and certified that the monks of Acre had entered upon that church with his consent, and that the monastery there built was erected by his "provision."^d
William the second earl of Surrey confirmed the aforesaid grant, and that of two carucates of land in Acre, given by his father, and all the heath land belonging to Wick; and gave also to the priory part of his own heath land by Wick; the land of Ringulf; two shillings rent of land which Osbern de Gloucestre held in Acre; two orchards; and all the plough-

lady, which was in A.D. 1085, as Baron. vol. i. p. 74; and likewise an account of monks being in the chapel of the castle here before the death of William de Warren the first, which happened A.D. 1089. So that the year 1090 must refer either to the entire finishing the buildings, or the founding of their new church by earl Warren the second."
^c See the Append. Num. I. ^d See Num. XXI.

land from those orchards to the castle of Acre, upon which the monks had founded their new church, because that which they had previously had was too small and inconvenient; all the moor by the water of the ploughland, and a small part of another moor which Wimer his dapifer gave; the moiety of a mill by Southacre; three shillings rent of land in Lynn; Wlmar the mason in Acre, with his garden and fifteen acres of land; a rent in kind, of two thousand eels in Methwold; five shillings rent of land; a garden; and twenty-four acres of land "ad ecclesiam faciendam." He moreover confirmed whatever lands had been given, with consent, by the tenants of the estate at Acre, either in his time or his father's; and all tithes or churches given by them without consent. For the enumeration of the minor donations here alluded to, the reader is referred to the charter itself;^a as well as to other charters of benefaction and confirmation,^b the minute contents of which need not to be recapitulated here.

Ebrard bishop of Norwich, about the year 1140, confirmed the right of presentation, or the right of tithes belonging to this priory, in the following churches: Acre, Newton by Castleacre, East and West Lexham, Dunham Magna with St. Mary's chapel, Kempston, Wissingeset, Wesenham St. Peter, and St. Paul, Shingham, Otringhee, Methwold, St. Mary Magdalen at Wigehale, Haverhill,

Depden, Haspale, Bacheton, Trunche, Wikemere, Itringham, Hailedune, Fulmodeston, East and West Barsham, St. Andrew at Tatersete, and Congham.^c The church of Dunham Magna was given by Herveus Canis, with five acres by Racheffesse, and part of a meadow at Southacre, in the time of Henry II.^d

King Henry I. confirmed to the priory of Castleacre the churches of Southereic and Neuton:^e as did king Henry II. with the addition of the church of Flete.^f Both kings also gave them charters of freedom from toll.^g

Blomfield says the church of Haringby was appointed to them of the gift of John Hauteyn lord and patron, about the year 1200: and the church of Finsham St. Michael about the same time, of the gift of William Talebot.^h

Symon bishop of Norwich gave them a large confirmation of their ecclesiastical possessions in 1265; preserved in the priory register.ⁱ The contents of this instrument however may be considered as superseded by the Return of the Taxation made in 1291; the contents of which will be found in the note below.^k

Blomfield has enumerated several benefactions to this priory, of consideration, subsequent to the general confirmations.

William de Vealtre, he says, gave the church of Cricheston (now Croxton) and all the land there which his grand-

^a Num. II.

^b Compare Numm. III. to XX.

^c See the instrument Num. XXII.

^d Blomf. Hist. Norf. vol. iv. p. 492.

^e Reg. de Castleacre, fol. 106.

^f Ibid. fol. 106 b.

^g Ibid. fol. 107. The following is an enumeration of the names of those whom the monks considered as their benefactors of greatest consequence.

"MEMORANDUM. FUNDATORES DE CASTELACR.

Com. Warenn. dederunt nobis Castelacr. Methilwald, &c.

Item dominus Robertus de Haya com. Linc. ad petitionem Murielis uxoris suæ dedit nobis ecclesiam ei maneria de Sutton cum capell. de Sutton; et Ricardus filius ejus confirmavit.

Dolina Nicholaa de Haya comitissa Linc. dedit nobis terras nostras ibidem.

Dominus Jocellus de Fletemiles dedit nobis ecclesiam et manerium de Flete.

Dominus Frathericus de Cafuilla dedit nobis ecclesiam et manerium de Wygenhal et dominium suum in Castelacr.

Dominus Rad. de Belfago dedit nobis ecclesiam et manerium de Suthereik.

Dominus Hugo Vaunsy dedit nobis ecclesiam et manerium de Westbarsham.

Domini Rob. et Rad. de Frevilla dederunt nobis manerium de Bagethorp cum aliis.

Dominus Rogerus de Toneyo dedit nobis manerium de Heringesawe.

Domini Wimerus dapifer, Rog. Will. et Drogo dapiferi dederunt nobis ecclesiam et manerium de Kemston cum aliis.

Domini Rob. fil. Hervesii, Will. fil. Herberti, Rad. de Roseto, et Rob. Frevyle dederunt nobis manerium de Massingham.

Martinus de Bermere dedit nobis manerium de Bermere.

Osbertus de Balliol dedit nobis ecclesiam de Havershill in Suff." Reg. de Castelacr. fol. 136 b.

^b Hist. Norf. vol. iv. p. 493.

¹ Reg. de Castelacr. fol. 129.

^k The following are the entries in Pope Nicholas's Taxation relating to the possessions of Castleacre.

Spiritual.

Lond. Dioc.

Penc. prioris in ecclesia de Rothing plumbi, 13s. 4d.

Linc. Dioc.

Penc. in ecclesia de Swaneton, 2l. Penc. in ecclesia de Sutton, 5l.

Norw. Dioc.

Porciones in ecclesia de Wesenthorp, 2l. 11s. 4d. Porcio in eccl. de Gytywshale, 2l. 6s. 8d. Porcio in eccl. de Gatele, 6s. 8d. Porciones in eccl. de Gressinhale, 4l. 11s. 4d. Porcio in eccl. de Hornyngtoft, 13s. 4d. Porcio in eccl. de Wissingsete, 1l. Porcio in eccl. de Rogham, 2l. Porcio in eccl. de Westlexham, 1l. 10s. Porcio in eccl. de Skernyng, 2l. 15s. Porcio in eccl. de Therington, 1l. 10s. Porcio in eccl. de Cangham S. Andreae, 2l. Porcio in eccl. de Cangham omnium Sanctorum, 10s. Porcio in eccl. de Geyton, 2l. Porcio in eccl. de Grymston, 2l. 13s. 4d. Eccl. de Castleacr. appropri. priori et conventui de Castleacre, 17l. 6s. 8d. Porcio in eccl. de Hocham, 1l. 10s. Porcio in eccl. de Wyveton, 16s. Porcio in eccl. de Dallyngg, 6s. 8d. Porcio in eccl. de Ansing, 1l. 6s. 8d. Porcio in eccl. de Tummystone, 1l. Porcio in eccl. de Gressham, 18s. Porcio in eccl. de Tronuth, 2l. Porcio in eccl. de Rokelund omn. Sanctorum, 10s. Porcio in eccl. de Rokelund S. Petri, 1l. 6s. 8d. Porcio in eccl. de Fuldene, 2l. 13s. 4d. Porcio in eccl. de Fanton, 4s. Porcio in eccl. de Northweld, 2l. Porcio in eccl. de Stanforde, 15s. Porciones in ecclesiis de Marham utraque, 2l. 6s. 8d.

Porcio in ecclesia de Fyncham sancti Michaelis, 3l. 6s. 8d. Porcio in ecclesia de Fulmerston, 1l. Porcio in eccl. de Depdene, 6l. 13s. 4d. Porcio in eccl. de Wychambroc, 10s. Porcio in eccl. de Westorp, 6s. 8d.

Elfen Dioc.

Rector ecclesie de Wykham percipit in decimis quas prior de Castelacre consuevit percipere in Wykham, 1l. 2s.

Temporal.

Linc. Dioc.

In decanat. de Avelund, 10s. In decanat. de Hoyland, 3l.

Norw. Dioc.

Bona prioris de Castelacre.

In Cleye de redd. 13s. 4d. In Holt de redd. 3s. 4d. In Tomestone de redd. 18s. In Threkestone de redd. 1l. In Ascele de redd. 5s. In Clenchewarton de redd. et terra, 1l. 16s. 5½d. In Lenn Sancti Petri de redd. 2l. 9s. In Wygenhal de terra redd. et molend. 4l. 9s. 6d. In Geyton de redd. 4l. In Westacre de redd. et molend. 1l. In Massingham Parva de terra et redd. 2l. 11s. 1d. In Harpel de terra, 12s. In Geywode de redd. 1l. In Castelacre de terra, reddit. mol. perquisit. et fetu animal. 19l. 16s. 11d. In Cangham de redd. 1l. 16s. In Grimestone de redd. 14s. 6d. In Masingham Magna de terra, redd. molend. et fetu animal. 7l. 1s. 1d. In Suthacre de redd. et pratis, 11s. 7½d. In Kemestone de terra, redd. et cons. 8l. 9s. In Estlegesham de redd. 3s. In Westlegesham de redd. 7d. In Gresenhal de redd. 2s. 8d. In Rucham de terra et redd. 16s. In Gatel de redd. et molend. 1l. 2s. In Lutham de redd. 5s. In Brisel de redd. 5d. In Bestone de terra, 7s. 6d. In Wesenham de redd. et terra, 2l. 3s. 9½d. In Swantone de terra et redd. 1s. 8d. In Wisingsete de redd. et cons. 2s. In Fransham Magna de terra et redd. 15s. 5d. In Dunham Magna de redd. 4s. 4d. In Hoo de redd. 5s. In Wenlingg de terra, redd. et fetu animalium, 5l. 17s. 8d. In Feltewell de redd. 1l. 9s. 8½d. In Hoteringhith de redd. 17s. In Ikeburg de redd. 12s. 1d. In Estbradenham de redd. 4s. In Suthacre de redd. 11s. 7½d. In Swafham de redd. 7s. 7½d. In Oxeburg de redd. 12s. 1d. In Upwell et Utwell de redd. 8s. In Fincham de terra, 11s. 8d. In Marham de terra et reddit. 1l. 14s. 4d. In Fornham de redd. 9s. In Pastone de redd. 15s. In Wykemere de redd. 10s. 11d. In Woltertone de redd. 3s. In Norwico de redd. 3s. In Hecham de redd. 2s. In Snetesham de redd. 2l. 6s. In Frenge de redd. 1s. 11½d. In Stanhowe de redd. 3s. 6d. In Plumstede de redd. 10s. In Timberingham de redd. 7s. In Suthreppes de redd. 15s. In Estrudham de redd. 6s. 7d. In Baggethorp de terris reddit. molendin. et cons. 7l. 14s. 4d. In Bermere de terr. redd. et cons. 18s. 7d. In Brunestorp de terris, redd. et cons. 4l. 5s. In Westbarsham de terr. redd. mol. et cons. 9l. 19s. In Naringes Parva de redd. 7s. In Ryburg Parva de redd. 3s. 6d. In Estbarsham de redd. et molend. 18s. 8d. In Sythesterne de redd. 1s. 6d. In Houtone de redd. 14s. In Westrudham de terris, reddit. molendin. et cons. 12l. 13s. 5d. In Northbarsham de redd. 3s. 6d. In Schepham de redd. 18s. 4d. In Wyckelwode de redd. 3d. In Northtudenham de redd. 13s. 4d. In Estudenham de redd. 4s. 4d. In Norton de redd. 4s. In Rokelund de redd. 1l. 2s. In Threkestone de redd. 1l. In Helegeye de piscar. 1l. In Hemptone de molend. 2l. 2s. Summa temporal. in dioc. Norw. 130l. 17s. 8½d.

De reddit. in Haverhill, 1s. 4d. De reddit. in Deped. et Chetelberge, 3s.

See the Taxat. Eccles. P. Nicholai IV. pp. 18, 61, 62 b, 72 b, 79 b, 80, 80 b, 81, 81 b, 82, 83, 86, 87, 88, 90, 93, 111, 121 b, 123, 132 b, 267 b. Duplicate entries relating to the temporal possessions in the diocese of Norwich also occur, pp. 94, 95, 96, 97, 97 b, 98, 98 b, 99, 100 b, 101, 101 b, 102, 102 b, 105, 105 b, 106, 106 b, 107, 108 b.

mother Osmed had in dower, and Sir Walter de Grancourt quitted his claim therein, and granted the prior to present to the church as to a chapel belonging to Fulmodeston.

Ralph de Warren gave two fishing boats on the mere of Saham in King John's time.

Giles de Wachesham, son and heir of Osbert, two parts of the tithes of Wachesham.

John de Nerburgh, by the consent of Alice his wife, gave a turbary belonging to his demesne in Nerburgh, and confirmed the grant of the land given by his father Reginald.

Hugh de Fothighetune gave two parts of the tithe of his demesne in Rucham.

Julian, daughter of William Fitz Richard de Wirmele, patroness of the church of St. Mary de Rucham, with the consent of William, her son and heir, granted a moiety of all the tithes of her demesne there.

Walter de Grancourt gave by fine in the 4th Hen. III. the church of Fulmodeston, which they had of the grant of Hugh his ancestor.

Adam Talbot gave by fine 37th Hen. III. the church of St. Michael of Fincham.

William Bardolf gave the church of St. Peter of North Birlingham.

John Pecheham, archbishop of Canterbury, granted an indulgence of thirty days to all who would pray for the soul of William the third earl of Warren, and fifteen days for that of Ela his countess, and twenty days for the souls of William the first earl of Warren and Surrey, and Gundreda his wife, dated at South Malling, 3 id. July, 1283.

About this time, Blomfield says, the prior was found to hold four hundred and sixty acres of arable land, twenty of pasture, ten of meadow, five water mills with the liberty of fishing therein, in pure alms, and divers other lands in this town, held by thirty-six tenants, a court baron, two folds, two free boars, and two bulls of the earl of Warren.^a

John Plantagenet earl Warren, by his deed reciting that whereas his stewards and others his officers in Norfolk had demanded of this priory certain pensions of meats and drinks as their right, given at first by the monks, out of their free will and respect to the servants of the earls of Warren, belonging to their manor of Wike in Castleacre, he, by this deed quits claim to the same, and charges his officers not to demand or receive it for the future: dated May 10th, 9 Edw. II.^b

In the 47th of Edward the Third, as has been already stated in the account of Lewes, this priory was made denizen, and was exempted from its subjection to Lewes as a cell.^c

In the 15th of Richard the Second, the church of Haverill, with its chapel, was appropriated to Castleacre, as was the church of South Creik in Norfolk in the second of Henry IV.

CASTLEACRE PRIORY although a CELL to LEWES, was still sufficiently independent to have SUBORDINATE CELLS itself. These were MINDHAM or MENDHAM in Suffolk; and BROMHOLM, SOUTH REINHAM otherwise NORMANNESBERCH, and SLEVESHOLM in Norfolk. An hospital at RACHENESSE in Southacre for the reception of leprous people was also subordinate to Castleacre; as well as CRABHOUSE or WIGENHALE priory in Norfolk, for Austin nuns.

The prior of Coln in Essex paid an annual pension to Castleacre of xxvj^s. per annum. The prior of Castleacre had also a pension of xxvj^s. viij^d. out of the church of Aspal in Suffolk, v. marks from that of Geyton in Norfolk, and a pension from the church of Barefield Parva in Essex.^d

PRIORS of CASTLEACRE.

A complete and connected catalogue of the priors of Castle Acre is probably at this time irrecoverable. In the Harleian Register of this house a list is preserved, which we shall give as it stands in the page, written in different hands, the latter names evidently continued from time to time :

“NOMINA PRIORUM MON. BEATÆ MARIÆ DE CASTEL-
ACR.

videlicet,

Frat. HUG . . . ibidem. Item MAYNUS succ. It. LAMBERTUS DE KEMPSTON. It. JORDANUS. It. PHILIPPUS. It. ROB. BOZOUN. It. HENRICUS. It. RAD. DE WESENHAM. It. WILLIELMUS DE KENT. It. ADAM. It. JOH. DE GRANGES. It. WALTERUS DE STANMER. It. ROB. DE HAKEBECH. It. WILLIELMUS DE SCHORHAM. It. BENEDICTUS. It. ROB. PORTER. It. JOH. HAMELYN. It. JOH. DE ACRE. It. WALTERUS LE FRAUNCEYS. It. PETRUS DE JOCELL. It. GUYDO CHARYNS. It. WILLIELMUS DE WARENN. It. WALTERUS PYKOT. It. THOMAS DE WYGENHAL. It. JOHANNES OK. Item SIMON SUAN. Item THOMAS BAYLY. It. THOMAS TUNBRIGGE. JOHANNES SHARSHULLE. Item THOMAS GATYS. Item NICHOLAUS BENET. Item JOHANNES PLUMSTED. Itm JOHANNES AINFLES. Item JOHANNES WYNCHELLOE. Item THOMAS CHAMBER. Itm THOMAS MALLYNG qui intravit Prioratum suum iij^o die post nativ. S. Joh. Baptistæ. Anno xj^o. Henrici viij^{vi}.”

The following is Blomfield's List of the Priors.

ANGEVINE occurs about 1130.
JORDAN about 1160.
RICHARD occurs prior in bishop Turbus's time, bishop of Norwich.
ODO occurs about 1180.
HUGH in 1190 and 1195.
MAIMON about 1200.
LAMBERT DE KEMPSTON in 1203.
PHILIP DE MORTIMER in 1203 and 1211.
ROBERT DE ALENSON about 1220; probably the same with ROBERT DE BOZUN, who occurs in 1219, and 1227.
RALPH DE WESENHAM in 1239.^e
WILLIAM DE KENT.
ADAM, in 1250.
JOHN DE GRANGES in 1252, and 1255.^f
WALTER DE STANMERE in 1258, and 1267.
ROBERT DE HAKEBEACH in 1270.
WILLIAM DE SCORHAM.
BENEDICT in 1286.
ROBERT PORTER in 1308.^g
JOHN HAMELYN.
JOHN DE ACRA.
WALTER DE FRANCEYS, 1311.
PETER DE JOCELLO in 1317, and 1324.^h
GUY DE CHARYNS in 1329, and 1337.
WILLIAM DE WARREN.
WALTER PICOT.
THOMAS WIGENHALE.
JOHN OKINSTON.ⁱ
SIMON SUTTON.
THOMAS BAYLEY.
THOMAS TUNBRIDGE.
JOHN SHARESHALE in 1428.
THOMAS BATES.
RICHARD BENNET in 1452.
NICHOLAS.^k
JOHN PLUMSTED.
JOHN AMFLETS in 1484.
JOHN WHINCHELSEY occurs in 1510.
THOMAS CHAMBERS.
THOMAS MALLING, admitted prior in June 1519, sometimes called THOMAS DE CASTLEACRE. He was presented and nominated by the bishop of Norwich, with John Salisbury late prior of St. Faith's at Horsham in Norfolk, to be suffragan bishop of Thetford, when archbishop Cranmer chose Salisbury.^l

On the 22d of November 1533, Thomas Malling, prior,

^a Compare Blomf. vol. iv. p. 496. ^b Ibid. p. 493.
^c See the present volume, p. 4. See also the Instrum. Num. XXIII.
^d See Blomf. vol. iv. p. 496.
^e Registr. de Castelacr. fol. 21.
^f Ibid. foll. 100 b, 111, 111 b.
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^g JOHN occurs prior in 1304. Reg. Castelac. fol. 130 b.
^h Ibid. fol. 54.
ⁱ JOHN, probably the same, occurs prior in the Reg. Castelacr. fol. 51. A.D. 1404.
^k He occurs in 1461. Ibid. foll. 137 b, 138.
^l Compare Blomf. Hist. Norf. vol. iv. p. 498.
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and his convent, surrendered this priory with the manor of Castleacre priory, and all other its appurtenances to King Henry VIII. In the surrender deed, the same is said to have been made "for certain causes, them, their souls and consciences especially moving." It was signed by the prior and ten monks.^a

The king, on December the 22d, in his 29th year, granted the site of this priory, with various manors, rectories, advowsons, rents, &c. which had belonged to it, to Thomas duke of Norfolk.^b In the second year of Queen Elizabeth, the then duke of Norfolk alienated the site to Thomas Gresham Esq.^c who subsequently conveyed his right in it to Thomas Cecil afterwards earl of Exeter. William earl of Exeter, the son of earl Thomas, sold this priory to Sir Edward Coke,

whose descendant, Thomas William Coke of Holkham, Esq. is the present possessor.

Blomfield says: In 1428 the spiritualities of this priory were valued at 189*l.* 17*s.* per annum, and the temporalities at 130*l.* 18*s.* 8½*d.* In the 26th of Henry VIII. the gross revenue of this priory amounted to 324*l.* 17*s.* 5½*d.* The clear revenue to 306*l.* 11*s.* 4¾*d.*^d

The only REGISTER of this priory to which the Editors of the Monasticon have had access, is that in the Harleian Collection of Manuscripts, No. 2110; a folio volume, the greater part of which appears to have been written about the middle of the fourteenth century. An account of its contents will be found in the note below.^e

^a Blomf. ut supr. p. 497.

^b The abstract from the grant among the Originalia is not given here because its place is supplied by the document in the Appendix, Num. XXVII.

^c Orig. 2 Eliz. p. 1. Norff. ro. ciiij°.

^d See the Append. Num. XXV.

^e The older portion is distributed under nine heads or sections:

I. "*Cartæ Comitum Warenniæ quæ habentur apud Castellacram.*"

1. Carta Willielmi Comitum primi, de donatione Ecclesiarum et advocacione earum de Acra, Methelwolde, Roinges, Wikemere, Trunchet, et decimarum de Grimistun,* fol. 1.

2. Carta Willielmi comitis secundi, de fundatione ecclesiæ, et de omnibus quæ dedit in Acra, &c.* ibid.

3. Carta Willielmi II. comitis de Suthreia de confirmatione, fol. 1 b.

4. Carta ejusdem, de omnibus quæ dedit in Acra, Melewde, et Roinges; et de confirmatione donorum Baronum et Militum suorum, fol. 2.

5. Carta ejusdem, de confirmatione, fol. 2 b.

6. Carta Willielmi II. comitis de quietantia, ibid.

7. Carta ejusdem, de ij. partibus decimarum de Gaitune, de Hilingetum, et de Flicheam, ibid.

8. Carta ejusdem, de Wica de Caustona, ibid.

9. Carta ejusdem, de xl. solidatis terræ, de ij. partibus decimæ de Wistona quas Rainaldus de Warennia dedit, de ij. partibus decimæ Radulfi de Baliol in Dockinges, et de ij. partibus decimæ Gaufridi de Quilverdvilla in Dockinges, ibid.

10. Carta ejusdem de dono W. de Pinchenni, scil. lx. acris terræ,* fol. 3.

11. Carta Will. II. comitis et Isabellæ comitissæ de xl. solidat. terræ apud Beremere,* ibid.

12. Carta Isabellæ comitissæ de ecclesia de Trunceto,* fol. 3.

13. Carta Hugonis de Wanci de terra de Westbarsham et de advocacione Ecclesiæ de eadem, ibid.

14. Carta Willielmi III. comitis de Surreia de confirmatione, fol. 3 b.

15. Carta ejusdem de Haringeshæ, et Dichwde, et molendino de Pentenaia, et terra de Massingham, fol. 4.

16. Carta alia ejusdem de confirmatione, ibid.

17. Carta ejusdem de quietantia, fol. 4 b.

18. Carta ejusdem de terra de Snetesham, ibid.

19. Carta ejusdem de xx. solidatis terræ pro uno calice ex auro et lapidibus preciosis, ibid.

20. Carta ejusdem de Wittona et Snetesham, ibid.

21. Carta alia ejusdem de Wittona, ibid.

22. Carta ejusdem de una marcata terræ in Massingeham - cham, et Wittona; etiam de xx. solidatis terræ ibidem, fol. 5.

23. Carta alia de eisdem, ibid.

24. Carta ejusdem de quietantia de Massingeham, ibid.

25. Carta ejusdem de terra de Trichetan quam Hugo de Wanci dedit, ibid.

26. Carta alia ejusdem de Trichestan, ibid.

27. Carta ejusdem de Toftes et Tumestuna, ibid.

28. Carta ejusdem de Oteringehed et decimis Willielmi de Herbertcurt, et dimid. mill. anguillarum in Welles, ibid.

29. Carta alia de eisdem, fol. 5 b.

30. Carta ejusdem de Oterringchethe, ibid.

31. Carta ejusdem de duabus partibus decimæ de Sudmere; de ij. partibus decimæ de wica Wistonæ; de uno villano in Hellingeia cum sua tenura, et ij. mill. anguillar. ibid.

32. Carta ejusdem de prato in Suthcroft, ibid.

33. Carta Willielmi de Wauncy de ecclesia de Westbarsham, ibid.

34. Carta Hamelini Comitum Warr. de Suthcroft, fol. 6.

35. Carta Ysabellæ Comitissæ de terra W. Tusard, ibid.

36. Carta Hamelini Comitum de Baketorp cum pertinentiis, ibid.

37. Carta ejusdem de tenemento in Burneham, ibid.

38. Carta ejusdem de lx. acris turbariæ in marisco de Marham, ibid.

39. Carta J. comit. Warr. de eisdem acris, ibid.

40. Carta Hamelini comitis et Ysabellæ comitissæ Warr. de escambio molendini de Gumegeham, fol. 6 b.

41. Carta Hamelini comitis Warr. de prato de Marham, ibid.

42. Carta ejusdem de escambio terræ de Meleude, ibid.

43. Carta ejusdem de x. solidat. redditus in Hellingetune, ibid.

44. Littera W. Com. Warren. Pandulfo dei gratia Norwic. electo de ecclesia de Melewde, fol. 7.

45. Carta Will. iiij. comitis Warr. de una acra terræ in Suthcroft, ibid.

46. Carta ejusdem de insula in marisco de Melewde quæ vocatur Slivisholm, fol. 7.

47. Littera ejusdem Pandulfo Norwicensi episcopo missa de protectione monachorum qui manent in insula de Slevesholm, ibid.

48. Carta Johannis comitis Warennæ de maner. de la Wyk. 9 Edw. II. *Gallicè*, fol. 7 b.

49. Carta alia Johannis comitis Warennæ, *Gallicè*, ibid.

50. Carta Willielmi de Claya de nativo cum liberis et catallis suis, ibid.

51. Carta Johannis de Warennia comitis Surreiæ de confirmatione, an. 8. Edw. II. fol. 13 b.

52. Carta ejusdem de quindecim solidis annui redditus in Gimingham, an. 1315. 8 Edw. II. ibid.

53. Carta ejusdem de Slevisholme. A. D. 1309, fol. 14.

II. "*Cartæ Baronum, Militum, et aliorum benefactorum nostrorum.*" Many of these relate to small parcels of land only, rents of a few shillings, the transfer of nativi, &c. The following is an Index of the places to which they refer:

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III. "*Cartæ Regum Angliæ.*" Fol. 106—108.

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IV. "*Cylographa Curie Regis.*"

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V. "*Cartæ Archiepiscoporum Cantuariensium.*"

These are :

1. Carta Theobaldi Cant. archiep. de ecclesiis Acra, Neuton, Sudcrec, Estbarsam, Westbrig, Melewde, Haverill, Sutton, et Flet, in proprios usus, fol. 113.
2. Carta ejusdem de divisione parochiæ de Wigehale, ibid.
3. Carta Ricardi Cant. archiep. de ecclesia de Fleta. ibid.
4. Carta Huberti Cant. archiep. de ecclesiis de Haverhill, Estbarsham, Melewde, Wigehale, et Kemeston, in proprios usus, ibid.
5. Carta ejusdem archiepiscopi de eccl. de Haringebi, fol. 113 b.
6. Carta Theobaldi archiepiscopi de ecclesiis de Sutton, Lutton, et Flet, cum pertinentiis in dominiis de Brichelesworda, Suauetona, et Owestorp, fol. 113 b.
7. Memorandum de jure et possessione ecclesiarum de Flet et de Sutton, cum capella de Lucton, coram offic. archiep. Cantuar. A. D. 1277, fol. 114.
8. Cartæ duæ Huberti archiep. de ecclesia de Sutreinham, ibid.

VI. "*Cartæ Episcoporum Londoniensium.*"

1. Carta Eustachii episc. London. de ecclesiis de Sturemera et de Roinges de plumbo; an. pontific. quarto, fol. 114 b.
2. Carta ejusdem de ecclesia de Ledeneroing, an. pontif. iij°. ibid.
3. Carta Rogeri Lond. episc. de ecclesia de Roinges de plumbo, ibid.

"JOHN was prior of Castleacre in 1507, 23d Hen. VII. at which time he gave an acquittance to the rector of Barnwell for two shillings. The *Seal* is our Lady under an arched canopy, holding her Babe in her arms: but the legend is broken. He was prior, at least one of the name of

4. Carta alia ejusdem episcopi de eadem ecclesia, an. pontif. xj°. fol. 114 b.

VII. "*Cartæ Episcoporum Elyensium.*"

1. Carta Hugonis Elyensis episcopi de decimis in Enhale, fol. 115.
2. Carta Walteri prioris Elyensis et ejusdem loci conventus, de eisdem, ibid.

VIII. "*Cartæ Episcoporum Lincolliensium et Capituli Lincoln.*"

These, thirteen in number, relate exclusively to the churches of Suttun and Flet.

IX. "*Cartæ Episcoporum Norwicensium.*"

1. Carta Herberti episcopi Norw. de fundatione ecclesiæ Acrensis, fol. 117 b.
2. Carta Ebrardi episcopi Norw. monachis de Acra concessa de confirmatione ecclesiarum, ibid.
3. Carta ejusdem episcopi de divisione parochiarum S. Petri et S. Mariæ Magdalænæ de Wigehale, ibid.
4. Carta alia ejusdem episcopi de terra de Midlinges, ibid.
5. Carta ejusdem episcopi de eccl. S. Andr. de Tatersetia, ibid.
6. Carta W. episc. Norw. de ecclesiis de Neuton, Sudcrec, Estbarsham, Medewde, Westbrige, et Haverheil, fol. 117 b.
7. Carta ejusdem de eccl. de Westbrigge, fol. 118.
8. Carta ejusdem de eccl. de Sudcrec concessa in proprios usus, ibid.
9. Carta alia ejusdem de eccl. de Sudcrec, ibid.
10. Carta tertia ejusdem episc. de eccl. de Sudcrec, ibid.
11. Carta Johannis Norw. episcopi de ecclesia de Suthreinham, ibid.
12. Carta Th. episcopi Norw. de ecclesia de Westbrige, año pontif. vij°. fol. 118 b.
13. Carta Willielmi episc. Norw. de parochiali ecclesia de Castleacre, ibid.
14. Carta W. episcopi et Tancredi prioris et conventus Norwic. de terra de Analosa, ibid.
15. Carta Will. episcopi Norw. de Massingham, ibid.
16. Carta ejusdem de ecclesia de Otringehede, ibid.
17. Carta ejusdem de ecclesia de Haverhill, fol. 119.
18. Confirmatio Johannis episcopi Norw. de omnibus ecclesiis et decimis. A. D. 1181, ibid.
19. Carta Johannis primi episc. Norw. de cella de Reinham, fol. 119 b.
20. Carta ejusdem de capella et heremitorio de Wigehale, ibid.
21. Carta ejusdem episcopi de ecclesia de Haverhill, fol. 120.
22. Carta alia ejusdem episcopi de eadem, ibid.
23. Carta ejusdem de ecclesia de Barsham, ibid.
24. Carta ejusdem de ecclesia de Dunham Marcet, ibid.
25. Carta ejusdem de eadem de institutione, ibid.
26. Cartæ tres ejusdem episcopi de ecclesiis de Weseham et Lechesham de institutione, fol. 120 b.
27. Carta ejusdem de ecclesia de Wesehamtorp, ibid.
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29. Carta ejusdem de ecclesia de Aspehall, ibid.
30. Carta ejusdem episcopi de ecclesia de Haringebi in proprios usus, ibid.
31. Carta alia ejusdem de eccl. de Haringebi, de institutione, fol. 121 b.
32. Cartæ ij. ejusdem episcopi de ecclesia de Fincham, ibid.
33. Carta de ecclesia de Trekestun, ibid.
34. Carta ejusdem de ecclesia de Withingeset, ibid.
35. Carta ejusdem de ecclesia de Sudcrec in proprios usus, fol. 122.
36. Carta ejusdem de terra de Sudcrec, ibid.
37. Carta ejusdem de ecclesiis de Melewde, Wigehale, et Kemestun, in proprios usus, ibid.
38. Carta alia de eisdem ecclesiis, ibid.
39. Carta Johannis ij. episc. Norw. de ecclesia de Melewde in proprios usus: an. pontif. xj^{mo}. fol. 122 b.
40. Carta Pandulfi episc. Norw. de ecclesia de Haverill, ibid.
41. Carta ejusdem de vicaria de West Barsham, an. pontif. v. ibid.
42. Carta ejusdem de decimis de Bunewell, ibid.
43. Carta ejusdem de vicaria de Sudcrec, ibid.
44. Carta ejusdem de eadem, ibid.
45. Carta Thomæ episc. Norw. de ecclesia de Wigehale in proprios usus, fol. 123.
46. Carta Willielmi prioris et conventus Norw. de eadem ecclesia, ibid.
47. Carta T. Dei gratia episc. Norw. de vicaria de Wigehale, ibid.
48. Carta Th. episc. Norw. de ecclesia de Haringeby in proprios usus, ibid.
49. Carta ejusdem de ecclesia de Melewde in proprios usus, fol. 123 b.
50. Carta ejusdem de vicaria de Neuton, ibid.
51. Carta ejusdem de ecclesia de Dunham, ibid.
52. Carta ejusdem de ecclesia de Haverhill, ibid.
53. Carta Henrici de Holkam offic. domini archid. Norw. de vicaria S. Jacobi de Castellacra. Act. A. D. 1220, ibid.
54. Carta Tengr. Norwic. eccl. archid. de ecclesia de Taterseta, A. D. 1175, fol. 124.

John, on 1 Hen. VIII. 1509, and 7 Hen. VIII. 1515. From the original receipts in the archives of Corpus Christi College Cambridge."

The following is the account of the Ruins of this priory given by the continuator of Blomfield's History in 1775:

"The site of the priory church lies west of the castle, was a venerable large Gothic pile, of free-stone, flint, &c. and built in a cathedral or conventual manner. Great part of the front or west end of it is still remaining, where the principal entrance was through a great arch, over which

was a stately window. On each side of the great door were doors to enter into the north and south aisles. Under the tower [was an arch which] as the grand door served for an entrance into the nave or body. At the north and south ends of this front, or west end, stood two towers supported by strong arches and pillars. The nave or body had twelve great pillars, making seven arches on each side, the lowest joining to the towers. On the east end of the nave stood the grand tower, supported by four great pillars, through which was the entrance into the choir. On the south and north sides of this tower were two cross aisles, or transepts; and at the end of the north transept there seems to have

55. Carta Willielmi Norwic. archid. de divisione parochiarum de Wigehale, fol. 124.

56. Carta Willielmi de Rale episc. Norw. de ecclesia de Harengebi, ibid.

57. Carta J.E. Cantuar. archiepisc. vicar. de capella de Haverhill, ibid.

58. Carta Th. Norwic. episc. de institutione ad eccl. de Kemestun, fol. 124 b.

59. De redditu molendini de Holte. A.D. 1243, ibid.

60. Carta Symonis prioris Norwic. et ejusdem loci conventus de ecclesiis de Melewde, S. Mar. de Wigehale, et Kemestun, de confirmatione, ibid.

61. Carta alia eorundem de eisdem ecclesiis. A.D. 1244, fol. 125.

62. Carta W. episc. Norw. de decimis duarum garbarum de dominico quondam Wigani Britt in villa de Trekestun: an. pontif. quarto, ibid.

63. Carta Walteri episc. Norw. de taxatione vicariæ ecclesiæ S. Jacobi de Castelacra, fol. 125 b.

64. Carta Walteri episc. Norw. de ecclesia de Kemestun in proprios usus, an. pontif. primo, ibid.

65. Carta ejusdem episcopi de eadem ecclesia, ibid.

66. Carta ejusdem episcopi de taxatione ejusdem ecclesiæ, ibid.

67. Compositio inter priorem et conventum de Castelacra et vicaria de Methelwold super portione vicariæ ibidem. A.D. 1299, fol. 126.

68. Carta Walteri episc. Norw. de turbaria ecclesiæ S. Mariæ Magdalenæ de Wigehale, ibid.

69. Conventio inter priorem et conventum de Castelacra et magistrum Barthol. rectorem ecclesiæ de Wyvetun, de decimis de Wyvetun et Sniterle. A.D. 1248, ibid.

70. Carta Walteri Norwic. episc. de ecclesia de Melewde in proprios usus, ibid.

71. Carta Symonis prioris et conventus Norwic. de ecclesiis de Estacra, Neutun, Suthcreic, et Westbarsham, et de insula S. Mar. de Mendham, et de decimis, fol. 126 b.

72. Carta Walteri episc. Norwic. de ecclesia de Haringebi; de institutione, ibid.

73. Conventio de decimis de Ausing. A.D. 1251, fol. 127.

74. Conventio de decimis de Houtun, ibid.

75. De decimis de Eveldun, ibid.

76. Carta Walteri episc. Norwic. de decimis de Gresseham, fol. 127 b.

77. Carta ejusdem de una marca pensionis de ecclesia de Fincham, fol. 128.

78. Carta ejusdem de pensione x. marcarum de ecclesia de Fulmodestun infirmariæ de Castelacra concessa. A.D. 1251, ibid.

79. Carta Simonis prioris et conventus Norwic. de eadem. A.D. 1252, fol. 128 b.

80. Carta Walteri episc. Norw. de eadem pensione: an. pontif. octavo.

81. Carta Symonis prioris Norwic. et ejusdem loci conventus prioratui de Acra concessa de confirmatione. A.D. 1265, fol. 129.

Subsequent to these last are a few instruments written in various hands, chiefly later than the main body of the book, viz.

82. Carta de decimis de Kongham, fol. 130.

83. Carta pro decimis de Wechesham, ibid.

84. Compositio de decimis de Holcham. A.D. 1304, fol. 130 b.

85. Inter recorda de Term. Trin. 47 Edw. III. &c. fol. 130 b, 131. See Num. XII.

86. Excerptum e Magno Rot. de anno tertio regis Hen. VI. in Essex et Hertford, fol. 132 b.

87. Compositio inter pr. et conv. de Castellacr. et abb. et conv. de Wenling de eccl. de Wesenham. A.D. 1321, fol. 133.

88. Præceptum de Massingham. A.D. 1310, fol. 133 b.

89. Compositio inter pr. et conv. de Castelacr. et domum de Bromholm, fol. 134.

90. Compositio inter pr. et conv. et domum de Mendham, fol. 135.

91. Carta magistri Simonis contra priorem de Castelacr. pro Northtudenham, ibid.

92. Copia inrotul. in cur. domini Johannis de Norwic. apud Sculthorp de exonerac. homag. et fidel. prioris de Castelacr. 23 Edw. III. fol. 135 b.

93. Copia de Swafham, 39 Edw. III. ibid.

94. Carta prioris et conventus de Castelacr. de terra in campis de Lucham, ibid.

95. Inquisit. de Magna Walsyngham et Massyngham, 52 Edw. III. fol. 136.

96. Memorandum de benefactoribus, fol. 136 b.

97. Nomina priorum de Castelacr. ibid.

98. Copia cartæ Gurnay contra pr. et conv. pro Westbarsham et non prevaluit, fol. 137.

99. Visus franciplegii apud Sutton, an. 19 Edw. IV. fol. 137.

100. Carta Johannis comitis Warenn. de manerio de Skulthorpe, ibid.

101. Compositio inter priorem et conventum de Castelacr. et priorem ecclesiæ S. Stephani de Dammesende de Fakenham. A.D. 1461, fol. 137 b.

102. Compositio de Shulldham. An. 5 Edw. IV. fol. 138.

103. Carta Reginaldi Godale de omnibus terris suis liberis in Kempston. An. 7 Ric. II. fol. 138 b.

104. Compositio de Fouldon. A.D. 1365, fol. 139.

105. Compositio de Fyncham, dat. 18 Jun. 1361, fol. 139 b.

106. Compositio de Skyrning. A.D. 1366, fol. 140.

107. Compositio de Ansing, alias Elsyng. A.D. 1251, fol. 140 b.

108. Compositio litis de decimis in Wigehale, ibid.

109. Privilegium Alexandri P. P. ordini Cluniac. concessa, fol. 141 b.

110. Privilegium Innocentii P. P. A.D. 1381, fol. 142.

111. Compositio de Thomeston. A.D. 1316, fol. 142 b.

112. Relaxatio facta Hugoni Affen. de pensione ecclesiæ de Heryngbye, 11 Edw. IV. fol. 143.

113. Concordia inter priorem et conventum de Castellacr. et priorem et conventum de Westacr. de decimis in Rutham. A.D. 1301, ibid.

114. De terris in Wigehale, fol. 143 b.

115. Terrar. de xvij. acris terræ in Castelacr. anno 17 Hen. VII. fol. 144.

Tanner gives the following references to other REGISTERS and RECORDS relating to this priory:

Vide "Cartularium hujus prioratus penes rememoratorem regis in Scaccario, A.D. 1638, excerpta ex eodem in MS. Dodsworth, vol. cx. fol. 29, vol. cxxx. fol. 155, necnon inter codices Stillingfleet.

"Cartularium de Castleacre penes cl. Rogerum Dodsworth, Collect. in bibl. Bodl. vol. lxxvii. fol. 208. Vide etiam quamplurima e cartulariis hujus prioratus descripta, in ejusdem cl. v. Collect. vol. xxx. fol. 108, 110, vol. xcvi. fol. 72, 87, vol. cii. fol. 122, vol. cxxx. fol. 155.

"Registrum penes dom. Thomam Widdrington.

"Rentale cœnobii de Castleacre penes virum amicissimum, et de historia et antiquitatibus Norfolciensibus optime meritum, Petrum le Neve arm. regem armorum titulo Norroy, 4^{to}. pergam.

"Nomina Priorum, et collectanea ex registro de Castle-acre, MSS. penes rev. v. Cox Macro, S. T. P.

"Rot. fin. Norf. 7 Ric. I. n. 5, de xl. acris terræ in Feltwell. Ibid. 8 Ric. I. n. 44, pro eccl. de Hallesdune et Heringby.

"Claus. 6 Joan. m. 1. Fin. Norf. 7 Joan. lig. 3; n. 50, pro eccl. de South Creik.

"Fin. Norf. 4 Hen. III. n. 100, pro advoc. eccl. de Fulmerston. Fin. Norf. 19 Hen. III. n. 70, de terris in Fransham. Fin. Norf. 35 Hen. III. n. 27 et 63. Fin. Norf. 41 Hen. III. n. 4, pro eccl. de East Lexham. Ibid. n. 123, de ten. in Wiggenhall. Fin. Norf. 44 Hen. III. n. 12, de reddit. in Geyton. Fin. Norf. 53 Hen. III. n. 132, pro terris in Castleacre.

"Plac. coram rege, 8 et 9 Edw. I. Mich. rot. 8 de eccl. de South Creyk. Pat. 13 Edw. I. m. . Plac. in com. Norf. 14 Edw. I. Coron. rot. 46, dorso, de Westmilne Bridge in West Barsham et North Barsham reparando per Priorem de Castleacre. Ibid. assis. rot. 15 de eccl. de South Creik. Rot. 17 de terris in Dunham. Rot. 37, dorso, de eccl. de West Barsham. Escaet. Norf. 18 Edw. I. n. 111, de terris in West Rudham. Plac. de banco, 18 Edw. I. Mich. Norf. 245, pro commun. in mora de Dunham. Plac. assis. in com. Norf. 29 Edw. I. rot. 52, pro mess. et terris in Congham. Ibid. rot. 81, de commun. pastur. in Beremere. Escaet. Norf. 30 Edw. I. n. 83. Pat. 30 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 31 Edw. I. m. . Plac. coram rege 35 Edw. I. Pasch. rot. 62, de eccl. de South Creik.

"Pat. 14 Edw. II. p. 2. m. 18, pro. eccl. de Threxton, cum pensione concedenda episcopo Norwic.

"Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 1. m. 8, pro eccl. de South Creik approprianda. Pet. parl. 4 Edw. III. n. 4 vel 14, pro eccl. de Sutton in Holand concedenda per comitem Lincoln. Pat. 44 Edw. III. p. 1. m. 10, pro ten. ibid. et in Wiggenhall et Wending.

"Escaet. Suff. 15 Ric. II. p. 2. m. 8, inquis. pro eccl. de Haverill. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 3. m. 1, pro eccl. de Haverill et East Barsham appropriandis.

"Pat. 2 Hen. IV. p. 1. m. 8, de eccl. South Creik. Rec. in Scacc. 6 Hen. IV. Mich. rot. 27.

"Pat. 2 Hen. IV. p. 1. m. 10, pro ten. ibid. et in Wiggenhale, &c.

"Rec. in Scacc. 2 Edw. IV. Mich. rot. 76."

Among the ancient charters preserved in the British Museum there is one belonging to this priory, L. F. C. xxiii. 15. "Conventio inter priorem et conventum monasterii B. M. de Castleacre et Robertum Hoberd rectorem medietatis ecclesiæ parochialis de Skernyngg, de decimis in Heringeshaghe. Dat. 20 Apr. A.D. 1366."

been a chapel or vestiary. The choir was of equal breadth with the nave and ailes, but much shorter, and at the east end it was in form of a chapel, and here stood the high altar as I take it. The cloister was on the south side of the church, and had an entrance into it at the west end of the south aile, near to the tower, and another at the east end of the said aile near the grand tower. The chapter-house seems to have joined the east side of the cloister, and the dormitory to have been over the west part of the cloister. West of the cloister, and adjoining, was the Prior's apartment, now converted into a farm house. In a large room above stairs, called now the Prior's dining-room, is a curious bow-window of stone, consisting of nine pannels. In the first were the arms of the priory painted on the glass; in the second, the arms of the earl of Arundel, and earl Warren, quarterly, but now broke and gone; in the third, Mowbray duke of Norfolk, gules a lion rampant argent; fourth, the red and white rose united, and a crown over it; fifth, France and England, quarterly; sixth, the rose, &c. as above; seventh, Earl Warren's arms; eighth, quarterly, the earl of Arundel in the first and fourth quarter, and in the second and third Matrevers, sable, fretty, or, and Fitz-Alan, baron of Clun, per fess, azure and argent quarterly; ninth, argent, a cross componè, or and azure, between twelve cross crosslets, fitchè sable; the PRIORY ARMS, as I take it, and these letters, J. W. joined together by a knot, and under it SPITV . PRINCIPALI . CONFIRMA . ME. By this it appears that this window was built by John Winchelsey, prior in the reign of Hen. VII. or VIII. Afterwards it might be converted into a dining-room, but that it was originally a large chapel, and this room was only the west end of it is apparent: it extended to the south tower of the church, where at the east end of it is a large window, as in a chapel,

and a step or ascent here, as to an altar; and on the South wall, near to this ascent, is an arched carved seat of stone, rising in form of a pyramid, with the shield of the Earl Warren alone, which testifies it to be an antique pile, built in their time before the patronage of the priory came to the earls of Arundel; and at the north-east corner, near to the altar-piece, is a door-place with a stone arch; and here was a stone staircase which led down into the cloister. In another room was, a few years past, in a window, the broken portraiture of one of the earls of Arundel, in armour, with a broad-sword in his hand, and on his surcoat the arms of Arundel, Matrevers, and Clun, as above, and part of a legend, 'My trust ys'; also on a chapeau, gules, an oaken slip, vert, acorned or.

"The site of this priory took in several acres. The grand entrance was north of the priory church, where is now standing a large and stately Gate-house of free-stone. Over the arch, as you enter, are the arms of the Earl Warren, of Arundel and Earl Warren quarterly, France and England, and those of the priory. The whole site was inclosed with a lofty stone wall, good part of which is still standing." ^a

The ruins of Castle Acre priory are still amongst the finest of the religious houses of Norfolk.

Since Blomfield's time various dilapidations have taken place; but the outline of the Ruins, as he has described them, may be still traced. Some large columns of the nave, the walls of the transepts, and considerable remnants of the conventual buildings to the south of the church are remaining; as is the porter's lodge. The site of this monastery, within what may be called the walled precinct, is said to contain twenty-nine acres, two roods, ten perches.

Cartae ad Castelacrensem Prioratum in agro Norfolciensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Willielmi Comitis primi de Donatione Ecclesiarum, et Advocatione earum de Acra, Methelwolde, Roinges, Wikemere, Trunchet, et Decimarum de Grimistun.

[Ex Registro de Castle-acre in bibl. Deuesianana anno 1644, hodie MS. Harl. Mus. Brit. 2110, fol. 1.]

NOTUM sit omnibus, tam præsentibus quam futuris, quod ego Willielmus comes de Suthreia, pro salute animæ meæ, et patris mei, et matris meæ, et hæredum meorum, dedi et præsenti carta confirmavi Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Acra, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, ecclesiam de Acra, cum omnibus rebus et libertatibus quæ ad ipsam pertinent: et ecclesiam de Methelwolde simili modo; et advocationem ipsius: et ecclesiam de Roinges quæ vocatur Ledenechirche; similiter et advocationem ejus: et ecclesiam de Wikemere similiter: et ecclesiam de Trunchet simili modo: et duas partes mearum decimarum in villa de Grimestone in omnibus rebus. Quare volo ut memorati monachi omnia prædicta beneficia et tenementa habeant et possideant in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam. Teste, Willielmo filio meo, Wimerio dapifero, Gaufrido capellano, Willielmo Branche, Waukelino de Roseto, Hugone de Wanci, Roberto de Mortuo-mare.

NUM. II.

Carta Willielmi Comitis secundi de Fundatione Ecclesiæ hujus, et de omnibus quæ dedit in Acra et juxta Linnam, et in Melewde, et Rudham, et Confirmatio Donationum Baronum et Militum suorum.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit omnibus præsentibus et futuris meis fidelibus de Nordfoc, et de Sudfoc, quod ego Willielmus comes de Surrea, pro salute animæ meæ et parentum meorum, concedo Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ, et sanctis apostolis ejus Petro et

Paulo ad locum sanctæ Mariæ de Achra, ubi serviunt Deo et sanctæ genetrici ipsius Cluniacenses monachi de sancto Pancratio, duas earueatas terræ in ipsa Achra quas eidem ecclesiæ pater meus dedit: et totam terram brueriarum mearum quæ ad Wicam pertinet quam ipsi monachi, me concedente, ibidem fregerunt et araverunt, et partem brueriarum mearum quæ adjacet juxta ipsam Wicam: et terram Ringulfi duas solidatas terræ quas in ipsa Achra Osbernus de Glocestre de me tenebat: duo etiam pomeria et totam culturam ab ipsis pomeriis usque ad meum castellum in qua jam me laudante et devotissimè concedente, ecclesiam suam fundaverunt, quia ipsa in qua modo habitant nimis est arcta et habitationi monachorum valdè inconveniens: totam etiam moram juxta aquam quæ eidem culturæ subjacet modicam quoque partem aliæ moræ quam Wimerus dapifer meus eis concessit; partem denique dimidiam molendini pertinentem ad Meleoldam quod Sudachre subjacet: et tres solidatas terræ juxta Linnam, et Wlmarum cemen-tarium in Achra cum horto suo: et quindecim acras terræ et duo millia anguillarum in Meleoldam in perpetuum: et quinque solidatas terræ et ortum unum: et viginti quatuor acras terræ ad ecclesiam faciendam. Insuper etiam quicquid mei homines tempore patris mei et meo tempore, prædictis monachis dederunt et daturi sunt in terra, cum meo respectu, in decimis et in ecclesiis sine omni respectu: Wimerus itaque dapifer meus eisdem monachis quicquid Gausfredus nepos suus et capellanus de eo tenebat dedit; scilicet ad Wesneham duas terras de xiiij. solidis: ad Chersingehallam ^b duas solidatas: decimam Alsingarum, nemoris, molendini, et carucarum: de Chersingehalla decimam nemoris, molendinorum, et carucarum: de sacerdote ejusdem villæ viginti denarios: de Ortnaro duos solidos: de Anshetino tres solidos: decimam Wiresfeldæ: decimam Foeldonæ; et sex solidos quos Rogerus dedit pro anima patris sui die sepulturæ ejusdem: decimam Gaufridi de Congeham: decimam Grimestonæ, de halla et molendino:

^a Blomf. Hist. Norf. vol. iv. pp. 497, 498.

^b *ul.* Gressingehall.

decimam de Lecesham, hallæ et molendini: ecclesiam ejusdem villæ cum terra ad eam pertinente: ecclesiam de Doneham cum terra quæ ad eam pertinet: decimam de Werneham carrucarum: decimam Herleboldi in eadem villa: ad Camestonam etiam unam carrucatam terræ ipsemet Wimerus quando monachalem habitum suscepit. De hiis omnibus Rogerus filius ejus fecit donationem et concessum Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis sibi servientibus. Teste, Willielmo comite, et Osberto de Glocestre, et Tostano, et Wiberto de Achra. Hugo quoque de Wanci dedit ecclesiam de Depedene, et terram quæ ad eam pertinet, et decimam ejusdem manerii; ecclesiam de Barseham cum terra ad eam pertinente; et decimam manerii et tres sochemans ejusdem manerii; unum molendinum ad Illandam. Omnes quoque homines sui francigenæ decimas suas dederunt: scilicet Willielmus Talebot, Osbernus de Danevela, Radulfus de Wanci, Euremundus, Radulfus Crispus, Goseelinus, Waleranus, Lictmerus, Brungarus. Hæc omnia Osbernus, et Radulfus filii ejus, et mater ipsorum posuerunt super altare sanctæ Mariæ: testibus, Witheberto, Tosardo, Tostano, et aliis plurimis. Post obitum illius, Rainerius etiam de Granteurt decimas suas dedit, et Hugo suus homo ecclesiam suam et decimam; et sexaginta acras terræ quas Lewinus tenuit. Willielmus denique de Ralli decimas suas. Hugo de Folmodestona ecclesiam suam et decimas. Hugo de Bruneham homo suus decimam suam, et quindecim acras terræ: ipsemet quoque Hugo xxxx. oves et quatuor boves et unum equum. Witbertus filius Walteri decimam suam; et BUNDUS presbiter decimam suam. Frotmundus presbiter decimam suam. Cremboldus decimam suam. Rogerus presbiter decimam suam. Willielmus presbiter Lamberti de Rosei decimas suas. Hugo de Hoetona decimam suam. Willielm. filius Engelberti decimam suam. Scula decimam suam. Alueredus filius Godevæ decimam suam, et nepos ejus suam. Filii Burmundi omnes decimas suas. Walterus de Congeham decimam suam. Gotwinus decimam suam. Torfort decimam suam. Azor presbiter ecclesiam cum terra ad eam pertinente et decimam suam. Brixit decimam suam. Brusnam decimam suam. Dierulfus decimam suam. Nigellus de Fincheam suam decimam. Gillebertus de Froesham decimam suam. Osmundus dispensator decimas suas. Robertus de Verli decimam carucæ unius. Petrus de Crenewich duos homines et modicum nemoris, et decimam unam duorum solidorum. Gotwinus de Bodelai duos solidos. Decimam manerii de Rocheam, Rotbertus filius Walteri. Wicbertus de Achra molendinum suum posuit super altare, cum uxore sua concedente comite. W. Tosardus tres acras de orto suo juxta cerasos, et parum moræ, modicumque prati, et cotarium unum acræ unius. Testibus Wimaro et Wiberto et aliis plurimis, concedente uxore sua, et Rotberto et Rainaldo filiis et hæredibus suis, et novem acras terræ in agris. Radulfus de Paveli decimam suam de Norwolda. Ego W. comes de Surreia dedi Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Achra totam terram quam Willielmus presbiter de Rodeham tenebat de Lamberto de Rosei per feodum unius militis, concessu Lamberti ejusdem, et ego remisi ei servitium unius militis. Testibus, Gaufredo capellano, Osmundo dispensario, Witberto de Achra, et eodem Lamberto. Isdem quoque Lambertus dedit nobis decimam de Waterdena. Comes etiam dedit nobis ecclesiam de Melewolda cum quindecim acris terræ. In eadem villa Fulcherius decimam suam, Robertusque suam. Terram de Gaitona quam Rainerus diaconus dedit sanctæ Mariæ, quæ fuit Dodonis. Terram etiam et ecclesiam quam tenuit Brustanus presbiter de Barseham. Hæc omnia sicut supradixi prædictis monachis do et concedo, ut ipsi ea liberè, in pace et quiete, et sine omni querela perenniter teneant; et ideo manu propria signum crucis faciens indissolubiler confirmo meisque hominibus ad confirmandum trado. Signum W. comitis. S. Rogerii dapiferi. S. Radulfi de Cainton. S. Radulfi de Paviliaco. S. Hugonis de Wanci.

NUM. III.

Carta Willielmi secundi Comitis de Suthreia de Confirmatione.

[Ibid. fol. 1 b.]

NOVERINT præsentis et futuri quod ego Willielmus comes de Suthreia, pro salute animæ meæ, et pro salute

animæ patris mei et matris meæ, concedo Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ de Achra, et sanctis apostolis Petro et Paulo, et monachis Cluniacensibus de sancto Pancratio ibidem Deo servientibus, in ipsa Achra duas carucatas terræ quas eidem ecclesiæ pater meus et mater mea dederunt. Insuper et ego huic elemosinæ patris et matris meæ, pro mea et eorum salute addidi quicquid ipsi monachi fregerunt de meis brueriis, et duo pomeria, et culturam cum mora ab ipsis pomeriis usque ad meum castellum, in qua ecclesia nova fundata est; modicum quoque aliæ moræ, et quinque solidatas terræ quas tenuit Sefara, et terram Ringulfi. Ad opus novæ ecclesiæ Wimarum cementarium cum terra sua quindecim acrarum, et unum ortum duodecim nummorum. Apud Melewolda ecclesiam cum terra ad eam pertinente et presbiterum et dua millia anguillarum, et dimidium molendinum pertinentem ad Melewolda, et tres solidatas terræ juxta Linnam, viginti quoque quatuor acras in Achra. Concedo etiam eis ecclesiam de Wittona quam Tuoldus de Gunningham dedit illis, cum terris et decimis ad eam pertinentibus. Decimam quoque Willielmi presbiteri de Rudeham qui fuit capellanus Lamberti de Rosei, decimam Widonis, decimam Wazonis, decimam Scule, decimam Bondi, Gretsurs, decimam Brismari ejusdem villæ. Insuper quicquid mei homines tempore patris mei et meo prædictis monachis dederunt et daturi sunt: in terra, cum meo respectu; in decimis verò et in ecclesiis sine omni respectu. Wimerus itaque, dapifer meus, dedit eisdem monachis quicquid Gaufredus capellanus ejus de eo tenebat; scilicet in Wesneham xij. solidatas terræ, et decimam ejusdem manerii. De Lechesham, ecclesiam cum terra et presbiterum, et decimam manerii et molendini. In Camestone, viginti solidatas terræ et ecclesiam cum presbitero. De Dunham, ecclesiam cum terra quæ ad eam pertinet. In Cresingehale, duas solidatas terræ et decimam hallæ, et molendinorum et pasnagii. De Alsinges, decimam hallæ, et de molendinis et pasnagio. Decimam manerii de Foeldune. Et decimam de Widresfed, et vj. solidos quos Rogerius dedit pro anima patris sui die sepulturæ ejusdem, concilio comitis: et decimam de terra de Winebotesham quam Willielmus camerarius tenet de comite: et decimam de Grimestun: et decimam Gaufredi de Congeham. De hiis omnibus Rogerius filius Wimari fecit donationem et concessum Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis sibi servientibus. Teste W. comite Tustano et Wiberto de Achra. Hugo quoque de Wanci dedit decimam de Depedene, et ecclesiam de Barseham, cum terra ad eam pertinente, et presbitero: et decimam manerii et molendinum de Inlande. Et post obitum ipsius, Radulphus filius ejus dedit molendinum de ponte de Barseham, et tres cotarios, et sexaginta acras brueriarum, et tres sochemans ejusdem manerii, qui manent apud Snaringas. Omnes quoque francigenæ sui decimas suas dederunt. Hæc omnia Radulfus et Rogerius filii ejus posuerunt super altare S. Mariæ. Teste, Rogerio dapifero, Petro de Chranewicts, Ricardo de sancto Claro, Radulfo filio Hachene, Herlewino de Paneworde, Gaufrido de Favarees, Willielmo filio Lestein. Rainerus quoque de Grantcurt dedit decimas suas, et ecclesiam de Barseham, et in Tateresete, et c. et xx. acras brueriæ, et xij. acras arabilis terræ. Et Hugo suus homo dedit decimam suam, et sexaginta acras terræ quas Lewinus tenuit. De hiis omnibus testes sunt, Lambertus de Rosei et Willielmus presbiter ejus, Gaufredus filius Urselli, Ricardus de sancto Claro, Walterius de Waterdene, et Willielmus filius Lestein. Lambertus etiam de Rosei dedit decimam de Enehale, et octo solidatas terræ in eadem villa; decimam quoque de Waterdene, et terram de Rudeham quam Willielmus presbiter suus tenuit de eo, consultu et concessu comitis: et hæc omnia concessit Walchelinus filius ejus. Insuper et pro anima matris suæ dedit decimam de Howetone, et decimam de Rochelund, et decimam de Norwalde. De hiis omnibus testes sunt Ricardus de sancto Claro, Sewalo nepos Wimerii, Tustanus, Wibertus de Achra.

Hugo de Fulmodestone dedit ecclesiam et decimam ejusdem villæ: et Hugo de Bruneham suus homo dedit decimam suam et duas solidatas terræ in eadem villa. Wibertus de Achra dedit decimam et molendinum, concedente comite. Nigellus de Finceham et Willielmus de Spinevilla dederunt decimas suas. Gislebertus de Fravesham dedit decimam suam. Godfredus de Belnunt dedit decimam suam de Cherdeston. Petrus de Kernewits dedit duas solidatas terræ et dimidium millenarium anguillarum.

NUM. IV.

Carta W. secundi Comitis de Dono W. Pincheni.

[Ibid. fol. 3 a.]

WILLIELMUS de Warennā, comes Sudregiæ, R. de Grandicurte salutem. Precor te tibi que præcipio ut permittas tenere monachis de Achra terram quam Hugo de Pinchenni pro anima sua dedit eis, et Willielmus filius ejus concessit. Terram quoque illam quam isdem W. dat eis pro maritanda sorore sua: nam ego plenè concedo et in mea carta confirmo. Teste Rogero filio Wimeri. Tibi quoque Rogere, qui meus dapifer es, præcipio, ut si Rainerus eis injuriam inde fecerit tunc cum honore monachis ipsam terram tenere facias mihique pro contemptu præcepti mei justitiam facias. Quod W. dat cum sorore sua monachis est sexaginta acrae terræ. Valete.

NUM. V.

Alia Carta ejusdem Willielmi Comitis.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit omnibus qui sunt et qui futuri sunt quod ego W. comes de Warennā et Isabella comitissa, uxor mea, necnon filii nostri Willielmus scilicet et Radulfus, damus et concedimus, pro amore Dei, et pro nobismet ipsis, et pro salute animarum parentum nostrorum, Deo et ecclesiæ S. Mariæ de Achra et monachis in ea Deo servientibus et ibidem permanentibus, xl. solidatas terræ, videlicet, apud Beremeram terram Bondi quæ reddit v. solidos per annum, et apud Stanhoge terram socemannorum qui reddunt per annum iij^s. et apud Plomstedam terram Turlaki quæ reddit per annum x^s. et apud Wikemeram terram presbiterorum qui reddunt per annum x^s. et terram Wlf de la Wella quæ reddit per annum vj^s. et si quod plus reddiderit ultra prædictos vj. solidos usque ad xij^d. similiter eis concedimus. Et apud Yteringham terram Willielmi clerici, quæ reddit per annum vj^s. Hæc omnia prædicta eis damus et concedimus et terram et homines, cum redditibus et consuetudinibus quæ nobis facere solebant. Hujus donationis testes sunt, Osbertus de Cailleio, et W. de Cricetun, et Henr. de Ria, et Rob. constitutor, et Rob. de Frievill, et Osmundus dispensator, et Rad. de sancto Martino, et Rad. de Achra.

NUM. VI.

Carta Ysabellæ Comitissæ.

[Ibid. fol. 3.]

YSABEL comitissa de Warennā Osm. Dispensar. salutem. Sciatis comitem dominum meum dedisse mihi ecclesiam de Trunceto; et ego dono illam Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Acra. Quapropter mando tibi et præcipio ut facias inde saisiri monachos de Acra et de quocunque pertinet ecclesiæ tam in decimis quam in aliis rebus, et fac illos tenere bene et pacifice pro eo ut grates inde tibi sciam. Teste Godefrido capellano.

NUM. VII.

Carta Rogeri filii Wimeri, domini Honoris de Gressinghall, in agro Norfolciensi de Ecclesiis Kemestun, Dunham, Estlechesham, Wesenhamtorpe, et Decimis earundem, et Withresfeld, et Winebotesham, et duabus Terris quatuordecim Solidorum et Terra de Congham et Snetesham et Kemestun.

[Ibid. fol. 20.]

NOTUM sit tam præsentibus quam futuris quod ego Rogerus filius Wimeri dapiferi, dono, confirmo et concedo et quiete clamo omnia dona et omnes elemosinas quas pater meus et mater mea Gilla dederunt et concesserunt Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Acra; scilicet in terris, in ecclesiis, in decimis; et nominatim ecclesiam de Kemestune cum pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam de Dunham cum pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam de Estlechesham cum pertinentiis suis. Et duas ecclesias de Wesenhamtorpe cum pertinentiis suis. Et decimam de dominio meo in eadem villa. Et duas terras de quatuordecim solidis. Et omnes decimas quas homines mei illis dederunt. Et decimam de dominio de Lechesham et de molendino. Et decimam de Withresfeld. Et decimam de dominio et de pomerio meo.

Et decimam de Winebotesham. Et quicquid dedi in Snetesham et in Congham cum tenura Edmundi. Et ecclesiam ejusdem villæ quæ est de feudo meo. Et terram de Kemestun quam pater meus et mater mea prædictis monachis pro salute animæ suæ dederunt. Hiis testibus, Ketello presbitero, Rodberto presbitero, Rodlando Extraneo, Walterio fratre meo, Richardo de Sancto Claro, Osmundo dispensatore comitis, Humfrido de Dunham, Arnaldo Flamang, Hulf, Kecello, Turstano coco, Godwino, et Godardo, et multis aliis.

NUM. VIII.

De Crofto juxta Domum Wlnothi.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentibus et futuri quod ego Rogerus filius Willielmi dapiferi dono et concedo Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Acra unum croftum terræ quod jacet ad occidentem domus Wlnothi de Kemestun inter domum ipsius et viam, in liberam et quietam elemosinam, pro salute mea et pro anima patris mei et omnium parentum meorum. Hiis testibus, Fulcherio de Gressinghale, Gileberto de Sancto Claro, Willielmo de Salle.

NUM. IX.

De Terra Kemestone, et Sparle, et tribus Solidis in Molendino de Neutona, et novem Acris quas Hanno dedit, et augmento stagni Molendini eorum in Terra Haimonis.

[Ibid.]

NOVERINT præsentibus et futuri quod ego Alanus filius Flaaldi et Adelina uxor mea pro salute animarum nostrarum et antecessorum nostrorum, concedimus Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Acra et monachis Cluniacensibus ibidem habitantibus terram et fructa quam habebamus apud Komestonam et quam ipsi incluserunt. Et apud Sparlatum viginti acras terræ quas tenebat Turchillus Rufus per duos solidos pro monacho quem mihi fecerunt. Insuper apud Newtonam tres solidos in meo molendino. Novem quoque acras terræ quas Hanno dedit eis. Et augmentum stagni molendini eorum in terra Hamonis. Testibus, Hamone, Waltero capellano, Rualdo extraneo, Gorhanno, Oddone, Ginrico, Henrico de Pagrave, Turstano de Acra, Seward.

NUM. X.

De Redditu unius Marcæ in Molendino de Lechesham.

[Ibid. fol. 27 b.]

SCIANT præsentibus et futuri quod ego Rogerus dapifer comitis Warrenæ dono et concedo Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Acra pro anima Oddonis fratris mei et Willielmi patris mei et animabus omnium parentum et amicorum meorum in liberam et quietam et perpetuam elemosinam unam marcam argenti de molendino de Lechesham quod est in occidentali parte ejusdem villæ. Hiis testibus, Henrico de Rie, Radulfo de Frivill, Baldewino de Frivill, Walterio filio Wimari, Willielmo magistro, Radulfo filio Osmundi, Willielmo filio Walterii.

NUM. XI.

De Ecclesiis et Decimis et Terris de Estlechesham, et Dunham, et Kemestune, et Weseham, et Congham, et Decimis de Winesbotesham, Witheresfelde, Grimestun et Hogade.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentibus et futuri quod ego Drogo filius Willielmi dapiferi de Gressinghale, dedi et concessi et hac præsentem carta mea confirmavi Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Acra et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus ecclesiam de Estlechesham, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et decimam de dominio meo et de molendino meo. Et insuper ecclesiam sancti Andreæ de Dunham cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam de Kemestune cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et terram Terchilli. Et terram Bolle et omnes essartas suas et omnes libertates pasturæ suæ. Et præterea duas ecclesias de Weseham, scilicet ecclesias sanctorum apostolorum Petri et Pauli, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et decimas de dominio meo in eadem villa. Et

duas terras de quatuordecim solidis. Et decimam Herboldi hominis mei. Et adhuc decimas de dominio meo in Witheresfeld in omnibus rebus. Et insuper decimas de terra quam Willielmus Camberlencus tenuit in Winebotesham. Et adhuc ecclesiam de Congham cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et totum tenementum Edmundi in eadem villa. Et insuper concessi eis omnes decimas de dominio meo in Grimestumia, et quindecim solidatas terræ in eadem villa. Et præterea in marisco totam terram illam quæ vocatur Hoa cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; videlicet in hominibus, in terris, in pratis, in pascuis, in salinis, et in omnibus aliis rebus. Hæc omnia supradicta volo et desidero ut supradicti monachi sanctæ Mariæ de Acra habeant, teneant et possideant jure perpetuo in liberam, et puram, et quietam, et perpetuam elemosinam. Et præterea concessi prædictis monachis et præsentī carta mea confirmavi omnes donationes et omnes concessionēs quas Willielmus dapifer pater meus eis fecit, vel ullus alius antecessorum meorum. Hanc autem donationem et concessionem præfatis monachis feci pro Dei amore et pietatis intuitu et pro salute animæ meæ et prædicti Willielmi patris mei et hæredum meorum, et antecessorum et successorum meorum. Hiis testibus, Waleriano canonico sanctæ Mariæ de Suthwere, Oddone sacerdote illius parochiæ, Willielmo presbitero filio Fulcheri, Radulfo vinitario, Rogero de Holm, Radulfo de Bello-campo, Humfrido de Dunham, Richardo filio Simonis, Richardo de Briselei, Radulfo de Quatuormarcis, Alano de Wesenham, Fulchero filio Ordini, Philippo de Amblie, Godefrido de Hyrmingeland, Willielmo Talebot, Augustino de Congeham, Lamberto de Ros, et multis aliis.

NUM. XII.

De Molendino de Estlechesham, et de Humagiis de Weseham, et duobus Solidis quos Durannus reddit.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego Rogerus filius Willielmi dapiferi dono et concedo et hac carta mea confirmo Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Acra et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus in liberam et quietam elemosinam molendinum meum de Lechesham; scilicet Westmulne, præter undecim solidos quos Baldewinus de Friville habet in eodem molendino. Insuper et terram quam dedi eis in Weseham cum humagiis pro anima patris mei et duos solidos quos Durannus reddit per annum. Præterea confirmo omnes elemosinas et donationes quas pater meus et avus meus et antecessores mei fecerint supradictæ ecclesiæ in omnibus rebus. Volo autem ut hæc omnia monachi supradicti teneant jure perpetuo. Hiis testibus, Ælina matre mea, Willielmo fratre meo, Willielmo magistro de Geytun, Baldewino de Friville et uxore sua Basilia, Walterio filio Wimari et Willielmo filio suo, Fulchero filio Ordini et Walterio fratre ejus, Herveo clerico, Roberto de Verli, Radulfo de Gatelai, Simone fratre suo, Henrico Ruffo, Folchero presbitero de Lechesham, Matheo presbitero de Gressinghale, Nicholao presbitero, Swifte, Richardo de Blanchevill, Gaufrido Choise.

NUM. XIII.

Confirmatio Osmundi de Stuteville domini Honoris de Gressenhale jure Uxoris suæ.

[Ibid. fol. 29.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego Osmundus de Stuteville, consilio, et assensu Ysabel uxoris meæ, et hæredum meorum, dedi et concessi et præsentī carta mea confirmavi, Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Acra, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, et servituris, omnes donationes, et omnes elemosinas quascunque antecessores mei, videlicet, Wimarum senescallus de Gressinghale, et Rogerus filius ejus, et Walterus filius Wimari, et Willielmus filius Rogeri, et Rogerus filius Willielmi et Drogo frater ejus, et Berengerus de Cressi. Et insuper quidcunque homines mei de honore de Gressinghale, dederunt et concesserunt Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ, et prædictis monachis de Acra; scilicet in ecclesiis, in decimis, in humagiis, in terris, in herbis, in pratis, in pascuis, in nemoribus, in molendinis, in aquis, in viis, in semitis, in redditibus, in tenementis, et in omnibus aliis rebus, quascunque prædicti monachi tenuerunt, tem-

poribus prædictorum antecessorum meorum, et prædictorum hominum meorum, et modo tenent; et præterea dedi et concessi, et confirmavi prædictis monachis Williel. filium Alani de Weseham, cum tota sequela sua, et toto tenemento suo, et Herveum Lalle de Weseham, cum tota familia sua, et cum toto tenemento suo. Et unum croftum terræ in Chemestune, quæ jacet versus occidentem, inter domum quæ fuit Wulnothi de Chemestune, et viam. Omnia ista volo, et desidero, et præcipio, ut prædicti monachi teneant, et possideant in liberam, et quietam, et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ, et Isabel uxoris meæ et hæredum meorum, et antecessorum meorum. Hiis testibus, Willielmo capellano de Gressinghale, Rogero capellano, Rabello milite, Rogero fratre dominæ, Alano de Weseham, et Matheo filio ejus, magistro Richardo, Eustachio, et Willielmo sen. Hamone serviente comitis, et Waltero, et Radulpho filiis ejus, Simone et Anchetillo servientibus prioris; et Simone mareschallo, Paulino, et multis aliis.

NUM. XIV.

Carta Ysabellæ Uxoris Berengeri de Cressi.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego Ysabella de Gressinghale assensu et voluntate Willielmi de Hunteinfeld domini mei et hæredum meorum concessi et quietum clamavi Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Acra et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus homagium Hugonis de Crec sine reclamatione hominum omnium in perpetuum pro xv. marcis quas dedit domino meo et xxx. sol. quos mihi dedit, et totum tenementum prædicti Hugonis in Weseham, et unam domum et vestitum quem ipse illuc habuit. Et si aliqua questio moveatur de homagio suo contra omnes homines warrantizabimus eum. Test. Willielmo senescallo, Gaufr. de Barsham, Waltero de Sculetorp, Godefrido capellano de Ansing, Roberto de Frivill, Will. Britt. &c.

NUM. XV.

Carta Roberti de Vallibus pro Molendino quod vocatur Middelmene.

[Ibid. fol. 85.]

NOTUM sit omnibus præsentibus et futuris quod ego Robertus de Vals dono Deo et S. Mariæ et monachis de Acra fratribus meis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute mea et uxoris meæ filiorumque meorum, et pro anima patris mei et matris meæ fratrisque mei Roberti Pinguis et cæterorum fratrum meorum, Gilberti scilicet et Huberti, molendinum in Pentenai, quod Middelmene vocatur, cum adjacente sibi prato. Concedo etiam eis illas quatuor solidatas terræ quas habebam in Gatelai, et alias tres solidatas terræ quas habebam in Massingham, et illas duas acras prati quas Rainaldus de Waltune eis dedit. Et hii testes, Herbertus capellanus, Radulfus presbiter, Robertus de Burh filiusque ejus, Rainaldus, Hugo de Burch, Robertus de Manner, Willielmus filius Gaufridi, Richardus filius Garini, Willielmus de Walton, Robertus Frescheth, Aschetillus filius Roberti de Sonn. Hii primi testes. Isti autem testes ultimi concessus et doni. Rainaldus filius Fangulfi, Reinerus filius Gonthe, Godardus filius Topi, Rogerus filius Safridi, Willielmus de Stanham, Willielmus de Massingham, et Gaufridus filius ejus, Rogerus filius Rotberti de Burh.

NUM. XVI.

Carta Willielmi de Vallibus de eisdem.

[Ibid.]

NOVERINT præsentēs et futuri, quod ego Willielmus de Vals, concedo et confirmo hac carta mea in liberam et quietam elemosinam Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Acra omnia quæ Robertus pater meus eis donavit et concessit, scilicet molendinum in Pentenaia quod Middelmilna vocatur cum adjacente sibi prato. Concedo etiam eis illas quatuor solidatas terræ quas habebam in Gatelai. Et alias tres solidatas terræ quas habebam in Massingham. Et illas duas acras prati quas Rainaldus de Waltone eis dedit. Volo quidem et desidero ut hæc quæ in hac carta sunt scripta monachi Acrenses bene et in pace jure perpetuo teneant et possideant. Isti sunt testes, Herbertus capel-

lanus, Oliverius frater domini, Simon avunculus suus, Robertus filius Warini, Willielmus de Chedestan, Radulfus frater domini, Gerardus filius Warini, Willielmus filius Roberti, Willielmus cocus, Radulfus filius Durandi, Ogerius præpositus, Robertus cocus, Richardus filius Willielmi, Brixi de Curia.

NUM. XVII.

Carta Nicholae de Haia.

[Ibid. fol. 65.]

OMNIBUS hoc scriptum visuris vel audituris Nicholaa de Haia salutem æternam in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra quod ego Nicholaa de Haia constituta in viduitate mea et libera atque plena potestate mea, concessi et præsentem carta mea confirmavi, Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Acra, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus omnes donationes, concessionem et confirmationes, quas prædecessores mei, videlicet, Robertus de Haia avus meus, et Ricardus de Haia pater meus, et Radulfus de Haia avunculus meus supradictis monachis dederunt, concesserunt et confirmaverunt, scilicet, in ecclesiis, et ecclesiarum advocacionibus, in decimis, in terris, in viis, in semitis, in pascuis in libertatibus, et in omnibus rebus, sicut prædictorum prædecessorum meorum cartæ testantur. Præterea dedi et concessi, et præsentem carta mea confirmavi memoratis monachis omnes donationes, concessionem, et confirmationes quas mariti mei, scilicet, Willielmus filius Ernisi, et Gerardus de Canville illis dederunt, concesserunt, et cartis suis confirmaverunt, in terris, in escambiis terrarum, in moris, in mariscis, et in omnibus aliis rebus, sicut cartæ prædictorum maritorum meorum plenius testantur. Hanc autem donationem, concessionem, et confirmationem feci præfatis monachis pro salute animæ meæ et salute animarum omnium antecessorum, successorum, et maritorum meorum. Et volo quod sæpedicti monachi habeant et teneant omnia sibi donata, concessa, et confirmata in puram et perpetuam elemosinam liberè et quietè, et sine omni vexatione, et exactione de me et hæredibus meis imperpetuum. Hiis testibus, Thoma de Canvill filio meo, Olivero de Aincurt, Roberto Griffin tunc senescallo meo, Jordano de Essebi, Willielmo de Neutune tunc constabulario, Willielmo filio suo, magistro Hugone de Bereford, Matheo capellano, Galfrido Angevin, Roberto Angevin, et tota soka de Suttune, et multis aliis.

NUM. XVIII.

Carta Brienni filii Scollandi domine de Bedale pro Ecclesia de Malsamebi et Decimis Bedale, Friebi, Culvertebi, Scortone, Echescio in comitatu Eboraci.

[Ibid. fol. 63.]

NOVERINT præsentem et futuri quod ego Brienus filius Scollandi concedo et confirmo in liberam et quietam elemosinam monachis apud Acram Deo servientibus eandem donationem quam pater meus Scollandus eisdem monachis dedit, scilicet ecclesiam de Malsambi cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et tertiam partem decimæ domini mei de Bedala, et de Friebi, et de Culvertebi, et de Scortona, et de Echescio duas partes domini. Teste Hugone filio Jernegani. Et Radulfo capellano, et Jernegano filio Hugonis, et Helya fratre Brieni, et Helya filio Marceri, et Brieno fratre suo, et Michaele filio Brieni, et Radulfo filio Beitramni.

NUM. XIX.

De Redditu quatuordecim Denariorum in Biera.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS S. matris ecclesiæ filiis Constantia uxor Radulfi filii Roberti de Goseberchurche salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me Constanciam filiam Brieni Scollandi, concilio et assensu domini mei R. dedisse et concessisse et hac carta confirmasse Deo et S. Mariæ et monachis de Acra ibidem Deo servientibus in puram et perpetuam elemosinam pro anima avi mei S. cujus corpus ibi sepultum servatur, et pro anima patris mei Brieni et pro animabus antecessorum nostrorum, et pro salute animæ domini mei R. et meæ et hæredum nostrorum quatuordecim denarios de area in Biera de hæreditate mea quam Alexander et Godefridus frater

ejus et Herewardus tenuisse dinoscuntur de nobis in Holflæt ante domum Godfridi filii Wichif, annuatim solvendo præfatis monachis ab illis prænominatis Alexandro et Godefrido, Herewardo et hæredibus suis in festo S. Botulfi. Hanc donationem concessit dominus meus R. et quia proprium sigillum meum non habui, eam appensione sui sigilli corroboravit. Et hanc donationem ego Constantia et hæredes mei warrantizabimus prædictis monachis ubique et contra omnes homines. Hiis testibus, Andrea capellano de Acra, Johanne capellano de Sutton, magistro Walterio medico, magistro Fulchero cognato suo, Eustachio senescallo de Acra, et Willielmo ejusdem domus. Alexandro de Pistrino, et Richardo portario, Alestano de Sutton, Walterio de Sutton, et multis aliis.

NUM. XX.

Pro eodem.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis Ranulfus filius Roberti de Goseberchurche salutem. Noverit universitas vestra quod cum ego et uxor mea Constantia in redeundo ab oratione à S. Thoma, hospitaremur apud monachos ad Acram, præfata uxor mea dedit et obtulit ibi super altare Deo et S. Mariæ et prædictis monachis ibidem Deo servientibus in puram et perpetuam elemosinam pro anima avi sui Scollandi, cujus corpus ibi sepultum servatur, et pro anima Brieni patris sui, et pro animabus antecessorum nostrorum, et pro salute animarum nostrarum et hæredum nostrorum, quatuordecim denarios de area in Biera de hæreditate sua quam Alexander Godefridus frater ejus, et Herewardus tenuisse dinoscuntur de nobis in Holflæt, ante domum Godefridi filii Wichif, annuatim reddendo præfatis monachis ab illis prænominatis Alexandro, Godefrido, et Herewardo et hæredibus suis ad festum S. Botulfi. Hanc donationem præscriptam ego ipse Rannulfus concessi et sigilli mei appositione corroboravi, et eam sæpedictis monachis warrantizabimus ego et hæredes mei ubique contra omnes homines. Hiis testibus, Willielmo de Goseberchurche, Rogero capellano, Roberto capellano, J. capellano de Suttone, Gileberto et Philippo et Johanne fratribus meis, Walterio de Suttone, et J. cognato ejus, et multis aliis.

NUM. XXI.

De Fundatione Ecclesiæ Acrensis.

[Ibid. fol. 118 b.]

HERBERTUS episcopus fidelibus præsentibus et futuris de Northfolc et Sudfolc salutem. Cognoscat dilectio vestra Cluniacenses monachos in ecclesiam de Hacra, mea voluntate et scientia et concessione, ingressos esse, et monasterium quod ibi construitur mea construi provisione; unde rogo et præcipio, ut terras et homines et ecclesias et decimas quas hactenus habuerunt, deinceps cum omni pace habeant fratres qui in prædicto monasterio Deo sub regula beati Benedicti servituri sunt. Sit etiam licitum omnibus fidelibus in eodem loco dare quæ voluerint, et quod donaverint, nostra auctoritate confirmatum sit. Signum Herberti episcopi ✠. Signum Walterii archidiaconi ✠.

NUM. XXII.

De omnibus Ecclesiis.

[Ibid. fol. 117.]

EBRARDUS episcopus fidelibus præsentibus et futuris de Norfolc et Sudfolc salutem. Quoniam debitores sumus ea quæ religiosis locis devotio fidelium contulit pia solitudine tueri; nos conservata in omnibus dignitate Norwicensis ecclesiæ, omnia quæ dilecti fratres nostri monachi de Acra in diocesi Norwicensi justè et canonicè possident, auctoritate Dei et nostra eis concedimus et confirmamus; videlicet monasterium sanctæ Mariæ de Acra, et quicquid ibidem Willielmus comes Warrenniæ primus, et Willielmus secundus comes, et Willielmus tertius comes Warrenniæ, et cæteri fideles eis dederunt. Et ecclesiam villæ de Acra. Ecclesiam de Neutun, ecclesiam de Lechesham, ecclesiam de altera Lechesham, ecclesiam de Dunham cum capella sanctæ Mariæ quæ ad eandem ecclesiam pertinet, ecclesiam

de Kemestune, ecclesiam de Wichingesete, ecclesias sancti Petri, et sancti Pauli in Wesehamtorp, ecclesiam de Sengham, ecclesiam de Otringehee, ecclesiam de Melewde, ecclesiam sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ de Wigehale, ecclesias de Haverhil, ecclesiam de Depedene, ecclesiam de Hasphale, ecclesiam de Bachetune. Monasterium sancti Andreae de Bromholme, ecclesiam de Trunchet, ecclesiam de Wicchemerc, ecclesiam de Stringeham, ecclesiam de Hailedune, ecclesiam de Fulmodestune, ecclesiam de Estbarsham, ecclesiam de Westbarsham, ecclesiam sancti Andreae de Tarsersete, ecclesiam de Congham. Ne igitur quisquam præsumat prædictos fratres, monachos de Acra injustè vexare aut possessiones eorum ulla temeritate turbare, firmissimè prohibemus, et sub interminatione anathematis interdici-mus. Quisquis verò eos conservare et amplificare studuerit, Dominus conservet eum et beatum faciat in terra, multiplicans ei bona temporalia pariter et æterna, Amen. Teste Willielmo archidiacono, Walchelino archidiacono, Rogero archidiacono.

NUM. XXIII.

Quod hujusmodi Prioratus non est alienigena.

[Claus. 18 Edw. II. m. 19.]

REX thesaurario et baronibus suis de scaccario salutem. Cum celebris memoriæ dominus E. quondam rex Angliæ pater noster xxvj. die Januarii anno regni sui xxxiiij. ex testimonio Johannis de Warennæ tunc comitis Surr. et aliorum fidedignorum, accipiens, quod prior et conventus de Castellacre fuerunt Anglici et non alienigenæ, de potestate regis Franciæ, vel sibi adhærentium; et quod census seu pensionem aliquam alicui de potestate regis prædicti, vel sibi adhærentium non solvebant; nec alicui de potestate prædicta, obedientia, affinitate, vel aliquo alio modo fuerunt astricti, nisi in hoc quod abbas Cluniacensis, aliquando, cum ipsum ad partes Angliæ venire contigeret, in prædicto prioratu visitare consuevit; et quod iidem prior et conventus in hujusmodi visitationibus suam professionem de ipso abbate receperunt, mandaverit tunc thesaurario et baronibus suis de scaccario quod prioratum prædictum, cum omnibus ad illum spectantibus, si prætextu mandati sui de domibus et maneriis religiosorum alienigenarum de potestate regis prædicti et sibi adhærentium, vel qui eis obedientia, affinitate, vel aliquo alio modo astricti essent, in manum suam capiendis, et non alia de causa captus fuisset in manum ipsius patris nostri, prædictis priori et conventui, sinè dilatione restitui facerent, tenendum sicut illum ante captiorem ejusdem in manum suam tenuerunt, sicut per inspectionem rotulorum cancellariæ nostræ nobis constat. Ac dilectus nobis in Christo, nunc prior dicti loci, nobis dederit intelligi, quod custodes prioratum et aliarum terrarum alienigenarum in com. Norff. et Suff. prioratum prædictum, prætextu mandati nostri eis directi, de prioratibus et aliis terris alienigenarum de potestate dicti regis Franciæ, et eis adhærentium in manum nostram capiendis, pro eo quod dictus prior de comitatu Burgundiæ oriundus existit, ceperunt in manum nostram, super quo nobis supplicavit sibi remedium adhiberi. Nos ad præmissa considerationes habentes, ac pro eo quod dictus prior de potestate dicti regis Franciæ non est oriundus, vobis mandamus quod prioratum prædictum si prætextu mandati nostri prædicti, et non alia de causa per dictos custodes captus sit in manum nostram, eidem priori, una cum exitibus inde perceptis, sine dilatione restitui facias, tenendum sicut illum tenuerunt ante captiorem supradictam. Test. rege apud Langele xxiiij. die Januarii.

NUM. XXIV.

Extenta de Castelacre, 44 Edw. III.

[MS. Donat. Mus. Brit. 6164, p. 423.]

EXTENTA omnium terrarum, tenementorum, et reddituum tam temporal. quam spiritualium priori et conventui de Castelacre pertin. facta apud Castelacre in com. Norff. coram Johanne de Rodewode esc. domini regis in dicto com. die Veneris prox. post festum annunciationis beatæ Mariæ Virginis anno regni regis Edwardi tertii a conquestu xliij^{to}. virtute cujusdam Brevis domini Regis huic Extentæ consut. tam per evidencias prioratus prædicti quam per sacramen-

tum Willielmi Rychonde, Roberti atte Gannok, Roberti Rugge, et aliorum, qui dicunt super sacramentum suum quod prior de Castelacre et ^a Neuton q. val. per annum xiiij^{li}. vj^s. viij^d. Item tenet terras ten. et reddit. in Kempston quæ val. per annum vj^{li}. xiiij^s. iiij^d. Item tenet terras, ten. et reddit. in Rudham quæ val. per annum liij^s. iiij^d. Item tenet terras, ten. et reddit. cum quadam porcione in Heryngesshawe quæ val. per annum xl^s. Item tenet terras, ten. et reddit. in Massyngham quæ val. per annum l^s. Item tenet terras, ten. et reddit. in Bakethorp quæ val. per ann. lx^s. Item tenet ecclesiam de Southcreyk terr. et reddit. ibidem quæ val. per annum xxx^{li}. Item tenet terras, ten. et reddit. in Westbarsham cum quadam porcione ibidem quæ val. per annum xj^{li}. Item tenet ecclesiam de Methewold quæ valet per annum xiiij^{li}. vj^s. viij^d. Item tenet redd. forinsec. quæ val. per annum ix^{li}. Item dic. quod pensiones et porciones in divers. vill. dicto Prioratui provenien. val. per annum xli^{li}. Item tenet ecclesiam de Sutton in Holonde cum terr. ten. et redd. ibidem quæ val. per annum c^{li}. Item tenet ecclesiam de Flete in Holonde quæ val. per annum xij^{li}. Item tenet ecclesiam sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ in Wygenhale quæ val. per annum vj^{li}. In cujus rei testimonium huic Extentæ prædicti juratores sigilla sua apposuerunt. Dat. die, loco, et anno supradictis.

NUM. XXV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

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Castellacr' cu' x ^{is} ppriis prior' 2l. val' p a ^m	7l. 0s. 0d.
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Newton val' p annu'	3l. 0s. 0d.
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Wigenhale bte Marie Magdalen' val' p annu'	10l. 0s. 0d.
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Estbarsham val' p annu'	8l. 0s. 0d.
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Oblac' ad brachiu' S ^c i Philippi infra mon' de Castellacr' val' cōibz annis	0l. 10s. 0d.
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Annue Penc' et Porc' re^v de

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Abbe de Westderham p x ^{is} in Holkh ^a m	2l. 0s. 0d.
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P ^{io} r' de Coxford p x ^{is} in Houghton	1l. 16s. 0d.
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P ^{io} r' de Flitch ^a m p x ^{is} in Flitch ^a m	0l. 6s. 8d.
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R ^c ore de Elsyng p x ^{is} i ^b m	0l. 6s. 8d.
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R ^c ore de Westlexham p x ^{is} i ^b m	1l. 0s. 0d.
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R ^c ore de Fyncham S ^c i Mich ^{is} p x ^{is} i ^b m	4l. 13s. 4d.
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R ^c ore de Dunham Major' p x ^{is} i ^b m	0l. 8s. 0d.
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R ^c ore de Skernyng p x ^{is} i ^b m	1l. 0s. 0d.
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R ^c ore de Titellsall p x ^{is} i ^b m	1l. 13s. 4d.
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R ^c ore de Grymston p x ^{is} i ^b m	2l. 13s. 4d.
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R ^c ore de Tatfsett p x ^{is} i ^b m	1l. 13s. 4d.
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R ^c ore de Fulmodeston p x ^{is} i ^b m	0l. 13s. 4d.
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R ^c ore de Gressham p x ^{is} i ^b m	0l. 10s. 0d.
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R ^c ore de Northbarsham p x ^{is} i ^b m	2l. 0s. 0d.
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R ^c ore de Wyssyngsett p x ^{is} i ^b m	2l. 0s. 0d.
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R ^c ore de Kettilston p x ^{is} i ^b m	0l. 8s. 4d.
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R ^c ore de Weffton p x ^{is} i ^b m	0l. 8s. 0d.
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R ^c ore de Feltwell p x ^{is} i ^b m	0l. 10s. 0d.
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R ^c ore de Hillyngton p x ^{is} i ^b m	0l. 6s. 8d.
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R ^c ore de Gressenall p x ^{is} i ^b m	1l. 6s. 8d.
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M ^{ro} collegij de Thompson p x ^{is} i ^b m	1l. 13s. 4d.
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ibm	Mŕo collegij in Norwic' vocat' Capell' in Camp' p x ^{is}			
		0l.	6s.	8d.
	Rċore de Burnham Sċi Abbti p decim' ibm	0l.	16s.	8d.
	Rċore de Norwold p x ^{is} ibm	1l.	10s.	0d.
	Mŕo Capellæ Sċi Jacobi in Torington p decim' ibm	0l.	13s.	4d.
	Rċore de Rokland p x ^{is} ibm	0l.	8s.	0d.
	Priore de Lyñe ep̃i	1l.	0s.	0d.
	Priore de Coxforth p ecclia de Westrudham	0l.	13s.	4d.
	Rċore de Trunche	2l.	0s.	0d.
	Priore de Bromeholme	25l.	6s.	8d.
	Rċore de Estlaxham	0l.	6s.	8d.
	Rċore de Bruntwell	0l.	5s.	0d.
	Com' Lincoln'.			
	Rċoria de Sutton val' p annu'	36l.	10s.	0d.
	Annue Penċoes rec' de			
	Vicar' de Sutton	5l.	0s.	0d.
	Rċore de Flete	10l.	0s.	0d.
	Com' Suff'.			
	Rċoria de Haŕvell val' p annu'	6l.	13s.	4d.
	Annue Penċoes rec' de			
	Priore de Buttle	1l.	6s.	8d.
	Rċore de Wetherfeld	0l.	6s.	8d.
	Rċore de Blonorton	0l.	10s.	0d.
	Rċore de Debden	1l.	0s.	0d.
	Com' Essex'.			
	Annue Porc' rec' de			
	Piore de Colne p x ^{is} in Wikelham	1l.	6s.	8d.
	Rċore de Ledon Rodyng	0l.	13s.	4d.
	Com' Midd'.			
	Quædam annua porc' rec' de Capell' Sċi Stephi in vill'			
	Westm' p quibzdam decim' s in Com' Norff.	3l.	6s.	8d.
	Com' Cant'.			
	Annue Porc' rec' de			
	Colleg' dñi regis in Cant' p x ^{is} suis in Wechesham	1l.	6s.	8d.
	Colleg' voc' Gimvile Hall in Cant' p x ^{is} in Fouldon	1l.	6s.	8d.
		208l.	1s.	4d.
	Tempal' in Com' Norff'.			
	Mañiu' de Castellacr' val' p annū v3 in redd' et firm'			
	24l. 19s. 9d. Firm' molendin' 11l. Terr' dñical' et pastur'			
	oviū in man' dċi prior' existen' 20l. 6s. 0½d. Valor' bosc'			
	expedit' infra hospiciū dċi prior' de crescencia hui' dñij ċoibz			
	annis, 13s. 4d. Pquis' cur' ċoibz annis, 13s. 4d. In toto			
		57l.	12s.	6¼d.
	Mañiu' de Kempston val' p annū v3 in redd' et firm'			
	12l. 12s. 7d. Pastur' oviū in man' prior' existen' 2l. 6s. 8d.			
	et in pquis' cur' ċoibz annis, 5s. In toto 15l. 4s. 3d.			
	Mañiu' de Heryngsall val' p annū v3 in redd' et firm'			
	2l. 10s. 10d. Terr' dñical' in man' p̃or' 8l. Pquis' cur'			
	ċoibz annis, 6s. 8d. et in val' bosc' expedit' infra hospiciū			
	prior' de crescenc' hui' dñij ċoibz annis, 5l. In toto			
		15l.	17s.	6d.
	Mañiu' de Bagthorp val' p a ^m v3 in redd' et firm'			
	5l. 1s. 0½d. Pastur' oviū in man' p̃or' 6l. 10s. et in pquis'			
	cur' ċoibz annis, 1l. In toto 12l. 11s. 0½d.			
	Mañiu' in Westrudham val' p annū v3 in redd' et firm'			
	10l. 19s. 2d. et in pquis' cur' ċoibz annis, 5s. In toto			
		11l.	4s.	2d.
	Mañiu' in Westebarsham et Sis̃ne insimul dimiss' p			
	annū	6l.	6s.	8d.
	Redd' et firm' in Pv' Massyngham val' p annū			
		5l.	0s.	0d.
	Firm' terr' in Normansburgh val' p annū			
		4l.	0s.	0d.
		126l.	16s.	1¾d.
	334l. 17s. 5¾d. Ðquibz			
	Deduc' et alloc' jux ^a form' statut'.			
	Sinod' solut'.			
	Ep̃o Norwic' p ecclia de Castellaker p annū			
		0l.	1s.	4d.

	Pcur' solut'.			
	Archidec' Norwic' p ecclia p̃dċa p annū 7s. 7½d. Ar-			
	chidec' Lincoln' p ecclia de Sutton p annū 7s. 6d.			
		0l.	15s.	1½d.
	Annui' Penc' solut'.			
	Priori de Lewes, 6l. Ep̃o Norwicen' 1l. 6s. 8d. Piori			
	ecclie Xpi in Norwic' 8s. Vicar' de Castellaker in augment'			
	vicariæ suæ, 2l. 10s. Vicar' de Estbarsham in augmentac'			
	vicar' suæ, 2l. 13s. 4d. Vicar' de Newton in augment' vicar'			
	suæ 1l. 6s. 8d.		14l.	4s. 8d.
	Reddit' resolut'.			
	Comiti Arundell' mañio suo de Castellacr' p terr' dċi			
	prior' ibm 2l. 10s. 5½d. Mañio de Walsyngham p tent' in			
	Massyngham p a ^m . 16s. 8d. Hundr' de Laundich p terr'			
	in Kempston p annū 4s. 4d. Mañio de Middleton p terr'			
	in Heryngsall p a ^m . 2s. Ad turn' vic' p redd' voc' Char-			
	nell ^s Fee p a ^m . 1s. 6d.		3l.	14s. 11½d.
	Feod'.			
	Rog'i Townsend mi ^l sen ^h terr' dċi monastij p a ^m . 2l.			
	Joñis Stemp auditor' monastij p̃dċi p annū 1l. 6s. 8d.			
	Wilti Brownynge bañ de Castellacr' et Kempston, 2l.			
	Georgij Pescodd bañ de Heryngsall p annū 10s. Ejusdm			
	Georgij Pescodd bañ mañioz de Bagthorp et Westrudham			
	p annū 1l. 13s. 4d. Wilti Candeler bañ et receptor' redd'			
	for ^c ac porċonū et penċonū p annū 2l.		9l.	10s. 0d.
			28l.	6s. 1d.
	Et reman' ultra clare p annū		306l.	11s. 4¾d.
	X ^a inde		30l.	13s. 1¾d.

NUM. XXVI.

[Abstracts of Fines in the Chapter-House, Westminster.]

MONASTERIUM DE CASTELACRE.

De termino Sancti Michaelis anno regni regis Henrici octavi 29º.

Norf'. Suff'. Lincoln'. Midd'. Esseċ. Cantebř.

Proclam.

INTER ipsum dominum regem querentem et Thoniam priorem monasterij beatae Mariae de Castelacre deforcientem de manerijs de Castelacre prioris, Kempston, Haringeshall, Dykwood, Bagthorp, Barmer, Westrudham, Westbarsham, et Monkes Manour, ac de tenementis et redditibus in eisdem et multis alijs villis ac de rectorijs de Methewold, Southcreke, Kempston, Castelacre, Newton, Wygenhall, Sanctae Mariae Magdalenae West Barsham, et Est Barsham, ac de advocacionibus ecclesiarum de Castelacre, Methewold, Southcreke, Kempston, Newton, Wygenhall, Sanctae Mariae Magdalenae Estlexham, West Lexham, Magna Dunham, Tatersett, Fyncheham, Sancti Michaelis Birlingham, Sancti Petri Trunche, Est Birlingham, West Birlingham, et Fulmoston, in comitatu Norfolk. Ac de tenementis et redditibus in Haverell, Butley, Netherfeld, Blonorton, et Debden, ac de rectoria cum advocacione ecclesiae de Haverell in comitatu Suffolc. Et de tenementis et redditibus in Sutton in Holand, Flete, Swatton, et Lutton, ac de rectoria de Sutton in Holand, cum advocacione ecclesiarum de Sutton in Holand, et Flete in comitatu Lincoln. Et de redditu in villa Westmonasterij in comitatu Middleseċ. Et de redditibus in Wikeham, Littill Bradfild, Leddonrodyng et Burnham, cum advocacione ecclesiae de Leddonrodyng in comitatu Esseċ. Et de redditibus in Wechesham et Fowledon in comitatu Cantebriegiae.

NUM. XXVII.

[Fee Farm Roll, Norfolk, Augm. Office.]

Com. Norf.

Annualis redditus totius nuper cellae monasterij et prioratus de Castleacre et al. in comitatu praedicto.

Valet in

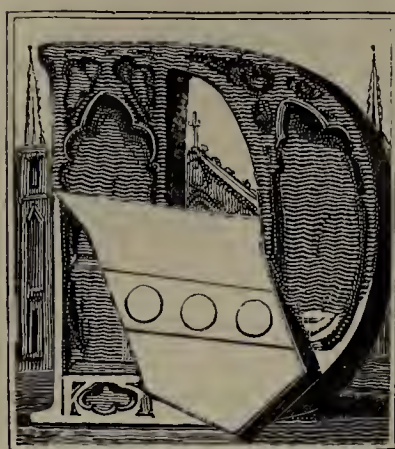
ANNUALI redditu totius nuper cellae monasterij et prioratus de Castelacre praedicta ac totius situs, fundi, et praecinet. ejusdem nuper cellae monaster. sive priorat. cum omnibus domibus et edificijs infra situm, fundum, circuitum, et praecinetum illius existen. ac etiam omnium maneriorum de West Walton, Walsoken, Hecham Castleacre Prioris, Kempston, Heringshawe, Dikewood, Bagthorpe, Barmer, West Rudham, West Barsham, Monkis Manor, Cisterne, et Massingham Parva, cum pertinentiis et membris necnon

recloriarum et advocacionum, ecclesiarum et vicariarum de Walpoole, Hecham, Tostrees, Methwold, Southereke, Kempstone, Castleacre, Newton, Wiggenhall, Sanctæ Mariæ Magdalænæ West Barsham, cum omnibus terris, tenementis, decimis, oblationibus, et alijs proficuis et commoditatibus eisdem ecclesiis seu eorum alicui pertinentibus sive spectantibus, necnon dict. advocacion. et patronat. ecclesiarum de East Lexham, West Lexham, Magna Dunham, Tattersett, Fincham, Sancti Michaelis Birlingham, Sancti Petri Trunch, Folmodeston, West Walton, Gytingham, Lenn

Vetere, Marton, Shirforth, Woodrising, Letton, Sancti Petri in Thetford, Feltwell, et Colncston, in dicto comitatu Norfolkiae, sic inter alia concess. Thomæ nuper duci Norfolkiae, hæredibus et assignatis suis imperpetuum per literas patentes datas 22^{do}. die Decembris anno 29^{no}. nuper regis Henrici octavi tenend. de dicto domino rege hæredibus et successoribus suis in capite, per servitium vicesimæ partis unius feodi militis reddend. ad festa annunciationis beatæ Mariæ Virginis et Sancti Michaelis archangeli equaliter per annum, 44^l. 19s. 0d. ob. q'.

Priory of Mündham, or Mendham, in Suffolk:

A Cell to Castleacre.



UGDALE, in the former edition of the Monasticon, traced this priory in Norfolk.

Tanner says, "About A.D. 950 Bishop Theodred gave by his will^a to the church of this place several lands in this and the adjacent towns, by which it seems to have been more than parochial an hundred years before the Conquest

"How long it continued so," he adds, "is not at present known; but in King Stephen's time, upon the island of Hurst or Bruninghurst in this parish, William the son of Roger de Huntingfeld founded a Cluniac priory subordinate to Castle Acre in Norfolk;" which he dedicated to the Virgin Mary.

Two charters from the founder are preserved in the Register of Castleacre.

In the first, William de Huntingfeld gives to the monks of Castleacre the isle of St. Mary of Mendham, with Ulveslage, and the granges there, and various other lands, rents, and homages; and certain land in Crochestune with its appurtenances; on condition that as many brethren as might be requisite "ad locum regendum in ista insula" should be placed in it; and their number afterwards increased, as the same improved, till a regular Convent was formed. The island was to pay such subjection to St. Mary at Acre as that monastery paid to St. Pancras at Lewes, and St. Pancras to the church of Cluni; with half a mark yearly by way of acknowledgement.^b In the second charter the founder stipulates for the construction of a Church of stone.^c

Stephen de Saukevill released to the priory of Mendham and the monks of Acre settled there, all his right in Hurst.^d

Roger de Huntingfeld, apparently the son of the founder, gaveto the monks here the church of St. Margarett at Linsted; a moiety of the church of St. Peter at Linsted; certain pasture, with eleven acres of meadow, and a plantation of alders; the third part of the tithe of his demesne in Sutorp; five shillings rent in Bradenham; and all his right in the church of Mendham.^e Among the Instruments given in the Appendix, also, another charter of this Roger will be found, appointing, with the consent of the convent of Acre, a prior at Mendham.^f

The prior of Castleacre covenanted with this Roger that the prior of Mendham should not be deposed unless for disobedience, incontinence, or dilapidation of the house; and that if such deposition should take place, it was not to be without the advice of the monks of Mendham and of the patron: yet, if the offence were manifest, and the monks and patron did not consent to the deposition, the same was to be effected by the bishop of the diocese. It was further

agreed that the convent of Mendham should consist of at least eight monks, four of whom were to be sent from Acre. If any man betook himself to Mendham for fear of death he was to be received; but none in health were to be admitted without the consent of the prior of Acre. If the House increased so as to be able to maintain the congregation, the monks were then at liberty to receive any at Mendham, according to their own discretion.^g

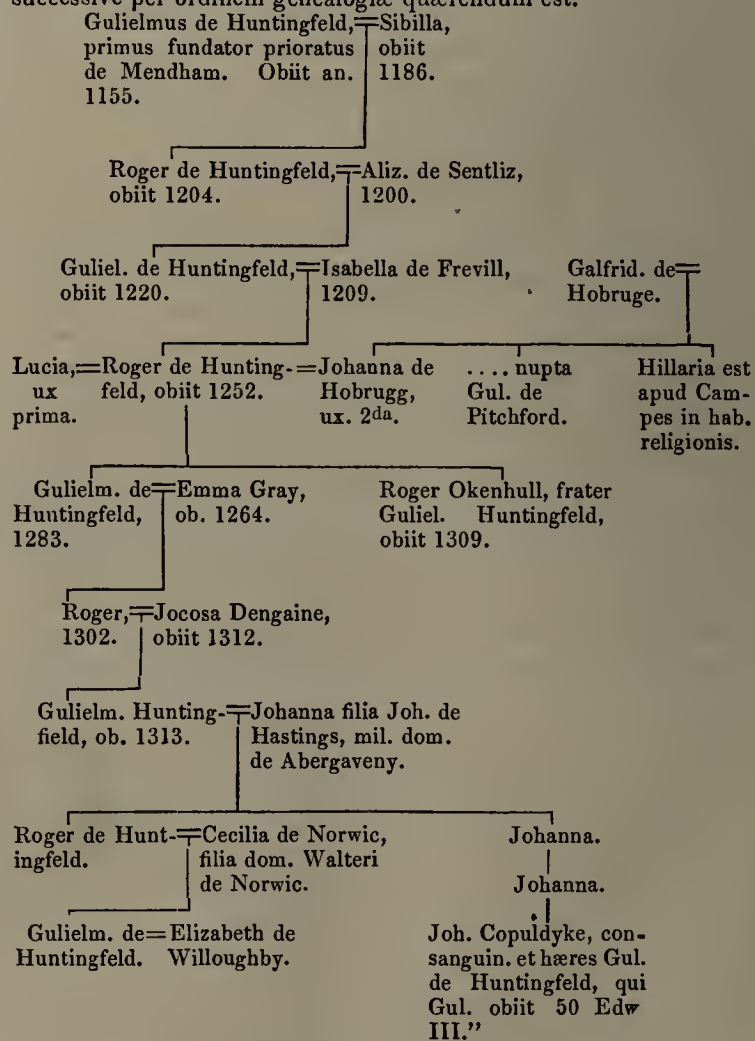
The Harleian manuscript 972, fol. 113, gives a genealogical table of the patrons of this priory of the family of Huntingfeld, to the 50th of Edward III.^h

Blomfield says, in 1386 Sir Robert de Swillington, knt. Sir Roger Bois, knt. John Pyeshale, clerk, and Robert de Ashefield settled the patronage of this monastery on Isabel de Ufford, countess of Suffolk.ⁱ By another Instrument, of the 2d Hen. IV. the reversion, after her death, was granted to John de la Pole, clerk, Richard de la Pole, Roger Drury, knt. William Bardwell, knt. and Robert Bolton, clerk, and their heirs.^k

One benefactor is mentioned by Blomfield subsequent to the founder and his son. In 1239 Richard son of Bene-

^b *Abstractum de Prioratu de Mendham in Com. Suff.*

"Hi recitantur patroni hoc ordine et his temporibus, sed utrum successive per ordinem genealogiæ quærendum est.



^a Registr. Sac. Bur. MS. fol. 48 a.

^b See the Charter in the App. Num. I.

^d See Num. III.

^e Compare Num. VI.

^c Num. IV.

^f Num. V.

^g Hist. Norf. fol. edit. vol. iii. p. 254.

^h See a copy of the Instrument, Num. VIII.

diet, after his decease, settled a messuage and sixty acres of land on this priory.^a

Taylor, in his *Index Monasticus*, adds the following names of benefactors. Roger de Hammervill, about A.D. 1140: Ingelram de Gisney, or Gyney, before 1250: Emma his daughter, widow of Henry de Tholetorp, 1250: Sir Miles Stapleton, knt. 1385: Walter Nyche, of Mendham, 1469.^b

In 1291 the temporalities of this priory appear to have been valued at 4*l.* 12*s.*^c

PRIORS of MENDHAM.

JOHN DE LINDESEIE appears to have been appointed under the auspices of Roger de Huntingfeld son of the founder.^d

JOHN also occurs as prior in the 1st Edw. II. A. D. 1307.

Besides these, Blomfield has transcribed the following names and dates of priors who occur upon the Court Rolls of the manor of Mendham:

1239. JOHN.

1250. SIMON.

1336. NICHOLAS CRESSI. He died this year, and Sir Roger de Huntingfeld, patron of the priory, kept a court during the vacancy.

1340. JOHN DE WALTUN.

1342. HENRY DE BERLEGH succeeded.

1353. WILLIAM.

1382. JOHN DE TOMSTON.

1400. ROBERT.

1420. JOHN BETELEEE succeeded.

1449. THOMAS REDE.

1487. THOMAS PYTTE.

1501. THOMAS BULLOCK.

1523. SIMON.^e

A writer in the *Gentleman's Magazine* for 1808 adds to these,

JOHN, prior in 1206, and another

JOHN in 1273.^f

This house, and all its revenues, were given by King Henry the Eighth, together with the dissolved priories of Cardigan, Bethkelert, Ankerwyke, &c. to the then newly restored monastery at Bustlesham or Bisham in Berkshire, A.D. 1537, by way of augmentation, for the maintenance of an abbat and thirteen monks of the Benedictine Order. But that monastery was shortlived, being surrendered on June 19th, 30th Hen. VIII. In which year, according to Blomfield, the site and lands of Mendham priory were granted to Charles Duke of Suffolk. Tanner says, the site of Mendham was granted to Richard Freston and Anne his wife, in the 2d and 3d of Philip and Mary; Blomfield that it was conveyed to Freston at that time by the duke's family. It certainly continued with the Frestons for some time; from them it passed to the Bacons, and then to the Rants. When Blomfield wrote, the site belonged to Mrs. Frances Bacon of Earlsbam, widow. The greatest part of the parish of Mendham is in Norfolk, but the priory stands just over the river on the Suffolk side. Taylor, in his *Index Monasticus*, p. 91, says, the present owners of Mendham are, in Suffolk, George Rant, Esq. in Norfolk, the Rev. Anthony Freston.

Among the ancient deeds preserved in the British Museum is one relating to this priory.

Cart. Harl. antiq. 44. G. 10. Conventio facta inter priorem de Mendham ex parte una et Willielmum de

Hemmhale militem ex altera parte de terr. in villis de Sterston et hameletto de Nedham. Dat. in festo S. Barnabæ Apost. 27 Edw. III.

Tanner says,

Vide. "In bibl. Bodl. Oxon. MS. Dodsworth, vol. cxxx. fol. 72. Abstracta de Prioratu de Myndham.

"In volumine cartarum meorum originalium inscripto *Appleton*, n. 107, dimissionem sub sigillo Conv. de clauso vocat. Denson, prato, &c. in Mendham Edvardo Flower, 2 Hen. VIII.

"Cartas autographas hujus Prioratus penes Thomam Astle arm.

"Fin. Norf. 24 Hen. III. n. 140, pro ten. in Mendham. Fin. Norf. 35 Hen. III. n. 57, pro eccl. S. Clementis in Norvico.

"Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 7 et 28, pro ten. in Norvico.

"Pat. 3 Edw. III. p. 2. m. 5 vel 6. Escaet. Suff. 3 Edw. III. n. 110. Fin. div. com. 47 Edw. III. n. 106.

"Pat. 5 Ric. II. p. 2. m. 16, pro maner. de Mendham. Escaet. Suff. 8 Ric. II. n. 55. Pat. 8 Ric. II. p. 1. m. 6, pro advoc. portionis eccl. de Mendham vocat. Shotford. Pat. 9 Ric. II. p. 1. m. 9, pro terr. in Mendham quam R. Steph. concessit Will. fil. Rogeri de Huntingfeld."

No Common Seal of this religious house has as yet been met with, but the seal of one of its priors John . . . 1 Ed. II. is appendant to a deed in the Augmentation Office.^g This seal is thus described by Madox in his *Formulare*. A neat oval seal in green wax. It has the effigies of the B. Virgin, crowned, sitting on a splendid throne: in her bosom the infant. The inscription at the edge, is s. FR'IS JOH'IS MENDHAM. So far Madox is correct, but he has omitted to mention that underneath the Virgin are the priory arms, viz. on a fess three plates, being the same arms as were used by William de Huntingfield the founder.

There is no valuation of the possessions of the priory in the General Ecclesiastical Survey 26 Hen. VIII.; but it twice occurs in this record, first, under the college of Wingfield, where it is noticed that the college made an annual pension to the priory of Mendham of 9*s.* and, 2dly, under the vicarage of Mendham, where, among the charges incumbent on the vicar, one was, that of a certain annual pension of 13*s.* 4*d.* paid to the priory of Mendham now suppressed.

A record in the office of the King's Remembrancer, Exchequer, bears this title:

Mendham; Kingshall, and Mendham priory, Suffolk. Decretum tangens annualem redditum exeuntem de maneriis illis. Pasch. 44 Eliz. rot. 169.

And two others in the Lord Treasurer's Rem. Office, thus:

Mendham Priorat.

De Edwardo Ward, arm. occasionato ad ostendendum quo titulo tenet Manerium de Mendham priorat. in com. Suffolk. Pasch. Record. 8 Jac. I. rot. 198, et Hill. Record. 12 Jac. I. rot. 281.

In the *Gentleman's Magazine* for 1808, vol. LXXVIII. part ii. p. 969, is an account of Mendham priory, with a view of the ruins as they then stood. Taylor, in his *Index Monasticus*, fol. 18, p. 91, says, "Some interesting specimens of ecclesiastical architecture may be seen in the remains of the conventual church of St. Mary of Mendham. Much of this ruin has been recently removed to another site. It is situated in the hundred and deanery of Hoxne, and archdeaconry of Suffolk.

tion in the church of Mendham amounted to xvj. marks and a half: the prior of the Holy Trinity at Ipswich had a portion of forty marks: and the prior of Sees a portion of c^s. It is added, "Item dicunt quod nona pars vellerum et agnorum ejusdem Villæ valet per annum xxxviij. mrc. et non plus, eo quod prior de Mendham habet de dote ecclesiæ viij^{ss}. acras terræ quæ valent per annum vj. mrc. Item xij. acr. prati quæ val. per annum xxxvj^s. Item x. acr. pasturæ quæ val. per annum xv^s. Item j. molendinum aquaticum quod valet per annum xl^s. Item altera-gium ejusdem prioris val. per annum vj. mrc. viij^s. iiij^d." See the Inquis. Nonarum, p. 85.

^d See the Instrument, Num. V.

^e Blomf. Hist. Norf. vol. iii. p. 254.

^f Gent. Mag. vol. LXXXVIII. Pt. ii. p. 969.

^g App. Num. VII.

^a Hist. Norf. fol. edit. vol. iii. p. 254. ^b Index Monast. p. 90.

^c The following are the entries concerning Mendham in Pope Nicholas's Taxation:

Dioc. Norw. Temporalia. In Norwic. 10*s.* In Geystweyth, de redd. 8*s.* 1½*d.* In Schotesham, de redd. 7*s.* 6*d.* In Striston, de redd. 1*l.* 4*s.* 2½*d.* In Andeberge, de redd. 5*s.* 1½*d.* In Redenhal, de redd. 1*l.* 16*s.* 11½*d.* In Sweynesthorp, de redd. 3*s.* Summa 4*l.* 12*s.*

De reddit. In Huntingfeld, 1*s.* 6½*d.* De reddit. terræ in Mendham, 2*l.* 13*s.* 2*d.* De redd. et terr. in Weybred, 18*s.* 9*d.* De redd. et terr. in Wetheresdale, 10*s.* 2*d.*

Archid. Suff. Spiritualia. Porcio in ecclesia de Fresingfeld, 11*l.*

See the Taxat. P. Nich. IV. edit. 1802, pp. 107, 115 b, 118 b, 126 b, 127 b.

According to the Nonæ Roll of the 15th Edw. III. the prior's por-

Cartae ad Mendhamensem Prioratum in agro Suffolciensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Willielmi filii Rogeri de Huntingfeild.

[Ex Regist. de Castleacre, fol. 62 b.]

NOTUM sit omnibus praesentibus et futuris quod ego Willielmus filius Rogeri de Huntingfeild, concessu haereditum meorum, concedo et dono Deo et sanctae Mariae de Acra et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus insulam sanctae Mariae de Mendham in liberam elemosinam cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, scilicet culturam Ulveshage in qua sitae sunt grangiae; et culturam Micheleheg; et terram de Langahaga; et terram Gernagodi; et in homagiis, scilicet Robertum de Bosco cum tenura sua. Et Angoldum, et Aldvinum, et Godvinum, et Wdardum, et Normannum, et Wlfricum, cum tenuris suis et servitiis et consuetudinibus. Terram etiam totam quam habui in villa de Crochestune cum omnibus pertinentiis suis tam in homagiis quam in omnibus aliis rebus. Omnia ista concedo et dono supradictae ecclesiae in elemosinam, pro anima patris mei, et matris meae omniumque parentum meorum et pro me omnibusque amicis meis possidenda jure perpetuo. Tali autem conventionem istam donationem facio, ut inpraesentiarum fratres quotquot necessarii fuerint ad locum regendum in supradicta insula constituentur; et postea secundum quod locus creverit et emendatus fuerit, monachorum numerus augeatur, quousque monachorum conventus ad ordinem regulariter tenendum ibi possit constitui, et tunc ibi cum citius fieri poterit constituentur. Praeterea sciendum est quod qualem subjectionem et libertatem ecclesia Acrensis debet ecclesiae sancti Pancratii, vel illa ecclesiae Cluniacensi, talem subjectionem et libertatem supradicta insula persolvat ecclesiae sanctae Mariae de Acra, ita tamen quod ipsi reddent singulis annis supradictae ecclesiae de Acra dimidiam marcam argenti caritative ad recognitionem. Hujus autem conventionis et donationis testes sunt Benedictus capellanus, Robertus de Cocheleia, Robertus de Mendham, Ricardus presbiter, Rogerus de Hammervill, Thomas Columbanus, Rogerus Stormi, Willielmus filius Rocelini, Robertus frater ejus, Radulfus Carbunel, Rogerus filius Alredi, Willielmus Lenvise, Rocelinus filius Hunfridi, Walterus de Hammer-vill, Rogerus filius Turaldi, Willielmus Malus-nepos.

NUM. II.

Alia Carta ejusdem Willielmi.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit praesentibus et futuris quod ego Willielmus filius Rogeri de Huntingfeild, concessu Rogeri filii et haereditis mei, dono et concedo et hac carta confirmo Deo et sanctae Mariae et monachis de Acra apud Insulam de Bruniggeshurst manentibus, et Deo servientibus, pro salute animae meae et remissione peccatorum meorum et amicorum meorum tam vivorum quam mortuorum in liberam et quietam elemosinam scilicet Langahada. Et terram Gernegan, et Ulfeshag, et Micheheg, et Hussale. Et boscum de Midelhae usque ad fossatum quod ego feci ibi facere: et ultra fossatum unam acram et dimidiam. Et in socha de Mendham, Wluricum, Hodardum, Walterum, Hulfum, Hedritum, Normannum, Bondum, Richardum, Alwinum, Richardum filium Hulfi, Godwinum, Aldewinum, Osgod, Robertum de Bosco, Godricum de Haliac. Istos autem homines cum uxoribus et liberis et omnibus tenuris et consuetudinibus eorum dono supradictae ecclesiae in liberam et quietam et solidam elemosinam jure perpetuo. Confirmo etiam donationem Rogerii de Hammervill, Willielmi filii Hosceltel, et Sigar, et Gerold cum uxoribus et liberis et serviciis et consuetudinibus eorum; et de hiis tribus praedictis hominibus et eorum redditibus ita praefinitum est et statutum inter me et monachos praedictae ecclesiae quod non debent in alios usus distribui nisi in ecclesiam lapideam construendam. Hiis testibus, Rogero filio meo, Benedicto sacerdote, et Benedicto capellano, et Machario nepote meo, et Rogero clerico de Acra, et Willielmo de Churchunt, et

Radulfo Carbunell, et Willielmo filio Rocelini, et Roberto filio Rocelini, et Willielmo Malneunt, et Willielmo de Drugmar, et Rotberto Albo, et Waltero de Hammervill, et Rocelino filio Hunfridi, et Roberto Chantelo, et Rogero filio Thoraldi, et Eilwardo praefecto, et Rendulfo nepote meo, et Alano armigero meo, Roberto Cucheleio.

NUM. III.

Carta Stephani de Saukevill.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit tam praesentibus quam futuris quod ego Stephanus de Saukevill do et concedo Deo et sanctae Mariae de Acra et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus totam elemosinam quam tenuerunt in Mendham antequam dominus rex mihi terram quae fuit patris mei reddidit, videlicet Hurst cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in terris, in homagiis, in pratis, in pascuis, et in omnibus rebus. Et volo ut praedicti monachi teneant omnia ista benè et in pacè, liberè et quietè sicut liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, et sicut unquam melius vel liberiùs tenuerunt. Hoc autem facio pro amore Dei et salute mea et pro anima patris mei et matris meae et antecessorum meorum. Hii sunt testes, Bartholomeus de Glanvill, Thomas de Mendham, Ansgot de Mendham, Robertus filius Ansgoti, Gaufridus frater ejus, Robertus de Chantelou, Oddo Camberlengus, Alanus presbiter, Willielmus de Duneham, Alfredus de Acra, Robertus Hoppesorpt.

NUM. IV.

Pro ecclesiis de Mendham, Sanctae Margaretæ, et medietate ecclesiae Sancti Petri de Linstede, et caetera de Cella de Mendham.

[Ibid. fol. 63.]

SCIANT praesentes et futuri quod ego Rogerus de Huntinfeld voluntate et assensu haereditum meorum dedi et concessi et hac mea carta confirmavi Deo et S. Mariae de Mendham et monachis de acra ibidem Deo servientibus ecclesiam S. Margaretæ de Linstede cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et medietatem ecclesiae S. Petri de Linstede cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et pasturam meam quae jacet intra alnetum monachorum et fossam meam transversariam; et ultra fossam illam medietatem prati mei scilicet undecim acras; et alnetum quoddam scilicet insulam ante molendinum Thomae de Mendham; et tertiam partem decimae domini mei in Suttorp in omnibus rebus. Et Osmundum de Suttorp cum tota sequela sua, et tenemento suo. Et quinque solidatas redditus in villa de Bradeham, scilicet decem acras terrae quas Willielmus Surdus tenet. Praeterea dedi eisdem monachis quicquid juris habui in ecclesia de Mendham. Si autem ego praedictam elemosinam praefatis monachis non potuero warrantizare, de propria haereditate mea tantum eis dabo quantum valet illud quod eis warrantizare non possum: et similiter facient haeredes mei cum ad illos haereditas pervenerit, scilicet quicquid de praedicta elemosina warrantizare non potuerint praedictis monachis, ad valentiam illius de suo proprio eis dabunt. Hanc autem donationem facio pro salute animae meae et uxoris meae et liberorum meorum et pro anima patris mei et matris meae et omnium antecessorum meorum et parentum meorum. Hiis testibus, Willielmo decano de Ridenhall, magistro Ricardo de Sotesham, Petro, Walterio, Roberto filio Rocelini, Ingelram de Gigne, Willielmo Britton, Willielmo filio Haroldi, Hustacio seniori, Alexandro de Pistrino, Richardo Porter, Willielmo de Wares, Roberto Marescallo, et multis aliis.

NUM. V.

Pro Johanne Priore de Mendham.

[Ibid.]

ROGERUS de Huntinfeld omnibus sanctae matris ecclesiae filiis ad quos praesens scriptum prevenerit salutem. Noveritis me petitione mea et voluntate et assensu domini

L. Prioris de Acra et ejusdem loci conventus, Johannem de Lindeseie ad domum meum de Mendham impetrasse priorem. Nec eum me ob hoc quæsisvisse quod apud Mendham fuerit ad monachatum receptus, vel eo quod ibi fuerit monachus factus. Hiis testibus, Iggeram de Ginnai, Johel capellano, magistro Johanne, Thoma de Huntinfeld, Eustacio seniori, Johanni de Snaringghes, Alexandro seniori, Richardo janitore, et multis aliis.

NUM. VI.

Compositio inter nos et domum de Mendham.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis notum sit quod ego Hugo prior de Acra et conventus ejusdem loci communi assensu ad petitionem Rogeri de Huntingfeld concessimus ut nullus prior de Mendham deponatur, nisi tribus de causis; scilicet inobedientia sive incontinentia, vel delapidatione domus. Et si ita evenerit quod Deus avertat quod pro aliqua prædictarum causarum deponi debeat, hoc erit concilio nostro et conventus nostri et advocati prænominati loci et conventus de Mendham. Quod si causa manifesta fuerit et in depositione illius nos et advocatus non consentiamus per episcopum et clericatum et bonos viros deponatur. Ad instituendum priorem in prædicto loco communi concilio nostro et prædicti advocati priorem idoneum instituemus. Concessimus etiam ut octo monachi viri honesti ad minus in perpetuum in eodem loco Deo serviant quorum quatuor de claustro nostro illuc transmittentur. Si unus eorum decesserit, loco defuncti, fratrem de claustro nostro illuc transmittemus. Si quis ad succurrendum metu mortis se loco prænominato dederit illic recipietur. Sanus autem si quisquam illic recipi voluerit non sine nostra licentia recipietur, et in claustro nostro edoctus. Si voluerit revertatur et tota catalla sua remaneant apud Mendham. Cum autem dono divino domus illa cœperit ampliari quo valeat conventus sustentari et ordo servari, liceat eis monachos recipere apud Mendham propria autoritate sua. Siquis illic in obedientia necessarius fuerit non amovebitur per nos nisi evidenti causa et nostra necessitate. Hiis testibus, Willielmo decano de Redenall, magistro Richardo de Shotesham, Willielmo Bryton, et multis aliis.

NUM. VII.

Carta Johannis Prioris de Mendham.

[Madox, Formul. Anglic. DCXXXVIII. p. 360.]

UNIVERSIS Christi fidelibus ad quos hoc scriptum pervenerit, frater Johannes prior beatæ Mariæ de Mendham salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra, quod cum

abbas sancti Martini de Sagio implacitaverit me in turia Domini regis coram justiciariis suis de banco apud Westmonasterium, exigendo a me sexaginta et quinque libras quæ ei aretro fuerunt de annuo redditu centum solidorum quem ei debebam, ut asserebat; ac idem abbas postmodum in eadem curia Domini regis in eodem placito inciderit in misericordiam Domini regis pro falso clamore suo: Ego prædictus Prior concessi, et per hoc scriptum obligavi me et successores meos, et domum nostram de Mendham, ad aquietandum prædictum abbatem et successores suos, versus Dominum regem de misericordia prædictâ: et nisi fecero, et misericordia prædicta versus ipsum abbatem vel successores suos venerit in demandâ, et pro eâdem distringantur, et ad ipsos inde aquietandos per ipsum abbatem vel per suos rationabiliter fuero præmunitus, concedo quod dabo eidem abbati vel successoribus suis quadraginta solidos sterlingorum infra mensem post præmunionem in formâ prædictâ michi factam. In cujus rei testimonium, has literas meas sigillo meo signatas eidem abbati fieri feci patentes. Datum Londoniæ die Veneris proximo post festum Nativitatis S. Johannis Baptistæ, anno regni regis Edwardi filii regis E. primo.

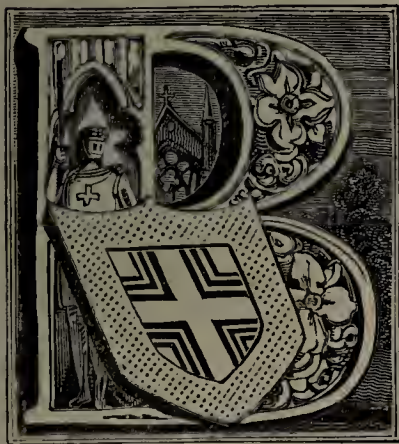
NUM. VIII.

Carta de Advocatione Prioratus de Mendham.

[Cart. Harl. antiq. 53 E. 31.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum indentatum pervenerit, nos Thomas More clericus, Thomas Wroxham clericus, et Thomas Fulmere clericus salutem in Domino sempiternam. Cum nobilis domina domina Isabella de Ufford comitissa Suff. teneat de nobis absque impetitione vasti ad totam vitam suam naturalem manerium de Huntingfeld cum omnibus suis pertinentiis, una cum advocationibus prioratus de Mendham, ecclesiarum de Huntyngheld et de Cokeleye in comit. Suff. cum feod. militum reversione inde nobis et hæredibus nostris in feodo simplici spectante: sciatis nos concessisse reversionem prædictorum manerii et advocationum et feodorum militum cum suis pertinentiis quæ post mortem naturalem prædictæ comitissæ ad nos et hæredes nostros reverti deberent remaneant Johanni de la Pole, clerico, Ricardo de la Pole, Rogero Drury militi, Willielmo Bardewell militi, et Roberto Bolton clerico et hæredibus eorum, et eorum assignatis; ita quod dicta comitissa de vasto facto et faciendo sit exonerata et soluta, tenend. de capitalibus dominis per servicia quæ ad prædicta manerium, advocationes, et feod. pertinent imperpetuum. In cujus rei testimonium præsentibus Literis indentatis partes prædictæ sigilla sua alternatim apposuerunt. Dat. die Lunæ prox. ante festum Nativitatis beatæ Mariæ Virginis anno regni regis Henrici Quarti post conquestum secundo.

Bromholm Priory in Norfolk.



ROMHOLM, or, as it is sometimes called, Baketon Priory, was founded by William de Glanvill, A. D. 1113, for certain Cluniac monks from the priory of Castleacre, to which this house was for sometime subordinate. Dugdale, says bishop Tanner, in his Baronage, vol. i. p. 423, makes Bromholm and Baketon distinct priories, which they certainly were not. But it is not clear, he adds,

whether William de Glanvill did not settle the Castleacre monks in Baketon town, and his son Bartholomew remove them to the extremity of the parish, or rather into the then neighbouring, and now united, parish of Keswick, to the place called Bromholm, where they continued till the Dissolution.^a Bromholm priory was dedicated to St. Andrew.

^a Speed and Weever mention two monasteries at Bromholm, one of Cluniacs dedicated to St. Sepulchre, the other of Benedictines, de-

Bartholomew de Glanvill's charter, confirming his father's donations, enumerates in the endowment of this monastery the land of Stanard the priest and the church of Casewic, Bromholm, the church of Dilham, the tithe of his lordship of Baketon, and two parts of the tithe of Stainges, Horham, Alreton, Langho, and Brug; also of Sneseeling, with the whole tithe of his mills in Baketon and Wilefort, two parts of the tithe of the mill of Honing, and one mill at Manesle in demesne; with the land of Herfrid the priest, and part of his wood in the mill way to Takesgate; two parts of the tithe of various homagers or tenants, whose names are enumerated; the tithe of the pannage of Baketon and Hotham; and two parts of the turbage or turbary of Swathefield. He, moreover, by way of augmentation, bequeathed to the priory, after his death, Gristcombe and all that he possessed in the fields there, with his villans, to be free and quit from all customs except Danegeld. He also gave the monks here the church of Paston with its appurtenances, with all his wood and land there, his land at Guneho, at Briges, at Aldehithe, and Lawceland, and of

dedicated to St. Andrew; but certainly without good authority.

Editha de Briges; thirty acres by the sea; a meadow at Brereholm; a marsh by Bromholm; ten other acres by the sea; and the tithe of Richard the priest of Bachetuna; all in honour of God, the Virgin Mary, and St. Andrew, for the health of his own soul, his father's, and the souls of all his friends living and dead.^a

Stephen, earl of Moreton and Bologne, afterwards King of England, becoming possessed, by grant from King Henry the First, of the lands of Robert Malet in Norfolk, and amongst them of the manor of Bromholm, as superior lord, confirmed the donations which William de Glanvill had made to his monks.^b

The Continuator of Blomfield, who appears to have had access to the Register of Bromholm, gives the following notices of benefactors subsequent to the founder and his son.

King Henry the First, he says, gave the manor of Burgh to Vincent, which Ralph, the son of Roger de Burgh or Burgo, held of him in Burgh in Lothingland by serjeanty, which serjeanty Ralph granted to Gilbert de Wesenham, and he afterwards regranted to the king, and the king confirmed the manor free to the convent, reserving the advowson to the Crown, and the dower of Alice, widow of Roger de Burgo, for her life; and, in consideration of this grant, the convent released to the king a rent-charge of five marks per annum from the exchequer, which the king had granted anno regni 29.^c

Sarah, widow of Joceline de Burgo, gave 8s. 8d. rent in Yarmouth.

John de Annok, and Milisientia his wife, gave their land with certain buildings in Yarmouth, &c.

Agnes de Rollesby gave an annual rent there of 18s. 8d.

Elstan Kemp gave four pence rent in Lodowyestoft or Lowistoft.

Walter de Blundeston gave Lambcote, and a marsh there.

Richard, son of Ralph de Paston, gave twelve pence rent in Paston.

Gilbert, son of Nicholas de Repps, gave twelve pence rent in Repps.

These grants appear to have been confirmed by King Henry III. in his eighteenth year, he and his mother being then at Bromholm.

The said king, in his thirteenth year, granted the monks a fair at Bromholm on the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross and two days after, and a weekly market on Mondays.^d

King Edward the Second, in his sixth year, in honour of God, and out of his especial devotion to the Cross of Bromholm, and for one hundred marks paid to him, confirmed to the priory the manor of Baketon, with wreck at sea and all other privileges, the monks paying 20*l.* per annum into the exchequer as a fee-farm rent for ever.^e

William de Crostweyt, son of Godfrey de Skegeton gave two parts of his tithe to this priory. The deed undated.^f

Gilbert, son of Thomas Knight of Ilketeshall gave them his tithes in Hedenham in 1252: these consisted of two garbs from the demesne of Gilbert, two garbs of the demesne of Roger de Mohaut in Cressingland, and two from the demesne of Roger de Colville of Ca . . ton.^g

Sir John de la Veile, or Velie, knight of Witton, and Lettice his wife, released all their right in the church of Hanninges for twenty marks, in the first of Edward the Third, and also in the church of Witton, and the mediety of Ridlington. The Veiles were lords of Witton.^h

King Edward the Third, in the fifteenth year of his

reign, granted a licence in mortmain for the priory to purchase the fifth part of the manor of Thomas Peche in Baketon of Henry de Sidestrand and Robert de Walesham, the manor being held by the king in capite as of his honor of Eye. Robert de Shelton clerk, and John de Hapisbergh rector of Berdwell, conveyed another part of the same manor to the monks to found a chantry in the priory church for a monk to pray for their souls.ⁱ

Pope Celestine confirmed to this house the churches of Baketon, Casewyk, Paston, Witton, and Dilham, in the first year of his pontificate.^k

Pope Gregory, in his thirteenth year, on the 15th kal. Oct. confirmed to them the appropriation of Hanninges church, a vicarage there being reserved.^l

William, prior of Acre, with his convent, for a certain annual payment, granted for ever to Bromholm the church of Witton with the tithe of the manor land.^m

Beside the churches abovementioned, in the 30th Edw. III. licence was granted to appropriate the church of Warham in Norfolk; and in the 8th of Richard II. that of Bardwell in Suffolk.ⁿ

The convent of Bromholm also held lands in fee-farm of Castleacre priory producing annual rents to the amount of fourteen marks.^o

In the 15th of Edward the First the Prior had the assize view of frankpledge, pillory, tumbrell, and wreck of sea from Mikelham to the meer that divided the hundreds of Tunstede and Happing.^p

Richard, earl of Cornwall, son of King John, and brother of King Henry the Third, as well as his son Edmund earl of Cornwall, as lords of Bromholm, were patrons of this priory.^q King Edward the Second was afterwards patron by inheritance.^r

In the 20th Edw. III. Robert Ufford, earl of Suffolk, capital lord of Bromholm, was patron; and in the 15th Hen. VI. William de la Pole, earl of Suffolk. In the latter year an agreement was made between the said William and Robert then Prior, that whereas the said prior and convent held the fifth part of the manor of Baketon called the king's part, paying yearly to the said earl and his heirs male twenty pounds; and by virtue of that part had a certain lete with view of frank pledge belonging to it valued at 34*s.* 4*d.* per annum. The prior granted to the earl the aforesaid lete, 34*s.* 4*d.* wreck of sea, &c. belonging to it for his life; and the earl covenanted to pay the said sum of 34*s.* 4*d.* to the prior out of the fee-farm of twenty pounds abovementioned. The date of this agreement was March the 1st, 14th Hen. VI.^s

The greatest profit, however, arising to the monastery of Bromholm, was derived from a celebrated Cross made from the fragments of the real Cross. It was brought to England in 1223. The story of it is related in Matthew Paris. The substance is, that an English priest who officiated in the Greek Emperor's chapel at Constantinople, having in his keeping a cross made of the wood of our Saviour's, on the death of the emperor brought it into England, and would not part with it to any monastery unless the convent would take him and his two sons into it as monks. The monastery of Bromholm complying, and setting up this cross in their chapel, there was so great a concourse of persons from all parts to reverence it, that the monastery became abundantly rich by the gifts and offerings made to it.^t Piers Plowman alludes to these pilgrimages to it in his vision:

"But wenden to Walsingham, and my wif Alis,
And byd the Roode of BROMHOLME bring me out of dette."

Miracles also are stated to have been worked upon numbers

^a See the Charter in the Append. Num. I.

^b See Num. II. ^c Blomf. Hist. Norf. vol. iii. p. 1406.

^d See the Charter in the Append. Num. VI.

^e Blomf. ut supr. ^f Ibid. p. 1408. ^g Ibid.

^h Ibid. p. 1407. ⁱ Ibid. ^k Ibid. ^l Ibid.

^m Ibid. ⁿ Ibid. p. 1408. ^o Ibid.

^p Ibid. p. 1409.

^q Compare MS. Harl. 6958, p. 206.

^r Blomf. ut supr. p. 1406.

^s Ibid. In the reign of Henry the VIIIth the patronage of this priory was possessed by the widow of John de la Pole earl of Lincoln.

^t "Eodem anno, A. D. 1223, apud Bromholm crebuerunt divina miracula, ad gloriam et honorem salutiferæ Crucis; in qua Salvator mundi pati dignatus est pro redemptione generis humani. Et quoniam

tanto thesauro Britannia in Oceano constituta divina largitate meruit beatificari, dignum est, imo dignissimum memoriis posterorum imprimere, quo ordine a tam remotis partibus in Britanniam sit delata. Verum Comes Flandrens Baldewinus, ex Cocite Constantinopolitanus Imperator effectus; ubi per multorum curricula annorum strenuè vixit, contigit illum a perfidis Regibus quodam tempore graviter infestari, contra quos cum impetu, et absque deliberatione progrediens; lignum dominicum cum aliquibus reliquiis (quæ semper ante illum a Patriarcha et Episcopis deferri consueverant, quotiescumque adversum inimicos Crucis prælium commissurus periret) hac vice portare neglexit quod eadem die experimento miserrimo recognovit. Nam dum temere cum exercitu modico, non habito respectu ad multitudinem barbarorum, qui in decuplo exercitui suo superabundabant in hostes prorupit; in momento tam ipse Imperator, quam totus ejus exercitus ab inimicis crucifixi cir-

of those who visited it. Capgrave says, that no fewer than thirty-nine persons were raised by it from the dead, and nineteen blind persons restored to sight.

In respect of the subjection of the monks of Bromholm to the priory of Castleacre, it appears that at an early period it was agreed between the convents, that the former raising the rent of the fee-farm of Witton, which they held of the monks of Acre, ten shillings a year, the latter should remit and quit all other claims whatsoever which they have upon the monks of Bromholm in the form of aids or recognitions.^a

In the year 1229, Pope Gregory the IXth, to put an end to the controversies between the priors of Lewes and Acre and the prior of Bromholm, respecting the appointment of the prior of Bromholm, referred the matter for determination to the abbat of Osolveston and the deans of Stamford and Rutland, who decreed that the prior of Acre should nominate six monks, three of Acre and three of Bromholm, out of whom the monastery of Bromholm should choose one for their prior.^b

Some years after this, Pope Celestine, by a bull dated in the fourth year of his pontificate, discharged this monastery from all subjection to that of Acre.^c

PRIORS of BROMHOLM,

From Blomfield's History of Norfolk :

VINCENT occurs prior in the reign of Henry the First. PHILIP, about 1210.

VINCENT, in the 21st Hen. III.

CLEMENT, in the 42d Hen. III.: as appears by a fine then levied between him and William de St. Omer of forty shillings in arrear, due to the prior.

cumvallati, omnes aut interfecti sunt, aut in captivitatem abducti. Pauci quoque ex omnibus qui per fugam elapsi sunt, de Imperatore quid actum sit, vel quo devenerit, penitus ignorabant. Erat autem ea tempestate Capellanus quidam natione Anglicus, qui in capella Imperatoris cum suis clericis divina celebravit mysteria; qui unus fuit ex custodibus reliquiarum, et annulorum, aliarumque rerum dicti Imperatoris. Hic itaque cum casum cognovisset de morte, ut omnes prædicabant, domini sui Imperatoris; ab urbe Constantinopolitana cum dictis reliquiis, et annulis, et rebus aliis multis, cum lapidibus pretiosis latenter recedens; ad Angliam usque pervenit. Veniensque ad S. Albanum, cuidam ibidem monacho quandam Crucem argenteam et deauratam, cum duobus digitis de S. Margareta, et annulis aureis lapidibusque pretiosis vendidit: quæ omnia nunc in monasterio S. Albani in magna veneratione habentur. Deinde dictus Capellanus de mantica sua quandam crucem ligneam extrahens, ostendit eam quibusdam monachis; de qua etiam affirmavit cum juramento, quod indubitanter erat ex ligno illo in quo Salvator mundi pro redemptione generis humani pependit. Sed quia non credebatur dictis ejus ibidem, recessit inde; thesaurum imprecabilem, licet ignotum, secum gerens. Habuit autem dictus Capellanus duos filios parvulos, de quorum sustentatione et cura nimis erat sollicitus; qua curiositate ductus, in pluribus Monasteriis tali conditione prædictam obtulit crucem; ut ipse et filii ejus reciperentur ad Ordinem Monachatus. Qui cum multis in locis inter divites repulsam passus fuisset, venit tandem ad Cellam quandam quæ Bromholm nuncupatur, pauperrimam, et ædificiis commodis destitutam, in territorio Norfolkensi sitam; et accersito ad se priore cum quibusdam de fratribus, ostendit eis Crucem supra dictam, quæ duplici ligno ex transverso fuerat fabricata, habens ferè longitudinem manus humanæ; et rogavit humiliter, quatenus cum ipsa Cruce et aliis reliquiis quas habebat, ipsum et filios suos reciperent ad Ordinem Monachorum. Prior vero et fratres ejus, de tanto exhilarati thesauro, illico procurante domino, qui honestam semper amplectitur paupertatem; dictis Capellanis adhibuerunt fidem; et lignum dominicum reverenter accipientes, detulerunt illud in Oratorium suum; et cum quanta potuerunt devotione, in loco honestissimo servaverunt. Hoc denique anno, ut prædictum est, cœperunt divina celebrari miracula, ad laudem et gloriam vivificæ crucis, in Monasterio prædicto; ubi mortuis vita, cæcis visus, claudis gressus restituitur; leprosis caro munda donatur, obsessi a dæmonibus liberantur; et quicumque infirmus cum fide ad lignum prædictum accesserit, incolumis et sanus recedit. Frequenter autem, adoratur, et colitur Crux præfata, non solum a gente Anglicana; verum etiam ab hominibus de regionibus longè positis, et qui de illa divina audierunt miracula, devotissime venerantur." Mat. Par. Hist. Angl. edit. 1684. p. 268.

Bartholomeus Cotton. Hist. Anglic. MS. Cotton. Nero C.V. "A.D. 1223. Eo tempore Peregrinatio de Bromholm incepit."

^a Compare the Instrument in the Appendix, Num. III.

^b See the "Compositio," Num. IV.

^c See the Append. Num. V.

^d Pat. 6 Edw. II. p. 2.

^e Here were originally seven or eight monks from Castleacre. In 1466, Bromholm had a prior and ten monks.

In the Pension List of 2 and 3 Phil. and Mary we have, "BROMEOLME nuper Priorat. Annuit. Johannis Godsolve militis per annum xxvj^s. viij^d. Willielmi Neve per annum xxvj^s. viij^d." VOL. V.

JOHN occurs 53 Hen. III. and 1st Edw. I.

WILLIAM DE TOTINGTON died prior 6th Edw. I. Upon April 4th in which year

WILLIAM DE WYTTON received confirmation as prior.^d

JOHN occurs 11th Edw. III.

ROBERT, 14th Hen. VI.

JOHN TYTESHALE, 1460.

JOHN MACHAM.

JOHN UNDERWOOD, 1509. He was suffragan to the bishop of Norwich by the title of JOHN *bishop of Chalcedon*.

WILLIAM LAKENHAM occurs in the 22d of Henry VIII. and was the last prior.^e

In the 26th of Henry VIII. the gross revenues of this priory were rated at 144*l*. 19*s*. 0*½d*.: the net income at 100*l*. 5*s*. 3*¼d*. per annum.^f

On June 5th in the 38th of Henry the Eighth, the king granted the site of this house, with the manor, lands, appropriated rectory, and patronage of the vicarge to Thomas Wodehouse, Esq. The grant is thus shortly noticed in the Fee Farm Roll for the county of Norfolk remaining in the Augmentation Office :

"Parcell. Terrarum et Possessionum nuper Prioratus de Bromeholme in com. Norff.

"Annualis redditus nomine decimæ partis pro scitu et maneriis de Bromeholme, Casseyk, Backton, et Wylton, ac rectoria de Casseyk et Backton in com. præd. inter alia concess. Thomæ Woodhouse armigero et hæredibus suis inperpetuum per literas patentes nuper regis Henrici octavi datas quinto die Junii anno regni sui 38^{vo}. red-

^f See Num. IX.

The following are the entries relating to Bromholm in the Taxation of A.D. 1291.

Spiritualia.

Norwic. Dioc.

Porcio in eccl. de Hedynham 10*s*. Porcio in eccl. de Rimiton 1*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. Porcio in eccl. de Walton 1*l*. Porcio in eccl. de Bromeswelle 5*s*.

Temporalia.

Archid. Norf.

In Norwico de redd. 17*s*. 7*½d*. In Bodham de redd. 6*s*. 8*d*. In Salthus de redd. 2*d*. In Geyste de redd. 3*s*. In Nortone de terra, redd. et fetu anim. 1*l*. 2*s*. 7*¼d*. In Wyntertone de redd. 11*s*. 9*d*. In Reppes de redd. 2*s*. In Gernemuta Magna de redd. 5*l*. 0*s*. 7*d*. In Corpesty de redd. 3*s*. 9*d*. In Bakunsthorp de redd. 3*s*. In Hennugham de redd. 13*s*. 5*d*. In Hoboys Magna de redd. 3*s*. In Lamesse de redd. 7*s*. 2*d*. In Felethorp de redd. 1*s*. In Hapisburg de redd. 6*d*. In Westwyck de redd. 1*l*. 15*s*. In Edmenthorp de redd. 4*s*. 2*½d*. In Sloleye de redd. 1*s*. In Ridelington de terra, redd. et turbar. 1*l*. 8*s*. 4*d*. In Walkote de redditu 17*s*. 4*½d*. In Tunstede de redditu 2*s*. 6*½d*. In Ristone de terra 9*s*. 4*d*. In Wycitone de terra, redditu molend. et fetu animalium 9*l*. 2*s*. 11*¾d*. In Pastone de terra et redd. 5*s*. 1*½d*. In Brumstede de redditu 1*s*. In Hempstede de redditu 2*s*. In Waxtonesham de redditu 2*s*. 11*d*. In Eccles de redditu 2*s*. 8*d*. In Stalham de redditu 4*s*. In Walsham de redditu 1*l*. 10*s*. In Swatfeud de redditu et turbar. 4*s*. 7*d*. In Kesewych de terra, redd. mol. et cons. 21*l*. 9*s*. 2*½d*. In Crostweyth de terra, redd. 16*s*. 2*½d*. In Baketone de terra et redd. 12*l*. 11*s*. 4*¾d*. In Worthstede de terra, redd. et mol. 5*l*. 4*s*. 2*½d*. In Dilham de terra et redd. 5*s*. 4*d*. In Hokingham de terra et redd. 11*s*. In Trimmingham de redd. 2*d*. In Trunch de redd. 4*s*. 7*½d*. In Munesle de redd. et mol. 14*s*. 1*d*. In Runtone de terra et redd. 2*s*. 7*d*. In Giningham de redd. 2*s*. In Cnapeton de redd. et cons. 1*l*. 14*s*. 3*¾d*. In Sichestrond de redd. 1*s*. In Bestone de redd. 2*s*. In Northreppes de redd. 14*s*. 11*½d*. In Wychewode de terr. et redd. 7*s*. 10*d*. In Depham de terra et fetu animal. 9*s*. 8*d*. In Morle de terr. et cons. 2*l*. 16*s*. 6*d*. In Hakeford de turbar. 1*s*. In Sweynes-thorp de redd. 3*d*.

Summa temporal. in archid. Norf. 74*l*. 17*s*. 7*d*.

Archid. Suff.

De redd. in Kessingland 10*s*. De terris in Flixton 1*s*. 10*d*. De terr. et turbar. in Lowystoft 13*s*. De terr. redd. et fetu animal. in Burg 20*l*. 14*s*. 5*d*. De terr. et redd. in Oltone 1*l*. 9*s*. 11*½d*. De terr. redd. et fetu animalium in Carlentine 6*l*. 16*s*. 2*d*. De redd. perquisit. cur. et fetu anim. 1*l*. 2*s*. 10*d*. De redd. in Wylesham 1*s*. 7*½d*. De redd. in Horham 2*s*. 6*d*. In Holesle de redd. 4*s*. De redd. in Codenham 16*s*. De terr. et fetu animalium in Wetheringham 1*l*. 1*s*. 8*d*. De redd. in Rishangles 3*s*. 4*d*. De terr. et redd. in Mendlesham 14*s*. De redd. in Berdwell 3*s*.

See the Taxat. eccles. P. Nich. IV. fol. Lond. 1802, pp. 84, 86, 91, 94, 94 b, 95, 97 b, 99, 99 b, 100, 102, 102 b, 104, 105 b, 107, 107 b, 116 b, 117, 124, 127 b, 128, 129 b, 130 b, 131.

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dendo ad festum sancti Michaelis Archangeli tantum per annum 5*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.*”

The Hon. Col. John Wodehouse, M.P. is the present possessor.

Stow cites a Chronicle of Bromholm.

Tanner says,

“*Vide* Registrum prioratus de Bromholm, nuper penes R. P. D. D. Joannem Moore episc. Eliensem, nunc in bibl. publ. acad. Cantab. MS. in folio, M m. ii. 20.

“Rot. claus. 9 Hen. III. m. 2, pro mercat. die Lunæ apud Bromholm. Claus. 10 Hen. III. m. 30, pro feria ibidem. Fin. Suff. 24 Hen. III. n. 8, de terr. et redd. in Burgo. Cart. 26 Hen. III. m. 5, pro eccl. de Burgh in Lothingland. Fin. Norf. 41 Hen. III. n. 94 et 322. Fin. Suff. 42 Hen. III. n. 32. Fin. Norf. 52 Hen. III. n. 149, pro consuet. et servitiis in Winterton et Somerton. Fin. Suff. 53 Hen. III. n. 116. Plac. coram reg. 53 Hen. III. rot. . pro maner. de Burgo. Fin. Suff. 55 Hen. III. n. 144, de terris ibid. scil. in Burgo.

“Fin. Norf. 1 Edw. I. n. 6, pro eccl. de Hanings. Ibid. n. 27, pro eccl. de Dilham. Plac. apud Norwic. 14 Edw. I. coron. rot. 45 dorso, pro libertat. in Kesewik. Assis. rot. 36, de redd. in Hevyngham. Rot. 66 dorso, de wrecco maris apud Baketon. Plac. in com. Suff. 14 Edw. I. assis. rot. 26 dorso, pro advoc. eccl. de Berdwell. Quo war. rot. 46, de libertat. in Burgo. Coron. rot. 27, de serjeantia inveniendi unum balistarium in exercitu regis in Wallia pro maner. de Burgo. Escaet. Norf. 31 Edw. I. n. 156, pro terris in Witton et Ridlington, et advoc. eccl. de Baketon. Pat. 31 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 34 Edw. I. m. .

“Cart. 6 Edw. II. n. 16, de maner. de Baketon, et privilegiis ibidem, et pro feodi firma xx^{l.} annuatim. Pat. 6 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 5, de prima fundatione, et janitore ibidem per regem constituendo tempore vacationis. Inquis. ad quod damnum Norf. 6 Edw. II. n. 123. Fin. 6. Edw. II. m. 4, pro maner. de Baketon. Fin. 7. Edw. II. m. 4. Brev. 7 Edw. II. Mich. rot. 14, pro maner. de Baketon. Inquis. Norf. 7 Edw. II. n. 62, de maner. de Baketon. Pat. 11 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 14, pro ten. in Norwico. Pat. 15 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 10.

“Pat. 1 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 24, pro reddit. octo marcarum in Massingham Magna. Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 9, pro ten. in Wode Norton et Gestwait. Ibid. m. 11, pro ten. in Baketon et Witton. Cart. 3 Edw. III. n. 11. Cart. 6 Edw. III. n. 4, pro terris in Burgo. Pat. 11 Edw. III. p. 2, m. . de xx^{l.} annuatim solvendis com. Suffolciæ pro maner. de Baketon. Pat. 16 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 16. Pat. 25 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 7 vel 8. Pat. 30 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 12, pro eccl. de Warham approprianda. Rec. in Scacc. 41 Edw. III. Trin. rot. 10, pro terris in Witton. Pat. 48 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 8, pro decima parte maner. de Baketon, et ten. in Kesewik et Witton com. Norf. et Carleton Colville com. Suff. Escaet. Suff. 48 Edw. III. n. 22.

* It is as follows :

“Sciant præsentis et futuri quod ego Ricardus filius Radulphi de Paston concessi, et dedi, et hac præsentis carta mea confirmavi Deo et ecclesiæ sancti Andreæ de Bromholm, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, duodecim denarios annuatim reddendos, scilicet quatuor denarios de servitio Claritiæ sororis meæ et hæredum suorum, scilicet de dono Nicholai fratris mei, et octo denarios de servitio Radulphi filii Warini de Bruæno [*f.* Bruario] de Knapton de dono meo de tenemento, quod tenuerunt de patre meo et de me, cum omnibus servitiis et consuetudinibus, quæ mihi vel antecessoribus meis facere debebant vel solebant, pro salute animæ meæ et pro anima Radulphi patris mei et Nicholai fratris mei, et pro animabus antecessorum meorum et successorum meorum, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, libere et quiete, et inconcusse, et ab omni servitio sæculari et exactione et demanda,

“Pat. 8 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 4, pro eccl. de Berdwell com. Suff. approprianda. Pat. 21 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 17.”

In the Lord Treasurer’s Remembrancer’s Office are these Records :

“Bromeholme Prioratus.

“Mercat et libertates. Original. 7 Hen. VII. rot. 31.

“De literis regis patentibus Thomæ Woodhouse arm. de situ maneriorum de Bromeholme et al. in com. Norfolc. fact. Pasch. Rec. 38 Hen. VIII. rot. 26.”

Hearne, in his preface to Adam de Domerham, p. lviii. has printed a Grant from Richard de Paston to the priory of Bromholm, of certain rents for keeping their Books in repair : copied from an old Leiger Book pertaining to the priory, which, Feb. 8th, 1726, was in the hands of Mr. Paston of Pauntley in Gloucestershire.^a

The SEAL of the prior, says the continuator of Blomfield, is round and large, about three inches diameter, of red wax ; the impress being the west end of the priory church. Under an arch in the centre is the figure of St. Andrew, seated, a glory round his head, his right hand elevated, and holding a cross, supposed to represent the cross or rood of the priory. Above, in an arch, is the bust of thé Virgin, with the infant Jesus in her arms. The legend, SIGILLUM . PRIORIS . ET . CONVENTUS . SCI . ANDREE . DE . BROMHOLD.

ARMS of Bromholm Priory. Tanner and Edmondson give these, as in the initial letter to the present account : *Arg.* a Cross voided *sable*, coticed of the last ; all within a bordure, *Or.* Blomfield says, *Arg.* a Cross, *gu.* upon a pedestal of three steps, with a greater and less transverse at top. Le Neve, in his MSS. says, *Arg.* a Cross, *sable*, fimbriated *Or.* upon a pedestal of one step, within a bordure *Or.*

Bromholm priory was situated in the parish of Bacton, about six miles from North Walsham.

The great gateway of entrance, a considerable portion of the church, part of what is believed to have been the kitchen of the monastery, and other indications of offices and lodgings, still remain. The priory precinct, partly walled, and partly moated, occupies about thirty acres.

The Rev. W. T. Spurdens, of North Walsham, in a letter to the editors, says, “The nave, and transepts of the church (except the west front), seem to be of the original edifice. The west front, the choir, and most of the conventual buildings are of a later date : perhaps erected when an addition was made to the fame and revenues of the house by the acquisition of the Holy Cross. The principal gate is to the north. Another gate, over the moat, is of smaller dimensions, and the arch is fallen.”

A View of the Ruins of Bromholm was published in 1738 by S. and N. Buck, which was copied into Booth’s History of Norfolk in 1779.

quem redditum præcentor prædictæ ecclesiæ de Bromholm recipiet de præfatis hominibus et hæredibus suis, ad emendationem librorum dictæ ecclesiæ de Bromholm. Scilicet ad festum sancti Lucæ Evangelistæ quatuor denarios de prædicta Claritia et de hæredibus suis, et duos denarios ad festum sancti Andreæ de servitio prædicti Radulphi [et] hæredum suorum, et duos denarios ad Pentecosten, et duos denarios ad festum sancti Michaelis, in perpetuum. Et ut hæc concessio et donatio, et cartæ meæ confirmatio firma et illæsa permaneat, eam præsentis scripto et sigilli mei appositione corroboraui, his testibus, Laurentio de Kepps, domino Gaufrido de Glanvill, Gerard de Norford, Willielmo Constabulario, et multis aliis.”

This grant, Hearne adds, was mentioned and confirmed by letters patent of King Henry the Second at Bromholm 16 Feb. anno regni xviii°.

Cartae ad Bromholmensem Prioratum in agro Norfolciensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Bartholomei de Glanvilla.

[Ex Regist. de Castleacre, fol. 62.]

NOTUM sit omnibus tam futuris quam præsentibus quod ego Bartholmeus de Glanvilla concedo et præsenti carta confirmo omnia quæ pater meus Willielmus de Glanvilla concessit, et dedit Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et sancto Andrea apostolo, et monachis de Acra apud Baketuniam Deo servantibus, ubi pater meus requiescit; scilicet terram Stanardi presbiteri de Casewic, et ecclesiam ejusdem villæ cum pertinentiis et Bromholm ubi manent. Et ecclesiam de Dilham cum appenditiis; decimam quoque maneriorum meorum, scilicet de Bakatunia totam; et duas partes decimæ de Hamges. Et similiter de Horham et de Alretuna, et de Dalingeho et de Brug de dominiis meis. Et similiter de Snesclinges. Decimam quoque molendinorum meorum de Baketuna et de Wilefort totam. Et duas partes molendini decimæ de Honinges. Et unum molendinum in Munelle in dominio. Et terram Herdfredi presbiteri in dominio. Et quandam partem meæ silvæ à via molendini usque ad Tokesgate. Et duas partes decimarum meorum hominum: scilicet avunculi mei Rogeri de Bertuna: et Galfridi presbiteri de Haninges: et Turstani dispensatoris: et Warini de Torp: et Ricardi Hurell: et Walteri Utlage; et Roberti de Buskevill: et decimam totam Ricardi filii Ketel. Et totam decimam de pannagio de Baketuna, et de Horham. Et de turbagio de Suathefeld duas partes. Et insuper incrementum quod ad finem suum delegavit, scilicet Geishoml et omnia quæ ibi habuit in agris, in hominibus, scilicet Wistan cementarium et omnes alios qui ibidem sui juris erant, solutè et quietè ab omnibus consuetudinibus præter Denegeld regis. Et insuper quod ego Bartholomeus dedi in elemosina, scilicet ecclesiam de Pastun cum pertinentiis, et cum terra silvæ, et cum terra Pastun, et cum terra de Greneho, et cum terra ad capud-briges, et terra ad Aldehithe et Lauce-lan, et terra Toche de Briges quam ipse Toche dedit in elemosinam: summa, quinquaginta et duæ acræ. Et præterea dedi eis triginta acras juxta mare. Et meum pratum de Blareholm propter decimam procurationis meæ domus, et mariscum meum juxta Bromholm. Et præterea dedi eis decem acras juxta mare. Et decimam Ricardi presbiteri de Bachetune, in honore Dei et sanctæ Mariæ et sancti Andrea apostoli, pro salute animæ meæ et animæ patris mei et omnium amicorum meorum vivorum ac defunctorum. Test. Ricardo presbitero, et Balwino decano de Caresfeld, et Radulfo capellano, et Goscelino presbitero, et Jurdano de Sakevill, Roberto de Walemer, Harveio de Glanvill, et Randulfo filio ejus, Rogero de Glanvill, et Willielmo de Glanvill, Odone de Withested, et Ricardo de Ebrardo filiis ejus, Osberto de Glanvilla, et Reginaldo de Glanvilla, et Willielmo filio Petri, et Humfrido fratre suo, et Rogero Talevaz, et Michaelae.

NUM. II.

Carta S. Comitis de Moretoil et de Bolonia.

[Ibid. fol. 61.]

S. COMES de Moretoil et de Bolonia justiciario suo de Suthfolc et de Norfolc et omnibus hominibus et fidelibus suis, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse ecclesiam de sancto Andrea de Bachetunia monachis de Acra qui sunt de ordine de Clunieio, sicuti Willielmus de Glanvilla dedit eis cum elemosinis quas dedit eis in terris et in decimis. Et terram et homines quos habebat in Gueneholm, ad finem eis dedit sexdecim solidos et unum nummum. Et volo et præcipio ut firmam pacem meam habeant per totam terram meam, et quod nullus eis disturbet nec injustum faciat. Et hoc concedo eis gratia Dei pro me et uxore mea et pro anima patris mei. Teste, Roberto vicecomite, et Roberto de Sachevill, et Ricardo capellano, et Gervasio, Rogero de Hosa, Willielmo de Uilers, Roberto clerico.

NUM. III.

Cirographum inter domum de Acra et Bromholm de annuo redditu.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsens scriptum visuris vel audituris priores de Acra monachorum et de Bromholme eorumque locorum conventus, salutem in Domino. Universitati vestræ notum fieri volumus quod cum quædam conventio orta esset inter priores de Acra monachorum et de Bromholme, et eorundem locorum conventus super auxiliis et recognitionibus quæ prior et conventus de Acra exigebant de hominibus de Wittona, quos prior et conventus de Bromholme tenent ad perpetuam firmam de prædictis priore et conventu de Acra, tandem in hunc modum mediantibus viris discretis in formam perpetuæ pacis sopita est: scilicet quod prior et conventus de Bromholme adauxerunt annuatim firmam suam quam solebant reddere priori et conventui de Acra, per decem solidos singulis annis in perpetuum reddendos: ita quod ubi prius solebant reddere tredecim marcas et octo solidos et octo denarios per annum, de cætero reddent quatuordecim marcas et quinque solidos et quatuor denarios ad tres terminos; scilicet ad festum sancti Michaelis sexaginta et quatuor solidos, ad purificationem beatæ Mariæ sexaginta et quatuor solidos, et ad Pentecosten sexaginta et quatuor solidos. Pro hac autem annuæ firmæ augmentatione prior et conventus de Acra remiserunt et quiete clamaverunt in perpetuum omnes exactiones, recognitiones, et omnes demandas et auxilia quæ prius habuerunt vel habere potuerunt erga domum de Bromholme occasione prædictæ firmæ de Witton et aliarum possessionum per cartas de Acra eis concessarum, et confirmatarum. Et ut hæc conventio et concessio inter prædictas domos perpetuam obtineat firmitatem, præsens scriptum ad modum cirografi factum utriusque domus priores et conventus sigillis suis confirmaverunt. Facta est autem hæc conventio ad festum sancti Michaelis proximum post translationem beati Thomæ martiris. Et ego Willielmus de Glanville advocatus domus de Bromholme concedo et sigilli mei appositione confirmo pro me et hæredibus meis hanc præscriptam conventionem inter præscriptas domos de Acra et de Bromholme in perpetuum. Hiis testibus, Eudone Arsic, Waltero de Capravill, Reinero de Duntun, Waltero filio Hamonis, Alni de Suthacra, Alexandro dapifero, Galfrido camerario, Willielmo de Hernigesh, Willielmo Breton, Willielmo Wdecoc, Roberto Page, et multis aliis laicis. Et clericis, Johanne de Wrdeste officiali domini Galfridi de Bukelande, magistro Samuele decano de Kepples, Nicholao capellano de Wittone, Gerardo de Hereford, magistro Radulfo de Wrstede, Petro de Hikeling.

NUM. IV.

Compositio inter nos et domum de Bromholme.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, P. Dei permissione abbas de Osolvestune, et decanus de Rotelande, salutem. Mandatum domini Papæ Gregorii IX. suscepimus in hæc verba. Gregorius episcopus servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis abbati de Osolvestune, de Stanforde, et de Rotelond decanis Lincolniensis diocesis, salutem, et apostolicam benedictionem. Dilecti filii prior et conventus de Lewes Cluniacensis ordinis sua nobis petitione monstrarunt, quod cum monachi de Bromholme ejusdem ordinis, Norwicensis diocesis, ex capitulo monasterii de Acra jam dicti ordinis, sibi debeant priorem assumere quotiens priore vacare contingit ecclesiam eorundem, ipsi nitentes vindicare sibi jus eligendi libere de suo conventu priorem, super hoc priorem et conventum præfati monasterii de Acra coram venerabili fratre nostro Roffensi episcopo et conjudicibus suis in causam, literarum piæ memoriæ Honorii Papæ prædecessoris nostri auctoritate traxerunt; unde dicti prior et conventus de Lewes quibus ipsum

monasterium de Acra subjacet, sicut dicunt, rem suam agi videntes, cum sæpediti prior et conventus de Acra factum hujusmodi non possunt deducere in iudicium sine ipsis, pro jure suo sedem apostolicam appellarunt; quorum appellationi dicti iudices humiliter detulerunt: ideoque discretioni vestre per apostolica scripta mandamus, quatinus si est ita, audiat quæ iidem prior et conventus de Lewes pro jure suo duxerint proponenda, et quod canonicum fuerit appellatione postposita statuatis, facientes quod decreveritis per censuram ecclesiasticam firmiter observari. Testes autem qui fuerunt nominati si se gratia odio vel timore subtraxerint, per censuram, eandem cessante appellatione cogatis veritati testimonium perhibere. Quod si omnes hiis exequendis non potueritis interesse duo vestrum ea nihilominus exequantur. Datum Laterani decimo septimo kalendas Maii pontificatus nostri anno primo.

Hujus Gregorii auctoritate mandati, partibus in nostra præsentia constitutis, priore et conventu de Lewes contra priorem et conventum de Bromholme proponentibus, quod cum monasterium de Bromholme monasterio Acrensi quod est specialis ipsius cella, et immediate sibi subjecta, antiquitus consueverit esse subjectum, secundum regulam sancti Benedicti et ordinem Cluniacensem; videlicet in priorem et suppriorum præficiendo et destituendo, monachos ponendo et recipiendo, unum pro alio mutando, eandem domum visitando, et prioris ejusdem visitationem recipiendo, et alia, secundum consuetudinem ordinis Cluniacensis in eadem domo corrigendo, Philippus prior et monachi ejusdem domus de Bromholm compositionem quandam cum ipsis Acrensibus, super statu et ordinatione ipsius domus de Bromholm, auctoritate abbatis de Valle Dei ejusque judicium à bonæ memoriæ Innocentii Papæ delegatorum secundum formam sigillis utriusque domus et eorundem judicium signatam inierunt. Sed ipsi Bromholmenses tam obedientiam et reverentiam quam antiquitus præfato suo monasterio Acrensi exhibere consueverant, quam formam dictæ compositionis observare postmodum recusarunt, in enorme dampnum suum, et ipsius sui monasterii Acrensis et gravamen; propter quod, secundum statuta ordinis sententia excommunicationis meruerunt innodari, unde petunt sibi justiciam exhiberi. Dicunt etiam quod dampnificati sunt tam ipsi quam domus sua de Acra per hujusmodi rebellionem ad valentiam quingentarum marcarum et amplius, super quo petunt ab ipsis Bromholmensibus sibi satisfieri; hæc dicunt salvo sibi jure addendi minuendi vel mutandi. Post multas verò altercationes inter partes hinc inde habitas, tandem lis coram nobis conquievit, ac à partibus super præmissis est compositum, et in formam perpetuæ pacis consensus, in hunc modum; videlicet, obeunte vel cedente Vincentio nunc priore de Bromholm, ac post eum quandocunque vacante prioratu de Bromholm, monachi de Bromholm infra octo dies postquam vacaverit domus de Bromholme significant priori et conventui de Acra apud Acram literatoriè et per certum nuncium vacationem domus de Bromholme. Et si fortè prior Acrensis absens fuerit, nuntiatio vacationis prioratus de Bromholme conventui de Acra facta sufficiat; et tunc prior de Acra infra mensem post nuntiationem sibi et conventui de Acra apud Acram sic factam à conventu de Bromholm, bona fide et in periculo animæ suæ sine fraude et dolo nominabit tres monachos de Acra quos magis crediderit esse ydoneos ad regimen dictæ domus de Bromholm, et tres monachos de Bromholm similiter quos magis crediderit esse ydoneos ad regimen dictæ domus de Bromholme, videlicet suppriorum de Bromholme et duos alios ejusdem domus monachos, et monachi de Bromholme infra mensem post nominationem à priore de Acra sibi literatoriè, et per certum nuncium nuntiatam, eligent et assumunt unum de sex nominatis, quem voluerint, sibi in priorem bona fide et in periculo animæ suæ secundum quod ecclesiæ suæ magis expedire prospexerint, consensu patroni sui requisito. Qui patronus sine difficultate et mora suum prædictæ nominationi et electioni præbebit assensum. Et si fortè non præstiterit non ideo minus stabunt et valebunt nominatio facta à priore Acrensi et electio facta à conventu de Bromholme vel à majori et saniori parte conventus, cui sic nominato et electo episcopus loci quod suum est impendet. Et si prior Acrensis infra mensem post nuntiatam sibi et conventui suo in forma suprascripta vacationem apud Acram à conventu de Bromholme, non nominaverit vel nominationem à se factam conventui de Bromholm non significaverit, ex tunc licebit conventui de Bromholm illa vice quem voluerit

sibi eligere in priorem, consensu patroni sui, ut supra requisito. Et si conventus de Bromholm, post nominationem sibi à priore Acrensi, in forma suprascripta factam, infra mensem, unum de sex nominatis non elegerit, tunc conventus de Bromholme assumet sibi in priorem unum de sex nominatis, quemcunque prior Acrensis voluerit illa vice, consensu patroni, ut supra, requisito. Quod si vacante prioratu de Bromholm contingat prioratum de Acra vacare vel priorem Acrensensem in transmarinis partibus moram facere, supprior de Acra cum concilio conventus Acrensis expediet ea quæ expedienda forent à priore Acrensi in hac parte. Pro procuracione autem tam à priore et conventu Lewensi quam à priore et conventu Acrensi in domo de Bromholm petita, ad quam se nullo modo teneri dicebant monachi de Bromholm, percipiet idem prior et conventus Acrensis pro bono pacis quadraginta solidos annuatim ad duos terminos, videlicet in crastino synodi Paschæ viginti solidos, et in crastino synodi sancti Michaelis viginti solidos, apud Norwicum. Item ubi prior et conventus de Bromholm soliti fuerunt solvere priori et conventui de Acra quatuordecim marcas ad quinque solidos et quatuor denarios pro possessionibus terris et redditibus quos de eisdem tenent, in posterum solvent annuatim viginti marcas de bona et legali moneta sterlingorum priori et conventui de Acra vel eorum certo nuncio terminis quibus ex antiquo redditum suum percipere consueverunt; videlicet ad purificationem beatæ Mariæ sex marcas et novem solidos. Ad Pentecostem sex marcas, octo solidos, et decem denarios. Et ad festum sancti Michaelis sex marcas et octo solidos et decem denarios. Et tam prior et conventus de Lewes quam prior et conventus de Acra omnes questiones, obedientias, exactiones, subjectiones alias à nominatione supradicto priori de Acra, vacante prioratu de Bromholme, competentes priori et conventui de Bromholm in perpetuum remiserunt, nullam obedientiam subjectionem seu visitationem hinc inde faciendam, excepta nominatione supradicta in domo de Bromholm ex; sed liberi et absoluti in omnibus aliis dicti prior et conventus de Bromholm in perpetuum remaneant, transactione inter de Acra et de Bromholm ecclesias coram abbate de Valle Dei et conjudicibus suis à domino papa delegatis, seu et aliquo jure ecclesiæ Lewensi vel Acrensi ante compositionem istam competente, non obstante. Nos vero ad petitionem auctoritate domini papæ nobis in hac parte commissam dictam compositionem confirmavimus, et sigillorum nostrorum munimine corroboramus. Acta siquidem sunt hæc in præsentia nostra apud Stanford in ecclesia beatæ Mariæ propè pontem, die Mercurii proxima ante dominicam palmarum anno ab incarnatione Domini mcccxxix. pridie idus Aprilis. Priore et conventu Lewensi, per venerabilem virum Robertum priorem Acrensensem ad componendum procuratorem sufficienter datum, comparentibus: de Acra et de Bromholm prioribus personaliter comparentibus: conventu de Acra per magistrum R. de Rokelond, et conventu de Bromholm per Borardum monachum de Bromholm ad componendum procuratores sufficienter datos comparentibus. Qui priores cum in iudicio præsentem se dictam compositionem in posterum servaturos, vel per se vel per alium procuratores quod in posterum observetur, inspectis sacrosanctis juraverunt, et huic compositioni, pro ipsis manibus subscripserunt procuratores. Et utriusque conventus tam de Acra quam de Bromholm ad hoc specialiter dati in animas fratrum suorum consimile sacramentum præstiterunt, partes subjecerunt in perpetuum nostræ, ac successorum nostrorum jurisdictioni qui pro tempore erunt. Ut et Bromholmenses ad supradictam pecuniæ annuam solutionem, et ad expensas necessarias solvendas, si quas fecerit domus Acrensis eidem domui occasione supradictæ pecuniæ suis terminis non solutæ, et utramque partem ad omnia supradicta firmiter et fideliter observanda per censuram ecclesiasticam possinius compellere. Renuntiantes omni appellationi impetratæ et impetrandæ et omni juris remedio sibi competenti. Et ad perpetuam hujus rei memoriam et securitatem forma compositionis istius tam signis nostris quam partium signata penès abbatem de Osolvestune residet. Hiis testibus, decano de Stanford, magistro R. de Cantulupo, domino G. Herford, magistro R. de Wrsistede, magistro R. de Rokelond, magistro Waltero de Suthfeld, domino R. capellano, Waltero aurifabro, Nicholao camerario, Galfrido de Whineberewe, Roberto Wardebois, et aliis.

NUM. V.

Quod Pr. de Bromholm non sit imposterum domui de Acra subjectus.

[Ex autographo in bbl. Deuvesiana.]

CELESTINUS episcopus servus servorum Dei dilecto filio nobili viro Willielmo de Glanvill advocato prioratus de Bromholm salutem, et apostolicam benedictionem. Cum teneamur de singulorum profectibus cogitare, commodis tamen eorum præcipuè qui se religioni manciparunt nos oportet intendere, et ipsorum onera quantum cum Deo possumus supportare. Audivimus siquidem quod cum antecessores tui domum quandam in fundo suo apud Bromholm intuitu divinæ pietatis fundassent, et eam possessionibus quibus fratres ibidem domino sub religionis habitu servituri possent sustentari, ditassent, monachi de Acra quia rogati duos de commonachis suis ad ipsam domum destinaverunt ut fratres ejusdem ordinis sui observantiam plenius edocerent, ipsam domum monachis suis cæcis claudis debilibus et viribus corporis destitutis onerare, et fratres observantiæ ordinis et ipsi domui accomodos ab ea extrahere et elongare non verentur. Nos verò indemnitati supradicti prioratus paterna volentes sollicitudine providere et quæ circa eum perperam attemptantur, falce correctionis apostolicæ resecare; auctoritate tibi præsentium et per te prælibatæ domui duximus indulgendum, ut supradicta domus de Bromholm ab indebita memoratorum monachorum de Acra jurisdictione et molestatione sine appellationis et contradictionis obstaculo perpetuò maneat absoluta. Adicimus etiam ut obeunte eo qui nunc temporis præfati domui prior præest, nullus ibi qualibet surreptionis astutia vel violentia præponatur nisi quem tua discretio et fratres communi consilio vel pars consilii sanioris secundum timorem Dei et beati Benedicti regulam priorem providerint eligendum. Nulli ergo omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam nostræ indulgentiæ infringere vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare præsumpserit indignationem omnipotentis Dei et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum ejus se noverit incursum. Data Romæ apud sanctum Petrum non. Maii pontificatus nostri anno quarto.

NUM. VI.

Carta Regis Henrici tertii donatorum concessionem ratificans.

[Cart. 13 H. III. m. 12.]

HENRICUS, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse, et hac carta nostra confirmasse, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, priori et monachis sancti Andreæ de Bromholm, quod ipsi, et successores eorum in perpetuum, habeant singulis annis, unam feriam apud Bromholm, duraturam per tres dies, videlicet in die exaltationis sanctæ Crucis, et per duos dies proximo sequentes; et quod habeant ibidem singulis septimanis unum mercatum per diem Lunæ, nisi feria illa et mercatum sint ad nocumentum vicinorum mercatorum, et vicinarum feriarum. Concessimus etiam eisdem monachis omnes rationabiles concessionem, et donationes eis factas à donatoribus subscriptis videlicet de dono Bartholomei de Glanvill ecclesiam de Paston, cum pertinentiis, cum terra silvæ, et cum terra de Paston, et cum terra de Grenho, et cum terra ad caput Briges, et terra de Aldelith, et Lane-land, et terra Toke de Briges, quæ quidem terræ continent liij. acras; de dono ejusdem Bartholomei xxx. acras terræ juxta mare, et pratum de Brakholm, et mariscum juxta Bromholm, et præterea x. acras juxta mare, et decimam Richardi presbiteri de Baketon. De dono Stephani de Glanvill ecclesiam de Baketon, cum pertinentiis, et Ailwardum ad portam, cum uxore ejus, et liberis, et toto tenemento suo; de dono Randulfi de Glanvill triginta solidatas terræ, et unum molendinum, cum pertinentiis in Scaldeford. De dono Willielmi de Glanvill boscum de Baketon, et unam acram, et unam rodam terræ, et dimidiam juxta mare, et stagnum quod vocatur Thuresmere juxta cimiterium de Casewick. Et terram de Geillholm cum pertinentiis suis, et cum toto reddito ejusdem terræ scilicet, septem solidos, et tres denarios; de dono Galfridi de Glanvill, annuum redditum dimidiæ marcæ, percipiendum de servitiis, et tenementis quæ in carta prædicti Galfridi, quam inde habent plenius continentur; quare volumus (&c.) quod prædicti prior et monachi de Bromholm, et eorum successores ha-

beant et teneant prædictam feriam et mercatum apud Bromholm bene, et in pace, liberè, quietè cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus, ad hujusmodi feriam et mercatum pertinentibus, sicut prædictum est; et quod habeant, et teneant omnes concessionem, et donationes prænomatas, bene, et in pace, liberè quietè et integrè, cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus ad prædictas terras et tenementa pertinentibus, sicut cartæ prædictorum donatorum, quas inde habent, rationabiliter testantur. Hiis testibus, J. Bathon. L. Dunelm. et W. Carliol. episcopis (&c.) Dat. per manum R. Cicestr. episcopi (&c.) apud Westmonasterium xiiij. die Febr.

NUM. VII.

Compositio inter Willielmum Abbatem S. Benedicti de Hulmo et Priorem et Conventum de Bromholm de libero accessu ad fontes de Burgo in Luthinglond.

[E. Registr. S. B. de Hulmo, MS. Cotton. Galba E. II. fol. 122 b.]

HÆC est convectio facta inter dominum Willielmum abbatem sancti Benedicti de Hulmo et ejusdem loci conventum ex una parte et Clementem priorem et conventum de Bromholm ex altera, videlicet quod prædictus prior et conventus de Bromholm concesserunt pro se et successoribus suis præfatis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus liberum accessum annuatim ad fontes suos in Burgo in Luthinglond qui vocantur Ebbewelles, et quod inde aquam sufficientem possint haurire tantummodo ad aquationem bidentum pascentium in duobus mariscis juxta ripam de Norwyc jacentibus qui vocantur Suthcotes quorum unus jacet juxta Ravenesnes ex parte australi fluminis, et alius ex parte aquilonali fluminis versus Redham. Pro quibus accessu et aquæ haustu prædicti abbas et conventus tenentur singulis annis quamdiu aquam ibidem perciperint in duobus caseis de melioribus dictorum mariscorum ad tempus medii Maii præfatis priori et conventui de Bromholm persolvendis. Ita videlicet quod si ex parte prænominatorum abbatis et conventus cessatum fuerit in solutione prædictorum caseorum ad terminum antedictum, liceat sæpeditis priori et conventui de Bromholm vel eorum servienti impune eisdem aquam denegare donec eisdem de prædictis caseis plenarie fuerit satisfactum. In cujus rei testimonium alternis scriptis in modum cyrographi confectis Partes signa sua apposuerunt. Hiis testibus, domino Willielmo de Stalham, domino Rogero de Wltertune militibus, &c. Act. apud sanctum Benedictum die Veneris proxima ante cathedram sancti Petri anno Domini millesimo ducentesimo quinquagesimo secundo.

NUM. VIII.

Plac. de Quo Warranto, Com. Suff. an. 14 Edw. I.

[Ex orig. in Domo Capitul. Westmon. asservato.]

Prior de Bromholm summonitus fuit ad respondendum domino regi de placito quo waranto clamat habere visum franciplegii, emendas assisæ panis et cervisiæ fractæ, warrennam, et wreccum in Burgo in Luthinglond, quæ ad Coronam, &c.

Et prior per attorn. suum venit et dicit quod quidam Radulphus filius Rogeri de Burgo aliquo tempore tenuit ten. ad quæ clam. prædictas libertates pertinere de domino Rege Henrico patre domini regis nunc in capite per serjeantiam; qui quidem Radulphus postea dimisit et concessit prædicta ten. cuidam Gilberto de Wesenham et hæredibus suis, qui quidem Gilbertus postea reddidit prædicta ten. prædicto domino Henrico regi tenenda sibi et hæredibus suis, et quod dem dominus Henricus rex postea dedit et concessit prædicta ten. cuidam Vincentio quondam priori prædictæ ecclesiæ prædecessori prædicti Prioris tenenda et habenda eidem priori et successoribus suis in perpetuum cum omnibus pertinentiis bene, in pace, et adeo integre sicut prædictus Radulphus vel aliquis prædecessorum suorum aliquando tenuerunt in dominicis, redditibus, escaetis, et rebus aliis in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, salva eidem domino Henrico regi et heredibus suis advocatione ecclesiæ ejusdem manerii de Burgo. Et profert cartam ipsius domini Henrici regis quæ hoc idem testatur, et dicit quod prædictus Radulphus et heredes sui habuerunt prædictas libertates, et eo waranto eas habere clamat.

Et Willielmus de Gyselham qui sequitur pro domino rege dicit quod prædictus Radulphus nec antecessores sui

umquam prædictas libertates habuerunt, et hoc petit quod inquiratur per patriam. Et Prior similiter. Ideo fiat inde Jur.

Juratores dicunt super sacramentum suum quod prædictus Radulphus filius Rogeri fuit in seisinâ de prædictis libertatibus, &c. rot. 46.

NUM. IX.

Carta Regis Edwardi Secundi de Manerio de Baketone Monachis de Bromholme concessa.

[Cart. 3 Edw. III. n. 11, per Inspex.]

EDWARDUS Dei gratiâ rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, &c. Sciatis nos ad honorem Dei, et ob specialem devotionem quam habemus ad gloriosam crucem, per quam Altissimus domum monachorum de Bromholme, prout sibi placuit, visitavit; necnon et pro centum marcis, quas dilectus nobis in Christo prior dicti loci nobis solvit, dedisse, &c. præfato priori et conventui ejusdem loci, manerium de Blaketone, cum pertinentiis, juxta Bromholme in com. Norff. quod per mortem Edmundi quondam comitis Cornubiæ, ad manus celebris memoriæ domini E. genitoris nostri, devenit; et quod in valorem xij^{li}. xix^s. vij^d. et unius quadrantis per annum, Margaretæ quæ fuit uxor præfati Edmundi, in dotem habendum per dictum patrem nostrum, fuit assignatum; et per mortem ejusdem Margaretæ in manu nostrâ jam existit. Habendum et tenendum eisdem priori et conventui, et successoribus suis, de nobis et hæredibus nostris, ad feodi firmam imperpetuum, cum wrecco maris, visu franciplegii, et omnibus aliis ad manerium illud pertinentibus. Reddendo inde nobis et hæredibus nostris, per annum, ad scaccarium nostrum xx^{li}. &c. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum nostram apud Wynedsor. xvj. die Apr. anno regni nostri sexto.

NUM. X.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

PRIORATUS DE BROMEOLME.

WILLMO LAKENHAM Pior' iñm.

Valet viz. in Sp'ual' in

Com' Norff'. viz.

RECTORIA de Caswyk, valet in decimis garbar' et aliis minut^s. dec' pochian' p debit' exāiac' . 3l. 11s. 2½d.

Rectoria de Bakton, val' in decimis garb' p an^m. 3l. 18s. 0d.

Rector' de Dilham, valet ad firm' p annū 6l. 13s. 4d.

Rectoria de Honynge, valet ad firm' p an^m. 5l. 6s. 8d.

Rectoria de Paston, val' ad firm' p annū 8l. 0s. 0d.

Rectoria de Witton, valet ad firm' p annū 7l. 0s. 0d.

Rectoria de Tuttyngton, valet ad firm' p annū 2l. 13s. 4d.

Oblaciones ad Scām Crucem infra dēm p'oratu' p debit' exāiac' inde hit' . 5l. 12s. 9d.

Penciones rec' annuatim, viz.

De rectore de Walcote 13s. 4d. Rectore de Redelyngton 3s. 4d. Rectore de Crostwhite 3s. 4d. Rectore de Knapton 6s. 8d. Monast'io Sçi Bñdci de Hulmo p ecclia de Berton 8s. 4d. Rectore de Hedenham 4s. Rector' de Alderton 10s. Rectore de Bromswell 1s. Et de rectore de Dalynghoo 2s. P annū p debit' exāiac' inde hit' 2l. 12s. 0d.

Com' Suff'. viz.

Rectoria de Carleton Colvyll, valet ad firm' p annū p debit' exāiac' inde hit' . 4l. 0s. 0d.

Rector' de Bardewell, valet ad firm' p an^m. 8l. 0s. 0d.

Porciones anti' rec' viz. de rectore de Wrentham 12s. Et rectore de Horreham 5s. P debit' exāiac' inde hit' 17s. 58l. 4s. 3½d.

Tempal' in Com' Norff'.

Mañiu' de Bromeholme cū Caswyk, valet p annū viz. in reddit' et firm' 13l. 9s. 4½d. Tolnet' nundinar' coibz annis 1l. 4s. 0½d. Et pquis' cur' 1l. 18s. 5d. P debit' exāiac' 16l. 11s. 9½d.

Mañiu' de Bakton, valet p an^m. viz. in reddit' et firm' 24l. 4s. 8d. Bosco expedito in hospicio dci prioris de cres-

cencia infra dēm mañiū 2l. 13s. 11½d. Et pquis' cur' cū leta et turno coibz annis 2l. 1s. 5d. P debit' exāiac' inde hit' 29l. 0s. 0½d.

Mañiu' in Wursted, val' p an^m. viz. in reddit' et firm' 3l. 14s. 7½d. Et pquis' cur' coibz annis 7s. 11½d. P debit' exāiac' 4l. 2s. 7½d.

Mañiu' de Wytton, val' p an^m. viz. in reddit' et firm' 11l. 3s. 10½d. Et pquis' cur' coibz annis 1l. 6s. 10d. P debit' exāiac' inde hit' 12l. 10s. 8½d.

Mañiu' in Northe Walsham, in val' p annū viz. reddit' 1l. 6s. 1½d. Et pquis' cur' coibz annis 5s. 1½d. P debit' exāiac' inde hit' .

Mañiu' in Swaffelde valet p an^m. viz. in redd' 1l. 7s. 6½d. Et pquis' cur' coibz annis 14s. 6d. P debit' exāiac' inde hit' .

Mañiu' in Knapton val' p an^m. viz. in reu 1l. 11s. 6d. Et pquis' cur' coibz annis 11s. 8d.

North Reppes valet in reddit' p annu' 0l. 17s. 11½d.

Woodenorton valet in reddit' p annu' 1l. 1s. 4d.

Wynterton valet in reddit' p annu' . 0l. 9s. 4d.

Estsomerton valet in reddit' p annu' 0l. 1s. 0d.

Brundale valet in reddit' p annu' . 0l. 4s. 0d.

Dylham valet in reddit' p annu' . 0l. 0s. 7½d.

Hempsted valet in reddit' p annu' . 0l. 3s. 0d.

Mondisley valet p an^m. viz. in reddit' 0l. 1s. 9d.

Redelinton valet in reddit' p annu' 0l. 4s. 5d.

Gymynggham valet in reddit' p annu' 0l. 1s. 8d.

Mañiu' in Carleton Colvill valet p an^m. viz. in reddit' 4l. 16s. 11½d. Et pquis' cur' coibz aunis 10s. 4d. P debit' axāiac' . 5l. 7s. 3½d.

Mañiu' de Burghe Castell val' ad firm' p annu', p debit' exāiac' inde hit' . 19l. 10s. 0d.

Okkolt valet in reddit' p annu' . 0l. 5s. 0d.

Horham valet in reddit' p annu' . 0l. 2s. 6d.

Risesangill valet in reddit' p annu' . 0l. 3s. 4d.

96l. 14s. 9½d.

154l. 19s. 1½d.

Allocat' Deduct' scdm stat' inde edit' Penc'.

Solut' monastio sçi Bñdci de Hulmo p ecclia de Honyng 2l. 5s.; et eidm monasterio p ecclia de Paston 2l. 5s. Vicario de Paston 2l. 6s. 8d. Et vicario de Witton 2l. P debit' exāiac' inde hit' . 8l. 16s. 8d.

Epo Norwic' p ecclia de Bardewell p annu' 1l. 0s. 0d.

Sinodal'.

Solut' epo Norwicen' p ecclia de Caswyk 0l. 1s. 4d.

Peurac'.

Solut' arcño Norff' p ecclis de Caswik 6s. 8d. Paston 6s. 8d. Witton 6s. 8d. Et Bardewell 6s. 8d. P annu' p debit' exāiac' inde hit' . 1l. 6s. 8d.

Reddit' Resolut', viz.

Extra mañiu' de Bakton, viz. duci Suff' 20l.; et eidm duci p le Castelwarde coibz annis 2s. 1½d. Georgio Heydon armigo ut mañio suo de Mondisley p an^m 3s. 4d. 20l. 5s. 5½d.

Extra Wursted, viz. dño regi p le Hundred' Shott 2d. Et Leonardo Spencer ut mañio suo de Wursted 10d. P annu' . 0l. 1s. 0d.

Extra Witton, viz. Leonardo Spencer ut mañio suo de Wytton p annu' . 0l. 0s. 5½d.

Extra Carleton Colvill, viz. Willmo Kyngston m^{ti} ut mañio s' de Mutforde p an^m . 0l. 3s. 4d.

Prior' de Castleacre p mañiis pñcis p an^m 15l. 6s. 8d. 35l. 16s. 8d.

Feod' viz.

Willmi Paston m^{ti} caplis sen^{li} p annu' 1l. 6s. 8d. Thomæ Angose subsenescalli p annu' 2l. 13s. 4d. Thomæ Neve auditor' p annu' 1l. 6s. 8d. Roñti Hollonde ballivi diſs' mañior' p an^m 2l. Thomæ Marshe balli de Northerppis p an^m 2s. 6d. Thomæ Folkarde balli de Carleton, Okkolt, Horham, et Risesangills p annu' 3s. 4d. 7l. 12s. 6d.

54l. 13s. 10d.

Et reman' clare p annu' . 100l. 5s. 3½d.

X^a inde . 10l. 0s. 6½d.

NUM. XI.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Transcript of Roll 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

Terræ et Possessiones nuper Monasterio de Bromeholme pertinentes.

DE aliquo proficuo proveniente sive crescente de exitibus sive proficuis dominiorum sive maneriorum de Bromeholme, Casewyke, Backeton, Worsted, Wytton, North Walshame, Swaffeld, et Knapton, in comitatu Norfolciæ, ac maneriorum de Carleton Colvyle et Bourgh Castell, cum pertinentiis, in com. Suffolc. necnon rectoriarum de Casewyke, Baketon, Dylhame, Hounge, Paston, Wytton, et Tuttyngton, in dicto com. Norfolc. cum omnibus et singulis suis pertinentiis et commoditatibus universis, tam temporalibus quam spiritualibus, monasterio prædicto quovismodo spectantibus. quæ per Rogerum Towneshend militem et alios commissionarios domini regis ibidem extenduntur ad annualem valorem 123*l*. 16*s*. 7*d*. ob. clare, ultra omnes reprisas per annum, videlicet infra tempus hujus compoti non respondet eo quod Willielmus Lakenhame nuper abbas dudum monasterii prædicti omnia exitus et proficua dominiorum, maneriorum, terrarum, et tenementorum, rectoriarum, et al. profic. eorundem et eorum cujuslibet infra tempus hujus computi acciden. et debit. habuit et percepit versus custus et expensas hospitii sui nuper monasterii prædicti per totum tempus hujus computi et usque 29 diem Januarii extunc prox. sequen. de quo die dictum nuper monasterium dissolvebatur ex recognitione dicti nuper abbatis per sacramentum suum coram commissionariis domini regis ibidem, et prout eisdem commissionariis tempore dissolutionis dicti nuper monasterii super visum et examinationem librorum et rotulorum dicti nuper abbatis per eosdem commissionarios vis. et examinat. penesque auditorem dicti domini regis ibidem adhuc rem. manifeste constabat et apparebat.

NUM. XII.

Paper Surveys, temp. Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.

PRIORATUS DE BROMHOLME.

WILLMO LAKENHAM Priore iſm valet.

..... de Casewyke, &c. 37*l*. 2*s*. 6*d*. ob.
..... crucem infra dict. &c. 5*l*. 12*s* 9*d*.
.....
..... re^t. annuatim, viz. de rectore de 13*s*. 4*d*. et de rectore de Redelington 3*s*. 4*d*. R^cõre de Crostweite 3*s*. 4*d*. ,
Rectore de Knapton 6*s*. 8*d*. Monastio s^ci Bened^ci de Hulmo p ecclia de Berton 8*s*. 4*d*. 2*l*. 12*s*. 0*d*.
R^cõre de Hedenham 4*s*. R^cõre de Alderton 10*s*. Rectore de Bromswell 1*s*. Et de r^cõre de Dalynghoo 2*s*. In toto p annu. p debit. examiac. inde hit.

Com. Suff. viz.

Diſs. rect. iſm sequen. videſt rectoria de Carleton Colvyle 4*l*. et rect. de Berdewell 8*l*. In toto p annu. 12*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*.
Porcõnes re^t. annuati. viz. de rectoria de Brentham 12*s*. et de r^cõre de Horreham 5*s*. In toto p annu. 0*l*. 17*s*. 0*d*.
58*l*. 4*s*. 3½*d*.

Com. Norff.

Tempal. in

Man. de Bromeholme cu. Caswyke valet p annu. in reddit. et firm. 13*l*. 9*s*. 4*d*. q. Tolnet. nundinar. coibz annis 1*l*. 4*s*. 0½*d*. Et pquis. cur. 1*l*. 18*s*. 5*d*. In toto p annu. 16*l*. 11*s*. 10¾*d*.
Mañiu. de Bakton valet p annu. viz. in reddit. et firm. 24*l*. 4*s*. 8*d*. Bosc. expendit. in hospicio d^ci prioris de crescentia infra d^cm mañiu. 2*l*. 13*s*. 11½*d*. Et pquis. cur. let. et turn. coibz annis 2*l*. 1*s*. 5*d*. In toto p annu. 29*l*. 0*s*. 0½*d*.

Mañiu. de Worstede valet p annu. viz. in reddit. et firm. 3*l*. 14*s*. 7¾*d*. et pquis. cur. coibz annis 7*s*. 11½*d*. In toto p annu. 4*l*. 3*s*. 7¼*d*.
Mañiu. de Wytton valet p annu. viz. in reddit. et firm. 11*l*. 3*s*. 10½*d*. pquis. cur. coibz annis 1*l*. 6*s*. 10*d*. In toto p annu. 12*l*. 10*s*. 8½*d*.
Mañiu. in Northwalsham val. p an^m, viz. in reddit. et firm. 1*l*. 6*s*. 1½*d*. et pquis. cur. coibz annis 5*s*. 1¼*d*. In toto p annu. 1*l*. 11*s*. 2¾*d*.
Mañiu. de Swaffelee valet p annu. videſt in reddit. 1*l*. 7*s*. 6½*d*. et pquis. cur. coibz annis 14*s*. 6*d*. In toto p annu. 2*l*. 2*s*. 0½*d*.
Mañiu. in Knapton val. p annu. viz. in re^a 1*l*. 11*s*. 6*d*. et pquis. cur. coibz annis 11*s*. 8*d*. In toto p annu. 2*l*. 3*s*. 2*d*.

Reddit. in diſs. villis et villat. sequen. viz. Northroppis 17*s*. 11½*d*. Woodnorton 1*l*. 1*s*. 4*d*. Winterton 9*s*. 4*d*. Estsomerton 1*s*. Brundale 4*s*. Dylham 7½*d*. Hempstede 3*s*. Mondisley 1*s*. 9*d*. Redelyngton 4*s*. 5*d*. Et Eymyngham 1*s*. 8*d*. In toto 3*l*. 5*s*. 1*d*.

Com. Suff. viz.

Mañiu. in Carleton Colvyle valet p annu. viz. in reddit. 4*l*. 16*s*. 11½*d*. et pquis. cur. coibz annis 10*s*. 4*d*. In toto p annu. 5*l*. 7*s*. 3½*d*.
Mañiu. de Burgh Castell valet ad firm. p annu. p debit. examiacõem inde hit. 19*l*. 10*s*. 0*d*.
Reddit. in diſs. villis et villat. sequen. videſt in Okkolte 5*s*. Horham 2*s*. 6*d*. Ryseangill 3*s*. 4*d*. In toto p annu. 0*l*. 10*s*. 10*d*.
96*l*. 14*s*. 9¾*d*.
154*l*. 19*s*. 1¼*d*.

Allocat. et Deduct. scdm. stat. inde edit. Penc.

Solut. eſo Norwici p ecclia de Bradwell 1*l*. Monastio s^ci Bnd^ci de Hulmo p ecclia de Honyng. 2*l*. 5*s*. Eidm monastio p ecclia de Paston 2*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. Et vicar. de Wytton 2*l*. In toto p annu. 9*l*. 16*s*. 8*d*.

Sinodal.

Solut. eſo Norwicen. p eccliis de Caswyke p annu. 0*l*. 1*s*. 4*d*.

Procurac.

Solut. archno Norff. p eccliis de Caswyke 6*s*. 8*d*. Paston 6*s*. 8*d*. Wytton 6*s*. 8*d*. et Bradwell 6*s*. 8*d*. In toto p annu. p debit. examiacõem inde hit. 1*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*.

Reddit. Resolut. viz.

Extra mañium de Bakton, viz. duci Suff. 20*l*. et eidm duci p le Castelwarde coibz annis 2*s*. 1½*d*. Georgio Heydon armigo ut mañio suo de Mondisley 3*s*. 4*d*. In toto p annu. 20*l*. 5*s*. 5½*d*.
Extra Worsted, viz. dño regi p le hundred shott 2*d*. et Leonerdo Spencer ut mañio suo de Wurstede 10*d*. In toto p annu. 0*l*. 1*s*. 0*d*.
Extra Witton, videſt Leonerdo Spencez ut mañio suo de Witton p annu. 0*l*. 0*s*. 2½*d*.
Extra Carleton Colvyle, viz. Willmo Kyngeston militi ut mañio suo de Mutforde p annu. 0*l*. 3*s*. 4*d*.
Priori de Castelacr. p mañiis pdict. p annu. 15*l*. 16*s*. 8*d*.
35*l*. 16*s*. 8*d*.

Feod. viz.

Willi Paston mil. capifſis sen^{li} p annu. 1*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. Thomæ Angose subsen^{li} p annu. 2*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. Thomæ Neve audit. p annu. 1*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. Roſti Hollonde baſſi diſs. mañior. p annu. 2*l*. Thomæ Marshe baſſi de Northreppis p annu. 2*s*. 6*d*. Thomæ Folkarde baſſi de Carleton, Okkolte, Horham, et Risesangills p annu. 3*s*. 4*d*. 7*l*. 12*s*. 6*d*.
Et reman' clare p annu. 100*l*. 5*s*. 3¼*d*.
Decima inde 10*l*. 0*s*. 6½*d*.

Priory of Normannesberch, in the Parish of South Reinham, in Norfolk:

A Cell to Castleacre.



THE Register of Castleacre supplies the chief Deeds which illustrate the history of this priory.

Godfrey or Geffrey de Lisewis, it appears, granted to the monks of Acre a cell which had been built by his father William de Lisewis in the place called Normannesberch, in honour of St. Mary and St. John the Evangelist, with all that his father had given to the church and

canons of that place;^a consisting of seventy-six acres, all the land of Medele, the land of Francheshoc, some other parcels of land, and the hermitage of Wigenhale; reserving from his donations here to himself and his heirs nothing but the prayers of the monks in the two churches of Acre and Normannesberch, but stipulating that the monks of Acre should celebrate divine service at Normannesberch by three monks at least. Godfrey de Lisewis himself gave, in this charter, for the further support of the monks, the church of South Reinham, nine acres in Gerdel, and two nativi with their goods and families.^b

In a second charter Geoffrey de Lisewis granted to the priory of Castleacre thirteen acres and a rood of land, eight acres and a rood of which were called Caldewelleil, and five acres of which lay in the field called East Girdele in South Reinham: he also, in this charter, confirmed to them the liberties which they possessed in the cell of Normannesberch, granted them a foldcourse in all the lands belonging to the church of Normannesberch, and renewed his confirmation of the different grants of William de Lisewis his father.^c

In a third charter Geoffrey de Lisewis granted to the church of Acre twenty-four acres of Land in Kiptune Blakehoe.^d

Geoffrey de Lexon gave to the monks of St. John the Evangelist here a rent of twelve pence in Reinham. This seems to be the same donation which the continuator of Blomfield ascribes to Geoffrey de Lisewis, as rent due from Gilbert Pauvere.^e

Tanner dates the foundation of the priory of South Reinham about A. D. 1160.

Aveline daughter of Richard de Oxewic, John Gun-

nild, Roger son of Giles de Patesley chaplain, Geoffrey de Longvile, and Richard son of William de Ingaldesthorp are all chronicled by the continuator of Blomfield as minor benefactors to this house.^f

In the Taxation of Pope Nicholas A. D. 1291 we have the following enumeration of the temporalities of this priory:

"Bona Prioris de Normanberg.

	£.	s.	d.
In Brisel de redd.	0	2	6
In Oxewyk de redd.	0	14	6
In Godewyck de redd.	0	3	0
In Reynham sancti Martini de terra et redd.	4	14	4
In Reynham sanctæ Mariæ de terra et redd.	0	6	6

Summa 6 0 10^g

This priory was valued at the Dissolution with Castleacre.

PRIORS of NORMANNESBERCH.

ROGER occurs prior in an Instrument of the time of King Henry the Second.^h

SIMON was prior in the 12th of Hen. II.ⁱ

HUGH occurs A. D. 1204.^k

SIMON occurs A. D. 1227.^l

The duke of Norfolk had a grant of this priory at the Dissolution, and in 1554, on March 4th, died seised of it. But in the 33d of Henry VIII. it was in the king's hands, and farmed of the king, called the manor of Lewsewiss. Afterwards it came to the Townsends; and, in 1564, Roger Townsend held all those lands, late the duke of Norfolk's, called Normansburgh.^m

The present possessors are the Marquis Townshend's trustees: Lord John Townshend, and Robert Blake, Esq.ⁿ

Tanner says,

"Vide cartas septem originales ad hoc cœnobiolum spectantes, penes v. cl. Petrum Le Neve arm. Norroy, scil. 1. Simonis prioris et conventus Philippo rectori de Godewic, pro quatuor acris et dimid. terræ in Godwic, 12 Hen. II. 2. Ricardi fil. Willielmi de Ingolsthorp, de duobus mariscis in South Reinham. 3. Avelinæ fil. Ricardi de Oxivic. 4. Manseri le Panmer de Brecham. 5. Gazelini fil. Ri-

^a Bishop Tanner suspected that the first foundation of this house by William de Lisewis was for a Prior and CANONS, as a distinct establishment, and that afterwards Godefridus de Lisewis gave it to the prior of Castleacre, obliging that house to maintain MONKS here. Nothing, however, occurs in the Register of Castleacre to corroborate this conjecture. In fol. 54 there are three charters from William de Lisewis to that monastery, bestowing lands and tithes in Reinham, but without any direct mention of the Ccll.

^b See the charter in the Appendix, Num. I. The witnesses to this charter are, William prior of Lewes, Richard Coleman, Alexander the prior's notary, Philip de Mortimer, his "socii," (that is, his monks) Eustace the clerk, John and Godfrey le Halent, Geoffrey the chamberlain, and one or two more, with Seman the cook, and Hamo the earl's servant. The following is the comment upon this List by the continuator of Blomfield, as to the date of the foundation of this priory: "From this," he says, "it appears first, that Godfrey (de Lisewis) had a lordship in South-Reinham, and by this grant gave part of it to this Priory, which became also a lordship: secondly, we may have some knowledge of the time of this grant; Philip de Mortimer, who was at this time one of the chief monks of Lewes, was after Prior of Castleacre, and occurs so in 1203, so that it is probable it was in the time of King Henry the Second: thirdly, it is likely Hamon, the earl's servant here mentioned, was servant to the Earl Warren, whose ancestors founded the priories of Lewes and Castleacre. It is probable that the family of Lisewyse might hold some fees or lands under the Earl Warren."

^c See the charter, Num. II.

^d See Num. III.

^e The following is the Instrument: "Sciant præsentēs et futuri quod ego Godefr. de Lexon, consilio et assensu Matildis uxoris meæ et hæredum meorum, do et concedo, et hac mea carta confirmo, Deo, et sancto Johanni Evangelistæ, et monachis ibidem servientibus, xij^d. redditus de redditu Ogeri le Palmer: scilicet iij^{or}. d. ad florid. pasch. ad festum S. Joh. Bapt. iij^{or}. d. ad fest. S. Mich. iij^{or}. d. in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, pro Dei amore et pro salute animæ meæ et antecessorum meorum et hæredum meorum. Hiis testibus, Yvone capellano, Willielmo de Bec, Willielmo de Lechesham, Godefrido le Camberleng, Johanne de Helhet, Godefr. de Helhet, Drocone filio Goderici, Rogero de Lexon, Seman coco, Roberto de Palle, et multis aliis." Reg. de Castelacr. fol. 54 b.

^f Blomf. Hist. Norf. vol. iii. pp. 828, 829. The original grant from Richard the son of William de Ingaldesthorp of two pieces of marsh land in South Reinham is still preserved among the charters presented to the British Museum by Lord Frederick Campbell, Cart. antiq. Mus. Brit. L. F. C. v. 9. It was formerly Le Neve's.

^g Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. fol. 1802, p. 113 b. See duplicate entries in that Taxation, pp. 98, 98 b. The Valuation of the temporalities of this priory, according to Tanner, who quotes one of Anstis's manuscripts, remained the same in 1428. Tann. Notit. Mon. Norf. xlix. Note^k.

^h See Num. V. This prior styles himself in papal language "Servus servorum Dei, prior humilis de Reinham."

ⁱ See Tanner's references in the present page.

^k Blomf. ut. supr. p. 829.

^l Ibid.

^m Blomf. ut. supr.

ⁿ Taylor, Index Monast. p. 17.

cardi Derebhaut. 6. Rogeri fil. Egidii de Patisle. 7. Galfridi filii Rogeri de Longvil.

“Fin. Norf. 12 Hen. III. n. 131, de advoc. eccl. de South Reinham: n. 132, de molendino ibidem.”

Normannesberch is situated in the hundred of Gallow and parish of Reinham St. Martin, within the liberty of the duchy of Lancaster, about two miles from Weasenham.

Cartae ad Normannesberch, alias Reinhamensem Pri- oratum, in agro Norfolciensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Godefridi de Lisewis.

[Ex Regist. de Castelacre, fol. 54.]

VENERABILI patri et domino suo Johanni Dei gracia Norwicensi episcopo, et archidiaconis et decanis et universis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, tam præsentibus quam futuris, Godefridus de Lisewis, salutem. Noverit dilectio vestra me concessisse et dedisse et hac mea carta confirmasse, assensu Matildis uxoris meæ, Willielmi hæredis mei, et omnium liberorum meorum, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Acra cellam in fundo meo quam Willielmus pater meus de Lisewis fundavit in loco qui dicitur Normannesberh, in honore beatæ Dei genetricis Mariæ et sancti Johannis Evangelistæ, in liberam et quietam et perpetuam elemosinam: dedi etiam prædictis monachis, et hoc scripto confirmavi, quicquid pater meus prius ecclesiæ et canonicis illius loci dedit; videlicet sexaginta et sex acras terræ et decem acras quas pater meus eis accrevit: et totam terram de Medele, et totam terram de Francheshoe; et totam terram quæ jacet inter croftam Selunæ, et terram Richardi de Boct in South-Reinham, et dimidiam acram turbariæ quæ jacet contra Meteles, et heremitorium de Wigehale quod Johannes heremita tenuit, cum omnibus pertinentiis; et tertiam partem cujusdam turbariæ quam Alfricus filius Kideman tenuit quæ est juxta prædictum heremitorium. Hæc omnia volo ut prædicti monachi teneant liberè, quietè et pacificè, sine omni exactione, et consuetudine et servitio seculari in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ et omnium liberorum meorum, et pro anima patris mei W. de Lisewis, et pro animabus omnium antecessorum meorum et successorum. Pro hac donatione nichil mihi vel hæredibus meis retinui præter orationes quæ fiunt in monasterio de Acra et orationes quæ fiunt in supradicta ecclesia sancti Johannis de Normannesberch; ita quod monachi de Acra facient ibi divina officia perpetuo celebrari per tres monachos ad minus ad quorum sustentationem ego accevi et dedi eis ecclesiam de Suth-Reinham cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et novem acras terræ in Gerdel. Et Richardum Bercarium filium Seule cum omni sequela sua. Et Johannem le Frere cum tota sequela sua, et totum tenementum quod de me tenet. Et ego et hæredes mei warrantizabimus eos erga regem et omnes homines de omni servitio et de omnibus rebus. Hiis testibus, Willielmo priore de Lewes, Ricardo Coleman, Alexandro notario prioris, Philippo de Mortuo Mare sociis suis, Willielmo de Lechesham, Eustachio clerico, Johanne de Helent, Godefrido le Helent, Godefrido le Camberlene, Willielmo clerico de Dunham, Waltero de Brecham, Willielmo Waleis, Roberto Marescallo, Richardo de Lebout, Semano Coco, Hamone serviente comitis.

NUM. II.

Alia ejusdem Gaufridi Carta.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentibus et futuri quod ego Godefridus de Lisewis, consilio et assensu hæredum meorum, dedi et concessi et hac mea carta confirmavi Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Acra et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus tredecim acras et unam rodam de terra mea arabili, scilicet octo acras et unam rodam terræ quæ vocatur Caldewelleil in campis de Magna Reinham, et quinque acras terræ de cultura mea quæ vocatur Estgirdele versus orientem in campis de Suth-Reinham, habendas et tenendas in libe-

ram et puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Præterea dedi eis et concessi ut habeant omnes libertates quas habere debent ad cellam corundem de Normannesbereche quam dedi eis, scilicet in viis, in semitis, in terris, in aquis, in turbariis, in pratis, in planis, in pascuis, in pasturis, et in faldagiis, et in omnibus exitibus. Et insuper dedi et concessi prædictæ ecclesiæ et prædictis monachis ut habeant faldam suam in omnibus terris quæ pertinent ad ecclesiam sancti Johannis de Normannesberethe; quæ scilicet terræ ultra aquam versus austrum sunt liberè et quietè et sine omni vexatione. Et præterea concessi et præsentem carta mea illis confirmavi omnes terras et omnia tenementa et omnes libertates quas Willielmus de Lisewis pater meus dictæ cellulæ concessit, sicut cartæ suæ testantur. Hanc autem donationem et concessionem eis feci pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ et hæredum meorum et prædecessorum meorum. Hiis testibus, Geraldo presbitero de Barseham, et Rogero presbitero fratre ejus, magistro Richardo de Fuldon, Willielmo de Lechesham, Rogero de Sengham, Simone Marescallo, Anschetillo, Roberto Wance, Walterio, Oliverio.

NUM. III.

Pro viginti et quatuor Acris ad Ciptune Blakehoz.

[Ibid. fol. 55.]

NOTUM sit præsentibus et futuris quod ego Godefridus de Lisewis consilio et assensu Matildis uxoris meæ, et Willielmi hæredis mei, et aliorum hæredum meorum, dedi et præsentem carta confirmavi Deo et S. Mariæ de Acra et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus viginti et quatuor acras de terra mea quæ jacent in brueria de Kiptune-Blakehoe, in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, pro anima patris mei, et matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum meorum, et pro me ipso et uxore mea, et pro omnibus liberis meis. Hiis testibus, Willielmo filio meo, Godfrido camerario, Radulfo clerico de Barsham, Semanno coco, Eustacio clerico, Gaufrido de Swafham, Walterio Porter, Roberto Marescallo, Hugone Coco, Walterio Coco, et multis aliis.

NUM. IV.

De Heremo de Wigehale.

[Ibid. fol. 76 b.]

WILLIELMUS de Lisewis, et Matildis uxor ejus, et Godefridus filius suus, omnibus amicis suis et hominibus clericis, laicis, Francis et Anglis, salutem. Sciant tam futuri quam præsentibus nos concessisse Lenæ sanctimoniali filiæ Godrici de Lenna, et nepotibus ejus et successoribus earum, heremum in australi parte sitam juxta Wigehale, cum omnibus pertinentiis; sicut Rogerus prior de Reinham, et fratres sui canonici, cum carta sua se testantur eis dedisse et confirmasse, in perpetuam elemosinam. Quare volumus ut prædictæ dominæ liberè et quietè, et ab omni reclamatione et inquietudine firmiter teneant. Si quis autem super id aliquid molestum illis violenter intulerit, sciat se auctoritate Dei et Norwicensis episcopi justicia anathematis vinculo obligari. Hiis testibus, Simone presbitero de Wigehale, et Waltero sacerdote, filio ejus, et Hildebranno sacerdote, et Thoma sacerdote de Ilsigetunia, Willielmo filio Alani, et Alano de Tilencia, et filio ejus Adam, Willielmo filio Stangrimi sacerdotis de Lenna, Ricardo de Fenne, Godwino filio Chume, Wlnot de Ilsigetunia, Simone Norreis, Richardo filio Isabellæ, Galfrido filio Everardi, Semanno filio Burewen.

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NUM. V.

Carta Rogeri Prioris de Reinham de eodem.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS matris ecclesiæ filiis, Rogerus servus servorum Dei, prior humilis de Reinham, et fratres sui canonici salutem, et omnipotentis Dei benedictionem. Quoniam plurimorum nefas inimica suggerente nequitia jam acrius contra ecclesiæ catholicæ fidem undique surrexit, ne nos illius versutiæ suspicio vel macula tactos quod absit inficiat, ideo ratum duximus universitatis vestræ dilectioni notificare, nos, communi consensu, dedisse et concessisse dominæ Lenæ moniali, filiæ Godrici de Lenna, et monialibus ibidem Deo servientibus et servituris, heremum Johannis Evangelistæ in australi parte situm, juxta Wigehale, cum omnibus pertinentiis infra circuitum fovearum, et extra, et cum turbaria quæ fuit Alurici filii Chidemanni, tenendum de ecclesia nostra et de nobis et de successoribus nostris, omni subjectione remota; annuatim reddendo duodecim denarios de recognitione ecclesiæ nostræ, in die S. Johannis Evangelistæ infra natale. Et ut hæc liberè et firmiter teneant, auxiliante Domino nostro Jhesu Christo, et pronunciante Willielmo de Lisewis domino fundi, cum cartulæ nostræ testimonio confirmamus, sicut ipse dominus W. cum carta sua illud nobis, in perpetuam elemosinam confirmavit. Qui vero illi aliquod, pro amore Dei, beneficium impendent, sciat se missarum orationum et omnium beneficiorum quæ fient in ecclesia nostra participem fieri. Hiis testibus Simone presbytero, &c.

NUM. VI.

Pro Tofta Aschetini et octo Acris in Torpelondia.

[Ibid.]

IN nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti, Amen. Sciant præsentis et futuri, quod Reginaldus filius Hamonis de Torpelond, et uxor mea Thêda, et hæredes nostri, dedimus et concessimus in perpetuam elemosinam, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, et sancto Johanni, et sancto Thomæ, et monialibus Deo servientibus et servituris in Hereino juxta Wigehale, cum filia nostra quam ibi educandam et Deo servendam in religione commendavimus, toftam Aschetini, quæ unam acram terræ continet, et octo acras in campo Torpelondia, quas ut liberiùs et certiùs excolere valeant, in qua parte campi et quibus jacent locis præsignavimus: scilicet duas acras in curta cultura juxta domum Leswini; duas vero inter Aldehallestede et Litheholm. In Langeondes duas acras juxta viam in Michleholm; unam acram de quinque acris à parte aquilonis, et unam acram de tribus quæ jacent juxta domum Johannis. Præterea dedimus eis et concessimus duodecim denarios de redditu, quos annuatim recipiendos de Johanne filio Burdi et hæredibus suis assignavimus, videlicet sex denarios ad Pascha floridum, et sex denarios ad festum Omnium Sanctorum. Præter hæc concessimus eis communem libertatem et accessum inter nos in villa, in campo, in pascuis, in turbariis, in faldagio, et omnibus libertatibus aliis. Si vero hanc donationem eis warrentizare non possumus, escambium ad pretium eis dabimus, et manibus nostris affidavimus, et cum carta nostra sub sigillo confirmavimus. Hiis testibus Galfrido decano de Fincham, Helmudo sacerdote de Torpe, Stephano de Wirham, Gilberto presbytero de Denever, Willielmo de Dunham, et pluribus aliis. De capitulo. Hosberto filio Walteri de Devener, Galfrido clerico de Rungetun, Yware, Roberto filio Rogeri, Tewino Ormari filio, Thoma filio Osberti, Albrico fratre suo, Petro capellano de Caldecotes.

NUM. VII.

De Ecclesia de Sut-Reinham.

[Ibid. fol. 114.]

HUBERTUS Dei gratia Cantuariensis archiepiscopus, totius Angliæ primas, apostolicæ sedis legatus, omnibus

sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit æternam in Domino salutem. Ad universorum notitiam volumus pervenire, nos autenticum scriptum venerabilis fratris nostri J. Norwicensis episcopi sub hujus continentia forma inspexisse. ‘Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit J. Dei gratia Norwicensis episcopus salutem in Domino. Quum quanta possumus vigilantia sollicitudinis sanctæ religionis profectibus et incrementis nos decet invigilare et eam speciali provisionis studio fovere propensius et protegere, eapropter ad universorum volumus pervenire notitiam, nos dilectis in Christo filiis monachis de Acra apud Reinham, in loco qui dicitur Normanesberg Deo servientibus, et in perpetuum servituris, Dei causa et religionis intuitu in eodem loco de novo plantatæ, ecclesiam de Suth-Reinham canonicè concessisse et confirmasse in proprios usus suos, ad eorum scilicet sustentationem cum omnibus ad eandem ecclesiam pertinentibus, habendam in perpetuum, et possidendam ex donatione Godefridi de Lisewis patroni. Salva possessione Willielmi de Bech rectoris illius ecclesiæ quamdiu vixerit, salvisque honore, reverentia, dignitate, et debitis consuetudinibus sanctæ Norwicensis ecclesiæ, et honesta et sufficienti sustentatione vicarii qui in prædicta ecclesia ministrabit. Et ut hæc nostra concessio et confirmatio stabilis et illibata in perpetuum perseveret, eam præsentis scripto et sigilli nostri patrocinio communimus.’ Nos igitur confirmationem memorati episcopi ratam et gratam habentes eam sicut rationabiliter facta est tam scripti nostri serie quam sigilli appositione confirmamus. Hiis testibus, Walterio abbate de Waltham, magistro Simone de Siwell, Galfrido de Boclond, magistro Willielmo de Sumercote, magistro Gervasio de Hobrig, magistro Adam de Walsingham, Thoma de Brancaster, et aliis.

NUM. VIII.

Donationum confirmatio per J. Norwicensem Episcopum.

[Ibid. fol. 119 b.]

UNIVERSIS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit J. primus Dei gratia Norwicensis episcopus salutem in Domino. Ad episcopalis officii sollicitudinem spectare dinoscitur virorum religiosorum providere quieti, et possessiones, pietatis intuitu, ad eorum sustentationem collatas, pontificali confirmatione munire: eapropter omnibus notum esse volumus nos confirmasse dilectis filiis viris religiosis et honestis monachis de Acra, ex donatione Godefridi de Lisewis cellam quam Willielmus de Lisewis pater suus fundavit in loco qui dicitur Normannesberga in honore sanctæ Dei genitricis Mariæ et sancti Johannis Evangelistæ, in liberam et puram et perpetuam elemosinam, cum omnibus ad eundem locum pertinentibus; scilicet sexaginta et sex acris terræ quas prædictus Willielmus postea memorato loco contulit, et tota terra de Middelès, et tota terra sua de Francheshou, et tota terra quæ jacet inter croftam Selunæ et terram Ricardi Diereboet in Sud-Reinham; et dimidia acra turbariæ quæ jacet contra Medeles, et heremitorio de Wigehale, cum omnibus pertinentiis; et tertia parte turbariæ quam Aluricus filius Kidemer tenuit juxta heremitorium. In præscripta autem cella de Normannesberga memorati monachi de Acra divina officia perpetuo celebrari facient sive per monachum, sive per clericum, sicut opportuniùs, cum consilio et auctoritate nostra vel successorum nostrorum expedire viderint. Præscriptas autem possessiones ab omni seculari exactione liberas et quietas sicut carta prædicti Godefridi testatur, episcopali auctoritate confirmamus prædictis monachis; prohibentes ne quis, vel temeritate, vel maliciâ ductus, super hiis eis aliquam molestiam inferre præsumat aut injuriam. Prædictas vero possessiones et alia jura sua eis conservantibus pax sit et salus æterna. Teste Thoma archidiacono, Gaufrido capellano, magistro Reinerio, Thoma Britton, magistro Lamberto, magistro Rogero medico, Roberto de Chipeham, Simone clerico de Lecton, magistro W. de Calna.

Priory of Slevesholm, in Norfolk:

A Cell to Castleacre Priory.



SLEVESHOLME Priory, commonly called Slusham, or Slewsham, was situated in the parish of Methwold, about a mile and a half west of the church of that village, in the hundred of Grimshoe.

It appears to have been founded in the reign of King Stephen, by William earl of Warren and Surrey, who by Deed gave a certain island in the moor or fen of Melewode, called Slevesholm, in pure and perpetual alms, to God, Saint Mary, and All Saints, and to Paul the monk and his brethren serving God there; and, after the death of Paul, to him who should succeed there as prior.^a Tanner speaks of it as dedicated to the blessed Virgin Mary only: Blomfield, that it was dedicated to the Virgin Mary and St. Giles.

John earl of Warren, in the third of Edward the Second, A.D. 1309, confirmed the donation of his ancestor, and directed that the prior of Slevesholm should be nominated by the prior of Castleacre, and that he should be presented before institution to him the earl of Warren, or his heirs, who alone were to admit him to the administration of the temporal possessions.^b

At what time Slevesholm first became a Cell to Castleacre is not quite clear; but William earl of Warren, about A.D. 1222, wrote to Pandulph bishop of Norwich, desiring him to grant to the monks of Acre the church of Melewde, confirmed to them by the predecessors of the same bishop, to furnish fire for the guests and poor resorting to the monastery.^c In another letter he requests the same bishop to grant his protection to the monks dwelling in the Isle of Slevesholm, which he had given them; that is, confirmed to them of the gift of his ancestors.^d

The last Instrument preserved by Dugdale in the Appendix to the present Account is a deed of Hamelin earl of Warren. It appears to relate to the fee of Slevesholm more than to the monastery; and confirms an exchange of two acres and a rood of land near the East Marsh for two others and a rood and half in Norcroft, appropriated to the church of St. George of Melewde, which was the parish-church.^e

Blomfield has preserved the following names of the

PRIORS of SLEVESHOLM.

PAUL, mentioned in the grant of William earl of Warren in the time of Stephen.

THOMAS.

THOMAS, in the 3d Hen. V.

STEPHEN, in the 7th Hen. V.^f

The following is the only entry in Pope Nicholas's Taxation relating to Slevesholm:

“Dioc. Norwic. Temporalia.

“Bona prioris de Slevesholm, in Methelwold, de terr. reddit. et fetu animalium 1*l.* 10*s.* 7½*d.*”^g

In 1428 the temporalities of Slevesholm were valued at 1*l.* 15*s.* 7½*d.* per annum.^h

At the Dissolution the priory of Slevesholm was granted to the Mundifords of Feltwell: and Francis, son of Osbert Mundiford, Esq. had livery of it in the 23d Eliz. in the patent of which it is called a hospital.ⁱ In 1600 Edmund Mundiford held it. After this, Blomfield says, it was possessed by Captain Smith, of Croxton, who conveyed it to Edward Saunders Seabright, Esq. Sir Thomas Seabright, Bart. died possessed of it in 1736. The present owner of the site is Randall Wabe, Esq.

Cartae ad Slevesholmensem Prioratum in argo Norfolciensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

De Ecclesia de Melewde.

[Ex Registro de Castleacre, fol. 7.]

VENERABILI patri in Christo Pandulfo Dei gratia Norwicensi electo devotus filius W. comes Warren. salutem et debitam patri reverentiam. Pro famulis Dei Deo et beatæ Virgini in monasterio de Acre quæ est de feodo meo servientibus quantas sufficio paternitati vestræ preces porrigo effectuosas, ut ecclesiam de Melewde eis à prædecessoribus vestris in usus proprios confirmatam, intuitu pietatis, vestra eis concedere dignetur benignitas, et sciatis quod antecessores vestri dictam ecclesiam assignaverunt dicto monasterio ad ministrandum ignem hospitibus et pauperibus ad domum illam venientibus, unde non modicus est in partibus illis defectus. Et quia novi considerationem prædecessorum vestrorum, et sæpius expertus sum causam necessariam colationis quam vobis expressi, ideo vobis devotius supplico, ut quod ab aliis bene inchoatum est ad finem velitis perducere feliciorem; ut Deus omnipotens teneatur vobis ad retributionem operis misericordiæ, et me vobis habeatis vinculo indissolubili obligatum in hiis quæ per me et meos ad utilitatem vestram et honorem in partibus nostris ad man-

datum vestrum cum vobis placuerit poterunt expediri. Valeat paternitas vestra in Domino.

NUM. II.

De Slivesholm Confirmatio.

[Ibid.]

REVERENDO patri domino Pandulfo Dei gratia Norwicensi episcopo, et ejusdem loci archidiacono et officialibus, Willielmus comes de Warrena salutem in Domino. Rogo diligenter vos quatinus, pro amore Dei et pro petitione mea, manuteneatis et protegatis monachos meos de Castell-Acre qui manent in insula Sanctæ Mariæ de Slivesholm juxta Melewde, quam dedi eis in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, et non permittatis eos injustè vexari quantum ad vos spectat. Valete in Domino.

NUM. III.

De Slevisholme.

[Ibid. fol. 14.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus notum fiat, quod ego Johannes comes de Warena in monasterio nostro de Castel-

^a See the Instrument in the Append. Num. III.

^b Ibid.

^c Append. Num. I.

^d Num. II.

^e Num. IV.

^f Blomf. Hist. Norf. vol. i. p. 512.

^g Taxat. Ecclesiast. P. Nicholai IV. 1802, fol. 113 b.

^h Blomf. ut supr.

ⁱ Tann. Notit. Mon. Norf. LX.

Acre constitutus, die Sabbati in festo S. Cecilie virginis, anno Domini millesimo tricesimo nono, et anno regni regis Edwardi filii regis Edwardi tertio, inspexi cartam bonae memorie domini Willielmi quondam comitis Warrenne, proavi nostri, in hæc verba :

‘ Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Willielmus comes Warenn. dedi, concessi, et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi, pro salute anime meae et antecessorum meorum, et pro salute omnium fidelium quandam insulam in marisco de Melewode quæ vocatur Slevesholm, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, Deo, et S. Mariæ et Omnibus Sanctis, et fratri Paulo et fratribus ibidem Deo servientibus, et post obitum præfati Pauli ille qui aliis ibidem præerit per me instituetur. Quod ut ratum sit et firmum imperpetuum sigilli mei appositione roboravi. Hiis testibus, Hugone Bygod, Osberto Giffard, Willielmo de Stutevill, Michaele de Ponynggs, Adam de Kailli, Hamone Lenveysee, Richardo de Trunchert tunc senescallo, Johanne de Playz, Reginaldo Koc, Hugone de Acra, Rob. Wallensi, et multis aliis.’ Nos igitur Johannes comes Warenn. antedictus, affectionem illam quam dictus proavus noster et hæredes sui antecessores nostri erga monasterium de Castellacre conceperant humiliter prosequentes, ac illam possessionem pacificam per quam vacante domo de Slivesholme in insula prædicta, per mortem seu per cessionem prioris ejusdem, priores monasterii de Castellacre à tempore confectionis cartæ prædicti proavi nostri, priorem in eadem domo de Slevesholm in insula semper hactenus instituere consueverant salubriter attendentes; volumus et expresse concedimus pro nobis et pro hæredibus nostris, quod prior monasterii nostri de Castellacre et successores sui in eodem, post mortem seu cessionem cujuslibet prioris de Slivesholm, conferant et plenariam potestatem habeant conferendi ipsam domum alicui monacho honesto et religioso de gremio monasterii nostri de Castell-

acre, professo in ordine Cluniacensi. Ita tamen quod monachus ille qui ad regimen dictæ domus de Slevesholm sicut fuerit nominandus ante institutionem suam in eadem, per literas patentes prioris nostri de Castellacre qui pro tempore fuerit, nobis et hæredibus nostris præsentetur, et demum fidelitate sua nobis facta ipsum tanquam priorem ad ministrationem temporalium dictæ domus per nos et hæredes nostros admitti volumus cum effectu. In cujus rei testimonium presentes literas nostras sigillo nostro fecimus roborari. Datum apud Castellacram die et anno supradictis.

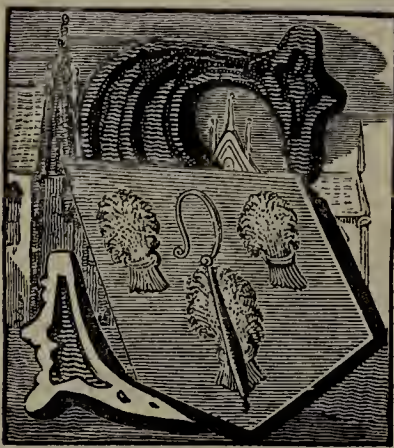
NUM. IV.

Carta Hamelini Comitis de Escambio Terræ de Melewda T. personæ.

[Ibid. fol. 6 b.]

NOTUM sit omnibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit quod ego Hamelinus comes de Warenn. voluntate et assensu Ysabelle comitissæ uxoris meæ et Willielmi filii nostri et hæredis dedi, et concessi, et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi ecclesie S. Georgii de Melewda, et Thomæ Brittoni personæ ejusdem ecclesie et successoribus suis, duas acras et unam rodam in terra errabili et prato de feodo meo versus ripam quæ propinquiores sunt messuagio præfati Thomæ juxta mariscum versus Est; videlicet in excambium pro duabus acris et una roda et dimidia de libero tenemento prædictæ ecclesie in Norcroft versus Norwaudam. Et prædictus Thomas et successores sui debent tenere præfatum excambium liberè et quietè sicut idem Thomas tenebat prædictum tenementum in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Testibus, Willielmo de Warrenna, Gilberto de Norfole, Adam de Puninges, Roberto de Perepont, Philippo de Brunham, Sprig, magistro Clemente, Radulfo clerico de Thetforda, Johanne clerico de Risinge.

Priory of Wenlock, anciently called Winnicas, IN SHROPSHIRE.



of Arundel, Chichester, and Shrewsbury,^d a person of vast possessions, rebuilt and endowed this monastery in the 14th Will. Conqueror, placing therein a prior and convent of Cluniac monks, who were considered as a cell to the house De Caritate in France: though, in Prynne, Wenlock is mentioned as a cell to the abbey of Cluny.^e

The possessions of this priory, as recorded in the Domesday Survey, will be found in the Appendix, Num. III.^f

Dugdale has printed a charter of Ysabel de Say, lady

of Clune, bestowing on the monks of Wenlock the church of St. George at Clune, with all the chapels depending on it.^g There is another charter, also, extant, to the same effect, from William de Boterell, husband of Ysabel de Say.^h

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Upon an Inquisition taken in the 29th Edw. I. it was found that the Cell of Prene, in Shropshire, was held of the lords of the castle of Holgod; and the priors of Wenlock used to present to the same, when vacant, to the Keepers of the said Castle, who had no other right to the said Cell than only the keeping thereof till such presentation were made.ⁱ

During the wars between England and France, Wenlock suffered the same fate as other Alien Priors. An extent of its possessions, taken in 1380, when in the king's hands, will be found in the Appendix, Num. VIII. followed by another Instrument, dated in the 18th Ric. II. declaring it "Prioratus indigena."^k

PRIORS of WENLOCK.

HUMBERT occurs prior A.D. 1166.^l

PETER DE LEIA was promoted from this dignity to the see of St. David's A.D. 1176.^m

JOYBERTUS occurs prior A.D. 1198.ⁿ

^a See the extracts from Will. of Malmesbury in the Appendix, Num. I.

^b So Capgrave.

^c See Lel. Collect. tom. i. p. 144.

^d So Malmesbury; but Brompton, col. 977, and Leland, Collectanea, vol. i. pp. 219, 390, say Warin earl of Shrewsbury was founder. "Anno regni regis Willielmi xiv. Comes Salopiæ WARINUS duocœnobium construxit. Unum in suburbio Salopiæ, in honore apostolorum Petri et Pauli; alterum in comitatu Salopiæ, in villa Wenloke, in honore sanctæ Milburgæ." Chron. Joan. Brompt. Script. X. Twysd. col. 977. See also Knyghton, ibid. col. 2351.

^e Compare Tanner, Notit. Monast. Shropshire, xxviii.

^f Among the lands of Earl Roger, Domesd. tom. i. fol. 254, we

"Ipse comes tenet Ardintone. Sancta Milburga tenuit T. R. E.

Ibi v. hidæ:" clearly indicating that the church of St. Milburg was endowed with these in the time of K. Edw. the Confessor.

^g Append. Num. IV.

^h Num. V.

ⁱ Num. VII. Tanner refers to Fin. Salop. 29 Hen. III. n. . de subjectione Prioratui de Wenlok. In Pope Nicholas's Taxation as will be seen presently, the temporalities of Prene were valued, distinctly from those of Wenlock, at 8l. 3s. 4d. The moveable goods at 6s. 9d. only.

^k Num. IX.

^l MS. Cole, vol. xxvii. fol. 85 b.

^m "A.D. 1176. Petrus prior de Wenloc, Menevensis electus, facta prius professione tam Ricardo Dorobernensi archiepiscopo quam successoribus ejus canonice substituendis de canonica subjectione, Cantuariæ consecratus est a Gileberto Londoniensi episcopo, astantibus sibi Waltero Rofensi, Rogero Wigornensi episcopis vij. idus Novembris." Ymag. Hist. aut R. de Diceto. Script. X. Twysd. col. 595.

ⁿ Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 193.



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AYMO DE MONTIBUS, who had previously been prior of Bermondsey, was collated to Wenlock April 9th, 1261.^a He occurs again in 1267.^b

JOHN DE TYCFORD was made prior in 1272.^c

JOHN TUBBE occurs A. D. 1277.

HENRY DE BON VILLAR, or BONVILLE, who had been prior of Bermondsey, had the temporalities of Wenlock restored to him as prior of Wenlock Sept. 10th, 1284.^d

GWICHARD DE CARO LOCO, who had previously been prior of St. Andrew Northampton, had the temporalities of Wenlock granted to him Feb. 26th, 1319.^e

HUMBERT occurs prior A. D. 1348.^f

HENRY DE MIONNS, otherwise DE CHAY, occurs prior of Wenlock May 10th, 1362.^g

WILLIAM DE PONTEFRAC TO was prior of Wenlock in the 3d Rich. II. A. D. 1380. He is mentioned in the Extent taken that year.

RICHARD WYVELL occurs prior 18 Rich. II.^h Upon his death,

JOHN STAFFORD was made prior Jan. 18th, 1396.ⁱ

WILLIAM BRUGGE had the temporalities restored 11th July, 1434.^k Upon his resignation,

ROGER BARRY was elected. He received the temporalities May 12th, 1437.^l Upon his death, another

ROGER WENLOCK succeeded July 11th, 1462.^m Upon whose death,

JOHN SHOREWESBURY had the temporalities restored July 9th, 11th Edw. IV. A. D. 1471.ⁿ

THOMAS SUTBURY received the temporalities upon Shorewesbury's resignation, April 21st, 1483.^o

RICHARD SINJAR died prior in 1521.^p The temporalities had been restored to him previously.

ROLAND GOSNALL received the temporalities Oct. 10th, 1522.^q

JOHN BAYLY had the temporalities restored to him in the month of December, 18th Hen. VIII. A. D. 1527.^r He

is elsewhere called BAYLIS, *alias* CRESSAGE. He surrendered this priory Jan. 26th, 1539, and had a pension granted to him of eighty pounds per annum.^s

In the 26th of Henry VIII. the gross income of Wenlock amounted annually to 434*l.* 1*s.* 2½*d.* : the clear revenue to 401*l.* 7*s.* 0¼*d.*^t

In the 36th Hen. VIII. the site of this priory was granted to Augustino de Augustinis.^u Two years after which we find it in the possession of Thomas Lawley, Esq. who lived in the priory-house.^x By a marriage with a Lawley it devolved to Robert Bertie, Esq. of the Ancaster family, and from him it passed into the family of Gage, but whether by marriage or purchase Grose could not learn. Sir John Wynne, of Wynstay, in the county of Denbigh, bought it of Lord Viscount Gage. The present owner is Sir Watkin Williams Wynne, Bart.

Among the Deeds relating to this priory, Cart. Harl. antiq. 45 A. 33, is an "Inquisitio de tenentibus prioris de Wenlok, an. 31 Hen. III."

In the Harleian manuscript 2115, fol. 167, is the copy of the Plea of the prior to a Quo Waranto of the 15th Hen. VII.

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office is,

Wenlok. De Hugone Burnell nuper assignato ad ordinandum quod Jacobus Mynour in quadam minera de cupro et argento infra dominium prioratus de Wenlok alienigen. operari posset per supervisum ipsius Hugonis et Vicecomitis Salopiæ, &c. Trin. Rec. 20 Ric. II. rot. 11.

Stevens, in his Continuation of Dugdale, vol. ii. pp. 14, 15, has printed an English translation of seven Deeds relating to this priory, the Latin originals of which were at that time in the possession of Francis Canning, of Foxcote, in the county of Warwick, Esq. They are here given in a note for the sake of compression.^y

^a Pat. 45 Hen. III. m. 15.

^c Pat. 57 Hen. III. m. 37.

^e Pat. 13 Edw. II.

^g Pat. 36 Edw. III. p. 1.

ⁱ Pat. 20 Ric. II. p. 2.

^l Pat. 16 Hen. VI. p. 2.

^b Pat. 51 Hen. III. m. 37.

^d Pat. 13 Edw. I.

^f Pat. 22 Edw. III. p. 2.

^h See the Append. Num. VIII.

^k Pat. 13 Hen. VI. p. 1.

^m Pat. 2 Edw. IV. p. 1. He is elsewhere called RICHARD WENLOCK. Cole, in his manuscripts, vol. xxix. fol. 208, copying Willis's Notes, says this inscription was formerly upon a flat stone in Wenlock church: "Hic jacet corpus venerabilis patris dom. Ricardi Wenlok hujus monasterii quondam prioris, qui obiit die mensis anno Dom."

ⁿ Pat. 11 Edw. IV. p. 1.

^o Pat. 22 Edw. IV. p. 1.

^p MS. Cole, Brit. Mus. vol. xxvii. fol. 85 b.

^q Pat. 13 Hen. VIII. Willis calls him ROLAND GACEWELL.

^r Pat. 18 Hen. VIII.

^s See the Appendix, Num. XI.

^t See Num. X.

In Pope Nicholas's Taxation, A. D. 1291, we find, "Summa temporalium prioratus de Wenlok 124*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.* Summa mobilium ejusdem 19*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.*

Summa temporalium ejusdem apud Prene 8*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* Summa mobilium ejusdem apud eandem 6*s.* 9*d.*"

The ancient transcript of the Taxation, MS. Cotton. Tiberius C. x. gives the minute particulars of these respective totals: to which the reader is referred.

The spiritualities of Wenlock enumerated in the Taxation are, "Portio precentoris de Wenlak in ecclesia de Stottesdon 13*s.* 4*d.* Portio prioris in ecclesia de Glasleye 6*s.* 8*d.* Portio ejusdem in ecclesia de Brompfeld 1*l.* Portio in ecclesia de Stokesay 1*l.* 4*s.* Portio in ecclesia de Stoke Sanctæ Milburgæ 3*l.* Portio precentoris de Wenlak in ecclesia de Chirbury 10*s.*"

^u Tann. Notit. Monast.

^x Orig. 38 Hen. VIII. p. 5. Com. Salop. "De homag. Thomæ Lawley et Beatricis Constantyne, videlicet pro scit. nuper prioratus de Wenlock cum pertinentiis per lic. inde fact." ro. cxvj.

^y They are as follow :

1.

The Deed of Geoffry de Say for the Manor of Dudintun.

WHEREAS time is apt to alter what is present, to the end that the truth of the matter may not be question'd by posterity, be it known as well to all present as to come, that I Geoffry de Say with the consent of Adelisa de Chemey my wife, have deliver'd to the prior of St. Milburga of Wenlock, and the convent of the said house, all my manor of Dudintun, which is the dower of the aforesaid Adelisa my wife, on the part of Hugh de Piris, entirely with all its appurtenances, so that I reserve to myself nothing in the aforesaid manor for eight years to come, for 160 marks, which the same prior of Wenlock and the convent of the same house have given me for the same. But when these eight years

are expir'd, the same prior and convent shall pay to the aforesaid Adelisa my wife yearly 14*l.* sterling, at these two terms, at the feast of St. Mary in March 7*l.* and at the feast of St. Michael 7*l.* And to the end that this contract between me and the prior and convent might be firm and stable, I have confirm'd it with the impression of my seal. These being witnesses, Martin de Hosa; Roger Porter of Wenlock; Peter the son of Roger; Peter of Tigerville; Richard Fitz-Ralph; Ralph Stutevil; William chaplain of Haouvil; Ralph chaplain of Basemvil. This contract was made in the year of the Incarnation of our Lord 1180.

The seal in white wax.

2.

King Henry the III's Confirmation of the Deed above.

HENRY by the grace of God king of England, duke of Normandy and Aquitain, and earl of Anjou, to his archbishops, bishops, abbats, earls, barons, justices, sheriffs, officers and all his lieges, French and English, of all England, greeting. Be it known to you that I have granted, and by this my present charter confirm'd the reasonable contract made between Geoffry de Say, and the monks of Wenlock, with the consent of Adelisa de Cadinneto, wife of the same Geoffry, of the manor of Dudintun, which is the dower of the said Adelisa; as the deed of the aforesaid Geoffry, and the deed of the same monks do testify. Wherefore it is my will and I firmly enjoyn, that the same contract made between them be firm and stable, and that it be firmly and solidly observ'd between them as it is made, and the aforesaid deeds do testify. Witnesses, Earl William Mandevil; Earl William of Salisbury; Richard of Dufay; Richard Lucy; Gilbert Pipard; Reginald Lucy; Robert Stuter; Hugh Creissy; Gervase Canvil. At Ivrey.

The seal in green wax, much broken and having an impression on both sides.

3.

Another Charter of the same King Henry the III. concerning the same Contract and Manor.

HENRY by the grace of God king of England, duke of Normandy and Aquitain, and earl of Anjou, to his archbishops, bishops, abbats, earls, barons, justices, sheriffs, and all his officers and lieges, French and English, of all England, greeting. Know ye, that I have granted to the church of St. Milburga of Wenlock, and to the monks there serving God, in alms, and by this present charter confirm'd the manor of Dudintun, with all its appurtenances, as Hugh de Piris devis'd it to them to have and to hold, after the decease of Aelicia de Caineto who was his wife, whose dower this was; upon this condition, that when it shall please me or my heir, it shall be lawful for us to resume that manor into our property, assigning to the same monks the revenues of 11*l.* in churches, or other things. Witnesses, Richard Lucy; William Fitz-Audel, sewer; Reginald Curtenay; William Lanval; Robert Marmion; Secker Quincy; Thomas Basset; Widon Foreigner; William Fitz-Ralph; Randal Broc. At Bruges.

The seal on green wax, with an impression on both sides, much broken.

Tanner has the following references to public records :

“Claus. 11 Hen. III. m. 18, pro mercat. die Jovis in maner. de Eton, et die Lunæ apud Wenlock, et pro feria die S. Joan. Bapt. apud Wenlok. Fin. 11 Hen. III. m. 9. Escaet. Salop. 31 Hen. III. n. 42, de consuetudinibus tenentium. Cart. 36 Hen. III. m. 27, pro parco de Oxenbol et domo de Maddele. Plac. de Foresta, 36 Hen. III. m. 5, de parco de Oxenbol claudendo. Plac. apud Salop, 40 Hen. III. rot. ., de ij. carucatis in le Hothe. Ibid. rot. ., perambulatio in Alton et terram prioris in Broughton, &c. et de bosco de Spexhull. Escaet. Salop. 43 Hen. III. n. 43, quod sint quieti de visu viridariorum et forestariorum. Pat. 46 Hen. III. n. 17. Cart. 46 Hen. III. m. 5, pro maner. de Dudinton. Pat. 50 Hen. III. n. 108. Cart. 53 Hen. III. m. 9, pro mercat. et feria apud Maddele.

“Pat. 11 Edw. I. m. 1 vel 2, pro imparcat. bosci de Maddele infra forestam de Monte Gilberti. Plac. in com. Salop. 17 Edw. I. assis. rot. pro mess. et carucat. terræ in Peffelowe. Cart. 18 Edw. I. n. 33, pro mercat. et feria apud Wenlock, mercat. apud Eton, &c. Pat. 18 Edw. I. m. 21, de maner. de Cakeley concess. per Will. Briseburn. Cart. 19 Edw. I. n. 8, pro lib. war. in Wenlock, Stoke S. Milburgh, Bochinton, Neuton, Kinestanton, Dounton, More, Weston Monachorum, Mughale Monachorum, Bourton, Calweton, Hopton, Oxenbold, et Shipton, com. Salop. Pat. 27 Edw. I. m. penult. vel antepenult.

“Cart. 3 Edw. III. n. 22, pro includendis parco de Oxenbold, boscis de Madele, &c. Pat. 3 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 2. Pat. 12 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 12. Pat. 16 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 7 vel 8, et 30 et 36, de Madelee et Stoke Milburgh. Pat. 17 Edw. III. p. 1, m. ult. vel penult. de excambio tenementorum in Wenloke cum Joan. Skynner. Pat. 21 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 12 vel 13, de vicaria de Cloneburg.

4.

The Charter of King Henry the III^d. concerning the same Manor.

HENRY by the grace of God king of England, lord of Ireland, and duke of Aquitain, to the archbishops, bishops, abbats, priors, earls, barons, judges, sheriffs, governours, officers, and all his bailiffs and leiges, greeting. Whereas it appears to us by inspection of the roles in our Exchequer, as well in the time of the Lord King Henry our grandfather, as of the Lord King Richard our uncle, and also of our Lord John our father, that the prior and convent of Wenlock have, of the gift of the aforesaid Lord King Henry our grandfather, the value of 11*l*. in land, in the manor of Dudinton in the county of Salop, in lieu whereof, as well in the times of our said progenitors as in ours, 11*l*. have been allow'd to our sheriff of Salop yearly at our Exchequer in the body of the said county. We holding the said donation as firm and acceptable do grant and confirm the same for us and our heirs to Aymon, now prior of Wenlock, and his successors and the aforesaid monks, to have and to hold, without let of us and our heirs, in lordships, homages, villenages, revenues, woods, meadows, and all other its appurtenances for ever, as freely and entirely as the predecessors of the aforesaid prior were wont in past times to possess them in the best and freest manner. These being witnesses, the venerable father Giles Sart, bishop; William of Valentia; Peter of Savoy; Philip Basset, our justice of England; John Maunsel treasurer of York; Robert Walerand; Ebulo of Mons; Humbert Pugeis; Ingeram Percy; Peter Nevil; William Trublevill, and others. Given with our hand at Westminster the 5th day of February, in the 46th year of our reign.

The seal to this is quite lost, the labell of red and green silk still remaining.

5.

The Deed of William Mitleton disclaiming all Right to a Yard Land.

BE it known to all present and to come, that I William, the son of William, of Mitleton, in the court of the lord prior of Wenlock at Burton, on St. Gregory's day, in the 11th year of the reign of King Henry, the son of John, did acknowledge, that I neither have nor ever had any right to a yard land, with the appurtenances at Mitleton, which my father William held there for his life, which I had also after his death, for some time unjustly intruded myself into, and I have abjur'd the same for myself, and all my heirs for ever, and wholly quitted claim to God, and the blessed virgin Milburga, and the prior and convent of Wenlock. And in testimony hereof have affix'd my seal to this writing. These being witnesses, William chaplain of Drayton; Robert chaplain of Stokes; Roger of Burwardesly; Thomas of Cestreton; Hugh of Bracton; Hugh of Ley; Ralph of Lantor; Nicholas of Optun; Philip parson of Grete; Adam parson of Acton; John of Beckeburton; Henry of Botten; Walter Fitz-Baldwin; John of Rochale; William of Mughale; William of Laverdene; Thomas of Laverdene; William Kangelot; William Ward; Alan of Longevill; Alan Fitz-william; Richard Fitz-william; Walter More; Walter de la Lee; and many more.

The seal in green wax.

6.

The Deed of Adam Fitz-william Clerk of Mitleton for one Yard Land.

To all the faithful of Christ who shall see or hear this present

Ibid. p. 3. m. 2 vel 3. Pat. 22 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 34, recit. et confirm. cartas Ricardi episc. London. et Willielmi episc. Hereford, pro eccl. de Dudinton approprianda. Pat. 32 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 15. Pat. 37 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 37, Bund. benef. alienig. 48 Edw. III. prior de Wenlok habet in proprios usus ecclesias de Wenlock, Doditon, Clone, Eton, Schipton, Acton, Round, Madelee, Stoke Milburgh, et capellam de Barewe. Pat. 51 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 33.

“Pat. 14 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 4, pro ten. in Calweton et Atterley. Pat. 18 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 29, quod Prioratus sit indigena.

“Inquis. 12 Hen. IV. n. 16, de maner. de Patiton perquisito sine licentia regis.”

The COMMON SEAL of the priory appears to have been very ancient. It is a coarse representation of Saint Milburga, the foundress. She is sitting in a homely dress, with an instrument like a two-pronged fork on her right shoulder. No part of the legend remains but the letters *si* at the beginning. The impression of this seal is attached to a document made in the time of prior Humbert, who is a party to it, and whose Seal is also appendant to the Deed. This Seal does not seem so ancient, and is of handsomer appearance. The subject is a whole length of St. Milburga, with a book in her left hand, and in her right a bunch of flowers. The legend is double; of the outside, the word *SIGILLVM* is all that is left; the inside one is *SANCTA MILBVRGA*. The impressions are both on green wax. The Deed has been kindly communicated to the editors by William Hamper, Esq.^a

A different Conventual Seal of Wenlock to the one here described is appendant to the Harleian Deed 83 D. 3,^b of the 30th Hen. VIII. The impression is oval. In an

writing, Adam Fitz-william, clerk of Mitleton, greeting in our Lord. Be it known to you all, that I have granted and given for myself, and my heirs for ever, all the right and claim I had or could have to a yard of land with appurtenances, which I once held at Mitleton, to the prior and convent and the church of St. Milburga of Wenlock. I have also granted to the aforesaid prior and convent thirteen marks and an half in money, which Richard the son of Alan, the priest of Burewarton, ow'd me for the aforesaid land, for an hundred shillings sterling, which the said prior and convent gave me. Of which said thirteen marks and an half, I gave six marks to the works of the aforesaid church, for the health of my soul; wherefore it is my will, that the aforesaid Richard be wholly answerable to the said prior and convent of Wenlock, for the said mony, and that he fully and solidly pay to them, and their church aforesaid, the abovemention'd mony. In testimony whereof I have affix'd my seal to the present writing. These being witnesses, Roger of Pynelesdon; Roger parson of Stirchly; Thomas le Mercer; Peter the son of Peter of Calweten; Richard Chamberlain; Walter Bon Valet; and others.

The seal appending in green wax imperfect.

7.

Composition between Simon Dean of Brug and the Convent of Wenlock, about the Church of Dudinton.

BE it known to all the sons of our holy mother the church, who shall see or hear these letters, that there was a cause depending between S. dean of Brug, and the prior and convent of Wenlock, about the church of Dudinton, the which our lord pope Celestin the Third, committed to the lord H. bishop of Lincoln, R. deacon of Lincoln, and W. archdeacon of Norfolk, to be canonically decided. But after much altercation, and many proposals on both sides, at length the contention was, by common consent of the parties, adjusted by an amicable composition, in this manner. That the prior and convent of Wenlock shall pay two pieces of gold yearly at the feast of St. Michael by the way of transaction to the dean of Brug and his successors; so that the church aforesaid of Dudinton shall for ever remain to the prior and convent of Wenlock free and quit, without any reclaiming and exaction, except the payment of the two pieces of gold aforesaid. And to the end that this composition solemnly ordain'd as abovesaid, by the common advice of the parties, between the dean of Brug, and the church of Wenlock, may for ever remain valid and unshaken, it is confirm'd by the authority of this writing, and of the seals of both parties. These being witnesses, R. archdeacon of Gloucester; master Erard canon of Gloucester; Matthew, prior of Wellebec, Adam and John masters; Philip of Beggesour; Hugh de Brug; Warin of Burwardesley; Warin of Willey; Philip of Lanley; and many more.

The seal to this last, and no date to it but only the pontificate of Pope Celestin the Third, above mention'd, shews it to have been between the years 1191 and 1198.

^a See the Appendix, Num. VI.

^b The Instrument is an Indenture between John prior of St. Milburgh of Moch Wenloke and the convent on the one part, and Richard Wylde and Randal Massr on the other, and witnesses “that wher the said Richard and Rondulzt have don and yett doo dayly service within the said monasterie in the chore and the churche ther in recompence whereof for their exhibition to wards their forder lernyng and erudicion the said prior and convent moved by their mere and pityfull charite of

upper compartment are the figures of the Virgin and Child. Beneath, in two niches, an armed figure, probably St. George, with the dragon below, and a female figure, perhaps St. Milburgh. Inscribed SIGILL' ECCLE' VALIS . MONACHORVM . D' . WENLOK. The Counter-seal, on the reverse, represents the half-figure of a female with a crozier.

* SANCTA MILBURGA.

Moore, who, in his *Monastic Remains*, gives a view of Wenlock abbey as it existed in 1787, says, "If the situation of Wenlock abbey (from its proximity to the town, which has nothing to recommend it) is inferior to most religious houses, there are few better deserving notice for richness of architecture, of which the inside exhibits fine specimens, in curiously turned arches, and pillars of elegant proportion: other parts detached from the grand mass are visible. Adjoining to this building are three circular arches, enriched with undulating fillet-work. Many years ago, great part of the abbey was pulled down, to rebuild some houses; and

only four years since, when the view was drawn, one of the clustered pillars of the church was nearly levelled with the ground, and a cart waited in the abbey to carry away the materials." ^a

The entrance to the abbey from the town was by a stone Gateway, one tower of which is remaining.

The following were the dimensions of the church:

Whole length of remains from east to west, 401 feet.

Length of nave of church, 156 feet: of the space under the middle tower, 39 feet: and of the Lady chapel, 48 feet by 40.

Breadth of nave and aisles, 66 feet.

Adjoining the south side of the nave was the great cloister, which was encompassed by the refectory, dormitory, chapter-house, &c. Of the two former the remains are imperfect. The shell of the chapter-house, an oblong square, sixty-six feet by thirty-one feet, is remaining.

The Priory precinct included thirty acres.

Cartae ad Wenlocense Coenobium in agro Salopiensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

[W. Malmesb. fol. 50 b.]

—MILBURGA, filia Merewaldi fratris Wlpheri Merciorum regis, apud Weneloch requiescit, olim ab accolis nota, sed post adventum Normannorum, dum nescitur locus sepulchri, aliquandiu oblivioni data. Nuper verò adunato ibi conventu monachorum Cluniacensium, dum inchoata novi templi machina, quidam puer per pavementum concitatiùs cursitaret, effracta mausolei fovea, perpalam corpus virginis fecit; tunc balsamici odoris aura per ecclesiam spirante altiùs levatum tot miracula præbuit, ut catervatim eò populorum undæ confluerent, vix patuli campi capiebant agmina viatorum, dum æquis umbonibus dives et mendicus se agerent, cunctos in commune præcipitante fide. Nec cassum eventum res habuit, adeò ut nullus inde nisi extincta vel mitigata valetudine discederet, nonnullosque regius morbus, medicis sanè incurabilis, per merita virginis relinqueret.

[Ibid. fol. 164 a.]

—APUD Wenloch fuit antiquissima sanctimonialium habitatio. Ibiq; beatissima Milburga, soror sanctæ Mildredæ, neptis Pendæ, regis Merciorum ex filio, transegit vitam, et sita est. Sed locum omnino desertum prædictus comes, scilicet Rogerus comes de Montegomerico, monachis Cluniacensibus implevit, ubi modò speciosa germina virtutum conantur in cælum.

Enimverò sepulchrum virginis clàm erat novis advenis, omnibus videlicet vetustatis monumentis violentia hostium, et temporum, deletis.

[Johan. Capgrav. de Vitis Sanctorum, fol. 232 a.]

—BEATA igitur Milburga, sicut suis progenitoribus piis, Merwaldo et Dompnevæ, Merciorum dominis, lux primogenita extitit, sic in regno parentum Deo sacratis virginibus viduisque dux primaria vitæ cœlestis præfulsit. Constructo enim in loco qui Winnicas antiquitus dicebatur monasterio, modo dicto Wenloke, virginibus congregatis præfuit ipsa mater, et vitæ regularis magistra, &c. Septimo kal. Julii migravit ad Christum, et in monasterio suo cum honore sepelitur.

NUM. II.

Milburga Abbatisa Ventolocensis.

[Lel. Coll. vol. ii. p. 157.]

Loco qui Winnicas antiquitus nuncupatur, cœlesti conversatione foeliciter illustratur, beata dormitione et per-

their on hoole assent and consent have given and unto ferme don sett to the said Richard and Rondulzt all that their chapel of Hayfords Mydylton, and a mansion with a glebe land to the same belonging, for

petua mansione glorificatur ubi constructo venerabili monasterio præfuit ipsa mater angelica.

De Morte Milburgæ.

GLEBA verò virginei corporis cultu celebri reconditur ante majus altare in ecclesia sanctæ Trinitatis.

Florent autem in Wallia gloriosæ virginis Milburgæ miracula, loco qui ejus nomine, et quod sui juris aliquando fuerat, Landmylien Wallicè dicitur, quod in terram Milburgæ Latino sermone vertitur.

NUM. III.

Prædia ad Ecclesiam S. Milburgæ de Wenlock spectantes tempore Regis Willielmi Conquestoris.

[Ex Libro Censuali vocato *Domesday Book*, in domo Capitulari Westmonast. asservato.]

Sciropesc. tom. i. fol. 252 b.

QUOD TENET ÆCCLESIA S. MILBURG. In Parintune Hund.

ÆCCLESIAM S. MILBURGÆ fecit Rogerius comes AB-BATIAM.

Ipsa æcclesia ten. WENLOCH. et tenuit tempore Regis Edwardi. Ibi xx. hidæ. Ex his ⁱⁱⁱ^{or}. erant quietæ a geldo tempore Regis Chnut. et aliæ geld. In dominio sunt ix. car. et dimid. et ix. villani et iii. radmans. et xlvj. bord. Inter omnes habent xvij. car. et aliæ xvij. ibi possent esse. Ibi xv. servi. et ii. molini servientes monachis. Ibi i. piscaria et Silva ccc. porcis incrassand. et ibi ii^æ. haia. Tempore Regis Edwardi valebat xv. lib. Modo xii. lib.

Ipsa æcclesia tenet TICHELEVORDE et tenuit tempore Regis Edwardi. Ibi vii. hidæ geld. et iii. hidæ quietæ a geldo. In dominio est una car. et vi. villani et vi. bord. et unus radman cum v. car. et adhuc vi. car. possent ibi esse. Ibi iii. servi. et Silva lx. porc. incrassand. Tempore Regis Edwardi valebat c. sol. Modo l. solid.

Ipsa æcclesia tenet MADELIE. et tenuit tempore Regis Edwardi. Ibi i. hida non geld. et iii. aliæ hidæ geld. In dominio sunt ii. car. et vi. villani et iii. bord. cum iii. car. Ibi iii. servi. et adhuc vi. car. possent esse ibi. Silva cccc. porc. incrassand. in qua sunt ii. haia. et aira Accipitris. Tempore Regis Edwardi valebat iii. lib. Modo l. sol.

Ipsa æcclesia tenet WENLOCH. et tenuit tempore Regis Edwardi. Ibi i. hida non geld. et aliæ ii. geld. In do-

their lives and the survivor of them for three years, and from three to three for three score years. Dated 22 December 30 Hen. VIII."

^a Moore's *Monastic Remains*, vol. i. p. 38.

minio est una car. et iii. villani et ii. bord. cum iii. car. Ibi ii. bovarii. et Silva ccc. porc. incrassand. in qua sunt ii. haiae et aira Accipitris. Tempore Regis Edwardi valebat lxx. sol. Modo xl. solid.

Ipsa æcclesia tenuit et tenet SCIPETUNE. Ibi dimid. hida non geld. et iii. aliae hidae geld. In dominio est una car. et v. villani et v. bord. cum v. car. et ii. servi. Valuit xxx. sol. Modo iii. den. plus.

Ipsa æcclesia tenuit et tenet PETELIE. Ibi dimidia hida non geld. In dominio est una car. et iii. bord. cum i. car. et ii. servi. et Silva xl. porc. incrassand. et ibi haia. Valuit viii. sol. Modo vi. solid.

Ipsa æcclesia tenuit et tenet BVRTONE. et Edricus de ea. Aluricus pater hujus tenuit, et non poterat recedere ab æcclesia. Ibi ii. hidae et iii. virg. terræ geld. In dominio est dimid. car. et iii. villani et iii. radmans et iii. bord. cum iii. car. et dimid. et unus servus. et molinum serviens curiæ. et una haia. Tempore Regis Edwardi valebat l. solid. modo xl. solid. et ii. car. plus possunt esse.

Ipsa æcclesia tenuit GODESTOCH. Comes Rogerius dedit capellanis suis. sed æcclesia debet habere. Ibi xx. hidae. Ex his iii. non geld. aliae vero geld. In dominio sunt ii. car. et xxv. villani et v. bord. cum ix. car. et iii. bovarii. et xix. car. plus possent ibi esse. Tempore Regis Edwardi valebat xiii. lib. Modo ix. lib.

In Elnoelstrvl Hund. Ipsa æcclesia tenuit et ten. DEHOCSELE. Ibi dimid. hida geld. In dominio est una car. et ii. bord. et unus cot. cum i. car. et unus servus ibi. Valuit x. solid. Modo xx. solid.

Ipsa æcclesia tenuit et tenet PICHETORNE. Ibi dimid. hida geld. In dominio est una car. et unus villanus et ii. bord. cum ii. car. et ii. servi. Valuit et valet vii. solid.

In Sciropesberie Hund. Ipsa æcclesia tenuit et tenet SVDTONE. Ibi i. hida. Ibi sunt viii. homines inter Francos et villanos. cum iii. car. Valuit xii. sol. Modo xvi. solid.

In Cylvestan Hund. Ipsa æcclesia tenuit et ten. CLEE. Ibi ii. hidae. Ibi unus homo et una car. et sex aliae car. possent esse. Valuit xviii. solid. Modo vi. solid.^a

NUM. IV.

Carta Isabellæ de Say.

[Pat. 22 Edw. III. m. 12; et Pat. 18 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 29.]

REX omnibus, &c. salutem. Inspeximus quandam cartam quam claræ memoriæ Ysabell de Say, dudum domina de Cluna, fecit Deo et sanctæ Mildredæ de Wenloch et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in hæc verba. 'Sciant præsentēs et futuri quod ego Ysabella de Sai, domina de Cluna, dedi, concessi, et hac præsentī cartā meā confirmavi, pro amore Dei, et pro salute animæ meæ, et pro salute domini Willielmi filii Alani et mei, et pro anima patris mei, et matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, ecclesiam sancti Georgii de Cluna, quæ est de proprio feudo meo, et de donatione mea, cum omnibus capellis ad eam pertinentibus: scilicet, cum capella sancti Thomæ ejusdem villæ, et cum capella sanctæ Mariæ de Waterdene, et capella sancti Swithuni de Clumbirie, et capella sanctæ Mariæ de Clinttune, et capella S. Mariæ de Oppetune, et capellis de Eggedune et Sibbedune, et omnibus aliis capellis, et pertinentiis, cum jure patronatus prædictæ ecclesiæ sancti Georgii, et prædictarum capellarum eidem pertinentium, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, Deo, et sanctæ Milburgæ de Wenloch, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus. Quare volo quod prædicti monachi prædictam ecclesiam, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, in terris, in pratis, in bosco et plano, et in omnibus aliis rebus ad eam pertinentibus, bene et in pace, liberè, et quietè, et honorificè, habeant et possideant sicut aliquod monasterium liberius, quietius, et honorificentius aliquod tenet beneficium ecclesiasticum, ita quod nullus de hæredibus meis elemosinam istam a me factam, in libera potestate mea, diminuerē vel infirmare præsumat. Qui autem eam serva-

verit, benedictione Dei et mea gaudeat. Qui autem eam infringere attemptaverit, maledictionem Dei et meam incurrat. Et ut hæc mea donatio et concessio rata et perpetua perseveret, eam præsentis sigilli mei munimine roboravi. Hiis testibus, Brientio de Sai, Rogero Anglico, Petro de Oppetuna, Huberto de Buchevill, Hugone Peverell, Johanne Camerario, Roberto de Camera, Willielmo capellano, Warino de Burewardesley, Philippo de Linlog, et multis aliis.'

NUM. V.

Carta Willielmi de Boterell, donationem Ecclesiæ S. Georgii de Clune confirmans.

[Ex vet. membr. penes Ric. Leveson de balneo mil.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego Willielmus de Boterell dedi et concessi, et hac cartâ meâ confirmavi, et sigilli mei impressione roboravi in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ et Willielmi filii mei, Deo et S. Milburgæ de Wenloke et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus donationem quam domina Isabella de Say, uxor mea, eis dedit super ecclesia S. Georgii de Clune, cum omnibus capellis et terris, et omnibus aliis ad eam pertinentibus, liberè et quietè possidendam, juxta tenorem cartæ quam prædicti monachi habent inde de præfatâ dominâ Isabella de Say. His testibus, Brientio de Say, Rogero Anglico, Petro de Uptune, Huberto de Bechevill, Hugone Peverell, Johanne Camerario, Roberto de Camera, Willielmo capellano, Warino de Burwardele, et multis aliis.

NUM. VI.

Carta de Begelhovere.

[Ex orig. penes Gul. Hamper arm.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego frater Humbertus prior de Wenel. et ejusdem loci conventus præsentī cartā confirmavimus Thomæ de Begelhovere et hæredibus suis villam de Begelhovere de feodo sanctæ Mylbergæ cum omnibus pertinentiis suis: habendam et tenendam de nobis et successoribus nostris sibi et hæredibus suis bene et in pace, quiete, et honorifice imperpetuum pro homagio suo et pro eodem servitio quo pater ejus Rogerus eam de nobis tenuit, scilicet pro viginti solidis nobis ad festum sancti Michaelis annuatim solvendis et sequela curiæ sanctæ Mylbergæ per afforciamentum curiæ faciend. pro omni servitio ad prædictam villam de Begelhovere pertinente; quod ut perpetuum stabilitatis robur optineat præsentem cartam sigillis nostris roboravimus: Hiis testibus, Philippo de Burwardel, Roberto de Wodetun, Hugone de Beckebur, Ada de Beising, Hugone de Lega, Rogero de Millinghop, Rogero de Prestehop, Stephano de Patintun, et multis aliis.

NUM. VII.

Inquisitio super jure patronatus Cellæ de Prene.

[Escaet. an. 29 Ed. I. nu. 130.]

INQUISITIO cujusmodi statum antecessores hæredis Philippi Burnel infra ætatem et in custodia domini regis existentis, vel domini castri de Holgod in cella de Frene^b tempore vacationis ejusdem habuerunt temporibus retroactis. Et si prædicta cella de hærede prædicto teneatur, et si tempore vacationis ejusdem cellæ, antecessores prædicti hæredis seu alii domini castri prædicti custodiam dictæ cellæ ratione domini castri illius habere, prædictusque prior et prædecessores sui prædicti de custodibus ad eandem cum vacaret providere, et ipsos custodes antecessoribus prædicti hæredis seu dominis castri prædicti præsentare, ac ipsi sic per ipsum priorem vel prædecessores suos prædictos antecessoribus ipsius hæredis seu dominis castri illius præsentati et ab eis admissi temporalia dictæ cellæ a manibus eorundem recipere consueverunt temporibus retroactis necne: facta coram escaetore apud Frene die Dominica in festo sancti Georgii anno regni regis Edwardi vicesimo nono per sacramentum Johannis de Esthope, &c. Qui dicunt super sacramentum

^a At the end of these entries, and as if forming a part of St. Milburgh's lands, it is said,

"Sancta Witburga ten. dimid. hidam geld. et filius Aluric de eo.

Ibi unus villanus cum i. car. et alia posset ibi esse. Valet iii. solid."

^b scil. Prene.

sum quod prædicta cella de Frene tenetur de dominis castri de Holgod, qui pro tempore fuerint. Et quod tempore vacationis ejusdem cellæ domini castri prædicti custodiam dictæ cellæ, ratione domini castri illius, habere consueverunt. Et quod prior de Wenlock et prædecessores sui de custodibus ad eandem cellam cum vacaret providere consueverunt, et ipsos custodes dominis castri prædicti præsentare, et ipsi præsentati per ipsum priorem vel prædecessores suos a manibus dominorum castri illius temporalia dictæ cellæ cum ab eisdem dominis admissi fuerint recipere consueverunt temporibus retroactis. Et dicunt quod domini castri prædicti nullum alium statum in cella prædicta tempore vacationis habere consueverunt nisi custodiam quousque receperint custodem ad eandem sic per prædictum priorem præsentatum; eo quod cella prædicta tenetur de eisdem dominis castri prædicti in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. In cujus, &c.

NUM. VIII.

Extenta Possessionum Prioratus de Wenlock A. D. 1380.

[MS. Donat. Brit. Mus. 6164, p. 381.]

EXTENTA possessionum, terrarum, et tenementorum Prioratus de Wenlok alienig. in com. Salop. in manu regis occasione guerræ existen. facta apud Wenlok coram Thoma de Sekyndon clerico et Willielmo de Walshale escaet. domini regis in com. Salop. et Staff. escaetoribus tam possessionum Prioratum alien. quam omnium aliorum maneriorum, terrarum, et tenementorum in manu domini regis existentium virtute cujusdam commissionis domini regis eisdem Thomæ et Willielmo inde direct. sexto die Septembris anno regni regis Ricardi secundi post Conquestum tertio, per sacramentum Johannis de Esthope, Petri de Home, Thomæ Wyvell, Ricardi Warde, Reginaldi le Webbe, Ricardi de Esthop, Walteri Weole, Walteri Mareschal, Johannis Miles, Rogeri le Bowyer, Thomæ le Ventner, et Willielmi de Kenley, qui dicunt super sacramentum suum quod Willielmus de Pontefracto prior perpetuus prioratus de Wenlok tenet manerium de Wenlok cum aliis possessionibus, maneriis, terris, et tenementis in dicto com. Salop. subscript. de domino rege in capite, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, in quo prioratu sunt viginti monachi cum dicto priore ad serviendum Deo ibidem. Et est ibidem quidam situs prædicti prioratus qui nichil valet per annum ultra repris. Et est ibidem quoddam vivarium cujus piscaria valet per annum iij^s. Item in villa de Wenlok est quoddam mercatum tent. qualibet septimana per annum in die Lunæ cujus tolnetum valet per annum vj^s. viij^d. Et nundinæ tent. ibidem in vigilia Nativitatis sancti Johannis Baptistæ cum duobus diebus sequen. val. x^s. Et sunt ibidem duæ magnæ curiæ de vis. franc. tent. per annum quæ val. per annum xx^s. Et est ibidem de redd. assis. liberorum tenentium per annum xiiij^{li}. xx^d. solvend. inde ad festa Nativitatis sancti Johannis Baptistæ et Assumptionis beatæ Mariæ xlj^s. viij^d. Placita et perquisita cur. ibidem val. per annum xl^d. Et sunt ibidem sex molendina aquatica quæ val. per annum lx^s. Et est ibidem quædam grangia prædictæ Villæ annexa quæ nichil val. per annum ultra reprisas. Et est ibidem unum columbare quod valet per annum xl^d. Et est ibidem unum gardinum quod valet per annum xij^d. Et sunt ibidem quinque carucatæ terræ arabilis quarum duæ partes cujuslibet carucatæ terræ valentes per annum quando seminantur xij^s. iiij^d. et tertia pars terræ prædictæ nichil valet per annum quia jacet ad warect. et in communi. Et sunt ibidem quinque acræ prati quarum quælibet acra val. per annum xij^d. et herbagium post falcationem nichil valet per annum quia communes post fenum levat. Et est ibidem una alia grangia quæ vocatur le Mersh, cujus domus nichil valet per annum ultra reprisas. Et sunt ibidem duæ carucatæ terræ arabilis quarum duæ partes quando seminantur val. per annum xij^s. iiij^d. et tertia pars terræ prædictæ nichil valet per annum quia jacet ad warect. et in communi. Et est ibidem quidam boscus vocatus Shirlet cujus sub-boscus nullus, et herbagium nichil valet quia communis. Et est de reddit. assis. annex. grangiæ prædictæ de divers. tenenc. in Walton, Atturle, et Barowe, iiij^{li}. vj^d. ob. per annum solvend. inde ad festa sancti Michaelis et Annunc. beatæ Mariæ lx^s. ad festa Nativitatis sancti Johannis Baptistæ et Assumptionis sanctæ Mariæ xx^s.

vj^d. ob æquis porcionibus. Et est manerium de Madeley in com. prædicto de temporalibus prioratus prædicti; in quo manerio est unum capitale mes. quod nichil valet per annum ultra reprisas. Et est ibidem unum gardinum cujus herbagium valet per annum vj^d. Et est ibidem unum molendinum aquaticum quod est ad firmam pro x^s. per annum. Et sunt ibidem duo vivaria quorum piscar. valet per annum iij^s. Et sunt ibidem iij. caruc. terræ arabilis quarum duæ partes val. per annum quando comminantur xxx^s. et tertia pars terræ prædictæ nichil valet quia jacet ad warect. et in communi. Et sunt ibidem tres acræ prati quarum quælibet acra val. per annum xij^s. quando falcari et levari possunt. Et est quidam parcus cujus herbagium valet per annum xl^d. et subboscus nullus. Et est ibidem de redd. assis. liberorum tenentium per annum x. marc. ij^s. x^d. solvend. ad festa sancti Michaelis et Annunc. beatæ Mariæ æquis portionibus. Placita et perquis. curiæ ibidem val. per annum ij^s. Item prædictus prior tenet Hameletum de Parva Wenlok in eodem com. in quo non est aliquod mes. capitale nec sunt aliquæ terræ dominicæ, sed est ibidem de redd. ass. liberorum tenentium vj. marc. ij^s. j^d. ad terminos prædictos æquis porcionibus. Item tenet grang. de Bradeley in qua sunt divers. domus quæ nihil val. per annum ultra repris. Et est ibidem una carucata terræ cujus duæ partes val. per annum vj^s. viij^d.: tertia pars terræ prædictæ nihil val. per annum qui jacet ad warect. et in communi. Et sunt ibidem duæ acræ prati quarum quælibet acra valet per annum xij^d. Et herbagium post falcationem valet per annum viij^d. Et est ibidem unum molendinum aquaticum juxta Wyggewyk quod valet per annum x^s. Et est de redd. assis. in diversis hamelettis annex. grangiæ prædictæ videlicet in Wyke, Bradeley, Benthale, Posenhale, Wyggewyk et Harley vj^{li}. x^s. v^d. per annum liberorum tenentium solvend. ad terminos sancti Michaelis et Annunc. beatæ Mariæ æquis porcionibus, placita et perquis. curiæ ibidem val. per annum ij^s. Item apud Wyggewyk est una carucata terræ quæ jacet frisc. quæ valet per annum xl^d. Item idem prior tenet manerium de Oxonbold in eodem com. in quo manerio est capitale mesuagium quod nichil valet per annum ultra reprisas. Et est ibidem unum molendinum aquaticum quod valet per annum vj^s. viij^d. Et est ibidem quidam parcus cujus herbagium valet per annum ij^s. et subboscus ejusdem nullus. Et sunt ibidem quatuor carucatæ terræ, quarum duæ partes cujusdam caruc. terræ valent per annum vj^s. et tertia pars terræ prædictæ nihil valet per annum quia jacet ad warect. et in communi. Et sunt ibidem duæ acræ prati quæ val. per annum ij^s. Et eunt ibidem de redd. assis. in diversis hamelettis prædicto manerio annexis, videlicet Hopton, Weston, et Monghale Prioris, et Staunton vj^{li}. vj^d. de liberis tenent. et unum par alborum calcar. solvend. ad terminos prædictos æquis portionibus. Item tenet hamelett. de Shipton in quo non est aliquod mes. capitale nec dominicæ terræ, sed sunt ibidem duæ acræ prati, quarum quælibet acra valet per annum xij^d. Et est ibidem unum molendinum aquaticum quod valet per annum xij^s. Et est ibidem de redd. assis. liberorum tenentium per annum ix^{li}. iiij^s. solvend. inde ad terminos Annunc. beatæ Mariæ et sancti Michaelis vj^{li}. æquis portionibus, et ad terminos Nat. sancti Johannis Baptistæ et Nat. Domini lxiiij^s. æquis portionibus. Item tenet manerium de Bourton in com. prædicto, in quo quidem manerio est unum capitale mesuagium quod nichil valet per annum. Et est ibidem una carucata terræ quæ valet per annum vj^s. viij^d. Et sunt ibidem ij. acr. prati, quarum quælibet acra val. per annum xij^d. Et est ibidem de redd. assis. liberorum tenentium et nativorum per annum viij^{li}. solvend. inde ad festa Annunc. beatæ Mariæ et sanctæ Michaelis vj^{li}. æquis portionibus, et ad festa Nativitatis sancti Johannis Baptistæ et Assumpt. beatæ Mariæ xl^s. æquis portionibus. Item tenet manerium de Dodyton Prioris in com. prædicto, in quo est unum capitale mesuagium quod nichil valet per annum. Et est ibidem unum molendinum aquaticum quod valet per annum vj^s. viij^d. Et sunt ibidem duæ carucatæ terræ, et val. per annum xij^s. Et sunt ibidem duæ acræ prati quæ val. per annum ij^s. Et est ibidem de redd. assis. tam liberorum tenentium quam nativorum, per annum ix^{li}. solvend. ad terminos Annunc. beatæ Mariæ et sancti Michaelis æquis portionibus. Et in hamelett. de Denkeshull est de redd. assis. liberorum tenentium per annum xx^s. ad terminos prædictos æquis portionibus. Item idem prior tenet hamelett. de Pa-

titon in com. prædicto, in quo est unum capitale mesuagium quod nichil valet per annum. Et sunt ibidem duæ partes unius carucatæ terræ quæ valet per annum xl^d. Et est ibidem una acra prati quæ valet per annum xij^d. Et est ibidem de redd. assis. liberorum tenentium per annum xl^s. ad terminos sancti Michaelis et Annunc. beatæ Mariæ æquis portionibus. Item idem prior tenet tertiam partem manerii de Bourwardesle in eodem comitatu, in qua est unum capitale mesuagium quod nichil valet per annum. Et sunt ibidem duæ carucatæ terræ quæ valent per annum v^s. et una acra prati quæ valet per annum quando falcatur xij^d. et herbagium post falcationem vj^d. Et est ibidem unum molendinum quod valet per annum vj^s. Et est ibidem quidam boscus qui nihil valet quia communis. Et est ibidem de redd. assis. liberorum tenentium per annum xxxvij^s. iiij^d. solvend. ad terminos Annunc. beatæ Mariæ et sancti Michaelis æquis portionibus. Item idem prior tenet manerium de Stoke Sanctæ Milburgæ in eodem comitatu, in quo est unum capitale mesuagium quod nichil valet per annum. Et est ibidem quoddam gardinum quod valet per annum vj^d. Et sunt ibidem iij. carucatæ terræ, quarum quælibet carucata terræ valet per annum xl^d. Et sunt ibidem iij. acræ prati quæ valent per annum iij^s. Item sunt ibidem duo molendini aquatici quæ valent per annum x^s. Et sunt ibidem de redditu assis. tam liberorum quam natorum vj^{li}. xvij^s. solvend. ad festa Annunc. beatæ Mariæ et sancti Michaelis c^s. æquis portionibus, et ad festa Nativitatis sancti Johannis Baptistæ et Assumptionis beatæ Mariæ xxxvij^s. æquis portionibus. Placita et perquisita curiæ ibidem valent per annum xij^d. Item idem prior tenet manerium de Etone in eodem comitatu, in quo est unum capitale mesuagium quod nichil valet per annum ultra repris. Et est ibidem una carucata terræ quæ valet per annum xl^d. ultra repris. Et est ibidem unum molendinum aquaticum quod valet per annum x^s. Et sunt ibidem duæ acræ prati, quarum quælibet acra valet per annum xij^d. quando falcari et levare possunt. Et est ibidem de redditu assis. tam liberorum quam natorum, xj. marc. per annum solvend. ad terminos sancti Michaelis et Annunc. beatæ Mariæ æquis portionibus. Placita et perquisita curiæ val. per annum xij^d. Item idem prior tenet hameletum de Calweton in eodem com. in quo est unum capitale mesuagium quod nichil valet per annum ultra repris. Et sunt ibidem duæ carucatæ terræ, quarum quælibet carucata terræ valet per annum xl^d. Et sunt ibidem duæ acræ prati, quarum quælibet acra valet per annum xij^d. Et est ibidem de redditu assis. liberorum tenentium per annum xx^s. solvend. ad terminos prædictos æquis portionibus. Item tenet apud Laverdene in eodem comitatu de redditu assis. liberorum tenentium v^s. per annum solvend. ad terminos prædictos æquis portionibus. Item tenet duo magna hundreda tenta apud Bourton in eodem com. videlicet unum ad Pasch. et aliud ad festum sancti Michaelis, quorum hundredorum placita et perquisita valent per annum xx^s. Item tenet ibidem unum parvum hundredum tent. ibidem de tribus septimanis in tres septimanas cujus hundredi placita et perquis. curiæ valent per annum vj^s. viij^d. Item sunt divers. liberi tenentes in eodem com. qui tenent in socagio diversa tenementa pro quibus debent sectam ad hundredum prædictum et redd. per annum pro ten. prædictis vj^{li}. xij^s. iiij^d. solvend. ad terminos sancti Michaelis et Annunc. beatæ Mariæ æquis portionibus. Item idem prior tenet unum mesuagium et duas carucas terræ apud Cangheleye quæ val. per annum vj^s. viij^d. Item tenet apud Sutton in eodem com. unum mes. quod nichil valet per annum ultra repris. Et sunt ibidem duæ carucatæ terræ quæ valent per annum x^s. Et est ibidem una acra prati quæ valet per annum xij^d. Et est ibidem unum molendinum aquaticum quod valet per annum xij^s. iiij^d. Et est ibidem de redditu assis. liberorum tenentium per annum vj^s. viij^d. solvend. ad festa sancti Michaelis et Annunc. beatæ Mariæ æquis portionibus. Item idem prior tenet et habet xxvj^s. viij^d. redditus per annum annuatim percipiend. de manerio de Pykthorn, quod manerium est de h'eat. Johannis de Baskervill defuncti, cujus hæres nunc est in custodia domini regis. Et dicunt quod non est aliquod vastum, venditio, seu destructio in domibus sive boscis, sive ten. prioratus prædicti, sed in bono statu tenentur.

Summa temporalium cxx^{li}. x^d. ob.

ITEM prædicti jurati dicunt de spiritualibus prioratus, quod habent ecclesiam de Clone cum capell. annex. in proprios usus, quæ valet per annum, deductis oneribus, xliij^{li}. vj^s. viij^d. Item ecclesiam de Wenlok similiter in proprios usus quæ valet per annum xliiv^{li}. vj^s. viij^d.^a Item ecclesiam de Stoke Sanctæ Milburgæ in proprios usus quæ valet per annum, deductis oneribus, viij^{li}. vj^s. viij^d. Item ecclesiam de Maddeleye in proprios usus quæ valet per annum, deductis oneribus, c^s. Item ecclesiam de Eton in proprios usus quæ valet per annum, deductis oneribus, viij^{li}. Item ecclesiam de Dodyton quæ valet per annum, deductis oneribus, viij^{li}. iij^s. iii^d. Item dicunt quod ecclesia de Stircheleye quæ valet per annum c^s. ecclesia de Sutton juxta Salop quæ valet per annum vj. marc. ecclesia de Parva Wenlok quæ valet per annum c^s. capella de Bekkebury quæ valet per annum vj. marc. capella de Bagesore quæ valet per annum v. marc. capella de Burwardesleye ad quam dictus prior habet præsentare tertia vice quæ valet per annum iij. marc. capella de Wilileye quæ valet per annum x. marc. spectant ad præsentationem prædicti Prioris. Item prædicti jurati dicunt quod Vicaria de Clone quæ valet per annum x^{li}. Vicar. de Wenlok quæ valet per annum x^{li}. Vicar. de Stoke Sanctæ Milburgæ quæ valet per annum x. marc. Vicar. de Madeleye quæ valet per annum v. marc. Vicar. de Eton quæ valet per annum x. marc. et Vicar. de Dodyton quæ valet per annum v. marc. spectant ad donationem Prioris de Wenlok. In cujus rei testimonium præsentis extentæ jurati prædicti sigilla sua apposuerunt die et loco et anno prædictis.

Summa spiritualium cxvij^{li}. iij^s. iiij^d.

Summa spiritualium et temporalium Prioratus de Wenlok in com. Salop. conjuncta cxxxxvij^{li}. iij^s. iiij^d. ob.

NUM. IX.

Scriptum obligationis Conventus pro anniversariis Regis et Reginæ celebrandis, eo quod eos indigenavit Rex.

[Rym. Fœd. tom. vii. p. 796.]

UNIVERSIS Christi fidelibus, præsentibus et futuris, præsens scriptum visuris vel audituris, Rogerus Wyvell prior prioratus sanctæ Milburgæ de Wenlok, Herefordensi diocese, ordinis Cluniacensis, et ejusdem loci conventus, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noverit universitas vestra quod nos considerantes qualiter nos et prædecessores nostri alienigenæ et non indigenæ extitimus hactenus reputati, quodque illustrissimus dominus noster rex, de gratia sua speciali, et pro quadam fine favorabili, in cancellaria ipsius domini nostri regis per nos facto, et in hanaperio suo ibidem soluto, concesserit pro se et hæredibus suis, quod nos et successores nostri, ut indigenæ et non alienigenæ simus de cætero, ac reputemur et teneamur imperpetuum, de unanimi assensu et consensu nostro, in pleno capitulo nostro, concessimus, ac nos et successores nostros firmiter obligamus, ad Obitum sive anniversarium Annæ nuper reginæ Angliæ defunctæ, ac Obitum sive anniversarium ipsius domini nostri regis, cum ab hac luce migraverit, cum pleno servitio mortuorum, puta in missis, exequiis, et aliis orationibus funeralibus, in vigiliis et diebus Obituum et anniversariorum prædictorum celebrandis, singulis annis, in choro ecclesiæ nostræ solempniter tenendum, faciendum, et observandum; ad quæ omnia et singula, ad perpetuam rei memoriam, fideliter in forma prædicta facienda, observanda, et adimplenda obligamus nos, et successores nostros, ac omnia possessiones, bona, et res nostra, præsentia et futura imperpetuum. In cujus rei testimonium hoc præsens scriptum sigillo nostro communi fecimus communiri, in fidem et securitatem omnium præmissorum. Dat. in domo nostra capitulari de Wenlok quarto die Aprilis, anno regni regis Ricardi secundi decimo octavo.

Memorandum quod prædictum scriptum obligatorium missum fuit per præfatum Priorem iu cancellariam regis, et ibidem in octabis Paschæ, proximis post datam ejusdem scripti, liberatum, et exinde in thesaurarium custodiendum missum.

NUM. X.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

DOMUS SIVE PRIORATUS DE WENLOK.

JOH'ES CRISSAGE Prior ibm.

Wenloke Magna.

Valet per annum in terr' et ten' eidem priorat' ptinentibz prout p3 per rentale inde confectum 13*l.* 3*s.* 0*d.*

Wenlok Parva.

Valet per annu' in redditibus terrarum et tenementorum ibidem ut patet per rentale inde confectum 14*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.*

Inde allo^r. pro vadio Hugonis Morall balli ac collectoris redd' ibm 0*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*
Et rem' clar' 13*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.*

Dutton.

Valet per annum in redditibus terrarum et tenement' ibidem ut p3 per ren^{le}. inde fact' 28*l.* 15*l.* 6*d.*
Inde allo^r. pro vadio Johannis Smalman balli ac coll' redd' ibidem 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
Et reman' clare 27*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.*

Burton.

Valet per annu' in redd' terr' et tenementorum ibidem, ut p3 per ren^{le}. inde factum 10*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.*
Inde allocat^r. p vadio Riçi Wylcoks ballivi ac collectoris redditus ibm per annum 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
Et reman' 9*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.*

Deuxhull.

Valet per annum in reddit' terr' et ten' ibm, ut p3 per ren^{le}. 2*l.* 12*s.* 4*d.*

Madeley.

Valet per annu' in redd' terr' et tenementorum ibm, ut patet per ren^{le}. prædictum 39*l.* 18*s.* 8½*d.*
Inde allo^r. pro vadio Willmi Richards ballivi ac collectoris ibidem per annum 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
Et reman' clare 38*l.* 18*s.* 8½*d.*

Stoke.

Valet per annu' in redditibz terraru' et tenementorum, ut patet per ren^{le}. inde factum 22*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.*
Inde allo^r. pro vadio Riçi Browne ballivi ac collectoris redditus ibidem per annum 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
Et reman' clare 21*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.*

Shipton.

Valet per annu' in redd' et firm' terr' et ten' ibm, ut patet per ren^{le}. inde confectum 31*l.* 8*s.* 0*d.*
Inde sol' pro vadio Thomæ Benbowe ballivi ac coll' redd' ibm 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
Et rem' 30*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.*

Marshe.

Valet per annu' in redd' et firmis terrarum et ten' ibm, ut patet per ren^{le}. inde factum 47*l.* 19*s.* 10½*d.*
Inde allo^r. pro feod' Riçi Chorleton ballivi ac collector' redd' ibm per annu' ac apud Wenlok Magn' et Marshe 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
Et reman' clare 44*l.* 13*s.* 2½*d.*

Eton.

Valet per annum in redd' et firmis terr' et tene^mt' ibm, ut p3 per ren^{le}. inde confectum 24*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.*
Inde allo^r. pro vadio Riçi Haywarde ballivi ac collect' redditus ibm per annum 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
Et reman' 23*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.*

Caloton.

Valet per annu' in redd' et firmis terr' et tene^mt' ibm, ut p3 per ren^{le}. inde ostens' 10*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.*

Inde allo^r. pro vadio Riçi Osley ballivi ac collectoris ibm per annum 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
Et reman' clare 9*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.*

Redditus de le Foren'.

Valet per annu' in redd' terr' et tenement', ut p3 per ren^{le}. inde factum 22*l.* 14*s.* 4½*d.*
Inde allo^r. pro vadio Johannis Wylkoks ballivi ac collector' de le Foren' p annu' 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
Et reman' 21*l.* 7*s.* 8½*d.*

Redd' Recept' de diversis Psonis.

Valet per annu' provenien' ad usum prioratus præd' de diversis locis quorum noia patent in ren^{le}. inde fact' 23*l.* 7*s.* 7*d.*

London et Chechestur'.

Valet per annu' in redditibus ibidem receptis de diversis psonis, ut p3 per rentale inde factum 3*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Sutton.

Valet per annu' in redd' et firmis ibm recept', ut p3 11*l.* 7*s.* 0*d.*

Reddit' ptin' ad Offitiu' Farmarii.

Valet per annu' in redd' receptis de di^vsis psonis ut in ren^{le}. 2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Terræ Dñical' ibm et in Oxenbold.

Valent per annu' quæ ptinent prædco prioratui, cu' 17*l.* de terris dñicalibus de manerio de Oxenbold 27*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Perquisit' Curia.

Valent comūnibus annis 10*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
Suma valoris temporal' omiū' pertinen' domui sive prioratui p^d' 333*l.* 16*s.* 10½*d.*

Pensiones Annuales.

Valent per annu' recept' de di^vsis Psonis, viz.

De rcōre de Wenlok Parva 1*l.* De rcōre ecclia^e de Clunbury pro annua pensione 13*s.* 4*d.* De prioratu de Bromfeld 1*l.* De vicar' de Priorz Dytton pro Middilton 10*s.* De rcōre de Dewxhull 8*s.* De abbe de Haghmond 1*l.* 4*s.* De priore de Chirbury 10*s.* 5*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*

Clon Rcōria.

Valet per annum in decimis granorum ibm cōibz annis 34*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Shipton Rcōr'.

Valet per annum in decimis granorum ibm cōibz annis 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Burton Rcōr'.

Valet per annum in decimis granorum ibm cōibus annis 3*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Eton Rcōria.

Valet per annum in decimis granorum ibm cōibz annis 8*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.*

Wenlok Magna.

Valet per annum in decimis granorum ibm cōibz annis 4*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Porcōnes.

Valēt per annum recept' de diversis Villat', viz.

De villat' de Hopton 3*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* De villat' de Stocke Milburne 4*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* De vill' de Acton Rownd 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* De villat' de Barrowe 2*l.* De villat' de Presthop 2*l.* Villat' de Walton 13*s.* 4*d.* Villat' de Atturley 1*l.* Villat' de Wyke 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Villat' de Larden et Brockton 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Villat' de Bradeley et Arlscott 13*s.* 4*d.* Villat' de Madeley 2*l.* Villat' de Dutton 4*l.* Villat' de Calowton 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Villat' de Wygwyke et Harley 18*s.* Villat' de Morhode in com' Sussex' 14*s.* Villat' de Sydnall 5*s.* Vill' de Millichop 8*s.* Villat' de Pickthorne 6*s.* 8*d.* Villat' de Bagesor' 3*s.* 4*d.* Villat' de Beckbury 3*s.* Villat' de Huglye 3*s.* Villat' de Posenhall 6*s.* De rcōre de Bytterley pro por-

cone in Higisford Myddylton per annum 1l. 3s. 4d. In
toto 35l. 10s. 4d.

Oblacons.

Valent per annum cum 2l. de oblaconsibz in ecclia de
Wenlok Magna comunibus annis . . . 3l. 13s. 4d.
Suma totalis omi' spual' . . . 5l. 4s. 4d.
Suma totalis valoris tam spual' qam temporalium
prædict' 434l. 1s. 2½d.

De quibus

Repris'.

Pensiones.

Solut' diversis Psonis, viz.

Epo Heref' 1l. 15s. 2½d. Humfro Ogle archino He-
ref' per annum 1l. 13s. 4d. Et rcori de Cownde pro
annua pensione pro capella de Acton Rownd 14s. In
toto 4l. 2s. 6½d.

Feod', viz.

Georgii comitis Salopie capitalis senescalli prioratus
prædci et Robti Morton subsenescalli curiarum dci priorat'
ac Rici Salter deputati dci Roberton Morton pcipientium
causa offitiorum suorum per annum 8l. 6s. 8d. Et in feod'
Edwardi Loge auditoris prædci prioratus per annum 2l.
10l. 6s. 8d.

Corod'.

Domini Regis concess', viz.

Robto Lyttle pro corodio suo per annum 5l. Et Jo-
hanni ap Richardz pro corrodio suo 5l. In toto
10l. 0s. 0d.

Elimos'.

Et in denariis distributis divers' pauperibus quolibz
die Dñico annuatim ex fundacone dñi regis nunc et pro-
genitorum suorum nuper regum Angliæ, viz. quolibt die
Dñico 11d. sic in toto per annum 2l. 7s. 8d. Et in pane et
cervisia distribut' divers' pauperibus dco die Dñico ex fun-
dacone fundatorum prædictoru' 10s. Et in pan' distribut'
diversis pauperibus quolibz die Veneris annuatim ex fun-
dacone fundatorum prædictorum 2l. Et in consimilibz
distribuconsibz dcis divers' pauperibus in pan' dieb3 Mæ'ii in
Passne. Dñi annuatim 14s. Et dieb3 Martis post diacam
quingages' in consimil' pan' 1l. 10s. Ex fundacone fun-
datorum præd' 2l. 4s. Et in consimilibus distribuconsibus
fcis diversis pauperibus singlis annis in pan' et piscibus
in cœna Domini ac in pecuniis numat' eodem die distributis
dcis pauperibus ex fundacone fundatorum prædictorum 1l.
3s. 4d. In toto per annum . . . 8l. 5s. 0d.
Suma totalis repris' . . . 32l. 14s. 2½d.
Et reman' clare . . . 401l. 7s. 0¼d.
Decima inde . . . 40l. 2s. 8½d.

NUM. XI.

[From a List of Pensions in the Augmentation Office.]

WENLOCK NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Comitatus Salop.?

PENSIONES assignatæ nuper priori et conventui ibidem
super dissolutionem dicti nuper prioratus per commissio-
narios domini regis vicesimo sexto die Januarii anno regni
prædicti domini regis Henrici Octavi tricesimo primo.

Videlicet,

Pensiones.

	£.	s.	d.
Johanni Baylie nuper priori ibidem . .	80	0	0
Willielmo Corfelde nuper subpriori ibi- dem	6	13	4
Richardo Fisshewyke presbytero . . .	6	0	0
Thomæ Acton presbytero	6	0	0
Johanni Castell presbytero	6	0	0
Richardo Fenymmer presbytero	6	0	0
Willielmo Benge presbytero	6	0	0
Richardo Norgrave presbytero	6	0	0
Thomæ Ball presbytero	6	0	0
Willielmo Morthowe presbytero	5	6	8

	£.	s.	d.
Johanni Lee presbitero	5	6	8
Willielmo Chamberleyn presbitero . .	5	6	8
Johanni Hopkys presbitero	5	6	8

Summa 100 0 0

WALTER HENDLE.
THOMAS LEGH.
RYCHARD BELASSYS.
R. WATKYS.

NUM. XII.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 33 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

WENLOCK NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Com' Salop'	£.	s.	d.
Wenlock—Scitus cum terris do- minicalibus	12	0	10
Wenlock—Rectoria cum decimis	10	6	8
Stoke Milbrudge—Reddit' tenen- tium ad voluntatem domini . .	11	0	10
Stoke Milbrudge—Reddit' tenen- tium per copiam curiæ . . .	11	4	7
Stoke Milbrudge—Firm' capital' mesuag' cum terris dominicali- bus	8	13	4
More—Firm' capital' mesuag', cum terr', prat', &c.	2	16	8
Bocculton—Firm' unius mesuag', cum garbis ibidem	3	16	4
Newton—Firm' duor' mesuag' . .	1	1	0
Kynston—Porc' x ^{marum}	0	6	8
Dutton—Reddit' assis'	1	12	10
Dutton—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem domini	0	19	8
Dutton—Reddit' tenentium per copiam curiæ	19	3	8
Dutton—Firm' terrarum et tene- mentorum dimiss' per indentur' .	11	18	4
Dutton—Pensio recept' de vicar'	0	10	0
Dutton—Pannag' porcorum . . .	0	11	8
Dutton—Perquis' cur'	3	15	2
Madeley—Reddit' assis'	2	6	0
Madeley—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem domini	1	0	1
Madeley—Reddit' tenentium per copiam curiæ	11	1	2
Madeley—Pensio recept' de rec- toria	0	3	0
Badyar—Pensio recept' de rec- toria	0	3	4
Madeley—Diversæ firmæ dimis- sæ per indentur'	29	5	6
Madeley—Firma x ^{mar}	2	0	0
Madeley—Perquis' cur'	1	1	8
Madeley—Profic' pannag' porco- rum	0	16	10
Burton—Reddit' molend' aquat'	0	16	0
Burton—Reddit' divers' terr' et tenementorum	15	5	8
Sherlett—Firm' cujusdam min' pro ferreis lapid'	2	6	8
Shipton—Reddit' assis'	4	3	11
Shipton—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem domini	0	2	8
Shipton—Reddit' tenentium per copiam curiæ	20	11	10
Shipton—Firm' unius mesuag' . .	1	10	4
Shipton—Firm' alterius mesuag'	1	11	6
Longslaton—Firm' mesuag' voc' le Crossell	3	0	0
Longslaton—Firm' al' mesuag' . .	1	8	8
Patton—Firm' capital' mesuag', cum terris dominicalibus . . .	3	2	0
Weston—Firma unius tenementi	1	13	4
Harpis Muckall—Firma unius mesuag'	1	11	9

Com' Salop'	£.	s.	d.
Mukholein Hopton—Firma unius tenementi	1	11	9
Sipton—Firma decimarum	5	6	8
Weston, Hopton, et Muckhall—Firma decimarum	4	13	4
Brocton—Reddit' forens'	0	2	6
Hughley—Reddit' forens'	0	5	0
Hughley—Pensio de villa	0	2	0
Marshe—Reddit' in Barrowe	0	5	6
Marshe—Reddit' in Atterley	0	11	8
Marshe—Reddit' pro terris liberis in Posenhall	0	18	0 ob'
Marshe—Lib' redd' de maner' de Bentall	0	4	6
Marshe—Lib' redd' de capital' mesuag' in Burwardesley	2	12	8
Marshe—Capital' redd' in Presthorpe	1	3	6
Marshe—Redd' capital' mesuag' in Marshe et alibi	9	1	8
Marshe—Redd' tenentium ad voluntatem domini	1	1	8
Marshe—Redd' tenentium per copiam curiæ	27	10	3 ob'
Wigwik et Harley—Firm' mesuag' et terr', &c.	1	16	8
Bentall—Firm' unius mesuag'	0	15	6
Sutton juxta Salop'—Firma manerii	7	13	4
Wellely—Firma terr' in Pryors Tonge infra parcum de Willey	0	13	4
Barron et al'—Firma decimarum	2	10	0
Atterburye—Firma decimarum	1	6	8
Wigwyk et Harley—Firma decimarum	0	18	0
Presthorp—Firma decimarum	2	0	0
Wyk—Firma decimarum	1	13	4
Bentall—Firma decimarum	0	6	8
Acton Round—Redd' decimarum	0	1	0
Sutton juxta Salop'—Firma mol' aquat'	2	0	0
Bradley—Firma molendini	0	13	1
Shurlett—Firma unius fabricæ vocatæ an Ierne Smythee, sive a Smith's Place	12	8	0
Shurlett—Firma al' fabric' ferri	2	13	4
Shurlett—Firma petrarum ibidem lucrat'	5	3	10
Burwardeslye—Reddit' putei vocat' a Cole Delffe	0	1	4
Buildwas—Pensio dñi Powes	0	12	0
Wenlock Parva—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem	0	3	10
Wenlock Parva—Reddit' tenentium per copiam curiæ	10	14	6 ob'
Wenlock Parva—Reddit' terr' et tenementorum dimiss' per indentur'	2	1	0
Huntington—Reddit' terr' et ten'	5	4	4
Wenlock Parva—Firm' terr' et pastur'	0	10	0
Wenlock Parva—Firma maner' carbon'	0	6	8
Wenlock Parva—Pensio recepta de rectoria	1	0	0
Wenlock Parva—Reddit' mobil'	0	3	4 ob'
Wenlock Parva—Venditio bosci	0	0	8
Wenlock Parva—Pannag' porcorum	0	8	4
Wenlock Parva—Perquis' cur'	1	15	10
Wenlock Parva—Pannag' porcorum de amerciamentis	1	6	10
Wenlock Magna—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem domini	11	1	10
Wenlock Magna—Firma terrarum et tenementorum dimiss' per indentur'	5	4	4
Wenlock Magna—Reddit' tenentium per copiam curiæ	4	12	6
Wenlock Magna—Perquis' cur'	0	19	10

Com' Salop'	£.	s.	d.
Calowton—Reddit' assis'	1	17	0
Calowton—Reddit' tenentium per copiam curiæ	5	0	0
Calowton—Firma terr' et tenementorum dimiss' per indenturam	6	9	2
Calowton—Firma decimarum	5	0	0
Bridgnorth—Reddit' et firmæ	0	13	4
Chirbury—Portio de priore de Chirbury	0	10	0
Haughmond—Pensio de abbate	1	6	8
Bromfield—Pensio de priore	1	0	0
Salop'—Pensio de monaster'	0	5	8
Calowton—Pannag' porc'	0	7	0
Eton—Reddit' assis'	5	2	2
Eton—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem domini	12	15	6
Eton—Firm' terr' et ten'	11	11	8
Eton—Firm' un' molend'	1	0	0
Eton—Firma decimarum	8	0	0
Millichere Inferior—Firma decimarum	0	8	0
Eton—Perquis' cur'	1	3	6
Deuxhill—Redd' lib' tenentium	1	3	4
Deuxhill—Redd' tenentium ad voluntatem domini	4	13	4
Deuxhill—Redd' tenentium per copiam curiæ	2	9	0
Deuxhill—Firm' decimarum	1	2	8
Clunbury et Clun—Redd' ten' ad vol'	0	0	2
Clunbury et Clun—Redd' ten' per copiam cur'	0	10	0
Clunbury et Clun—Redd' tenen' per indentur'	1	6	6
Clunbury et Clun—Firma rector' de Clun'	34	13	4
Oxenbold—Firma maner' cum terris dominicis	17	13	4
Clea S. Margareta—Reddit'	1	2	4
Clea Stanton—Reddit'	1	6	8
Le Heth—Lib' reddit'	1	0	0
Heth Presthorpe—Lib' reddit'	1	0	0
Normecott—Reddit'	0	5	0
Bromton—Redd' un' ten'	0	6	8
Hugford Middleton—Pore' x ^m	1	3	4

NUM XIII.

Extract of Ministers' Accompts 33 Hen. VIII. Augm. Office as to the Demesne Lands.

WENLOCK NUPER MONASTERIUM.

COMPUTUS Johannis Bradshawe Firmarii et Collectoris Reddituum, &c. ibidem.

12l. 10d. de reddit. scitus prædicti nuper monasterii, cum domibus, horreis, stabulis, columbaribus, ortis, gardinis, stagnis, vivariis, aquis, piscariis, et solo infra scitum et præinctum ejusdem, ac cum quodam orto et uno stagno infra eundem ortum, continen. per æstimationem unam acram dimid. et un. rod. al. ort. abbuttan. super Lees Walks, cum duobus parvis stagnis sive vivariis infra eundem ortum, continen. per æstimationem unam rodam et triginta perticat.; terr. al. ort. ibidem, contin. per æstimationem unam acram, cum le Courtefeld, cont. per æstimationem unam acram; un. molend. aquat. apud le Greete Poole Hedd ex parte orientali dictæ domus: necnon cum 144 acr. et dim. rod. pasturæ jacen. in diversis clausis ibidem, viz. in crofto vocato Overstandhill 10 acr.; croft. vocat. le Almonere Crofte, 3 acr. di.; pastur. vocat. Walmore, per æstimationem 20 acr.; croft. vocat. Dawbers Crofte, 3 acr. dim.; claus. vocat. Bradleys Cloose, per æstimationem 4 acr.; al. claus. vocat. Bradleys, cont. per æstimationem 7 acr.; pastur. vocat. le Downe, per æstimationem 70 acr.; pastur. vocat. Shortwalmore, per æstimationem 7 acr.; le Poole Dame, per æstimationem 12 acr.; claus. vocat. le Calfes Croft, per æstimationem 3 acr. et un. rod.: ac etiam cum 25 acr. dim. prat. jacen. in diversis pratis ibidem, viz. in Brodemedowe 13 acr. et in prato vocato le Hollow Mede

12 acr. : necnon cum 286 acr. terr. arrabil. jacen. in diversis campis et clausis ibidem, viz. in le Westefeld per æstimationem 105 acr. ; le Sowthfeld, 95 acr. ; the Millepoole, per æstimationem 10 acr. ; the Further Stonehed in communi campo, 16 acr. ; ac in le Wheatfelde, 60 acr. Quæ quidem

scit. cum terris, pratis, et pasturis prædictis, reservat. fuere in manibus et occupatione nuper abbatis et conventus monasterii prædicti usque tempus dissolutionis ejusdem, et ad tunc sic arentat. per commissionarios domini regis ibidem existen. ac modo dimiss. &c.

Priory of Dudley, in Worcestershire.



UDLEY Priory, as will appear by one or two of the Instruments in the Appendix, was formerly reckoned, with the parish in which it stands, as part of Staffordshire, by which county it is surrounded on all sides ; but it now belongs to Worcestershire. As long ago even as 1291, the priory is stated in Pope Nicholas the Fourth's Taxation to be in the diocese of Worcester.

Gervase Painell, says Tanner, lord of the manor of Dudley, and of several others in these parts, fulfilled his father Ralph's design to found a monastery near his castle here, which he did before the year 1161 ;^a and replenished it with Cluniac monks from Wenlock, to which this priory was accounted a Cell.^b It was dedicated to St. James.

In the year 1190, Pope Lucius confirmed the monks here in their privileges and possessions. Among these were St James's church, St. Edmund's and St. Thomas's churches or chapels, in Dudley ; the churches of Northphel, Seggeslei, Portfield, Inglefield, Bratefield, with the chapels of Coston and Inglefield, all of the gift of Gervase Painell ; Womburne or Wenburne church, with Tresel chapel, given by Guido de Offeni ; Scille church, by Ralph Seille ; the village of Chyrchille, by Agnes Somery ; Saredune, by Osbert Kenefare ; lands in Wolynton, by Robert de Cleanden ; and in Ingepenne, by John Mansell.^c

In the 13th Edw. I. the prior had license to assart and dispark a heath in the forest of Kinsare, adjoining to the manor of Wodeford.^d

The following are the entries in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas the Fourth, A. D. 1291, relating to this priory :

"Dioc. Wygorn. Temp. Prior de Doddeleye habet apud Doddel. unam carucatam terræ et valet per annum viginti solid. et habet ibidem de reddit. assis. triginta solid. Et sacrista habet ibidem de redd. assis. quatuor solid. et sex denar. Et habet apud Chirchull de reddit. assis. viginti solid. Et habet apud Wrosene unam caruc. terræ quæ valet per annum viginti solid. De stauro viginti solid.

Summa 5*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.*

"Dioc. Coventr. et Litch. Temporalia.

Prior de Duddeley habet apud Wudeford in dec. de Tresel duas caruc. terr. et valet caruc. per annum 16*s.*

Item habet ibidem de profic. stauri per annum 1*l.*

Item habet ibidem de redd. assis. per annum 11*s.* 6*d.*

Summa 3*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*

^a Viz. in the time of Walter Durdent bishop of Lichfield, who confirmed the gift of the church of Wemburn.

^b See the Foundation Charter in the Append. Num. I.

^c See Num. II.

^d Pat. 13 Edw. I. m. 1 or 2.

^e Taxat. Eccles. P. Nich. IV. edit. 1802, foll. 228, 243 b, 251.

^f See the Append. Numm. III. IV.

^g Harl. MS. 433, fol. 102. See also Nash, Collect. for Worc. vol. i. p. 359.

^h Pat. 9 Hen. V. "Rex reddit temporalia hujus Prioratus ad donationem regis pertinen. ratione minoris ætatis Joh. fil. Thomæ Sutton nuper baronis de Dudley. 14 Jul." MS. Harl. 6962, p. 160. Nash says, "Erdeswick, in his History of Staffordshire, mentions some monuments here to the Somerys and Suttons : but they are now destroyed." Hist. Coll. Worc. p. 359.

ⁱ Pat. 9 Hen. V. p. 1.

^k Pat. 9 Hen. V. p. 2. "Prior domus sanctæ Milburgæ de Wenlock præsent. tres monachos domus prædictæ ad regem supplicand. quatenus unum ex eis ad priorat. S. Jac. de Dudley admittat per resig. Willielmi Canke. Rex admittat Joh. Brugge 20 Oct."

"Dioc. Covent. et Litch. Spirit.

Ecclesia de Womburn cum capell. appropriata priori de Duddeley 10*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Ecclesia de Seggesley appropriata priori et conventui de Duddeley 8*l.*"^e

In 1299, Roger bishop of Lichfield and Coventry, and in 1300, Pope Boniface, granted an indulgence to all who should pray for the soul of Roger de Somery, benefactor to the Housc, and buried here.^f

On Dec. 31st, 1342, the bishop of Worcester summoned the prior and convent of Dudley to show title to the appropriation of the church of Dudley ; when their title was allowed for that time.^g

The Somerys and Suttons appear to have had the patronage of this priory.^h

PRIORS OF DUDLEY.

EVERARD OCCURS in Pope Lucius's bull, A. D. 1190.

ROBERT DE MALLEYA is mentioned as prior in the 25th Edw. I. 1297, in the Lytt. MSS.

THOMAS DE LONDONIIS, in 1338, 12 Edw. III. See Dugd. Baron. tom. ii. p. 214.

JOHN BILLYNGEBURGH : upon whose death

WILLIAM CANKE was presented by the prior of Wenlock, July 14, A. D. 1421.ⁱ

JOHN BRUGGE was admitted, upon Canke's resignation, Oct. 20th, 1421.^k

JOHN WEBLEY was the last prior. He occurs in the 2d Henry VIII. 1509, and again in the 26th Henry VIII. : at which time the gross revenue of this cell amounted to 36*l.* 8*s.* ;^l and the clear income to 33*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.*^m

In the 32d Hen. VIII. this priory, as parcel of Wenlock, was granted to Sir John Dudley, and was afterward confirmed by Queen Mary to Sir Edward Sutton, Lord Dudley.ⁿ The Lord Viscount Dudley and Ward is the present owner.

Tanner adds to the mention of Pat. 13 Edw. I. already quoted,

"Vide Munimenta ad hunc Prioratum spectantia penes honoratiss. dom. Ward baron. de Dudley.

"In MS. cod. de scriptis religiosorum exhibitis in visitat. dioc. Lichf. et Coventr. penes virum amiciss. Petrum Le Neve arm. Norroy, fol. 275 a, cartam foundationis, evulgatam in Mon. Angl." (vid. App. Num. II.) : "Confirmationem Ric. episc. Coventr. pro eccl. de Segestre : Cartam Hwidonis de Opheni et Christianæ uxoris, pro eccl. de Wenburna : Confirmationes donationis dictæ ecclesiæ per

^l Not 36*l.* 3*s.* as in Tanner.

^m See the Valor in the Append. Num. V.

ⁿ Tann. Notit. Monast. Staff. ix. Compare the "Comput. Ministrorum," Num. VI. The following is the entry relating to this grant in the Abstracts of the Originalia :

"Orig. 32 Hen. VIII. Staff. Wigorn. Norht. Rex xxvj. die Martii concessit Johanni Dudley mil. domum nuper prioratus sive cellæ de Dudley, et al. necnon terras, &c. in Dudley et Sedgeley, ac rectorias, &c. de Sedgeley et Omborne in com. Staff. ac rectoriam, &c. de Dudley et Northfeld in com. Wigorn. ac mesuag. &c. in Sedgeley, Bryerley, Colsley, Woodsetton, Overgornall, Nethergornall, Cotwalend, Gospel-lende, Dudley, Omborne, Tresull, Orton, Overton, Seyson, Churchehill, et Northfeld in com. Staff. et Wigorn. ac manerium et burg. de Walsall in com. Staff. ac mesuag. &c. in Beddington in com. Norht. ac scit. et capitale mesuag. manerii de Apultre infra parochiam de Aston in le Walles, ac manerium de Westwardon, ac mes. &c. in Ashton, Westwardon, Chepingwardon, Wardon, Hynton, Woodforde, Eydon, et Culworth in dicto com. Norht." ro. vij.



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Remains of Audley Priory, Staffordshire.

Walterum et Ricardum episc. Coventr. fol. 276: Certificatorium Ric. episcopi Coventr. quod Tresel et Seydon pertinebant ad eccl. de Womburna: Bullam P. Lucii confirm. ecclesias."

"Pat. 34 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 7, pro redd. in Womburn.

"Rec. in Scacc. 1 Hen. VI. Trin. rot. 2."

In the King's Remembrancer's Office in the Exchequer

is a Decree 35 Eliz. about certain rents arising from the Manor, Priory, Town, and Park of Dudley.

No Seal of this priory has been as yet found.

The Remains of Dudley priory are situated about half a mile from the town. Buck has given a south-west view of the priory in 1731; and Nash has given a vignette of the ruins, taken in 1781.

Cartae ad Dudeleyensem Prioratum in agro Wigorniensis spectantes.

NUM. I.

Bulla Lucii III. Papæ.

[Ex ipso autographo penes Edwardum dominum Dudley, an. 1640.]

Lucius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis Everardo priori ecclesiæ de Dudleia ejusque fratribus, tam præsentibus quam futuris, regularem vitam professis imperpetuum. Qui postpositis sæcularibus desideriis sub regulari disciplina suam voverunt Domino servitutem, apostolico debent patrocinio communiri, ne in sui propositi executione tepescant si pravorum fuerint injuriis lacerati. Ea propter dilecti in Domino filii vestris justis postulationibus clementer annuimus, et præfatam ecclesiam in qua divino estis obsequio mancipati, sub B. Petri et nostra protectione suscipimus et præsentis scripti privilegio communimus. In primis siquidem statuantes ut ordo monasticus qui secundum Deum et B. Benedicti regulam atque institutionem Cluniacensium fratrum in eadem ecclesia noscitur institutus, perpetuis ibidem temporibus inviolabiliter observetur. Præterea quasunque possessiones quasunque bona eadem ecclesia in præsentiarum justè et canonicè possidet, aut in futurum concessione pontificum, largitione regum vel principum, oblatione fidelium, seu aliis justis modis, præstante Domino, poterit adipisci, firma vobis vestrisque successoribus illibata permaneant. In quibus hæc propriis duximus exprimenda vocabulis. Ecclesiam sancti Jacobi de Dudelei, et capellas ejusdem villæ sancti Edmundi et S., ecclesiam de Seggeslei cum pertinentiis suis, ecclesiam de Portfeld cum capella de Coston, ecclesiam de Ingle cum pertinentiis suis, ecclesiam de Bratefelde cum capella de Englefeld, de donatione Gervasii Paganelli; ecclesiam de Womburne, cum capella de Tresel et aliis pertinentiis suis, de donatione Guidonis de Offeni; ecclesiam de Seille cum pertinentiis suis, de donatione Radulfi de Seille; ex donatione Agnetis de Somery, villam de Chyrchille cum pertinentiis suis; ex donatione Osberti de Kenefara, villam de Saredune cum pertinentiis suis; ex donatione Roberti de Chandeu, unam virgatam terræ in villa de Wolyntone; et terras de Ingepenne, ex dono Johannis Mansell. Sepulturam præterea ipsius loci liberam esse decernimus ut eorum devotioni et extremæ voluntati qui se illic sepeliri deliberaverint, nisi fortè excommunicati vel interdicti sint nullus obsistat; salva tamen justitia illarum ecclesiarum a quibus mortuorum corpora assumuntur. Cum autem generale interdictum terræ fuerit liceat vobis clausis januis, non pulsatis campanis, exclusis excommunicatis et interdictis, suppressa voce divina officia celebrare. Sane novalium vestrorum quæ propriis manibus aut sumptibus colitis, sive de nutrimentis animalium vestrorum nullus à vobis decimas exigere vel extorquere præsumat. In parochialibus autem ecclesiis quas habetis liceat vobis clericos vel sacerdotes eligere et diocæsano episcopo præsentare, quibus si idonei fuerint episcopus curam animarum committat, ut ei de spiritualibus vobis verò de temporalibus debeant respondere. Liceat vobis quoque clericos vel laicos è seculo fugientes liberos et absolutos ad conversionem vestram recipere, et eos absque contradictione aliqua retinere. Prohibemus insuper ne quis post factam in ecclesia vestra professionem nisi arctioris religionis optentu discedere de eodem loco præsumat. Discedentem verò sine communium literarum cautione nullus audeat retinere. Antiquas quoque et rationabiles consuetudines in ecclesia vestra hactenus observatas futuris

temporibus ratas decernimus permanere. Decernimus ergo ut nulli omnino hominum liceat præfatum monasterium in aliquo perturbare aut ejus possessiones auferre vel ablatas retinere, minuere, aut quibuslibet vexationibus fatigare, sed omnia integra conserventur eorum pro quorum gubernatione et sustentatione concessa sunt usibus omnimodis profutura, salva sedis apostolicæ auctoritate et diocæsani episcopi canonica justitia, et debita reverentia Cluniacen. ecclesiæ. Si qua igitur in futurum ecclesiastica secularisve persona hanc nostræ constitutionis paginam sciens contra eam temerè venire tentaverit, secundò tertiove commonita, nisi reatum suum congrua satisfactione correxerit, potestatis honorisque sui dignitate careat, reamque se divino judicio existere de perpetrata iniquitate cognoscat, et à sacratissimo corpore ac sanguine Dei et Domini redemptoris nostri Jesu Christi aliena fiat, atque in extremo examine districtæ ultioni subjaceat. Cunctis autem eidem loco sua jura servantibus sit pax Domini nostri Jhesu Christi quatenus et hic fructum bonæ actionis percipiant, et apud districtum judicem præmia æternæ pacis inveniant. Amen.

Dat. &c. xvj. kal. Julii, indictione xv. Incarn. Domini anno millesimo centesimo nonagesimo, pontificatus verò domini Lucii papæ III. primo.

NUM. II.

Carta Foundationis Prioratus de Dudley per Gervasium Paganell.

[Ex ipso autographo penes Edw. dominum Dudley anno 1640.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri, quod ego G. Painel, Radulfi Painel patris mei propositum considerans, qui in vitâ suâ religiosorum fratrum conventum apud Dudile stabilire proposuerat; specialiter pro animâ ejus cæterorumque antecessorum meorum, et pro salute meâ et Isabellæ uxoris meæ, et Roberti filii mei, omniumque meorum, patris mei suppleo propositum: do igitur et concedo, et hac meâ cartâ confirmo in perpetuam elemosynam, Deo et sancto Jacobo de Dudlie, et sanctæ Wylburgæ de Weneloc, et monachis apud Dudile Deo servientibus, terram in quâ prædicta ecclesia sancti Jacobi sita est, et quæ certis divisis terminatur. Do etiam prædictis monachis de Dudile, ecclesiam S. Edmundi et S. Thomæ de Dudile, et ecclesiam de Norhphel, et ecclesiam de Segesle et ecclesiam de Iggepenne, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis et libertatibus. Do insuper eis ecclesiam de Bradefel, post decessum Johannis personæ, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Do etiam eis dimidiam hydram in Chirrch-hullâ, et reliquam partem villæ, quæ Agnes contulit prædictæ ecclesiæ sancti Jacobi de Dudile, cum corpore suo, dari concessi, cum appenditiis suis, quæ tota est de feodo meo. Si quis autem hominum meorum, sive miles, vel cujuscumque conditionis fuerit, aliquid proprii juris monachis sancti Jacobi conferre voluerit, quancumque illud sit, ratum habeo: ita tamen ut ego et hæredes mei, servicium quod ad nos pertinet non admittamus. Et in quibuscumque pascuis mea dominica pecora pascantur ibidem et monachorum pecora de Dudile, sine contradictione pascantur, exceptis parcis meis.

Concedo etiam eis padnagium de propriis porcis suis, et hominum suorum in elemosynâ meâ residentium, per foresta mea. Do etiam eis decimam panis mei, et venationum, et piscium, quam diu apud Dudile, vel in Herdenâ

morabor. Ad ædificia quoque sua propria, et ad alia esyamenta sua, capiant necessaria, exceptis hais meis et parcis, per visum dapiferi mei. Libertates etiam, quas eis donare possum, libenter dono, cum soc, et sac, et tol, et tac, et tem. Prior vero de Weneloc fratres, quos voluerit de sibi commissis, in monasterio sancti Jacobi de Dudile, ad servendum Deo stabiliet, et eis priorem, de monachis suis, consilio et assensu meo et hæredum meorum constituet: et si removeri debeat, consilio et assensu mei et hæredum meorum, et prioris de Weneloc removebitur. Et quando prædicta domus de Dudile conventum sustinere potuerit, prior de Weneloc, consilio conventus, et mei, et hæredum meorum, conventum ibidem constituet. Hanc donationem feci et confirmavi, et propriâ manu meâ optuli super altare sanctæ Mylburgæ de Weneloc, coram conventu, et super altare S. Jacobi de Dudile, coram monachis ejusdem loci. His testibus, Isabellâ comitissâ uxore meâ; et Roberto Painel filio meo; Willielmo filio Widonis; Willielmo filio Petri; Adâ sacerdote de Hestune; Alano dapifero; Rogero de Hagile; Hugone clerico de Brigiâ; Radulpho de Sumeri; Ricardo filio Willielmi, filii Widonis; Waltero filio Thomæ; Osberto de Rushale, et pluribus aliis. Warnerio de Wilile, Rogero dapifero, Hamundo præposito, Rogero Welcume, Rogero Frend, Waltero Plesent, Roberto de Chaalun, Rogero Barat, Thomâ Coco.

NUM. III.

Indulgentia orantibus pro Anima Rogeri de Somery militis, cujus Corpus Prioratu de Duddeley humatum est.

[Ex autogr.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus literas inspecturis, Rogerus permissione divinâ Cov. et Lich. episcopus, salutem in omnium Salvatore. Clerici et populi nobis commissi, ac aliorum Christi fidelium mentes ad devotionis opera propensius excitare volentes, de Dei omnipotentis misericordiâ, beatæ Mariæ Virginis, genitricis ejusdem, beati Ceddæ episcopi, et omnium sanctorum meritis et precibus confidentes, parochianis nostris omnibus, et aliis quorum diocesani hanc nostram ratam habuerint indulgentiam, verè contritis et confessis, qui pro animâ domini Rogeri de Somery militis, cujus corpus in ecclesiâ conventuali de Doddeleg, nostræ dyocesis, quiescit humatum, ac animabus omnium fidelium defunctorum, orationem dominicam, cum salutatione beatæ Mariæ Virginis dixerint piâ mente, quadraginta dies de injunctâ sibi pœnitentiâ misericorditer relaxamus, indulgentias à quibuscunque episcopis catholicis pro eodem concessas, seu imposterum concedendas, ratas habentes penitus et acceptas. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum nostrum præsentibus est appensum. Data apud Heywode xv. kal. Febr. anno Domini MCCXC. et consecrationis nostræ xxxiii.

NUM. IV.

Indulgentia orantibus pro Anima Rogeri de Someri, cujus Corpus in hujusmodi Prioratu humatur.

[Ex autogr.]

UNIVERSIS S. matris ecclesiæ filiis ad quos præsentibus literæ pervenerint salutem. Nos inspiratione divina Basilii Jerosolimitanus, Adenulphus Cousanus, Rannaus Calaritanus, archiepiscopi; Adam Maituran, Nicholas Neocastrens. Nicholaus Colcedonie, Angelus Fesulanus, Bernardus Parentinus, Thomas Etesiensis, Nicholaus Tortibulen. Antonius Chenodien. Pacens Benedictus Dragonensis episcopi, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Mortuorum memoria eo præstantior a t dinosceretur quo magis vivis cedit ad meritum et præstat suffragium resolutis. Gratum ideo obsequium et Deo pium totiens impendere opinamur quotiens mentes fidelium ad pietatis opera excitamus ut exinde divinæ gratiæ reddantur ampliores: eapropter nos de omnipotentis Dei misericordia beatorumque Petri et Pauli apostolorum ejus meritis et auctoritate confisi, omnibus verè penitentibus et confessis qui pro anima Rogeri de Someri, cujus corpus in ecclesia prioratus de Duddeleye, Coventriensis et Lichfeldensis diocesis, requiescit humatum, et pro animabus omnium fidelium defunctorum, quotienscunque orationem dominicam, cum salutatione angelica dixerint mente pia, totiens singulis vestrum quadraginta dies

de injunctis sibi penitentiis si diocesani voluntas ad id accesserit misericorditer in Domino relaxamus. In cujus rei testimonium præsentibus scripto sigilla nostra duximus apponenda. Dat. Romæ anno millesimo trecentesimo, pontificatus domini Bonifacii papæ octavi anno sexto.

NUM. V.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

Prioratus de Dudley.

Joh'ES WEBLEY Prior ihm donat' et non removabilis fiet in Dioc' et Decanat' pdict'.

MANSU' suu' cu' ãris domical' eidm ptinent', et valet p annu' p visum Walt' Wrottesley armigi comiss' pdict'	7l. 10s. 8d.
Et in decimis granor' pochia de Segeley comunit'	6l. 6s. 8d.
Et de reddit' divsor' ãrar' et ten' in Segeley pdict'	1l. 0s. 0d.
Et p uno mes' et ãr' arrabilis in Omburn p annu'	0l. 10s. 0d.
Et in decimis pochianor' de Omburn et Tresull comunit'	10l. 0s. 0d.
Et de uno mes' et ãris in Wodford p annu'	2l. 0s. 0d.

Dioc' Wigorn'.

Et de reddit' assis' in Dudley, in com' Wigorn' et dioc' Wigorn', p annu'	2l. 1s. 0d.
Et p ãris et ten' in Dudley, com' et dioc' pdict', p annu'	1l. 6s. 8d.
Et de reddit' assia in Churchehyll, com' et dioc' Wigorn', p annu'	0l. 17s. 0d.
Et p pencoe sive annual' porcoe exeunt' de ecclia de Northfeld, com' et dioc' Wigorn'	1l. 6s. 0d.
Et p herbagio in Dudley et decimis ejusdm, com' et dioc' Wigorn', p annu'	2l. 10s. 0d.

Summa . . . 36l. 8s. 0d.

Et inde petit alloc' p feodo annual' Edwardo Blount geños' senesc' suo	0l. 6s. 8d.
Et p feodo Johis Coke balli sui ãrar' suar' p ãmo vitæ suæ p annu'	2l. 0s. 0d.
Sma de claro	34l. 1s. 4d.
Xma ps inde	3l. 8s. 1½d.

NUM. IV.

COMPUT. MINISTORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Transcript of Roll 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

DUDLEY.

Terræ et Possessiones nuper Cellæ de Dudley, in Comitatu Stafford. nuper pertinentes nuper Monasterio de Wenlock, in Comitatu Salop.

Compotus JOHANNIS DUDLEY Militis perceptoris Reddituum et Firmarum ibidem per tempus prædictum.

Redditus et Firmæ pertinentes nuper Cellæ sive Prioratui de Dudley prædicta.

Et de 40s. 1d. de redditu assiso diversorum liberorum tenentium ibidem per annum; viz. in Dudley 33s. 5d. Churchehill 6s. 8d. solvend. ad festa ibidem usualia. Et de 16s. 10d. de redditu diversarum terrarum et tenementorum ibidem dimiss. ad voluntatem Domini per annum; viz. in Dudley prædicta 4s. 6d. Seyley in comitatu Stafford. 6s. et in Churchehill 6s. 4d. solvend. ad festa ibidem usualia. Et de 4s. de annuali redditu recepto de diversis tenementis in Trescill in comitatu Stafford. exeunt. de tenemento Johannis Graunger 8d. tenemento Stephani Gybbyns 20d. et tenemento Roberti Sharlyn 20d. solvend. ad festum sancti Jacobi tantum. Et de 6l. 16d. de redditu sive firma diversarum terrarum et tenementorum ibidem per annum dimiss. ad firmam diversis personis per separales indenturas sigillo conventuali nuper prædictæ sigillatas, viz. 26s. 8d. de firma unius parcellæ terræ vocatæ Holebroke, cum pertinentiis, in Dudley prædicta, dimissæ Johanni Parks, Jocosæ

uxori suæ, et Rogero filio eorundem per indenturam pro termino vitæ eorum et cujuslibet eorum diutius viventium; et de 26s. 8*d.* de firma unius tenementi ibidem cum pertinentiis vocati Rowes-land dimissi Ricardo Hely, Agneti uxori ejus, Willielmo et Thomæ filiis eorundem, per indenturam ut dicitur; 6s. 8*d.* de firma unius leisur. vocat. Baretts-felds in Segeley dimiss. Johanni Coke per indenturam ut dicitur; 3s. 4*d.* de firma unius crofti vocati Marshalls Crofte, cum pertinenciis ibidem, dimissi Thomæ Hogetts per indenturam ut dicitur 4s. De firma unius tenementi, cum pertinenciis, dimissi Katerinæ Downynge viduæ per indenturam pro termino annorum ut dicitur 10s. De redditu unius tenementi, cum pertinenciis ibidem, dimissi Guidoni Smythe per indenturam pro termino annorum ut dicitur 40s. De firma unius mesuagii, cum omnibus suis pertinenciis ibidem, vocati Wodeford, et alii clausi ibidem, dimiss. Willielmo Wodeford per indenturam pro termino annorum ut dicitur, et 4s. de firma alterius mesuagii, gardini, et unius virgatæ terræ, cum pertinenciis, in Churchehill, dimiss. Willielmo Willets per indenturam pro termino annorum ut dicitur. Et de 8*l.* 3s. 2*d.* de redditu sive firma scitus et procincti nuper cellæ prædictæ, cum terris dominicalibus ejusdem, nuper manurat. et occupat. per nuper priorem et conventum cellæ prædictæ ad usum hospitii sui, viz. 20s. de redditu Domus et Scitus nuper Cellæ prædictæ, cum omnibus domibus et edificiis firmariorum magis aptis et necessariis, arentatis per officarios domini regis curiæ augmentationum suæ ibidem et modo in manuratione et occupatione Johannis Dudley militis ut dicitur 5s. De redditu unius clausi, cum crofto adjacent. ex parte boriali gardini, parcell. dicti scitus, sic valuat. et occupat. per prædictum Johannem Dudley militem hoc anno ut dicitur 4s. 6*d.* De redditu duorum gardinorum, parcell. terrarum dominicalium ibidem, dimiss. Christofero Assheby ad voluntatem Domini per annum et 6*l.* 13s. 4*d.* De redditu 45 acrarum dimid. pasturæ per estimationem in diversis clausis separalibus parcell. terrarum dominicalium prædict. in occupatione nuper prioris prædicti et modo arentat. per commissionarios prædictos et occupat. per prædictum Johannem Dudley hoc anno. Et de 19*l.* 18s. 8*d.* de exitibus et proficuis decimarum granorum in diversis parochiis dictæ nuper cellæ pertinentibus,

40s.

viz. 50s. De redditu sive proficuo decimæ granorum rectoriæ de Dudley cum annuo redditu exeunte de vicaragia ibidem

10s.

pro herbagio in Dudley prædicta concess. vicario ibidem pro termino vitæ suæ postea in respectuacione posit. 6*l.* 6s. 8*d.* De redditu sive decima granorum in Sedgeley per annum ultra decimas granorum in Etynsall in parochia

de Sedgeley et decimas granorum provenientium et crescentium de et super tenement. . . . Maunsells Wilsons et Russell ac ultra decimas de lez Parkefelds, et Sedgeley Parke, quæ pertinent et sunt parcella vicariæ de Sedgeley prædicta sic modo arentatas et dimiss. præfato Johanni Dudley militi ut dicitur 6*l.* 2s. De redditu sive decima granorum in Omborn. cum membris arentat. et dimiss. Johanni Dudley militi per annum ultra decimas granorum in Swynden infra parochiam de Omborne quæ pertinent et sunt parcella vicariæ de Omborn. prædicta, et 100s. de firma granorum cum pertinentiis in Treshull infra parochiam de Omburne dimiss. Fulconi Lee per indenturam sub sigillo conventuali nuper cellæ prædictæ ut dicitur solvend. ad festa ibidem usualia. Et de 46s. 8*d.* de quadam annua pensione annuatim recepta de rectore de Northefeld exeunte de ecclesia ibidem solvend. ad festa ibidem usualia.

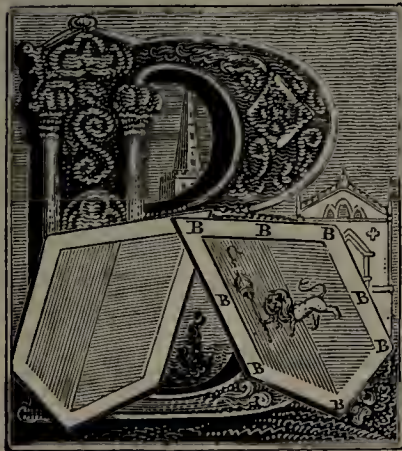
Summa 39*l.* 10s. 9*d.*

Summa receptæ cum arreragiis 42*l.* 0s. 9*d.* de quibus allocatur ei in annua et perpetua pensione soluto episcopo Coventr. et Lichfeld. pro visitatione sua triennali quolibet tercio anno 2s. viz. in allocatione hujus pensionis per tempus prædictum prout allocata est in compotis precedentibus 2s. cancellatur quia non solut. Et in consimili pensione annuatim soluta eidem episcopo pro visitatione sua triennali quolibet tertio anno exeunte de ecclesia sive rectoria de Omborne et Tresull juxta ratam 12*d.* per annum, viz. in allocatione hujus pensionis hoc anno ut in annis præcedentibus 12*d.* cancellatur quia non solut. Et eidem in feodo Edwardo Blunte generoso senescallo omnium possessionum prædictarum per litteras patentes ad 6s. 8*d.* per annum, viz. in allocatione hujus feodi hoc anno ut in annis præcedentibus 6s. 8*d.* cancellatur quia non solut. Et in feodo Johannis Coke ballivi ac receptoris omnium possessionum prædictarum ad 40s. per annum, hoc anno ut in annis præcedentibus 40s. cancellatur quia non solut. Et in stipendio clerici auditoris scribentis hunc compotum hoc anno 2s. cancellatur quia non solut. Et debet ultra 42*l.* 0s. 9*d.* de quibus exonerantur hic in isto compoto de 37*l.* 0s. 9*d.* eo quod onerantur in compoto Ricardi Lee armigeri, receptoris particularis dicti nuper monasterii de Wenloke hoc anno prout patet ibidem. Et debet ultra 100s.

Priory of Bermondsey, in Surrey:

AFTERWARDS ERECTED INTO AN

Abbey.



ISHOP Tanner's deduction from the various statements respecting the foundation of this house, is, perhaps, that upon which we may place the best reliance.

Aylwin Child, he says, citizen of London, about the year 1082,^a began a new and fair church in Southwark to the honour of our Holy Saviour,^b with design to place therein a convent of monks of the Cluniac Order, who

were procured from the Priory de Caritate in France by means of Archbishop Lanfranc, A. D. 1089; ^c about which time King William Rufus^d augmented the small estate which Aylwin had procured for these religious with the grant of the manor of Bermondsey and other revenues.

Messrs. Manning and Bray, in their History of Surrey, have taken great pains to ascertain the gradual increase of the revenues of the house; and have arranged the different donations made to it chronologically: taking first the temporal, and afterwards the spiritual possessions of the priory. Much of this information, which we shall carefully condense, was provided to their hands by the Chronicle of Bermondsey preserved in the Harleian library.^e

^a This is the year mentioned in the Chronicle of Bermondsey. But Leland, Stow, Reyner, &c. place it in 1081.

^b Not where the present church of our Saviour is, but on the other side of the Borough, near St. Mary Magdalene's Bermondsey, in the place commonly called King John's Court. Maitland, p. 1388.

^c See *Lel. Collect.* tom. i. p. 263. Compare also *Num. I.* in the VOL. V.

Appendix to the present account, sub anno, where the names of the first monks are recorded. De Caritate was the monastery of La Charité sur Loire.

^d Not King Henry the First, as Reyner.

^e The more material contents of which will be found in the Appendix.

Temporalities of the Priory.

A. D. 1082, 16 Will. Conq. Diverse rents in the city of London of the gift of Aylwin Child their founder;^a which were confirmed to them by Rufus, and afterwards by King Henry the First.

A. D. 1092, 5 Will. Ruf. The manor of Bridesthorn; three virgates and a half of land in Widon; six virgates in Hardwick, which in Henry the First's charter of confirmation are called three hides; a rent-charge of ten shillings a year out of a mill at Sutton; half the manor of Upton near Blebury, Berks; with lands called Melneham, were all given to the priory by Wynebald de Baalun and Roger his son.^b But the monks sold the four former of these, some time after, in order to purchase of Pagan de Beauchamp the manor of Richmond, alias Bengeloh, in the county of Hertford, for which they gave him a hundred and sixty marks.^c

The manor of Preston, near Yeovil, in the county of Somerset, containing two hides, was also given by Ansger Brito, a knight of Wynebald de Baalun, in 1092.^d It was confirmed to the monks on a trial upon a writ of Quo Warranto brought by the crown against the abbat and convent in 1417, 5th Hen. V. when it appeared that they were bound to provide two chaplains to pray for the soul of the donor forever.^e

A. D. 1093, 6 Will. Ruf. The manor of Charlton in Kent, with its appurtenances, was given by Robert Bloet bishop of Lincoln, chancellor of England.^f In the 53d Hen. III. the monks of Bermondsey obtained a charter for a weekly market here on Monday, and a fair on the eve, day, and morrow of the feast of the Holy Trinity.^g A manor in Hallingbury Parva in Essex, containing one hide of land, and afterwards from them called Monksbury, was given to the priory in the same year by Geoffrey Martel, with the consent of Geoffrey de Magnaville, to whom he was under-tenant.^h This, says Mr. Manning, seems to have been the same with what is elsewhere called the manor of Chantre,ⁱ whereof John de Burg, jun. passed a fine in 7th Edw. I. recognising the right of the convent.^k

A. D. 1094, 7 Will. Ruf. Two hides of land at De la Stone,^l in the county of Somerset, were given by Walter son of Ansger Brito above-mentioned; and two hides of land in Hoddesdon and Amwell, co. Hertf. by Peter de St. Olave. The former is said, indeed, in the Chronicle, to have been given to the priory in 1095, and the latter in the year following:^m but Aylwin, the founder, who died in 1094, being a witness to the charter by which these grants were confirmed, we cannot place them lower.

The manor of Bermondsey, which had hitherto been royal demesne, was this year, also, given to the priory by the king. The charter indeed is without date: but we cannot put it lower than this year for the reason already assigned, Aylwin, the founder, dying in the very beginning of it: nor can it be placed higher; because some of the grants confirmed by it were not made till after the beginning of the year.ⁿ In the 5th Hen. V. 1417, upon a trial on a writ of Quo Warranto brought against their title to the manor, the Abbat and Convent obtained a verdict in their favour against the claim of the crown.^o King William Rufus also, in the charter just mentioned, confirmed to the

priory their lands in London, Charlton, Estunas, Hoddesdon, and elsewhere.

A. D. 1098, 11 Will. Ruf. The manor of Cowick, alias Cowick-bury, or Cowick-barns, and now called Quickbury, in the parish of Shering, in Essex, was this year given to the priory by Richard Guet.^p It was held by the service of one knight's fee, of the family of Warren and their descendants, as of their manor of Ovesham Hall in Matching; to the lord of which it paid 100s. upon the death of every abbat.^q

A. D. 1103, 3d Hen. I. Two hides of land at Balgeham, now called Baleham, at that time a member of Clapham, but now of Stretham, in the county of Surrey, were given by Nigel de Mandeville, with the consent of his wife.^r

A. D. 1113, 13th Hen. I. A hide of land called Withiflete, or Widflete, with a mill, and other their appurtenances in Southwark, extending also into Lambeth, Kennington, and Newington, were given by Robert Marmion.^s This land and mill, valued together at ten marks and four shillings, or 6*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.* per annum, with a yearly rent-charge of 28*l.* 13*s.* 11*d.* they had licence to convey, in 12th Edw. II. to the archbishop of Canterbury, in exchange for the advowson of Croydon, and two acres of land, of the yearly value of 2*s.*^t But this exchange never took effect. In 1434, this estate, by the name of the Mills of Widflete, with a certain garden called Paris Garden, and certain lands, tenements, meadows, and pastures, in Southwark, Kennington, Lambeth, and Newington, were held of the abbey, at the aforesaid rent of 6*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.* per annum, by the Knights Hospitallers.^u In fact, the monks of Bermondsey kept possession of the premises till within a year and a half of their dissolution, when Robert Parfew, their abbat (then lately made bishop of St. Asaph), prevailed with them to convey them to the king. Accordingly, by their deed dated 17th June, 28 Hen. VIII. the said abbat and convent did give, grant, and confirm unto the king, his heirs, and successors, for ever, "all that theyr manor or hyde of Southwerk, with the members and appurtenances, in the county of Surrey, and all and syngler their messuages, lands, tenements, rents, reversions, services, meadows, lesues, woodes, pastures, advowsons, waters, poles, comyns, fyshyngs, and all and syngler theyre appertenaunces, in the parysshes of Seynt Margaret and Seynt George in the sayde countye of Surrey, except and reserved unto the said abbat and convent, and to their successors, one annual pencion of twenty sterlyngs goyng out yerely of the rectorye or parysshe churche of Seynt George aforesaid." And this Deed was confirmed by act of parliament.^x

A. D. 1114, 14th Hen. III. The manor of Kynwardeston, with its appurtenances, in the county of Somerset, was given to the priory this year by Mary, wife of Eustace earl of Boulogne, and sister of Maud the queen of Henry the First; and confirmed to the monks after her death (the year following) by Eustace her husband and Stephen her son.^y

About this time also, or, according to the Annals of Bermondsey, in 1118, William de Belmeis gave the manor of Andretesbury to the Convent;^z which they shortly after exchanged with Ivo de Grentmaishill for the manor of

^a See Num. I.

^b Ibid. See also Dugd. Bar. tom. i. p. 453.

^c Compare Num. I.

^d Ibid. It is again mentioned in the Annals under the year 1126.

^e Inquis. Somers. 5 Hen. V. n. 9. Compare also Num. I. sub an. 1417.

^f See Num. I.

^g Cart. 53 Hen. III. m. 13. Cart. 4 Edw. III. n. 57. Num. I. sub an. 1268. Among the Pleadings in Quo Warranto of the 6th Edw. II. is one relating to the privileges of the manor of Charleton as possessed by the prior of Bermondsey, which having been found upon inquisition to have been held beyond memory without interruption, were allowed. Plac. de Quo War. p. 314.

^h See Num. I. sub an.

ⁱ Morant, Hist. Essex, vol. ii. p. 516.

^k Fin. div. Comit. 7 Edw. I. n. 12. Morant, ut supr.

^l *de Estanas*, in Rufus's charter, Append. Num. II. *Stavam*, in Henry the First's charter Num. III. *Stone*, Chron. Bermond. Num. I. sub an. 1417.

^m See Num. I. sub an. 1096.

ⁿ See the Charter, Num. II. Compare also Num. IV. *de manerio de Bermundsey*.

^o Inquis. Somers. 5 Hen. V. ut supr.

^p See Num. I. where this Richard Guet is called "frater comitis-sæ Warennæ." Manning says, vol. i. p. 189, that "the countess had no brothers." He adds, "In Preston's book of Charters belonging to this house he calls her his *lady*, which implies that he held under her this estate, which was indeed of her inheritance."

^q See Morant's Hist. Essex, vol. ii. p. 500. Inquis. 4, 26th Edw. III. 9th Ric. II. 4th Hen. V. 4th Hen. VI. Newc. Rep. vol. ii. p. 523.

^r Num. I.

^s Ibid. sub. an. Dugd. Baron. tom. i. p. 375.

^t Inq. ad quod damnum 11th Edw. II. n. 36. Pat. 12th Edw. II. p. 2, m. 17, 18.

^u See the former edit. of the present work, vol. ii. p. 543.

^v Rot. Parliam. 28 Hen. VIII. n. 11.

^y Num. I. sub. an. Manning refers also to the following records concerning this manor: Bundell. benef. alien. 48 Edw. III. Rec. in Scacc. 3 Hen. IV. Hil. rot. 15.

^z Num. I. sub an. See also Henry the First's charter, Num. III.

Widford, in Hertfordshire containing two hides of land : and this exchange was confirmed by the king.^a But Ivo having mortgaged his estates^b to Robert earl of Mellent and Leicester, for five hundred marks, toward defraying the expences of his journey to the Holy Land, and dying on his way thither, Robert kept possession of Widford with consent of the priory, and restored to them Andretesbury again : and on this footing the matter rested during the reign of Henry the First.^c At length, sometime in the following reign, Robert earl of Leicester, son of Robert aforesaid, gave them Widford for Andretesbury again ;^d and from this circumstance has been considered, by the monks^e and others,^f as the original donor. This manor, with those of Upton, Bengelo, two messuages, and two carucates of the manor of Monksbury, and the manor of Cowick, were demised, temp. Edw. I. to Adam de Stratton, who was ejected on a writ of Quo Waranto brought against him in the 6th of that king, for non-payment of his fine for the alienation of it ; whereupon they were seized into the king's hands,^g but restored to the convent in 18 Edw. I.^h Being demised a second time to Stratton, they became forfeited, anno 30, for a felony by him committed, and thereby escheated to the Crown again, and were again restored to the convent, who obtained a further confirmation of them from Edward II.ⁱ and continued in possession of them till the dissolution of their house.

About this time, also, the manor of Broxbourn, in Hertfordshire, was given to the convent by Ivo de Grentmaison aforesaid, being part of the inheritance of Adelize his mother.^k But Robert earl of Mellent and Leicester coming afterwards into possession of his estates in the manner above related, it was given by Robert, his grandson, to the Knights Hospitallers.^l

A. D. 1122, 22 Hen. I. Thomas Arden and Thomas his son gave the church of St. George in Southwark, and tithes of corn in Horndon, and lands belonging to London Bridge rendering a rent of five shillings, and all the small tithes "in prædicta villâ" of wool, cheese, lambs, calves, colts, and all other titheable things :^m which grant of St. George's church King Henry the First confirmed.ⁿ

A. D. 1127, 27 Hen. I. One moiety of Retherhithe, the manor of Dulwich in Camberwell, one hide of land in Southwark, and the manor of Whaddon, or Woddens, in Croydon, were all given to the priory this year by the king. Retherhithe, says Mr. Manning, seems to have been originally a part of the manor of Bermondsey, but retained by William Rufus when he granted the rest to the priory. It was only one moiety of Retherhithe that was now given to the monastery ; the rest being granted about the same time to Robert, natural son of King Henry the First. The grant of Dulwich is what was meant by the inquest in 7th Edw. I. when they reported that Henry the First gave Camberwell to the convent. Whaddon they kept possession of till the 14th Ric. II. when they conveyed it to the archbishop of Canterbury in exchange for the rectory of Croydon.^o

At the same time that King Henry the First gave these last-mentioned estates to the priory, he confirmed to it also whatever had been given by his predecessor and others in Bermondsey, Charleton, Hallingbury, Widford, Preston, Stone, Balgeham, Hoddesdon, London, Kynewardeston, and elsewhere.^p

Some time in this reign Robert de Augi, or Ewe, younger son of William earl of Ewe, gave a messuage,^q with certain lands and tenements called Wishfields, or Westridge-fields, and Wishfield Grove, in the parish of Doding-

hurst, in Essex, to this priory ;^r and this grant was confirmed by Thomas de Brienchun his son, and John Earl of Ewe his nephew.

A. D. 1137, 3 Steph. the king granted to the monks of Bermondsey a rent of forty shillings in Southwark : and in 1141 an extended charter of privileges and immunities.^s

A. D. 1142, 7 Steph. The same king gave this priory Grave, or Grove, a member of Wantage, in Berks ; and a messuage and lands called Wykes, with the villans and their services, and a mill there.^t

A. D. 1143, 8 Steph. William Fitz-Helton gave a mill at Frenyngham, *i. e.* Farningham, in Kent.^u They had also lands and tenements called Monkyn Lands in this and the neighbouring lordships of Horton-Kirby and Sutton at Hone.

A. D. 1144, 9 Steph. The manor of Warlington, or Warlingham, in Surrey, was given to the convent by William de Watteville, with the consent of Robert, William, and Otwell, his sons.^x In the 11th Edw. II. the monks of Bermondsey had licence to demise this manor to Robert de Kelesey for life.^y

A. D. 1145, 10 Steph. The moiety of Greenwich, *i. e.* that part of it which was called West Greenwich, and afterwards Deptford, was given to the convent by Walchelin de Mamynot.^z

A. D. 1152, 17 Steph. Alan Pirot gave six thousand herrings to the convent out of his manor of Erchelawis, with one acre of land.^a

The convent had also two carucates of land at Legham, in the parish of Godstone, in Surrey, given them probably, and about this time, by Ela wife of Jordan de Sackville, (who also gave other lands there to the manor of Sutton at Hone in Kent, belonging to the knights hospitallers, and) whose first husband, William de Marci, gave one third of the tithes of Cobham to this house. These lands were holden of the king in capite, in frank-almoigne ; and were demised in the 30th Edw. I. to Thomas Romaine and Juliana his wife, for their lives, at five marks a year.^b

A. D. 1157, 3 Hen. II. Walchelin de Mamynot, son of Walchelin abovementioned, gave a rent-charge of ten shillings per annum issuing out of a mill in his manor of Deptford.^c

A. D. 1160, 6 Hen. II. The king granted to the monastery this year an extensive charter of confirmation of all their estates and privileges.^d

A. D. 1168, 14 Hen. II. Walchelin de Mamynot, just mentioned gave a further rent-charge of sixty shillings per annum out of his lordship of Chippenham in Dillehurst,^e which was confirmed to them by Geoffrey de Say, his sister's son.^f

A. D. 1173, 19 Hen. II. This priory received from the king a charter of free-warren over all their lands in Surrey.^g

A. D. 1181, 27 Hen. II. A mill at Bedford was given by Milo de Beauchamp and Pagan his heir.^h

A. D. 1191, 3 Ric. II. Robert de Ciltern gave ten acres of land to the priory in Chilterne.ⁱ

A. D. 1194, 6 Rich. I. The lordship of Oswaldston in the parish of Lyd, in Kent, and the land of John the clerk in Bilsington, were given by Henry earl of Augi, or Ewe.^k

The prior and convent having purchased of William son of Andrew de Revel certain lands at Cokenhatch Parva in North-Hampsted, near Barkway, in the county of Hertford, (which had formerly belonged to Ascetil and his son

Hist. of Essex, vol. i. p. 192, they are said, by mistake, to have belonged to the priory of Edindon, in Wilts.

^a Num. I. sub annis. ^t Ibid.

^u Ibid. ^x Ibid.

^y Pat. 11 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 7.

^z Num. I. Dugd. Baron. tom. i. p. 619. And yet we are told in Mön. Angl. former edit. vol. ii. p. 555, that Geoffrey de Say, who married Alice, sister and heir of Walchelin, gave that whole manor to the knights templars. This might mean the whole of what remained to him, viz. the other moiety.

^a Num. I. sub an. ^b Esch. 30 Edw. I. n. 135.

^c Num. I. ^d Ibid.

^e Chron. Berm. ^f See Dugd. Baron. tom. i. p. 511.

^g Num. I. sub an. ^h Ibid.

ⁱ Ibid. ^k Cartul. Berm. MS.

^a Num. I. sub an.

^b Dugd. Baron. tom. i. p. 425. Newc. Repert. Eccl. vol. i. p. 907.

^c Lib. Cart. Berm. MS. ^d Ibid. ^e Num. I.

^f Chauncy, Hist. Hertf. p. 200.

^g Quo Warr. 6 Edw. I. rot. 37 dors. Chauncy, Hist. Antiq. Hertf. p. 200.

^h Num. I. sub an. 1290. ⁱ Pat. 11 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 10.

^k Dugd. Baron. tom. i. p. 425. Chauncy, ut supr. p. 288.

^l Dugd. Baron. tom. i. p. 88, and the former edit. of the present work, tom. ii. p. 510.

^m Num. I. sub an. ⁿ Ibid.

^o Pat. 14 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 39.

^p See the Charter, Num. III.

^q Cartular. Berm. per W. Preston, anno 1363.

^r Ibid. Newcourt, Repert. Eccles. vol. ii. p. 222. But in Morant's

Theodric, and which Robert de Buran had given to the said William) they were about this time confirmed to the priory by Walter de Buran, a descendant of the said Robert; to be holden of him the said Walter by the service of one fourth of a Knight's fee:^a and shortly after demised by them to the priory of Royston for ever, to be held of them by the annual rent of one mark of silver.^b

A. D. 1270, 55 Hen. III. John son of Hubert de Burg gave the manor of East Chalk in Kent to the priory:^c which grant was confirmed to the monastery in the 34th Edw. III.^d

About this time, also, Roger de Leybourn, who died in the 56th of Henry III. gave to the priory the lordship of Patlesworth in Kent;^e which, in the 11th Edw. II. they demised to Sir Walter de Huntingfield for eighty marks, with a covenant to repay the same to the said Walter in the church of St. Mary Overey.^f

A. D. 1329. King Edward the Third confirmed to the monks of Bermondsey their various possessions, as contained in the charters of the different kings his predecessors.^g

A. D. 1397, 20 Ric. II. The prior and convent had a grant of the hundreds of Brixton and Wallington, with the return of writs, &c. within the same;^h which was afterwards confirmed to them by letters patent of King Henry the Sixth.ⁱ

In the same year, 21 Rich. II. the other moiety of the manor of Rotherhithe,^k was demised to the prior and convent here by the abbey of St. Mary Graces in fee-farm for ever, at the annual rent of 20*l*.^l This was the moiety which was given by King Henry the First to his natural son, Robert earl of Gloucester.

In the 7th Hen. IV. it was found, on inquisition, that the prior was in possession of twenty-two acres of land and eight acres of meadow in Rotherhithe called Brokeshall, formerly parcel of the common of the vill of Rotherhithe, without the king's licence.^m

Of the

Spiritual Possessions of the Priory

we find that

A. D. 1092, 5 Will. Ruf. The advowson of the church of Hardwick, with the tithes of Estinton, (now Easington) both in the county of Gloucester, and the advowson and tithes of Upton near Blebury, Berks, were given to the convent by Wynebald de Bralun.ⁿ The donation of Upton, indeed, is placed in the Annals of Bermondsey in the year 1152; but we find it confirmed to the priory by a charter of Rufus as early as 1094.^o Two parts of the tithes of Estinton were released to the rector thereof by the convent in the 36th Hen. III. anno 1252, in consideration of twenty shillings to be paid to the priory yearly on the octaves of Pentecost.^p

The advowson of the church and the tithes of Omeney, now Amney, in the county of Gloucester, were also given to the convent this year, by Odo de Tirone, a knight of Wynebalds.^q

^a Cartul. Berm. MS.

^b Compare Num. I. sub an. 1171.

^c Num. I sub an. Concerning this manor see the Plac. de Quo Warranto, p. 352, 21 Edw. I. Ibid. p. 367.

^d Pat. 34 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 11.

^e Rot. Fin. 56 Hen. III. m. 20. See also Dugd. Baron. tom. ii. p. 14.

^f Num. I. sub an. 1317

^g Ibid. sub an.

^h Pat. 20 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 4.

ⁱ Pat. 23 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 1.

^k See under A. D. 1127.

^l Pat. 21 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 15, 25.

^m Inquis. 7 Hen. IV. n. 16. MS. Harl. 744, p. 72.

ⁿ Num. I. sub an.

^o Num. II.

^p Num. I sub an.

^q Ibid.

^r Ibid.

^s Newcourt, Repert. Eccles. vol. ii. p. 247.

^t Num. I. sub an.

^u Newc. Repert. vol. ii. p. 261.

^v See Num. II.

^w Manning, vol. i. p. 193, from Ecton.

^x Num. II.

^y Num. I. sub an. Compare Morant, Hist. Essex, vol. i. p. 135, Dugd. Bar. tom. i. p. 508.

^z Ibid. ^{aa} Chartul. Berm. Preston.

^{ab} Ecton. Bundell. Benefic. alienig. 48 Edw. III.

^{ac} Collinson, Hist. Somerset, p. 340.

^{ad} Manning, vol. i. p. 193, from Pat. 37 Hen. VIII.

A. D. 1093, 6 Will. Ruf. The tithes of Alferton, or Alfereston, a manor in Great Dunmow in Essex, were given by Geoffrey Martel, with the consent of Geoffrey de Magnaville, to whom he was under-tenant.^r The tithes of the manor of Monksbury were also given to the monks this year, with the manor itself: but the former they relinquished afterwards, reserving a pension in lieu thereof of 18*d*. per annum.^s

A. D. 1094, 7 Will. Ruf. The tithes of Fifhide, now called Fifield, in Essex, were given by Roger or Robert de Tani, with the consent of John Fitz-Waleran, whose knight he was.^t On the alienation of these, some years afterward, they had a pension assigned to them, out of the issues, of four shillings per annum.^u

The advowson of the church of St. Saviour at Bermondsey was given them also this year by the king;^x of the issues of which they had two marks per annum assigned them by way of pension:^y and at the same time the king confirmed to them the advowson of the church of Hardwick, with the land adjoining thereto, and the tithes of the same; the tithes of Upton; the advowson, glebe, and tithes of Omeney; with the tithes of Estinton, Alferton, and Fifhyde.^z

A. D. 1107, 7 Hen. I. The advowson of the rectory of Fifhyde was given by Maud the wife of Ansculf de Tani, and Graald (called also Grailand and Gruel) her son; who also confirmed the grant of the tithes by Roger in 1094.^{aa}

A. D. 1112, 12 Hen. I. The advowson of the rectory of Inglescomb, in the county of Somerset, was given by Hawise de Gournay, wife of Roger de Baalun;^b and confirmed by Eve de Gournay her granddaughter, late wife of Thomas son of William de Gournay, and by Robert son of Thomas and Eve.^c But this was afterwards alienated by exchange or otherwise, and given to the priory of Bath, with the reserve of a pension of fifty shillings to the monks of this house;^d and one of two marks ten shillings to the prior.^e

A. D. 1114, 14 Hen. I. The advowson of the church of Kynwardeston was given to the priory, among the appurtenances of that manor, by Mary wife of Eustace earl of Bologn:^f the possession of which the priory retained till the Dissolution.

A. D. 1118, 18 Hen. I. The advowson of the rectory of Wideford, in the county of Hertford, with all the tithes of that lordship,^g except of three virgates and a half of land,^h were conveyed to the Monks with the manor, on the exchange they made with Ivo de Grentmaisnil of the manor of Andretesbury; and confirmed to them this year by Robert earl of Mellent and Leicester.ⁱ But their right hereto was for some time contested by the monks of Ware, till at length, Robert, earl of Leicester, in 21 Hen. II. made an absolute conveyance of it to the priory.^k They continued in possession of the advowson till the suppression of the abbey; after which, viz. 12th May, 35 Hen. VIII. it was granted to Sir Richard Southwell.^l The tithes were probably alienated some time before; and on this occasion it

^g Newcourt, Repert. Eccles. vol. i. pp. 907, 908.

^h Lib. Cart. Berm. MS.

ⁱ Chron. Berm. Manning, vol. i. p. 193, says, "We have authority for asserting that the exchange had been made much earlier, it being stated in Domesday Book, fol. 230 a, that 'Hugo Grentesmainel, father of Yvo, in the time of the General Survey, possessed seven houses in the borough of Leicester, in right of the lordship of Andretesberie, four of which were held under him by Hugo de Witvile with sac and soc, and those expressly said to be in exchange for Wadford.' Hugh de Grentemaisnil died 1094; and his son engaging in rebellion against Henry I. 1107, was induced to undertake a pilgrimage to Jerusalem, whence he never returned, but previously pledged all his lands to Robert de Bellomont, earl of Mellent and Leicester, who, as is above mentioned in the text, confirmed them to the monks of Bermondsey."

"In Andretesberie, according to Nichols's History of Leicestershire, vol. iii. pp. 123, 124, at a place called ALDERMANSHAW, the monks of Bermondsey had a cell for three of their members. But the true situation of Andretesberie, however, appears to have been unknown to the prior and convent of Bermondsey in 1470; for, in a dispute, about that period, between the prior and the abbat of Leicester, the former alleged that there had been a parish church with a font and right of burial, but no trace of such building could be found by the inquest, but only walls of some 'heremitorium, bovarium, sive ovile;' and the prior was denied all right to the spot, and all tithes or dues from it."

^k Lib. Cart. Berm. MS.

^l Pat. 35 Hen. VIII.

might be that a pension of sixpence per annum was reserved to the convent, and another of eighteen pence per annum to the prior.^a

A. D. 1122, 22 Hen. I. The advowson of the rectory of St. George, Southwark, was given by Thomas Arden, of Horndon on the Hill; in Essex, and Thomas his son; and they continued in possession of it till the 17th June, 28 Hen. VIII. when they conveyed it to the crown.^b This church paid a pension of 20s. per annum to the priory, reserved, probably, on their relinquishing the tithes to the rector, which might have been granted to them with the advowson.^c The said Thomas, and Thomas his son, did, this year also, give them the tithe of corn in their demesne land, now called the manor of Arden Hall, in Horndon, aforesaid;^d on the alienation of which a pension was reserved to the convent of fifteen pence per annum.^e

A. D. 1127, 27 Hen. I. This year the priory obtained the king's charter, confirming to them the advowsons of Bermondsey, Fifhyde, Hardwick, and Upton, with the portions of tithe belonging to them in Alferton and Fifhyde.^f But Fifhyde was reconveyed, or otherwise relinquished, before anno 1331, when Nicholas de Beauchamp, one of the heirs of the Tani family, and afterwards the family of Scroop, appear to have presented to it.^g Hardwick also, and Upton, were afterwards taken from, or alienated by them; the former being given to the abbey of Gloucester, and the latter to the church of Salisbury.^h

They had also the advowson of the rectory of Retherhithe, probably as parcel of that moiety of the manor which was given them this year by the king. They were in possession of this at the dissolution of their convent; and received of the rector a pension of 20s. per annum.

A. D. 1132, 32 Hen. I. The king gave to the priory the advowsons of the churches of Schorn and Cobham annexed, in the county of Kent, with the tithes of corn, lambs, &c.ⁱ which were afterwards appropriated to the convent;^k and which, in 26 Edw. III. they demised to the priory of Rochester.^l The tithes given at this time were two-thirds of the whole; the remaining third was afterwards given by William de Marci, being those of his demesne.^m The pension reserved upon these to the bishop of Rochester, at the time of their appropriation,ⁿ was four marks per annum.

A. D. 1139, 5 Steph. Two parts of the tithes of Cherlton-Camville, in the county of Somerset, were given to the priory this year by Gerard de Camville.^o They were afterwards demised in perpetuity to the prior of Kenilworth, for two marks per annum, to be paid at Kynwardeston.

A. D. 1143, 8 Steph. The advowson of the church of Writtle, in Essex, was given to the priory by King Stephen;^p but taken from them again by King John, and by him given, anno 1203, to the hospital at the church of St. Mary in Saxia at Rome^q (commonly called the hospital of the Holy Ghost), to which it was confirmed by King Edward III. It was afterwards seised by the crown, as the possession of an Alien Priory, and given to William of Wickham, who, in 14 Rich. II. gave it to New College in Oxford, the present proprietors of the rectory and patrons of the vicarage.^r The rectory has a manor belonging to it still, called the manor of Romans fee.

A. D. 1150, 15 Steph. Two parts of the tithes of cattle and corn in Melcomb (*i. e.* Melcomb-Horsey, in the county of Dorset) were given by . . . Fitz-Osbert.^s And, in 1291, a pension of two marks per annum was paid to the priory in lieu thereof.^t

A. D. 1154, 19 Steph. The advowson of the rectory of Camberwell in Surrey, was given by William, earl of Gloucester, son of Robert, earl of Gloucester, natural son of King Henry I.;^u and this grant was confirmed by King Henry II. anno 1159.^x Notwithstanding which, their title was for some time disputed by his descendants, till the year 1247, 32 Hen. III. when Richard de Clare, earl of Gloucester, great-grandson of William aforesaid, passed a fine,^y whereby he released his claim to the prior and convent for ever; who afterwards obtained the king's licence to appropriate it.^z And, whereas, the nuns of Haliwell had divers woods in East Dulwich, and other parts of this parish, it was agreed, in the 29 Hen. III. that they should pay tithes to the priory and convent for so much thereof as they should convert into arable land.^a

A. D. 1155, 1 Hen. II. The tithes of Wicklondes, in the parish of Woolwich, but on the north, or Essex side of the Thames, were given by William, son of Henry of Eltham.^b

A. D. 1156, 2 Hen. II. The advowson of the rectory of Bengcho, in the county of Hertford, was given them by Reginald de Tani, eldest son of Ansculph and Maud;^c and confirmed to them by King Henry II. in 1159;^d and by Richard de Tani in 1272. They afterwards obtained licence to appropriate it.^e

A. D. 1158, 4 Hen. II. William de Wateville gave them the advowsons of the rectory of Warlingham, and chapelry of Chelsham in Surrey,^f which were confirmed to them by the king the year following;^g and which, in the 28 Edw. I. they obtained the bishop's,^h and in 8 Edw. II. the king's licence to appropriate.ⁱ They continued in possession of these till the Dissolution.

A. D. 1159, 5 Hen. II. The advowson of the rectory of Bedington, was given to the priory by Ingelram de Funteney, and Sibyl de Wateville^k (sister of William aforesaid, and wife of Alan Pirot): which grant was confirmed by the king in the same year,^l and afterwards by King Edward III.^m In the 38 Hen. III. anno 1246, they recovered an annual pension of a hundred shillings, payable to them out of this rectory; and also two marks sterling for tithes of lands in the said parish formerly belonging to Richard Huscarle, which was continued to them as a pension in lieu of the said tithes.ⁿ

A. D. 1168, 14 Hen. II. The advowson of the rectory of Birling, in Kent, was given to the convent by Walchelin de Maminot,^o and confirmed to them by charter of King Hen. II.;^p and, afterwards, by Geoffrey and William de Say, grandsons of Alice, sister of Walchelin.^q This church was afterwards appropriated to the convent; when a pension was reserved thereupon to the bishop of Rochester and his successors, of twenty shillings per annum.^r

A. D. 1177, 23 Hen. II. The tithes of Wood-Ditton, in the county of Cambridge, were given by Robert Fitz-Humphry;^s but were demised in fee-farm at ten marks a year to the priory of Thetford, in 1261.^t

A. D. 1179, 25 Hen. II. The tithes of the mansion of Langford, in Norfolk, were given by Hugh de Montfort the fourth;^u and two parts of the tithes of the said lordship by William, son of Richard de Francheville, who held of Hugh,^x by whom also this grant was confirmed the same year.^y The convent were charged for their spiritualities here, in 1428, eleven shillings.^z

The tithes of his mansion at Bodney in Norfolk were also given to the convent this year by the said Hugh de

^a Newcourt, Repert. Eccles. vol. i. p. 908.

^b Rot. Parl. 28 Hen. VIII. p. 2.

^c Ecton, Manning, p. 194.

^d Num. I. sub an. Morant, Hist. Essex, vol. i. p. 216. Newcourt, Repert. Eccles. vol. ii. p. 342.

^e Newcourt, ut supr.

^f Compare Num. III.

^g Newc. Repert. Eccles. vol. ii. pp. 260, 261.

^h Compare Atkyns, Hist. Gloucest.

ⁱ Num. I. sub an. See also King Henry the First's charter, Num. IV.

^k By Walter, bishop of Rochester, temp. Edw. I. Regist. Roff. p. 229. ^l Pat. 26 Edw. III. ^m Chartul. Berm. Preston.

ⁿ Registr. Roff. p. 572.

^o Num. I. sub an. Dugd. Bar. tom. i. p. 627. The Harleian MS. 231, says that prior Clerembald, in 1146, made a composition with the bishop of Worcester, that the bishop and his successors should have two parts of the tithes in Lytleboo juxta Charleton, paying to the church of Bermondsey a perpetual rent of five shillings.

^p Ibid. See also Morant, Hist. Essex, vol. ii. p. 69.

^q Cart. 5 Joh. p. 75. Mon. Angl. former edit. tom. ii. p. 1014.

^r Pat. 14 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 10, 27.

^s Num. I. sub an.

^t See Hutchins, Hist. Dorset, first edit. vol. ii. p. 427.

^u Num. I. sub an.

^x Ibid. cart. 5 Hen. II. Pat. 1 Hen. IV. p. 7, m. 15. per Inspex.

^y Num. I. sub an. ^z Bundell benefic. alienig. 48 Edw. III.

^a Num. I. sub an.

^b Ibid.

^c Ibid.

^d Ibid.

^e Manning, vol. i. p. 195, from Ecton.

^f Num. I. sub an.

^g Num. VI.

^h Reg. Pontiff. fol. 226.

ⁱ Pat. 8 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 9, 19. Bund. benef. alien. 48 Edw. III.

^k Num. I. sub an.

^l Vide Append.

^m Pat. 22 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 10, 11.

ⁿ Num. I. sub an.

^o Ibid.

^p Compare Num. V.

^q Dugd. Baron. tom. i. p. 511.

^r Registr. Roffense, p. 572.

^s Num. I. sub an.

^t Ibid. See also Blomef. Hist. Norf. vol. i. p. 447.

^u Num. I. sub an. Dugd. Baron. tom. i. p. 407. Blomef. Hist.

Norf. vol. iii. p. 374.

^x Num. I. sub an. Blomef. ubi supr.

^y Ibid.

^z Ibid.

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Montfort:^a and also the tithes of his mansion of Wikes, alias Garboldesham,^b in the same county: William de Francheville jun. having given them also two parts of the tithes of that lordship. This portion issued out of the church of St. John Baptiste, one moiety of the advowson of which belonged to this manor: and, in 1428, the convent was taxed, for its spiritualities here, 13s. 4d.^c The said Hugh gave also to the priory the tithes of his mansion at Nacheton.^d But Blomefield, in the article of Newton, says nothing of it: and it is uncertain, indeed, whether this is meant of Necton, or of what was called Neketon's fee in Bokenham's manor in Garboldesham; or, lastly, of Nacton in Suffolk.

A. D. 1182, 28 Hen. II. The whole tithe of the lordship of de la Stane in the parish of Godichestre was given by John de Trenchefeule.^e But whether this be the de la Stone, of which Walter Brito gave two hides in 1094; or whether it was a manor of that name in Godmanchester in the county of Huntingdon, is not clear.

A. D. 1190, 2 Rich. I. Two parts of the tithes of Ludgershall, in the county of Buckingham, were given by Geoffrey de Tayle.^f

A. D. 1227, 11 Hen. III. They had also the tithes of Powynton, Lyntecon, and Blackmanston; for, this year, they compounded with the abbat of Bec in Normandy for the same, at 8s. a year, to be paid within the octaves of Michaelmas at Kynewardeston.^g These places are said, in the Annals of the monastery, to be in the county of Somerset. But Bovington was a manor in the parish of West Tyneham in Dorsetshire, belonging to the abbey of Bec; and Lutton (here mis-spelt Lyntecon) and Blakmanston were members of it.^h

A. D. 1229, 13 Hen. III. The tithes of the demesne of Hugo de Bray, parcel of the rectory of Lamhith, did also belong to this priory: for, this year, the prior compounded with the said rector for the same, in consideration of ten shillings a year to be paid at the convent of Bermondsey.ⁱ

A. D. 1241. The priory was also possessed of the tithes of Stikeldon in the parish of Greenford, in Middlesex: and, this year, compounded for them with the priory of Ankerwyk, at 5s. a year.^k

A. D. 1270, 54 Hen. III. John son of Hubert de Burg gave the advowson of Chartre.^l This seems to have been a chapel in their manor of Monksbury in the parish of Hallingbury Parva, in Essex.^m

A. D. 1318, 11 and 12 Edw. II. The convent agreed with Walter Reynolds archbishop of Canterbury for the purchase of two acres of land in Croydon, of the yearly value of 2s. with the advowson of the rectoryⁿ there, and, in 14th Edw. II. for the rectory itself, and advowson of the vicarage,^o in exchange for a hide of land at Withiflete, with the mills, valued together at 10 marks per annum, and other appurtenances in Southwark, and a yearly rent of 28l. 13s. 11d. formerly given them, viz. 13 Hen. I. by Robert Mar-mion. But this did not take place.^p

A. D. 1321, 15 Edw. II. This year, and thenceforth to the dissolution of the convent, they presented to the rectory of St. George Botolph Lane;^q but when, and by what means they became possessed of the advowson, is not recorded.

A. D. 1322, 16 Edw. II. They presented to the rectory of St. Andrew Holborn. This advowson was given by Gladerinus, a presbyter, to the church and canons of St. Paul, in trust that this convent should hold it of them, paying a yearly acknowledgment of 12d. at their cathedral. They continued patrons of it till their dissolution: after

which, 15 Sept. 1545, 37 Hen. VIII. the advowson was given by the king to Sir Thomas Wriothesley, afterwards Earl of Southampton.^r

They had, also, from this time to that of their dissolution, the alternate advowson (with the abbat and convent of Westminster) of the rectory of St. Magnus London Bridge:^s but how much earlier they were possessed of it, and by what means they became so, is not discoverable.

A. D. 1386, 10 Rich. II. The priory had also two parts of the tithes of the demesne of Kimbolton in the county of Huntingdon (formerly given them by Odo de Dammurtin, and afterwards confirmed to them by William de Say)^t which they demised this year to the priory of Stoneley in that county, for 6s. 8d. to be paid, at Easter in every year, at their house in Bermondsey.^u

A. D. 1390, 14 Rich. II. The priory, with consent of William Courtney, archbishop of Canterbury, patron, and John Godewyke, then rector, obtained a grant of the rectory of Croydon, in exchange for the manor of Woddens, or Whaddon, in that parish, given them by King Henry the First in 1127; the said manor to be exempted from all tithes arising and becoming due to the said rectory in future. The bull for this exchange bears date 27th Sept. 1390; the king's patent, 13th December; and the bishop of London (the pope's delegate's) degree, 16th January following. At the same time it was agreed, by indenture annexed, that, in presenting to the vicarage on every future vacancy, the archbishop should nominate two clerks, whereof the convent should present one for institution.^x After the dissolution of the abbey, Mr. Manning says, the rectory was granted to the family of Walsingham. The advowson of the vicarage returned to the archbishop; out of which had been paid to the convent, while they continued rectors, an annual pension of 5l. 6s. 8d. or eight marks, as one of the conditions of the endowment by Archbishop Stratford in 22 Edw. III. anno 1348.^y

A. D. 1307, 21 Rich. II. This year the advowson of the rectory of Kemsyng in the diocese of Rochester was given them by Guido Mone,^z which they obtained the king's licence to appropriate;^a reserving a pension to the bishop of Rochester and his successors of 6s. 8d. per annum. This advowson, after the dissolution of the abbey, was granted by Queen Elizabeth to Sir Peter Manwood, knt.

They had also a certain portion of the tithes of Cheyham in Surrey, in lieu of which they received of the rectory a pension of two marks.^b

PRIORS and ABBATS of BERMONDSEY.

PRIORS.

PETER, one of the monks who came originally from La Charité, was the first prior: and was so ordained by the prior of the foreign monastery. He was appointed in 1089. He died on the 4th id. June, 1119: and was succeeded by

HEREBRAND, or HEREBRANUS. He died in 1120; when

PETER succeeded; and, after him, WALTERUS, who died in 1134. He was succeeded by

CLAREMBALDUS, according to the Annals of Bermondsey; but Manning says, "ROBERT DE BELLISMO is spoken of in Lib. Cart. Berm. MS. Oxon. as prior in King Stephen's time, when the convent restored Andretesbury to Robert earl of Leicester for the manor of Wideford, in the county

the Instrument of Archbishop Reynolds cited in the last Note, fol. 98, is crossed out with the pen.

^a Newcourt, Repert. Eccles. vol. i. p. 352.

^r Ibid. pp. 272, 274.

^s Ibid. p. 396.

^t Chartul. Berm. MS. Dodsw.

^u Num. I. sub an.

^x Ibid. and Pat. 14 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 39, and Regist. Courtney, fol. 179 b.

^y Reg. Cant. Courtney, fol. 179 b.

^z Num. I. sub an.

^a Pat. 21 Rich. II. p. 2, m. 8. Reg. Roff. p. 450.

^b See Manning's Hist. of Surrey, vol. i. p. 192, et seqq.

^a Num. I. sub an.

^b Ibid. Blomef. Hist. Norf. vol. i. p. 170.

^c Blomef. ut supr.

^d Num. I. sub an.

^e Ibid.

^f Ibid.

^g Ibid.

^h Hutch. Hist. Dors. vol. i. p. 210.

ⁱ Num. I. sub an.

^k Ibid.

^l Chartular. Berm. MS. Dodsw.

^m See under A. D. 1093.

ⁿ Inquis. ad q. d. 11 Edw. II. n. 36. Pat. 12 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 17, 18.

^o Lambeth Regist. Reynolds, fol. 98 b.

^p This appears from the rectors of Croydon continuing, after this time, to present to the vicarage as before. It is observable, also, that

of Hertford."^a Clarembaldus was promoted to the abbey of Faversham in 1148; in which year

ROBERT DE BLOIS, or BLESENSIS, was made prior. He resigned, not, as Manning says, in 1154, but in 1155. In the following year

ROGER was chosen prior. He resigned, and was made abbat of St. Owen in 1157; when

ADAM succeeded on the 7th id. June. Adam became abbat of Evesham in 1161, 7th Hen. II. when

GEOFFREY became prior of Bermondsey. He resigned in 1163, when

PETER became prior. He resigned in 1166, when

RAYNOLD succeeded to the priorate. Raynold resigned in 1167, and was succeeded by a second

ROGER. He, in 1175, was elected abbat of Abingdon, where he died March 29th, 1184. His successor at Bermondsey in 1175 was

ROBERT DE BETHLEEM. He resigned in 1176, when

WERRICUS succeeded, also called GUERIC. Upon the death of Clarembald, in 1178, he was removed to the abbacy of Feversham.^b

BERTINUS, whom Manning calls BERTRANNUS, succeeded at Bermondsey. His death is entered in the Annals of the monastery in 1184, when

CONSTANTIUS, or CONSTANTINUS, succeeded. He died in 1186, when

HENRY DE SOLIACO became prior. According to the Annals so often quoted he died the same year, and was succeeded by

ADAM, who likewise died the same year, and was succeeded by a second prior of the name of

HENRY. This Henry, the Annals say, resigned in 1189, upon being made abbat of Glastonbury.^c

RICHARD NORMAN, or NORTHAM, succeeded on the feast of St. Nicholas. He died in 1201, when

HUGH was made prior. He died in 1210.

RICHARD was the next prior. In 1221 he was chosen prior of Wenlock, when another

HUGH succeeded, who also died in 1221, and was succeeded by

GAUFRIDUS, or GEOFFREY. Geoffrey died in 1222, when

ODILO succeeded, but died the following year, when a third

HUGH succeeded. In 1225 he died, when

GILBERT became prior. He died in 1226.

HUGH, his successor, also died in the same year.

WILLIAM, who succeeded, died in 1227.

JOSBERT was prior from 1227 to 1229; when, upon his death,

BERNARD succeeded, but died within a month.

AYMO then succeeded, who died in 1231.

HUGH, the fourth of the name, was the next prior. He died in 1234; to whom

PETER succeeded.^d He died in 1240, when

HUMBERT, INGLEBERT, or GILBERT, succeeded. Humbert died in 1245, and was succeeded by

ROGER. Roger died in 1247, and was succeeded by a second

HUMBERT, or YMBERT. He died in 1253, when

HAYMO succeeded, who dying the same year,

SYMON became prior. Symon died in 1225, when another

HAYMO became prior. He died in 1258, when

GWICARDUS became prior.^e He was made prior of Wenlock in 1265,^f and was succeeded at Bermondsey by

JOHN. The Patent Roll calls him JOHN DE CHARTRES. He was appointed by Milo prior of La Charité, and received the temporalities Feb. 5th.^g Upon the death of John de Chartres in 1273,

HENRY DE MONTE MAURI was appointed prior on Nov. 12th.^h He resigned in 1276, and was succeeded by

JOHN, who dying the same year,

PETER became prior.ⁱ but he also dying in 1276, another

JOHN succeeded. Upon whose death, in 1278, another

PETER became prior. His appointment is noticed upon the Patent Roll, where he is called PETER DE MONTE SANCTI VINCENTII, and is said to have had the temporalities restored to him on Sept. 21st that year.^k Upon his death in 1283,

ROBERT succeeded.^l Upon whose death in 1285,

HENRY NORTHAM was made prior. He is called HENRY only upon the Patent Roll, where the temporalities are stated to have been delivered to him on May 5th.^m He died, according to the annals of Bermondsey, in 1288, when

JOHN NORMAN succeeded.ⁿ John died in 1290, and was succeeded by

WILLIAM DE LA CHARITE, who died the same year.^o

PETER, who also succeeded and died in 1290, had

HENRY for a successor.^p He is mentioned on the Patent Roll as occurring July 20th, 18 Edw. I.^q Henry, according to the Annals, died in 1300, and was succeeded by

PETER. But the Patent Roll says that PETER DE SANCTO SIMPHONIACO was appointed prior by the prior of La Charité July 4th, 25 Edw. I. and the temporalities restored 13th Dec. 26 Edw. I, A. D. 1298,^r and that

HENRY was appointed prior on the death of Peter, in 1299, on November 27th, in which year he received the temporalities.^s According to the Annals,

PETER, prior of Bermondsey, died in 1307, to whom

HENRY succeeded.^t Who died in 1312, when

PETER DE ST. LAURENCE became prior.^u To him the temporalities were restored on October 28th, 1312.^x He died in 1319, and was succeeded by

GEOFFREY DE DELVIZ, who died in the same year.^y To whom

PETER was the successor.^z Peter died in 1321:^a when

WALTER succeeded.^b Upon the Patent Roll he is called WALTER DE DILING. He received the temporalities upon July 6th, that year.^c Upon his death, in the same year,

HENRY succeeded; he resigned, in 1323, for the priorate of Wenlock,^d when another

WALTER succeeded at Bermondsey, but died the same year.^e

JOHN DE CUSANCIA received the temporalities of this priory, April 18th, 1324.^f In which year also we find the king issued his letters patent for arresting the prior and certain monks of this house for entertaining certain rebels therein.^g These rebels, Mr. Manning says, were probably some of the adherents of Thomas, earl of Lancaster, who, after his defeat, about two years before, had taken Sanctuary in this Convent.^h John de Cusancia resigned in 1359; and

JOHN DE CAROLOCO succeeded, who continued Prior till his death in 1363.ⁱ

^g Pat. 50 Hen. III. m. 31.

^h Pat. 57 Hen. III.

ⁱ See the Append. Num. I. sub an.

^k Pat. 7 Edw. I. m. 9.

^l Append. Num. I. sub an.

^m Pat. 13 Edw. I. On the Roll of the same year it is said, "HEN. DE BONO VILLAR quondam prior de Bermondsey factus est prior de Wenlock."

ⁿ Num. I. ut supr.

^o Ibid.

^p Ibid.

^q Pat. 18 Edw. I.

^r Pat. 25, 26 Edw. I.

^s Pat. 27 Edw. I.

^t Num. I. sub an.

^u Ibid.

^x Pat. 6 Edw. II. p. 1.

^y Append. Num. I. ut supr.

^z Ibid.

^a Ibid. Pat. 14 Edw. II. p. 1. Rex commisit Rob. de Haselsham præposito Well. et fratri Johanni de Lodewave subpr. Domus de Bermondsey custod. ejusd. Domus. 20 Nov.

^b Append. Num. I.

^c Pat. 15 Edw. II. p. 2.

^d Append. Num. I.

^e Ibid.

^f Pat. 17 Edw. II. p. 2.

^g Pat. 17 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 7.

^h Hist. Surr. vol. i. p. 201.

ⁱ See Append. Num. I. sub an.

^a Bishop Kennett in his manuscript additions to the Monasticon, among Mr. Gough's Books in the Bodleian Library, refers to "Cartæ Roberti comitis Leicest. fil. Rob. com. de Mellent post mortem Henrici I. instinctu ROBERTI DE BELLISMO prioris de Bermundesey, super Wideford.

^b Chron. Gervas. col. 1445. Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 100, Lewis, Hist. Feversh. p. 10.

^c This was HENRY SWANSEY, who is stated to have been of the blood-royal. He was promoted to the bishoprick of Worcester in 1192. Willis seems to consider abbat Henry de Soliaco, whose death in 1186 is expressly mentioned in the Annals of Bermondsey, as the same person: Manning has fallen into the same mistake, and omitted ADAM and the second HENRY.

^d According to Pat. 22 Hen. III. m. 5, GWISCARD received the royal assent as prior in 1238. See MS. Harl. 6957, p. 74.

^e Thus far the Annals of Bermondsey, MS. Harl. 231, have been implicitly followed for the list of priors.

^f According to the Patent Roll, however, GILBERT DE BUSSAL was appointed prior of Bermondsey by the prior of La Charité in 1265. Pat. 45 Hen. III. rex consent. 5 Aug.

PETER DE TENOLIO was his successor. He died December 29th 1372:^a and on January 18th following RICHARD DENTON, or DUNTON, the first Englishman who filled the office, was appointed prior.^b His good offices in obtaining the denization of Bermondsey, and in the repairs and increase of the buildings, will be hereafter mentioned. In the 14th of Richard II. he resigned, when JOHN ATTILBURGH was appointed prior.^c He received the temporalities December 3, 1390.^d Having procured his priory to be erected into an abbacy, he himself became the first of the

ABBATS OF BERMONDSEY.

JOHN ATTILBURGH was created abbat by Pope Boniface the IXth at the request of King Richard the second, August 13th, 1399. On the 20th January, 1400,^e he resigned, and was made bishop of Athelfeld:^f when HENRY TOMSTON, or TOMPSTON, otherwise GOMPSTON, succeeded as Abbat. The royal assent was given to his election on Feb. 9th.^g He died on May 19th, 1413;^h and was succeeded by THOMAS THETFORD, to whose election the royal assent was given June 8th, 1413.ⁱ He died, not as Manning says, in 1428, but in 1432:^k when JOHN BROMLEIGH was elected. The royal assent was given to his election Feb. 14th, and the temporalities restored to him Feb. 19th that year.^l At the time of his resignation in 1473 he is called JOHN SAY, alias BROMLEY.^m JOHN DE MARLOW was elected in 1473.ⁿ He occurs in the 14th Edw. IV. A. D. 1490; in the 5th of Henry VII. again in 1503, and lastly in 1516.^o ROBERT WARTON, WHARTON, or PARFEW, S. T. B.

of the university of Cambridge, was prior, according to Manning, as early as 1520.^p But according to Bishop Kennet's Excerpta from the Originalia, the temporalities were restored to him Oct. 1st, 17th Henry VIII.^q He was consecrated bishop of St. Asaph, July 2d, 1536, 28th Henry VIII.,^r having on the 30th of the preceding month obtained a dispensation to hold this abbey in commendam. He surrendered the abbey to the king Jan. 1st, 1537-8, 29th Henry VIII. and obtained a pension of five hundred marks, or 333*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* a year.^s In April, 1554, he was translated to Hereford by queen Mary, of which see he died bishop Sept. 22d, 1557, and was buried there in his cathedral.

The advowson of the abbey of Bermondsey was in the monks; but their election was not valid till confirmed by the king.^t

In 1514, by letters patent dated June 24th, the king granted the next advowson of this abbey to Thomas Wolsey, then bishop of Lincoln, and John Reve de Melford, abbat of St. Edmundsbury:^u but whether they ever collected under this grant, or whether it was resumed, does not appear.

This house was one of those which, as appears by the date of its surrender, Jan. 1st, 29th Henry VIII. anticipated the designs of the crown upon the greater monasteries, by a voluntary resignation of its estates.^x Mr. Manning thinks it not improbable, when we consider the preferments to which the last abbat was advanced, who made the surrender, that he was put in by the Court with a view to that event.

The possessions of Bermondsey Priory, in the taxation of Pope Nicholas IV. A. D. 1291, are rated altogether at the annual sum of 279*l.* 3*s.* 0½*d.* The temporal possessions at 228*l.* 19*s.* 8½*d.*: and the spiritualities at 50*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*^y

^a See Append. Num. I. sub. an. ^b Ibid.
^c Ibid. ^d Pat. 14 Ric. II. p. 1.
^e That is Jan. 20th, 1399, according to the ecclesiastical computation. A licence for a fresh election was granted in February. Reg. Arundel, archiep. Cantuar. fol. 399 b.
^f Append. Num. I. sub. an. Among Dr. Ducarel's Excerpts from the register of archbishop Arundel, we find the following entry respecting abbat Attilburgh, a year or two after:
"Commissio domini archiepiscopi, ad inquirend. super regimine monasterii sancti Salvatoris de Bermondeseye ordinis Cluniacen. super eo quod frater Johannes Atleburgh, abbas ejusdem monasterii, se præ-tendens, redditus et possessiones dicti monasterii alienavit, ac bona ejusdem in usus illicite et nefarios convertendo et disponendo consumpsit, &c. Dat. apud London. 8 die mensis Januarii, A. D. 1401." fol. 399 a.
^g Pat. 1 Hen. IV. p. 5. ^h Append. Num. I. sub. an.
ⁱ Pat. 1 Hen. V. p. 1. ^k Append. Num. I.
^l Pat. 11 Hen. VI. p. 1. ^m Pat. 13 Edw. IV. p. 1.
ⁿ Lists of Principals of Religious Houses in Tanner.
^o Compare Manning, Hist. Surr. vol. i. p. 202. ^p Ibid.
^q MS. Lansd. 963, p. 60. Orig. 17 Hen. VIII.
^r Manning, ut supr.
^s See the Append. Num. IX. Bishop Burnet says the surrender was made June 1st, 1536, and cites Rot. Claus. 28 Hen. VIII. p. 2, for the enrolment of it; but, in this case, how could he hold the abbacy in commendam with his bishoprick?
The following is the entry respecting Bermondsey Abbey in the Return of the 2d and 3d of Phil. and Mar.
"BERMONDSEY } *Annuity.* Thomæ Grene per annum xl*l.* Rogeri nuper Monasterium. } Cholmeley militis per annum xl*l.* Thomæ Pinder per annum xxvj*l.* viij*l.* Thomæ Pope militis per annum xl*l.* Penc. Ricardi Gyle per annum x*l.* Johannis Kinder per annum vj*l.* Johannis Cutberde per annum vj*l.* Willielmi Poynter per annum cvj*l.* viij*l.* Thomæ Stanbanke cvj*l.* viij*l.* Petri Laki per annum vj*l.* Roberti Assaphen episcopi nuper commendatoris ibidem per annum cccxxxij*l.* vj*l.* viij*l.*
^t Manning, ut supr. vol. i. p. 202.
^u Pat. 6 Hen. VIII. p. 2, m. 26.
^x The list of pensions granted to the abbat and monks will be found in the Appendix.
^y The following are the entries in the taxation.

Temporalia.

	£.	s.	d.
Dioc. Roff.			
In Easthall, Berling, Charlton, Suttone, cum pertinentiis	32	16	9
Dioc. Lond.			
Bona Prioris Burmendes. in parochiis.			
	£.	's.	d.
S. Mariæ de Wlchershave	0	8	8
S. Dunstani, West	0	2	8
Omn. Sanctorum de Berkyng	0	8	9
S. Swithani	0	4	0
S. Matthæi, in Friday-street	0	10	0

	£.	s.	d.
S. Benedicti	0	5	0
S. Botulphi de Billingsg.	2	7	0
S. Joh. de Walbrok	0	10	0
S. Mich. de Basingeshawe	0	2	1
S. Petri de Wodestret	2	0	3
S. Laur. de Candelwyk	1	6	10
S. Sepulchri	0	14	0
S. Olavi de Mokewell	0	9	0
S. Mich. ad Ripam	0	5	6
S. Botulphi extra Altherisgat.	0	6	8
Omn. Sanctor. ad Fœnum	1	1	4
Omn. Sanctor. de Staningecherch	0	10	0
S. Mariæ de Monte Alta	0	2	0
Omn. Sanctor. de Fancherch	0	4	8
S. Margaretæ Moysi	0	4	0
S. Margaretæ Patins	0	13	4
S. Margaretæ ad pontem	0	17	0
S. Andreae Huberd	1	13	0
S. Mildredæ in Bradstret	0	6	0
S. Edmundi de Grescherch	0	13	4
Sanctæ Trinitatis Parvæ	0	7	0
S. Mariæ de la Hulle	0	4	6
S. Nicholai Hakun	0	2	2
Omn. Sanctorum de Coleman.	0	5	0
S. Martini de Candelwyk	2	4	7
S. Andreae de Cornhull	0	8	4
S. Christophori	0	6	0
S. Martini Ottewish	0	3	0
S. Nicholai Olof	0	12	0
S. Thomæ Apostoli	0	10	0
S. Mich. de Cornhull	0	10	0
S. Jacobi de Garlekhuth	1	7	8
S. Martini de Vinetria	1	16	0
S. Mariæ de Abbecherch	0	10	3
S. Clementis de Candelwyk	0	12	8
S. Joh. Zachar.	0	16	0
Sanctæ Agnetis	0	11	0
S. Nicholini Cold Abbey	1	10	0
Omnium Sanctorum ad Celar.	0	10	0
S. Stephani de Walebrok	0	6	0
S. Georgii	0	5	0
S. Benedicti Shorhog	0	14	8
S. Mar. Magd. in Piscar.	0	10	0
S. Nich. ad Mascel.	0	6	8
B. Mariæ de Arcubus	3	0	0
S. Vedasti	0	3	0
S. Leonardi Estchep	2	6	9
S. Dionysii	2	11	4
Sancti Mich. Candelwyk	2	3	7
S. Michaelis ad Blada	1	12	10
S. Mich. de Hoggelanelan	0	5	0
S. Prancratii	1	15	0
S. Mariæ de Bothawe	1	8	4
Omn. Sanctorum de Grascherche	0	7	0

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the clear revenues of this ab-
bey amounted to 474*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.*:^a the gross income to
548*l.* 2*s.* 5*d.*

About three years and a half from the time of its sur-
render, viz. 8 July, 1541, 33d Hen. VIII. the scite of this
abbey, being the capital mansion of the manor, was granted
to Sir Robert Southwell, Knt. Master of the Rolls, to hold
to him, his heirs, and assigns for ever, at a yearly reserved
rent of ten shillings.^b On the 30th August following, the
said Sir Robert Southwell, by deed of bargain and sale,
conveyed the same to Sir Thomas Pope, Knt. and Eliza-
beth his wife, in fee; to whom it was confirmed (together
with the ten shillings reserved thereupon in the Grant to
Southwell) by letters patent of the king, dated 16 March,
anno 36; and who is said to have taken down the church
and adjacent buildings, and to have erected a dwelling-
house on his manor from the materials. This dwelling-
house, being intended for the capital mansion of the manor,
and thenceforth called Bermundsey House (together with
the yards, gardens, and edifices thereto belonging, contain-
ing by estimation twenty acres), he re-conveyed to Sir Ro-
bert Southwell by deed dated March 4th, 1554-5; and it
is supposed to have been the same which afterwards came
into the hands of Thomas earl of Sussex, who died here in
1583. The remainder of the premises belonging to the site
of the abbey, and heretofore purchased of Sir Robert
Southwell on 30th Aug. 33 Hen. VIII. the said Sir Tho-
mas, by deed of bargain and sale, dated 10th Nov. 1556,
2d and 3d Phil. and Mar. conveyed (together with the ma-
nor, demesne lands, advowson of the rectory, &c. of which
he had a grant in 36 Hen. VIII.) to Robert Trapps, citizen
and goldsmith of London. The further descent of these
premises may be seen in Manning.^c

Of the internal state and history of this Foundation,
says Manning, we know little or nothing; the Annals of the
house having perished in the general wreck of its fortunes.
We find, however, that provincial chapters were sometimes

holden here;^d and that the court occasionally made use of
it for their meetings on affairs of state. Thus, at Christmas,
1154, King Henry II. immediately after his first coronation,
held his court here, where he treated with his nobles on the
state of the kingdom.^e In the reign of King Henry III.
many of the nobility, having taken the cross upon them,
met at this house to deliberate on the order of their
journey.^f And, in 25 Hen. III. William de Eborum and
his fellow-justices itinerant held their assizes here on the
6th of May.^g

The prior and convent were obliged to find a com-
petent maintenance for the Earl of Gloucester and his heirs
whenever they should come hither:^h and Ralph earl of
Stafford in particular, who married Margaret daughter and
heir of Hugh de Audley earl of Gloucester, is said to have
died, 31st Aug. 46 Edw. III. seised in demesne as of fee
of an apartment or lodging within this priory.ⁱ A remote
ancestor of the Earl of Gloucester, in 19 Steph. had given
the advowson of Camerwell to the convent;^k which was
ratified to them by Richard de Clare earl of Gloucester, a
descendant of his, in 33d Hen. III.^l For this and other
services, their posterity enjoyed this appointment in the
nature of a corrody.

The bishops of Winchester formerly claimed of this
convent an annual procuration or entertainment for one
day, when they held their visitations in this part of their
diocese: but, on a revival of this claim, anno 1276, by
Nicholas de Ely, then bishop, the convent pleaded an ex-
emption. The bishop contested it: and at length a com-
promise took place on the following conditions, viz. that
the prior and convent, and their successors, on the first
coming of every bishop of Winchester to Bermondsey, after
his installation, should, in token of their regard for him as
their diocesan, meet him in procession; and, in lieu of the
procuration or entertainment, should pay unto him and to
his successors five marks of silver, for that time, at his house
in Southwark: and, in every succeeding year, two marks
and a half at Michaelmas. Moreover, that whenever it
should happen that the bishop should go beyond sea, the

Dioc. Lond.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
S. Dunstani Est	2	3	0			
S. Mich. Paternostercherch	0	8	0			
Summa				50	2	9
Decanat. de Herlawe.—In Hullingber						
Parva de terr. et mol.	9	5	3			
In Schering, de terr. molend. cons. etc.	11	4	2			
Summa				20	9	5
Archid. Essex.—Redd. in Duddyngeherst		2	3	11		
Dioc. Linc.						
Decanat. Burnham.—Redd. in Cippenham		3	0	0		
Decanat. Bedeford.—Redd. in Bedeford		3	0	0		
Decanat. de Hertford.—In Benyngho, in terris cur.	4	3	0			
Dioc. Cicestr.						
Archid. Lewes.—Redd. in Grensted			0	10	0	
Dioc. Sarum.						
Archid. Berk.—In Optone			7	6	8	
Item in Optone			3	13	4	
Dioc. Bâth. et Wellen.						
Apud Preston in decanatu de Merston		8	3	4		
Apud Genele, Preston, et Stonem, eodem decanatu	6	5	0			
Et apud Kywardeston in decanatu de Kary	10	0	0			
Dioc. Winton.						
In villata de Leyham quod taxatur	7	0	8½			
In villata de Retherhuth quod taxatur	10	2	0			
In parochia S. Margaretæ quod taxatur	17	1	2			
In parochia de Bermund. quod taxatur	19	16	8			
In parochia B. Magd. de Suth. quod tax.	3	0	0			
In villa de Camerwell quod taxatur	6	8	7			
In parochia S. Olavi quod taxatur	0	5	0			
In parochia de Croydon quod taxatur	10	15	5			
In villa de Worlingham quod taxatur	1	16	0			
Summa				76	5	6½
Dioc. Ebor.						
Archid. Nottingh.—In Staneforth		1	0	0		
Summa temporalium		223	19	8½		

Spiritualia.

Dioc. Lond.			
Decanat. Brauthing.—Penc. in eccl. de Wideford	0	6	8
Item porcio ejusdem prioris in eadem ecclesia	2	0	0
Decanat. Herlawe.—Porcio in eccl. de Halling- bery Parva	2	0	0
Decanat. de Aungre.—Porcio in eccl. de Fifide	3	6	8
Pencio ejusdem prioris ibidem	2	0	0

Dioc. Lond.	£.	s.	d.
Decanat. de Berdestaple.—Porc. in eccl. de Hor- nyngdone	1	13	4
Dioc. Linc.			
Archid. Buck.—Porcio in ecclesia de Lotegarsale	1	0	0
Archid. Hunt.—Porcio in ecclesia de Kynebauton	4	0	0
Dioc. Norwic.			
Decanat. de Fordham.—Porcio	6	13	4
Dioc. Sarum.			
Dacanat. Albi Monasterii.—Porcio in ecclesia de Melecumbe	1	6	8
Archid. Sar.—Porcio in Mildestone	0	10	0
Dioc. Bathon. et Well.			
Decanat. de Merstone.—Porcio in eccl. de Gevele	2	0	0
Decanat. Ivelcestr.—Pencio in eccl. de Chilterne	1	0	0
Decanat. de Radeclive.—Pencio in eccl. de Ingell- some	2	10	0
Dioc. Winton.			
Pencionar. in eccl. B. Mariæ Bermundeseye	1	6	8
Pencionar. in eccl. de Retherhithe	1	0	0
Penc. in eccl. de Bedinton	5	0	0
Alia penc. in eadem	1	6	8
Dioc. Wygorn.			
Porcio in eccl. de Estinton	10	13	4
Dioc. Elien.			
Porcio in ecclesia de Landbech	0	10	0
Summa spiritualium	50	3	4

See Pope Nicholas, Taxat. fol. Lond, 1802, foll. 8 b, 10 b, 16, 18,
18 b, 21 b, 22, 24, 34, 36, 45 b, 49 b, 52, 121, 140, 179, 180 b, 191, 196,
197, 197 b, 200 b, 203 b, 207, 207 b, 221, 266, 312 b.

^a See the Append. Num. VIII.
^b Orig. 33 Hen. VIII. p. 4. Surr. Kanc. “Rex viij^{ro}. die Julii
concessit Roberto Suthtwell mil. domum et scitum nuper monasterii
sancti Salvatoris de Bermondsey, necnon rect. &c. ecclesiæ beatæ
Magdalenæ de Bermondsey, ac etiam manerium de Parva Peckham, ac
mesuag. &c. in Parva Peckham, Est Peckham, Hadlowe, Meryworth,
et Papenbury, in com. Kanc. habend. ei et hæred. suis.”

^c Hist. of Surr. vol. i. pp. 186, 203.
^d Reyner, Apostolat. Benedictin. in Angl. tract. ii. § 6, pp. 135,
136.
^e Brady, vol. ii. p. 298. Gervas. Chron. col. 1377.
^f Lambarde, Dict. p. 46. ^g Ann. Waverl. anno 1241.
^h Esch. 21 Edw. III. n. 59. ⁱ Esch. 46 Edw. III. n. 62.
^k Compare the Append. Num. I. sub an.
^l Ibid.

said prior and convent should receive him in procession on his return.^a

Catharine, queen of Henry Vth. retired to this monastery either for devotion or safety, and died here 3d Jan. 1437; but was interred at Westminster.

Elizabeth, queen of Edward IVth. was condemned by an order of council, in 1486, to forfeit all her lands and goods, and to be confined in Bermondsey abbey, where she soon afterwards ended her life.^b

Manning gives the following notices of eminent persons buried in the Conventual Church here :

Adelaid, or Adelize, daughter of the Countess of Beaumont in France, wife of Hugh de Grentemaisnil, and mother of Ivo de Grentemaisnil, a benefactor to this house, was interred here in the time of William Rufus, or Henry the First.^c

William earl of Moreteign and Cornwall, son of Robert, who possessed a hide of land in the manor of Bermondsey at the time of the General Survey, was also interred here in the beginning of Henry the First's time. Ralph Brooke says he became a monk of this house.^d

Mary, daughter of Malcolm III. king of Scotland, sister of Maud, wife of King Henry the First, and wife of Eustace earl of Boulogne, who gave the manor of Kynewardeston in Somersetshire, died April 18th, 1115, and was buried in this church, with the following inscription on her tomb :

Nobilis hinc tumulata jacet comitissa Maria ;
Actibus hæc nituit ; larga, benigna fuit.
Regum sanguis erat ; morum probitate vigeat ;
Compatiens inopi : vivit in arce Poli.^e

Walchelin de Maminot the younger, a benefactor to the piory, died here in the beginning of the reign of Richard I. as appears by the testimony of Julian the countess, his wife, recorded in a Chartulary formerly belonging to the monks of this place.^f

To these, Mr. Lysons adds, as also interred here, Leofstan provost of London, anno 1115 ; Margaret de la Pole, 1473 : and dame Aimè Audley, relict of John lord Audley.^g

The CHRONICLE of Bermondsey preserved among the Harleian manuscripts No. 231 furnishes a copious article in the Appendix to the present Account of the priory. Tanner, in his *Notitia Monastica*, refers to various Excerpts and Abstracts from it in different libraries.

Tanner also mentions "Liber cartarum et munimentorum de omnibus libertatibus, ecclesiis, redditibus, pensionibus, portionibus, et de omnibus aliis possessionibus ad Domum S. Salvatoris de Bermundesey juxta London pertinentibus, per fratrem Willielmum de Preston editum et ordinatum A. D. 1363, tempore ven. et relig. viri dom. Joan de Caroloco tunc dictæ domus Prioris, olim penes Rob. Trappis de London. gen. dom. maner. de Bermondsey : " and adds, "Excerpta ex hoc libro, MS. in bibl. Cotton. Claudius A. viii. 14, necnon in Museo v. cl. Petri Le Neve arm. Norroy. Collect. per Glover et Brook, ex eodem. Similiter inter Collect. Dodsworth, vol. lxxviii. fol. 23, &c., vol. cii. fol. 97, &c. Collect. ex Cartulario Prestoniano per R. Glover Somerset donata bibl. Coll. Armorum Lond. per Hen. Slingsby arm."

He refers to another Register as "olim penes Jo. Sel-den armigeri ;" and to various documents in our Record Offices, of which the following have not been already quoted :

"Cart. antiq. T. n. 3, R. Hen. II. de libertat.

"Cart. 11 Hen. III. p. 1, n. 122. Fin. Surr. 34 Hen. III. n. . pro mess. et terris in Bermondsey et Rotherham. [i. e. Rotherhithe]. Plac. coram reg. inter 53 et 54 Hen. III. rot. . pro. maner. de Ledecumb Regis. Pat. 56 Hen. III. n. 27.

^a Registr. Winton. Pontissara, foll. 109 b, 155 a.

^b Hist. of Surr. vol. i. pp. 204, 205. Lysons's *Environs of London*, 2d edit. vol. i. P. i. p. 48.

^c Chauncy, Hertf. p. 288. Dugd. Baron. tom. i. p. 425.

^d Catal. of Nobil. p. 103.

^e Manning, ut supr. p. 206, from Sims's MSS. in the possession of Lord Onslow.

^f Preston, Lib. Chart. Berm. MS.

"Plac. apud Guildford, 7 Edw. I. rot. 1, de reparatione pontis de Hasurdermersh altercato cum priore de Merton. Plac. in com. Kane, 7 Edw. I. assis. rot. 57. Pat. 10 Edw. I. m. . de placea vasta in Egware intra forestam de Windsor concessa priorissæ de Ankerwyk.

"Plac. in com. Kane. 6 Edw. II. coron. rot. 4, de libertat. in Charleton. Brev. 6 Edw. II. Pasch. rot. 6, de libertat. allocandis. Brev. 7 Edw. II. Trin. rot. 6. Pat. 13 Edw. II. m. 43, pro maner. de Upton juxta Blebury dimittendo ad firman. Plac. apud Turrim, 14 Edw. II. quo war. rot. 88.

"Pat. 3 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 25. Cart. 4 Edw. III. n. 57, pro libertat. et inter alias pro mercat. et feria apud Charleton, Kane. Pat. 15 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 28 vel 29. Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 23, pro maner. de Upton, Berks. Pat. 24 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 8 vel 9. Rec. in Scacc. 26 Edw. III. Pasch. rot. . Pat. 28 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 4 et 8. Pat. 30 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 2. Pat. 31 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 20, pro maner. de Dulwich. Pat. 32 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 11, pro maner. de Charleton. Plac. coram rege 45 Edw. III. Trin. rot. quod prior debet reparare pontem de Walworth. Pat. 51 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 4.

"Pat. 2 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 43. Rec. in Scacc. 22 Ric. II. Pasch. rot. 6.

"Inquis. Somerset. 4 Hen. IV. n. 15 vel 16, pro maner. de Kinewardeston, et Preston juxta Yevele. Plac. coram rege 12 Hen. IV. Hill. rot. 9.

"Rec. in Scacc. 6 Hen. V. Pasch. rot. 9, de exit. ii. part. villæ de Aston juxta Blebury, Berks.

"Rec. in Scacc. 4 Hen. VI. Mich. rot. 23.

"Rec. in Scacc. 8 Hen. VIII. Mich. rot. 27, de terris Francisci com. Lovell concess. abbati de Bermondsey."

In the Chapter-house Westminster is a Transcript of a Charter of Liberties belonging to this abbey, examined in Eyre ; and in the same repository is a Box of Deeds relating to their tenements in Bermondsey.

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's office are the following documents :

De carta prioris et conventus S. Salvatoris de Bermondsey, de libertatibus eis per regem concessis. Pasch. Rec. 22 vel 23 Ric. II. rot. 6.

De priore de Bermondsey onerato 40*l*. 12*s*. 6*d*. de bonis et catallis Johannis Atte See forisfactis. Hil. Rec. 3 Hen. IV. rot. 25 vel 26.

Processus abbatiam tangens prætextu inquisitionis coram escaetore. Hil. Rec. 26 Hen. VI. rot. 16. et Trin. Rec. 34 Hen. VI. rot. 5.

Carta regis abbati de Bermondsey et successoribus suis, de diversis terris in Redrith. Mich. Rec. 8 Hen. VIII. rot. 27.

De literis Regis patentibus Jo. Chandler de diversis terris et tenementis nuper monasterio S. Salvatoris de Bermondsey pertinentibus. Mich. Rec. 32 Hen. VIII. rot. 73.

De literis Regis patentibus de diversis redditibus et servitiis exeuntibus de diversis terris et tenementis in Bermondsey Thomæ Pope militi et hæredibus suis factis. Pasch. Rec. 36 Hen. VIII. rot. 50.

Among the Harleian charters in the British Museum is one, 44 H. 16. an Indenture between John, abbat of Bermondsey, and the rector and parishioners of St. Michael Crooked-lane, London, respecting a tenement in that lane, dated Sept. 6th, 1439, 18th Hen. VI.

The ROOD, or CROSS of BERMONDSEY, to which pilgrimages were occasionally made, is stated to have been found near the Thames in 1117.^h

In an ancient diary of a citizen, who lived in the reigns of Henry VII. and Henry VIII. preserved among the Cottonian Manuscripts, Vesp. A. xxv. fol. 41 b. we have the

^g Lysons's *Env. of London*, 2d edit. vol. i. P. i. p. 48.

^h See the Append. Num. I. sub. an. In the Harleian MS. 6970. p. 97, among Excerpts from the register of John Romane, archbishop of York, we read, "XL dies indulgentiæ concessæ iis qui contribuerunt ad fabricam ecclesiæ sancti Salvatoris de Bermundesey juxta London. vel ad eam orandi causa et ad adorand. VENERABLEM CRUCEM in eadem EMINENTER POSITAM accesserint."

following notice of the taking down of the Rood of Bermondsey in 1538, in the mayoralty of Sir Richard Gresham :

"M. Gresham mayr. On Saynt Mathies day thapostull the xxiiijth day of February, Sonday, did the bishop of Rochester preche at Polls Cros, and had standyng afore hym all his sermon tyme the pictur of the Roode of Grace in Kent, and was gretely sought with pilgryms, and when he had made an ende of his sermon the pictor was torn all to peces; then was the PICTOR OF SAYNTE SAVIOUR that had stand in BARMSEY ABBEY many yeres in Sowthwarke takyn down."

Of the SEALS of Bermondsey abbey, engraved in Wilkinson's "Londina Illustrata,"

The first, appended to an instrument in the Chapter-House at Westminster, of the year 1274, represents our Saviour seated, his right hand elevated, and holding a book in the left. Legend SIGILLVM . SCI . SAL The rest of the inscription lost.

The second, of the same date, has a similar representation of our Saviour, but with the sun and moon in the area above, and in a small arch at bottom a man's head. The remains of the legend of this seal are ORIS . S RMONDSE There is a small counter-seal to it, of a round form, representing the Virgin and child, with MATER . DEI . MEMENTO . MEI.

A third, appendant to a deed of 1266, which, with the preceding, is likewise in the Chapter-House at Westminster, seems to have been the prior's private Seal. It is triangular, and represents the flight into Egypt, and under a pointed arch at bottom, a man's head. Legend . SIGI ORIS . BERMVNDESEYE.

A grant in the Augmentation Office, of the year 1356, relating to a messuage in Rotherhithe, presents a fourth Seal. It represents our Saviour between two apostles preaching to a multitude. Legend SIGIL . EC E . SCI . SALVATORIS . DE . BERMUNDESEYE. The counter-seal, smaller in size, presents a half-length of our Saviour, with the right hand elevated, and holding a mound in the left. Legend EGO . SVM . VIA . VERITAS . ET . VITA.

Appendant to a Book of Indentures at Westminster, which will be mentioned again hereafter, is another Seal of this abbey; that probably which was usually affixed to instruments of the greatest consequence. The impression is round and large; with the counter seal of the same size. The obverse represents the transfiguration of our Saviour, before Peter, James, and John; the sun, moon, and stars being represented in those spaces of the area which are not filled by the figures. Legend SIGILLVM . COMMVNE . MONASTERII . SANCTI . SALVATORIS . DE . BERMUNDESEYE. The reverse, or counter seal, represents our Saviour seated on a rainbow, the right-hand elevated, and holding a mound in the left. On each side a shield of arms supported by an angel; the dexter coat, France and England quarterly; the sinister England alone. The sun, moon, and stars again appear in the upper part of the area; and the base contains an assemblage of persons in the midst of a grove of trees, all apparently in the act of adoration. The centre figure with a mitre and crozier. Legend SALVA . NOS . XP'E . SALVATOR . PER . VIRTVTEM . SANCTE . CRVCIS.

There is a Seal of Bermondsey, different to any of

these, appendant to the Harleian charter 44 A. 16. already mentioned. In the area on one side is the figure of our Saviour sitting; the right hand uplifted, the left bearing a mound surmounted by a cross. On the reverse, a small full length figure of the Virgin Mary, with hands uplifted, surrounded by a glory.

Of the ORIGINAL FABRIC of Bermondsey Abbey our information is slight. The "*Nova et pulchra Ecclesia*," mentioned in Domesday, is presumed to allude to it.

In 1338 the church of this house appears to have been dedicated afresh, with several of its numerous altars.^a The cloister and refectory were either built or rebuilt by Prior Dunton, in 1380; who covered the nave of the church with lead, and made new with glass the windows in the Presbytery, in 1387.^b Abbat Thetford, in 1430, covered the cloister with slate, "*cum petra vocata slat*."^c

Wilkinson, in his work already quoted, has given several Plates illustrative of the Remains of this monastery, which have now almost all disappeared. These are,

1. A general view of the remains as they appeared in 1805, with the adjacent country. Taken from the steeple of the church of St. Mary Magdalen, Bermondsey.

2. East view of the Gateway of Bermondsey Abbey, near the parish church.

3. Inside of a room adjoining those under the hall, Bermondsey Abbey, with several fragments of remains, capitals, mouldings, &c.

4. Inside and outside of the Hall, Bermondsey Abbey.

5. Inside of one of the rooms under the Hall. But it is to be observed that this hall, in reality, was not a part of the abbey, but of the mansion which was erected upon its site by Sir Thomas Pope. Though Mr. Wilkinson thinks that that portion of the fourth plate, which is entitled "Inside of the Hall," is probably of the hall or refectory of the monastery; as its appearance seems older than Sir Thomas Pope's time.

6. The Arms and Seals of the prior and convent.

7. Fac simile from one of the Books of Indentures for the foundation of King Henry the Seventh's Chapel, at Westminster, to which the abbat of Bermondsey was a party, and whose seal is appendant thereto. From the original in the Chapter-house.

8. A Ground plan of the abbey of Bermondsey, from an original drawing taken in 1679; with a view of the north and west gates of the abbey.

The GATEHOUSE, the last principal remain of this Abbey, was taken down in 1805.

The small Priory of St. JAMES, DERBY, was a CELL to Bermondsey, the history of which will form the next article of our work.

Richard, Prior of Bermondsey, with the consent of the convent, built, A. D. 1213, adjoining to the walls of his monastery, an ALMSHOUSE or HOSPITAL for converts and poor boys in honour of St. THOMAS of CANTERBURY.^d It was under the government of the almoner of the priory, and exempt from episcopal jurisdiction.

Cartae ad Bermundseïense Coenobium in agro Sur-regiensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Excerpta è Chronicis de Bermondsey.

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ANNO Domini 1077. Lanzo prior sancti Pancratii Lewensis venit in Angliam.

^a Append. Num. I. sub. an.

^b Ibid.

^c Ibid.

Anno Domini 1082, et anno regni regis Willielmi primi xvj. Hoc anno Alwinus Child civis London fundator Monasterii monachorum Sancti Salvatoris de Bermundeseye, ex licentia regia dedit eisdem monachis qui venerunt in Angliam in anno secundo Willielmi regis ruphi secundi, diversos redditus in civitate London, antequam idem rex Willielmus secundus dedit manerium de Bermundeseye. Et insu-

^d See the Extracts from the Chron. of Bermondsey in the Append. Num. I. sub. an.

per excitavit diversos dominos tam temporales quam spirituales ut darent prædia ecclesias et maneria, prout patet inferius.

Anno Domini 1083, et anno regni Willielmi primi xvi. Hoc anno fecit describi volumen vocatum Domysday. In quo volumine repertum est quod rex tenet manerium de Bermundeseye, ubi nova et pulchra est Ecclesia in honore sancti Salvatoris.

Anno Domini 1089, et anno regni regis Willielmi Rufi regis secundo. Hoc anno, litera dominicalis G. xvj. kal. Maii Luna currente per vij. *Petres, Ricardus, Osbertus, et Vmbaldus*, monachi de Caritate venerunt Bermundeseye, et PETREUS factus est prior ex ordinatione prioris de Caritate.

Anno Domini 1092, secundo Willielmi Rufi, Wynebaldus de Baalum dedit monachis de Bermundeseie Brides-thorne, et tres virgatas terræ et dimidiam in Widon, et vj. virgatas terræ in Hardewik cum ecclesia de Hardewik, decimas de Estentona, et decem solidatas in Sutton de molendino ibidem: quæ postea vendita fuerunt per Johannem priorem de Bermundeseie pro perpetuo ad emendum manerium de Richemonde in parochia de Bengeho pro clx. marcis. Dedit etiam idem Winebaldus medietatem Upton. Deditque Odo, miles ejusdem Winebaldi, ecclesiam de Omeneya cum decimis ejusdem villæ prædictis monachis. Et eodem anno Ansgerus Brito dedit prædictis monachis manerium de Preston, scilicet duas hidas.

Anno Domini 1093, et anno r. r. Willielmi secundi sexto, Robertus Bluet cancellarius regis factus est episcopus Lincolnæ, et dedit idem Robertus eodem anno monachis de Bermundeseye manerium de Charleton cum appendiciis suis. Et eodem anno Galfridus Martel, concessione Galfridi de Magnavilla, dedit terram de Halyngbury, et decimam de Alferton. Quæ omnia confirmaverunt Willielmus rex secundus et Henricus rex primus.

Anno Domini 1094, anno r. r. Willielmi secundi septimo, obiit Alwinus fundator Bermundeseye vj. idus Aprilis. Et etiam hoc anno Rogerus miles Johannis filii Waleranni, concedente eodem Johanne, dedit monachis de Bermundeseie decimas de Fifhide.

Anno Domini 1095, anno Willielmi Rufi octavo, Walterus filius Anseri Britonis dedit duas hidas terræ de la Stane monachis de Bermundeseie.

Anno 1096, anno W. Rufi nono, Petrus de sancto Olavo dedit terram de Hoddesdon monachis de Bermundeseye.

Anno Domini 1098, W. Rufi undecimo. Hoc anno Ricardus Guet frater comitissæ Warennæ dedit manerium de Cowyk monachis de Bermundeseie cum pertinentiis suis.

Anno Domini 1103, anno regni regis Henrici primi tercio, Nigellus de Maundevilla, concedente uxore sua, dedit terram de Balgham, scilicet duas hidas, ecclesiæ et monachis de Bermundeseye.

Anno Domini 1107, obiit Rogerus Bigot principalis fundator monasterii beatæ Mariæ Thetfordiæ. Et hoc anno Matildis uxor Asculphi, et Graaldus filius, dederunt monachis de Bermundeseie ecclesiam de Fifhide, et confirmaverunt decimas ejusdem villæ eisdem monachis, quas dedit eis Rogerus miles Johannis filii Waleranni, anno vij. W. secundi prædicto.

Anno Domini 1111. Decimæ de Uggle datæ fuerunt monachis de Bermundeseie.

Anno Domini 1112. Hawisia de Gurnay dedit ecclesiam de Inglescombe in comitatu Somerset^a monachis de Bermundeseye.

Anno Domini 1113, anno regni regis Henrici primi xiiij. Robertus Marmyon dedit hidam de Wideflete cum molendino et aliis pertinentiis suis monachis de Bermundeseye.

Anno 1114. Maria comitissa Boloniæ dedit manerium de Kynwardeston cum pertinentiis suis monachis de Bermundeseye.

Anno 1115, obiit Maria comitissa Boloniæ soror Matildis reginæ, uxoris Henrici regis primi, xiiij. kal. Maii; ejus maritus Eustachius comes Boloniæ pro salute animæ uxoris suæ confirmavit manerium de Kynwardeston ecclesiæ de Bermundeseye.

Anno Domini 1117. CRUX SANCTI SALVATORIS inventa est prope Thamisiam.

Anno Domini 1118. Robertus comes Leycestriæ dedit manerium de Wideford monachis de Bermundeseye; et Willielmus de Belmeis, Andretesburye. Et eodem anno miraculose, *virtute* SANCTÆ CRUCIS liberatur Willielmus comes Moritonæ de Turri London. Et rex Henricus salvatur a leonibus in sompno per sanctitatem primi prioris Petrei sibi apparentis virtute deifica dum vixit.

Anno 1119, obiit PETREIUS *primus prior Bermundeseye* iiij. idus Junii, cui successit HEREBRANUS.

Anno 1120. Hoc anno obiit HEREBRANUS *prior Bermundeseye*; cui successit PETRUS, et postea WALTERUS.

Anno 1122. Thomas de Ardern, et Thomas filius ejus dederunt monachis de Bermundeseye ecclesiam sancti Georgii in Southwerk et decimas de dominio suo in blado in Horn-don, et terram de ponte London quinque s. per annum red-dentem, et totam minutam decimam in prædicta villa ut in lanis, caseis, in agnis, in vitulis, in pullis equinis, et in omnibus aliis rebus decimand. Quam concessionem de ecclesia sancti Georgii concessit et confirmavit H. rex primus.

Anno 1126. Ansgerus Brito dedit manerium de Preston monachis de Bermundeseye, et Walterus filius ejus.

Anno 1127. Henricus rex primus dedit monachis de Bermundeseye, Retherhith, Dilwich, hidam de Southwark, Waddon, et confirmavit donationem Kynwardeston.

Anno 1132. Hoc anno London tota pene combusta est de igne Gilberti Beket iiij. idus Aprilis. Henricus rex primus dedit ecclesias de Schorn et Cobham in comitatu Cantia monasterio de Bermundeseye.

Anno 1134, obiit WALTERUS *prior de Bermundeseye* cui successit CLAREMBALDUS.

Anno 1135, obiit Henricus primus rex Angliæ vij. idus Aprilis in Normannia, et sepultus in Anglia apud Redynges. Hic gloriosus rex ampliavit ecclesiam de Bermundeseye, possessionibus simul et dotavit.

Anno 1137, et regni regis Stephani iiij^o. rex Stephanus dedit xl. solid. redditus in Southwerk monachis de Bermundesei, et confirmavit donum Mariæ comitissæ de Kynwardeston quod fecit monachis de Bermundeseie.

Anno 1139, anno regni regis Stephani quinto, Girardus de Camvyle dedit monachis de Bermundeseye duas partes decimarum de Charleton-Camvyle, quæ postea dimissæ sunt pro perpetuo priori de Kyllingworth pro ij. marcis per annum solvendis ad Kynwardeston.

Anno 1140 Willielmus comes Moritonii venit Bermundeseye et suscepit habitum monachalem, et Stephanus rex confirmavit donationem Waltheof filii Svein de ecclesia sancti Jacobi de Derby monachis de Bermundeseye.

Anno 1141. Stephanus rex concessit libertates monachis de Bermundeseye; videlicet quod ipsi et homines sui, res, et terræ, sint quieti de placitis, querelis, schiris, hundredis, et husteng. et portmannesmot, et omnibus geldis, scotis, et sartis, et parcis claudendis, et tool, et ab omnibus rebus, querelis, et consuetudinibus; et quod habeant curiam suam, et socam, et sacam, et tool, et theam, et infangnethes, et omnes alias liberas consuetudines suas infra burgum et extra.

Anno Domini 1142. Rex Stephanus dedit monachis de Bermundeseye Gravam quæ membrum fuit de Wanetyng, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in bosco et plano, et molendinum in Wykes, et pasturam, cum hominibus et tenuris eorum, nominatim Ernwy filium Lefwini le May et Edmundum filium Wulfrici, cum domibus et pasturis eorum, et cum Wykes, et cum omnibus terris quæ ad domus eorum pertinent. Quam donationem confirmavit Henricus dux Normanniæ et Aquitaniæ dictis monachis.

Anno 1143. Rex Stephanus dedit monachis de Bermundeseye ecclesiam de Writel cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; quam donationem confirmavit Henricus Dux Normanniæ. Et hoc anno Willielmus filius Heltonis dedit prædictis monachis molendinum de Frenyngham in comitatu Kanciæ, quod postea dimissum est Johanni Scot pro perpetuo pro xls. vjd. per annum in anno Domini mcccxi.^b et anno Henrici tercii vj.

Anno Domini 1144, et Stephani decimo, Willielmus de Watervilla, et Robertus filius ejus, dederunt monasterio de Bermundeseye manerium de Warlyngham cum suis pertinentiis. Hoc etiam anno Willielmus de Ipra relaxavit et remisit monachis de Bermundeseye decem solidos redditus

^a Dorset. Dugd.

^b An. 1124. Dugd.

quos solebant reddere domino de Tarentford in Dertford per annum, quam concessionem confirmaverunt Stephanus rex Angliæ et Henricus secundus Dux Normanniæ.

Anno Domini 1145. Walkelinus Mammynot dedit dimidiam partem totius Grenewich monachis de Bermundeseye.

Anno 1146. Facta est compositio inter Willielmum Wigorn. episcopum et Clarenbaldum priorem de Bermundeseye de decimis in Lytelhoo juxta Charleton; videlicet quod dictus episcopus et successores sui habebunt dictas duas partes decimarum pro perpetuo redd. per annum ecclesiæ de Bermundeseye v^s.

Anno 1148. Recessit *Clarembaldus* prior de Bermundeseye cum xij^{cim}. monachis et factus fuit primus Abbas de Feversham. Cui successit ROBERTUS BLESENSIS.

Anno Domini 1150. Stephani regis xvij. Hoc anno Ricardus filius Osberti dedit monachis de Bermundeseye decimas scilicet duas partes decimarum de pecoribus et bladis in Melcumbe: et Theobaldus Cant. archiepiscopus confirmavit.

Anno 1152. Stephani regis xvij. Winebaldus de Baalam dedit monachis de Bermundeseie ecclesiam de Upton, et terram vocatam Melneham. Et eodem anno Alanus Pirot dedit eisdem monachis vj. milia allecum de manerio suo de Erchelawis, et unam acram terræ.

Anno Domini 1154. Willielmus comes Gloucestriæ dedit monachis de Bermundeseie ecclesiam de Cambyrwell.

Anno 1155. Hoc anno recessit *Robertus* prior de Bermundeseye; et hoc anno Willielmus filius Henrici de Eltham dedit monachis de Bermundeseye decimas de Wiklondes in parochia de Wolviche: et Theobaldus Cantuar. archiepiscopus confirmavit.

Anno 1156, et anno r. r. Henrici secundi ij^o. Hoc anno successit ROGERIUS prior de Bermundeseye post annum recessionis Roberti prædicti, et factus est prior idem Rogerus xvj. kal. Maij anno revoluto. Et eodem anno Raynoldus de Tannay dedit monachis de Bermundeseye ecclesiam de Bengehoo: et Theobaldus archiepiscopus Cantuar. ac Robertus Lincoln. episcopus confirmaverunt. Et hoc anno Osbertus filius Willielmi Ottdener dedit monachis de Bermundeseye terram de Tymberwode.

Anno 1157. Hoc anno recessit *Rogerus* prior de Bermundeseye xij. kal. Marcii, et factus est Abbas apud sanctum Audoenum. Successit dompnus ADAM viij^o. idus Junii. Et eodem anno Walkelinus Mammynot filius Walkelini Mammynot dedit monachis de Bermundeseye x^s. redditus de molendino de Depford.

Anno 1158, anno 4 H. II. Willielmus de Watevilla, concessione filiorum suorum, dedit monachis de Bermundeseie ecclesiam de Chelsham, et illam de Warlingham. Quam donationem confirmaverunt Henricus secundus, Edwardus tertius, Ricardus secundus, et Henricus quartus.

Anno 1159. Sibilla de Watevilla, et Ingelramus de Funteney, dederunt ecclesiæ de Bermundeseie ecclesiam de Bedington: et eodem anno rex Henricus secundus confirmavit donationes ecclesiarum nostrarum, scilicet de Camberwell, Bengehoo, Warlyngham, et Chelsham, Fifhide, et Bedington.

Anno 1161, 7 Hen. II. Hoc anno xvj. kal. Maii recessit *Adam* prior de Bermundeseie et factus est abbas apud Evesham. Cui successit dompnus GAUFRIDUS Prior.

Anno 1163. Hoc anno recessit *Gaufridus* prior de *Bermundeseie*: cui successit PETRUS.

Anno 1165. Hoc anno Henricus rex confirmavit hidam de Southwerk, et Leygham, Waddon, cum terra Colemanii monachis de Bermundeseie.

Anno 1166. Hoc anno recessit dompnus *Petrus* prior de Bermundeseie: cui successit dompnus RAYNOLDUS. Et hoc anno idem Raynoldus dimisit cum assensu conventus fratribus Templi totam hidam de Wideflete super Thamisiam cum hominibus, molendinis, aquis, stagnis, et omnibus pertinentiis suis, reddendo per annum ecclesiæ de Bermundeseie x. marc. sterlingorum.

Anno 1167. Recessit dompnus *Raynoldus* prior de Bermundeseie: cui successit dompnus ROGERIUS.

Anno Domini 1168. Walkelinus Maymynot dedit monachis de Bermundsey lx. solidatas annui redditus de dominio de Cippenham in Dilleherst: dedit etiam ecclesiam de Byrlyng, cum suis pertinentiis.

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Anno 1169. Rogerius prior dimisit fratribus Templi pro perpetuo ij. acras de feudo et elemosina domini regis juxta terram quam nobis dedit Robertus Marmyon in orientali parte pro iiij. solid. per annum.

Anno 1171. Willielmus Revel dedit monachis de Bermundeseie terram in Cokenage; quæ terra postea dimittebatur pro perpetuo priori de Royston in anno m.c.lxxxix. pro xij^s. iiij^d. per annum.

Anno 1173, Dec. de Hacchesham datæ fuerunt monachis de Bermundeseie.

Anno 1173. Rex Henricus secundus concessit eisdem monachis warennam suam per totam terram suam ubicumque eam habent per Sudreyam in bosco et in plano super decem libris forisfacturæ.

Anno 1175. Recessit *Rogerus* prior de Bermundeseie et factus est abbas apud Abendon: cui successit ROBERTUS DE BETHLEEM.

Anno 1176. Recessit *Robertus* prior de Bermundeseie: successit WERRICUS.

Anno Domini 1177. Robertus filius Humfridi dedit monachis de Bermundsey decimas de Ditton in comitatu Cantebrigie quæ postea dimissæ fuerunt ad firmam priori de Thetford pro x. marcis per annum 1261, 47 H. III.

Anno 1177. Robertus filius Humfridi dedit monachis decimas de Ditton in comit. Cantabrigiæ.

Anno 1178. Recessit *Werricus* prior de Bermundeseie et factus est abbas de Feversham. Successit dompnus BERTINUS.

Anno 1179, 25 H. II. Hugo de Monteforti dedit monachis de Bermundsey decimas quatuor mansionum; scilicet de Langfort, et Bodeneye, et Wikes, et Nacheton. Et eodem anno Willielmus filius Ricardi de Franchevilla dedit duas partes decimarum de dominio de Langford et de Gerbodesham eisdem monachis.

Anno 1180. Willielmus de Abingysworth dedit monachis duas partes decimarum in parochia de Watlyngton.

Anno Domini 1181, 27 H. II. dominus Milo de Bello-campo, assensu Pagani de Bello-campo hæredis sui, dedit monachis de Bermundsey molendinum de Bedford.

Anno Domini 1182, 28 H. II. Johannes Trenchefvile dedit monachis de Bermundsey totam decimam suam de dominio suo de la Stane in parochia de Godichestre.

Anno 1184. Obiit *Bertinus* prior de Bermundeseie, cui successit CONSTANTINUS vel CONSTANCIUS.

Anno 1186. Obiit *Constancius* vel *Constantinus* prior de Bermundeseie: cui successit HENRICUS DE SOLIACO. Obiit *Henricus* cui successit ADAM. Et eodem anno obiit *Adam*: cui successit HENRICUS.

Anno 1189. Recessit Henricus prior de Bermundeseie et factus est abbas Glaston. ad festum sancti Michaelis. Cui successit RICARDUS NORMAN in die sancti Nicholai episcopi.

Anno 1190, 2 R. I. Galfridus de Tayle dedit duas partes decimarum in Ludgreshale monachis de Bermundeseie.

Anno 1191. Willielmus filius Roberti de Cilterna dedit monachis x. acras terræ in Chilterne. Et Ricardus filius Willielmi filii Roberti de Chilterne dedit dictis monachis dec. xvi. acr. terræ.

Anno 1192. Henricus abbas Glaston. quondam prior de Bermundeseie ij. id. Decembr. consecratus est in episcopum Wigornie ab Huberto Cant. archiepiscopo.

Anno Domini 1194. Henricus comes Augy dedit monachis de Bermundeseie terram vocatam Osewardeston in parochia de Lida et terram Johannis clerici in Bilsington, quæ postea dimissa est pro perpetuo priori et conventui de Bilsington pro xxix^s. jd. ob. q. in anno Domini 1290.

Anno 1195. Henricus episcopus Wigornie quondam prior de Bermundeseie obiit.

Anno 1201. Obiit *Ricardus Northam* prior de Bermundeseie cui successit HUGO.

Anno 1206. Facta est translatio dompni Petreii primi prioris istius loci v. idus Junii a domino Bernardo quondam Ragnensi archiepiscopo qui cum rege Ricardo in Angliam venit. Ipse etiam archiepiscopus sequenti festo sancti Barnabæ apostoli dedicavit Altare matutinale in honore perpetuæ Virginis Mariæ et omnium sanctorum.

Anno 1208. Hoc anno mundatæ sunt terræ de Bermundeseie per fluxum Thamisie.

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Anno 1210. Hoc anno obiit *Hugo* prior de Bermundese-
sey : cui successit RICARDUS.

Anno Domini 1213, anno 15 Johannis regis Ricardus prior de Bermundese cum consensu conventus ædificavit in fundo celerarii quandam domum contra murum domus prædictæ vocatam elemosinaria sive hospitale conversorum ac puerorum, in honore sancti Thomæ martyris. Pro quo fundo prædictus prior constituit quod elemosinarius solvet per annum celerario x^s. iiij^d. ad festum sancti Michaelis. Et est dicta elemosinaria exempta ab omni jurisdictione episcopali sicut et monasterium.

Anno 1221. Recessit *Ricardus* prior de Bermundese et factus est prior de Wenlok. Cui successit HUGO. Et eodem anno obiit *Hugo*. Cui successit GAUFRIDUS.

Anno 1222. Obit *Gaufredus* prior de Bermundese. Successit ODILO. Eodem anno obiit *Odilo*. Successit HUGO. Et in fine ejusdem anni obiit *Hugo*, et successit Odilo. Et sic fuerunt tres priores in uno anno.

Anno 1223. Obit *Odilo* prior de Bermundese: cui successit HAYMO; et eodem anno obiit *Haymo*: cui successit HUGO.

Anno 1225. Obit *Hugo* prior de Bermundese: cui successit GILBERTUS.

Anno 1226. Obit *Gilbertus* prior de Bermundese: cui successit Hugo. Et eodem anno obiit Hugo: cui successit GWILLELMUS.

Anno Domini 1227, 12 H. III. facta est compositio inter Josbertum priorem de Bermundese et abbatem de Becco de decimis in Powynton, Lyntecon, et Blakmanston in comitatu Somerset pro viij^s. per annum infra octabas Michaelis apud Kynwardeston.

Anno 1227. Obit Gwillelmus prior de Bermundese cui successit JOSBERTUS.

Anno 1228, translatum fuit hospitale sanctæ Mariæ Overeyæ a fundo prioratus in fundum Amicii archidiaconi Surreiæ, ubi aqua est uberior et aer est sanior; et dedicatum est in honore sancti Thomæ martyris.

Item hoc anno facta est conventio inter priorem de Bermundese et rectorem de Lamhith de decimis de Lamhith de dominico Hugonis de Bray, dimissis dicto rectori et successoribus pro perpetuo pro x^s. reddendis ad Bermundese.

Anno 1229. Obit *Josbertus* prior de Bermundese. Successit BERNARDUS. Et eodem anno infra mensem obiit *Bernardus*; cui successit AYMO.

Anno 1230. Bartholomeus et Johannes de Courteray cœperunt includere terras breccæ de Retherhith ex una parte et Johannes de Rokeford ex altera.

Anno 1231. Obit *Aymo* prior de Bermundese: cui successit HUGO.

Anno 1234. Obit *Hugo* prior de Bermundese: cui successit PETRUS.

Anno 1236. Facta est Finalis concordia inter priorem et conventum de Bermundese et Robertum de Brues de ecclesia de Staple, videlicet quod advocatio de cætero pertineat eidem Roberto et hæredibus suis, ita quod imperpetuum eadem ecclesia solvat per annum ecclesiæ de Bermundese in pension. xxvj^s. viij^d. Et eodem anno facta est compositio inter priorem et conventum de Bermundese et rectorem de Godichestre de dec. in la Stane in parochia prædicta.

Anno 1240. Obit *Petrus* prior de Bermundese: cui successit HUMBERTUS, vel dictus INGERTUS, vel GILBERTUS. Et eodem anno facta est compositio inter priorem et conventum de Bermundese et abbatem et conventum sanctæ Osithæ juxta Colchestre de decimis in UGGLE.

Anno 1241, 26 H. III. compositio facta inter priorem de Bermundese et priorissam de Ankerwike de decima de Stikeldon in parochia de Grenford sibi dimissa pro perpetuo pro v^s. per an.

Anno 1241. Compositio facta cum priorissa de Ankirwik de decimis in Stikeldon in parochia de Grenford.

Anno 1245, 40 Hen. III. Obit *Humbertus* alias dictus Ingelbertus, vel Gilbertus, Prior de Bermundese cui successit ROGERUS. Et hoc anno facta est concordia inter priorem de Bermundese et priorissam de Halliwell de decimis in Est-Dilewich; scilicet quod dicti prior et conventus percipient omnes decimas majores provenientes de terris quas de bosco vel de pastura in agriculturam dictæ moniales converterunt in parochia de Cambyrwell.

Anno 1246, 31 H. III. recuperatæ sunt per priorem et conventum de Bermundese centum solidatæ annuæ pensionis de ecclesia de Beddyngton, et duæ marcæ sterlingorum pro decimis quondam Richardi Hurscale in eadem parochia.

Anno 1247, 32 H. III. facta est finalis concordia inter Ricardum de Clare comitem Gloucestriæ, et Ymbertum priorem de Bermundese de advocatione ecclesiæ de Cambyrwell, quam remisit imperpetuum dicto priori et conventui. Eodem anno obiit *Rogerus* prior de Bermundese cui successit YMBERTUS.

Anno 1249. Hoc anno facta est conventio inter priorem de Bermundese et abbatem de de feudo quod dicti abbas et conventus emerunt de Alex. Fiket et de Ranulpho le Tymbermonger ex opposito ecclesiæ sanctæ Margaretæ in Southwerk pro ij^s. vj^d. per annum ad festum sancti Michaelis.

Anno 1252, compositio facta fuit inter Ymbertum priorem de Bermundese et rectorem de Estenton de duabus partibus garbarum decimæ in Estenton in comitatu Somerset, scilicet quod prædictus rector habebit dictas decimas pro perpetuo pro xx^s. per annum in octabis Pentecostes.

Anno 1253. Obit *Humbertus* prior de Bermundese: cui successit HAYMO. Et eodem anno obiit *Haymo* et successit SYMON.

Anno 1255. Obit *Symon* prior de Bermundese: cui successit HAYMO.

Anno 1258. Obit *Haymo* prior de Bermundese cui successit GWICARDUS.

Anno 1265. Recessit *Gwicardus* prior de Bermundese et factus est prior de Wenlok; cui successit JOHANNES.

Anno 1268, 53 H. III. rex concessit prior de Bermundese mercatum per diem Lunæ apud manerium suum de Charleton in comitatu Kancie et unam feriam per tres dies duraturam, videlicet in vigilia, et in die, et crastino sanctæ Trinitatis.

Anno 1270, 55 H. III. Johannes de Burgo, filius et hæres Huberti de Burgo, dedit monachis de Bermundese manerium de Chalke cum pertinentiis suis.

Anno 1272, 55 H. III. Rainaldus et Ricardus de Tanay dederunt monachis de Bermundese manerium de Bengeshoo, id est Richemund, et advocationem ecclesiæ de Bengeshoo, quam prius habuerant confirmavit.

Anno 1273. Obit *Johannes* prior de Bermundese: cui successit HENRICUS.

Anno 1274, 2 E. I. compositio facta inter priorem de Bermundese at abbatem de Begham de decimis de Hachesham in parochia de West-Grenewiche dimissis eidem abbati pro xij^s. iiij^d. per annum. Hoc autem anno compositio facta fuit cum priore et conventu de Merton de decimis in Kersalton in com. Surr. dimissis eidem priori et conventui de Merton pro perpetuo solvend. per annum xx^s.

Anno 1276. Recessit *Henricus* prior de Bermundese: cui successit JOHANNES. Et eodem anno obiit *Johannes*, et successit PETRUS. Similiter eodem anno obiit *Petrus*, cui successit JOHANNES.

Anno 1278. Obit *Johannes* prior de Bermundese: cui successit PETRUS.

Anno 1283. Obit *Petrus* prior de Bermundese. Successit ROBERTUS.

Anno 1285. In vig. Assumpt. beatæ Mariæ obiit *Robertus* prior de Bermundese: cui successit HENRICUS NORTHAM quondam elemosinarius de Northampton.

Anno 1288. Obit *Henricus Northam* prior de Bermundese: cui successit JOHANNES NORMAN.

Anno 1290, 18 E. I. rex concessit monachis de Bermundese maneria de Halyngbury, Wideforde, Cowyke, Upton, et Richemunde quæ ad manus regis devenerunt ratione felonie quam Adam de Stratton fecit cui prædicta maneria ad firmam dimissa fuerant.

Anno 1290. Hoc anno obiit *Johannes* prior de Bermundese: cui successit WILLIELMUS DE LA CHARITE. Eodem anno obiit *Willielmus de la Charite*: cui successit PETRUS. Et eodem anno obiit *Petrus*: cui successit HENRICUS.

Anno 1294. Hoc anno gurges aquarum Thamisiæ transcendit consuetos limites xvij^o. die Octobris, et tunc accidit magna brecca apud Retherhith, et planitiem de Bermundese, et procinctum de Tothill superficialiter debriavit.

Anno 1300. Obiit *Henricus* prior de Bermundeseye: cui successit *Petrus*.

Anno 1302. Hoc anno *Petrus* prior et conventus concesserunt et diuiserunt ad firmam *Johanni* Techemanno totam illam terram quæ vocatur Madbrok, in Retherhith, in com. Surr. pro sexaginta libris sterlingorum præ manibus solvendis.

Anno 1307. Obiit *Petrus* prior de Bermundeseye; cui successit *Henricus*.

Anno 1312. Obiit *Henricus* prior de Bermundeseye: cui successit *Petrus de Sancto Laurentio*.

Anno 1317, 11 E. II. *Petrus* prior de Bermundeseye et conventus dimiserunt ad firmam domino *Waltero de Huntingfeld* militi terram de Patlesworth quam nobis dedit *Rogerus de Leiburn* pro iiij^{xx}. marcis præ manibus solutis. Tali conditione, quod dicti prior et conventus solvent prædicto *Waltero* dictam summam iiij^{xx}. marcarum in ecclesia beatæ Mariæ Overey in Southwerk.

Anno 1319. Obiit *Petrus* prior de Bermundeseye: cui successit *Galfridus de Delviz*. Et eodem anno obiit *Galfridus*: cui successit *Petrus*.

Anno 1321. Hoc anno obiit *Petrus* prior de Bermundeseye: cui successit *Walterius*. Et eodem anno obiit *Walterius*: cui successit *Henricus*.

Anno 1323. Hoc anno recessit *Henricus* prior de Bermundeseye, et factus est prior de Wenlok: cui successit *Walterus*. Et eodem anno obiit *Walterus*: cui successit *Johannes de Cusancia*.

Anno 1329. Hoc anno *Edwardus* rex tertius confirmavit omnes cartas et libertates concessas monachis de Bermundeseye per reges Angliæ cum clausula in fine quod licet ipsi vel prædecessores sui aliqua vel aliquibus libertatum seu quietantiarum in dictis cartis et literis contentarum aliquo casu emergente hactenus usi non fuerint, iidem tamen Prior et monachi et successores sui libertatibus et quietantiis prædictis et earum qualibet de cætero plene gaudeant et utantur sine occasione vel impedimento quorumcumque.

Anno 1332. Facta est inquisitio apud Cippenham de lx^s. annuis debit. ecclesiæ de Bermundeseye de manerio de Cippenham, scilicet de terra voc. Dilleherst.

Anno 1338. Hoc anno dedicata fuit ecclesia major sancti Salvatoris de Bermundeseye et majus altare in honore sancti Salvatoris et beatissimæ Virginis Mariæ et omnium sanctorum ab episcopo Corbaniensi fratre minore tertio idus Januarii. Et in oct. die ejusdem dedicata fuerunt tria altaria ab eodem episcopo: videlicet Altare Crucis in honore ejusdem, et Altare Drueth in honore beatæ Mariæ et sancti Thomæ Martyris, et etiam altare quod est juxta ostium cimiterii monachorum in honore sanctorum Andreæ et Jacobi et omnium apostolorum.

Anno 1340. Hoc anno *Edw. rex. III.* concessit *Petro de Cusancia*, et *Johanni de Lambyn de Colchestre* civi London. et licentiam dedit quod ipsi unum mesuagium et unum toftum in Retherhith dare possint priori et conventui de Bermundeseye in partem satisfactionis centum solidorum de terris, tenementis, et redditibus ad valorem centum solidorum a prædicto rege per an^m. sibi per annum acquirend.

Anno 1347. Hoc anno idem dominus rex licentiam dedit Priori et Monachis de Bermundeseye appropriare ecclesiam de Bedyngton, et illam appropriatam in proprios usus tenere, statuto de terris et tenementis ad manum mortuam edito non obstante. Et eodem die et anno concessit eisdem Priori et Monachis quod ipsi et successores sui terras et tenementa et redditus cum pertinentiis ad valent. viginti libr. per annum tam de feodo suo proprio quam alieno exceptis terris, tenementis, et redditibus quæ de ipso domino rege tenentur in capite adquirere possint et tenere sibi et successoribus suis imperpetuum, statuto prædicto edito non obstante.

Anno 1349. Rex *Edwardus* tertius dedit licentiam *Willielmo de Charleton* quod ipse unum mesuagium et lxx. acras terræ cum pertinentiis in Kynwardeston dare possit et assignare priori et monachis de Bermundeseye, et eisdem priori et conventui quod ipsi mesuagium et terram prædictam cum pertinentiis recipere possint et tenere sibi et successoribus suis imperpetuum statuto, &c. ut supra.

Anno 1359. Hoc anno recessit *Johannes de Cusancia* prior de Bermundeseye: cui successit *Johannes de Caro-Locho*.

Anno 1363. Obiit *Johannes de Caro-locho* prior de Bermundeseye: cui successit *Petrus de Tenolio*. Et eodem anno facta est compositio inter dominum *Johannem de Cobham* militem, fundatorem Novi Collegii quinque capellanorum apud Cobham: scilicet quod dictus dominus *Johannes* et hæredes sui, cum dicta ecclesia vacaverit Personam de dicto collegio vel aliunde priori et conventui de Bermundeseye cum literis patentibus nominabunt imperpetuum.

Anno 1366. Hoc anno fuit breve regis direct. baronibus scaccarii, vacante episcopali sede Wynton. pro viij^{li}. debit. Monachis de Bermundeseye pro hospitio domini episcopi Wyntonien. in Southwerk.

Anno 1372. Obiit *Petrus de Teloneo* prior de Bermundeseye xxix^o. die mensis Decembr.: cui successit *Ricardus Dunton*, primus prior Anglicus, cui commissa fuerat custodia ejusdem prioratus xvij^o. die Januarii; salvis domino regi *Edwardo* tertio advocationibus ecclesiarum, per literas patentes ejusdem regis.

Anno 1376. *Edwardus* rex tertius sursum reddidit et deliberavit terras in le Breche in Retherhith in manus prioris et conventus de Bermundeseye quas sibi retinuit per escactam ratione mesprisionis fact. per *Tidemannum Lymbergh* mercatorem Alemannum.

Anno 1380. Nono die Maii per *Ricardum de Dunton* priorem facta est domus et prioratus de Bermundeseye indigena pro fine cc. marc. domino regi *Ricardo* solut. in hanaperio cancellariæ suæ. Et eodem anno idem frater *Ricardus Dunton* fieri fecit claustrum et refectorium de novo.

Anno 1384. *Ricardus* rex II^{us}. deliberavit et sursum reddidit priori et conventui de Bermundeseye xvij^s. reddit. debit. in paroch. Omnium Sanctorum Magna London. et vj^s. annui redditus in parochia sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ de Bredstrete, quos sibi retinuerat ratione felonie *Johannis Northampton*. de qua convictus fuit.

Anno 1386, 10 R. II. Facta est compositio inter *Ricardum* priorem Bermundsey et *Johannem* priorem de Stonlee de duabus partibus decimarum domini de Kymbalton dimissis dicto priori de Stonlee imperpetuum pro vj^s. vij^d. reddendis apud Pascham apud Bermundeseye.

Anno 1387. *Ricardus Dunton* prior plumbavit greonium sive navem ecclesiæ, et fieri fecit novas fenestras vitreas in presbyterio, cum tabulis deauratis summi Altaris et Altaris matutinalis.

Anno 1390. 14 Ric. II. Hoc anno xvj^o. die mensis Februarii factum est escambium inter *Willielmum Courtenay* Cant. archiepiscopum et *Ricardum Dunton* priorem de Bermundeseye de manerio de Waddon cum ecclesia de Croydon, licentia regia inde prius obtenta. Et eodem anno idem *Ricardus Dunton* prior resignavit: cui successit *Johannes Attilburgh*, cujus tempore prioratus iste fuit indigena prius per *Ricardum Dunton* ultimum Priorem ibidem effecta in anno iiij^{to}. regis *Ricardi* secundi.

Anno 1393. Facta est concordia inter *Johannem Attilburgh* priorem de Bermundeseye et *Thomam Wyght* civem London. de terris quondam domini *Stephani de Burton*, scilicet quod terræ et tenementa prædicti *Stephani* in parochia beatæ Mariæ Magdalenæ de Bermundeseye tenentur de dicto priore per redditum xx^s. per annum, et per sectam semel in anno veniend. ad visum franciplegii pro omnibus aliis sectis, serviciis, demandis, et oneribus quibuscunque.

Anno 1397, 21 R. II. Rex licentiam dedit *Guidoni Mone* quod ipse dare possit priori et conventui de Bermundeseye advocationem ecclesiæ de Kemsyng imperpetuum.

Anno 1399. Dominus *JOHANNES ATTILBURGH* prior de Bermundeseye factus est primus ABBAS ibidem xiiij^o. die Augusti ex creatione domini *Bonifacii* papæ assensu et voluntate ac supplicatione domini *Ricardi* regis Angliæ. Et hoc anno resignavit idem *Johannes* et factus est episcopus *Athelfelden*: cui successit *Henricus Tomston*, secundus abbas. Item hoc anno *Henricus* rex quartus exemplificavit et confirmavit omnes cartas et libertates regias concessas monachis de Bermundeseye, cum carta *Ricardi* regis de indigenis.

Anno 1413. Hoc anno obiit *Henricus Tomston* abbas de Bermundeseye, xix^o. die mensis Maii: cui successit *Thomas Thetford*, tertius abbas.

Anno 1416. Robertus Bromesbury alias dictus Rykherst cœpit includere breccam de Bermundeseye in parochia de Retherhith.

Anno 1417, 5 H. V. Erat placitum in cancellaria domini regis inter dominum regem et Thomam Thetford abbatem de Bermundeseye de maneriis de Preston, Bermundeseye, et Stone in comitatu Somerset, et recuperata fuerunt per dictum abbatem.

Anno 1430. Thomas Thetford, abbas de Bermundeseye, de novo cooperiri fecit claustrum, cum petra vocata Slat.

Anno 1432. Obiit *Thomas Thetford* abbas, et sepultus est xxx^o. die ejusdem mensis: cui successit dominus JOHANNES BROMLEGH, quartus abbas, a domino Henrico Chichele Cant. archiepiscopo apud Lambeth confirmatus.

NUM. II.

Carta Foundationis Monasterii S. Salvatoris de Bermundsey per W. Rufum regem.

[Ex regist. de Bermonsey penes virum clariss, Johan. Seldenum atmigerum.]

NOVERIT omnium fidelium posteritas quod ego Willielmus rex Anglorum pro anima mea et anima patris mei Willielmi regis, cui ego successi in regno, dedi Deo et monachis de Caritate ecclesiam sancti Salvatoris de Bermundesia, simul et ipsam Bermundesiam cum omnibus appenditiis suis, jure perpetuo possidendam, ab omnibus rebus et consuetudinibus liberam et quietam. Concedo etiam eis et confirmo quicquid alii dederunt tam in terris quam in decimis, sive in aliis quibuslibet rebus, videlicet Cerletonam cum appenditiis suis quam donavit eis Robertus Lincolnæ episcopus, ecclesiam verò de Hardwike cum terra ipsi ecclesiæ adjacenti, et decima villæ prænominatæ, decimamque de Opetona quam Winebaldus de Baalun dedit eis, ecclesiam quoque de Omeneia, terramque et decimam ejusdem cum aliis decimis de Estentona et Alvinetona quas dedit eis Odo de Tirone miles ejusdem Winebaldi: scilicet et decimam de Fyfidre quam eis dedit Rogerus miles Johannis filii Waleranni, concedente eodem Johanne: necnon duas hidas terræ de Estanas quas Walterius filius Ausgerii eis dedit: similiter terram de Hoddesdona quam Petrus de sancto Olapho dedit eis sicut ipse eam melius tenuit in tempore patris mei: quicquid etiam donatum est illis apud Londoniam in ecclesiis aut in decimis, aut in domibus, aut in terris, aut in aliis quibuslibet rebus, tam in civitate quam extra civitatem, scilicet, in nemoribus, in pratis, in molendinis, in piscariis, et in omnibus rebus. Volo itaque, atque præcipio ut monachi Bermundesie omnes possessiones suas et omnes res suas bene, et liberè, et in pace, et honorificè teneant. Willielmus nutu Dei rex Anglorum sigillo confirmavit hæc et corroboravit. ✠ Signum Willielmi regis. ✠ S. Henrici hæc laudantis fratris ejusdem. ✠ Signum Walkelini Lundoniensis episcopi. ✠ Signum Osmundi episcopi Salisburiensis. ✠ Signum Johannis de Sumbresetta. ✠ Signum Eudonis Dapiferi. ✠ Signum Rotgeri de Novant. ✠ Signum Rotgeri Bicel. ✠ Signum Petri de Valoniis. ✠ Signum Ricardi Delamera. ✠ Signum Aylwyni ecclesiam sancti Salvatoris, una cum rege, in manu monachorum de Caritate, Ricardi, scilicet, Osberti, atque Vinbaldi, qui aderant, emancipantis. Letaldus scripsit, et subscripsit feliciter. Amen.

NUM. III.

Confirmatio regis Henrici primi de donatione Manerii de Bermundeseia et aliorum Maneriorum.

[Adhuc ex regist. de Bermundsey. Vide Cart. 4 E. III. nu. 57.]

NOSCAT omnis fidelium sacra posteritas, quo ego Henricus Dei gratia rex Anglorum, pro anima patris mei Willielmi Anglorum regis, et matris meæ Matildis reginæ, et fratris mei Willielmi regis, cui ego in regno successi, et pro salute mei ipsius, concedo et confirmo quicquid monachis de Caritate apud sanctum Salvatorem de Bermundesia ibidem Deo servientibus dedit idem frater meus Willielmus, videlicet ecclesiam sancti Salvatoris de Bermundeseia, necnon et ipsam Bermundeseiam, cum appendiciis suis, liberam et

quietam ab omnibus consuetudinibus, sicut melius habuerunt, tempore fratris mei. Concedo etiam quicquid alii dederunt, tam in terris quam in decimis, videlicet Cerletonam, cum appenditiis suis, quam donavit eis Robertus Lincolnensis episcopus. Similiter, unam hidam terræ Hallyngeburiam, quam donavit Gaufridus Martei, cum decima de Alferetona. Wydeford, quam commutavit cum monachis de Bermundeseia, Ivo de Grantemesnil, pro Andretesberya, quam dederat eis Willielmus de Belmeis. Decimam de Fifhyde, ecclesiam de Hardewyke, et decimam ejusdem villæ, et tres hidas terræ in eadem villa, et decimam de Opetona quæ dedit eis Vinebaldus de Baalun, Prestonam, quam dedit eis Ausgerius Brito. Duas hidas Stavam quas dedit eis Walterus filius ejusdem Ausgerii, duas hidas Belgeham quam dedit Nigellus de Mundevilla, concedente uxore sua. Duas hidas Hodesdon. Concedo etiam quicquid donatum est illis apud London in ecclesiis et domibus, sive in terris, tam in civitate, quam extra civitatem. Nunc vero ego ipse do eis, de meo dominio, Rodereyam, et Dilewich, et hidam de Southwerka, et Wadonam. Concedo etiam Kynewardestonam, quam dedit eis Maria comitissa Boloniæ concedente Eustachio comite viro suo. ✠ Signum Henrici regis. ✠ Signum Matildis reginæ. ✠ Signum Eudonis Dapiferi. ✠ Signum Hamonis Dapiferi. ✠ Signum Willielmi de Albineio. ✠ Signum Ursonis de Abetot. ✠ Signum Willielmi Barbe.

NUM. IV.

De Manerio de Bermundeseye.

[Ex eodem registro.]

MEMORANDUM quod manerium de Bermundeseia, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, est de antiquo dominico coronæ regis, et omnes terræ et tenementa quæ de dicto manerio tenentur sunt placitabilia in curia dicti manerii, per breve regis de Recto, secundum consuetudinem dicti manerii, et non ad communem legem; unde in libro de Domesday invenitur. Rex tenet Bermundesciam. Beraldus comes tenuit. Tunc se defendebat pro xij. hidis, modo pro xij. hidis. Terra est octo carrucata. In dominio est una carrucata, et xxv. villani, et xxxij. bordmanni, cum quatuor carrucatis. Ibi nova et pulchra ecclesia, et xx. acræ prati. silv. v. porc. de pannagio. In London xij. burgenses de xl. den. T. R. E. et modo valet xv. lib. et vicecomes habet xx. sol. comes Moretanii tenet unam hidam quæ T. R. E. et post, fuit in hoc manerio. Item memorandum quod pertinet ad manerium de Bermundesia, Bermundeseya, Camerwella, Rederhitha, hida de Southwerke, Dilwiche, Waddon, et Reyham, cum omnibus pertinentiis, et omnia prædicta fuerunt in dicto manerio de Bermundeseia; postea per diversas cartas per dominum regem Angliæ ecclesiæ de Bermundeseia datæ, ut patet per easdem.

NUM. V.

Carta Henrici I. Regis, pro Eccl. de Soras et Cobbaham.

[Pat. 1 Hen. IV. p. 7. m. 15. per Inspex.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Anglorum Radulfo Rofensi episcopo et Hamoni dapifero, et omnibus baronibus Francis et Anglis de Chent salutem. Sciatis me dedisse ecclesiæ S. Salvatoris de Bermundeseya ecclesiam de Soras cum ecclesia de Cobbaham quæ ei appendet, cum decimis in annona et agnis et aliis consuetudinibus, sicut Turstinus capellanus meus eam habebat. Et volo et firmiter præcipio ut monachi in pace et honore prædictam ecclesiam teneant. T. Endone dapifero, et Hamone dapifero, et Willielmo de Albineio, et Willielmo Peurello. D. apud Rotomagum.

NUM. VI.

Confirmatio Henrici II. Regis de Ecclesia de Berlyng.

[Ibid.]

H. REX Angliæ et dux Norm. et Aquit. et comes Andeg. archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et præsentem cartam confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ S. Salvatoris de Bermundeseye, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, ecclesiam de Berlyng quam Wachalinus Mamnot rationabiliter dedit eis in per-

petuam elemosinam et carta sua confirmavit. Quare volo, &c. T. Widone decano de Waltham, Thoma archidiacono Bathon. Ricardo de Lucy, Manassero Biset dapifero, Wilhelmo de Cury, Gilberto Malet, apud Feccheham.

NUM. VII.

Carta alia Henrici Regis II. de confirmatione.

[Ibid.]

H. REX. Angliæ, dux Norm. et Aquit. et comes Andeg. archiepisc. &c. salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et confirmasse Deo et monachis S. Salvatoris de Bermundesey, pro mei et omnium meorum salute ecclesiam de Camberwelam quam dedit eis W. comes Glocestriæ, et ecclesiam de Benyngh, quam dedit eis Reginaldus de Taney, filiis suis concedentibus; et ecclesiam de Warlyngham quam dedit eis Robertus de Watevilla; et ecclesiam de Fifhida quam dedit eis Matildis uxor Hasculfi de Tany, et Graalandus filius ejus; et ecclesiam de Bedintone quam dedit eis Sibilla de Watevilla et Ingelrannus de Funteines. Quare volo, &c. T. Theobaldo, archiep. Cantuar. Thoma cancellario, Manass. Biset dapifero, apud Westm.

NUM. VIII.

De Indigenatione hujus Prioratus.

[Reyneri Apostol. Benedict. in Anglia, Append. P. iii. Script. LXVII. Pat. 1 Hen. IV. p. 7, m. 15, recit. per Inspex. 4 Ric. II.]

REX omnibus ad quos, &c. salutem. Inspeximus cartam domini Ricardi nuper regis Angliæ, &c. Inspeximus etiam quandam aliam cartam ejusdem domini Ricardi nuper regis factam in hæc verba; 'Ricardus Dei gratia rex Angliæ et Franciæ et dominus Hiberniæ, omnibus ad quos præsentis literæ pervenerint salutem. Sciatis quod de gratia nostrâ speciali et ea consideratione, quod prioratus Bermondseï qui de fundatione progenitorum nostrorum et patronatu nostro existit, per minus idoneum regimen, et negligentiam priorum alienigenarum, qui ibidem ante hæc tempora fuerunt, de corrodiiis vehementer extitit oneratus, et aliis pluribus modis dilapidatus, ut in decasu ædificiorum, et diminutione reddituum ad prioratum illum pertinentium, usque ad tempus, quo dilectus nobis in Christo frater Ricardus Denton Anglicus, qui prior ibidem in præsentem existit, regimen ejusdem habuit, qui quidem frater Ricardus tempore suo statum prioratus prædicti maximè relevabat, sicut certò sumus informati: ad requisitionem prædicti Ricardi de assensu consilii nostri, et pro fine ducentarum marcarum, quas prædictus frater Ricardus nobis in hanaperio cancellariæ nostræ solvit, concessimus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, quantum in nobis est, præfato fratri Ricardo, quod ipse, et successores sui in perpetuum sint indigenæ, et in omnibus tanquam indigenæ, et non ut alienigenæ reputati et tractati, et habeant liberè prædictum prioratum cum omnibus terris et tenementis, redditibus, et possessionibus, feodis militum, et advocacionibus ecclesiarum ad eundem prioratum spectantibus, absque aliqua nobis vel hæredibus nostris pro prædicto prioratu, seu pro aliquibus possessionibus spectantibus ad eundem solvenda, occasione aliqujus guerræ motæ vel movendæ inter nos, et adversarium nostrum Franciæ, et hæredes ipsius adversarii, quocunque aliquo tempore futuro, quamdiu prior et conventus prioratus prædicti, vel prior et major pars conventus ibidem Angli existant in Angliâ oriundi: proviso semper, quod si exnunc contingat, quod præfatus prior vel major pars conventus prædicti durante dicta guerrâ fuerit alienigena, tunc protempore illo prioratus prædictus cum terris, tenementis, redditibus, possessionibus, feodis, et advocacionibus in manum nostram, seu hæredum nostrorum recipiatur, et prior ibidem oneretur ad solvendum nobis et hæredibus nostris, dictâ guerrâ durante talem firmam, prout ante præsentem concessionem ad firmam nobis solvi consuevit pro prioratu supradicto; et hoc non obstante, omni tempore, quando prædictus prior et major pars conventus prædicti fuerint Anglici, ut prædictum est, ipsi habebunt liberè prædictum prioratum cum terris, tenementis redditibus, possessionibus, feodis, et advocacionibus, et inde erunt quieti et exonerati de prædicta firmâ modo supradicta, in cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste meipso apud Westmonaster. vicesimo nono die Maii anno regni nostri

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quarto.' Nos autem donationes, concessiones, confirmationes, remissiones, et exonerationes ratas habentes et gratas, eas pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, quantum in nobis est acceptamus, approbamus, et dilectis nobis in Christo nunc abbati et conventui de Bermondsey et successoribus suis concedimus et confirmamus, sicut cartæ et litteræ prædictæ rationabiliter testantur. Et idem abbas et conventus, et prædecessores sui eis, virtute cartarum et litterarum prædictarum a tempore confectionis earundem hactenus rationabiliter uti et gaudere consueverunt. In cujus rei, &c. Teste meipso apud Westmonast. secundo die Aprilis anno primo.

NUM. IX.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONASTER' DE BARMONDSEY.

In com' Surr'.

Valet in Tempal'.

Firm' scit' monaster' iſm, cum om̃ibz domibz, orriis, gardinis, pomar' et stagnis eidm monaster' annex'

N¹q' res' ad usum dēi m'.

Redd' assis' cum al' redd' et firmis tenenc' in diſs' vill', hamlett', et pochiis iſm, viz^t.

In Barmondsey et Retherhith 186l. 15s. 7½d. Mañiu' de Dolwich 13l. 6s. 8d. Southwarke 15l. 8s. 3½d. Camerwell 2l. 13s. 4d. Lyghame 12l. 16s. 8d. Mañiu' de Warlinghame 20l. Ut p̄ dictum declarac' inde examiat' 251l. 0s. 7d.

Firm' molend' aquat' in Retherhith p annu' ut p̄ dēm declarac' 6l. 0s. 0d.

Bosc' iſm existen' infra dēa dñia vill', hamlett', et pochia estimat' fore in valore cōibz annis ut sequit', viz

In Lighame 52 acr' p̄c' acr' 1s. 2l. 12s. Warlinghame 12 acr' 12s. Ut p̄ dictum declarac' . . . 3l. 4s. 0d.

Exit' pven' de pquis' eur' et al' aīc' infra dicta dñia et cætera præmiss' cōibz annis fore in valore, viz

In Barmondsey et Retherhith 6s. 8d. Southwarke 6s. 8d. Dolwich 1l. Lyghame 6s. 8d. et in Warlinghame 6s. 8d. Ut p̄ dictum declarac' 2l. 6s. 8d. 262l. 11s. 3d.

S̄pual'.

Penc', porc', rect' oblac', et x^{mæ} pven' et spectan' dēo monaster' cōibz annis, viz

In oblac' ad crucem Sancti Salvator' infra eccliam dēi monaster' 3l. 6s. 8d. Penc' ecclie Btæ Mariæ Magdalenæ in Barmondsey 1l. 6s. 8d. Penc' ecclie de Rotherhith 1l. Penc' ecclie Sancti Georg' in Southwarke 1l. Porc' x^{mar} de Carsalton 1l. 10s. Rect' cum decimis de Croydon 24l. Penc' vicar' de Croydon p̄d' 5l. 6s. 8d. Penc' ecclie de Chayhame 1l. 6s. 8d. Penc' rect' de Bodington 5l. et rect' cum x^{mis} de Camerwell 10l. Ut p̄ dict' declarac' inde examiat' 53l. 16s. 8d.

316l. 7s. 11d.

Com' Kanc'.

Valz in Tempal'.

Redd' assis' cum al' redd' et firmis tenenc' in diſs' vill', hamlett', et pochiis iſm, viz

Mañiu' de Chalke 20l. Sutton at Hone 2l. Charleton 20l. et in Depforde 10s. Ut p̄ dictum declarac' 42l. 10s. 0d.

Bosc' iſm existen' estimat' fore in valore cōibz annis ut sequit', viz

In Charleton 78 acr' p̄c' acr. 1s. ut p̄ dēm declarac' inde examiat' 3l. 18s. 0d. 46l. 8s. 0d.

S̄pual'.

Penc', porc', rect' oblac', et x^{im} pven' et spectan' dēo monaster' cōibz annis, viz.

Rect' de Kemsing 12l. Porc' de Belsington 1l. 9s. 1½d.

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Rect' de Chobhame 12*l*. Rect' de Shorne 20*l*. Porc' de Hatchame 13*s*. 4*d*. Ut p*3* suprad' declarac'

46*l*. 2*s*. 5½*d*.
92*l*. 10*s*. 5½*d*.

London'.

al*3* in Temp'al'.

Redd' assis' cum redd' et firmis tenenc' t'am infra civit' London' q'am in suburb' ejusdm, ut p*3* dict' declarac' inde examiat' 17*l*. 6*s*. 1*d*.

S*pi*ual'.

Penc' infra dictam civit' p annu', viz

Penc' eccl'ie Sancti Andreæ in Holborne 2*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*.
Penc' eccl'ie Sancti Magni 1*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. Penc' eccl'ie Sancti Georg' Bothoph Lane 4*s*. et penc' abb'i Westm' 3*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*.
Ut p*3* dict' declarac' 7*l*. 10*s*. 8*d*.
24*l*. 16*s*. 9*d*.

Com' Essex'.

Temp'al'.

Redd' assis' cum redd' et firmis in di*vi*s' vill' i*st*em vizt In Cowyke 15*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. Halingbury 9*l*. 16*s*. 8*d*. Dodinghur' 7*l*. 7*s*.

Ut p*3* suprad' declarac' 26*l*. 10*s*. 4*d*.

Bosc' i*st*em existen' infra d*omi*n*um* d*omi*n*um* de Halyngbury cont' v ac*er*' p*er*' ac*er*' 1*s*. ut p*3* anted*omi*n*um* declarac' 5*s*. Exit' p*ro*ven' de p*ro*quis' cur' in Halyngbury p annu' ut p*3* d*omi*n*um* declarac' 3*s*. 4*d*. 26*l*. 18*s*. 8*d*.

S*pi*ual'.

Penc' et procurac' infra d*omi*n*um* com' viz

Porc' de Hardinghale 2*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. Penc' cum porc' de Fifelde 4*l*. Porc' abb' Sancti Osithe in Ugley 10*s*.
Ut p*3* suprad' declarac' 7*l*. 3*s*. 4*d*.
34*l*. 2*s*. 0*d*.

Com' Cantebr'.

Val*3* in Temp'al'.

Redd' assis' cum al' redd' et firmis in Cokenage p annu' 0*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*.

S*pi*ual'.

Porc' de Wooddytton p annu' ut p*3* dictum declarac' 6*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. 7*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*.

Com' Hertf'.

Val*3* in Temp'al'.

Redd' assis' cum redd' et firmis tenenc' i*st*em viz Ma*gn*i*u*m de Wydforde p annu' 17*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. Bosc' existen' infra d*omi*n*um* ma*gn*i*u*m cont' p*ro*estimac' 32 ac*er*' p*er*' ac*er*' 1*s*. 1*l*. 12*s*. Exit' cur' tent' infra p*ro*d' ma*gn*i*u*m de Wydford c*on*i*bi*z annis, 1*l*. 10*s*. 20*l*. 15*s*. 4*d*.

S*pi*ual'.

Penc' i*st*em viz

Rect' de Bengelhowe 9*l*. Penc' de Wydford 6*s*. 8*d*.
9*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*.

Ut p*3* suprad' declarac' 30*l*. 2*s*. 0*d*.

Com' Berk'

Val*3* in Temp'al'.

Firm' ma*gn*i*u*m de Upton cum o*mn*i*bi*z et sing*lis* suis p*ro*tenen' p annu' 14*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*.

Com' Soms'.

Val*3* in Temp'al'.

Redd' et firm' i*st*em viz

Ma*gn*i*u*m de P'ston 16*l*. Ma*gn*i*u*m de Kenyweston 5*l*. 3*s*. 4*d*.
Ut p*3* dictu' declarac' 21*l*. 3*s*. 4*d*.
Exit' cur' ma*gn*i*u*m de Kenyweston c*on*i*bi*z annis, 10*s*.
21*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*.

S*pi*ual'.

Penc' infra dictum com' viz

Penc' de Bathe 2*l*. 10*s*. Et penc' de Kenelworth 1*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. 3*l*. 16*s*. 8*d*.
In toto 25*l*. 10*s*. 0*d*.

Com' Bedd'.

Val*3* in Temp'al'.

Firm' molend' i*st*em p annu' ut p*3* supradict' declarac' inde examiat' 2*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*.

Com' Hunt'.

Val*3* in S*pi*ual'.

Porc' de Kymbalton p annu' ut p*3* supradictum declarac' 0*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*.

Com' Buk'.

Val*3* in S*pi*ual'.

Porc' de Lordgeshall p annu' ut p*3* p*ro*dictum declarac' 1*l*.

S*an*i*st*a to*tal*is valoris hujus monaster' 548*l*. 2*s*. 5½*d*.

Viz in Temp'al' 412*l*. 6*s*. 0*d*.

S*pi*ual' 135*l*. 16*s*. 5½*d*.

Rep*er*i*ti*' viz in

Com' Surr'.

Temp'al'.

Redd' res' annuat' exeunt' de di*vi*s' terr' et tenem' p*ro*d' viz Vic' Surr' 1*s*. E*pi*scopo Cant' ad ma*gn*i*u*m suu' de Croydon 5*s*.
Abb'i de Towrehill exeunt' de ma*gn*i*u*m de Rotherhith 20*l*.
D*omi*n*o* ma*gn*i*u*m de Sayscourte 10*d*.

Ut p*3* acquietan' ac p dictum declarac' inde examiat' 20*l*. 6*s*. 10*d*.

Denar' annuat' sol' di*vi*s' offic' dicti monaster' infra d*omi*n*um* com' viz

D*omi*n*o* duc' Suff' capital' senescall' p annu' 3*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*.
Ric*ard*o Hill subsenescall' 1*l*. Wi*l*lmo Harrys ball' et recept' terr' et tenem' in London Southwarke Barmondsey et alibi p annu' 6*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. et Wi*l*lmo Pey audit' 2*l*.

Ut p*3* dict' declarac' 13*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*.

33*l*. 6*s*. 10*d*.

S*pi*ual'.

Denar' annuat' sol' decano de Croydon p*ro*curac' et sinod' eccl'ie de Croydon 6*s*. 8*d*. et archid' Surr' p*ro*curac' eccl'iaz de Warlinghame et Shelshame 12*s*. 7½*d*. et p eccl'ia de Cam*er*well 7*s*. 7½*d*. In toto 1*l*. 6*s*. 11*d*.

Denar' annuat' distribut' inter paupes i*st*em p annu' viz In pochia de Croydon 2*s*. Warllingham et Shellesham 10*s*. Cam*er*well 6*s*. 8*d*. et infra d*omi*n*um* monaster' quolit die 8*d*. 12*l*. 3*s*. 4*d*. In toto 13*l*. 2*s*. 0*d*.
14*l*. 3*s*. 10*d*.

47*l*. 15*s*. 9*d*.

Com' Kanc'.

Temp'al'.

Redd' res' annuat' exeunt' di*vi*s' p*ro*sonis viz D*omi*n*o* e*pi*scopo Rooff' p quiet' redd' exeunt' de terr' in Shorne Cobhame et Kemsing p annu' 3*l*. Priori Sancte Trinitat*is* Norwic' exeunt' de ma*gn*i*u*m de Chalke 16*l*. Thome Nevill exeunt' de ma*gn*i*u*m de Sutton at Hone 4*s*. Vic' Kanc' exeunt' de ma*gn*i*u*m de Charleton 1*s*. 4*d*. In toto 19*l*. 5*s*. 4*d*.
Feod' Ro*bert*i Lame sen*ior*i terr' in p*ro*d' com' Kanc' ut p*3* dictum declarac' 10*s*. 19*l*. 15*s*. 4*d*.

S*pi*ual'.

Denar' sol' annuat' archid' Rooff' p*ro*curac' eccl'iaz de Kemsing et Seale 7*s*. 6*d*. Cobhame 7*s*. 6*d*. Shorne 7*s*. 6*d*.
In toto 1*l*. 2*s*. 6*d*.

Denar' annu' distribut' inter paupes viz

In Cobhame 6*s*. 8*d*. et Shorne 10*s*.

In toto p annu' 0*l*. 16*s*. 8*d*.

1*l*. 19*s*. 2*d*.

21*l*. 14*s*. 6*d*.

Com' Midd'.

Temp'al'.

Redd' res' annu' collectore redd' de le Bridgehouse London' exeunt' de di*vi*s' tenem' in London ut p*3* dictum declarac' 0*l*. 8*s*. 0*d*.

Com' Essex'.

Temp'al'.

Redd' res' exeunt' de mañio de Hallingbury vigilac'
de le wardstaff p annū 4s. Feod' Riçi Highame sen^{li} iñm
p annū 1l. 1l. 4s. 0d.

Com' Hertf'.

Temp'al'.

Denar' sol' annut' archid' Lincoln' p pcurac' ecclie de
Bengehowe p annū 7s. 6d. Denar' distribut' inter paupes
infra pochiā de Bengehowe p'd' annū 10s. 0l. 17s. 6d.

Com' Soñs'.

Temp'al'.

Redd' res' ann' exeunt' de mañio de Peston ad eccliam
de Melkecombe p annū 1s. 8d. Feod' Antonij Gilberti
sen^{li} iñm annū 1l. 6s. 8d. 1l. 8s. 4d.

Sñ^a oñū alloc' p'd' ptinen' dco monaster' de Bar-
mondsey 73l. 8s. 1d.

Et reman' clare 474l. 14s. 4½d.

X^{ma} ps 47l. 9s. 5¼d.

NUM. X.

[From a List of Pensions in the Augmentation Office.]

BARMOUNDESEY late MONASTERY, in the Countie of
Surrey.

HERAFTER ensuyth certen annuall pençõns grñted
by the kyng^l coñsessiõns to the late abbott and other re-
ligious at the resignaciõn of the same late monastery the
xxijth day of Aprill the xxxth yere of the reign of our
soũeign kyng Henry the viijth.

To the Abbotts.

Robert Wherton, bisshop of
Saynct Assaph, late Abbot there by
yere cccxxxiiij^{li}. vj^s. viij^d.

Annuall pençõns grñted by the kyng^l coñmissiõns, viz.

To the Religious

To Richard Gile late prior	x ^{li} .
To Thoñs Gaynesborow, p'ior of Derby	vij ^{li} .
To Thoñs Gale, Bachelor of Divi- nitie	vj ^{li} .
To John Kynder, Subp'or there	vj ^{li} .
To Peter Luke late Chũnter	vj ^{li} .
To John Cutbert	vj ^{li} .
To Thoñs Rokeley	cvj ^s . viij ^d .
To Willm Paynter	cvj ^s . viij ^d .
To Thoñs Stanbak	cvj ^s . viij ^d .
To Stephen Felowe	cvj ^s . viij ^d .
To John Cory	xl ^s .
To John M'shall	xiiij ^s . iiij ^d .

lxxv^{li}.

Sñ total of the Pençõns ccciiij^{xx} xvij^{li}. vj^s. viij^d.

THOMAS CRUMWELL.

NUM. XI.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MON. SANCTI SALVATORIS DE BARMONDSEY.

	£.	s.	d.
London—Redd' assis'	16	2	0
London			
Paroch' sçi Leonard' in Estchepe— Firma duorum teñtorum	3	0	0
London divers' rector'—Penc'	5	0	0
Surr'			
Southwerke—Redd' assis'	3	4	0
Barmondsey—Redd' assis'	4	4	2½
Barmondsey			
Poch' bñe Marie Magdalcne—Redd' tenenc' ad vol'	24	12	8

	£.	s.	d.
Barmondsey			
Barmondsey—Redd' per indentur'	20	12	0
Rederythe—Redd' assis'	0	13	7
Barmondsey			
Seitus dci Mon' in terr' dñic'—Firma	7	13	4
Barmondsey			
Grang' jux' Barmõdsey—Firma	48	0	0
Barmondsey			
Bruettyshñishe et Bechefeld—Firma	20	0	0
Barmondsey			
Pynfold et Galows Walle—Firma	2	0	0
Retherythe et Depford Strande— Firma	5	0	0
Barmondsey et Retherhith—Firma	40	6	8
Barmondsey			
Paroch' Bñe Mar' Magdal' de Bar- mõdsey et Paroch' de Retherhith— Firma	32	0	0
Barmondsey			
Madbroke—Firma	12	0	0
Barmondsey			
Brokeshyll, Bruers, Brayboursmede, et Pery—Firma	7	0	0
Brokeshyll, Bruers, Brayboursmede, et Pery—Firma unius Lymekyll, &c.	6	13	4
Barmondsey			
Le Moted Place—Firma mans'	2	13	4
Rederhyth—Firma terr' et teñt'	0	8	0
Pekeryng, Nasse, et Shore Saune— Firma	2	4	0
Rederhith—Firma terr' et teñt'	1	6	8
St. Saviours Mille—Firma molend' aquat'	8	0	0
Bermondsey—Firma mans' cum gar- din'	2	0	0
Barmondsey			
Infra precinct Monast'—Firma mes' cum gardin'	0	13	4
Sextons Gurdons et Flegmede—Fir- ma prat'	5	0	0
Newyngton—Firma pastur'	3	4	0
Barmondsey			
Le Dofhouse Mede—Firma	3	6	8
Barmondsey			
Swane Mede—Firma	2	13	4
Barmondsey			
Whetefeld—Firma	1	10	0
Barmondsey et Rederhith—Com' fin' Warlyngham cum rect' et capell' et un' tent'—Firma maner'	20	8	0
Bedyngton Rector', Chayham Rector', Croiden Vicar' eccl' pochiā Bñe Marie Magdal' de Barmondsey— Pençõnes	13	0	0
Barmondsey			
Croyden—Firma rector'	24	0	0
Leighams Courte—Firma maner'	15	0	0
Dulwych—Firma maner'	14	0	0
Dulwych			
Le Halle Place in Dulwych—Firma	2	13	4
Dulwych—Com' fin'	0	4	0
Camberwell—Decim' rçorie	10	0	0
Camberwell—Firma terr' glebal'	2	0	0
Camberwell—Redd' assis'	1	9	4
Wolne acr' cum X ^{is} , Hatcham maner' —Firma	1	0	0
Kanc'			
Mañiu' de Charleton—Firma maner'	31	0	0
Estchalke—Profic maner'	null'		
Shorne—Firma rector'	20	0	0
Monckynlond in Paroch' de Sutton at Hone Framyngham et Horton Kirby—Firma terr'	4	4	0
Cobham—Firma rector'	12	0	0
Kemsyng et Sele—Firma Rector'	12	0	0
Hertf'			
Wydforde—Firma maner'	18	0	0
Hertf'			
Bengho—Firma rector'	9	0	0

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Essex'				Buck'			
Cowykburye in Sheryng—Firma ma-				Lugershall—Porc' decim'	1	0	0
ner'			null'	Bedd'			
Monkysburye al' Halyngbury—Fir-				Bedd' Villa— Redd' assis' molend'	0	1	0
ma maner'	9	13	4	Midd'			
Wysshefeld ^e —Firma terr'			null'	Westmonaster'—Redd'	3	6	8
Soñs'				Essex'			
Preston et Stone—Firma terr'	16	0	0	Upton—Redd' maner'	14	0	0
Derb' et Leic'				Midd'			
St' James Chappell in Derby cum terr'				Hogeden—Redd'	0	2	6
in Quarne in com' Leicester—Firma				Barmondsey			
terr'	10	0	0	Le Stone House in Barmondsey Strete			
Kanc'				—Firma	0	13	4
Depford—Redd' assis'	0	10	0	Un' clāūs jux ^a Barmondsey Mon'—			
Essex'				Firma	1	6	8
Arderne Hall in paroch' de Horne-				Un' clāūs jux ^a Barmondsey Mon'—			
done, &c.—Pençones	6	13	4	Perquis' cur'	0	16	4½

Priory of St. James, Derby.

A Cell to Bermondsey Abbey.



in which year King Stephen confirmed his grant.^a He adds, upon the authority of the Patent Roll, 14 Hen. III. that it was protected as a poor hospital, and in the next reign reckoned among the alien priories,^b but that it continued till the general Dissolution, temp. Hen. VIII. when the king was accounted founder, and the yearly income thought to be about 10*l*.^c

This is all the account which Tanner gives of it, and the only other record to which he refers is Cart. 16 Joan. p. 2, m. 1. At the time when the taxation of Pope Nich. IV. was made, A.D. 1291, it seems to have been but slenderly, endowed, for its temporalities are there thus stated, “Prior S. Jacobi de Derby habet in decanatu de Akele 5*l*. 8*s*. 4*d*.” and it does not appear to have then had any spiritualities.

In the fourteenth year of Edward the Third, John de la Cornere is said to have given to the prior of Derby one acre and an half of land for the enlargement of his manse, &c.^d

In Lysons’s *Magna Britannia*,^e these additional observations to Tanner’s account are to be found, namely, that the Cluniac monks, being all connected with the abbey of Clugny in France, this priory was returned as alien in the reign of Edward I. It was then called Prioratus sancti Ja-

cobi de Derby de Aldenna. It continued, nevertheless, till the Dissolution, when its revenues were estimated at 11*l*. 15*s*. 11*d*. per annum.

Before the Reformation, the chamberlains of Derby rendered annually to the monks of this house two pounds of wax for the right of passage over St. James’s Bridge.^f The priory was situated at the end of St. James’s Lane.

Messrs. Lysons add, “We do not know what became of it after the Reformation, unless it were the same which was granted to the Corporation by the name of the Free Chapel of St. James, with all the lands, &c. thereto belonging.”

There is no specific return of the possessions of this Cell to be found in the General Ecclesiastical Survey, 26 Hen. VIII. but it is twice incidentally mentioned there; first, under Lilleshull abbey, Salop, where, among the charges incumbent on that monastery, a payment of two shillings yearly is stated to be made to the hospital of St. James at Derby for lands in Blakorby; and again, under Lenton priory, Notts. of ten shillings paid to the prior of the cell of St. James in Derby, issuing out of lands in Dunston.

Davies, in his *Historical View of Derbyshire*,^g says, the priory was, in the wars between Henry the Fifth and the French, detached from the abbey of Clugny in France, to which the whole order was subject, and afterwards depended upon one of the same order at Lenton, near Nottingham; but he cites no authority, and his assertion may be questioned from the circumstance, that when the abbey of Bermondsey was surrendered into the hands of the king (Hen. VIII.), a compensation, by way of pension, of seven pounds per annum, was made to

THOMAS GAYNESBOROW, the then prior of Derby.^h

No Seal has been met with of this priory or its priors.

^a Collect. Franc. Thin ex libro de Bermondsey inter MSS. v. cl. Johannis Anstis, Arm. *Garter*.
^b Prior S. Jacobi Derby de Aldenna inter alienig. 25 Ed. I. Prynn, vol. III. p. 707.
^c Compend. Compert. MS.

^d Cal. Inquis. ad quod damnum, p. 308.
^e Vol. v. Derbyshire, p. 113. ^f Rental of the Priory, 1533.
^g Davies, p. 140.
^h Pension List of Bermondsey, Augm. Office.

Priory of St. James near Exeter.



ALDWIN de Redveriis, or Rivers, earl of Devonshire, says Tanner, gave the chapel of St. James without the city of Exeter, with the tithes and other estates, to the head monastery of St. Peter at Cluny, and to the abbey of St. Martin de Campis near Paris, before A. D. 1146, that a Prior and some monks of that Order might be settled here; which was accordingly done, and it became subordinate to this last-mentioned house.

The founder's charter, detailing his endowment, is given in the Appendix;^a together with a confirmation from Richard earl of Devonshire, his son, A. D. 1157;^b a like confirmation from Robert bishop of Exeter;^c and another from the Empress Maud.^d

Stephen de St. Leonard gave six acres of land to this priory;^e and Baldwin earl of Devonshire before-mentioned, by another charter, gave to it the church of Tiverton.^f

Mr. Oliver, in his "Historic Collections relating to the Monasteries of Devon," says, that, thirteen years after the foundation of this house, Robert Warlewast, bishop of Exeter, consecrated the cemetery adjoining the Conventual Church.

In a memorandum of Nicholas Braybrooke, librarian to Bishop Thomas Bytton (Mr. Oliver adds), mention is made of a collection of documents relating to this priory, and formerly belonging to that bishop.

A catalogue of the manuscripts and charters which were found in the Treasury of Exeter cathedral in the year 1257 is given in Bishop Bronescombe's Register. One of these was entitled "Confirmatio Theobaldi Cantuariæ archiepiscopi de capellâ monachorum sancti Jacobi."

The community of this house, it appears, was small, consisting of a prior and four monks only.^g

The convent depending on a foreign house, its revenues were often seized by the Crown, "occasione guerræ," during the wars between England and France;^h till it was, at last, wholly suppressed: after which King Henry the Sixth made it part of the endowment of King's College in Cambridge.

Where no other authority is quoted, the following List of the

PRIORS of ST. JAMES EXETER

has been obtained from Mr. Oliver's "Historic Collections."

ALURED occurs prior A. D. 1157.

JOHN was admitted January 6th, 1276.ⁱ

PETER DE SEYNT died late in 1304.

STEPHEN succeeded in the month of November the same year.

JOHN DE NANTOLIO, admitted 1st of August, 1314.

WILLIAM DE BYTEDENE. Mr. Oliver, from the Exeter Registers, describes this prior as unfit for his office. Bishop

Grandison styles him "vagabundus et nullibi residens." On the 8th May, 1334, this bishop excommunicated him for refusing to appear before his commissioners, but absolved him four months after.

JOHN occurs prior in 1341.

JOHN LESPER, instituted in November, 1349.

JOHN DE WORCESTER, admitted 10th June, 1363.

RALPH DE CHIELFHAM was nominated to this priory by King Edward III. Oct. 6th, 1369.^k

JOHN GEVYLE succeeded 12th Octob. 1370. Oliver says he was a monk of Montacute, in Somersetshire; and, for his merit, collated to this priory by Brantyngham bishop of Exeter.

RALPH LEYE succeeded Feb. 20th, 1374.^l

JOHN THETFORD was admitted prior in October, 1399.^m

AUGUSTINUS.

THOMAS DENE was prior in 1428. He is supposed to have been the last person who filled the office.ⁿ

In the Taxation of Pope Nicholas the Fourth we find,

"Prior S. Jacobi in ecclesia de Tiverton 4*l*. 3*s*. 8*½d*." ^o

The following are the temporal possessions:

"Apud Crowele quod taxatur 13*s*. 4*d*.

In civitate Exon. de redditu 4*s*.

Apud Sanctum Jacobum quod taxatur 3*s*.

Apud Cothelegh de redd. 1*l*.

Apud Donesford de redd. 3*l*.

In parochia de Hollecumbe de redd. 15*s*.

Summa totalis 5*l*. 15*s*. 4*d*." ^p

According to Pat. 16 Hen. VI. p. 2, the value of St. James's Cell at that time amounted to the annual sum of 16*l*. "Rex in recompensationem boni servitii quod Johannes Delabere in juventute regis in officio eleemosynariæ Regis impendit, dedit ei Prioratum S. Jacobi juxta Exeter alienigenam, post mortem Johannæ nuper Regina Angliæ, valoris xvi*l*. per annum pro termino vitæ, 15 Feb." In the former edition of the Monasticon, vol. i. p. 1039, the valuation of this house, by some error, is placed at 502*l*. 12*s*. 9*d*.

Being annexed to King's College Cambridge there is no valor of this monastery, nor any minister's accompts.

The matrix of the SEAL of Thomas Dene, prior of this monastery, is still extant, in silver, of a small oval form. In the area St. James the Great is represented on it, habited as a pilgrim, beneath a canopy of Gothic tracery: with this legend round, s. FRIS . THOME . DENE . PRIOR . EXONIE. This matrix, in 1822, was in the possession of John Carew, Esq.

Tanner refers to a chest of rolls and charters of this house at King's College Cambridge, to which Dugdale appears to have had access.^q He also refers to

"MS. Dodsworth in bibl. Bodl. Oxon. vol. cviii. fol. 21.

"Pat. 6 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 16.

"Pat. 22 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 6.

"Rec. in Scacc. 12 Edw. IV. Mich. rot. 33."

The scite of this priory is now emphatically called the old abbey; but hardly a vestige remains to mark its situation.

stituere velitis et eidem in negotiis prædicti prioratus agendis, si placet, consilium et auxilium impendatis. Valeat bene et diu vestra paternitas reverenda. Datum A. D. 1276, die Dominica in vigiliâ sancti Matthæi apostoli."

^k Pat. 43 Edw. III. p. 2, rex nominat fr. Rad. de Chefham ad priorat. S. Jac. Exon. Ordin. Cluniacæ. Pr. S. Mart. de Campis juxta Par. annex 6 Oct. MS. Harl. Mûs. Brit. 6960. p. 188.

^l In Bishop Brantyngham's Register is the following memorandum. "Radulphus Legh prior sancti Jacobi optinet unam portionem in ecclesia de Tiverton val. per annum x. lib."

^m Compare Rymer, Fœd. tom. viii. p. 104.

ⁿ Among the ancient charters of the Harleian collection in the British Museum is one, Cart. antiq. Harl. 44 D. 38. Relaxatio Thomæ Dene prioris S. Jacobi juxta Exon. Thomæ Brook militi nuper vicecom. Devon. pro. v. marcis. An. 5 Hen. VI.

^o Taxat. P. Nich. IV. p. 143 b.

^p Ibid. fol. 151 b.

^q See the Append. Num. I. to V.

^a Append. Num. I.

^b Num. II.

^c Num. III.

^d Num. IV.

^e Num. V.

^f Num. VI.

^g Oliver, Hist. Collect. p. 21.

^h So in 1327, 1 Edw. III. See Rym. Fœd. tom. iv. p. 247.

ⁱ Ex fol. 76, Reg. Walteri Bronescombe: "In festo Epiphaniæ, anno 1276, apud Peynton, dominus episcopus admisit fratrem Johannem monachum ad prioratum sancti Jacobi juxta Exon. vacantem, ad præsentationem religiosorum virorum prioris et conventus sancti Martini de Campis, Parisiis, sub hac formâ.

"Reverendo in Christo patri ac domino Dei gratia Exon. episcopo, frater Petrus prior humilis sancti Martini de Campis, Parisiis, totusque ejusdem loci conventus, salutem et orationes ad Dominum humiles et devotas.

"Ad prioratum nostrum sancti Jacobi juxta Exon. nunc vacantem, fratrem Johannem monachum nostrum, vobis latorem præsentium præsentamus, paternitatem vestram rogantes, quatenus præfatum Johannem, ad regimen prædicti prioratûs admittere et ipsum in eodem in-

Cartae ad S. Jacobi Prioratum, juxta Exoniam, in agro Deboniensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Baldwini comitis Devoniae.

[Ex autographo in cartophylaceo collegii regalis Cantabr.]

VENERABILI domino et patri Roberto Dei gratia Exon. episcopo omnibusque sanctae Dei ecclesiae filiis Baldewinus comes Devoniae salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra quod ego divinae pietatis intuitu, assentiente Ricardo filio meo, totam terram quae dicitur Cotelega cum toto bosco et omnibus pertinentiis suis monasterio beati Jacobi apostoli quod extra muros civitatis Exon. devotè constitui, et monachis Cluniacensibus ibidem Deo et sancto Jacobo servientibus, pro remedio animae meae et filiorum filiarumque mearum et omnium parentum et amicorum meorum per manum domini Roberti Exon. episcopi in die qua cimiterium ejusdem monasterii dedicavit in perpetuam Dei elemosinam, cum eadem libertate et liberis consuetudinibus quibus manerium meum de Exeministre tenui et habui. Præterea donavi ipsis monachis medietatem decimae de piscaria mea de Toppeshama. Ex donatione autem et rogatu Aviciae de sancto Leonardo, confirmavi ipsis duas acras terrae in quibus conductus aquae molendini eorum factus est, et occupationem aquae redundantis in terram ipsius Aviciae. Concessi etiam praefatis monachis ut nova molendina faciant in terra sua ubi voluerint, amotis molendinis meis de Toppesham; ita quod de cætero nec mihi, nec hæredibus meis, nec alicui infra Scutebrocam et Toppesham aliquod molendinum facere licebit. Hoc quidem concessum est assensu et voluntate praedictae Aviciae de sancto Leonardo. Hæc itaque omnia ex intini cordis affectu et ex voti debito ad praedictorum monachorum sustentationem donavi, supplicans attentius hæredibus meis ne super his aliquam molestiam fratribus inferre præsumant, immo potiùs paternae devocionis memores quod piè actum est fovere et manutenere dignerentur. Quod ut ratum permaneat in posterum, sigilli mei impressione cum testium subnotacione corroboravi. Hiis testibus, Huberto de Vaus, Stephano de Mandevill, Radulfo Patrich, Ricardo filio Radulfi, et Willielmo fratre ejus, Willielmo de Hilum, Galfrido de Furnell, Roberto Daco, Galfrido de Spineto, Johelo filio Nigelli, et duobus filiis meis Willielmo et Henrico.



NUM. II.

Carta Ricardi comitis Devoniae.

[Ibid.]

REVERENDO domino et patri Roberto Dei gratia Exon. episcopo, universisque sanctae Dei ecclesiae filiis, Ricardus comes Devoniae salutem in Domino. Quae divinae pietatis affectu sanctis locis beneficia tribuuntur nimia debent stabilitate constitui, et nulla debent in posterum intentione revocari; quapropter ego Ricardus Devoniae comes universitati vestrae notum fieri volo quod pro remedio animae meae, et uxoris meae Dionisiae, meorumque parentum defunctorum; videlicet patris mei Baldwini comitis, et matris meae Adel. necnon et nobilissimi Henrici regis qui terram antecessoribus meis dedit, et pro animabus omnium praedecessorum, successorumque, parentum meorum, donationem piæ memoriae patris mei Baldwini comitis Devoniae de terris Walterii, cum capella S. Jacobi extra civitatem Exon. sita, quam fecit monachis Cluniacensibus ibidem Deo et sancto Jacobo servientibus, ipso Waltero rogante et donante, quicquid juris et dominii in ipsis terris habebat, hærede sua assentiente Edith, et terram quae est juxta Scutebrocam, et omnes terras quae ad jus jam dicti Walterii pertinebant, concessi et irrevocabiler confirmavi. Hanc itaque totam terram praefati Walterii, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis saepedictis monachis donavi, et quicquid jure ac legaliter adquirere poterint infra fines totius terrae meae et feodi mei habeant et teneant cum omnibus libertatibus, et liberis consuetudinibus et quietanciis, in modis et omnimodis mensuris, in villa et in via, in portu et mari, in bosco et plano, et aliis locis et rebus, solum liberum et quietum de hundredis placitis et querelis, et omni servicio et opere servili et teloneo et omni exactione, et omnibus aliis consuetudinibus et occasionibus. Si quid verò forisfacti vel querelae de hominibus vel de terra eorum inciderit, monachi plenariè de omnibus curiam et justitiam suam propriam habeant. Præterea concessi saepedictis monachis sancti Jacobi medietatem decimae de piscaria mea de Thopeshamma quam B. pater meus dedit eis per manus Roberti episcopi in die quando cimiterium ecclesiae sancti Jacobi dedicavit. Concessi etiam eis duas acras terrae quas Avicia de sancto Leonardo dedit sancto Jacobo in perpetuam elemosinam in quibus conductus aquae molendini eorum factus est, et aquae redundantis occupationem in terra sua. Concessi etiam ut ipsi monachi liberè et quietè, ex novo, molendina faciant quotquot in terra sua facere voluerint. Hæc itaque omnia concessi saepedictis monachis in perpetuam elemosinam, in praesentia domini Roberti episcopi, volens ut ipsi ab omni exactione liberi et immunes, orationi vacent, et pro nobis Deum incessanter exorent. Et ne aliquis indevotus contra hanc meae devotionis paginam, diabolicæ inspirationis instinctu, aliquam molestiam inferat, ipsam sigilli mei impressione corroboravi. Testantibus, et astantibus, magistro Barth. Hugone de Auco arch. Ricardo priore de Bardene, Aluredo priore sancti Jacobi, Sewarda monacho, Ricardo filio Renfredi, Philippo de Furnel, Walterio Longo, canonicis sancti Petri, Alardo clerico comitis Baldwini, Ricardo de Dunstanvilla clericis episcopi, Galfrido de Lega, Roberto Daco, Ricardo et Waltero filiis Radulfi. Facta est confirmatio hæc in praesentia domini Roberti episcopi Exoniensis, anno ab incarnatione Domini m.clvij. Apud Exoniam.

In dorso hujus cartae.

Irrotulatur in memorandis scaccarii videlicet inter recorda de termino sancti Michaelis anno secundo regis Henrici quarti ex parte rememoratoris regis, rotulo videlicet xv.

NUM. III.

Confirmatio donationum per Robertum Exon. episcopum.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS ad quos praesens scriptum pervenerit, Robertus Dei gratia Exon. episc. salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra, quod venerabilis Baldewinus de Reveris Exon. comes, filio suo Ricardo concedente, et plenarium

assensum præbente, pro remedio animæ suæ, et præcipuè pro anima uxoris suæ Adeliz et patris sui Ricardi, et matris suæ A. et pro omnium prædecessorum, successorumque suorum animabus, totam terram cum capella sancti Jacobi extra Exon. et cum decima, et omnibus pertinentiis suis, quas Walterus filius Wlwardi ex eo liberè et quietè tenuit, ipso Waltero rogante et concedente, quicquid juris et domini in eis habebant, hærede sua Edith assentiente, Deo et monasterio sancti Petri de Clun. et sancti Martini de Campis ad sustentationem monachorum Clun. ibidem Deo et S. Jacobo servientium per manuum mearum investituram donavit, et irrevocabiler confirmavit; cum eadem libertate, et liberis consuetudinibus quibus terram suam de Topesham tenuit et habuit. Insuper concessit jam dictis monachis ut omnes terras suas et homines, possessiones, et elemosinas, quas habent vel imposterum jure ac legaliter acquirere poterunt infra fines totius terræ suæ, et feodi sui, habeant et teneant solutas liberas et quietas ab omnibus exactionibus, subjectionibus, hundredis, placitis, querelis, et omni servicio, et opere servili, et theloneo, et omnibus consuetudinibus quæ excogitari poterunt. Præterea verò pia devotione concessit, ut præfati monachi et homines eorum habeant quamlibet mensuram et libertatem vendendi et emendi, et res suas modis omnibus justè multiplicandi. In terra etiam sua concessit ut habeant absque omni impeditioe liberum itum et reditum cum rebus suis, et communes pascuas animalibus suis, et juncos in marisco absque impetitione, et omnem communitatem profectum et refugium in omni loco qui ad se spectare dinoscitur. Si quid verò forisfacti vel querelæ inter homines ejus et homines monachorum quacunque occasione inciderit, monachi plenariè de qualibet causa, curiam et justiciam suam habeant propriam et emendationem.

Hæc itaque omnia sæpeditis monachis donavit, et jure proprietatis transactavit, ita quod in eos nec sibi nec alicui ex hæredibus suis aliquid violentæ potestatis exercere licebit nisi tantummodo contra adversantium molestias defensionis auxilium. Et quia hæc prædicta prædictorum fratrum sustentationi minime sufficere estimavit, divini amoris instinctu totam ecclesiam de Tuiverton, cum capellis et omnibus pertinentiis suis, permissione et assensu meo, donavit, et scripto autentico confirmavit. Volens ut monachi ab omni vexatione liberi et immunes, orationi vacent, et Deum pro se et suis indesinenter exorent. Præterea præfatus B. illustris comes Exon. ecclesiæ S. Jacobi tantum beneficii ex voto conferre tenetur, unde sacer monachorum conventus constitui et sustentari poterit. Quod ne tractu temporis vel malignantium versutiis in dubium revocetur, ego sicut diocesanus episcopus ad petitionem tam B. comitis quam Ricardi ejusdem monasterii prioris, præsentis scripto et sigilli mei appositione confirmavi, salva semper auctoritate nostra, et successorum nostrorum episcoporum. Actum ab incarn. Domini anno millesimo centesimo quadragesimo sexto apud Exon. Hiis testibus, Walterio de Piriton, Hug. de Auco, Radulfo filio Jocelini archidiacon. magistro Will. Cucufel, Philippo de Furnell, Johanne Paz, Stephano de Mandevilla, Huberto de Vaus, Radulfo Partrich, Roberto de Scocis, Rogero abbate, Willielmo filio Radulfi, et fratre suo Roberto, Hug. clerico de Coleford, Roberto de Giverru, Guidone de Britevill, Willielmo de Musters, domino Rogero abbate de Tavistoke, Ricardo filio Radulfi, Willielmo de Morevilla, et filiis sæpediti B. comitis, Ricardo, Willielmo, Henrico, Jocelino filio Nigelli, Gaufrido de Lega militibus, Ricardo et Edwardo monachis.

NUM. IV.

Carta Matildis imperatricis.

[Ibid.]

M. IMPERATRIX H. regis filia, et Anglorum domina archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, baronibus,

justiciariis, vicecomitibus, ministris, et omnibus fidelibus suis, Francis et Anglis totius Angliæ, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse Deo et sancto Martino apud Paris. et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, illam donationem quam Baldewinus comes Devon. eis fecit de capella sancti Jacobi, et de terra et de omnibus illis rebus quæ ad eandem capellam adjacet et pertinet. Quare volo et firmiter precipio quod bene, et in pace et liberè et quietè de omnibus consuetudinibus et quietudinibus capellam prædictam cum omnibus quæ ad eandem capellam pertinent, et adjacent, teneant, ne super hoc aliquis inde injuriam vel contumeliam aliquo modo faciat. T. Milone comite Herefordiæ, Brientio filio comitis, et Roberto de Curc. dapif. et Roberto de Oilli et Johanne de S. Johanne, et Roberto filio Martini, apud Oxon.

In dorso sic scribitur.

Irrotulatur in memorand. seaccarii videlicet inter recorda de term. S. Trinit. anno primo regis Henrici quarti ex parte remem. remis.

NUM. V.

Carta Stephani de sancto Leonardo.

[Ibid.]

NOVERINT tam præsentis, quam futuri, quod ego Stephanus de sancto Leonardo, pro remedio animæ meæ et uxoris meæ Christinæ et hæredis mei Adæ, et patris mei Nigelli et matris meæ Aviciæ, ecclesiæ sancti Jacobi, et monachis Cluniacensibus ibi Deo servientibus concessi, et dedi sex acras terræ, quæ est inter conductum aquæ molen-dini, et viam regiam, in perpetuam elemosinam, acceptis tantum pro quatuor acris, duabus marcis de caritate domus. Hanc donationem ego et hæres meus Adam et uxor mea posuimus super altare sancti Jacobi per librum sanctorum evangeliorum, &c. Testes Augustinus prior sancti Jacobi, &c.

NUM. VI.

Carta Baldwini Devonæ comitis.

[Ex analectis Andreæ du Chesne illustris Galliar. regis historiographi.]

IN nomine sanctæ et individue Trinitatis incipit carta comitis Baldwini. Sciant tam præsentis quàm supervenientes ad quorum notitiam hæc carta pervenerit, quod ego Baldewinus de Reverii, Exoniensis comes, filio meo Richardo concedente, pro anima mea et uxoris meæ Adelizæ et patris mei Ricardi et matris meæ Adelizæ, necnon et nobilissimi Henrici regis, qui terram patri meo dedit, filiorumque et filiarum mearum ac prædecessorum successorumque parentum meorum animabus, per manum Roberti, Exoniensis antistitis, rogatu Ricardi monachi cognati mei, ecclesiam de Tuivertona,^a cum omnibus appendiciis suis, tam in præbendis quàm in decimis et ecclesiasticis beneficiis, salvo jure matricis ecclesiæ, monasterio sancti Jacobi apostoli quod juxta civitatem contra austrum in elemosina mea situm est, Cluniacensibus monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pluribus astantibus et testantibus dedi, et hoc meo sigillo confirmavi.

Idem Baldewinus rogante venerabili monacho Ricardo de Tottonia cognato suo, totam terram cum capella sancti Jacobi, et decima et omnibus pertinentiis suis, quas Walterus filius Walwardi de eo liberè tenebat, ipso Waltero rogante et concedente, quicquid juris et domini in eis habebat, hærede sua Edith assentiente, Deo et monasterio sancti Petri de Cluniaco, et sancti Martini de Campis ad sustentationem monachorum Cluniacensium ibidem Deo et sancto Jacobo servientium, per manum domini Roberti, Exoniensis episcopi, donavit et irrevocabiler confirmavit. Testib. Ricardo, Willielmo, et Henrico, filiis ejusdem.

^a Tiverton in Devoniam.

Priory of Lenton, in Nottinghamshire.



LENTON priory appears to have been founded very early in the reign of Henry the First: certainly, as Tanner thinks, before the year 1108.^a It was built by William Peverel, who gave it to God and the church of Cluni, and to Pontius the abbat there and his successors, yet so that it should be free, paying a mark of silver yearly as an acknowledgment. He endowed this monastery with the town of Lenton and its appurtenances, except four mills, of which he held two in his own demesne, and his wife Adelina the third, and Herbert, his knight, the fourth; the rest of the mills being given to the monks, and properly seven: likewise with Radford, Morthon, Kichton, and their appurtenances, and whatsoever he had in Newtorpe and Papelwich, in wood, plain, &c. likewise Blacowell in the Peak,^b with its appurtenances: Corthahall, in Northamptonshire,^c with the wood and all, except the fee of one knight, and the land of Thurstin Mantell: likewise two parts of the tithes of his demesnes, of all things which could be tithed, viz. in Blideesword in Northamptonshire, with a rustic or villan, who held a virgate or yard-land, to gather the tithes; in Doston also in Northamptonshire, in Newbot, in Tideswell in Derbyshire, in Bradewell, Badecowell, Hoccalaw, Esseford, Wirmnil, and Hulme; two parts also of the tithes of his demesne pastures in the Peak, namely, Sachaleros, Ferneley, Darnehal, Quatford, Buchestanes, Sirebroch, Stafdon, Cudal, Crehil, Chaldelaw, Dunningestede, Chelmardon, Stauredal; the whole tithe of colts and fillies, where he should have "haracium," or any one else in his demesne pastures; the whole tithe of his lead, and of his venison or hunting, as well in skins as flesh, and the whole tithe of the fish of his fishery at Nottingham. He gave also, with King Henry the First's consent, the church of St. Mary of the English borough of Nottingham, with the land, tithes, and appurtenances; the church of St. Peter, and the church of St. Nicholas, likewise in Nottingham; the churches of Radeford, Lindebey, and Langar, in Nottinghamshire, with land, tithes, and other appurtenances, and a villan holding a virgate of land; the church of Fote-ston in Leicestershire, with a virgate of land; the churches of Herleston, Corthohal, Irencester, and Rissenden, in Northamptonshire, with a villan in the latter vill holding a virgate. He likewise granted to this monastery whatsoever his homagers should bestow on it for the benefit of their souls. Of these, the first was Avenellus, who gave lands from his demesnes in Haddon, Methdweploth, and Mamax; Safred gave lands in Empingham, and Baseford; and Robert Fitz Pain others in the latter vill. Robert de Heriz gave lands in Hesburne and Ostecrophth; Geoffrey and William in Ernesby; Norman de Montfaltrel, in Asebech, in Chillwelle, and in Horpoll; Roger Brito, in Walenthon and in Kalahal; Gocelinus, in Wathenoch; Ralph Mala-

herbe, in Aspeley; Serlo Blund, in Torp; Erbert, in Gonnolveston; Helgot, in Baresword and in Cotis; Robert de Paviliaco, in Hooton; Walter Flammonyth, in Hauresham; Hugh son of Richard, in Claindon; Norman de St. Patrick, in Devesburch, and in Blucolwesley, and in Raalund; Geoffrey de Heriz, in Stapelford; Adelelmus, in Langleley; and Robert the son of Warner, in Tovethon. Robert de Moretuein also, and his heirs, gave a yearly grant of ten shillings for ever.^d

King Henry the First confirmed the above donations; as well as the subjection of the monastery to the house of Cluni.^e

King Henry the Second gave to the church of Lenton eighty acres of land in Corthal, with the mill at Blachelif, in exchange for the land of Papelwich which he transferred to the canons of Newstead, in Shirwood:^f and by another charter granted them freedom from toll.^g

By a charter of King Stephen Hugh de Burun's grant of Cottesgrave was confirmed to the monks.^h

This charter, in the *Inspeximus* of King Edward the Second, is followed by two other charters of King Henry the Second: one granting to the monastery a fair of eight days duration at the feast of St. Martin, commanding that no one, during that time, should buy or sell in Nottingham;ⁱ the other granting to the monks the hermitage of Kershall, in Lancashire.^k

King John confirmed the grant already mentioned of eighty acres of assarts at Curtehal, the hermitage of Kershall, and the fair of eight days, in the first year of his reign, by a charter dated on the 6th of April:^l and by another charter, dated on the 22d of the same month, he confirmed to them the churches of Maperteshal and Falmeresham, which had been given by Robert the son of William.^m He granted them also certain privileges in Berkswood:ⁿ and, by a third Charter, the tithe of all game killed in the counties of Nottingham and Derby.^o

The *Inspeximus* from which the substance of the above charters has been taken finishes with an enumeration of various grants by other persons: these are, of the church of Winchingeston, with its appurtenances, by Robert earl of Mellent; of the tithe of assarts in the forest of High Peak, by William de Ferrers, earl of Derby; of the churches of Oscinton and Orseley, by Hugh de Burun and his son, Hugh Meschin, with a moiety of the church of Cotesgrave; of the church of Brocton, a chapel, and certain lands in that vill, by Richard Buissel; of the manors of Holm and Donestone, by Matthew de Haverseg; and of a moiety of the church of Adingburgh, the land of Reginald in Chilewell, the church of Barton, and two parts of the tithe of his demesne in Boneye and Brademare, by Odo de Bodeya.^p

Burton, in his History of Leicestershire, says that Lenton priory had lands in Broughton with the advowson of the rectory, and tithes in Knaptoft, in that county: and Bridges, in his History of Northamptonshire, gives it a pension of sixteen shillings out of the rectory of Bilsworth; the manor and advowson of the rectory of Courtenhall; the advowson of the rectory of Inchester for some time; and the advowson of the rectory of Rushdon.^q

^a Notit. Monast. *Nottingh.* ix.

^b Of the privileges of the manor of Blackwell, in High Peak, as claimed in the 3d Edw. I. see the Plac. de Quo Waranto, p. 137.

^c See the privileges of Corthahal, or Cortenhale, in the 3d Edw. III. Ibid. p. 576.

^d See Append. Num. I. § 1.

^e Num. II. See also King Stephen's confirmation to the monks of Cluni, Num. III.

^f Num. I. § 2.

^g Ibid. § 3.

^h Ibid. § 4.

ⁱ Ibid. § 5.

^k Ibid. § 6.

^l Ibid. § 7. An ancient *Inspeximus* of this charter, separately, occurs in the Museum, Cart. antiq. Harl. 58 I. 36.

^m Num. I. § 8. The church of Falmeresham appears to have been a subject of contest very early:

Plac. 7 et 8 Joh. "In assisa pro ultima præsentatione ad ecclesiam de Felmersham quam Gilbertus de Malperteshal clam. versus Priorem et monachos de Lenton, Attornatus Prioris dicit quod non vacat, quia Prior et Conventus sunt persona, et ostendit cartam Roberti patris Gilberti prædicti in qua continetur ipsum dedisse ecclesiæ sanctæ Trinitatis de Lenton advocationem ecclesiæ de Falmeresham et quicquid juris habuit in eadem ecclesia et ostendit cartam domini regis Johannis confir-

mantem ecclesiæ de Lenton ecclesiam de Falmeresham cum omnibus pertinentiis, &c. sicut carta Henr. regis patris sui rationabiliter testatur, &c." rot. 8 in dorso. Abbrev. Placitorum, p. 51.

ⁿ Num. I. § 8.

^o Ibid. § 9.

^p Ibid. § 10.

^q See Throsby's Additions to Thoroton, vol. ii. p. 204. The following entries relating to the churches of Nutehale and Turlaveston, belonging to Lenton, occur in the *Abbreviatio Placitorum*:

Plac. 1 Joh. "Prior et monachi de Lenton proferunt cartam quæ testatur quod G. de Sancto Patricio avus Willielmi de Sancto Patricio dedit eis advocationem ecclesiæ de Nutehale, confirmat. per Rogerum archiep. Ebor." ro. 3, in dorso. Abbrev. Placitorum, p. 24.

Plac. de Term. Paschæ, 11 Joh. "Prior et monachi de Lenton petierunt versus Willielmum de Sancto Patricio quod ipse permitteret ipsos præsentare idoneam personam ad ecclesiam de Nutehal cujus advocationem ipsi clamant ad se pertinere de dono Gaufridi de Sancto Patricio avi ejusdem Willielmi per cartam suam quæ hoc testatur. Et Willielmus venit et concessit quod ipse G. avus suus eis cartam illam et donum, sed tam donum quam cartam fecit in languore, &c. Fiat jurata, &c. rot. 8, in dorso. Abbrev. Placit. p. 66.

Plac. 7 Ric. I. et 9 Joh. "Prior de Lenton recuperat advocationem ecclesiæ de Turlaveston versus Radulphum Barre." ro. 10. Abbrev. Placit. p. 99.

The royal free chapel or collegiate church of Tickhill in Yorkshire was, for a time, given to Lenton priory; but, in 1504, was transferred to the abbey of St. Peter Westminster.^a

In the taxation of Pope Nicholas the Fourth, A. D. 1291, the spiritualities of Lenton priory, including the appropriated churches, amounted to the annual sum of 19*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.* The temporal possessions, in different counties, to 147*l.* 15*s.* 8½*d.*^b

From several Extents of its possessions taken in the 3d Ric. II. its spiritual and temporal revenues in Leicestershire appear to have amounted to 8*l.* 10*s.*; in Nottinghamshire to 227*l.* 11*s.* 10*d.*; and in Derbyshire to 68*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.*; making a total of 305*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.*^c According to a different Extent, which will be found in the Appendix, taken in the 10th Rich. II. the whole revenues are stated to have amounted to 351*l.* 14*s.* 3*d.*^d

PRIORS of LENTON.

PETER occurs Prior of Lenton Dec. 2d, 14th John, A. D. 1212.^e

ROBERT DE LEXINTON, prior of Lenton, was made one of the king's justices of assize, Feb. 5th, 1229.^f

ROGER was made prior in 1233.^g

H. prior of Lenton occurs in an Instrument dated in 1251^h. Another

ROGER, who had been prior of Montacute, was promoted to the priory of Lenton Sept. 16th, 1259.ⁱ

MATTHEW, almoner of Lewes priory, received the temporalities of Lenton from the king March 14th, 1269.^k

PETER DE SIRINIACO had the king's letters of protection Dec. 1st, 1281.^l

WILLIAM prior of Lenton had the king's letters of protection Aug. 30th, 1290.^m

STEPHEN occurs in 1312.ⁿ

REGINALD occurs prior of Lenton in 1313.^o Upon his resignation,

^a See Tanner. Notit. Monast. Yorksh. cxvii.

^b The following are the entries :

Spiritualties.

Linc. Dioc.	£.	s.	d.
Porcio in eccl. de Haveresham	2	13	4
Pens. prioris in eccl. de Parva Cleydon	0	10	0
Pens. in ecclesia de Meperteshale	0	6	8
Porc. in ecclesia de Blisewrth	0	16	0
Pens. in ecclesia de Duston	1	0	0
Pens. in ecclesia de Harlingeston	2	0	0
Pens. in ecclesia de Wykynsfon	5	0	0
Pens. in ecclesia de Foston	0	10	0
Porc. in ecclesia de Boresword in decimis garbarum	1	13	4
Pens. in ecclesia de Brocton	1	10	0
Coventr. Dioc.			
Porcio in ecclesia de Bathecwel	66	13	4
Ebor. Dioc.			
Eccl. B. Mar. Nott.	40	0	0
Eccl. de Lenton quæ est ejusdem prioris	13	6	8
Eccl. de Beston est quæ ejusdem pr.	10	0	0
Eccl. de Radeforth quæ est ejusdem	6	13	4
Eccl. de Langar. quæ est ejusdem	20	0	0
Porcio ejusdem prioris in ecclesia de Thorp in Glebis	1	0	0
Porcio ejusdem in paroch. de Rotyngton	4	0	0
Porcio ejusdem in Brademere in paroch. de Boney	1	6	8
Porcio ejusdem in Cotegrave	2	0	0
Pensio ejusdem in ecclesia B. Petri Notingh.	0	16	0
Pensio ejusdem in vicar. de Beston	0	14	0
Pensio ejusdem prioris in ecclesia de Stapelforth	3	6	8
Pensio ejusdem in ecclesia B. Nicholai Not.	0	15	0
Pensio ejusdem in ecclesia de Rempston	0	1	8
Pensio ejusdem in ecclesia de Barton	0	5	0
Pensio ejusdem in ecclesia de Cotegrave pro parte Roberti	0	12	6
Pensio prædicti prioris in eadem ecclesia	2	0	0
Pensio ejusdem in ecclesia de Cortelingstok in eodem dec.	0	2	0
Pens. ejusdem in ecclesia de Lyndeby	0	6	8
Pens. ejusdem in ecclesia de Boney	1	6	8

Temporalities.

Linc. Dioc.			
Manerium de Cortenhale	32	18	7

GEOFFREY became prior; to whom the temporalities were restored March 7th, 1315.^p

WILLIAM DE PINNEBURY occurs prior in 1324.^q

ANSTORGIUS occurs prior March 22d, 1336.^r

RICHARD STAFFORD. Upon whose death,

THOMAS ELMHAM was made prior. He received the temporalities June 11th, 1414.^s Upon his resignation,

JOHN ELMHAM was made prior. His appointment received the royal assent Feb. 18th, 1426.^t He resigned in 1450; on the 18th of October in which year,

JOHN MIDDYLBURGH received the royal assent.^u

THOMAS WOLLORE was appointed prior by the king July 5th, 1458.^x King Edward the Fourth, in the first year of his reign, confirmed the priorate to him for life.^y

RICHARD DENE was made prior of Lenton Feb. 21st, 1481.^z

THOMAS GILLAME is mentioned in the Harleian manuscript 6969, p. 139, as the last prior: but Thoroton says,

NICHOLAS HEATH; who, in 1537, was archdeacon of Stafford.^a

The clear yearly value of Lenton priory, according to the Return of the 26th Hen. VIII. was 329*l.* 15*s.* 10½*d.*^b Leland, in his Collectanea, gives its revenues at 332*l.*:^c Speed at 417*l.* 19*s.* 3*d.*

A lease of the site, with certain lands in Carleholme, Lenton, and Radforde, was granted in the 31st Hen. VIII. to Michael Stanhope, at the rent of 38*l.* 13*s.* for forty years.^d

Tanner says, the site was granted in the 3d Eliz. to John Harrington.^e

Tanner notices three REGISTERS of Lenton priory, viz.

1. "*Registrum penes Sam. Roper de Heanore in com. Derb. arm.* 1677.
2. "*Registrum quondam penes dom. Franc. Willoughby.*

Linc. Dioc.	£.	s.	d.
In Brimpton et Flore de redd.	0	11	8
In archid. Leicest.	1	9	0
In decanat. de Linc. Gertre, et Framelund	2	4	7½
Sar. Dioc.			
In Dencheswrth	0	13	4
Cov. et Lich. Dioc.			
Apud Denebye in dec. Derb. octo bovat. terr.	2	13	4
De redd. assis. ibidem	0	1	0
In parco de Horsseleye viginti acr. terr.	0	6	8
Apud Blackwell in dec. de Alto Pecco, quatuor bovat. terr.	1	5	0
De redd. assis. ibidem	2	0	0
It. habet ibidem de profic. stauri per ann.	3	0	0
It. habet ap. Dunstan in dec. de Scarewesdaie unam caruc. terr. et trad. ad firmam pro octo libris cum pertinenc.			
Ebor. Dioc.			
In archid. Nott.	92	12	6

^c MS. Donat. Brit. Mus. 6164, pp. 365, 391.

^d Ibid. p. 502. See Num. V.

^e Cart. 14 Joh. n. 32, Dec. 2.

^f Pat. 14 Hen. III. m. 6, dorso, Feb. 5.

^g Pat. 18 Hen. III. m. 11, dorso.

^h Cart. Harl. antiq. 84 F. 35.

ⁱ Pat. 44 Hen. III. m. 3, Sept. 16.

^k Pat. 54 Hen. III. Mar. 14.

^l Pat. 10 Edw. I. Dec. I.

^m Pat. 19 Edw. I.

ⁿ Reg. Greenfeld archiep. Ebor. p. 2.

^o Pat. 7 Edw. II.

^p Pat. 9 Edw. II. p. 2.

^q Plac. 17 Edw. II. Term. Hil.

^r Pat. 10 Edw. III.

^s Pat. 2 Hen. V. p. 1.

^t Pat. 5 Hen. VI. p. 1.

^u Pat. 29 Hen. VI. p. 1.

^x Pat. 37 Hen. VI. p. 2.

^y Pat. 1 Edw. IV. p. 1.

^z Pat. 21 Edw. IV. p. 1.

^a The only notice of this monastery in the Roll of the 2d & 3d of Phil. and Mary is,

"LENTON nuper Mon. Annuat. Johannis Babington per annum xxvj^{s.} viij^{d.} Anthonii Westone per annum xl^{s.}"

^b See the Append. Num. VII.

^c Tom i. p. 94.

^d Orig. 31 Hen. VIII. p. 2. Nott. "Rex xj^{mo.} die Februarii concessit et dimisit ad firmam Michaeli Stanhope scitum nuper prioratus de Lenton ac terr. &c. in Carleholme, Lenton, et Radforde pro termino xl. annorum reddend. inde xxxviij. libr. xij^{s.}" ro. cccxiiij^o.

^e Notit. Monast. Nottingham. ix.

3. "*Registrum in bibl. Cotton. Otho B. xiv.*"

A charter from the first of these is given by Dugdale in the Appendix to the present Account.

The Cottonian manuscript Otho B. xiv. here mentioned, disappeared in the fire at Westminster in 1731. The following is the description of it given in Smith's Catalogue of the Library: "*Chartularium prioratus de Lenton in agro Nottinghamensi a Gulielmo Peverello fundati, cum syllabo maneriorum, advocatum ecclesiarum, portionum garbarum et fœni, pensionum, terrarum, et reddituum, ad ejusdem priorem et conventum spectantium.*" It was a folio volume, containing one hundred and seventy-four leaves of vellum, exclusive of six leaves at the beginning, and three leaves at the end, which contained an index. The present manuscript marked Otho B. xiv. in the Cottonian collection, is not the same which was placed under that number previous to the fire.

Tanner adds,

Vide "*Computos, Rentalia, &c. in бага intit. Hungerford Lands, in arca quinta in officio Curie Augmentationum.*"

"In bibl. Harl. MS. 362, fol. 21. Transcripta Moreteinorum familiam tangentia ex Registro hujus prioratus.^a MS. 1499, fol. 42, of the foundation and arms. MS. 6748, foll. 11, 17, cartas Hen. II. et Joannis.

"MS. Cole, vol. lix. p. 188, de heremitagio de Kershall.

"Appropriationem eccl. de Wigston, A. D. 1508, in Libro Memorandum tempore Gulielmi Smith episcopi Lincoln. fol. 190.

"Cart. antiq. B. n. 34, 35; G. 20; F. 6.

"Cart. 1 Joan. p. 2, m. 2, n. 14, pro eccl. de Mapertshall et Falmerston, et pro carect. mortui bosci capienda e Berkswood; n. 16, pro Cart Hall, Kershall heremitag. Blacklyet molend. &c. Plac. de banco, 9 Joan. Mich. rot. 11, pro eccl. de Est Claneston; 10 Joan. Pasch. rot. 9; Fin. 10 Joan. Mich. rot. de terris et eccl. de Offington. Cart. 14 Joan. n. 13, pro decima venationis in com. Nottingham. et Derby.

"Claus. 4 Hen. III. m. 8, pro carecta itinerant. singulis diebus pro mortuo bosco ad Basewood. Cart. 14 Hen. III. m. 10, pro feria ibidem. Claus. 14 Hen. III. m. 6, dorso, de mess. et terris in Cotgrave. Cart. 39 Hen. III. m. 4, pro eccl. de Mapertshall et Falmerston. Cart. 51 Hen. III. p. 1, m. 2 vel 3, pro eccl. S. Mariæ de Nottingham.

"Plac. in com. Nottingham. 8 Edw. I. assis. rot. 19, dorso, de terris in Brademere. Escaet. Nottingham. 8 Edw. I. n. 67, de venatione nomine decimæ in com. Nottingham. ex dono r. Joan. Cart. 11 Edw. I. n. 2, pro excambio advoc. eccl. de Horsele Litchf. dioc. et Falmersham Lincoln. dioc. Pat. 11 Edw. I. m. 2 vel 3.

"Orig. Brev. 7 Edw. II. Trin. rot. 11. Pat. 9 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 9, pro mess. in Nottingham. Pat. 18 Edw. II. p. 1, m. . . pro eccl. de Rishenden. Ibid. m. 5, pro maner. de Cottenhale.

"Pat. 1 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 15. Plac. in com. Nottingham. 3 Edw. III. assis. rot. 65. Quo war. rot. 19. Claus. 4 Edw. III. n. 21, de decimis piscationis regiæ apud Nottingham. Plac. in com. Derby. 4 Edw. III. quo war. rot. . de maner. de Blackwell. Pat. 5 Edw. III. p. 2, m. . Pat. 7 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 18, pro eccl. de Wickington Leicestr. Plac. forestæ apud Nottingham. 8 Edw. III. rot. 31, 32, et 34, pro eccl. de Mapertshall, et Falmerston. Pat. 9 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 10. Pat. 11 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 22 et 24, pro eccl. de Horslee Derby. Pat. 16 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 16, pro maner. de Curtenhall. Pat. 21 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 4 vel 5. Pat. 28 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 1, pro ten. et reddit. in Newthorp. Cart. 30 Edw. III. n. 7, pro feria in Cowtehal, assartis ibidem, et aliis libertatibus.

^a These are, the foundation charter by William Peverel; two charters of Adam the son of Adam de Moretun, of a rent of sixteen shillings in Algerthorp; two of Eustace de Moretun, confirming the same; a third of Eustace de Moretun, granting a villan: and a Pleading of the time of Edward the First.

^b When Bartholomew bishop of Exeter (who was a witness to the charter) died.

"Pat. 6 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 8. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 19, quod reputetur pro indigena.

"Pat. 2 Hen. IV. p. 3, m. 35.

"Pat. 17 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 9, pro heremitagio de Kershall Lanc. Recup. Nottingham. 23 Hen. VI. Trin. rot. 364, de Mess. in Nottingham.

"Pat. 14 Edw. IV. p. 1, m. 14 et 16, pro capella infra castrum de Tikhull, in excambio pro le Roche Chapel, et le Roche Closes, et tribus carectat. bosci per diem in Restwick infra forestam de Shirwood, &c. Claus. 14 Edw. IV. m. 21, de eodem excambio.

"Recup. Nottingham. 5 Hen. VII. Trin. rot. 305, de ann. reddit. viii. marc. solvendis presbyt. cantar. in eccl. de N. Winkfield, Derby. Fin. Ebor. 21 Hen. VII. n. 6, pro advoc. eccl. de Arkesley Ebor.

"Recup. Nottingham. 1 Hen. VIII. Mich. rot. 517; Hill. rot. 406. Ibid. 20 Hen. VIII. Pasch. 539, de mess. in Nottingham."

In the Office of the King's Remembrancer in the Exchequer are the following documents relating to Lenton:

Litteræ regis patentes priori et conventui de Lenton quod ipsi et successores eorum ut indigenæ et non alienigenæ reputentur. Hil. 16 Ric. II.

Consimiles litteræ priori domus Sanctæ Trinitatis de Lenton de 10l. per annum percipiend. de feodi firma de Arnoll. Hil. 1 Hen. VII. rot. 2.

Inquisitio tangens divisiones manerii de Lenton per metas et bundas a manerio de Wilford. Mich. Eliz. ro. 381.

Proceedings concerning Radforth Mill, whether as lately part of the possessions of the monastery of Lenton it paid tithe or not. Mich. 35 Eliz.

The Donation manuscript in the Museum, No. 6164, beside the Extents already mentioned, has two Accounts of the outgoings of this priory: viz.

p. 514. "*Compotus Roberti Bozun de exit. prioratus de Lenton a die Dominica prox. post festum S. Margaretæ an. r. r. E. xxv. usque ad festum S. Mich. prox. sequens.*"

p. 517. "*Compotus Roberti Bozun de exit. prioratus de Lenton. a festo S. Michaelis an. r. r. Edw. xxv. finiente usque ad idem festum per annum revolutum.*"

The Harleian manuscript 1499, p. 42, says, "*THE ARMES of this House ys Golde and Azure quarterly; over all a playn crosse sable borderid Gold.*"

An imperfect impression of the SEAL of Lenton priory is appended to the Harleian charter already quoted, 44 F. 19. It is of an oval form, in red wax: and on the area of the front represents our Saviour, seated. The inscription, . . . ILLVM CONVENTVS SANC . . . ENTO . . . On the reverse is a small Counter Seal, also oval, with the half figure of a monk, bearing a sort of sceptre terminating in a fleur de lis in his right hand: inscribed ✠ SIGNVM PETRI P . . . IS DE LENTONA.

All vestiges of Lenton priory had long disappeared, when, a few years ago, the discovery of a brass plate of the Crucifixion (engraved in the Gentleman's Magazine, vol. lxvii. p. 281) drew attention to its site: subsequent to which a stone coffin, the bases of some pillars, and a large portion of the foundation walls, which had been uncovered by Mr. Stretton, the then owner, determined it more precisely.

KERSHALL, or KYRKSHAW, in Lancashire, was a Cell to Lenton. Tanner says, King Henry the Second granted before the year 1184,^b and King John in the first year of his reign confirmed to Lenton priory the Hermitage here, which thereupon became a small House of Cluniac monks, and, as Cell to that priory, was granted in the 32d of Henry the Eighth to Baldwin Willoughby.^c

^c Previous to this, in the 30th Hen. VIII. the site had been leased for twenty-one years to John Wode:

Orig. 30 Hen. VIII. p. 2. Lancast. "*Rex tertio die Februarii dimisit ad firmam Johanni Wode scitum cellæ de Kersall in com. Lanc. (et diversa al. terr. ibidem specificata) nuper prioratui de Lenton in com. Nott. spectan. habend. a festo Michaelis ultimo præterito ad finem termini xxj. annorum reddend. inde regi xj^{li}. vj^s. viij^d. per annum.*" ro. clxxiiij^{to}.

Cole, however, in his manuscripts at the Museum, vol. lxx. p. 188, gives the copy of an original Deed, which designates Ranulph or Ralph de Gernon earl of Chester, who died in 1156, as the real founder of Kershall. He says, "My worthy and much respected friend Dr. Farmer communicated the following papers to me in 1780. The first is a very ancient Deed, about Henry the Second's reign, on a piece of parchment of six inches deep and four broad, which, being used as lining to the cover of an old book, has suffered a trifle by being worm-eaten." The other papers were letters. The following is a transcript of the Deed :

"R. Consul Cestriæ episcopo Cestriæ, archid. et omnibus ordinatis Dei, et constab. Cestr. dapif. B. . . justiciariis, vicecomitibus, ministris, et ballivis, et omnibus hominibus suis, clericis et laicis, Francis, et Anglis, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et dedisse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis Sanctæ Trinitatis de Lenton in elemosinam Kere-

shalam, locum ad servicium Dei edificandum, et pasturam, et ad se dilatandum de essartis, et piscariis, et de rebus illis omnibus quibuscunque se dilatari et aisiari poterint. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio quod prædicti monachi bene et honorifice prædictam elemosinam solam et quietam et liberam de omni seculari servicio habeant, ne aliquis meorum super timorem Dei, et meum amorem temere perturbet. T. Matild. comitissa Cestriæ, et Kadwaladr. rege Waliarum, et Willielmo filio Alani, et Symone Corbet, et Roberto Dapifero, Ric. Pincerna, et Henr. Pultrell, et Willielmo capelano apud Cestr.

Tanner refers to the following Records concerning Kershall :

"Cart. 1 Joan. p. 2, m. 16.

"Pat. 17 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 9.

"Pat. 32 Hen. VIII. p. 8, m. ."

Cartae ad Lentonensem Prioratum in agro Notinghamensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Diploma Regis Edw. II. ipsam foundationis cartam, necnon donationes diversorum recitans et confirmans.

[Cart. 10 E. II. n. 50. Vide etiam Pat. 6 R. II. part. 1. m. 2. Et Pat. 9 E. III. part. 2. m. 10. Et Cart. 30 E. III. n. 7. Et Pat. 2 H. IV. part. 3. m. 35.]

Rex archiepisc &c. salutem. Inspeximus cartam quam Willielmus Peverel dudum fecit in hæc verba. Notum sit omnibus fidelibus sanctæ ecclesiæ Dei clericis et laicis Francis et Anglis qui modo sunt, et qui venturi sunt, quod ego Willielmus Peverellus pro divini cultus amore et communi remedio animarum dominorum meorum Willielmi regis, et uxoris ejus Matildis reginæ, et filii eorum Willielmi regis, et omnium parentum suorum, et meorum, necnon et pro salute domini mei Henrici regis, et uxoris ejus Matild. reginæ, et filii eorum Willielmi, et filia eorum Matildis, pro statu quoque regni sui, necnon et pro salute animæ meæ, et uxoris meæ Adelinae, et filii mei Willielmi, et omnium liberorum meorum, pia devotione et devota largitione offero Deo et ecclesiæ Cluniacensi et Poncio abbati, ejusque successoribus imperpetuum substituendis, monasterium quod in honore sanctæ Trinitatis in Lenton constitui, jure perpetuo, sub prioratu, ac dispositione ipsius Cluniacæ institutionis justè libereque instituendum, et possidendum cum universis quæ in hac carta subscribuntur; ita tamen ut ipsum monasterium erga Cluniacum sit liberum et quietum pro una marca argenti de recognitione per annum. Beneficia igitur et possessiones quas ego ipsi monasterio sanctæ Trinitatis et monachis Cluniacensibus ibidem Deo servientibus dono et presenti carta confirmo, ista sunt nominatim; villam Lentonæ cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, exceptis quatuor molendinis quorum teneo duo in meo dominio et Adelina uxor mea tertium, et Herbertus miles meus quartum; cætera molendina monachorum sunt, et propriè septem. Similiter Radeford, Morthonam, Kichthonam, cum omnibus pertinentiis earum. Et quicquid habeo in Newtorp, et Papelvich, in bosco et in plano et in omnibus aliis rebus. Item Blacowella in Pecco cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Item Corthahala in Hantesyra cum bosco suo et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis, excepto feodo unius militis et terra Turstini Mantelli.

Item duas partes omnium decimationum de dominiis meis, de omnibus rebus quæ decimari possunt; videlicet de Blideesworda cum quodam rustico virgatam terræ tenente ad colligendas decimas. In Dostona similiter, in Neuboda similiter, in Tindeswella similiter, in Bradewella similiter, in Badecowella similiter, in Hoccalawa similiter, in Esseford similiter, in Wrmevill similiter, in Momar similiter, in Hulma similiter. Item duas partes decimationum dominicarum pasturarum mearum in Pecco quarum nomina sunt hæc. Sachalcros, Ferneleia, Dernehala, Quatford, Buchestanes, Sirebroch, Stafdon, Cudala, Crochil, Chal-

lawa, Dunninggestede, Chelmerdona, Stauredala. Item totam decimam pullorum et pullarum ubicunque haracium habuero in Pecco, vel aliquis alius super dominicas pasturas meas. Item totam decimam plumbi mei et venationis meæ; tam in coriis quam in carnibus et totam decimam piscium piscariæ meæ de Notingham. Item, concedente domino meo rege Henrico, dono eis ecclesiam sanctæ Mariæ de Burgo Anglico, de Notingham, cum terris et decimis, et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis, ecclesiam sancti Petri cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ecclesiam sancti Nicholai cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ecclesiam de Radeford cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ecclesiam de Lindebeia cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ecclesiam de Langara cum terris et decimis et omnibus pertinentiis suis; et cum uno villano virgatam terræ tenente. Ecclesiam de Fotestona cum una virgata terræ et decima et aliis omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ecclesiam de Herlestona cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ecclesiam de Corthahala cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ecclesiam de Irecestria cum terris et decimis et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis, ecclesiam de Rissendena cum una virgata terræ et decima tota et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis, et unum villanum in eadem villa virgatam terræ tenentem. Hæc omnia præfato monasterio dono et confirmo in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam et ab omni servicio et seculari exactione quietam: ego enim et hæredes mei adquietabimus ea imperpetuum, et erga regem et erga omnes homines. Præterea concedo ipsi monasterio quicquid homines mei eidem contulerunt pro remedio animarum suarum, videlicet duas partes omnium decimarum dominicarum suorum de omnibus rebus quæ decimari possunt; horum primus est, Avenellus qui hoc contulit de dominiis suis in Haddona et in Methdweploth et Mamar, Safredus in Empingaha et in Baseford, et Robertus filius Pagani in eadem villa similiter, Robertus de Hertz in Hesburna, et in Ossecropht similiter, Godefridus et Willielmus in Ernesbeia similiter, Normannus de Montfaltrel in Asebech, et in Chilwella et in Horpol, similiter Rogerius Britto in Walenthona, et in Kalahala similiter, Gocelinus in Wathenoch et Radulfus Malaherba in Aspeleia et Serlo Blundus in Tortp, et Erbertus in Gonolvestona, similiter, Helgotus in Baresworda, et in Cotis, Robertus de Pavelliaco in Hoctona, Walterus Flammeth in Hauresham, Hugo filius Ricardi in Claindona, Normannus de sancto Patricio in Deresburch, et in Blacol Wesleia, et in Raalund, Gaufridus Heriz in Stapelford, Adelelmus in Languelleia, et Robertus filius Warnerii in Thonethona, similiter Robertus de Moretuein, et hæredes sui decem solidos vel decem solidatas per singulos annos imperpetuum. Hujus donationis et scripti testes sunt Girardus archiepisc. Eboracensis, Robertus episc. Lincoln. Robertus comes de Medlent, Simon comes de Nordhamthona, Hugo vicecomes Leicestriæ, Robertus de Chauz, Hugo de Burun, Oddo de Boneia, Avenellus de Haddona, et omnes alii homines mei prædicti.

§ 2. Inspeximus etiam cartam quam bonæ memoriæ

dominus H. quondam rex Angl. progenitor noster fecit dictæ ecclesiæ sanctæ Trinitatis de Lenton et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in hæc verba. H. Dei gratia rex Angl. et dux Norm. et Aquit. et comes And. archiepisc. &c. Sciatis me concessisse et dedisse et præsentī cartā confirmasse ecclesiæ sanctæ Trinitatis de Lenton et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam quaterviginti acras terræ de essartis in Curtehala, et molendinum de Blachclif in escambium terræ de Papelwich, quam dedi in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam canonicis de Novo-loco in Sirwuda quos ibi fundavi. Quare volo, &c. T. J. Norwic. episcopo, G. filio Petri, Rand. de Glanvill, Hug. de Creissi, Gaufr. Pertic. Roberto de Stutevill, Willielmo filio Radulfi, Radulfo filio Stephani camerario, apud Nothingeham.

§ 3. Inspeximus etiam quandam aliam cartam quam idem progenitor noster fecit priori dictæ ecclesiæ de Lenton in hæc verba. H. rex Angl. &c. salutem. Præcipio quod omnes res prioris de Lenton quas homines sui affidare poterint suas esse proprias, sint quietæ de teloneo et passagio et omni consuetudine, et prohibeo ne aliquis eos super hoc disturbet neque injuriam vel contumeliam eis faciat super x. libr. forisfacturam. T. Warino filio Geroldi camerario, Roberto de Dunstanvilla, et Mag. Aluer. apud Brokeherst.

§ 4. Inspeximus etiam cartam quam bonæ memoriæ dominus S. quondam rex Angliæ progenitor noster fecit dictæ ecclesiæ de Lenton in hæc verba. S. rex Angliæ archiepiscopo Eboraci et justic. et vicecom. et baronibus et ministris et omnibus fidelibus suis Francis et Anglis de Nottinghamscira, salutem. Sciatis quia confirmo et concedo donationem illam quam Hugo de Burun fecit ecclesiæ sanctæ Trinitatis de Lenton et monachis Cluniacensibus ibidem Deo servientibus de tota terra sua quam habebat in Cottesgrava præter servitium quatuor militum, sicut idem Hugo illam eis dedit et cartā suā confirmavit. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio quod illam bene et in pace et honorificè et liberè et quietè teneant sicut Hugo unquam meliùs vel liberius tenuit et sicut tenent aliam elemosinam suam. T. Ricardo de Canvill, et R. de Curci, et Baldwino fil. Gisleberti, et W. Peverel, et W. de Albin, apud Lincolniam.

§ 5. Inspeximus etiam quandam aliam cartam quam idem progenitor noster fecit monachis dictæ ecclesiæ de Lenton in hæc verba. H. rex Angliæ, &c. Sciatis me concessisse et hac mea cartā confirmasse monachis de Lenton unam feriam octo dierum ad festum sancti Martini cum plenario theloneo de omnibus rebus de quibus theloneum accipi potest, exceptis empcionibus illis quas de mensa vel vestitu eorum esse constiterit, quibus super hoc quietanciam dedi et confirmavi. Quare volo, &c. Præcipio etiam ne vicecomites nec castellani de Nottingham vexent prædictos monachos in dranis boum, nec in aliquo alio sicut solebant, sed emant tali foro sicut alii venientes ad nundinas de longinquis partibus. Volo etiam ut prædicti monachi et res et possessiones et homines eorum liberi et quieti sint ab omni seculari servicio et exactione. Et si quis versus prædictam domum aliquid de suis possessionibus clamaverit, sive eam in aliquo vexare, vel in placitum ponere voluerit, prohibeo ne pro aliquo respondeant, neque in placitum intrent, neque aliquis eam placitare faciat, nisi coram me vel capitali justitia mea. Hæc omnia concessi eis in perpetuam elemosinam pro anima H. regis et antecessorum meorum, et pro mea meorumque et omnium fidelium salute. T. Rogero Eboracensi archiepiscopo, Gilberto Londonensi episcopo, Willielmo Norwicensi episcopo, Ricardo de Humet, et Willielmo filio Johannis, apud Norhamton.

§ 6. Inspeximus etiam quandam aliam cartam quam idem progenitor noster fecit monachis dictæ ecclesiæ de Lenton in hæc verba. H. Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. R. filio Bern. et omnibus ministris et forestariis suis de intra Ribbile et Merse, salutem. Sciatis nos dedisse et concessisse et hac mea cartā confirmasse monachis de Lenton pro salute mea et hæredum meorum, et pro anima regis H. avi mei et antecessorum meorum heremitagium de Kershala cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Quare volo, &c. T. B. Exon episcopo, apud Porcestre.

§ 7. Inspeximus etiam cartam quam bonæ memoriæ dominus J. quondam rex Angliæ progenitor noster fecit dictæ ecclesiæ de Lenton et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus in hæc verba. J. Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse et præsentī cartā confirmasse ecclesiæ sanctæ

Trinitatis de Lenton et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in liberam perpetuamque elemosinam, quaterviginti acras terræ de essartis de Curtehale, et molendinum de Blachclif in escambium terræ de Papelwik quam rex Henricus pater noster dedit in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam canonicis de Novoloco in Sirewud quos ibi fundavit. Quare volumus, &c. Concessimus etiam et hac cartā nostrā confirmavimus eisdem monachis de Lenton pro salute nostra et hæredum nostrorum et pro animabus H. regis proavi nostri et H. regis patris nostri et antecessorum nostrorum heremitagium de Kershal cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Quare volumus et firmiter præcipimus ut prædicti monachi nostri liberè et quiete in pace et honorificè teneant prædictum heremitagium, sicut Hugo de Burun monachus eorum liberius et quietius tenuit. Concessimus etiam et hac cartā nostrā confirmavimus eisdem monachis unam feriam octo dierum ad festum sancti Martini cum plenario theloneo de omnibus rebus, de quibus theloneum accipi potest, exceptis emptionibus illis quas de mensa vel vestitu eorum esse constiterit, quibus super hiis quietanciam concessimus et confirmavimus. Quare volumus, &c. Data per manum Simonis archid. Wellensis et Johannis de Gray, apud Wygorniam sexto die Aprilis regni nostri anno primo.

§ 8. Inspeximus etiam quandam aliam cartam quam idem progenitor noster fecit, &c. Johannes Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse et præsentī cartā confirmasse Deo et conventui monachorum de Lenton ecclesias de Maperteshal et de Falmeresham, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, quæ sunt de sergianteria nostra, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, quas Robertus filius Willielmi eis dedit et cartis suis confirmavit. Et præterea quicquid habent ex dono advocatorum suorum vel aliorum fidelium, sive ex emptione, sive ex venditione, sicut cartæ et cirographa eorum testantur, in perpetuam elemosinam eis confirmamus et corroboramus, &c. Hæc omnia concessimus eis in perpetuam elemosinam, pro anima H. regis proavi nostri, et H. reg. patris nostri, et antecessorum nostrorum, et pro nostra nostrorumque et omnium fidelium salute, sicut cartā regis Henrici patris nostri rationabiliter testatur. Concessimus etiam eis, ut omnibus diebus habeant liberum introitum et exitum sine omni impedimento forestariorum nostrorum in nemus nostrum de Berkswud, cum una caretta ad mortuum boscum capiendum, et cum duabus caretis ad brueram, quantum eis ad proprios usus suffecerit libere capiant, &c. Dat. per manum Simonis archid. Wellen. et Johannis de Gray archid. Glocestr. apud Gildesford xxij. die Aprilis regni nostri anno primo.

§ 9. Inspeximus etiam quandam aliam cartam quam idem progenitor noster fecit, &c. Sciatis nos intuitu Dei, et pro salute animæ nostræ et animarum antecessorum nostrorum, dedisse, et concessisse, et hac cartā nostrā confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Trinitatis de Lenton, et Petro priori et successoribus suis, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus et servituris, decimam venationis nostræ captæ in comitatibus Notinghamiæ et Derebiæ; scilicet, de cervis, et bissetis, et damis, et damabus, et porcis, et lais, habendam in perpetuum in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum magistri Ricardi de Marisco archid. Norhumbr. apud Westm. secundo die Decembris anno regni nostri quartodecimo.

§ 10. Nos autem donationes, concessionem, confirmationes, et præcepta prædicta; necnon et concessionem quam Robertus quondam comes de Mellent fecit prædictæ ecclesiæ sanctæ Trinitatis de ecclesia de Winchingestone cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et concessionem quam Robertus quondam comes Legr. fecit prædictæ ecclesiæ sanctæ Trinitatis de prædicta ecclesia de Winchingestonia, et de tribus virgatis terræ ei adjacentibus, cum tribus toftis et croftis cum pertinentiis suis. Et donationem et concessionem quas Willielmus de Ferrariis quondam comes Derbeyæ fecit Deo, et prædictæ ecclesiæ de Lenton, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, de omnibus decimis de essartis forestæ de Alto Pecco cum pertinentiis suis. Et donationem quam Hugo de Burun, et Hugo Meschinus filius et hæres suus, fecerunt Deo et prædictæ ecclesiæ de Lenton, de ecclesiis de Oscintona et Orseleya, et de medietate ecclesiæ de Cotesgrava, cum appenditiis earum. Et donationem quam Ricardus Buissel fecit Deo, et prædictæ ecclesiæ de Lenton, et fratribus ibidem Deo servientibus, de ecclesia de Broctona cum omnibus pertinentiis suis,

et de capella quæ est in eadem villa cum gardino quod est subtus eam versus meridiem, et de medietate curtis præfati Ricardi, et de quadam parte proprii gardini sui, et de quindecim acris de dominio suo ad servitium capellæ finaliter, et de sex bovatis terræ de suo dominio, et de sex bovatis terræ de tenura villanorum, et de hominibus terras tenentibus, et de tribus bordariis cum eorum servitiis, et de una tofta ibidem pro mansura, et de una tofta cum uno bordario, et de una acra prati et dimidia infra le Lund cum pertinentiis suis. Et donationem, concessionem, et confirmationem quas Matheus de Haverseg, filius Mathei de Haverseg, fecit Deo, et prædictæ ecclesiæ de Lenton, et priori et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, et eorum successoribus, de maneriis de Holm et Donestone cum pertinentiis suis. Et donationem et concessionem quas Odo de Bodeya fecit dictæ ecclesiæ de Lenton, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus de medietate ecclesiæ de Adingburgh cum pertinentiis suis, et de terra Reginaldi in Chilewell, et de ecclesia de Barton cum pertinentiis suis, et de duabus partibus decimæ domini sui in Boneia et Brademare cum pertinentiis suis, rata habentes et grata, ea dilectis nobis in Christo priori et conventui dicti loci de Lenton et successoribus suis pro nobis et hæredibus nostris quantum in nobis est, concedimus et confirmamus, &c. Dat. per manum nostram apud Eboracum xix. die Augusti.

NUM. II.

Carta Regis Henrici Primi.

[Ex Chartulario Cluniacensi.]

IN nomine sanctæ et individuæ Trinitatis, notum sit fidelium sanctæ ecclesiæ piæ devotioni, quod ego Henricus rex Anglorum, pro divini cultus amore, et animæ meæ remedio, &c. et pro salute atque incolumitate filii mei Guillelmi ac filiæ meæ Mathildis, &c. concedo ecclesiam sanctæ Trinitatis quæ est in Lenton, dominio ac religioni monachorum Cluniacensium amodo ibidem Deo servientium, Willielmo Peverello ejusdem ecclesiæ fundatore, cum uxore sua Adeleyda et filio suo Willielmo, id fieri obnixè flagitante plurimumque deprecante, jure perpetuo sub prioratu ac dispositione Cluniacæ institutionis inconcussè et inviolabiliter ac prorsus omni remota calumnia possidendam, cum universis quæ ab eodem Willielmo Peverello de Notingham eidem ecclesiæ collata sunt; id est, decem carucatas terræ cum plurimis decimis, et manerium de Curtehal, excepto feodo unius militis quod Walterus filius Winemeri tenet, et terram Turstini Mantelli. Pro recognitione autem dabit supradictus Willielmus et successores ejus unam marcam argenti de suo proprio unoquoque anno supradictæ ecclesiæ Cluniacensi ecclesiæ. ✠ Signum Henrici regis. ✠ Signum Matildis reginæ. ✠ Signum Williel. Peverelli de Notingham. ✠ Signum Adelinae suæ uxoris. ✠ Signum Ro. comitis, et aliorum bonorum testium.

NUM. III.

Carta Regis Stephani facta Monachis Cluniacensibus de Ecclesiâ S. Trinitatis Lentonæ.

[Ex Registro Prioratus de Lenton in Com. Nott. penes S. Roper ar. anno 1670, p. 14 b.]

NOTUM sit fidelium sanctæ Dei ecclesiæ piæ devotioni quod ego Stephanus rex Anglorum, pro divini cultus amore, et animæ meæ remedio, et uxoris meæ reginæ, et patris mei et matris meæ, et antecessorum meorum, et pro salute filiorum meorum, regiæ excellentiæ autentica largitione concedo ecclesiam S. Trinitatis quæ est in Lenton, ac religioni monachorum Cluniacensium ibidem Deo servientium, Willielmo Peverello juniore, cum uxore suâ Oddonâ, et filio suo Henrico id fieri obnixè augitante, plurimumque deprecante, jure perpetuo sub prioratu ac dispositione Cluniacæ institutionis inconcussè et inviolabiliter, ac prorsus omni remotâ calumpniâ possidendam, cum universis quæ a patre ipsius Willielmo Peverello, et ab eodem Willielmo, et ab aliis benefactoribus eidem ecclesiæ collata sunt; id est, Radeford et Mortone, &c.

NUM. IV.

Bulla pro Priore de Lenton, an. 18 Edw. I. A. D. 1289.

[Rym. Fæd. tom. ii. p. 453, ex autogr.]

NICOLAUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, carissimo in VOL. V.

Christo filio Edwardo regi Angliæ illustri, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Pridem ad notitiam regiam per nostras litteras duximus perferendum, qualiter dilecti filii, frater Petrus de Siviriaco de Lenton, Cluniacensis monasterii monachi, diligentius attendentes quod nonnulla statuta, quæ, felicitis recordationis, G. papa nonus, prædecessor noster, super reformatione dicti Ordinis edidit, et quæ, in virtute obedientiæ, districtè ac inviolabiliter observari præcepit, in ordine ipso minime servabantur, tùm ex hoc, tùm etiam ex aliis certis causis ad sedem apostolicam appellarunt; et, ne . . . abbas monasterii supradicti, post hujusmodi appellationes eorum, et arripiendum iter ab eis ad Romanam curiam accedendi, contra ipsos, vel eorum aliquem, aut adhærentes, vel adhærere volentes eisdem, aliquid innovaret, vel etiam attemptaret, sive ad citationem, monitionem, vel excommunicationis, suspensionis, et Inderdicti sententias, vel ad amotionem, seu privationem prioratum prædictorum et domorum ipsorum, per se, vel per alium, quacunque auctoritate, procederet nomine suo, et eis adhærere volentium in hac parte, iterato ad præfatam sedem contra eundem provocârunt abbatem, et etiam appellârunt, ad prædictorum prosecutionem se ad eandem sedem personaliter conferentes; quibus in actum perductis, tam præfatus abbas, quam diffinitores Capituli generalis, priores ipsos suis prioratibus et administrationibus, contra justitiam, privaverunt, in prædicto prioratu de Lenton fratre Ranaudo, monacho supradicti monasterii, de facto, cum de jure nequiverint, subrogato; quam ad præsentationem abbatis ejusdem in priorem prioratûs prædicti, cujus diceris esse patronus, recipiens, in prioratûs ipsius et bonorum ac jurium suorum fecisti possessionem induci.

Nos autem, ad pacificum statum et prosperum ejusdem monasterii, et personarum, in ipso degentium, intendentes; et considerantes attentius quod tam præfatus frater Petrus, quàm cæteri prædicti priores prioratibus suis injustè fuerant spoliati; quodque inde dampna pertulerant unde ipsis comoda debuerant provenisse; eis, amotione seu privatione hujusmodi nequaquam obstante, prædictos prioratus de procuratoris ejusdem abbatis assensu, et justitia restitui-mus exigente; celsitudinem regiam rogantes attentius, et hortantes ut, apostolicæ sedis processibus devotis animis te coaptans, eidem fratri Petro, priori possessionem plenariam prioratûs de Lenton prædicti, ac jurium et bonorum suorum, sublato difficultatis obstaculo, restitui faceres sive reddi, eum in possessione ipsâ regii favoris auxilio conservand. sic te in hoc benigne ac liberaliter habiturus, ut exinde tibi à Domino præmium, et a nobis dignæ commendationis cumulus proveniret. Porro nuper ad nos pervenisse cognoveris, quod præfatus abbas, dictis prioribus adhuc in curiâ Romanâ morantibus, debitum naturæ persolvit; jam de alia electione, ut dicitur, celebratâ concorditer in monasterio supradicto, ac electus hujusmodi ad curiam ipsam in proximo venturus asseritur, ad confirmationem electionis suæ humiliter postulandam, propter quod eundem priorem, usque ad ipsius electi adventum, oportet apud sedem apostolicam residere, ut, tam ipso, quàm cæteris prioribus supradictis ibidem præsentibus, circa statum ejusdem monasterii possit utiliùs et efficacius actore Domino, provideri: cum itaque præfatus prior, occasione hujusmodi præpeditus, ad partes Angliæ se personaliter conferre non valeat, dicti prioratûs sui possessionem corporaliter recepturus, serenitatem regiam rogandam attente duximus et hortandam, quatinus pro nostra et apostolicæ sedis reverentia procuratori ejusdem prioris, ipsius nomine, ac pro eo, corporalem possessionem prioratûs prædicti, ac bonorum, et jurium suorum omnium, consuetudine contraria non obstante, benigne facias assignari. Sic devote nostris obtemperando precatibus, sic efficaciter quod petimus adimplendo, ut proinde regiæ devotionis promptitudinem, quam in hac parte facilem cupimus inveniri, condignis laudibus attollamus. Si vero quisquam in eodem prioratu de Lenton, se dixerit aliquod jus habere, parati sumus facere sibi super hoc, cum requisiti fuerimus, exhiberi justitiæ complementum. Dat. Romæ, apud sanctam Mariam Majorem, 3 idus Decembris, pontificatûs nostri anno secundo.

Sub filo canabeo.

NUM. V.

LENTON.

[MS. Donat. Mus. Brit. 6164, fol. 502.]

INQUISITIO capta die Mercurii in quarta septimana quadragesimæ anno regni regis Ricardi secundi post conquestum Angliæ decimo coram Thoma de Derby et Johanne Elyngham serviente domini regis ad Arma apud Lenton in com. Notyngham de diversis articulis et circumstanciis dominum regem tangentibus et de omnibus aliis rebus ad coronam pertin. per sacramentum Roberti fil. Roberti, Willielmi de Thorp, Ricardi Whryght, Adæ Brokestowe, et alior. Juratorum qui dicunt super sacramentum suum quod situs manerii de Lenton valet per annum ut in herbis et pastur. iiij^{li}. ultra repris. Et dicunt quod sunt in eodem prioratu tres carucatæ terræ arabilis de dominio terr. et quælibet carucata terræ valet per annum xx^s. ultra repris. Et dicunt quod sunt aliæ tres carucatæ terræ in eodem prioratu quarum quælibet caruca valet per annum x^s. et non plus quia jacent frisc. et incultæ. Et sunt in pratis dominicis iiij^{xx}. acr. prati quarum quælibet acra valet per annum ij^s. vj^d. Et dicunt quod est ibi unus boscus spinosus et valet per annum ultra repris. xiijs. iiij^d. Et dicunt quod forum quod pertinet ad prioratum prædictum tenetur circa festum omnium Sanctorum et sancti Martini in Yeme, valet per annum xxxv^{li}. ultra repris. Et dicunt quod pertinent ad prioratum prædictum et sunt in eodem prioratu certæ terræ et tenementa in manibus diversorum tenentium, videlicet Lenton, Kyrkton, Radeford, et Neuthorp, tam liberorum quam nativorum, et valent per annum xl^{li}. iiij^s. iiij^d. Et perquis. Cur. valent per annum lx^s. viij^d. Et dicunt quod pertinet ad prædictum prioratum molendinum aquaticum et valet per annum lxxvijs. vj^d. Et dicunt quod pertinet ad prioratum prædictum tertia pars molendini aquatici et valet per annum ultra repris. x^s. Et dicunt quod una placea voc. le Roche pertinet ad prædictum prioratum et valet per annum lxxvj^s. viij^d. ultra repris. Et dicunt quod pertinet ad prædictum prioratum xv^{li}. xv. solidat. et iiij. denar. de reddit. assis. in manibus diversorum tenentium in vill. subscript. videlicet in Brademer, Cotegrave, Crophill, Byschop, Keworth, Colston Bassett, et Werton. Et apud Stonton super Waldas xiijs. iiij^d. in com. Not. Et dicunt quod pertinent ad prædictum prioratum rectoriæ de Lenton, Radeford, Kyrkton, et Sutton, cujus decima garbarum valet per annum xx^{li}. Et dicunt quod pertinet ad prioratum prædictum rectoria ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Notyngham cum omnibus decimis et proficuis garbarum, vellerum, agnorum, et aliarum rerum omnium decimand. prædictæ ecclesiæ provenientibus et valet iiij^{xx}. marc. Et dicunt quod rectoria ecclesiæ de Beeston cum quadam pensione ad prædictam ecclesiam pertinente quæ valet per annum xx^{li}. xiijs. ultra repris. Et dicunt quod quædam decima duarum partium ecclesiæ de Langher. videlicet garbarum, vellerum, agnorum, et onerum aliarum rerum decimand. ad prædictam rectoriam pertinent. valet per annum xxiij^{li}. ultra repris. Et dicunt quod quædam porcio decimæ de rectoria ecclesiæ de Rodyngton ad eundem prioratum pertinens valet per annum c^s. ultra reprisam. Et quædam alia porcio decimæ in Thorp. in the Clottes pertinet ad eundem prioratum, et valet per annum xiijs. iiij^d. ultra reprisas. Et quædam porcio decimæ pertinet ad eundem prioratum in Bonay quæ valet per annum xlvjs. viij^d. Et quædam porcio rectoriæ ecclesiæ de Cotegrave pertinet ad prioratum prædictum quæ valet per annum xiijs. iiij^d. Et dicunt quod pensiones subscriptæ pertinent ad prædictum prioratum videlicet de rectoria ecclesiæ de Cotegrave xij^s. de rectoria de Remston xx^d. de rectoria ecclesiæ de Cortelensstoke ij^s. de rectoria de Barton v^s. de rectoria beati Petri in Notyngham xvjs. de rectoria ecclesiæ beati Nich. in Not. x^s. de rectoria ecclesiæ de Lyndeby vjs. viij^d. de rectoria ecclesiæ de Stapulford lxxvj^s. viij^d. Et dicunt quod pertinet ad prioratum prædictum quædam porcio decimæ in Adynghborough, et valet per annum cvjs. viij^d. ultra repris. Et dicunt quod pertinet ad prioratum prædictum de reddit. assis. in Baseford xx^s. Et dicunt quod quædam porcio decimæ garbarum in Baseford et Catesby valet xiijs. iiij^d. Et dicunt quod pertinet ad prædictum prioratum quædam pensio de Nethyrbroughton quæ valet per annum xx^s. Et dicunt quod pertinet ad prædictum prioratum in villa de Nethyrbroughton de reddit. assis. exit. ignor. Et dicunt quod pertinet ad

prioratum prædictum de redditu assis. in Olby xiijs. iiij^d. Et dicunt quod p'caria custum. quæ pertinent ad prædictum prioratum valent quolibet anno xiijs. j^d. Et dicunt quod quædam pensio de rectoria de Wygynneston pertinet ad prædictum prioratum et valet per annum c^s. Prædicti juratores requisiti si aliquod vastum fuit factum in aliquibus domibus prædicto prioratui pertinent. necne, qui dicunt super sacramentum suum quod quinque cotag. prioratus prædicti in Kyrkton tam in defectu reparacionis quam in defectu tenent. tempore Prioris qui nunc est firmarius funditus corruerunt ad dampnum domini regis et prioratus prædicti x. marc. Et dicunt quod infra prædictum prioratum omnia domus et ædificia competenter sustentantur et reparantur absque aliquo vasto et nullam indigent reparationem. Et dicunt quod ad prædictum prioratum de Lenton pertinet manerium de Blakewall et sunt in eodem manerio duæ carucatæ terræ arabilis cum pertinentiis quæ valent per annum in omnibus exit. salv. xl^s. Et dicunt quod pertinet ad manerium prædictum de reddit. assis. xxx^s. Et dicunt quod pertinent ad eundem prioratum lijs. viij^d. annui redditus percipiend. de divers. tenementis, videlicet in Ascheforth, Tydeswell, Wrynhylye, Staunton, et Nethyrhaddon in com. Derb. Et dicunt quod pertinet ad prædictum prioratum unum capitale mesuagium cum omnibus suis pertinentiis in Dunston in com. prædicto quod valet per annum in omnibus exit. salvis repris. viij^{li}. Et dicunt quod pertinet ad prioratum rectoria ecclesiæ de Barwell quæ est in proprio usu dicti prioratus in com. prædicto et valet per annum liij^{li}. xiijs. Et rectoria ecclesiæ de Horseley quæ valet per annum xvj^{li}. xiijs. iiij^d. in com. prædicto. Et dicunt quod prior prioratus prædicti habet quandam parcellam terræ arabilis cum omnibus suis pertinentiis in Derby in com. prædicto quæ reddit per annum xxvj^s. viij^d. ultra repris. Juratores prædicti de articulis in dictis literis patentibus requis. dicunt super sacramentum suum quod ulterius nesciunt præsentare. In cujus rei testimonium huic inquis. sigilla sua alternatim apposuerunt.

Summa extentæ ccc^{li}. xiijs. iiij^d.

NUM. VI.

De arrestand. fratrem Willielmum de Repyngdon monachum de Lenton, qui diversas Bullas Papales impetraverat ad quædam officia in Prioratu isto obtinend. et exercend.

[Pat. 19 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 21. dors.]

REX dilectis sibi vic. Notingham et Derb. Johanni de Plumtree majori villæ Nottingham, Johanni de Croweshawe, Ricardo Wylford, Thomæ de Columbelle de Birton, et Willielmo de Deryngton, salutem. Quia datum est nobis intelligi quod frater Willielmus de Repyngdon monachus extra regnum nostrum Angliæ versus curiam Romanam sine licentia nostra se divertebat et ibidem diversas bullas et litteras apostolicas ad quædam officia in prioratu de Lenton qui de fundatione progenitorum nostrorum quondam regum Angliæ et nostro patronatu existit pro termino vitæ suæ optinend. et exercend. sine assensu et voluntate nostris sive prioris et conventus loci illius impetravit, et eas infra regnum nostrum prædictum deferri fecit et procuravit executioni demandand. in nostri contemptum et præjudicium, nostrique et coronæ nostræ exhæredationis periculum manifestum et prioratus prædicti destructionem perpetuam nisi super hoc adhibeatur remedium opportunum; nos tam indempnitati nostræ quam prioratus prædicti prospicere volentes in hac parte assignavimus vos conjunctim et divisim ad præfatum Willielmum ubicunque inveniri poterit tam infra libertates quam extra, una cum bullis et litteris prædictis arrestand. et capiend. et coram nobis et consilio nostro in cancellaria nostra statim cum captus fuerit ducend. ad respondend. super præmissis et ad faciend. ulterius et recipiend. quod curia nostra consideravit in hac parte. Et ideò vobis et cuilibet vestrum mandamus quod circa præmissa diligenter intendatis et ea faciatis et exequamini in forma prædicta. Damus autem universis et singulis vicecomitibus, majoribus, ballivis, ministris, constabulariis, et aliis fidelibus et subditis nostris, infra libertates et extra, tenore præsentium firmiter in mandatis quod vobis et cuilibet vestrum in executione præmissorum intendentes sint consulentes et auxiliantes prout decet. Teste rege apud Scroby undecimo die Augusti.

NUM. VII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus 26 Hen. VIII.

PRIORAT' SANCTE TRINITATIS DE LENTON IN COMITATU
NOTT' EBOR' DIOCESIS.

JOH'ES P'or iſm.

Nott' Comitatus.

Valet in decimis garbarum et feni ecclie de Lenton predicta comunibus annis 6l. 13s. 4d. In decimis garbarū et feni ecclie de Radford in com' Nott' predicto comunibus annis 6l. 13s. 4d. In decimis garbarū et feni ecclie parroch' Beate Marie in villa Nottyngh^a in comunibus annis 18l. In decimis personalibus et oblaconibus ibidem comunibus annis 9l. et in decimis garbarum et feni ecclie de Beston comunibus annis 8l. In toto

Ebor' Comitatus.

Valet in decimis garbarum et feni ecclie de
cōibz annis 28l. 0s. 0d.

Cestr' Comitatus.

Valet in decimis et al' proficuis ecclie de Middelwiche cōibus annis 30l. 0s. 0d.

Lanc' Comitatus.

Valet in om̄iōdis proficuis eidem celle de Kershall pertinent' per annū 9l. 6s. 8d. Inde sol' annuatim pro feod' Johannis Byron mi' senescalli ibidem 1l.

Et reman' clare . . . 8l. 6s. 8d.

Leic' Comitatus.

Valet per annum in decimis oblaconibus ac alijs proficuis unacū terris glebat' ecclie de Wygston pertinent' 33l. 2½d. Inde sol' Johanni Raustall vicario iſm pro annua pensione pro appropriacōne ecclie predictae 9l. Ep̄o Lincoln' pro indemnitate ecclie p̄dce racōne appropriacōnis ejusdem per annum 13s. 4d. Decano et capitulo Lincoln' pro indemnitate dce ecclie racōne appropriacōnis 5s. Archino Leic' pro indemnitate sua causa appropriacōnis predictae 3s. 4d. distribut' pauperibus parrochie ibidem in elemosina in Cena Dñi orant' pro āia bone memorie Henrici nuper regis Angliæ 7^{mi}. per composicōem 6s. 8d. Abbi et conventui Leicestre pro quadam annua pensione extra eccliam predictā 1l. 6s. 8d. Decano et canonicis Leicestre pro annua pensione exeunte de ecclia predca 1l. 6s. 8d. et ep̄o Lincoln' et archino Nott' pro sinodalibus et procuraconibus per annū Et rem'

19l. 6s. 8d.

Derb' Comitatus.

Valet in decimis et alijs proficuis ecclie de Horseley per annum 6l. 13s. 4d. In decimis dolij vocat' Leede Ure in diversis locis in Alto Pecco in com' Derb' predcō predcō per annū 6l. 13s. 4d. In toto 13l. 6s. 8d.

Porcōnes annuæ pertinent' Prioratui predicto.

Nott'.

Porcōnes.

Valet in promptis denarijs receptis pro porcōne in Sutton per composicōem 2l. In consilibz denarijs receptis de priore de Novo Loco pro porcōne decimarū in Stapulford comunibz annis 3l. 6s. 8d. In consilibz denarijs receptis de priore de Beavall pro porcōne in Gresley 6s. 8d. In consilibz denarijs receptis de priore de Felley pro porcōne in Adenberow 6l. 13s. 4d. In denarijs receptis de priorissa de Catisby pro porcōne in Baseford 1l. 13s. 4d. In porcōne decimarū recept' in dñio de Codgrave comunibus annis 8s. 6d. In denarijs annuatim receptis pro porcōne decimarum garbarum et feni ac etiam agnorū et lane infra parrochiam de Langer comunibus annis 12l. In denarijs receptis pro porcōne decimarum in dñio de Boney per manus prioris de Wolvescrofte per annū 2l. 6s. 8d. In denarijs pro decimis dñij de Thorp in glebis 8s. In denarijs receptis p porcōne decimarum in dñio de Rodyngton comunibus annis 3l. In toto per annum 32l. 3s. 2d.

Derb' Comitatus.

Valet in decimis lane et agnorum in parrochijs de Blakewell Hoope et capella de Freth comunibus annis c^s in

decimis garbaz et feni de Blakewell comunibus annis 1l. In decimis garbarum et feni in Chelmden per annum 3l. In decimis garbarum et feni de Cowdale Sterndale et Staden per annum 2l. In decimis garbarū et feni in Fayrefeld Calow Wolow et Pigter per annū 2l. 13s. 4d. In decimis garbarum et feni in Buxston per annū 1l. 11s. 8d. In denarijs receptis pro porcōne x^{me} dominij de Monache et Flagge 16s. 8d. In denarijs recept' pro porcōne decime de Ashford cum 8s. 6d. Pro decimis molendini ibidem 1l. 3s. 6d. In denarijs receptis pro porcōne x^{me} in Bradwall per annum 10s. In denarijs receptis pro porcōne decimarum in Medopleke per manus abbi Leicestre per annū 3s. In denarijs receptis pro porcōne x^{me} molendini de Blakewall per annum 4s. 5½d. In decimis garbarū in Holmesfeld 13s. 4d. In decimis garbarum et feni ex^a eccliam capelle de le Freth 8l. Et in decimis garbarum de Glossop per manus abbi de Basingwarke per annum 10l. 13s. 4d. 37l. 9s. 3½d.

North' Comitatus.

Valet in denarijs receptis pro porcōne x^{ar} x^a eccliam de Rushedon per annum 12l. In denarijs receptis pro porcōne decimarū ex^a eccliam de Duston per manus abbi sancti Jacobi Northampton per annum 1l. In toto 13l. 0s. 0d.

Leic' Comitatus.

Valet in denarijs receptis pro porcōne decimarū extra eccliam de Bresworthe per annū . . . 0l. 10s. 0d.

Pensiōes annualas Priorat' predicto pertinent'.

Nott' Comitatus.

Valet in denarijs receptis de vicario de Lenton pro annua pensione 1l. 6s. 8d. In denarijs recept' pro annua pensione ecclie de Lynly 6s. 8d. In denarijs receptis de vicario de Baseford pro annua pensione 4s. De rectore ecclie S^{ti} Petri in villa Nott' pro pensione 16s. De rectore sancti Nichōi ibidem 10s. De custode hospiti^{lis} Beate Marie ad finē pontis ville Nott' 6s. 8d. De magro hospiti^{lis} sancti Johannis in Nott' 13s. 4d. De rcore de Codgrave per annū 14s. De rcore de Barton in Fabis pro annua pensione 5s. De rcore de Remston pro annua pensione 2s. et de rcore de Cortelingstocke pro annuali pensione 2s. In toto 5l. 6s. 4d.

Leic'.

Valet in denarijs receptis de rcore de Broughton pro annuali pensione 1l. 10s. De priorissa monial' de Bolyngton pro ecclia de Prestwold per annum 4s. De rcore de Foston 10s. In toto 2l. 4s. 0d.

North'.

Valet in denarijs receptis de rcore de Cortnall pro annua pensione 6s. 8d. De rcore de Russheden 4s. De rcore de Harleston 2l. De vicario de Flowre 3s. 6d. 2l. 14s. 2d.

Nott' Comitatus.

Lenton.

Valet in terris dñicalibus ibidem in manibus prioris existen' per annū 20l. 3s. 4d. In redditibus et firmis divers' tenenciū ibidem per annū 23l. In firma molendini aquatici dimiss' Ricō Alen 3l. 6s. 8d. In proficuo nundinarum iſm tent' in festo sancti Martini in hieme cōibus annis 12l. et in perquisit' curie ibidem comunibus annis 1l. 6s. 8d. In toto 59l. 16s. 8d. Inde sol' domino regi pro siantia per manus vic' Nott' pro terris in Lenton et Radforth 13s. 4d. Resol' vic' ville Nott' pro passagio sive distribucone tempore nundinaꝝ predict' prout pꝝ per antiquam composicoem 2l. et pro feodo Ricci Pawe ballivi ibidem per a^m 2l. 13s. 4d.

Et reman' clare 54l. 10s. 0d.

Radford.

Valet in redditibus et firmis ibidem per annū 9l. 4s. 2d. In firma duorum molendinorum aq^{atic} iſm dimissa Nicō Querneley et Ricō Inghland per indenturam 9l. 6s. 8d. In toto 18l. 10s. 10d. Inde sol' Nicō Querneley senesc' curie de Radford pro feod' suo ac senescallo de Newthorp et Codgrave 2l. 13s. 4d. Et rem' 15l. 17s. 6d.

Villa Nott'.

Valet in redditibus et firmis ibidem per annum 2l. 12s. 0d. Inde in redd' resolutis vic' ville Nott' pro terris iſm 14s. 10d. Et rem' 1l. 17s. 2d.

Newthorp.		
Valet in redd' et firmis ibidem per annū 7 <i>l.</i> 2 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> Inde sol' annuatim pro feod' Johannis Barker ballivi de Newthorp et Whatnawe per annū 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> Et rem' 6 <i>l.</i> 9 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>		
Allesworth.		
Valet in redd' et firmis iſm per annū 0 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i>		
Whatnaw.		
Valet in redd' et firmis iſm per annū 0 <i>l.</i> 9 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>		
Mauncefeld.		
Valet in redd' et firmis ibidem per annum 0 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i>		
Codgrave.		
Valet in redd' et firmis iſm per annum 9 <i>l.</i> 11 <i>s.</i> 7 <i>d.</i> Inde sol' annuatim pro feodo Johannis Trowell ballivi ibidem 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> Et re' 8 <i>l.</i> 18 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i>		
Normanton.		
Valet in redditibz et firmis iſm per annum 0 <i>l.</i> 18 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i>		
Keyworth.		
Valet in redditibz et firmis iſm per annum 1 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> 2 <i>d.</i>		
Cropwell Butler.		
Valet in redditibus et firmis iſm per annum 0 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>		
Bradmere.		
Valet in redditibus et firmis iſm per annum 3 <i>l.</i> 3 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>		
Rempston.		
Valet in redditibus et firmis iſm per annū 0 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>		
Berton in Fabis.		
Valet in redditibus et firmis iſm per annum 0 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>		
Cortelyngstocke.		
Valet in redd' et firmis iſm per annum 0 <i>l.</i> 0 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i>		
Almeton.		
Valet in redditibus et firmis iſm per annū 0 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>		
Leic.		
Broughton.		
Valet in redditibus et firmis iſm per annum 2 <i>l.</i> 7 <i>s.</i> Inde pro feod' Johannis Humfrey balli iſm per annum 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> Et reman' 1 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i>		
Derb' Comitatus.		
Tiddeswell.		
Valet in redditibus et firmis iſm per annum 0 <i>l.</i> 11 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>		
Blakwall.		
Valet in redditibus et firmis ibidem per annum 11 <i>l.</i> 3 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> Et in perquis' curie 3 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> In toto 11 <i>l.</i> 7 <i>s.</i> Inde sol' annuatim pro feodo Riçi Blaknall ballivi dci prioris in Alto Pecco in com' predco per annum 2 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> Et pro feod' ballivi de Glossopdale 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> Et re' 8 <i>l.</i> 7 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>		
Asheford.		
Valet in reddit' et firmis iſm per annum 0 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>		
Trokehill.		
Valet in redd' et firmis iſm per annum 1 <i>l.</i> 2 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>		
Bradwall.		
Valet in redd' et firmis iſm per annum 0 <i>l.</i> 15 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>		
Denby.		
Valet in redd' et firmis iſm per annum 1 <i>l.</i> 0 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>		
Holme, Dunston, Byrley, et Whitewell.		
Valet in redd' et firmis ibidem per annum dimiss' Edwardo Eyer armigero per indenturam 8 <i>l.</i> 0 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>		

Northt' Comitatus.		
Cortenall.		
Valet in redd' et firmis ibidem per annum dimiss' Henrico Maxe per indenturam 30 <i>l.</i> Inde sol. annuatim Henrici Maxe ballivi iſm per annum 2 <i>l.</i> pro feod' suo. Et reman' clare 28 <i>l.</i> 0 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>		
Dunston.		
Valet in redd' et firmis ibidem per annum 16 <i>s.</i> Inde resol' n ^l . Et rem' 0 <i>l.</i> 16 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>		
Newbottell.		
Valet in redd' et firmis iſm per annum 0 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i>		
Suṃa temporal'.		
Sṃ ^a totalis valoris tam spūaliū q ^{am} temporalīū prioratus predict' 417 <i>l.</i> 19 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i>		
De quibus		
Suṃa repris' tam spūalium q ^{am} temporalium superius deductaz 30 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> 4½ <i>d.</i>		
Et reman' clare 487 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> 10½ <i>d.</i>		
De quibus		
Repris'		
Resoluções Annuales, viz		
Gardiano collegii in Clyfton in com' Nott', per compositionem, ad orandum pro animabus Willmi Bothe quondam archiepi Eboz, et Gervasii Clyfton-mi ^{ts} , 10 <i>l.</i> Thome Bate cant' in ecclia metropolitana Eboz, fundat', ad orandum pro animabz Thome Rotherham quondam archiepi Eboz et Henrici Carnebull presbiteri 6 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> Thome Pylley cantaristæ in ecclia de Rotheram, Eboz diocesis, fundat', ad orandū pro animabus prædictis 6 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> Johanni Wilson cantaristæ in ecclia de Northewynfeld, in com' Derb', fundat', ad orandum pro Radulpho Savage 5 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> Riço Dowkyn curato in capella de Chelmerdon per compositionem 1 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> p ^{ori} cellæ Sancti Jacobi in Derb' exeunt' de terris in Dunston, in com' Derb' 10 <i>s.</i> In toto		
Elimos' annuatim distribut', viz.		
Quinque egenis a primeva fundacōne, videlt, Willfo Brewer, Carolo Howson, Johanni More, Rogero Wilson, et Thomæ Revell, orantibus pro animabus Willfi Pevell et Adelinae ux̄is ejus, fundatorum prioratus prædci, et pro animabus Henrici regis Angliæ primi, et Matildis reginæ consortis suæ, et hæredu' suorum, in esculentis et poculent' cotidie, cum lect ^s et focal' competen', quæ valent per septimana' 5 <i>s.</i> et quolibz die Dñica 1 <i>d.</i> cuilibz eorum extend' in toto per annu' ad suṃam 14 <i>l.</i> 1 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> distribut' in pecuniis in die anniṽsar' p ^{dict} ' Willmi Peverell et Adelinae, videlt, vicesimo die Januarii, et 28 die ejusdem m̄s' Januarii pauperibus illic advenientibus 2 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> In toto		
Feod' annu ^{ti} solut', videlt,		
Johanni Wylloughby militi, senescallo prioratus prædci per annum 2 <i>l.</i> Rolando Colyngewod generali receptori om̄i' et singlorum dñiorum, maneriorum, terr', et tenementorum prædci prioratus per annum 1 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> et Henrico Statham auditori ididem pro feodo suo per annum 1 <i>l.</i> In toto 4 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i>		
Suṃa repris' prædcaz.		
Et reman' clare 329 <i>l.</i> 15 <i>s.</i> 10½ <i>d.</i>		
Decima inde 32 <i>l.</i> 19 <i>s.</i> 7½ <i>d.</i>		

NUM. VIII.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.			
[Abstract of Roll 29 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]			
LENTON NUPER MONASTERIUM.			
Com' Nott'	£.	s.	d.
Lenton—Reddit' assis'		null'	
Lenton—Reddit' tenentium per copiam cur'	5	8	7 ob'

Com' Nott'	£.	s.	d.	Com' Leic'	£.	s.	d.
Lenton—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem	28	11	2 ob'	Nether Broughton et Bosworth—Reddit'	2	13	0
Lenton—Firmæ	5	6	8	Wygston—Firma rector'	11	3	8
Lenton—Terr' dominical'	39	19	0	Nether Broughton—Pensio	1	10	0
Lenton—Firma molendini	2	13	4	Prestwolde—Pensio	0	4	0
Lenton—Decimæ et portiones	10	19	4	Forston—Pensio	0	10	0
Lenton—Exitus nundin'		null'		Bosworth—Portio x ^m	0	10	0
Lenton—Perquis' cur'	4	2	6	Com' Northiton'			
Lenton—Recept' forens'	23	2	0 ob.	Twygryse—Reddit'	0	2	0
Radforth—Reddit' assis'	0	5	6	Flower—Reddit'	0	3	6
Radforth—Reddit' tenentium per copiam cur'	2	15	9	Duston—Reddit'	1	2	0
Radforth—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem	4	13	7 ob.'	Blysworth—Reddit'	0	4	0
Radforth—Reddit' molend'	9	5	4	Courtnall—Firma maner'	15	0	0
Radforth—Portiones decimarum	8	14	0	Rushenden—Firma rector'	24	0	0
Radforth—Perquis' cur'		null'		Newbottle—Portio x ^m	0	6	8
Nottingham—Reddit' assis'	1	15	4	Duston—Portio x ^m	1	1	0
Nottingham—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem	2	14	10	Rushenden—Pensio rector'	0	4	0
Nottingham—Firma	0	6	8	Courtnall—Pensio rector'	0	6	8
Nottingham—Pensiones	2	6	0	Harleston—Pensio rector'	2	0	0
Nottingham—Decimæ	35	18	8	Blisworth—Porcio x ^m	1	0	0
Nottingham—Perquis' cur'		null'		Com' Derby'			
Nottingham—Recept' forens'	14	9	6	Blackwall—Lib' reddit'	0	6	0
Allesworth—Reddit' de manerio	0	13	4	Ashford et Skampton—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem	1	1	4
Estwayte—Reddit'	0	6	8	Blackwall—Reddit' tenentium per copiam cur'	2	0	0
Algerthorpe—Lib' reddit'	0	16	0	Blackwall—Firma maner' et al'	11	9	0
Wylford—Reddit'	0	18	0	Tyddeswall—Firma mesuag' et ten'	0	5	6
Almeton—Reddit'	0	6	0	Darvent Myll—Molend' sic vocat'	1	2	0
Cropwell—Reddit'	0	4	0	Chelmerdon, Buckston, Fayerfeld, et Bradwell—Firma decimarum	7	15	0
Whatnowe—Reddit'	0	3	4	Haselbathe in le Peke—Firma decimarum	0	6	8
Normanton—Reddit'	0	9	4	Capella in le Fryth—Firma decimarum	4	0	0
Beeston—Reddit'	0	2	10	Horsley et Denby—Firma rector'	6	13	4
Baseforth—Reddit'	0	3	0	Denby—Firma terr'	1	0	0
Rempston—Reddit'	0	4	0	Altum Peccum—X ^m de le led	6	13	4
Curtlyngstoke—Reddit'	0	0	6	Home et Duston juxta Chesterfeld—Firma maner'	5	0	0
Barton—Reddit'	0	6	0	Bradwell—Redd' un' mesuag'	0	15	0
Brakelstowe—Reddit'	0	1	0	Glossoppe—Reddit'	5	6	8
Whatnowe—Portio x ^m	0	6	8	Medehopeleke—Reddit'	0	3	0
Sneynton—Firma x ^m	1	6	8	Ashford—Portio decimarum	1	3	6
Thorp in Glebis—Portio x ^m	0	8	0	Tyddeswell—Firma decimarum	0	6	0
Beeston—X ^{mæ}	11	1	0	Bakewell X ^{mæ} molend'	0	4	5 ob'
Beeston—Pensio eccl'	1	2	0	Ashford—X ^{mæ} molend'	0	8	6
Baseforth—Pensio vicar'	0	4	0	Homefeld in Bakewell—X ^{mæ}	0	13	4
Baseforth—X ^{mæ}	1	13	4	Blackwall—X ^{mæ}	1	0	0
Curtlingstoke—Pensio	0	2	0	Com' Linc'			
Rempston—Pensio	0	2	0	Lincoln Villa—Reddit'	0	16	0
Lynby—Pensio	0	6	8	Com' Lanc'			
Barton—Pensio	0	5	0	Kersawe—Reddit' assis'	0	13	4
Adenborow—Portio x ^m	6	13	4	Kersawe—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem	3	5	10
Bulwell—Portio x ^m	0	2	0	Kersawe—Firmæ	2	4	10
Bonney—Portio x ^m	2	6	8	Kersawe—Terr' dominical'	11	6	8
Stapulford—Portio x ^m	1	13	4	Kersawe—Firma molend'	0	13	4
Mansfield—Firma	0	16	8	Com' Ebor'			
Baseforth—Firma	0	3	6	Arksey—Firma rector'	15	0	0
Newthorp—Reddit' assis'	0	2	6	Com' Cestr'			
		ij. lib. cumini		Middlewych—Firma rector'	16	0	0
Newthorp—Reddit' tenentium per copiam cur'	3	11	8				
Newthorp—Firma	0	12	8				
Langar—Firma	12	0	0				
Rodington—Firma	3	18	4				
Bradmere—Firma	3	4	0				
Cayworth—Firma	1	8	10				

Priory of Pontefract, in Yorkshire.



FROM a charter of Hugh de la Val, which will be again mentioned presently, it appears that Robert de Lacy founded this priory in the reign of King William Rufus. The "T. venerabilis archiepiscopus Eboraci" therefore spoken of in the founder's two charters, could not have been Thurstin, as Leland suggests,^a but Archbishop Thomas I. who died in the year 1100.

By the founder's first charter it appears, that Pontefract was at its very beginning subjected to the foreign house of La Charité sur Loire, whence its earliest monks were imported: it was dedicated to St. John the Evangelist, and, beside its site in the founder's manor of Kyrkebi, was endowed with the land of Brakenhil, the custody of the hospital of St. Nicholas at Pontefract,^b the lands of Witewde, Maram, and Ledestun, the church of Ledesham with the moiety of the vill, the land at Doddewrthe, a carucate in Altoftes, another in Kyrkeby of the gift of W. Folioth, the west mill at Kyrkeby, a fishery at Witewde extending to Queldale, the churches of Kyrkeby, Kypeis, and Dardinton, the church of Sylkeston of the gift of Suane the son of Ailric with its chapels, and the chapel of St. Clement.^c

In a second charter, the founder describes the boundaries of the land which he had given at Doddewrthe, and confirms Suane's gift of the church of Silkeston, noticing Calthorn as one of its chapels.^d

The third charter printed by Dugdale in the Appendix to the present account, is from Hugh de la Val, who appears to have held the castle and honor of Pontefract in the time of Henry the First, after the expulsion of Robert de Laci and his son Ilbert from the realm.^e This charter, beside confirming the lands and possessions given by the founder to the monastery of La Charité for the use of the monks at Pontefract, adds the church of St. Mary de Foro, six oxgangs of land in Foxoles, the water between the two mills of Castleford, six oxgangs in Silkeston of the gift of Ailfi, the tithe of rents in Kirkeby, a carucate of land, with a manse or house for the sick, the church of Sleteburne, the church of Walley in Cheshire, the chapel and tithes of his demesne of the castle of Clitheroe, the church of St. Mary Magdalen there, and the churches of Calne and Brunley.^f

Henry de Lacy, the younger son of Robert, to whom the honor of Pontefract was restored by the Empress Maud, granted his Charter of confirmation to the monks of Pontefract in 1159, on the day of the dedication of their church; but without any mention in his charter of the monastery of La Charité. The augmentation of former endowments noted in this charter seems to have consisted of sixty shillings yearly from the revenues of Pontefract, and the ferry of Castleford, on the part of Henry de Lacy: and of a toft in Pontefract from Jordan Folioth, and an oxgang in Altoftis from Roger of Poictou, two of the witnesses to Henry's charter.^g

Henry de Lacy, by another charter, granted to this priory his little vill of Kelingley, with the fishery of Bexala, for which the monks are stated to have give him one hundred marks in recognition. In this charter the church is spoken of as dedicated to St. Mary and St. John.^h

Pope Celestin, by a bull which may be considered as another of the greater Instruments of this monastery,ⁱ confirmed the donations to the monks already mentioned; gave them leave to receive such persons into their fraternity as they should think fit; and prohibited any one, who had made his profession there, from departing without leave of the prior, unless it should be to enter into some House of a stricter order. The right of interment, saving the particular privileges of neighbouring churches, was allowed to this monastery; and in the time of any general Interdict, the monks were permitted to perform divine offices under certain restrictions: these were, with closed doors, without the ringing of bells, and in a low voice; excommunicated and interdicted persons being excepted from forming a part of their congregation. By this bull, also, all persons were forbidden to give molestation to the monks of Pontefract.^k

The above are the more important Deeds, relating to the first and general endowment of Pontefract. Sir William Dugdale, however, has preserved a few Instruments in addition; some of them being the originals of grants already mentioned in the greater charters, others detailing subsequent donations.

Adam the son of Suane, the son of Ailric, confirmed the church of Silkeston, which had been given by his father to the monks, together with the chapel of Calthorn, two parts of all the tithes throughout his lands, and his own religious foundation of St. Mary Magdalen of Lunda, subsequently called the Cell of Monk-Bretton, with all its appurtenances; as also the chapel of St. Andrew, near Culcalt, in Cumberland, and sixty acres of land in Calthorne.^l

The grant of the church of Silkeston was again confirmed by Clemencia de Lungvilers in the 22d of Henry the Third:^m and subsequently by Robert de Montbegon.ⁿ

The deed immediately succeeding, copied by Dugdale, is dated in 1289. It confirms the settlement of differences between the monks of Pontefract and those of the cell of Lunda, or Monk Bretton, made in 1269. The substance of this latter deed will be again referred to. It may be sufficient to say here, that the monks of Pontefract, for a valuable consideration, enfranchised their cell of Lunda.^o

The next instrument relates to an exchange between the priory of St. Oswald at Nostel, and that of Pontefract; the former resigning up the tithes of two hundred acres of arable land at Whitwood and Mere; and of fifteen acres of meadow in the former place; the prior and convent of Pontefract, in return, making over other tithes and profits of the priory of Nostel of like value.^p

Alice de Gaunt gave to the monks of Pontefract a carucate of land in Ingolvesmeles for the soul of Ilbert de Lacy, who had first given it to her in dower.^q This grant was afterwards confirmed by Roger de Molbrai, or Mowbray, her husband.^r

Alice de Rumelli gave a carucate in Brocton, with a mansion in that vill where the monks might be entertained. This donation was made for the benefit of the soul of Wil-

^a Itin. vol. i. p. 42. "Robert son to Hilbert Lacie founded *instigante* THURSTINO the priori of Pontfract." Leland, it is probable, lengthened the T. of the foundation charter to *Thurstin*, in consequence of that archbishop becoming a monk of Pontefract when he resigned his see in 1139. He died there in 1140.

^b Leland, Itin. vol. i. p. 41, meaning this hospital, says, "There was a college and hospital in Brokenbridg afore the Conquest, wher the Monkes lay until the priorie was erected. It is yet an hospital."

^c Compare the Instrument, Num. I. in the Appendix.

^d See Num. II.

^e Dugdale, in his Baronage, noticing Robert de Laci's gifts to different religious houses, says, "But after all this, both he, and Ilbert his son, were expelled the realm by King Henry the First, and the Honor of Pontefract bestowed on Henry Traverse; who being, shortly after, mortally wounded by one Pain a servant of his own, caused himself to be shorn a monk, and so died within three days. After which, the king

gave this Honor of Pontefract to Guy de la Val, who held it to King Stephen's time." Baron. tom. i. p. 99. Hugh de la Val, however, as is evident from the above charter, was lord of Pontefract in the time of Henry the First.

^f See Num. III. It is remarkable that King Henry the First signs as a witness to this charter. Of the church of Walley given by Hugh de la Val, see an ample article in the Appendix, Num. XXVIII.

^g Num. IV.

^h Num. V. So in the third of Jordan Folioth's charters, Num. XIX.

ⁱ Whether Pope Celestin II. or III. is not quite clear.

^k Num. VI.

^l Num. VII.

^m Num. VIII.

ⁿ Num. IX. The relationship of these persons to Suane, is explained in the "Progenies Suani filii Alurici," in the Appendix Num. XXXI.

^o Num. X.

^p Num. XI.

^q Num. XII.

^r Num. XIII.

liam Fitz Duncan, and the souls of others her ancestors.^a It was subsequently confirmed in a separate charter by William de Fory, earl of Albemarle.^b

Peter de Falkeberg gave a moiety of the church of St. Michael at Catthevic. Roger, archbishop of York, and Jordan Folioth, were witnesses to his charter.^c

Jordan Folioth granted three charters to the monks. In one he bestowed upon them the toft in Pontefract, which had been Asger's.^d By the two others he gave them the west mill at Nortun, for which the monks were to pay yearly half a mark to the chapel of that place.^e In the third charter, in addition, he confirmed to the monks a carucate of land at Baghill in Pontefract, which had been given to them by William de Foliot, his father.

Richard, the son of Wlf de Doddewrd, and William, his brother, transferred to the monks their homagers in Doddewrd, together with their services.^f

Geoffrey, earl of Lincoln, gave the passage of South Feribi.^g

Jordan de St. Mary gave all the meadow which belonged to him in the territory of Feria: with other meadow in Friston.^h

Adam Fitz Peter gave the moiety of the mill at Stainburch; ⁱ and, by another charter, half a bovat in Fareburn.^k

John Fitz Adam confirmed thirteen acres of meadow in Smethal, which had been given by his father to the monastery. He also gave two oaks annually to the monks from his wood of Byrkin, with one deer from his park at the feast of St. John Port-Latin, and half the mill of Stainburg.^l

Simon de Mohaut gave two bovates of land of twenty acres, belonging to his demesne in Keswic, together with a toft of an acre in the same vill, the monks receiving him into their fraternity.^m

William Maltravers gave the monks a mark yearly out of his revenues, as long as he should hold the honor of Pontefract.ⁿ

Ralph de Capricaria, and his sister Beatrice, gave the vill of Bernsley, his sons, Jordan and Richard, joining in the grant.^o Jordan's confirmation follows the charter of his father.^p

At the close of these deeds Dugdale has printed an account of the foundation of St. Clement's chapel in the castle of Pontefract, by Ilbert de Lacy;^q which, in early times, appears in some degree to have been slightly connected with the priory.^r

Stevens, in his Continuation of Dugdale, has added to the instruments in the old Monasticon, two Compositions, and a small grant of land, consisting of a toft, and half an acre in Kingburwode.^s

The entries relating to Pontefract in the Taxation of 1291, are as follows:

Spiritualities.

"Dioc. Linc. Porcio in ecclesia de Schipton 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

"Dioc. Ebor. Prebenda prioris de Pontefracto in capella castri de Pontefracto 10*l.*

"Ecclesia de Ledesham priori de Pontefracto appropriata 10*l.*

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| ^a Num. XIV. | ^b Num. XV. | ^c Num. XVI. |
| ^d Num. XVII. | ^e Numm. XVIII. XIX. | ^f Num. XX. |
| ^g Num. XXI. | ^h Num. XXII. | ⁱ Num. XXIII. |
| ^k Num. XXIV. | ^l Num. XXV. | ^m Num. XXVI. |
| ⁿ Num. XXVII. | ^o Num. XXIX. | ^p Num. XXX. |
| ^q Num. XXXII. | ^r Compare the Instruments Numm. I. III. | |
| ^s See Numm. XXXIII. XXXIV. XXXV. | | |

^t See the Taxat. Eccles. P. Nicholai IV. folio 1802, pp. 32. b, 74, 298 b, 299, 300, 304 b, 305, 321, 325, 333 b, 334.

The following extracts from public records relate to the property of this monastery:

An. 1 Edw. I. Prior de Pontefracto recuperat per ass. et etiam per iudicium coram rege redditum, communiam pasturæ in quingentis acris moræ in Mykelfeldi, et in quingentis acris pasturæ tempore aperto ibidem, versus Willielmum de La Launde, Hugonem Serjaunt, et Willielmum Swaze, quæ pertinet ad liberum tenementum suum in Ledestone et Ledesham. Term. S. Mich. rot. 9. Abbrev. Placit. p. 185.

An. 28, 29 Edw. I. Term. Mich. Prior de Pontefracto recuperat per jur. et judic. cur. versus Simonem Nowell unum mess. et duas partes duarum bovatarum terræ cum pertinentiis in Bernesete, &c. in com. Lanc. rot. 27. Abbrev. Plac. p. 242. See also the Plac. de quo waranto, 21 Edw. I. p. 231.

Rot. Hund. 4 Edw. I. Com. Ebor. Prior de Pontefracto tenet in Estkesewyk duo tofta et duas bovatas terræ de dono Simonis de Montealto, xl. annis et a psis.

"Porcio decimarum prioris de Pontefracto de Neuton et Chiste in parochia de Roriston 8*l.*

"Porcio in ecclesia de Catwik 2*l.*

Temporalities.

"Dioc. Linc. in decanatu de Jordeberg 3*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.*

"Dioc. Ebor. in archidiaconatu Ebor. 51*l.* 17*s.* 11½*d.*"^t

The church of Silkeston was appropriated to this priory in 1284;^u that of Kippax in 1409.^x

The following are all the names of the

PRIORS OF PONTEFRACT

which the editors of the New Monasticon have been able to recover.

MARTIN is believed to have been the first prior, t. Hen. I. He was witness to a charter from the Countess Lucia to the priory of Spalding in that reign.^y

ADAM is mentioned as prior in Adam Fitz Suane's charter, announcing the foundation of Lunda, or Monk Bretton priory.^z

HUGH occurs prior in Pope Celestin's bull. But whether this was Pope Celestin II. or III. is not stated. The former reigned from September 1143 to March 1144. The latter from 1191 to 1198.

HUBERT occurs prior in the 30th Hen. II. A.D. 1183.^a

GEOFFREY occurs in 1268.^b

GUYCHARDUS DE CHERLEN was made prior in 1311.^c

SIMON occurs A.D. 1316.^d

JOHN TUNSTALL, on whose death

WILLIAM HELAGH was made prior, 28th June 1404.^e

JAMES THWAYTS was the last prior. He, with seven brethren, and one novice, surrendered the priory 23d November 1540, 31st of Henry the VIIIth, and had a pension assigned him of fifty pounds per annum.^f

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the yearly revenues of this priory were rated, in the gross, at 47*l.* 16*s.* 10½*d.*; the clear value at 337*l.* 14*s.* 8½*d.*^g

Boothroyd says, the site of the priory, its demesne, tithes, and emoluments, continued to be farmed out to different individuals till the 7th of Edward the Sixth, when a grant was made of all the property belonging to the priory within the township of Pontefract to George lord Talbot.^h This property now belongs to the Earl of Harewood.

Tanner says,

"Vide Cartularium hujus Prioratus penes dom. Tho. Widdrinton, 1652.

"Registrum in custodia Joannis Wentworth de Wolley in com. Ebor. arm. cujus Apographum fuit penes Nath. Johnston M.D. de Pontfract.

"Registrum in manibus St. Lo. Kniveton, Reyner' vol. i. p. 41.

"The book of Pomfret in the custody of Mr. Bunny of Newland MS. Vincent Anstis.

"Thomæ Castlefordi Historiam Pontefracti, gesta sui Cœnobii.

Item Jocus ballivus de Snayth, et Thomas clericus socius ejus, extorserunt de priore de Pontefracto, nomine teolonei, ad valorem x. marc. infra decem annos elapsos contra tenorem cartæ prædecessorum domini regis.

Dicunt juratores quod Prior de Pontefracto habet nundinas, mercatum, furcas, assisas panis et cervisiæ, apud Bornesley a xxvj. ann. nesciunt quo waranto.

Rot. Hundred. temp. Hen. III. et Edw. I. in Turre Lond. et in Curia Receptæ Scaccarii Westmon. asserv. vol. i. pp. 105, 119, 134.

Of the privileges of the prior of Pontefract at Wermesley in Lincolnshire, see the Plac. de quo waranto, 9 Edw. I. p. 434, 438.

^u Reg. Wickwane archiep. Ebor.

^x MS. Harl. 6969, p. 103, è Reg. Ebor.

^y See the Transcript of the Spalding Register, MS. Cole Brit. Mus. vol. xliii. p. 147.

^z See the Append. Num. VII.

^a See the Append. Num. XXXIV.

^b Regist. Giffard archiep. Ebor. See the Append. Num. X.

^c Regist. Grenefeld; archiep. Ebor. fol. 51.

^d Reg. Grenef. in lib. vacationum archiepiscopat.

^e Ducarel's Excerpts from the Lamb. registers, vol. xiv. p. 527, è registr. Arundell, Cant. archiep. fol. 296 b. "Præsentatio facta domino Regi ratione Ducatus Lancastriæ."

^f Compare the pension list in the Appendix, Num. XXXVII.

^g See the Valor, Num. XXXVI.

^h Boothroyd's History of Pontefract, p. 327.

"Inter Collect. v. cl. Rog. Dodsworth, in bibl. Bodl. vol. ix. fol. 236, 248, &c. cartas decem ineditas: vol. xxx. fol. 109: vol. xxxii. fol. 47: vol. liii. fol. 38. out of Court Rolls belonging to the priory of Pontfract in the custody of Sir Gervase Cutler of Stainbor, 1639: vol. lxxxix. fol. 83, et rot. hundred Lincoln. 3 Edw. I. de terris in Feriby: vol. cxvi. fol. 52: vol. cxvii. fol. 108: vol. cxxxiii. fol. 1: vol. cxxxv. fol. 95: vol. cxxxvi. fol. 145: vol. cxxxviii. fol. 59: vol. clv. fol. 18: vol. clix. ex cartulario hujus prioratus penes ipsum Rog. Dodsworth quem librum habuit ex dono Thomæ Levet de High Melton in com. Ebor. 1626: vol. cxxxiii. fol. 26. an account of the possessions of this monastery made by Mr. William Thwaites collector thereof, 32 Hen. VIII.: vol. cli. fol. 1. Apographa quarundam Cartarum.

"In bibl. Cotton. MS. Vitellius, A. ii. 38. Ordinationem de componenda lite inter Priorem et Conventum de Pontefracto et Decanum et Capitulum Ebor. super ecclesia de Ledesham et capella de Farburne.

"In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 433. fol. 121. restitution of xx. acres of pasture within the park of Pountfrect taken from the priory about 10 Edw. IV. MS. 2101, fol. 230. Abstracts or Copies of divers original Charters relating to this priory: MS. 2044, fol. 146, Collectanea ex Cartulario.

"In registro Wickwane archiepisc. Ebor. fol. 48. Appropriationem ecclesiæ de Silkeston, A.D. 1254. In registro Bowet archiepisc. Ebor. fol. . . Ordinationem vicariæ ecclesiæ de Kippax appropriatæ huic prioratui, A.D. 1410. ad rogatum R. Henrici fundatoris ratione Ducatus sui Lancastri.

"Fin. Ebor. 3 Hen. III. lig. B, n. 116. de ii. bovatis terræ in Ledesham. Fin. Ebor. 9 Hen. III. lig. A, n. 74. de advoc. eccl. de Catewic. cart. 14 Hen. III. m. . Cart. 33 Hen. III. m. 5. pro mercat. et feria apud Bemeseley. Fin. Ebor. 36 Hen. III. lig. G, n. 22. 40. 66. de mess. et terris in Pontefracto. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 52 Hen. III. rot. 6. de ii. mess. et xxxviii. acris in Pontefracto. Ibid. rot. 13. de maner. de Breton, Carleton, Mekesburgh, &c. Fin. Ebor. 52 Hen. III. lig. 1, n. 108. de mess. et terris in Pontefracto.

"Pat. 1 Edw. I. m. 17. Cart. 30 Edw. I. n. 51. pro lib. war. in Ledeston, Ledesham, Whitewood, Bemeseley, et Dodsworth, com. Ebor.

"Cart. 12 Edw. II. n. 22. Claus. 16 Edw. II. m. 26 et 29.

"Pat. 1 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 1 et 14. Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 33. Cart. 6. Edw. III. n. 8. Pat. 15 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 39. de commun. pasturæ in Pokefield. Pat. 33 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 3 vel. 4. Pat. 45 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 9. Pat. 47 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 15.

"Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 11. pro. ten. in Pontefracto, Whitewode, et Kelingley. Rec. in Scacc. 29 Ric. II. Trin. rot. 13, de terris in Rotherham.

"Pat. 11 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 6. pro ecclesia de Kippax approprianda.

"Pat. 27 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 8.

"Cart. 5, &c. Edw. IV. n. 8. Pat. 6 Edw. IV. p. 3, m. 4. Rec. in Scacc. 7 Edw. IV. Pasch. rot. 21.

"Rot. act. Parl. 3 Hen. VII. n. 7."

To these references may be added,

Excerpts from the Chartulary of Pontefract made by Gervase Hollis, "Ex Chartulario olim pertinente Prioratui sancti Johannis Evangelistæ in Pontefracto modo penes Rogerum Doddesworth gen. MS. Lansdown Brit. Mus. 207 A, fol. 537.

In the office of the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer, is a record thus intitled, "Prioratus Pontisfract. Finis solutus pro confirmatione libertatum. Orig. 3 Hen. VIII. rot. 92."

The CONVENTUAL SEAL of Pontefract priory was of an oval form, representing an eagle with wings expanded, looking backwards; and it had this legend. SIGILLVM. SCI. JOHIS. EWANGELISTE. DE. PONTEFRACTO. An impression on white wax of this seal is appendant to a deed to which the prior and convent are parties in the office of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated A. D. 1283.

The ARMS of the priory as emblazoned by Edmondson, were quarterly or and gules, a bend sable, over all a label of five points throughout argent.

There are now scarcely any REMAINS of the priory of Pontefract; the plot of ground called Monk Hill, which continues extra-parochial, indicates the site.

Cartae ad Pontefractensem Prioratum in agro Eboracensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Roberti de Laceio primi Fundatoris.

[Ex Cartulario de Pontefracto, fol. 1, penes Thomam Widrington militem an. 1652.]

ROBERTUS de Laceio omnibus hominibus suis Francis et Anglis et omnibus fidelibus sanctæ ecclesiæ salutes. Sciatis me consilio T. venerabilis archiepiscopi Eboraci et aliorum religiosorum virorum domum quandam religionis fundasse in dominio meo in Kyrkeby monastici ordinis in honore sancti Johannis Apostoli et Evangelistæ, quam propter bonum odorem et honestam famam ordinis Cluniacensis, monachis de Caritate, filiis videlicet Cluniacensis ecclesiæ subjeci. Quorum monachorum de Caritate venerabilis prior Wilencus consilio communi totius conventus sui, mihi quosdam de fratribus suis ad domum illam regulariter custodiendam transmisit, et sigillo suo ordini Cluniacensi et eadem ecclesiæ de Caritate eandem domum confirmavit. Et ego pro salute mea et domini mei Willielmi regis primi, et Hylberti patris mei et Hawisæ matris meæ et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum, donavi prædictæ ecclesiæ sancti Johannis et monachis meis ibidem Deo servientibus, ad victum et sustentationem in servitio Dei, et confirmo hac carta mea, et hoc sigillo meo, situm ipsius loci ubi habitant, cum tota terra de Brakenhil. Insuper plenariam custodiam hospitalis de sancto Nicholao ubi prius habitaverunt, intus et foris ad dispositionem suam in usus pauperum. Insuper de dominio meo Witewde et Maram, Ledestun, et medietatem de Ledesham cum tota ecclesia ejusdem villæ, et Doddewrthe cum omnibus ad easdem villas pertinentibus,

videlicet in bosco, in plano, in pascuis, in pratis, in stagnis, in aquis et molendinis. Et unam carucatam terræ in Altoftes, et in Kyrkeby unam carucatam terræ de donatione W. Folioth, et West-molendinum de Kyrkeby, et plenariam piscationem à Witewde usque ad Queldala. Insuper ecclesiam Omnium Sanctorum in prædicta villa de Kyrkeby, et ecclesiam de Kypeis, et ecclesiam de Dardintona cum omnibus ad easdem ecclesias pertinentibus. Et ecclesiam de Sylkeston ex dono Suani filii Ailrici, cum capellis et omnibus ad eandem pertinentibus. Et insuper capellam de sancto Clemente ne alteri religioni detur quam prædictæ ecclesiæ sancti Johannis. Hæc omnia eis confirmo, ut liberè et quietè teneant et possideant in puram et perpetuam elemosinam de me et de hæredibus meis. Quicquid etiam eis in posterum de feudo meo datum fuerit in elemosinam, vel quod fideliter adquisierint similiter eis confirmo. Testibus, W. Peverel, W. Folioth, Herveo de Campels, Rogero Pic-taviensi, W. de Wenrevilla.

NUM. II.

Item Carta ejusdem Roberti de Lasceio.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS in Christo credentibus Robertus de Laceio salutem. Sciatis me pro amore Dei et pro salute animæ domini mei Henrici regis Anglorum et pro incolumitate sua et statu regni sui, et pro remedio animæ meæ et omnium meorum, consilio T. venerabilis archiepiscopi Eboraci, assensu et concessione ejusdem serenissimi regis Henrici concessisse, dedisse, et hac præsentis carta mea confirmasse Deo

et sancto Johanni et monachis meis in Pontefracto Deo ibidem servientibus, ad præbendandos equos suos et hospitum suorum quoddam dominium meum scilicet Doddewrthe quod situm est inter Silkeston et Bernesle, plenariè et sine omni diminutione cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis in bosco et plano, in pratis et pascuis, in viis et semitis, per vallem quandam morosam et aquosam ultra Efkesecclif, unde ex monachorum benivola permissione dabuntur michi spernarii ibi hæreditantes. Quæ vallis certificat divisam inter Turgarland et Stainburch et Doddewrthe ex illa parte. Et ex alia parte per rivulum quendam qui vocatur Mervinbroch et cadit in prædicta valle. Et ex tertia parte versus Silkeston per luporum foveam, et per arborem quandam quæ vocatur Anglicè Lind, et per morosum fontem, et sic per alterum rivulum qui currit Helilaïam, et cadit in aquam quæ venit de Silkeston. Quæ loca certificant divisas inter Silkeston et prædictam Doddewrthe. Et ita per vallem illam ultra Huggesside, et per ejusdem aquæ de Silkeston medietatem usque contra Barneby; quæ aquæ medietas certificat divisam inter Barneby et prædictam Doddewrthe in illa parte. Et ita retrahendo sursum per montis supercilium usque in Ravenescloû. Qui Ravenescloû certificat divisam inter Berc et sæpedictam Doddewrthe, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam ab omni seculari exactione. Et hoc prædictum dominium per divisas supradictas ego et hæredes mei warentizabimus prædictis monachis contra omnes homines. Concessi autem et confirmavi eisdem monachis meis, ex dono Suani filii Ailrici ecclesiam de Silkeston cum sex bovatis terræ in eadem villa cum pertinentiis suis, et capellam de Calthorn et cæteras capellas, et terras et decimas prædictæ ecclesiæ vel prædictæ capellæ pertinentes. Hiis testibus, T. Dei gratia Eboracensi archiepiscopo, Willielmo Peverel, Willielmo Folioth, Herveo de Campeus, Rogero Pictavensi, Willielmo de Wenrevilla.

NUM. III.

Carta Hugonis de la Val.

[Ibid. fol. 1 b.]

IN nomine sanctæ et individuæ Trinitatis, saluberrimum est ut quicquid à prædecessoribus viris catholicis, ecclesiæ Dei et ei servientibus impensum est, à posteris firmum et perpetuum teneatur. Eapropter ego Hugo de la Val id potissimum suggerente, et assentiente Turstino venerabili Eboracensium archiepiscopo, pro salute domini mei Henrici Anglorum regis et uxoris suæ et statu regni eorum, et pro remedio animarum patris et matris et fratris sui Willielmi regis et prioris conjugis suæ et Willielmi filii eorum necnon et omnium antecessorum et parentum suorum, et pro salute mea et conjugis meæ et liberorum meorum, et pro remedio animarum antecessorum meorum concedo per Dei gratiam et concessum ejusdem serenissimi regis Henrici, et sub testimonio præsentis cartulæ confirmo quicquid Rodbertus de Laceio tempore regis Willielmi secundi et ego postmodum tempore regis Henrici donavi monasterio sanctæ Mariæ de Caritate ad usum monachorum sub regula sancti Benedicti servientium in monasterio sancti Johannis Evangelistæ de Kyrkeby castello meo; videlicet situm ipsius monasterii et septem acras terræ ibidem cum mansis earum, et in Brachehel xij. acras et ecclesiam sanctæ Mariæ de Foro cum rebus ad eam pertinentibus. Hujus ecclesiæ scilicet dimidium erat prius canonicorum sancti Osuualdi. Verùm pro commoditate quadam canonicorum et monachorum, ex beneficio meo per manum domini Turstini archiepiscopi illud dimidium canonicorum dedi ipsis monachis. Et ecclesiam de Ledesham, et aut xij. solidos ad festum sancti Andreae de theloneo castelli, aut decimam Lodestone per supradictos xij. solidos a capellanis meis de sancto Clemente commutatam. Et ita concessum est et gratatum utrimque pro ecclesia de Fedrestan quam modo habent canonici. Rursum concedo prædicto monasterio dimidium prædictæ villæ de Ledesham quod antea habebant, et Ledestonam et Witewodam et Dodewrdam, et in Foxoles vj. bovatas terræ, et aquam quæ est inter duos molendinos de Castelford, et ante castellum unam carucatam terræ de dono Willielmi Folioth; et in Silkeston vj. bovatas terræ de dono Ailfi, et ecclesiam de Silkeston cum hiis quæ ad illam pertinent, de dono Swani filii Ailrici, et iterum de dono ipsius ecclesiam de Caltorna cum duabus partibus de-

cimarum totius domini sui. Iterum ex meo beneficio omnium reddituum meorum de Kirkeby decimam eidem monasterio concedo, et hoc privilegium de capella sancti Clementis eidem confirmo, ut alteri ecclesiæ non possit dari quam monasterio sancti Johannis. Ecclesiam quoque de Dardintona et ecclesiam de Kypeis, cum omnibus ad se pertinentibus monasterio sancti Johannis in elemosinam tribuo, carrucata cum mansione infirmorum à subjectione ecclesiæ Dardintonæ permanente libera. Et in Boolanda ecclesiam de Sleteburna cum hiis quæ ad se pertinent, et in Cestriæschira ecclesiam de Walleya et ad eam pertinentia, et capellam castelli mei de Clitherow cum decimis omnium rerum domini mei ejusdem castelli, et ibidem ecclesiam sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ et ecclesiam de Calna et ecclesiam de Brunlaia. Ego Henricus rex Angliæ signo sanctæ ✠ crucis confirmo. Ego Ricardus de Brus signo sanctæ ✠ crucis confirmo. Ego Rogerus Salisbiriensis episcopus hoc signo sanctæ ✠ crucis confirmo. Ego Robertus Cestrensis episcopus hoc signo sanctæ ✠ crucis confirmo. Ego Gaufridus cancellarius hoc signo sanctæ ✠ crucis confirmo. Ego Gaufridus de Clinton hoc ✠ confirmo. Ego Robertus de Oilli ✠ hoc confirmo. Ego Thomas de Sancto Johanne hoc confirmo. Ego Robertus de Sigillo hoc signo sanctæ ✠ crucis confirmo. Ego Hugo Bigotus dapifer hoc confirmo signo sanctæ ✠ crucis. Ego Baldwinus filius Gisleberti hoc ✠ confirmo. Ego Willielmus de Munfichet signo sanctæ ✠ crucis confirmo. Ego comes David signo sanctæ ✠ crucis confirmo. Ego abbas Helyas de Monte signo sanctæ ✠ crucis confirmo. Ego Hugo de Brietel signo sanctæ crucis ✠ confirmo. Ego Ricardus Herefordensis episcopus ✠ signo sanctæ crucis confirmo.

NUM. IV.

Carta Henrici de Lascy.

[Ibid. fol. 2 b. A.D. 1159.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris Henricus de Lasci salutem. Sciatis omnes quod ego Henricus de Lasci pro amore Dei et pro salute animæ meæ et patris mei Roberti de Lasci et Matildis matris meæ, et pro animabus omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum feci dedicari ecclesiam sancti Johannis Evangelistæ in Pontefracto per consilium Rogeri venerabilis Eboracensis archiepiscopi qui eandem ecclesiam consecravit, et concessi et dedi et præsentī carta confirmavi præfatæ ecclesiæ et monachis meis Deo ibidem servientibus finaliter in liberam et puram et perpetuam elemosinam et dotem sexaginta solidos singulis annis quos persolvent eisdem monachis receptores mei de Pontefracto, de primis denariis receptis, xxx. solidos ad Pascha, et xxx. solidos ad festum sancti Michaelis, et passagium de Castelford, et in villa Pontisfracti omnes terras et possessiones suas cum omnibus aisiamentis et paturis ejusdem villæ, et item in eadem villa in foro scilicet et extra forum hominibus ejusdem ecclesiæ manentibus in feudo meo libertatem et quietanciam de omni theloneo et de omni seculari consuetudine, et custodiam hospitalis sancti Nicholay in eadem villa intus et foris ad dispositionem eorum in usus pauperum, et singulis annis ad victum et vestitum illius monachi qui hoc hospitale custodiet unam marcam argenti et duodecim hopas frumenti et xxiiij. avenæ ad festum sancti Martini de prædicto hospitali. Item concessi præfatis monachis meis et in die dedicationis ecclesiæ eorum præsentī carta mea confirmavi imperpetuum omnes ecclesias ab antecessoribus meis donatas, videlicet ecclesiam Omnium Sanctorum in Pontefracto cum capellis et terris et decimis, et cæteris pertinentiis; ecclesiam de Dardington cum capella de Stapilton et cum cæteris pertinentiis. Ecclesiam de Kippeis et ecclesiam de Ledesham, et ecclesiam de Sleteburna cum capellis et terris et decimis et cum omnibus ad eas pertinentibus, et Ledestun et medietatem de Ledesham et Withewdam et Maram et Doddewrtham et Kelinglaïam cum omnibus earum pertinentiis, et piscatoriam unam in Bekhala et duas bovatas terræ in Torph, et duas bovatas terræ in Rughala, et Est-molendinum in Pontefracto, ut hæc omnia præfati monachi mei habeant et possideant sine omni impedimento et retenemento mei vel hæredum meorum. Et ego et hæredes mei omnia prædicta prædictæ ecclesiæ et prædictis monachis meis warentizabimus et adquietabimus contra omnes homines sicut nostram puram et

perpetuam elemosinam. Hiis testibus, Rogero venerabili Eboracensi archiepiscopo, Jordano Folioth qui dedit præfatæ ecclesiæ eadem die unum toftum in Pontefracto, et Henrico fratre suo, Adam filio Petri et Thoma fratre suo, Willielmo de Reinevilla et Adam filio suo, Roberto Pictavensi qui dedit præfatæ ecclesiæ unam bovatom terræ in Altoftis cum pertinentiis et aisiamentis ipsius villæ, Roberto de Stapilton, Henrico Wallensi, Petro de Touton.

NUM. V.

Item Carta ejusdem Henrici de Lascy.

OMNIBUS hominibus suis tam Francis quam Anglis et omnibus fidelibus Henricus de Lasceio salutem. Noverit universitas vestra quod ego H. de Laceio do et concedo et hac mea carta et hoc meo sigillo confirmo Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et sancto Johanni et monachis meis in Pontefracto Deo ibidem famulantibus villulam meam Kellinglaia^a nomine quæ sita est inter villam meam Nottingle et Bexalam^a cum communibus aisiamentis utriusque villæ per fossatam unam quæ Anglicè vocatur Poste-Leiesic quæ certificat divisam inter Kellinglaia^a et Nottinglaia^a, et quicquid ad illam pertinet, in bosco, in plano, in pratis, in pascuis, in aquis, in viis, in semitis, pro salute animæ meæ et patris mei et matris meæ, et Illeberti fratris mei et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam ab omni seculari exactione, ita quod ego et hæredes mei prædictam Kellinglaia^a prædictis monachis meis warentizabimus contra omnes homines, vel si non possumus, dabimus eis rationabile excambium et ad valorem et aisiamentum. Do etiam eis piscatoriam in Bexala in perpetuam elemosinam. Pro recognitione hujus donationis dederunt mihi monachi c. marcas argenti. Hiis testibus, R. de Tilli, Willielmo de Rainevilla, Jordano Folioth, et H. fratre ejus, Ricardo Bagoth, W. Elemosinario, Petro de Archis, Arnaldo et Roberto et Adam presbiteris.

NUM. VI.

Bulla Celestini Papæ.

[Ibid. fol. 18 a.]

CELESTINUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis Hugoni priori monasterii sancti Johannis de Pontefracto, ejusque fratribus, tam præsentibus quam futuris, regularem vitam professis imperpetuum. Quotiens a nobis petitur quod religioni et honestati convenire dinoscitur, animo nos decet libenti concedere et petentium desideriis congruum suffragium inpartiri. Eapropter dilecti in Domino filii vestris justis postulationibus clementer annuimus, et præfatum monasterium sancti Johannis Evangelistæ de Pontefracto, in quo divino mancipati estis obsequio, sub beati Petri et nostra protectione suscipimus et præsentis scripti privilegio communimus. Inprimis siquidem statuentes ut ordo monasticus qui secundum Deum et beati Benedicti regulam in eodem monasterio institutus esse dinoscitur, perpetuis ibidem temporibus inviolabiliter observetur. Præterea quascumque possessiones quæcunque bona idem monasterium in præsentiarum justè et canonicè possidet, aut in futurum concessione pontificum, largitione regum vel principum, oblatione fidelium, seu aliis justis modis præstante Domino poterit adipisci, firma vobis vestrisque successoribus et illibata permaneant. In quibus hæc propriis duximus exprimenda vocabulis.

Locum ipsum in quo præfatum monasterium situm est cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ecclesiam Omnium Sanctorum in Pontefracto cum capellis et omnibus ad eam pertinentibus, et custodiam hospitalis sancti Nicholai intus et foris ad dispositionem vestram in usus pauperum, et Estmolendinum in eadem villa. Ecclesiam de Ledesham, ecclesiam de Kippeis, ecclesiam de Dardintton cum capella de Stapilton, ecclesiam de Sleitteburn, ecclesiam de Silkeston, ecclesiam de Bernesleya, cum capellis et omnibus ad easdem ecclesias pertinentibus. Jus quod habetis in ecclesia de Cathewic, ex concessione Rogeri quondam Eboracensis archiepiscopi, sicut in scripto ejusdem archiepiscopi continetur. Villam de Ledestun et Pecchfeld, et medietatem villæ de Ledesham quam tenetis finaliter ex capitulo Eboraci, et aliam medietatem ex dono Roberti de Lascy, Withewd,

Maram, Bernesleiam, Dodewrde, et Kellinglaia^a, cum omnibus earum pertinentiis. Et quicquid in dedicatione ecclesiæ vestræ Henricus de Lacy vobis concessit, scilicet sexaginta solidos per annum de redditu suo in Pontefracto, quos vobis persolvunt receptores hæredis ipsius Henrici, triginta in festo sancti Michaelis, et triginta in Pascha. Et passagium de Castelford ita liberè et quietè sicut Ilbertus frater ipsius Henrici et ipse tenuerunt, et omnibus hominibus vestris qui sunt in feudo de Pontefracto libertatem et quietantiam de omni theloneo et consuetudine seculari in burgo et in foro et extra forum.

Sanè novalium vestrorum quæ propriis manibus aut sumptibus colitis, sive de nutrimentis animalium vestrorum nullus à vobis decimas exigere vel extorquere præsumat. Liceat quoque vobis clericos vel laicos liberos et absolutos è seculo fugientes ad conversionem recipere, et eos absque contradictione aliqua retinere. Prohibemus insuper ut nulli fratrum vestrorum post factam in loco vestro professionem fas sit absque prioris sui licentia nisi arctioris religionis obtentu de eodem loco discedere, discedentem verò absque communium literarum cautione nullus audeat retinere. Cum autem generale interdictum terræ fuerit, liceat vobis clausis januis, exclusis excommunicatis et interdictis, non pulsatis campanis, suppressa voce divina officia celebrare. Sepulturam quoque ipsius loci liberam esse decernimus et eorum devotioni et extremæ voluntati qui se illic sepeliri deliberaverint nisi fortè excommunicati vel interdicti sint nullus obsistat, salva tamen justitia illarum ecclesiarum à quibus mortuorum corpora assumuntur.

Decernimus ergo ut nulli omnino hominum fas sit præfatum monasterium temerè perturbare aut ejus possessiones auferre vel ablatas retinere, minuere, seu quibuslibet vexationibus fatigare, sed omnia integra conserventur eorum pro quorum gubernatione ac sustentatione concessa sunt usibus omnimodis profutura. Salva sedis apostolicæ auctoritate, diocæsani episcopi canonica justitia, et Cluniacensis monasterii debita reverentia. Si qua igitur in futurum ecclesiastica secularisve persona hanc nostræ constitutionis paginam sciens contra eam temere venire temptaverit, secundo tertiove commonita nisi reatum suum congrua satisfactione correxerit, potestatis honorisque sui dignitate careat, reamque se divino judicio existere de perpetrata iniquitate cognoscat, et a sacratissimo corpore ac sanguine Dei et Domini Redemptoris nostri Jesu Christi aliena fiat atque in extremo examine divinæ ultioni subjaceat. Cunctis autem eidem loco sua jura servantibus sit pax Domini nostri Jesu Christi, quatinus et hic fructum bonæ actionis percipiant et apud districtum judicem præmia æternæ pacis inveniant. Amen.

NUM. VII.

Carta Adæ filii Swani.

[Ibid. fol. 15 b.]

SCIANT præsentibus et futuri quod ego Adam filius Swany filii Ailrichi, pro amore Dei, et salute animæ meæ, et matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum meorum et hæredum, dedi, concessi, et hac præsentibus carta mea confirmavi ecclesiæ sancti Johannis Evangelistæ de Pontefracto et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, sine omni retenemento mei vel hæredum meorum, ecclesiam de Silkeston, cum sex bovatis terræ et earum pertinentiis in eadem villa eidem ecclesiæ adjacentibus, quam pater meus eis antea dederat in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, cum capellis, et terris, et decimis, et cum omnibus ad eam pertinentibus: similiter et capellam patris mei de Calthorne, quam idem pater meus eis antea dederat, cum duabus bovatis terræ et earum pertinentiis in eadem villa, et cum duabus partibus decimarum omnium dominiorum patris mei quæ hic certis exprimuntur vocabulis, Calthorne, Kerburgh, Gunultwayt, Penyngeston, Wyrkesburgh, Carleton, Neuhale, Brerelay, Walton, Manesthorp, Wrangbruk, Middelton; scilicet garbarum et cum omnibus ad eas pertinentibus.

Insuper ego Adam filius Swany devoto et hilari animo concessi, dedi, subjeci, et hac præsentibus carta mea confirmavi, et à domino rege H. feci confirmari prædictæ ecclesiæ sancti Johannis de Pontefracto, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, locum illum beatæ Mariæ Magdalenæ de Lunda,^b quem fundavi in patrimonio meo ad religionem, cum omni-

^a Nunc Cnottingle et Beghale.^b Lunda, sive Monke-Breton prioratus, cella de Pontefracto.

bus terris ad prædictum locum pertinentibus, scilicet Bretton, Neuhale, Raynebergh, Lyntwait, et quicquid in Bramton, et quicquid habetur inter Dirnam et Staynclif usque Meresbruk, et molendinum de Dyrne et Lundam. In Cumberlanda, capellam Andreae apostoli juxta Culcalt, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis ad opus scilicet monachorum de Pontefracto qui in præfato loco regulariter imperpetuum Deo servient, pro animabus patris mei et matris meae, et pro salute animae meae, et omnium antecessorum meorum et hæredum, secundum monasticam institutionem Ordinis Cluniacensis et matris suae ecclesiae de Pontefracto. Adam tunc prior de Pontefracto cum inde decesserit in eodem loco de Lunda manebit custos et prior omni tempore vitae suae cum monachis de Pontefracto illuc transmissis. Post cujus decessum prior et monachi de Pontefracto alios qui ydonei sunt in loco ejus substituent regulariter divina celebrantes. Reddet autem prædictus locus de Lunda matri suae ecclesiae de Pontefracto singulis annis imperpetuum unam marcam argenti pro recognitione. Item concessi, dedi, et præsentī carta mea confirmavi prædictae ecclesiae sancti Johannis de Pontefracto et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus sexaginta acras terrae meae in Calthorne, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, ad mandatum pauperum faciendum in cœna Domini. Hiis testibus, &c.

NUM. VIII.

Carta Clemenciae de Lungvilers.

[Ibid. fol. 60 b.]

OMNIBUS hoc scriptum visuris vel audituris Clemencia de Lungvilers salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me in pura viduitate mea inspectis cartis antecessorum meorum caritatis intuitu collatis Deo, et sancto Johanni de Pontefracto, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, super advocacione ecclesiae de Silkestona cum capellis ad eandem ecclesiam spectantibus, easdem cartas confirmasse dictis monachis ob salutem animae meae, et omnium prædecessorum et hæredum meorum. Quietum etiam clamavi dictis monachis totum jus meum et clamium quod habui vel unquam habere potui in jure patronatus dictae ecclesiae cum ejus pertinentiis de me et de omnibus hæredibus meis imperpetuum; ita quod de cætero nec ego nec hæredes mei aliquod jus vel clamium habere possimus vel vendicare in dicta ecclesia vel ejus pertinentiis. Et si ita contingat quod aliquis hæredum meorum contra hanc meam confirmationem et quietam clamacionem ausu temerario venire præsumpserit jus monachorum vel præsentationem eorum impediendo in aliquo tempore cum dicta ecclesia vacaverit, maledictionem Dei Omnipotentis, et indignationem genitricis suae beatæ Mariæ, et maledictionem meam et omnium mulierum se noverit incursum. Et ut hæc mea confirmatio et quietam clamatio rata et stabilis perseveret omni tempore, huic scripto pro me et hæredibus meis sigillum meum apposui. Datum apud Eboracum in pleno comitatu et primo post festum sancti Michaelis anno regni regis Henrici filii Johannis regis vicesimo secundo. Hiis testibus, domino J. de Lascy comite Lincolniae, domino Briano filio Alani tunc vicecomite Eboracensi, Rogero de Stapilton, Ada de Neirfort, Henrico Walensi, Roberto de Stapilton, Rogero de Notton, et aliis.

NUM. IX.

Carta Roberti de Monte-Begonis.

[Ibid. fol. 63 a.]

OMNIBUS sanctae matris ecclesiae filiis ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit R. de Monte-Begonis salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me divinae pietatis intuitu, pro salute animae meae, et pro animabus antecessorum et hæredum meorum, dedisse, concessisse, et præsentī carta mea confirmasse, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, Deo, et ecclesiae sancti Johannis de Pontefracto, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, ecclesiam de Silkeston cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, sine omni retenemento vel impedimento de me vel de hæredibus meis, secundum tenorem quem habent de A. filio Suani. Et omne jus et clamium et omnem libertatem quam mihi et hæredibus meis in eadem ecclesia de Silkeston vendicabam eis imperpetuum remisi, et cartas quas inde habui eis sursum reddidi. Et ne ego vel hæredes mei possimus in

posterum contra hanc donationem, et concessionem, et quietam clamacionem venire bel eosdem monachos de Pontefracto super eadem ecclesia de Silkeston aliquo modo vexare vel molestare, præfatae donationis meae concessionem præsentis scripti patrocínio et sigilli mei appositione confirmavi. Hiis testibus, Rogero de Lascy constabulario Cestriae, Johanne de Birkin, Rogero fratre suo, Roberto le Waleis, Henrico filio ejus, Willielmo de Stapilton, Willielmo filio Everardi, et aliis.

NUM. X.

Litis adjudicatio de Cella de Monk-Bretton.

[Ibid. fol. 19 a.]

UNIVERSIS præsentēs literas visuris vel audituris prior sancti Oswaldi de Nostle Eboracensis diocesis salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noverit universitas vestra nos ordinationem quandam sigillis nobilis viri domini Henrici de Lascy comitis Lincolniae et constabularii Cestriae, de Pontefracto et de Brettona, de Ordine Cluniacensi, sigillis communibus, et aliorum nobilium consignatam inspexisse, in hæc verba: ‘Henricus de Lascy comes Lincolniae et constabularius Cestriae omnibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit salutem in Domino sempiternam. Cum controversia inter domum nostram de Pontefracto et domum de Brettona, quæ est de feodo nostro, Ordinis Cluniacensis, Eboracensis diocesis, diu fuisset coram multis et diversis iudicibus agitata, ac super pacis reformatione sæpius fuerint compositiones compositae et auditae coram nobis, Galfridus de Nevile miles pro parte monasterii de Brettona, frater Godefridus prior monasterii sancti Johannis Evangelistae de Pontefracto pro se, et frater Thomas de Lorimer pro totu conventu, ad decisionem litium et ad pacem faciendam in ordinatione subscripta concordarunt.

‘Universis Christo fidelibus præsentēs literas visuris vel audituris frater Oliverus Daincurt prior fratrum prædicatorum Pontisfracti, domini Roberti^a de Kypus tunc senescallus de Pontefracto, Johannes de Hoderode milites, dominus Bernardus de Nevile rector ecclesiae de Daneby super Wisk in Domino salutem sempiternam. Cum olim inter viros religiosos priorem et conventum monasterii de Pontefracto ex una parte, et suppriorē et conventum monasterii de Brettona ex altera (ipso monasterio de Brettona vacante), discordiae graves ac lites quasi immortales super creatione prioris in dicto monasterio de Brettona, subjectione et obedientia ac aliis libertatibus domus prædictae coram diversis iudicibus per varias literas papales hinc inde impetratas essent subortae, tandem ad instantiam amicorum communium sub hac forma amicabiliter conquieverunt; videlicet quod dictae partes simpliciter et absolute mera et spontanea voluntate ordinationi et provisioni nostrae de consensu patronorum suorum, super hiis et omnibus aliis injuriis hinc inde illatis submiserunt; videlicet Godefridus tunc prior de Pontefracto juravit pro se et successoribus suis ut ratum et gratum haberet et firmum imperpetuum, quicquid pronunciatum, provisum, vel ordinatum fuerit per prædictos ordinatorēs. Frater Thomas le Lorimer, monachus de Pontefracto, procurator conventus ejusdem, idem pro se et conventu juravit. Frater Ysaac, monachus de Pontefracto, qui si quod jus habuit quoquo modo in monasterio de Brettona penitus et absolute in præsentia nostra resignavit, pro se similiter juravit. Frater Ricardus de Scaureby, tunc supprior de Brettona, pro se juravit. Frater Ricardus de Estfeld pro se et sociis suis modo et forma prædicta juravit, promittentes sub religione sacramenti præstiti se inconcusse ac illibate perpetuo observaturos quod per nos in hac parte fuerit ordinatum. Renunciantes omnibus literis impetratis et impetrandis, et omnibus processibus habitis et habendis, et actionibus omnibus, et querelis motis et movendis per eosdem. Ita quod hæc præsens ordinatio perpetuo observetur.

‘Nos itaque Deum solum in hoc casu habentes præ oculis, pro vitandis litium discordiis et pace firmanda et mutua caritate inter partes perpetuo confovenda, habito consilio ju-reperitorum et magnatum terrae et diocesani considerantes primò et principaliter sumptus magnos, expensas varias et innumerabiles factas ex part monasterii de Pontefracto, volentes in quantum possibilitas exigit indemnitati eorum

^a lege Robertus.

providere ac ipsorum status in melius reformare. In nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti ordinamus quod provideatur in certo loco monasterii de Pontefracto de bonis monasterii de Brettona in novem marcis futuris temporibus singulis annis, ita quod illi de Pontefracto per manus proprias dictum redditum recipiant. Item volumus quod monasterium de Brettona reddat quolibet anno die sancti Johannis Evangelistæ conventui de Pontefracto viginti solidos ad pitantiam. Ordinamus etiam quod sententia diffinitiva dudum lata per sedem apostolicam de monasterio de Brettona firma permaneat et inconcusse observetur, ita quod monachi de Brettona de cætero futuris temporibus liberam habeant electionem seu creationem prioris de domo sua propria pro libito voluntatis cum eam vacare contigerit, sine impedimento et contradictione aliqua prioris et conventus de Pontefracto. Sit etiam libera et absoluta ab omni subjectione et obedientia illorum de Pontefracto, ita quod dicti prior et conventus nil juris spiritualis seu temporalis rebus seu personis in monasterio de Brettona sibi de cætero valeant vendicare, nec aliquis nec aliqui occasione eorum.

‘Cum autem monachi de Brettona priorem in domo sua sibi elegerint seu creaverint, mittent pro priore de Pontefracto apud Pontefractum et non alibi, ut electus seu creatus ipsorum installetur per ipsum. Qui si apud Pontefractum inventus non fuerit, per suppriorem seu quem vocant tertium priorem dicti monasterii de Pontefracto installetur, nec aliquis prædictorum in dicta installatione facienda aliquam ingeret difficultatem, nec aliquid ratione installationis sibi vendicabit, nec ejus installationem protrahent ultra tertium diem quo super installatione facienda fuerit requisitus. Quod si fecerint, tunc per suppriorem vel proprium collegium de Brettona installetur. Nec prior seu conventus de Pontefracto aliquam habeant potestatem impugnandi seu objiciendi aliquod contra formam electi seu creati seu personam, prior verò sic creatus nullatenus amoveatur nisi in casibus in jure contentis.

‘Ordinamus etiam quod illa compositio de qua fit mentio in sententia quæ propter ipsius obscuritatem materiam præbuit et causam dissentionis prædictæ, viribus evacuetur et careat omni robore firmitatis, sola præsentem ordinatione nostra perpetuò valitura. Volumus etiam et ordinamus de expresso prioris et conventus de Pontefracto consensu et voluntate, quod idem prior et conventus de Pontefracto præsentem ordinationem nostram per abbatem et conventum Cluniacensem et priorem et conventum Caritensem faciant et procurent integrè confirmari. Faciant etiam monachis de Brettona degentibus apud Cluniacum liberari et ad monasterium de Brettona reduci. Ad perpetuam hujus rei memoriam præsentem ordinationem, in quatuor instrumentis ad modum cirografi confectis, quorum una pars residebit in thesauraria Henrici de Lascy qui omnibus hiis pronuntiatis et ordinatis personaliter interfuit. Et dictæ partes spontanee prædictis ordinatoribus consentientibus submiserunt se coercioni prædicti Henrici, hæredum et successorum suorum, ad omnia prædicta fideliter et inconcusse observanda temporibus futuris. Et ipse Henricus et hæredes et successores prædictam coercionem tenentur facere si in aliquo tempore fuerit necesse, secundum formam in quadam litera obligatoria contentam. Altera pars residebit penes illos de Pontefracto. Tercia pars penes illos de Brettona. Quarta in domum fratrum prædicatorum de Pontefracto sigillis nostris ac etiam sigillis Henrici de Lascy et prædictarum partium et aliorum consignata in testimonium fecimus assignari, et annotari. Data et pronuntiata apud Pontefractum in monasterio fratrum prædicatorum, die dominica proxima ante festum sancti Oswaldi regis et martyris, anno Domini millesimo ducentesimo sexagesimo nono. Hiis testibus, domino J. Bek, Johanne de Hetona, Ricardo de Thornhill, Maugero le Vavasur militibus, magistro Thoma Bek, Georgio de Cantelu, Roberto de Wilgeby, W. de Poulingston, W. filio Eliæ de Pontefracto, Waltero Stotico de eadem, et multis aliis ad hoc specialiter vocatis et rogatis.

‘Interfuerunt autem et præsentem huic ordinationi et pronunciationi priores de Novo-castro, de Carlealo, de Eboraco, de Lancastria, de ordine fratrum prædicatorum.

‘Hæc est assignatio novem marcarum quam illi de Brettona assignaverunt domui de Pontefracto in perpetuum prout fuit superius pronuntiatum et ordinatum, scilicet medietatem totius decimæ et garbarum de Nottona et totum fœnum ejusdem villæ, quinque acras prati in Smyehale, redditum

quinque solidorum in uno forno de Pontefracto, sicut continetur in quodam instrumento illorum de Pontefracto quod habere debent ex ipsis de Brettona de feofamento. Acta die et loco et anno supradictis.’

Nos igitur præfatus Henricus præmissus pium præbentes assensum, hanc prædictam ordinationem per consensum et assensum domini Galfridi de Nevile et prioris et conventus dictæ domus nostræ de Pontefracto et monachorum de Brettona qui præsentibus sigilla sua apposuerunt, in perpetuum testimonium et munimen concedimus et sigilli nostri munimine confirmamus. Prædictæ verò partes pro se et successoribus suis se astrictè obligaverunt et fideliter promiserunt nobis et hæredibus nostris se daturas ducentas libras sterlingorum exigendas seu solvendas infra unius anni terminum ab hujus ordinationis concessionis et confirmationis nostræ infractione seu violatione, scilicet ab illa parte quæ hanc nostram concessionem et confirmationem infregerit seu præsumpserit violare. Salvis in omnibus juribus domini abbatis Cluniacensis ac ordinis supradicti ut in visitationibus correctionibus et aliis regularibus. Data apud Pontefractum in crastino Nativitatis sancti Johannis Baptistæ, anno Domini millesimo cc. septuagesimo octavo, in præsentia dominorum Johannis Bek, Thomæ de Burgo, Alexandri de Monteforti, Willielmi le Vavasur, Rogeri filii Thomæ, Radulfi de Trehamtona militum, Henrici de Kyrkeby rectoris ecclesiæ de Campsale, Simonis de Thorp tunc senescalli de Pontefracto, Thomæ Bek rectoris ecclesiæ de Castelford, qui præsentis scripto quadripartito sigilla sua apposuerunt in testimonium. Et nos prædictus prior de sancto Oswaldo præsentibus literis sigillum nostrum apposuimus in testimonium præmissorum una cum sigillo Willielmi de Nunny tunc magistri hospitalis sancti Nicholai de Pontefracto præsentibus apposito. Data in festo sanctæ Katerinæ virginis et martyris anno gratiæ mcc. octogesimo nono.

NUM. XI.

Convention:is inter Priores de S. Oswaldo et de Pontefracto.

[Ib. fol. 16 a.]

Ad perpetuam præsentium et futurorum memoriam, inter priorem et conventum de sancto Oswaldo ex parte una, et priorem et conventum sancti Johannis Evangelistæ de Pontefracto ex altera, unanimi consensu conventuum utriusque monasterii, ob mutuam pacem inter ipsos confovendam, per modum permutationis, facta est amicabile compositio sub forma quæ sequitur; videlicet quod prædicti prior et conventus de sancto Oswaldo concesserunt præfatis priori et conventui de Pontefracto totam decimam provenientem de decies viginti acris terræ arabilis de dominicis terris dictorum prioris et conventus de Pontefracto et tenentium suorum in campis de Whitwode et Mere jacentibus, quæ quidem terræ sunt infra limites parochialis ecclesiæ de Fetherstan quam prior et conventus de sancto Oswaldo optinent in proprios usus, quæ etiam acra mensurantur per culturas propriis nominibus appellatas, et limitantur et configuntur palis et lapidibus capitibus earum infixis, secundum quod continetur in quadam billetta inter sigillum et scriptum ante consignationem affixa. Concesserunt etiam eisdem decimam fœni de quindecim acris prati in campo de Whitwode jacentibus. Ceteræ verò terræ et prata ubicunque in Whitwode et Mere jacentia, ecclesiæ de Fetherstan decimales remanebunt ut jus ecclesiæ prædictæ, salvis dictis priori et conventui de sancto Oswaldo septem turbis cujuscunque generis bladi de illa carucata terræ quæ vocatur Terra Sacristæ, et salvo jure ecclesiæ de Castelford quæ aliquam portionem de dictis terris percipere consuevit, liberè et quietè colligendam et possidendam dictis priori et conventui de Pontefracto sine contradictione imperpetuum. Et sciendum quod præfati prior et conventus de sancto Oswaldo totum jus quod habuerunt ad percipiendam decimam de dictis decies viginti acris terræ, et quindecim acris prati, in prædictos priorem et conventum de Pontefracto totaliter transferunt et conferunt per præsentem. Prædicti verò prior et conventus de Pontefracto præmissam concessionem volentes debitè recompensare, concesserunt et dederunt prænominatis priori et conventui de sancto Oswaldo duas garbas decimæ de omnibus terris dominicis quæ quondam fuerunt Adæ filii Swani in territorio de Brerelay, quod est infra limites parochialis ecclesiæ de Felkyrke, ac etiam duas garbas decimæ de omnibus terris dominicis prædicti Adæ in Wrangbroke, et Maynesthorp, quas quidem duas

garbas decimæ præfati prior et conventus de Pontefracto asserebant ad ecclesiam parochialem de Silkestona pertinere ab antiquo, liberè et integrè colligendas et possidendas imperpetuum, totum jus quod dicti prior et conventus de Pontefracto aliquando habuerunt ad perceptionem dictarum decimarum de omnibus terris dominicis quondam Adæ prædicti, ac in omnibus decimis quibuscumque infralimites ecclesiarum de Felkyrk et Southkyrkeby, in præfatos priorem et conventum de sancto Oswaldo et eorum monasterium totaliter transferentes, nihil juris vel clamei in aliquibus decimis dictarum parochiarum de cætero vendicantes. Et antedicti priores de sancto Oswaldo et de Pontefracto pro se et suis conventibus ac monasteriis renunciant omnibus privilegiis impetratis et impetrandis ac beneficio cujuscumque constitutionis editæ seu edendæ per quæ præsens compositio aliququaliter poterit infirmari vel infringi. Et ut hæc amicabile compositio per modum permutationis concepta stabilis et firma permaneat imperpetuum, hoc præsens scriptum indentatum sigillis communibus utriusque capituli penes utrumque monasterium permanet roboratum et munitum in testimonium omnium præmissorum. Datum apud sanctum Oswaldum quintodecimo kal. Maii anno Domini millesimo trecentesimo septimo decimo.

NUM. XII.

Carta Alice de Gaunt.

[Ibid. f. 67 a.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ fidelibus Aliz de Gant salutem. Notum vobis facio me concessisse et dedisse in puram et perpetuam elemosinam ecclesiæ sancti Johannis Evangelistæ de Pontefracto et monachis in ea Deo servientibus unam carucatam terræ in Ingolvesmeles, pro anima prioris domini mei Ilberti de Lascy qui mihi illam in dotem dedit, et pro salute mea. Quam etiam Henricus de Lascy concessit et carta sua confirmavit. Hujus donationis testes sunt Willelmus filius Walteri de Wella, Salomon filius ejus, Gocelinus de Aufort, Ricardus de Smydetona, Rannulfus frater ejus, Willielmus pistor monachorum, Rainaldus filius Anketilli de Dardingtona.

NUM. XIII.

Carta Rogeri de Molbrai.

[Ibid.]

ROGERUS de Molbrai omnibus hominibus suis cunctisque sanctæ matris ecclesiæ fidelibus salutem. Sciatis quod confirmo et concedo monachis de Pontefracto carrucatam terræ in Ingolvesmeles quam uxor mea dedit eis pro salute corporum et animarum nostrarum, et pro anima prioris domini sui Ilberti de Laschi, liberam et quietam ab omnibus serviciis sicut decet elemosinam, in plano, in aquis, in pratis, et in omnibus adjacentibus prædictæ terræ. Hujus donationis testes sunt, Sampson capellanus ipsius Rogerii, Willielmus Peverel, Ricardus Burdet, Turgis de Molbray, Henricus de Wasprez, Walterus de Daivilla.

NUM. XIV.

Carta Aliciæ de Rumelli.

[Ibid. f. 65 a.]

NOTUM sit omnibus legentibus et audientibus has literas, quòd ego Aaliz de Rumelli consensu et concessione Willielmi filii mei, donavi et concessi Deo et sancto Johanni de Pontefracto et monachis ejusdem loci, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam et liberam et solutam et quietam ab omni terrena et laicali consuetudine et ab omni humano servicio in perpetuum, unam carrucatam terræ in Broctuna, et præter carrucatam unam mensuram in eadem villa ubi monachi hospitari possint, pro anima domini mei Willielmi filii Duncani, et pro animabus omnium prædecessorum meorum, et ne in dubium posteris veniat quæ carrucata illa sit, illa est nominatim de qua Radulfus tenuit ij. bovatas, et Willielmus frater ejus unam et Waltef ij. et Autkil ij. cujus humagium simul cum terra donavi et concessi Deo et sancto Johanni et monachis, et saisiavi et corporaliter induxi monasterium sancti Johannis de eadem terra prænominata, et de omnibus ad eam pertinentibus, et Robertus monachus de Holder recepit eam saisinam nomine monasterii et totius conventus.

Ex hac etiam donatione et concessione mea debent ipsi monachi et homines qui de eis tenebunt simul cum pecunia sua habere communionem ejusdem villæ liberè et quietè et honorificè in pascuis, in pratis, in aquis, viis, et semitis, in eundo et redeundo et ibidem remanendo. Hujus donationis testes sunt, Osmundus capellanus, Walterus filius Willielmi, Petrus de Marton et Willielmus filius ejus, Rogerus Tempestas et Ricardus frater ejus, Symon de Mohaut et Symon filius ejus, Gaufridus Mori, Rem. de Fernhil, et Adam nepos ejus. Omnes isti petitione mea testes sunt hujus rei. Insuper hoc meum sigillum est testimonium istius cartæ. Pro hujus rei beneficio susceperunt me monachi et filium meum et omnes parentes meos in fraternitatem, et participem me fecerunt et omnes meos omnium beneficiorum ecclesiæ suæ imperpetuum.

NUM. XV.

Carta Comitum Albemariæ.

[Ibid. fol. 67 a.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris Willielmus de Forz comes Albemariæ salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me, pro amore Dei, et pro salute animæ meæ et omnium meorum, concessisse et præsentem cartam confirmasse Deo, et sancto Johanni, et monachis de Pontefracto, illam carucatam terræ in Broctuna et mansuram in eadem villa cum pertinentiis suis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, quas eis dedit et carta sua confirmavit domina Aaliz de Rumelli, sicut continetur in carta ipsius dominæ Aaliz. Hiis testibus, Willielmo Britone tunc dapifero, Willielmo Painel, magistro Michaelc, Willielmo de Scalleby, Rainero Flamang, et aliis.

NUM. XVI.

Carta Petri de Falkebergia.

[Ibid. fol. 70 a.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis tam præsentibus quam futuris Petrus de Falkebergia salutem. Universitati vestræ notum fieri volo, me consilio venerabilis Rogeri Dei gratia Eboracensis archiepiscopi dedisse, concessisse, et præsentis cartæ meæ testimonio confirmasse Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ, et sancto Johanni Evangelistæ, et priori et monachis de Pontefracto, medietatem meam ecclesiæ sancti Michaelis de Catthevic cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam ab omni sæculari exactione manutenendam et warrantizandam contra omnes homines, pro salute animæ meæ, et uxoris meæ Beatricis, et filiorum meorum Willielmi, Walteri, Stephani, et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum, prædictis uxore mea Beatricia et filiis meis concedentibus et consentientibus. Qui autem super hac elemosina mea prædictis monachis aliquam injuriam vel aliquod gravamen intulerint, maledictionem Dei et meam habeant. Pro hujus verò donationis beneficio concesserunt mihi prædicti monachi in obitu meo tantum obsequii quantum pro uno de monachis ipsius domus. Insuper autem anniversarium meum singulis annis facient de redditu prædictæ ecclesiæ, scilicet elemosinæ meæ de Catewic, et in die anniversaria obitus mei de prædicto redditu prædicti monachi procurabuntur, et hoc idem concesserunt præfati monachi uxori meæ Beatriciæ in die obitus sui. Nos etiam in plenariam societatem domus suæ et totius Ordinis Cluniacensis et hæredes nostros receperunt. Hujus rei testes sunt, Rogerus Dei gratia Eboracensis archiepiscopus, Johannes filius Letoldi, Willielmus capellanus, Jordanus Folioth, Hugo de Perdevill, Thomas dapifer monachorum, Jordanus de Aula.

NUM. XVII.

Carta Jordani Folioth.

[Ibid. fol. 26 a.]

SCIANT præsentibus et futuris quod ego Jordanus Foliot concessi, et donavi, et confirmavi hac carta mea et hoc meo sigillo Deo, et sancto Johanni et monachis de Pontefracto, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, pro remedio animæ meæ et antecessorum meorum, toftum qui fuit Asgeri, qui situs est inter toftum quondam Cristiani et toftum qui fuit Hugonis filii Bondi. Hujus rei testes sunt, Robertus de Bulli, Thomas filius Petri, Petrus de Giptun, Ricardus Cardinal, Adam presbiter, et Arnaldus filius ejus, Gilbertus

de Lasey, Eustachius de Ettun, Jordanus, et Rainaldus, et Rogerus fratres ejus, Michael filius Thomæ, Hugo filius Orni, Radulfus filius Willielmi aurifabri, Radulfus filius Hugonis filii Serlonis, Adam filius Serici, Ricardus de Hac-torn.

NUM. XVIII.

Carta ejusdem Jordani Folioth.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit omnibus præsentibus et futuris filiis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ quod ego Jordanus Folioth donavi, et concessi, et hac mea carta confirmavi, pro remedio animæ meæ et antecessorum et hæredum meorum, ad tenendum de me et de hæredibus meis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, West-molendinum de Nortun Deo, et sancto Johanni, et monachis de Pontefracto, de quo molendino monachi persolvent dimidiam marcam unoquoque anno capellæ de Nortun. Hoc molendinum et sedem molendini, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, donavi eis, et concessi, et hac mea carta confirmavi, in crastino Natalis Domini die sancti Stephani prothomartyris, qua die monachi mihi dederunt pelliceam unam de recognitione et testimonio. Teste, Henrico de Laseyo, cujus consensu et concessione hoc actum est. Testibus, Willielmo Foliot, Ottone de Tilli, Osberto archidiacono, tunc dapifero Hugonis de Tilli, Willielmo de Bulli, Bertramo filio Willielmi de Fristun, Adam de Prestun, Thoma filio Petri, Roberto Barbo, Willielmo de Leeleya, Thoma filio Thomæ, Hugone de Strettun, Henrico de Dai, et Radulfo fratre suo, Rogero Pictavensi, Adam Pictavensi, Rogero de Suinlington, Roberto camerario, Roberto dispensatore, Ricardo Barbo, Aschetillo de Lunda, Jordano de Ledestun et fratribus, Thoma de Monte et Michaelle filio ejus, Roberto Skirmisore, Fulcone Franceis, Jordano de Rovecestre, Waltero Flandrensi, Henrico medico.

NUM. XIX.

Item de eodem.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentibus et futuri quod ego Jordanus Foliot consilio et consensu Beatricis uxoris meæ et antecessorum et hæredum meorum concessi et donavi et hac mea carta confirmavi Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et sancto Johanni et monachis de Pontefracto West-molendinum de Nortun cum sede ipsius molendini, et insuper toftum unius acræ inter molendinum et gardinum juxta viam del North cum omnibus ad ipsum molendinum pertinentibus, ad habendum et possidendum in puram et perpetuam elemosinam de me et de hæredibus meis liberè, solutè, et quietè de omni seculari servicio, cum soca et scuta ejusdem molendini, de quo molendino prædicti monachi dabunt annuatim dimidiam marcam argenti capellæ de Nortun in festo sancti Dionisii. Confirmavi etiam prædictis monachis per hanc cartam unam carucatam terræ in Pontefracto in Baghil, quam terram pater meus Willielmus Foliot eis donavit in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. In testimonio confirmationis harum elemosinarum dederunt mihi prædicti monachi x. marcas argenti et cappam monachi pluvialem. Testibus, Beatrice uxore mea, Roberto de Pirou, fratre Willielmo de Hyrst, Kabiol Rotore, Willielmo de Bardolf, Jordano et Waltero de Ledestun, Randulfo filio Siwardi, Ottone filio Roberti de Builli, Ricardo de Hacatorn, Johanne Puer, Michaelle filio Thomæ, Willielmo Man, Radulfo Buche, Alexandro Pistore, Hugone Paildecert.

NUM. XX.

Carta Ricardi filii Ulf de Doddeurda.

[Ibid. fol. 62 a.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris Ricardus filius Wlf de Doddewrda et Willielmus frater suus salutem. Sciatis omnes nos dedisse, concessisse, et præsentibus carta nostra confirmasse Deo et sancto Johanni et priori et monachis de Pontefracto omnes homines illos quos habuimus in terra nostra de Doddewrda cum omnibus sctis eorum et catallis, pro amore Dei et pro salute animarum nostrarum, et tam terram ipsam quam etiam omnes homines illos eis confirmavimus imperpetuum. Hiis testibus, Roberto Walensi, Johanne de Birkin, Adam de Rame-

villa, Thoma filio suo, Willielmo de Stapilton, Hugone de Bretton, Rogero de Berneslay, et aliis.

NUM. XXI.

Carta Gilberti Comitis Lincolnæ.

[Ibid. fol. 66 a.]

GILLEBERTUS comes Lincolnæ universis matris ecclesiæ filiis salutem. Notum sit omnibus tam præsentibus quam futuris me dedisse et concessisse in perpetuam elemosinam Deo et ecclesiæ sancti Johannis de Pontefracto et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus passagium de Suthferibi, et tres bovatas terræ et dimidiam cum tribus mansuris in eadem villa, et præter hæc, undecim alias mansuras ibidem. Hanc verò elemosinam dedi et concessi ecclesiæ et fratribus prædictis liberam et quietam ab omni terreno servicio pro sex libratis redditus quas pepigi eisdem pro dampno quod intuli eis et ecclesiæ eorum de guerra illa deinter me et Henricum de Lasey. Et ipsi me susceperunt in fraternitatem suam et participationem omnium beneficiorum universarum domorum suarum. Hiis testibus, Gaufrido de Gant, Baldewino de Gant, Philippo de Kyme abbate de Rugford, Rogero canonico de Bredlington, Radulfo filio Gilleberti, Herberto de Horneby, Waltero clerico, Radulfo de Feriby.

NUM. XXII.

Carta Jordani de sancta Maria.

[Ib. fol. 58 a.]

UNIVERSIS hoc scriptum visuris vel audituris Jordanus de sancta Maria et Aliz uxor sua de Fristona salutem in Domino. Noveritis nos pro salute animarum nostrarum et omnium antecessorum et hæredum nostrorum dedisse, concessisse, et præsentibus carta nostra confirmasse Deo et sancto Johanni de Pontefracto et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, totum pratum nostrum quod habuimus in territorio de Feria: illud scilicet pratum quod jacet inter pratum quod fuit Terri de Feria versus Suth, et pratum Adæ Russell versus North, de quo unum caput percutit super Lengelache et tendit usque ad magnam aquam de Ayr, et unam aliam partem parti versus Heliwelle ultra rivulum qui venit de Pontefracto inter pratum abbatis et monachorum de Fontibus versus North et pratum Terri de Feria versus Suth; de quo unum caput percutit super pratum hospitalis de Fulsnaph, et tendit usque ad magnam aquam de Ayr, et fordales ejusdem prati quæ percutiunt ex una parte super pratum hospitalis de Fulsnap et ex alia parte super magnam aquam de Ayr, et ex tertia parte super pratum quod fuit Roberti de Hikilton. Et insuper dedimus eisdem monachis fordales prati nostri de Friston, quæ percutiunt ex una parte super rivulum de Friston et ex alia super pratum Agnetis de Merston. Hæc omnia præfata habebunt et tenebunt prædicti monachi libera quietas et soluta ab omni servicio et consuetudine seculari. Et nos et hæredes nostri warentizabimus omnia prædicta præfatis monachis ubique et contra omnes. Et ut hæc nostra donatio et confirmatio firma sit et stabilis huic cartæ sigillorum nostrorum munimen apposuimus. Hiis testibus, Ricardo filio nostro præsentibus et concedente, Thoma de Kriggeliston, Waltero de Birum, Roberto Camberlano, Radulpho de Batelay, Ricardo de Stagno, Roberto filio Gaufridi, Willielmo propheta, Willielmo dispensatore, Nicholao de Grene, Willielmo marescallo, et aliis.

NUM. XXIII.

Carta Adæ filii Petri et Matildis uxoris suæ.

[Ib. fol. 57 a.]

SCIANT præsentibus et futuri quod ego Adam filius Petri et uxor mea Matildis de Calz concessimus et donavimus Deo et sancto Johanni et monachis de Pontefracto ad procuratorem eorum emendandam, pro remedio animarum nostrarum et antecessorum nostrorum, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam medietatem molendini de Stainburch. Hiis testibus, Thoma filio Petri, et Rogero filio Petri fratribus meis, Roberto filio meo, Willielmo de Mungai de Swinlingtona, Wdone de Aula, Radulfo et Willielmo de Mungai, Rogero de Capreolæcuria, Helya filio Ricardi, Jordano et Rainaldo et Rogero et Waltero de Ledestona, et aliis.

NUM. XXIV.

Cartæ Adæ filii Petri.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT omnes præsentis et futuri quod ego Adam filius Petri do et sub præsentis cartulæ attestatione confirmo dimidiam bovata[m] terræ in Fareburna Deo et sancto Johanni et monachis de Pontefracto ad oblata facienda et ad vinum ad missas, liberam et quietam ab omni seculari servicio et in puram elemosinam imperpetuum pro redemptione animæ meæ et uxoris et patris et matris meæ omniumque parentum meorum et amicorum. Pro hoc beneficio receperunt me monachi et omnes amicos meos in fraternitatem et societatem omnium beneficiorum suorum quæ amodo in monasterio sancti Johannis agentur. Hujus donationis testes sunt, frater meus Rogerus, Radulfus Figura, Robertus dispensator Henrici de Lasci, Robertus Butiler ejusdem, Willielmus pistor monachorum, Fossardus portarius, Symon præpositus de Fareburne.

NUM. XXV.

Carta Johannis filii Adæ.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri quod ego Johannes filius Adæ dedi et concessi et hac præsentis mea carta confirmavi Deo et sancto Johanni et monachis de Pontefracto pro animabus patris et matris meæ et omnium antecessorum meorum et successorum in puram et perpetuam elemosinam xij. acras prati in Smethala; illas scilicet quas pater meus eis dedit et confirmavit. Et duas quercus in bosco meo de Byrkin singulis annis contra Natale Domini, et unum damum in parco meo in festo sancti Johannis ante portam Latinam, et dimidium molendini de Stainburg cum secta medietati ejusdem molendini pertinente. Hanc concessionem et confirmationem feci ego Johannes prædictis monachis pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ Johannæ et hæredum meorum, et prosopitate corporum nostrorum. Hiis testibus, Jacobo Canonico de Drakes, Osberto de Brettun, Pigot de Bretton, Alano de Rotestun, Petro, et Rogero, et Willielmo fratribus meis, et Martino capellano qui hanc cartam scripsit.

NUM. XXVI.

Carta Symonis de Mohaut.

[Ib. f. 58 a.]

OMNIBUS fidelibus S. ecclesiæ Symon de Mohaut salutem. Sciatis quod ego pro salute mea et uxoris meæ et antecessorum meorum et hæredum meorum dedi et concessi et hac mea carta et hoc meo sigillo confirmavi concedentibus prædicta uxore Matilde et hæredibus meis Symone et Roberto, Deo et sancto Johanni et monachis de Pontefracto liberè et quietè in puram et perpetuam elemosinam duas bovatas terræ viginti acrarum de meo dominio in Keswic, simul cum uno tofto unius acræ in eadem villa cum omnibus pertinentiis, videlicet in boscho et in plano, in pratis in paschuis, et aquis et viis et semitis, et in omnibus aisiamentis ejusdem villæ. Et ipsi monachi me receperunt in fraternitate sua et orationibus domus et totius ordinis et omnes meos, et si necesse mihi fuerit me suscipient sicut fratrem suum qui me eis reddidi. Testantibus, Willielmo de Harewde nepote meo, Henrico filio meo, Nicholao de Friston, Roberto filio Gilberti, Jordano filio Bernardi, Jordano de Ledestun et fratribus suis Rainaldo, Rogero, Waltero, Roberto de Ledestun, Thoma dapifero et Michaeli filio ejus, Willielmo Pistore et Alexandro filio ejus, Thoma de Prestun, Gaufrido de Pratis, Adam Coco et Roberto fratre suo, Affrico de Keswic, et aliis.

NUM. XXVII.

Carta Willielmi Maltravers.

[Ibid. fol. 68 a.]

WILLIELMUS Maltravers omnibus hominibus et amicis suis salutem. Notum vobis esse volo quod ego do monachis sancti Johannis de Pontefracto pro anima mea et expectatione calumpniæ suæ de ecclesia de Walleya unam marcam argenti de redditibus meis in essartis unoquoque anno reddendam in festivitate sancti Michaelis, laudante hoc et volente uxore mea Dameta, et hoc quamdiu tenebo honorem Pontisfracti. Postea autem si voluerint agitare calumpniam suam

vel per cartam regis quam inde habent vel per aliud, non sit calumpnia eorum pejorata propter istud factum. Testibus Hugone filio G. et Mengi, et Reginaldo, et Willielmo filio Hugonis, et Randulfo filio Orni.

NUM. XXVIII.

De ecclesia de Walley.

[Ibid.]

QUIDAM antecessorum comitis Lincolnia, Hugo de la Val nomine, dedit jus patronatus ecclesiæ de Walley priori et conventui de Pontefracto per cartam suam quam habent, qui præsentaverunt ad eam successive A. B. C. D. qui omnes per diocesanum admissi et instituti fuerunt. Inter quos erat quidam nomine Sparlingo, quo defuncto successit ei quidam Liulphus qui cognominabatur Cuttewlf eo quod sedens quadam vice in foresta de Rossendale ad locum qui vocatur Lednesgrene respiciendo canes suos currentes, lupum quemdam juxta se currentem decaudavit. Defuncto verò prædicto Liulpho, quidam prædecessor dicti comitis vacante dicto prioratu et in sua custodia existente præsentavit nomine custodis quemdam Galfridum ad eandem, qui duxit in uxorem filiam domini Gospatrik de Camelesbury, de qua genuit filios et filias, de quorum progenie multi adhuc nobiles in partibus illis manent. Defuncto prædicto Galfrido successit ei Galfridus filius ejus quasi nomine hereditario, gratia super hoc prius a curia Romana impetrata; quo defuncto, quidam antecessor dicti comitis præsentavit quemdam Rogerum, et post ipsum, Petrum de Cestria, prædictis priore et conventu reclamare non audentibus. Vivente autem prædicto Petro de Cestria, prædictus comes Lincolnia Henricus de Lascy nomine, dedit patronatum prædictæ ecclesiæ de Walley Coventrensis et Lichefeldensis diocesis, abbati et conventui de Stanlawe ordinis Cisterciensis, dictæ diocesis, recepta prius ab eis litera obligatoria, quod quotienscumque vacaret præsentarent ad eam quem ipse aut hæredes sui vellent, et non alium nisi possent eam in proprios usus impetrare, qua impetrata augmentarent numerum solitum monachorum, ita quod ab illo tempore essent lx. ubi prius fuerunt xl. et quod monasterium suum ad territorium dictæ ecclesiæ transferrent. Postea Nicholaus Papa iiij. concessit eis appropriationem ejusdem cedente vel decedente rectore, salvis congruis portionibus pro vicaria. Postea Papa Bonifacius revocavit appropriationes concessas per prædictum prædecessorem suum Nicholaum, de quibus non habebatur ipso die jus in re, licet ad rem. Postea decessit prædictus Petrus de Cestria xvij. kal. Januarii anno Domini mcc. nonagesimo quarto, quondam ad præsentationem avi dicti comitis id est domini Johannis de Lascy institutus, qui in vita sua nunquam cedere voluit. Quo defuncto, prædictus Henricus de Lascy comes, tanquam in priore proposito non existens, ingressus est ad dictam ecclesiam, dictos religiosos multis diebus excludendo, qui pro ingressu habendo remiserunt et quietum clamaverunt dicto comiti et hæredibus suis imperpetuum quandam capellam infra limites dictæ ecclesiæ existentem valentem annuatim c. marcas sterlingorum, et alias multas libertates infra forestas dicti comitis dictæ ecclesiæ ab antiquo spectantes, ut venandi et feras omni tempore anni ad libitum capiendi. Et sic lectis ante fores dictæ ecclesiæ super hiis instrumentis, dic purificationis sanctæ Mariæ post revocationem prædictam adepti sunt ingressum nullum jus ad appropriationem ut prædictum est habentes, præsentis populo non parvo et clamante, "væ vobis simoniaci." Postea composuerunt cum domino Rogero de Meuland tunc episcopo contra hujusmodi ingressum provocante appellante et sequestro interponente de cccl. marcis sterlingorum, de quibus post obitum suum satisfecerunt executoribus dicti episcopi de c. libris sterlingorum, obligantes se et successores suos ad anniversarium dicti episcopi imperpetuum pro residuo faciendum; et sic pacto et precio mediantibus adepti sunt possessionem dictæ ecclesiæ nullum jus habentes ad ejusdem appropriationem, et sic per lapsum temporis xij. annorum devolvitur collatio ejusdem ad dominum papam eo quod de jure vacaret per idem tempus. Ex præmissis patet quod dicti prior et conventus habent cartam et seisynam quod non est aliud nisi præsentatio cum effectu: abbas et conventus prædicti habent solomodo cartam sine seisyna eo quod nunquam præsentaverunt. Ecclesia verò prædicta valet singulis annis ad minus, deductis expensis, quingentas marcas sterlingorum.

Qualiter postea impetraverunt confirmationem prædicti Papæ Bonefacii, nulla facta mentione de conventionibus prædictis, et confirmationem episcopi qui tunc temporis fuit, pro mille marcis sterlingorum, et confirmationem capitulorum Conventrensis et Lichefeldensis et loci archidiaconi pro xv. libris sterlingorum annuæ pensionis imperpetuum solvendis, non est opus exprimere, sed errores prædictos infecte radatis. Hoc autem sciendum quod omnia præmissa notoria sunt, et quod ab ingressu dictorum religiosorum in dictum beneficium, de malo in pejus usque in hodiernum diem ad scandalum cleri et populi dissensio semper pullulavit. Et sciendum quod omnes rectores dictæ ecclesiæ usque ad tempus domini Petri de Cestria cognominabuntur decani, et non rectores. Nuper decessit vicarius dictæ ecclesiæ cujus portiones secundum ordinationem ordinariorum valebant annuatim e. libræ sterlingorum, et præsentatus est ad vicariam nuper ordinatam per dominum papam nunc quidam capellanus, contra cujus ordinationem appellatum est per episcopum et archidiaconum, et causa per impletionem, similiter et collatio eo quod de jure et de facto per annum et dimidium jam vacavit, devolvitur ad papam.

NUM. XXIX.

Carta Radulfi de Capricuria de villa de Bernesleya.

[Ibid. f. 63 b.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri quod ego Radulfus de Caprecuria et soror mea Beatrix concessimus et dedimus Deo et sancto Johanni et monachis de Pontefracto villam de Bernesleya in boscho, et plano, in molendino, in aquis, in pratis, et in omnibus quæ ad eam pertinent, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam pro animabus nostris et antecessorum nostrorum et hæredum, annuentibus filiis meis, Jordano et Ricardo. Concesserunt etiam nobis prædicti monachi de Pontefracto propter hanc elemosinam quod facient unum monachum pro matre nostra, et alium pro sorore mea, et tertium pro me cum obiero, qui nominatim orent pro nobis. Mihi etiam concesserunt monachatum quodcumque voluero. Ad recognitionem hujus rei dederunt monachi eidem sorori meæ decem marcas argenti et mihi tres, et annuatim pelliceam monachorum et botas. Dederunt etiam Jordano filio meo pro concessione hujus rei palefridum unum, et filio meo Ricardo v. marcas. Hanc donationem ego Radulphus de Caprecuria meo præsentis sigillo confirmo. Quod si quis hæredum meorum infringere præsumendo comodum animæ meæ et sororis meæ in hoc minuire temptaverit, debeat eum Deus de libro vitæ. T. Henrico de Lasey in cujus præsentia hæc donatio facta est, et Matilde matre sua, Arnaldo presbitero, Roberto presbitero, Henrico Gwaleis, Ricardo Bagot, Thoma Dapifero, et Willielmo fratre ejus, Ricardo filio Leising, et Ricardo Franceis.

NUM. XXX.

Quieta Clamatio Jordani de Capreolicuria.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri quod ego Jordanus de Capreolecuria calumpniam quam habui in Bernesleya quietam clamo de me et hæredibus meis imperpetuum Deo et sancto Johanni et monachis de Pontefracto pro salute mea et antecessorum meorum, et uxoris meæ et hæredum meorum. Insuper donationem ejusdem villæ de Bernesleya cum omnibus appendiciis suis, quam donaverat eis Beatrix anita mea, et Radulfus de Capreolecuria pater meus concedo, dono et hac mea carta confirmo, in omnibus. Ipsi autem monachi sancti Johannis de Pontefracto, pro gratia hujusmodi concessionis, et donationis decem marcas argenti mihi dederunt, et annuatim dabunt pelliceam mihi, et botas monachi, et unum monachum pro me fecerunt et me monachum facient quando voluero. Quicumque hæredum meorum aliquod impedimentum facere voluerit de hac mea donatione et elemosina maledictionem Dei incurrat et meam. Hæc pax et compositio inter me et eosdem monachos facta est in capella sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ in Donecastria coram justitiario regis Ricardo de Luci. Testibus, eodem Ricardo, Rogero archiepiscopo Eboraci, Henrico de Lasey, Willielmo de Vesci, Roberto clerico vicecomitis, Turstano de Sutton, magistro Roberto Morel, Willielmo Vavator, Jordano Foliot, Ricardo Bagot, Roberto Dispensatore, Johanne filio Willielmi elemosinarii.

NUM. XXXI.

Progenies Suani filii Alurici.

[Ibid. fol. 85 b.]

SUAYN filius Alrick feofavit domum de Pontefracto et monachos ibidem Deo servientes de ecclesia de Silkeston, cum sex bovatis terræ in eadem villa. Et de dicto Suayn venit Adam filius ejus, et confirmavit feofamentum patris sui, scilicet de ecclesia de Silkeston, cum sex bovatis terræ. Et de dicto Ada venit Matilda et Anabilla, et de Matilda venit Rog. de Munbegun, Mabilia et Clementia de Lungvilers, de Clementia venit Johannes de Lungvilers, et de dicto Johanne de Lungvilers venit alius Johannes de Lungvilers, et de illo Johanne venit Mabilia, et Margareta uxor Galfridi de Neovila, et de Mabilia venit Willielmus de Lamare, et de Willielmo Delamare venit alia Mabilia, et de illa Mabilia venit Hugo de Neovila, et de Anabella filia Adæ venit Sarra, et de Sarra venit Thomas de Burgo, et de Thoma de Burgo alius Thomas de Burgo et Johannes, et dictus Thomas expiravit sine hærede, et de Johanne venit Thomas de Burgo qui nunc est.

NUM. XXXII.

De Fundatione Capellæ Sancti Clementis in Castro de Pontefracto.

[Ex vetusto exemplari penes Henricum Savile de Medley mil. et baronettum an. 1622.]

QUANDO Ilbertus de Laceo in honorem Dei et sanctæ Mariæ, et Omnium Sanctorum ecclesiam beati Clementis in castello suo pro salute Willielmi regis majoris, Willielmi filii ejus et filiorum ipsorum, et pro animabus prædecessorum, et pro animabus uxoris et filiorum suorum, et pro salute omnium fidelium vivorum et mortuorum in tempore principis supradicti fundavit; donavit, et confirmavit eidem ecclesiæ plenariè decimæ suæ duas partes de dominico suo; videlicet in Camasella, in Daringtona, Rodewella, Barvica, Parlingtona, Chipiesio cum Alretona, Ledstona, pro qua habet ipsa ecclesia unum molendinum in Newsam, et tertiam partem decimæ quam habebant monachi de dominio castellarie. Rursus in Octona, Wulmerslee, Chamsala, Emmesela in Lindessio, in Chorisbera, Frisbera in Nottinghamshire; Hekelinga in Oxenfordshire, Staintona, Lurham, et totam decimam pullorum armenti sui, ac decimam piscatorie Knottingleie. Harum rerum omnium supradictarum tenuit Ranulphus Grammaticus dimidiam partem, cum octo bovatis terræ in Darthingtona ad servitium ecclesiæ, et dimidium communæ contra Ranulphum Grammaticum, et Godefridum presbiterum. Dedit etiam Ilbertus decimam malorum Rodewellæ, et malorum Cerswist et Went et unius molendini in Burgo, et quinque bovatas terræ in Knottingley. Et pater meus Robertus de Laceo dedit ibi sextam partem, pro quibus ipse excambiavit duas partes decimæ Nortonæ et in Majore Emsala duas partes; in Hemelswurd duas partes. Et Robertus de Lacco dedit in Feria duas bovatas terræ ad luminare ecclesiæ prædictæ baronibus ejusdem castellanie. Rogerus Pictavus in Altofta duas garbas. In Cantona Ilbertus de Ramosvilla duas garbas Camsaliæ de dominio suo. Umfredus de Villeio duas garbas in Snitella, et Newtona, Ernulphus in Prestona garbas duas et in Rouedena; Gilbertus filius Damæ in Stapeltona duas garbas. Radulphus Pincerna de Thorpe duas garbas, et totam decimam molendini. Radulphus filius Edelinæ de Stubbs juxta Enccesalam duas garbas. Henricus de Laceio dimidiam partem decimæ de Scalbroke. Willielmus Pictavus in Scaleilla duas garbas. Ansgotus Ruffus in Hampole duas garbas. Cheme in Stubbs duas garbas. Girardus de Rameswilla dimidiam partem decimæ suæ in Smeadetona. Gerbodus in Fristona duas partes decimæ unius carucatæ. Robertus de Somerveio dedit in tempore Roberti de Laceio in Seacroft tertiam partem unius carucatæ. Hæc autem beneficia confirmavit autoritate Thomæ senioris archiepiscopi, dedicavit ipsam ecclesiam cum scholis de Kirkby et Pontisfracti, et sicut antecessores mei has donationes et confirmationes statuerunt in suis temporibus; ita ego Herbertus concedo et confirmo eas cum auctoritate Turstini archiepiscopi apud Brothertonam cum omnibus quæ canonici S. Clementis tenebant ad servitium ejusdem ecclesiæ, die qua Deus per manum suam

dederit mihi hæreditatem meam. Testibus ipso Turstino archiepiscopo, episcopo Karliel, Waltero abbate Selby; Rogero Pictavio et Roberto Malvilla.

NUM. XXXIII.

Conventio facta inter Priorem et Conventum de Pontefract ex una Parte, et Johannem Scot de Calverley ex altera.

[Penes Walterum Calverley, baronettum.]

HÆC est conventio facta inter viros religiosos priorem et conventum de Pontefract ex una parte et Johannem Scot de Calverlaye ex parte altera. Videlicet quod dictus Johannes concessit et dimisit et ex gratia sua speciali accomodavit prædictis priori et conventui iter et transitum super sua terra de Haliwelle usque ad turbariam dictorum prioris et conventus quam habent ex concessione comitis Lincolne. Ita quod prædicti prior et conventus dicto itinere et transitu gaudeant et utantur usque ad dictam turbariam cum suis caretis tantum eundo et redeundo absque aliqua fugacione aliquorum pecorum et averiorum et absque commoratione facienda in dicta terra de Haliwell, prædicti siquidem prior et conventus necnon eorum successores nec aliquis nomine eorum in prædicto itinere vel transitu in terra dicti Johannis nichil juris habeant vel exigant præterquam istam gratiam specialem quæ concessa est eis usque ad festum sancti Martini in hyeme anno Domini m^occ^o. octogesimo octavo. Et si contra istam conventionem in aliquo tempore ire præsumpserint unde dictus Johannes aliquam jacturam incurrerit vel vexamen tenentur omnes suas jacturas sibi restituere secundum suum simplex dictum absque alia probatione. In cujus rei testimonium uni parti istius scripti penes dictum J. residentem commune sigillum capitulare dictorum prioris et conventus apponitur et dictus Johannes alteri parti sigillum suum apposuit. Hiis testibus domino Hugone de Swiltington, domino Thoma Bek. domino Petro de Rotherfeld, Waltero de Sutton, Alano de Smitheton, Roberto de Motholay, Hugone de Castilforth et aliis.

Deest sigillum.

NUM. XXXIV.

Concordia inter Monachos Cluniacenses de Pontefracto et Hubertum et Gaufridum filios Willielmi de Boelter de media parte de Peckfeld.

[Originale penes Rad. Thoresby de Ledes, Arm.]

HÆC concordia facta in primo comitatus apud Eborum post festum Sancti Johannis Baptistæ, anno xxx. regni regis H. secundi coram Rainero dapifero Rannulfi de Glanvill tunc vicecomite Eboracensi et baronibus domini regis qui tunc ibi aderant, inter Hubertum priorem de Pontefracto et monachos et Hubertum et Gaufridum filios Willielmi de Boelter de media parte de Peckefeld, unde placitum fuit inter eos, scilicet quod prædictus H. prior et monachi dederunt prædicto Gaufrido unam bovatom terræ in Ledegham cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et toftum Ricardi cum ipso Ricardo et secta sua in feudo et hereditate de se tenenda per servitium vi^d. m. ad festum sancti Martini et m. ad Pentecosten inde reddendorum annuatim, consentiente et concedente prædicto Huberto fratre suo, qui totum jus suum quod habuit in Peckefeld eidem Gaufrido quietum clamavit. Prædictique Hubertus et Gaufridus filius Willielmi le Boelter clamaverunt prædicto H. priori et monachis de Pontefract totam prædictam partem suam de Peckefeld quietam in perpetuum de se et de heredibus suis. Istam escambiam warantizabunt prædictus prior et monachi Gaufrido et heredibus suis, et Gaufridus et hæredes sui monachis contra omnes homines. His testibus Osberto de Bains, Ada filio Petri et Thoma fratre suo, Ada de Ramevill, Petro Auterive Malgereio de Stiuetet et Huberto filio suo, Ricardo de Luquetuna, Henrico clerico de Kellington, Ada filio Ormi, Ricardo filio Lasting.

NUM. XXXV.

Carta Johannis de Builli de dimidia acra et tofto concessis Ecclesiæ S Johannis de Pontefracto, in agro Eboracensi.

[Penes eundem.]

SCIANT omnes præsentis et futuri, quod ego Johannes de Builli dedi et hac mea præsentis carta confirmavi Deo, et

sancto Johanni Apostolo de Pontefract, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus dimidiam acram terræ, cum tofto eidem terræ pertinente in Kingberwurdia, quam Godwinus de Hillum tenet, in liberam, et puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, ad luminare in capella sancti Victoris martyris, et prædictum Godwinum cum omnibus quæ ad eum pertinent, pro remedio animæ meæ, et pro animabus antecessorum meorum. Hiis testibus, Hugone de Scaocebi, Roberto filio Richardi de Crokestune, Alano Capelano, Hugone de Monkesburgo, Hugone Capelano de Roderam, Radulpho de Aigrano, Richardo Pistore, Willielmo de Monkesburgo, Johanne de Curei, Radulpho Coco.

NUM. XXXVI.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

Com' Ebor'.

MONASTERIU' SIVE PRIORAT' S'TI JOH'IS APPLI ET EVANG' DE PONTEFRACTO.

Temp'al' videl't in

Sit' monastij iſm cum gardin' et columbar' infra p̄cinct' ejusdm monasterij p annū 0l. 10s. 0d.
Terr, clausur' p'at' pasc' et pastur' eidm monast'r' ptin' et in man' suis occupat' p annū 16l. 2s. 8d.
Exit' grang' de Ledston 12l. 8s. 3d. et Cob croft 5l. 0s. 3d. in manibz ipius prioris p annū 17l. 8s. 6d.
Exit' uni⁹ mollend' aquatic' apud Ledeston 3l. et duoz mollend' aquatic' in Pontefracto 2l. in man' dci prior' p annū 5l. 0s. 0d.
39l. 1s. 2d.

Redd' et firm' terr' et teñt' in diſs' villat' v3 in Birton Salmon 3l. 9s. 6d. Brederton 6s. 8d. Ferebrig 5l. 2s. 10½d. Fryeston by the Watter 18s. 4d. Stubbs Walding 4s. 2d. Whitwod 24l. 13s. 2d. ob'. Middelton jux^a Rothwell 3l. 6s. 8d. Olton et Rothwell 2l. 2s. 4d. Houghton 8s. Medley 12s. Castilford 16s. Denby 2s. Pikles 2s. Bramley 4s. 10d. Kellyngley 6l. 3s. 4d. Beall 2l. 11s. 8d. Egburgh 1l. 12s. Whetlay 5d. Goldhall 6s. Knottingley 1l. 18s. 7d. Stapilton 2l. 10s. Darington 16s. 4d. Carlton 6s. Tanshelf 6s. Hampall 1s. Billam 10s. 5d. Stotfold 5s. 2d. Barnby sup Dun 5s. Keton 12s. Baddesworth 1l. 10s. 4d. Norton 16s. 8d. Birkin 1l. Barnesley cum 15l. de exit' tolnet' fori et nundin' iſm et cum 10s. de pquis' cur' iſm 55l. 12s. 5½d. Villa Pontefract' 6l. 16s. 5½d. Leedston cū 10d. de pquis' cur' 35l. 7s. 2d. Leedesham 17l. 3s. 0½d. Dodworth 24l. 0s. 2d. Civit' Eboz 3s. 4d. Bisshopthorp 2l. 1s. Middelthorp 3l. 12s. Dringhowses 1l. 14s. South Fereby 2l. In toto in com' p̄dco p annū 212l. 19s. 1½d.

Com' Lanc'.

Temp'al' val3 in

Redd' et firm' terr' et teñt' in Barnside in com' Lanc' p̄dict' p annū 9l. 9s. 2d.
261l. 4s. 5½d.

Com' Ebor'.

Penc' et Pencion' vid3 in

Pencion' sive porcon' diſs' ecclia3 videl't de Whitkirke 6s. 8d. Leeds 17s. 6d. Kellington 1l. 3s. 4d. Darfeld 10s. Sandall 1l. 6s. 8d. Darington 13s. 4d. Et de priore et conventu de Monke Burton 1l. In toto 5l. 17s. 6d.
Oblac' infra dict' monasteriū cōibz annis 0l. 3s. 4d.
Cons' penc' annuat' re^t de priore et conventu monasterij Scti Oswald' p garb' decimal' in Witwod, Spittell, Herdrike, Rothwell, et Wathe p annū 6l. 14s. 4d.
Exit' et pfic' garb' decimaliū et feni in Notton et Chete cōmuni3 annis 8l. 13s. 4d.

Rector' appropr' val' in

Exit' et pfic' diſs' rector' appropr' videl't rect' de Ledsham 8l. 16s. 8d. Kepax tam in gran' feni qam in lan' et agnell' 26l. 3s. 8d. Pontefract' rector' tam in gran' fen' lan' agn' oblac' mortuar' et privat' decim' 54l. 5s. 4d. Danington 13l. 6s. 8d. Silkston in omīod' exit' 61l. 15s. In toto p annū 164l. 17s. 4d.

Decanat' Castri de Pontefr'.
Val' in

Exit' et pfic' decanat castri de Pontefracto videlt in reddit' et firmis in Darington et in Ferebrig p annū 4l. 8s. 8d. Decim' g'an' de Tanshelff et Carlton coit' 6l. 13s. 4d. Fen' decimal' iſm coit' 18s. Penſoe annuat' recept' de priorissa de Heynyngs in com' Lincoln' 1l. 6s. 8d. Cons' penc' de rect' de Badesworth 1l. Porc' decim' gran' et feni in Southelmsall infra paroch' de Kirkeby 1l. 3s. 4d. Porc' decim' feni in Castelford 5s. Minut' dec' infra castrū Pont' 3d. In toto p annū 15l. 15s. 3d. Annual' reddit' recept' de dño Rege p man^a rec' honoris de Pontefrett p annū 0l. 6s. 4d. 16l. 1s. 7d.

Officiu' Sacrist' val' in

Exit' et pfic' terr' et teñt' et aliaꝝ possession' ptinen' offic' sacrist' monasterij p̄dci videlt terr' in Swinflete 1l. 13s. 4d. Cert' clausur' in Birom 1l. 6s. 8d. Broughton in Cravyn 18s. 4d. Feribrig 6s. Keswik 7s. Pontefr' 3s. 4d. Kimberworth 6s. In toto p annū 5l. 0s. 8d. Penc' re^t annuat' de rect' de Catwike in Holdernes 2l. Whitwod porc' dec' 2l. Ac in annuit' re^t de dño Rege p inanus rec' honoris de Pontefracto 4s. In toto p annū 4l. 4s. 0d. 9l. 4s. 8d. S̄m^a to' valor' priorat' p̄dci 472l. 16s. 10½d. D' quibꝫ

Repris'

Resoluc' videlt' in

Resoluc' redd' an^{ti} solut' diſs' psonis videlt archiepo Eboꝝ 1s. Hered' Johis Vivaso^r de terr' in Freston 8s. 6d. Johi Richardson p terr' in Broderton 6d. dno Regi manio s' de Sothwell in pr' 1l. Pipis 2s. Priori S̄ci Oswald' p terr' in Houghton 4s. Ppos' dni R^s de Tanshell 2s. Ppos' dni R^s de Beall 9s. 8d. Ppos' dni R^s de Knottingley 1s. Hered' Rokeby 4s. 4d. Prepos' dni R^s de Carleton et Tanshall 6s. 2d. Majori villæ Pontefracto p tempe existent' 3l. 3s. 4d. Maꝑro gild' Corporis Xpi iſm 2s. 4d. Ppos' dni Reg^s de Tanshall 2s. 11d. Prepos' dni R^s de Kepax 2s. Ballivo liſtat' B̄ti Petri Eboꝝ exeunt' de Ledesham 6l. 13s. 4d. Vic' civit' Eboꝝ 2s. 8d. Eisd' p Gogyll 2½d. Thomæ Inglesfeld milit' p terr' in Dringhouses 10s. 6d. Abbti B̄te Marie Eboꝝ de terr' in Swinflete 1l. Pipis 2s. In toto p annū 12l. 18s. 5½d.

Pencion', videlt in

Penc' annuat' solut' ecclie metripo^l Ebor' de rector' de Silkston p annu' 7l. 0s. 0d. Penc' an^{ti} solut' Rogero Newark cap^{lo} in ecclia metripo^l p̄dict' p aia Wiffl Felter p annu' 6l. 13s. 4d. Penc' annuat' solut' Johi Haddilsey cap^{lo} ppet' in ecclia collegiat' Repon p aia Johis Sendall imp̄pm 6l. 13s. 4d. Penc' annuat' solut' Egidio Kay capetto ppet' in ecclia paroch' de Wakefield p aia Johis Pilkington 6l. 0s. 0d. Penc' annuat' solut' priorissæ de Nunappulton p salar' unius capellan' p aia Johis Latham p a^m 2l. 13s. 4d. Porc' an^{ti} solut' rector' de Castelford p annu' 1l. 0s. 0d. Porc' an^{ti} solut' Johi Soureby capella ppet' B̄tæ Mariæ in ecclia de Pontefracto 0l. 10s. 0d. Penc' annual' solut' Johi Kern' cantarist' in ecclia Omi' S̄cor' de Pontefr' 5l. 0s. 0d. Penc' annuat' solut' Robto Adwik cantarist' ppet' in ecclia S̄ti Egidii Pontefr' p annu' 2l. 10s. 0d. Penc' annual' solut' Johi Stringer cantar' sive prebendar' infra castr' de Pontefr' p a^m 2l. 6s. 8d. Penc' annuat' solut' Wifflmo Fernhill cap^{lo} ppet' infra castrum p̄dict' p annu' 4l. 13s. 4d. Penc' an^{ti} solut' Johi Ros nunc sacrist' iſm p a^m 1l. 0s. 0d. Penc' annuat' solut' Robto Wermslay clico vicar' ppet' de Pontefracto p annu' 13l. 6s. 8d. Penc' annuat' solut' Johi Nicell vicar' ppet' de Wilkston p annu' 13l. 6s. 8d. Penc' annuat' solut' Johi Hollingbrig capetto ppet' apud Barnesley 5l. 2s. 0d.

Penc' annuat' solut' Thurstano Gawkethorpp' capetto ppet' apud Calthorne p annu' 4l. 13s. 4d.

Elemosia, vidz in

Elemosia annual' distribut' p anima Robti Lacy primi fundator' monasterii p̄dci p annu' 9l. 7s. 7d. Elemosia annuat' distribut' in die funer' Thomæ Cudworth 10s. Henrici Devias 6s. 8d. Johannis Helay 6s. 8d. Nichi Haull 2l. 13s. 4d. Richard' Hawe 13s. 4d. Katherine Stele 13s. 4d. elemosia annuat' distribut' in festa Purific' B̄tæ Mariæ Virginis p anima Henrici Bowett p annu' 6s. 8d. 5l. 0s. 0d. 14l. 17s. 7d.

Feod', vidz in

Feod' Thomæ dñi Darcy milit' sen^r monast' 5l. Johis Midley ballivi de Burton Salmon cu' membr' 1l. 6s. 8d. Willi Shelito balli de Whitwod 1l. 6s. 8d. Thomæ Essheley ballio de Kellingley cum membr' 1l. 6s. 8d. Georgii Darcy milit' sen^r de Barnsley 1l. Thomæ Beamond sen^r de Barnesley 1l. Wifflmi Thwait rec' priorat' iſm 5l. Thomæ Hegley ballivi de Barnsley 1l. 6s. 8d. Johis Cragg ball' de Pont' 1l. 6s. 8d. Robti Webster ballivi de Ledston 2l. Edwardi Cracy ballivi de Dodworth 13s. 4d. Laurencii Townley balli de Barnside 13s. 4d. Caroli Jaxson sen^r de Ledston 1l. In to^o p annu' 23l. 0s. 0d.

Sinod', vidz in

Denar' annuat' solut' archiepo Ebor' et archidiacon' iſm exeunt' de rect' de Pontefr' in sinod' et in pcur' p annu' 7s. 6d. rect' de Silkston p cons' 18s. 6d. In toto p annu' 1l. 6s. 0d.

S̄m^a repis' 137l. 4s. 0½d.

Et valet clar' 335l. 12s. 10d. ad q' onlat' de 2l. 1s. 10d. de reddit' et firm' terr' et teñt' in diſs' villat' in com' Ebor' ptinent' offic' custod' infirmor' infra dictum monaster' supius in oñe ex negligencia clici audit' in ingrossament' omiss' hic in oñac' pōit' p vero valore fiend', &c. Et conjunct' valet 337l. 14s. 8½d. X^{ma} ps inde 33l. 15s. 5¾d.

NUM. XXXVII.

[In a Book of Pensions remaining in the Augmentation Office.]

Comitatus Ebor.

POUNTEFREIT NUPER PRIORATUS.

PENSIONES assignatæ nuper priori et conventui ibidem super dissolutionem dicti nuper prioratus per commissionarios domini regis xxiiij^{to}. die mensis Novembris anno regni prædicti domini regis Henrici octavi tricesimo primo. Videlicet

Pensiones.

Jacobo Thwaytes nuper priori ibidem suum diaconatum castri ibidem, ac etiam quandam annualem pensionem triginta et quatuor librarum. In toto li. Stephano Homesworthe nuper subpriori ibidem vj^{li}. xiijs. iiij^d. Johanni Colte presbitero vj^{li}. Richardo Vavaso^r presbitero vj^{li}. Willielmo Bramham presbitero vj^{li}. xiijs. iiij^d. Henrico Grene presbitero v^{li}. Thomæ Elyson presbitero v^{li}. Henrico Wheteley presbitero v^{li}. Henrico Robynson presbitero v^{li}. Thomæ Kaye presbitero v^{li}. Michaeli Burton presbitero v^{li}. Roberto Evers presbitero v^{li}. Roberto Clyffe noviciato iij^{li}. vjs. viij^d.

Summa cxij^{li}. xiijs. iiij^d.

WALTER HENDLE.
THOMAS LEGH.
RYCHARD BELASSYS.
R. WATKYNs.

NUM. XXXVIII.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 34 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE PONTEFRACTO.

Com' Ebor'	£.	s.	d.
Vill' de Pontefracto—Situs cum terris dominicalibus	23	17	8
Vill' de Pontefracto—Reddit' et firm'	8	13	5
Vill' de Pontefracto—Redditus repertus	2	0	0
Vill' de Pontefracto—Rectoria	32	14	0
Monkehill—Reddit' et firm'	10	13	6
Friston—Reddit' et firm'	0	15	10
Ferybridge in Freston—Reddit' et firm'	6	0	10 ob'
Darthyngton—Reddit' et firm'	6	15	10
Carleton—Reddit' terr'	0	3	3
Darryngton—Rectoria	17	3	4
Monkehill et al'—Perquis cur'	0	7	10
Whitwode—Reddit' et firm'	25	7	4 ob'
Medley—Reddit' et firm'	0	19	0
Whitwode et al'—Perquis' cur'	1	3	1
Leddeston—Reddit' et firm'	50	18	7
Leddesham—Reddit' et firm'	17	3	4 ob'
Leddesham—Rectoria	11	10	0
Leddeston et al'—Perquis' cur'	0	9	8

Com' Ebor'	£.	s.	d.
Killyngeley—Reddit' et firm'	5	7	0
Knottyingley—Reddit' et firm'	1	18	7
Behall—Reddit' et firm'	3	5	10 ob'
Egburgh—Reddit' et firm'	0	19	6
Sutton—Redd' terr'	1	6	8
Salmon Burton—Reddit' et firm'	3	11	6
Whitley—Reddit' et firm'	0	12	11
Stapleton Reddit' et firm'	2	10	6
Kelyngley et al'—Perquis cur'	0	11	8
Barnesley—Reddit' et firm'	49	17	6 ob'
Dodworthe—Reddit' et firm'	22	16	4
Silkeston—Reddit' et firm'	5	3	2
Silkeston—Rectoria	42	2	10
Barnesley et al'—Perquis' cur'	3	18	0
Com' Ebor'—Redd' et firm' divers' lib' ten'	3	5	2 ob'
Com' Ebor'—Redd' et firm' divers' terr' &c. tenentium ad volunt'	28	15	8
Kepaxe—Rectoria	24	3	4
Ruston—Firm' parcell' rector'	8	13	4
Catwike—Penc' et porc' x ^m	19	16	6
Bramley in Ledes—X ^m	0	14	10
Com' Linc'			
South Ferebye—Firma terr' et ten'	2	0	0
Com' Lanc'			
Barnsett et Mersden—Firma maner' et terr'	9	9	2

Monk-Bretton, or Lund, Priory, in Yorkshire.



ANNER says, here Adam Fitz Suain, pretty early in the reign of Henry the Second, founded a monastery of the Cluniac Order to the honour of St. Mary Magdalene. In a note, he adds, in the third year of King Henry the Second.^a

The founder made this priory, at first, subordinate to that of St. John Pontefract; to which it paid a mark of silver annually, as an acknowledgement of dependence.

The prior of La Charite sur Loire, however, the superior monastery to both Pontefract and Bretton, in a letter of thanks to the founder for his affection to the Cluniac Order, gave him leave to select such brethren as he might approve, for his foundation at Bretton, from the house of Pontefract and others in England; with liberty to the monks of Bretton to choose their own prior, allowing, at the same time, the prior of Pontefract to sit in the chapter of Bretton at the respective elections if required.^b

A contest, however, respecting the subjection of Bretton to Pontefract soon arose, which was carried on for a very considerable time. Pope Alexander the Fourth, in the first year of his pontificate, A. D. 1255, 39th Hen. III. commissioned the dean and archdeacon of Lincoln to decide between the parties:^c and in 1269 a final agreement was determined upon which settled the question, the substance of which has been already given in the English account of Pontefract, and the Deed itself in the Appendix to that monastery.^d

The payment of a small annual sum to Pontefract continued to the Dissolution.

Burton, who had access to the Register of Monk-Bretton, has given the following list of places wherein the possessions of this priory was situated, with the names of the donors.

Robert Peke, and John Doyne, chaplain, in the 23d Hen. VI. A. D. 1445, gave to Richard the prior and the convent of Monk-Bretton four acres of land in *Abboldehag*.^e

The monks had lands and tenements in *Ackworth*, in a place called the Rydding, A. D. 1347, which John son of Godfrid de Stainton restored.^f

Thomas Fitz-Williams gave nine shillings per annum, and one half of a certain measure (windell) of white pease out of lands in *Advic in the Street*.^g Ralph Haket gave two oxgangs of land here, with tofts, crofts, and a mediety of the mill, together with Ralf the miller, and Hugh brother of Thomas, with all their families and cattle.^h

Roger de Hottun gave one moiety of *Akedene*.ⁱ

John de Novo Mercato, or Newmarch, held the manor of *Alwardethueit*, or *Ewardthuaith*, of the Monks, A. D. 1239, paying them five marks, as free as his uncle Henry enjoyed it.^k

Roger de Montbegon gave three acres of meadow under *Arkilleshou*, in Lancashire, near Pilgrims-Crosscharlie.^l

Roger de Rupe, and Letitia his wife, gave one culture of land in *Bargh* called Roger Rode.^m

Alan de Bretton gave all his land in Barneby.ⁿ

John Thompson, chaplain, and Thomas Robiusion, A. D. 1467, 7 Edw. IV. gave to Richard de Ledes, the then prior, and to the convent, one close called Sighroyde, and some meadow near the bridge of *Barnsley*.^o John Annotson, of Barnsley, A. D. 1410, gave the monks leave

^a In the first edition of Tanner this foundation was by mistake placed A. D. 1186, when Pope Urban confirmed it.
^b See the Append. Num. II.
^c Cop. Cart. olim. pen. Joh. Burton, M. D.
^d See the present Volume, pp. 118, 123.
^e Reg. de Monk-Bretton, penes Godfrey Wentworth de Hickleton armig. fol. 297.

^f Cop. Cart. olim penes Joh. Burton.
^g Reg. de Monk-Br. ut supr. fol. 174.
^h Ibid.
ⁱ Cop. Cart. ut supr.
^j Ibid.
^k Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 263.
^l Ibid.
^m See the App. Num. IV.
ⁿ Ibid. fol. 20.

to make a pool or mill-dam in his essart here, called Wylto-kebyl.^a

Dionisia Lasceles, relict of Nicholas Legat, gave all her land, in *Becton*, or *Beghton*, in Derbyshire.^b Nicholaa, daughter of Ralph de Novo Mercato, or Newmarch, gave all her land in the park or inclosure here.^c Thomas de Lincoln and Julian his wife gave their part of their park, with their wood here called Westwode.^d Humfrey de Lasceles, with his corpse, gave four acres, with the homage and service of Gamf son of Gamel, who held the same.^e

A. D. 1328, Henry Eynesham gave an annuity of ten shillings out of his lands in the township of *Billingley*.^f Adam Fitz-Swain gave the tithe of foals (pullonum agrestium) of his demesnes here, wheresoever the mares were.^g Helyas Sorrel gave one toft near the cold well, with one acre and a half thereto adjoining.^h

William de Hepworth and Richard Kydal, chaplains, gave a close in *Bolton super Derne*, called Esthall-Yard, lying on the east end of the town.ⁱ In 1319, Sir Roger de Novo-Mercato, Knight, gave the advowson of the mediety of the church of St. Andrew de Bolton in Dirnesheth.^k The other mediety, belonging to the Bywaters, or Belews,^l was likewise given to the monks of Bretton; and on the third of January, A. D. 1346, this church was appropriated to that Religious House by William la Zouch, archbishop of York, who, in recompence for the hurt done to his cathedral church thereby, reserved out of the fruits thereof, to himself and successors, the annual pension of one mark sterling, and half a mark to his dean and chapter, payable by the said religious at Pentecost and Martinmas, by equal portions. And, forasmuch as the Church was wont before to be governed by two rectors, he likewise reserved for the portion of that rector, who for his time should have the sole cure of the church, two marks and a half, paid to him, in augmentation thereof, by the said religious at Martinmas and Pentecost; and, as soon as the whole church should fall void, a perpetual vicar was to be appointed therein, who should have the total cure, and the portion of eight marks per annum sterling.^m So, on the 12th of March, 1346, the said archbishop decreed and ordained that there should be in this church a perpetual vicar, to have cure of souls, and to be presentable by the said religious; whose vicarage should consist in these following portions, viz. in one mansion for the vicar's habitation, built at the cost of the said religious; and in eight marks sterling annually paid in the church of Bolton by the said prior and convent, in the octaves of Easter and St. Michael. The said vicar to find in the church bread, wine, and lights, incense for the high altar, and books; and also to repair and wash the vestments, and other ornaments of the church; but to be tied to no other burthens, ordinary nor extraordinary, which the said prior and convent should bear. They also to rebuild the chancel of the church when it stood in need.ⁿ

Peter Blanche and Emma his wife quit-claimed to the priory all their right in one oxgang of land in *Bramton*.^o Adam Fitz-Swain gave what he had in the same township,^p which was confirmed by Pope Urban the Third.^q

Roger de Montbegon gave common pasture in the township of *Brerelay* to the monks, for the good of the soul of Adam Fitz-Swain his grandfather.^r

Adam Fitz-Swain gave *Monk-Bretton*, alias *Lund*, with all its appurtenances, the whole of which was confirmed by Pope Urban.^s Adam, son of Aky, gave six acres of land in this territory.^t Robert de Beler, of Monk-Bretton, gave to Richard the prior and convent ten selions of land in this territory, in a place called Sholdfeld, abutting upon the meadow of Sholdfeld and Lund, with as much common as belonged thereunto.^u Robert, son of Robert le Pele, gave

two oxgangs of land in this territory.^x Benedict Bercarius, or Shepherd, gave half an oxgang of land here.^y John, son of Hugh de Monk-Bretton, gave one messuage with gardens, thirty acres of land and meadow, sixteen acres of wood, pasture in an essart called Calvecroft, and in the pasture in an essart called Westker, as specified by the boundaries.^z Thomas Haron, of Monk-Bretton, A. D. 1443, 21st Hen. VI. gave a close here called Halescroft.^a William Grubber, A. D. 1444, gave one messuage, one acre of land, and one toft and croft here.^b

On the 12th June, 9th of Edw. IV. A. D. 1469, a contest was ended, before William Bradford and Robert Chaloner referees, who decreed that Richard de Ledes, prior, and the convent of Monk-Bretton, should have the lands in that place which were in suit, they paying to the prior and convent of Pontefract fifty-five marks; and the prior and convent of Monk-Bretton granted leave to those of Pontefract to make a new mill-dam for a corn-mill in the closes called Le Manroid and Pageroid, lying on the south-east part of, and adjoining to Barnesley bridge; for which the monks of Pontefract were to pay annually a rose if demanded.^c

In A. D. 1285, 14th Edw. I. the abbat and convent of Roch sold their claim to the manor and advowson of the church here to the prior and convent of this place, for twenty shillings sterling.^d

Randolph de Hykilton, son of William de Neosmarch, or Newmarsh, confirmed the oxgang of land in *Cadeby*, or *Catabi*, given by his father.^e Adam Fitz-Swain gave the church of this place.^f William de Nevil and Amabil his wife confirmed the grants of Adam Fitz-Swain; and also gave their part of this town.^g Galfrid de Nevil and Mabil his wife, Adam de Montbegon and Maud his wife, confirmed the grants of Adam Fitz-Swain, and gave their shares of land in this town; all which was confirmed by Pope Urban the Third, and by John Malherbe and Maud his wife.^h Thomas Cotyngham, called Renderour, A. D. 1375, 41st Edw. III. gave five shillings annuity out of one messuage and six acres of land.ⁱ

Pope Urban the Third confirmed the grant of the mill of *Chirinkishalyc*, made by Adam Fitz-Swain.^k

John, son of Brene, A. D. 1467, gave one messuage and sixteen acres of land in *Cudworth*.^l Adam de Flinthill gave four acres in this township.^m Robert de Stapilton confirmed three acres in this territory, given by Nicholas the clerk of Horbyri,ⁿ and gave one oxgang of land,^o and six acres more for his obit,^p which Pope Urban the Third confirmed.^q Peter de Birkethwait, son of Adam Ormi, gave six oxgangs here with common right, in exchange for the mediety of a mill de Mora; and one oxgang in Langeside, which his father had given to the monks.^r Richard Byard gave one messuage, sixty-two acres of arable land, four of meadow, and six of pasture, to Thomas de Renderour and others, who gave them to the monks in 1361, 35th Edw. III. whereof the messuage, and fifty acres of land, four of meadow, and six of pasture, lay together in Aylsithorp or Rilsthorp, and six acres in Thornwest flat,^s which the said Richard Byard quit-claimed.^t Richard Rydal, chaplain, gave lands here called Sparkslands, in 12th Hen. IV. A. D. 1411.^u In or about 1369, Thomas de Cotyngham gave one oxgang and two acres of land here.^x In A. D. 1480, 20th Edw. IV. William Wadelouffe and John Ellis gave one messuage, a garden, and three acres of land in the field of Cudworth;^y and in the next year they gave two acres and a half of land in the same territory.^z Sir James Harrington, Knt., Thomas Methley, and William Wadelowe, gave to Richard Ledes prior, and the convent of Bretton, one messuage and all their land in Cudworth, A. D. 1376, 50th Edw. III.^a

^a Cop. Cart. pen. Joh. Burton, M. D.

^b Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 227.

^c Ibid.

^d Ibid. fol. 154.

^e Cop. Cart. ut supr.

^f Bella-aqua.

^g Reg. Will. la Zouche, p. 14, and in another book entitled Acta Capit. ab A. D. 1343 ad A. D. 1368, p. 21.

^h Ibid. p. 16.

ⁱ See the Append. Num. I.

^j Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 14.

^k Cop. Cart. pen. Joh. Burton.

^l Ibid.

^m Ibid. foll. 344, 345.

ⁿ Ibid. fol. 346.

^o Ibid.

^p Ibid.

^q Ibid.

^r Ibid.

^s Ibid.

^t Ibid.

^u Ibid.

^v Ibid.

^w Ibid.

^x Ibid.

^y Ibid.

^z Ibid. fol. 28.

^a Ibid.

^b Ibid. fol. 11.

^c Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 35.

^d Cop. cart. penes Joh. Burton.

^e Cop. cart. ut supr.

^f Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 15.

^g Append. Num. XI.

^h Ibid. fol. 37.

ⁱ Ibid. fol. 36.

^j Ibid. fol. 47.

^k Ibid. fol. 42.

^l Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 21.

^m Cop. Cart. penes Joh. Burton.

ⁿ Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 9.

^o See the Appendix, Numm. IX. XI.

^p App. Num. XI.

^q Ibid.

^r Ibid. fol. 16.

^s Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 16.

^t Ibid. fol. 40.

^u Ibid. foll. 41, 42.

^v Ibid.

Thomas Oxspring and William Wadelowe gave one parcel of land here called Whyteseghes.^a Thomas le Renderour de Cotyngham, in A. D. 1371, 45th Edw. III. gave an annuity of fourteen shillings out of land here, in Peniston, Oxspring, and Thurleston.^b Godfrey, archbishop of York, appropriated the tithe corn of this place to the priory, which Walter Giffard, his successor, confirmed.^c King Richard the Second, on the 19th Sept. in the 16th year of his reign, A. D. 1393, at Leicester, gave licence to Thomas de Wolley, chaplain, to give the priory of Monk Bretton five messuages, three hundred and sixty-six acres of land, twenty-one acres of meadow, thirty acres of wood, 1*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* annual rent, here, at Erdesley, Wombwell, Dernbroke, Skelbroke, and Wath, valued at nine marks, nine shillings, and ten-pence per annum;^d and, accordingly, the said Thomas, on the 22d of September following, gave what he then had in this place, Erdesley, and Wombwell.^e Sir Thomas de Horbury, about the beginning of Henry the Third's reign, gave two messuages and seven acres of land, fourteen acres and a half of arable ground, and three roods of meadow in the field here, with Richard de Darfeld, son of Mauger, and all his family and their cattle.^f John, son of Richard de Bately, gave the eighth part of the mill at Milnhouse, near this town, with suit and multure thereof.^g William Fitz-William gave his mediety of this mill in exchange for that of Wodehalle; but the monks were to grind all their corn growing in Darfeld field, multure free.^h Thomas, son of Issabel, gave the fourth part of the said mill at Milnhouse, which Robert his son confirmed.ⁱ Dionis de Eyvil gave Alan Hille, called the miller, her native, with all her family.^k

Ernald de Barneby gave two acres of land in *Darton*.^l Gilbert de Notton gave common pasture for their own cattle in his land here;^m and Godfrey de Staynton also gave pasture in this place,ⁿ which Henry, son of Sir John de Suthill, confirmed.^o

John, son of Adam de Deneby, and Christian, his wife, gave three acres of land in *Deneby*, in a place called Ebriches, with free common right through the whole township.^p

Adam Fitz Swain, the founder, gave his mill of *Derne*; which Pope Urban the Third confirmed.^q

The lands in *Dernbroke* have been already mentioned under Cudworth.

John, son of Richard Kerysforth of Barnsley, Thomas Chamberlayn, and Thomas Chaworth the chaplain, A. D. 1416, gave one messuage in Marsh-gate in *Doncaster*, to the monks of Bretton, with an annuity of 1*s.* 4*d.* out of other houses.^r

King Richard the Second gave licence to Thomas de Wolveley, chaplain, to give lands in *Erdeslaw*, which he did on the 22d of Sept. A. D. 1392, 16 Ric. II.^s Elmor, relict of John de Lysurs, gave three acres of land here, which Thomas, son of John de Lysurs, confirmed.^t Roger de Edricorp gave a toft in this place.^u John de Skelton gave a toft here, lying near the road going from Erdeslaw to Wirkesbure, towards the south.^x Simon, son of Richard, the miller of Erdeslaw, gave a toft here.^y William, son of John de Lysurs, gave the homage and service of one oxgang of land in this territory.^z In 14th of Edward the Third,

Robert, son of Peter de Bosevile, gave the monks liberty of erecting a mill, and making a pool or dam on the river Derne, upon his land in this territory, which Thomas, son of John de Dodesworth, confirmed.^a On the 20th of October, 23 Hen. VI. A. D. 1445, Thomas Oxspring and Robert Wrdehal gave half an acre in Erdeslaw, in a close called Thomasroid.^b Adam, son of Waltheof de Ardislaw, gave half an oxgang of land here.^c Swain de Derfeld gave eight acres of land in this place, which Pope Urban the Third confirmed in A. D. 1186, 32 Hen. II.^d

Roger de Montbegon gave four shillings annuity out of lands in *Fasham*.^e Henry, son of William the Almoner, also, gave all his land in this place.^f

John de Bruton, and Elizabeth, his wife, quit-claimed their right in one messuage, thirty-five acres of land, three acres of meadow, and two acres of woodland in *Gresbroke*, near Rotherham.^g Thomas de Scheffeld granted his licence to Thomas Belle of Cudworth, and William Dymond, to give twenty-four acres of land, two of meadow, and an annual rent of two shillings and sixpence out of land in this place.^h

John and Richard Heryson, in the 1st Ric. III. A. D. 1483, gave two tofts and one acre of land in *Parva Halghton*, or *Houghton*, which was confirmed to the monks by William Wadelow, in the 15th Hen. VII. A. D. 1490.ⁱ

John de Halghton gave one toft in *Halton Magna* or *Houghton*.^k

Elizabeth, relict of William Schaghe, of Sundal, in the 10th Edw. IV. A. D. 1470, gave to Richard de Ledes the prior and convent, one messuage and five acres of arable land in the fields of the town of *Houghton*.^l

Pope Urban III. A. D. 1186, confirmed to the monks half a carucate of land in Halethun.^m

Adam de Biri gave the monks all his land in *Hep* called Lumihaleges, as described by the boundaries, with common right for their cattle.ⁿ

Ralph de Novo-Mercato, or Newmarch, gave six oxgangs of land in the territory of *Hickleton*, with five tofts and one croft, ^o which Ralph his son confirmed.^p Sir William Scot, Knt. in 25 Edw. III. A. D. 1352, gave the advowson of the Church here, which he had from Roger Curson.^q

Nicholaa, daughter of Ralph de Novo Mercato, gave three acres of land here for an anniversary obit on the 3d of January for her brother Jordan.^r Robert Curson, in 13th Edw. III. A. D. 1339, quit-claimed one tenement here called the Monkhouse.^s Robert Haringel, in the 13th Edw. III. gave leave to the monks to dig marl in a place called Monhouwe, to be carried and laid out on their own land.^t Sir William de West Bretton, Knt. gave an annuity of four shillings out of a place here called Gilberode, for an anniversary obit for himself, with the homage and service of Gilbert, son of Cornelius.^u

Robert Winton quit-claimed one assart of land under *Holberg*, in exchange for two oxgangs in Brampton.^x

Roger de Montbegon gave his pasture of *Holecomb*, reserving the wilder animals, and pasture for his cattle, within particular boundaries as specified;^y and, by another charter, granted about A. D. 1236, he gave all Holecomb;^z and, by another charter, the whole forest of Holecomb.^a

^a Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 54.

^b Ibid. fol. 277.

^c Cop. Cart. ut supr.

^d Ibid.

^e Ibid.

^f Ibid.

^g Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 122.

^h Ibid. fol. 134, 135.

ⁱ Ibid. fol. 140.

^j Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 265.

^k Ibid. fol. 302.

^l Ibid. fol. 303.

^m Ibid.

ⁿ Cop. Cart. ut supr.

^o Append. Num. XI.

^p Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 177.

^q Ibid. fol. 76.

^r Ibid. fol. 86.

^s Ibid. fol. 87.

^t Ibid.

^u Ibid. fol. 88.

^v Ibid. fol. 89.

^a Fol. 112. A contest, says Burton, arising betwixt Thomas, prior of Monk-Bretton, and John Boswel of Erdeslaw, about the waste ground and wood of this place, it was accommodated in the following manner, viz. that they should enjoy the waste in common betwixt them: but that the prior should make no pits for profit, without the consent of the said John de Bosseville; and that each should take wood for burning according to the number of their acres, i. e. for every six acres one load of wood. Ibid. fol. 113.

^b Ibid. fol. 120.

^c Ibid. fol. 289.

^d See the Append. Num. XI.

^e Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 73.

^f Ibid. fol. 76.

^g Cop. Cart. pen. Joh. Burton, vol. iii. app. no. 53.

^h Ibid.

ⁱ Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 146.

^k Ibid. fol. 147.

^l Ibid. fol. 152.

^m Append. ut supr. Num. XI.

ⁿ Cop. Cart. ut supr.

^o Ibid.

^p Ibid.

^q Ibid. "This," says Burton, "was an ancient rectory belonging to the patronage of the Lords Grey of Rotherfelds, and from them it passed to the Cursons, till 11th Edw. II. A. D. 1317, apud Hekilton; that John, son of Robert Curson, granted to Roger, his son and heir, the fourth part of the manor, one acre of land, with the advowson of this church, which he had of the gift and sale of William Danyel, and Constance his wife, and of Giles de Hikelton, and Elizabeth his wife, &c. which the said Roger, son of John Curson, had granted to Sir William Scot and his heirs, on Sunday next before the feast of St. Michael, 18th Edw. III.; but on the 10th March, 25 Edw. III. the said Sir William gave it to the priory as abovementioned. And on the 23th June, A. D. 1386, this church, then taxed at twelve marks, was appropriated to the said prior and convent, by Alexander Nevil, archbishop of York; which his chapter confirmed on Nov. 19th, A. D. 1386. Monast. Ebor. p. 95, e Regist. Admiss. &c. ab an. 1352 ad an. 1426. Torr. MS.

^r Reg. de M. Br. fol. 163.

^s Ibid. fol. 164.

^t Ibid. fol. 167.

^u Ibid. fol. 141.

^v Cop. Cart. ut supr.

^w Ibid.

^x Ibid.

^y Ibid.

William de Nevil, and Amabil, his wife, gave the mill of *Langenedale*, which Pope Urban the Third confirmed.^a

Adam Fitz Suain, the founder, gave *Lintavit* or *Lunthwait*, which was confirmed also by Pope Urban the Third.^b

The founder also gave *Lund*.^c

Gilbert de Norton gave common pasture in his lands in *Napplewel*.^d

Nicholas Legat, and Dionisia his wife, gave three oxgangs of land, five tofts and forty-five acres in demesne, together with an annuity of three shillings out of three oxgangs, and one acre of land and one toft in *Marham-East*.^e

Thomas Chamber, of Rotherham, in the 5th of Henry VIII. A. D. 1513, gave the monks one messuage, five acres and three roods of land, and one rood of meadow in *Melton-West*, in the parish of Wath super Derne, which had previously belonged to William, son of Hugh Spencer. This donation was confirmed to them by John Baxter, of Bolton.^f

Roger de Montbegon, with his corpse, gave all his land in *Mexburgh*, as well in demesnes as what was held by the freeholders, as by his villans; with the mediety of the Church.^g This church consisted of two medieties, whereof the prior and convent of Breton had the patronage of one, until 5 kal. Dec. (27th Nov.) A. D. 1262, Godfrey archbishop of York (upon the submissions of the archdeacon of York, prior and convent of Bretton, and master Alan de Sexdecim Vallibus, rector thereof) annexed it to the archdeaconry of York, after the death, or relinquishment of the said Alan, the rector, who (during the time he continued incumbent) was to receive all the tithe-corn of Ravensfeld and of Wyn-ton, to this church by parochial right appertaining: and also the mediety of the tithe-corn of Deneby in the name of a single benefice, without care of souls: all which tithes were afterwards to return entirely to the archdeacon of York and his successors, in the name of the church to be possessed.^h And on the kal. of August, A. D. 1263, that the monastery of Bretton might be the less injured thereby, the archbishop ordained that the monks should have the tithe-corn of Cohewrath or Cothewrath, to the vicarage belonging.ⁱ William Bulcheved, of Bretton, gave his right in one oxgang of land here.^k

In A. D. 1343, Adam, son of Robert Brown, of Wath, quit-claimed his right in seven acres of land in *Newhall*.^l Thomas de Wolvelay, or Wooley, in the 6th Rich. II. A. D. 1383, gave five acres here.^m Adam Fitz Suain gave this place, which was confirmed by Pope Urban III.ⁿ

Arnald Pigaze gave the homage and service of Thomas, son of Gamel Notton, with all his family in *Notton*.^o Gilbert de Notton gave eighteen acres of land, and one oxgang and five perches here.^p

Thomas le Renderour, of Cotyngham, gave an annuity of fourteen shillings out of lands in *Oxspring* and other places.^q

Henry, son of William the almoner, gave annuity of sevenpence out of two tofts in *Pontefract*.^r

Adam Fitz-Suain gave *Rainesbrook*, or *Wrangbrok*, which Pope Urban III. confirmed.^s Adam de Wrangbroke gave the northern moiety of the town here.^t Adam, son of Robert de Wrangbroke,^u and Moricius de Askarne also gave land here.^x

Adam Fitz-Peter gave the pool between *Roreston*, or *Ruyston* (now Royston) and Carlton, with a toft at the east-head of the Spring-wood.^y Thomas Tirel gave one messuage with the Spring-wood in this place.^z Adam Fitz-Suain gave the church here, which was confirmed to them by Adam de Montebegon, and Maud his wife; by Galfrid de Nevil, and Mabil his wife; by John Malherbe, and Maud his wife;^a by Thomas, son of Thomas de Burgo;^b and was appropriated thereto by Geoffrey Plantagenet, archbishop of York,^c and by archbishop Walter Grey, on the 4th kal. April, A. D. 1234, saving a perpetual vicarage therein as-

signed; which he, by the monks consent, thus taxed, viz. that all the tithes of corn of this township, Cudworth, and Chevit, the whole alterage, the small tithes of the whole parish, and all the land appertaining to the church of Roreston should belong to the said vicarage (excepting all small tithes of the said monks; the tithes of their mills; the oblations of the chapel of St. Elene of Carleton; and two oxgangs of land appertaining to a carucate in the said town of Carleton; and excepting the tithes of hay of the whole parish of Roreston, which were to belong to the said monks for ever): and the vicar for the time being, was to pay to the monks, also, one mark of silver on St. Mary Magdalen's day yearly; and bear all episcopals and archdiaconals due and customary.^d On the 7th kal. August A. D. 1263, Godfrey de Kinton, archbishop of York, by the consent of the vicar of Roreston, and in relief of the prior and convent of Bretton, granted and ordained that the said prior, &c. shall (besides the tithes of corn heretofore received) have also the corn of Cudworth which used to belong to the vicar, after the said vicar's decease: all which Walter Giffard, archbishop of York, confirmed on the 7th kal. Oct. (25th Sept.) A. D. 1272.^e And on the 7th id. Oct. A. D. 1300, or 1301, the Vicarage was again thus taxed, viz. in twenty-five marks sterling yearly, paid to the Vicar quarterly by the said prior and convent. Also the vicar was to have one oxgang of land in the township of Roreston, with common of pasture and other appurtenances; and the mansion against the church, wherein Robert de Holtham, then vicar, and his predecessors used to inhabit; and the alterage through the whole parish. Also the vicar was to have the pennies which were wont to be given in espousals or nuptials, and vigils of the dead. And the Prior and Convent were to have all the portions, fruits, obventions, profits, and tithes of the same parish, and right of presenting the vicar; and to find, at their own costs, one priest perpetually to celebrate in the chapel of Wulvely or Wooley, within the same parish of Roreston, the same to serve laudably in divine offices, and, besides, to bear all the ordinary burthens of the church, procurations and synodals, entirely: but the extraordinary burthens were to be borne by the said Religious and the Vicar according to their respective proportions.^f

William Smith, chaplain, and William Grubber of Monk-Bretton, on the 28th Henry VI. gave to Richard, the prior and convent, the meadow in Roreston or Ruston, called Weeteeng.^g

John, son of Richard de Selekirk, gave three acres of land in the territory of *Salton*.^h

William, son of Gamel de Wrangbrok, gave two acres of land in *Skelbrooke*.ⁱ King Richard the Second, in the sixteenth year of his reign, gave licence also to Thomas Wooley, chaplain, to give lands to Monk-Bretton in this and other places.^k

Adam, son of Peter de Birkin, gave an annuity of four shillings out of five acres of meadow in *Smethehalle*.^l

Richard, son of Richard de Wombwell, gave all his land in *Smitheley*.^m

The monks had a messuage, lands, and pasture in *Thurleston*, called Brokhouses.ⁿ Thomas le Rendourer, of Cotyngham, gave fourteen shillings annuity out of his lands in Thurleston and other places.^o

Thomas Hall, of Hickleton, gave two tofts and six acres of land in the township of *Thurnesco*.^p

The Monks had one messuage, a garden and orchard, in Kirk-gate, in the town of *Wakefield*.^q

Thomas Wooley, chaplain, in the 16th Rich. II. A. D. 1392, had licence to give to Bretton lands in the township of *Wath*.^r

Hugh, son of Henry de Wentworth, gave eleven acres of his demesne lands in the township of *Wentworth*.^s

Adam Fulls, and Elizabeth his wife, gave five acres

^a Append. Num. XI.

^c Num. I.

^e Cop. Cart. ut supr.

^g Cop. Cart. ex autogr. penes Marmad. Fothergill armig.

^h Out of a book entitled Registr. Album.

ⁱ Regist. Walt. Giffard, Pⁱ. i. p. 9.

^l Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 189.

^m See Num. XI.

^p Ibid. fol. 299.

^r Cop. Cart. ut supr.

^b Ibid.

^d Reg. de M. Br. fol. 302.

^f Reg. de M. Br. fol. 119.

^k Cop. Cart. ut supr.

ⁿ Ibid. fol. 191.

^o Registr. de M. Br. fol. 298.

^q Ibid. fol. 277.

^s Ibid.

^t Ibid.

^u Ibid.

^x Ibid.

^y See the Append. Num. IX.

^z Cop. Cart. ut supr.

^a Cop. Cart.

^c Reg. de M. Br. fol. 296.

^e Ibid.

^g Ibid. fol. 214.

ⁱ Ibid.

^k Ibid. fol. 160.

^l Ibid. fol. 73.

^v Ibid.

^w Reg. de M. Br. fol. 201.

^x Reg. de M. Br. fol. 178.

^y Rot. major Walteri Gray, p. 253.

^z Reg. Tho. Corbryge, p. 7 or 8.

^a Cop. Cart. ut supr.

^c Reg. de M. Br. fol. 73.

^e Cop. Cart. ut supr.

^g Reg. de M. Br. fol. 277.

ⁱ Ibid. fol. 281.

^k Ibid. fol. 203.

and one perch of arable land in the territory of *Wooley*, at Morehouses, in a place called Hallestedes, and two acres of meadow.^a

King Richard II. A. D. 1392, gave licence to Thomas de Wooley to give lands in *Wombwell*.^b

The monks exchanged their mill in *Woodhall* with William Fitz-William for his moiety of miln-houses in Derfeld.^c

The monks had an annuity of one shilling out of lands in *Woodhouse*.^d

Adam, son of Robert, son of Roger Wrancbroc, gave six acres and one perch of land in the field of *Wrangbroc*.^e he also confirmed two acres which his father had given in this place.^f William, son of Gamel de Wranbroc, gave six acres of land in this and the field of Skelbroc.^g The above-said Adam gave two acres more in this territory.^h Roger de Montbegon gave four oxgangs of land here.ⁱ Adam, son of Roger de Wrangbroc, confirmed what William, son of Gamel de Wranbroc, his grandfather, gave.^k John de Depedene, and Elizabeth his wife, gave licence to Thomas de Wolvelay to give one messuage and five acres of land here, in 1392; and John de Wentworth did the same.^l Thomas de Burgo, and Sarah his wife, confirmed two oxgangs of land here, which William de Nevil and his wife had given.^m Pope Urban the Third confirmed the annuity of 8s. out of half a carucate of land here given by Henry Fitz-Suain.ⁿ

Peter de Rokeby gave the homage and service of Henry Del Brown for an oxgang of land in *Wyrkesburgh* now *Worsburgh*, in a place called Swathe.^o Henry Fitz-Swain confirmed two dwellings with fifteen acres of land here in Swathe,^p which Jordan Jagun gave.^q Roger de Montebegon gave thirty acres of land here in a place called Thunethuait.^r John de Rokelai gave a toft and two acres of land,^s and Julian his widow, for an annual obit for her husband, gave a rent of four shillings out of one oxgang of land here.^t Simon, son of Robert de Rokeley, gave one oxgang and a half, and four acres of land here.^u Richard, son of Richard de Wombwell, gave one acre in this township, in a place called Dirviceles.^x Ralph, son of Ralph de Wirkesburgh, gave one shilling per annum out of a toft here.^y

The possessions confirmed to the convent of Monk Bretton by Pope Urban the Third's bull, dated in the first year of his pontificate, A. D. 1186, have already been separately noticed. In it he also confirmed their privileges and immunities; and exempted them from the payment of tithes for such land as was newly tilled at their own expense, or occupied by themselves or their servants.^z

Pope Innocent the Third, by his bull, dated in the third year of his pontificate, A. D. 1200, confirmed the same:^a as did several other popes.^b

In the taxation of 1291 we find two entries only of the Spiritual possessions of this priory: "Ecclesia de Ykelton propr. 8*l*. Eccl. de Roreston appropriata 20*l*." The Temporalities in the diocese of York amounted to 25*l*. 1*s*. 0½*d*.^c

PRIORS of MONK-BRETTON.

ADAM, prior of Pontefract, was the first prior of Monk Bretton.^d

R. prior of Bretton, occurs 17 kal. June, 1267.^e

WILLIAM DE RIHALE, or RICHIALE, became prior in 1280.^f Upon his resignation

WILLIAM DE EBOR. succeeded, 11 kal. Oct. 1291.^g

RICHARD DE HALGHTON was confirmed by the dean and chapter of York, in the vacancy of the archbishoprick, 16th kal. Dec. 1305.^h He is stated in Archbishop Melton's Register to have been removed "propter crimina."ⁱ He was succeeded by

WILLIAM DE WENT on the 6th kal. Oct. 1323:^k upon whose resignation

WILLIAM DE APPLEBY was confirmed prior, upon the 16 kal. Aug. 1338.^l

WILLIAM DE STAYNTON is the next who occurs.^m He died in 1349, in which year

HUGH BRERELY succeeded on the 17th of October.ⁿ

JOHN DE BIRTHWAITE occurs Sept. 8th, 1363.^o

WILLIAM DE ERDESLEY, or ARDESLEY, occurs prior in 1387.^p Upon his cession

JOHN DE CROFTON, or CROSTON, was confirmed prior Dec. 23d, 1404.^q Upon his cession

THOMAS DOWDALE was made prior Dec. 19th, 1407.^r Another

JOHN CROFTON became prior Aug. 1st, 1425.^s

RICHARD DE LEDES occurs prior, according to Burton, in 1438, 1445, 1480, and again in 1484, 1st Ric. III.^t

WILLIAM BATLEY was made prior in 1486.^u Upon his death

ROBERT DRAX was confirmed, Jan. 20th, 1494.^x

ROGER is named by Burton as the next prior.^y

THOMAS TICKHILL or TICKHILD, was confirmed May 1st, 1504.^z

WILLIAM BROWNE was confirmed Sept. 10th, 1523.^a He appears to have been the last prior.^b

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the gross revenue of this house amounted to 323*l*. 8*s*. 2*d*. The net income to 239*l*. 3*s*. 6*d*.^c

On the 21st November, 1539, 30th Hen. VIII. this monastery was surrendered to the king by the prior and thirteen monks;^d at which time their goods and cattle were sold, according to Willis, for 347*l*. 3*s*. 8*d*. The lead of the church amounted to thirty-nine fodder; and there were seven bells; plate and jewels six hundred and forty-two ounces.^e

The site, &c. of this monastery was granted in the 32d Hen. VIII. to William Blitheman.^f In the office of the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer in the Exchequer, is an Instrument, Mich. Rec. 8 Eliz. rot. 25. "De Jaspero Blitheman gen. occasionato ad ostendendum quo titulo tenet Domum et Situm Monasterii de Monk-Bretton in comitatu Eboraci." Burton, speaking probably of this same person, says, "Jasper Blitheman, of New Lathes in this parish,

"Ex libro penes feciales London. Collectan. Gul. Dugdale dearmis gentilit. comit. Ebor.

"In eccl. de Wolley Ebor. in orientali fenestra cancelli:

"Orate pro ai'a ANTHONII . . . YLL Prioris de Monk-Bretton cujus ai'e, &c." p. 50."

^c See Num. XII.

^d The prior had a pension assigned to him of 40*l*. a year, which was still payable in 1553.

"MONK-BRETTON nuper Prioratus. Annuitates et Corrodia. Nich. Lentall per annum xl^s. Johannis Foxe per annum x^s. Johannis Wilkynsonne xx^s. Henrici Savell per annum lxxvj^s. viij^d. Thomæ Felde per annum c^s. Penc. Willielmi Browne per annum xli^s. Thomæ Norman-ton per annum vij^{li}. Willielmi Roistone per annum vij^{li}. Thomæ Silkestone per annum vj^{li}. Roberti Kirkebie per annum vj^{li}. Willielmi Turner per annum cvj^s. viij^d. Ricardi Whalley per annum cvj^s. viij^d. Georgii Whitacre per annum cvj^s. viij^d. Thomæ Boltone per annum vj^{li}. Willielmi Brettone per annum cvj^s. viij^d. Johannis Croftone per annum cvj^s. viij^d. Willielmi Barwick per annum cvj^s. viij^d."

^e Mit. Ab. Addenda, p. 30.

^f Orig. 32 Hen. VIII. p. 1. Ebor. civitas Ebor. "Rex. xxiiij^{to} die Aprilis concessit Willielmo Blitheman de Burton alias Monkebreton domum et scitum nuper monasterii sive prioratus de Monkebreton, ac terr. &c. in Monkebreton et Rowston in com. Ebor. ac etiam scitum prioratus nuper fratrum prædicatorum voc. le Toft infracivitatem Ebor. ac terr. &c. in Thorpe Underwood in com. Ebor. habend. ei et hæred. suis." ro. cvij.

^a Reg. de M. Br. fol. 308. ^b Ibid. fol. 73.
^c Ibid. ^d See Num. XI. ^e Cop. Cart. ut supr.
^f Ibid. ^g Ibid. ^h Ibid. ⁱ Ibid.
^k Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 180. ^l Ibid. fol. 137.
^m See Num. V. ⁿ See Rym. Fœd. tom. xiv. p. 622.
^o Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 211. ^p Cop. Cart. ut supr.
^q Ibid. ^r Reg. de Monk-Br. fol. 212.
^s Ibid. fol. 214. ^t Ibid. fol. 215. ^u Ibid. fol. 220.
^x Ibid. fol. 223. ^y Ibid. fol. 227.
^z See Num. XI. ^a Reg. de Monk-Br.
^b Ibid. fol. 78. ^c Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 299 b, 300, 325.
^d See the Instrum. in the Append. Num. X.
^e Harl. MS. 6972, p. 2. è Reg. Gifford, archiep. Ebor.
^f Reg. Wickwane, archiep. Ebor. ^g Reg. Romane, pont. 6.
^h Reg. sede vac. post mort. Corbridg.
ⁱ See the Harl. MS. 6972, p. 13. ^k Reg. Melton.
^l Ibid. ^m Burton, Mon. Ebor. p. 99.
ⁿ Burton, p. 99. from Reg. W. Zouche.
^o Ibid. from the Reg. of Monk-Br. fol. 102, Burton places WILL.
DE EBOR. and HUGH HALTON, as priors, after *Birthwaite*.
^p Harl. MS. 6972, p. 49. ^q Registr. post transl. Arundell.
^r Reg. post mort. Scrope. Burton calls him *John Dowdale*.
^s Harl. MS. 6972, p. 25. ^t Reg. de Monk-Br. foll. 17, 47.
^u Harl. MS. 6972, p. 40. ^x Ibid. p. 38.
^y Monast. Ebor. p. 99. ^z Ibid. p. 42. è Reg. Savage.
^a Registr. Wolsey archiep. Ebor.
^b The Harleian MS. 6972, in the following entry gives the christian name of another prior :

sold this place to George, earl of Shrewsbury, whose four sons dying without issue male, this estate came to Mary, daughter of Henry Talbot, the fourth son, who was first married to a son of Sir Thomas Holcroft, and afterwards to Sir William Armin of Osgodeby, in the county of Lincoln. At her decease she gave it to Sir Gervase Pierpoint, fourth son of the earl of Kingston." ^a

Tanner says,

"Vide "Registrum, penes Joannem Wentworth de Wolley arm.^b

"Libellum continentem cartas &c. domus S. Mariæ Magdalænæ de Bretton Ebor. dioc. manu propria Roberti Glover, MS. in bibl. officii armorum.

"Fin. Ebor. 4 Joan. n. 119. de terris in Newehall.

"Fin. Ebor. lig. C. 10 Hen. III. n. 144. de quatuor bovatis terræ et dimid. in Newehalle.

"Fin. Ebor. lig. C. 15 Edw. I. n. 59. pro maner. de Bretton. Plac. apud Westm. 20 Edw. I. rot. 58. de estoveriis pro tenentibus suis in bosco de Westwood.

"Pat. 6 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 1. pro advoc. eccl. de Hoton Roberti. Pat. 8 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 4. pro advoc. eccl. de Boulton in Dernheth perquirenda. Pat. 11 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 11. pro terris in Grasebrook. Fin. Ebor. 12 Edw. II. lig. C. de mess. et lx. acris terræ in Ackworth. Pat. 14 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 20. pro terris in Mekesworth, &c. Pat. 16 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 21. de terris in Bolton, Billingley, Wirkesworth, &c.

"Claus. 6 Edw. III. m. 20. d. de terris in Gresbrook et Rodesham. Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 22. pro advoc. eccl. de Bolton super Dime: et p. 2, m. 20 et 24. de terris in Story Eston com. Somerset. Pat. 24 Edw. III. p. 3, m. . Pat. 25 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 29. pro eccl. de Hikilton approprianda. Cart. 43, &c. Edw. III. n. 8. pro lib. war. in Munk Breton, Carleton, Erdesley, Mekesberg, et Brampton juxta Walls. Pat. 44 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 36. de reddit. in Peniston, Thurleston, &c.

"Pat. 6 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 3. pro terris in Coleworth. Pat. 10 Ric. II. p. 1, m. ult. vel penult. pro eccl. de Hekelton. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 33. pro terris in Erdisley, Derfield, Wombwell, &c. Rec. in Scacc. 22 Ric. II. Trin. rot. 13. de terris in Rotherham.

"Fin. et recuperat. in com. Derby. 9 Edw. IV. Pasch. rot. 402. de terris in Beghton.

"Rot. Parliam. 3 Hen. VII. n. 7."

He also refers to the following Articles among Dodsworth's MSS.

"Inter collect. v. cl. Rog. Dodsworth in bibl. Bodl. Oxon. in vol. viii. pp. 210, 214, 224, 229, 232, 243, 249, 256, 262, et 275. et in vol. ix. f. 257. habentur quadraginta quatuor cartæ de terris ad hunc prioratum spectantibus, hactenus ineditæ. Ibid. vol. lxi. fol. 92. vol. lxii. fol. 49. vol. cxiii. fol. 103. vol. cxiv. fol. 29. vol. cxvi. fol. 29. vol. cli. fol. 4. vol. clv. fol. 25. Excerpta ex Cartulario hujus prioratus olim in custodia dom. Francisci Wortley mil. et bar. A. D. 1638. Ibid. vol. cxlvii. fol. 76. vol. clv. fol. 61. Excerpta ex Cartulario hujus prioratus in custodia Thomæ Holcroft de Vale Royal mil. A. D. 1614. et penes Willielmum Ayrmine mil. A. D. 1634.^c Ibid. vol. clix. fol. 34. Cartas de fundatione, &c."

Among the charters given by Lord Frederick Campbell to the British Museum, is one marked vii. 14; a grant of a messuage with certain lands and rents in Boulton, Byllyngley, Munk Bretton, and Wirkesburgh, to Monk Bretton priory, from Henry de Eynesham, for the maintenance of a perpetual chantry in the church of Bolton, for the soul of Henry de Lacy, earl of Lincoln, and the souls of the said Henry de Eynesham, and his father and mother: dated A. D. 1328, on the Wednesday after the feast of the Holy Trinity: and confirmed by the archbishop of York.

Two impressions, on yellowish wax, of the COMMON SEAL of this Priory, both of the reign of Henry the Eighth, are in the Augmentation Office; but they are so obscure and imperfect, that no part of the legends is discernible, nor scarcely any of the subject. There is some ground, however, to conjecture, that it represents Mary Magdalen praying. These impressions appear to have been made from a matrix corroded by time, and nearly worn out. The Seal was of an oval form, and of a size rather larger than usual.

Monk-Bretton Priory was situated in the parish of Royston, in the West Riding of Yorkshire, two miles from Barnsley, on the north side of the river Dearn. The church was gone long previous to Burton's time, but the Gate remained with some part of the Ruins.

Cartae ad Monk-Brettonensem Prioratum in agro Eboracensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Adæ filii Suani de prima Fundatione Monasterii beatæ Mariæ Magdalænæ de Lunda vulgò Munkebreton.

[Ex Regist. Priorat. de Munk-Breton penes Franciscum Wortley mil. et baronettum.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ fidelibus, clericis et laicis Adam filius Suani salutem. Notum vobis facio me concessisse et dedisse pro salute animæ meæ, et antecessorum et successorum meorum, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ Magdalænæ de Lunda, et domino Adæ, qui tunc temporis prior erat de Brettona, et monachis qui ibidem Deo servient, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, Brettonam, cum omnibus ad eam pertinentibus, et molendinis de Derna, et Lundam patris mei, et quicquid habetur inter Dernam et Stancelife usque Meresbrok, Newhala, et Ramesbergam, et Lintuait; et quicquid habetur in Bramtona. Ista omnia, sub præsentis cartæ attestazione confirmo, et concedo ut quieta et libera teneant, et possideant de me et hæredibus meis, sicut puram decet elemosinam inperpetuum; hujus donationes testes sunt Alexander, et Richardus filii mei, Ewardus de Almanebury, et Robertus frater ejus, Dolfin de Alnelai, et Willielmus et Henricus filii ejus, et Siwardus frater ejus, Herbertus presbiter, Thomas de Dertona, Barnardus de Silkeston, et Richardus filius ejus, Alanus de Brettona, et Adam et Richardus fratres sui, Richardus filius Herdingi

et frater ejus, Matheus de Oxspring, Suanus de Holand, Aelsi Bacun.

NUM. II.

Carta G. Prioris de Caritate (Ordinis Cluniacensis in partibus transmarinis ejusdem Ordinis capitalis Domus) Adæ filio Suani fundatori de Bretton.

[Ibid.]

EXCELLENTISSIMO nimiumque dilecto, ac amico speciali, et benefactori suo, Adæ filio Suani, frater G. humilis ecclesiæ de Caritate minister, ac totus ejusdem ecclesiæ conventus salutes et orationes ad Dominum. Magnitudini vestræ, o karissime Domine, ex intimo corde nostro, universi nos referimus gratias, pro tanta dilectione, et liberalitate vestra, quam dudum domui et fratribus nostris benignitas vestra exaudire dignata est. Cognoscimus equidem valde lætamur quanto nobilitas vestra, erga religionem et ordinem nostrum amore constringimur, dum novam illam domum de Bretton, pro remedio animæ vestræ, necnon et patris vestri, omniumque parentum vestrorum, et amicorum, tam insigniter, et tam devote a vobis efficaciter, vestra potissimum provisione disponi desideratis. Est igitur, ut per latrores præsentium didicimus, vestra voluntas, ut priorem illi domui de Bretton, et cæteros, qui ordinis strenui propugnatores existant, ex fratribus nostris, tam de Pontefract,

^a Burton, p. 99, from MSS. Tenures in Yorkshire, in the possession of Will. Constable of Holderness, Esq. fol. 119.

^b Excerpts from this Register occur in the Cottonian MS. Claud. A. viii. art. 19.

^c This book came afterwards into the hands of Millington the auctioneer, whose executors sold it to William Clavel, Esquire, who had it A. D. 1709.

quam de aliis domibus nostris per Angliam constitutis, fratres idoneos eligatis: prior autem qui ibidem semel constitutus fuerit, nequaquam inde summoveatur. Concedimus verò imperpetuum monachis de Brettone ibidem Deo famulantibus, post decessum prioris sui, consilio capituli sui de Bretton, priorem de domo sua eligere, qui secundum Deum ordinem monasticum, et beati Benedicti regulam in domo de Bretton observabit. Prior verò de Pontefracto, si fuerit requisitus a conventu de Bretton veniet, in propria persona, apud Bretton, in capitulum intrabit, cum advocatis ejusdem domus de Bretton, ad electionem prioris, et creationem. Hanc igitur petitionem vestram salutiferam, idoncamque probantes, ex communi totius capituli nostri consensu laudamus, simulque concedimus. Præterea domino Adæ, viro per cuncta laudabili, cujus consilio, tam salubre opus incepistis, præcipimus ut inceptis devote insistat, et viriliter peragat. Quia denique tot tantaque beneficia conspectui per vestrum cotidie offeruntur obsequium, in perpetuum concedimus (divinam clementiam jugiter exorantes) quatinus immensa caritate sua ab omnibus adversitatibus vestris, et malis custodiat, et post consummatum hujus vitæ bravium ad regnum suum cœleste inducat.

NUM. III.

Bulla Alexandri Papæ.

ANNO Domini MCC. quinquagesimo quinto, vj. Maii exhibitæ fuerunt literæ domini papæ apud London. Domino R. decano, et archidiacono Lincolnien. ecclesiæ, formam quæ sequitur continentes. 'Alexander episcopus servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis priori de Thurgarton, Eboracensis dioc. decano et archidiacono Lincoln. salutem, et apostolicam benedictionem. In causa quæ inter dilectos filios subpriorem, et conventum monasterii de Bretton, Cluniacensis ordinis ex parte una, et priorem et conventum monasterii de Pontefracto, ejusdem ordinis, Eboracensis diocesis, super eo quod dictum monasterium de Bretton, eidem monasterio de Pontefracto subjectam esse proponitur, et rebus aliis ex altera vertitur, fœlicis recordationis Innocentius papa, prædecessor noster, dilectum filium magistrum Rostandum subdiaconum et capellanum nostrum dedit partibus auditorem: verum quia lite in ejus præsentia legitime contestata, et factis positionibus et responsionibus subsecutis, per ea quæ fuerunt hinc inde coram ipso proposita, non potuit de causa ipsa plenè liquere; discretionem vestræ, per apostolica scripta, mandamus, quatinus testes quos utraque pars, super articulis vobis, cum interrogatoriis eorum, ab ipso capellano, sub suo sigillo transmissis, necnon privilegia, instrumenta, et alia documenta, quæ infra tres menses, à receptione præsentium, producere poterunt coram vobis, per vos, aut per alios, neutri parti suspectos, prudenter recipere, ac testes ipsos, juxta eadem interrogatoria, diligenter examinare curetis. Si verò aliqua partium ipsarum testes adversæ partis reprobaro voluerit, vos testes, super reprobatione hujusmodi, infra duos alios menses, eisdem tribus proximis, recipere ac examinare sollicite studeatis, depositiones omnium prædictorum testium, fideliter in scriptis redactas, ac etiam transcripta publicorum instrumentorum, et documentorum ipsorum, de verbo ad verbum, cum dictis articulis, et interrogatoriis, sub sigillis vestris inclusa, ad nostram præsentiam, quantocius transmissuri, et significaturi quæ et quanta fidei privilegiis et instrumentis prædictis fuerit adhibenda: partibus autem eisdem præfigatis terminum peremptorium competentem, quo, per se, vel procuratores ydoneos compareant, coram nobis justam, dante Domino, sententiam recepturi. Testes autem qui fuerint nominati, si se gratia, odio, vel timore subtraxerint, per censuram ecclesiasticam, appellatione cessante, cogatis veritati testimonium perhibere. Quod si non omnes hiis exequendis potueritis interesse, duo vestrum ea nihilominus exequantur. Dat. Neapolis vj. kal. Marci pontificatus nostri anno primo.' Et ad supplicationem et instantiam Richardi de Estfeld, procuratoris domus de Bretton, et subprioris conventus ejusdem domus de Bretton, qui dictas literas præsentavit anno et die prædictis, dictus decanus Lincoln. ecclesiæ præsentibus literis sigillum suum opposuit in testimonium præsentationis literarum prædictarum. Dat. London. anno die et loco prædictis.

NUM. IV.

Carta domini Johannis de Novomercato de Manerio de Alverthwait.

[Ex autogr. in Turri Beatæ Mariæ Ebor.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri, quod hæc est conventio facta inter priorem et conventum de Bretton ex una parte, et dominum Johannem de Novo-foro ex altera, anno gratiæ millesimo ducentesimo tricesimo nono, in crastino translationis beati Thomæ Martyris, apud Eboracum; videlicet, cum controversia mota esset inter prædictos priorem et conventum petentes totum manerium de Alwardethwait cum omnibus suis pertinentiis per breve domini regis de nova disseisina coram domino Picoto de Lasceles, Roberto de Cokefeld, Gerardo Salvein, Willielmo Constabulario, justitiariis ad hoc datis, et dictum Johannem tenentem: lis in hunc modum conquievit; videlicet quod dictus Johannes dictum manerium de Alverdethwait cum suis pertinentiis tenebit hæreditarie de dicto priore et conventu, reddendo inde annuatim ipse et hæredes sui, dicto priori et conventui, et successoribus suis quinque marcas argenti, solvendas ad duos terminos. scilicet duas marcas et dimidiam ad festum sancti Martini, et duas marcas et dimidiam ad Pentecosten. Ita videlicet, quod tam cito dictus Johannes, vel hæredes sui dicto priori, et conventui vel eorum successoribus in aliis, pro voluntate dictorum prioris et conventus, vel eorum successorum secundum arbitrium bonorum virorum satisfecerint, dictum manerium de Alwardethwait, cum suis pertinentiis, sicuti Henricus de Novo-foro ejus avunculus, illud tenuit, sibi et hæredibus suis solutum et quietum à dicto priore et conventu et eorum successoribus remanebit. Salvo forinseco servicio, quantum pertinet ad dimidiam bovatom terræ, quam dictus Johannes tenet in manu sua, unde tredecim carucatæ terræ faciunt feudum unius militis, prout continetur in cartis, quas dictus prior et conventus penes se habent. Et sciendum est, quod si dictus Johannes vel hæredes sui in solutione alicujus termini cessaverint, licitum est priori et conventui feudum suum scilicet manerium de Alwardethwait distringere, usque dum totum suum integrè perceperint. Et si dictus prior et ejus conventus, vel eorum successores, in inveniando sacerdotem, qui celebret pro anima Henrici de Novo-foro ejus avunculi, negligentes fuerint, licitum sit dicto Johanni et hæredibus suis, compellere dictum priorem et conventum et eorum successores per dictam firmam, usque dum sacerdotem vel monachum invenerint competentem. Ad istam conventionem fideliter et firmiter imperpetuum tenendam, dictus prior pro se et conventu, et eorum successoribus; dictus Johannes pro se et hæredibus affidaverunt et hoc quidem tactis sacrosanctis evangeliiis juraverunt. Et ad majorem securitatem, quislibet eorum scripto alterius sigillum suum apposuit. Hiis testibus, domino Picote de Lasceles, domino Roberto de Cokefeld, domino Gerardo Salvein, domino Willielmo Constabulario, domine Petro de Brus, domino Roberto de Deviate, Marmaduco Darel, Thoma de Portinton, Nicholao Devias, Rein. de Wambewell, Willielmo de Steinton, Roberto de Wodehouse, Radulfo de Rupe, et multis aliis.

NUM. V.

Carta Thomæ de Burgo et Sarra uxoris ejus.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis ad quos hoc præsens scriptum pervenerit Thomas de Burgo et Sarra uxor ejus salutem. Universitati vestræ notum esse volumus, nos divinæ pietatis intuitu, et pro salute animarum nostrarum, et antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, concessisse, et hac præsentis cartæ confirmasse, Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Magdalene de Lunda, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, donationes et confirmationes omnes quas illis fecit Adam filius Suani per cartas suas; et donationes et confirmationes omnes quas illis fecerunt Willielmus de Nevill et Amabilis uxor ejus, scilicet de medietate villæ de Carleton, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis; et de quatuor bovatis terræ in Wrangbroc de dominico suo, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et de medietate ecclesiæ de Rorestun, cum capellis et omnibus pertinentiis suis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, sicut cartæ eorum testantur. Hiis testibus

Willielmo de Nevill, Ada filio Orni, Richardo filio Bernardi, Nicholao de Gerdestune, Hugone filio Alani, Simone de Turs, Hugone de Elm, Roberto de Turs, Radulfo de Middelstune, Willielmo filio Rogeri.

NUM. VI.

Carta Adæ de Munbegun et Matildis sponsæ ejus.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, notum sit et manifestum quod ego Adam de Munbegun et Matildis sponsa mea unanimiter concedimus, et præsentis cartæ attestacione confirmavimus, ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ de Lunda, et monachis ibidem Deo famulantibus, liberè, solutè, et quietè, quicquid Adam filius Suani eis concessit, donavit, et confirmavit; scilicet in bosco et plano, in molendinis et aquis, omnino sicut ipsemet Adam eis melius et liberior concessit, in universis quæ pertinent ad portionem meam, ex hæreditario jure junioris filiæ, quam legitimo mihi desponsavi conjugio. Concedimus etiam prædictis monachis et præsentibus itidem carta confirmavimus, pro salute animæ ejusdem Adæ filii Suani, et animæ meæ et uxoris meæ, partem nostram de Carletun, videlicet plenariam medietatem ipsius villæ, et quæcunque ad eam pertinent; ecclesiæ quoque de Rorestun medietatem quæ portioni meæ contingit, et ipsius uxoris meæ, in quantum ad nos pertinet, in liberam, et puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Hujus rei testes sunt, Rainerus filius Suani, Walterius Flandrensis, Adam filius Petri, Rogerius frater ejus, Richardus filius Herding, Henricus filius Dolfini, Thomas filius Suani, Adam Brun, Richardus de Ruelent, Rogerus de Loccedal, Utredus filius Incebern, Ailsa Bacun, Hubertus de Chici.

NUM. VII.

Carta Galfridi de Nevill et Mabilia uxoris ejus.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, notum sit et manifestum quod ego Galfridus de Nevill et Mabilia uxor mea unanimiter concedimus, et præsentis cartæ nostræ attestacione confirmamus, ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ de Lunda, et monachis ibidem Deo servantibus, liberè, solutè, et quietè, quicquid Adam filius Suani eis donavit, concessit, et confirmavit: scilicet in bosco et plano, in molendinis et aquis omnino, sicut ipsemet Adam eis melius et liberior concessit in universis quæ ad nos pertinent. Concedimus etiam prædictis monachis, et præsentibus itidem carta confirmavimus, pro salute animarum nostrarum, et antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, Carletonam cum omnibus pertinentiis, et ecclesiam de Koreston cum omnibus pertinentiis, in quantum ad nos pertinet. Et sciendum nos, unanimi consensu, toti juri nostro quod dicebamus nos habere in prædicta ecclesia, tam super ultima præsentatione, quam super aliis ad nos de jure spectantibus, penitus renuntiassse, et jus pristinum prædictis monachis præsentibus scripto confirmasse. Ut autem hæc concessio et confirmatio firmitatis roborem obtineat imposterum, præsens scriptum sigilli nostri munimine roboravimus. Hiis testibus, Roberto de Skegnes, Petro de Nevill, Roberto filio Adæ, Rogero de Notton, Johanne personâ de Felekirke, Willielmo filio Johannis, Willielmo de Grimestorp, Richardo Braford, Radulfo de Rupe, Roberto de Deneby, et aliis multis.

NUM. VIII.

Carta Rogeri de Montebegonis de Foresta de Holecumbe in Comitatu Lancastrensi.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Rogerus de Montebegonis salutem. Noverit universitas, me divinæ pietatis intuitu, dedisse, et concessisse, et hac præsentibus carta confirmasse, Deo, et beatæ Mariæ Magdalenæ de Bretton, et monachis ibidem Deo servantibus, totam forestam de Holecumbe, et pasturam infra divisas subscriptas; videlicet quantum foresta mea se extendit versus Querendonam, in longitudine et latitudine, et ascendendo per divisas forestæ meæ usque ad Langschahchevet, et inde ex transverso, sicut semita dividit, us-

que in Holecumbehevet; ex transverso usque ad Arkilleshou, et inde per medium Arkilleshou usque ad Pilegrimescrosschahe; et inde descendendo usque ad viam quæ ducit per medium Titleshou, sequendo prædictam viam, usque ad Caldewelle, sequendo Caldewelle sic usque in aquam de Yrewell; ac inde descendendo usque ad Titleshoubroc, et ascendendo per Titleshoubroc usque ad viam quæ ducit per medium Titleshou, et inde versus occidentem, sequendo semitam, quæ dicitur semita latronum, usque ad Salterbrigge; et de Salterbrigge usque ad viam de Oskelleie. Et sciendum est quod prædicti monachi habebunt de bosco inter Holecumbe et Titleshougate sufficientiam ad ædificandum et ardendum pastoribus suis, et ad rationabilem sustentationem averiorum suorum in yeme. Præterea dedi eis tres acras de prato sub Arkillohou, juxta Pilegrimescrosschahe, et singulis annis sepes facere eis licebit circa illud pratum, et circa pratum suum apud Haderleies, prout voluerint. Præterea licebit eis habere ædificia sua, ubi Henricus Lunggeiambe mansit, vel alibi versus Querendonam ubi voluerint. Licebit etiam eisdem illam terram excolere ad victualia pastorum suorum, circa domum in qua idem Henricus mansit, et communicare ubique cum hominibus de Totingtune, salva eis tamen communia quam antiquitus habere solebant. Hanc autem prædictam pasturam, cum prato prædicto (sicut supra scriptum est), dedi et concessi prædictis monachis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ et antecessorum meorum. Ita tamen quod nullus ballivus, seu serviens, seu forestarius meus, vel hæredum meorum, inquietabit vel molestabit homines vel pastores eorum, in aliquibus rebus, nec in cibis, nisi ex mera liberalitate eis conferre voluerint. Salvâ quidem mihi venatione mea, et avibus meis quæ alias capiunt, infra prædictas divisas. Quare volo, firmiterque præcipio, ut prænominati monachi habeant et teneant, et possideant prædictam elemosinam, liberè, et quietè, pacificè, et honorificè, sicut aliqua elemosina melius et liberior poterit teneri. Et ego Rogerus et hæredes me warentizabimus prædictis monachis elemosinam prænominatam, contra omnes homines imperpetuum. Hiis testibus, Eudone de Lungvilers, Willielmo filio Adæ, Gilleberto de Notton, Galfrido Britono, Johanne Delamara, Richardo Delamara, Richardo Blanchard, Ada de Biri, Rogero de Midelton, Henrico persona de Biri, Roberto de Hep, Alexandro coco, Radulfo Haget, Johanne de Peningestone, Radulfo de Rupe, Hugone de Heslome, Richardo de Ramesbothom, Richardo Crudere, Simone clerico, et aliis.

NUM. IX.

Carta Johannis Malherbe.

[Ibid.]

Ego Johannes Malherbe et Matildis sponsa mea unanimiter concedimus ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ de Lunda et monachis ibidem Deo famulantibus, liberè, solutè, et quietè, quicquid Adam filius Suani eis concessit, donavit, et confirmavit: scilicet, in bosco et plano, in molendinis et aquis, omnino sicut ipsemet Adam eis melius et liberior concessit, in universis quæ pertinent ad portionem meam ex hæreditario jure junioris filiæ, quam legitimo mihi desponsavi conjugio. Concedimus etiam prædictis monachis, et præsentibus ibidem carta confirmavimus, pro salute animæ ejusdem Adæ filii Suani, et animæ meæ, et uxoris meæ, et antecessorum nostrorum, partem nostram de Karletun; videlicet, plenariam medietatem ipsius villæ, et quæcunque ad eam pertinent; ecclesiæ quoque de Korestone medietatem, quæ portioni meæ contingit, et ipsius uxoris meæ, in quantum ad nos pertinet, in liberam, et puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Hujus rei testes sunt, Richardus capellanus, Ranulphus de Morles, Willielmus de Cambervilla, Gaufridus Gerner, Ranulfus Malerb. Willielmus filius Adæ, &c.

NUM. X.

Carta Adæ filii Swani de Prioratu de Monkbretton sub-jiciendo.

[Ibid.]

DOMINO Eboracensi archiepiscopo et omnibus fidelibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ Adam filius Suani salutem. Sciatis quod ego donavi ecclesiæ sancti Johannis de Pontefract ad religionem locum illum S. Mariæ Magdalenæ de Lunda,

quem ego fundavi in patrimonio meo ad opus monachorum qui ibidem Deo regulariter servient, pro animabus patris et matris meæ, et pro salute mea et successorum meorum. Propter hoc beneficium concessum est mihi annale pro me fieri in matrice sua ecclesia de Karitate; et in domo sua de Pontefract unum annale, et singulis annis ibidem anniversarium meum, et in omnibus locis suis ubi ordo tenetur, tercennarium, in aliis verò quantum pro uno monacho Cluniacensi. Adam verò prior ejusdem loci adquisitor et primus fundator cum à Pontefract discesserit, in eodem loco de Lunda manebit quamdiu vixerit custos et prior domus. Post cujus decessum prior de Pontefract et monachi ejusdem loci consilio meo et hæredum meorum alios qui idonei sint in loco ejus substituent. Et si fortè aliquis frater de Pontefract pro negotio domus suæ in loco competenti ad me venerit, si honestè fieri poterit, cibis quibus vescor et ipse mecum vescetur. Hujus rei gratia unoquoque anno marcam unam argenti à domo illa de Lunda ecclesiæ sancti Johannis de Pontefract constitui debere persolvi ad recognitionem. Hujus conventionis testes sunt, Osbertus archidiaconus, Radulfus dapifer, Ernaldus et Robertus capellani, Thomas dapifer monachorum. Rogerus archiepiscopus Eboracensis confirmat hanc concessionem.

NUM. XI.

Primordiale Decretum Urbani Papæ pro Confirmatione primæ Foundationis.

[Ibid.]

URBANUS episcopus servus servorum Dei dilectis filiis priori et monachis ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Magdalænæ de Lunda tam præsentibus quam futuris regularem vitam professis I N. M. Cum simus ad regimen universalis ecclesiæ, licet inmeriti, providentia supernæ dispositionis assumpti, si quando postulatur à nobis quæ ad ecclesiarum tuitionem pertineant, petentium desideriis clementer nos convenit condescendere et eorum vota effectu complere. Eapropter dilecti in Domino filii vestris justis postulationibus clementer annuimus et præfatam ecclesiam sanctæ Mariæ Magdalænæ de Lunda, in qua divino estis obsequio mancipati, sub beati Petri et nostra protectione suscipimus, et præsentis scripti privilegio communimus. Inprimis siquidem statuentes ut ordo monasticus qui secundum Deum et beati Benedicti regulam in ecclesia vestra dinoscitur institutus, perpetuis ibidem temporibus inviolabiliter observetur. Præterea quas-cumque possessiones, quæcumque bona eadem ecclesia in-præsentiarum justè et canonicè possidet, aut in futurum concessione pontificum, largitione regum aut principum, oblatione fidelium seu aliis justis modis præstante Domino poterit adipisci, firma vobis vestrisque successoribus et illibata permaneant. In quibus hæc propriis duximus exprimenda vocabulis. Locum ipsum in quo præfata ecclesia sita est cum pertinentiis suis. Ex donatione Adæ filii Swani, Bretton cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et molendina de Derna et Lundam patris sui et Karletonam cum pertinentiis suis; ecclesiam de Roriston cum pertinentiis suis, et Neuhale, et Ramebergam, et Lunthewart, et quantum habebat in Bramton, et molendinum de Neuhale et omnia quæ ad præfatas terras pertinent. Et in Halethun dimidiam carucatam terræ, et molendinum de Chirmkishalyc, et duodecim denarios in Wdehusun. Ex donatione Roberti de Stapleton terram de Chudewrda. Ex donatione Adæ de Flynthil quatuor acras terræ in eadem villa. Ex donatione Swani de Derfeld octo acras terræ in Erdesleia. Ex donatione Henrici filii Swani octo solidos de dimidia carucata terræ in Wrangbrock. Ex donatione nobilis viri W. de Nefvilla et Amabilis uxoris suæ molendinum de Langedenedale. Liceat quoque vobis clericos vel laicos è seculo fugientes liberos et absolutos ad conversionem recipere, et eos sine contradictione aliqua retinere.

Prohibemus insuper ne alicui fratrum vestrorum post factam in eodem loco professionem fas sit de eodem loco sine prioris sui licentia, nisi artioris religionis optentu discedere, discedentem verò absque communium literarum cautione nullus audeat retinere. Sane novalium vestrorum quæ propriis manibus vel sumptibus colitis sive de nutrimentis animalium vestrorum nullus a vobis decimas exigere vel extorquere præsumat. Libertates etiam et immunitates ab ecclesiasticis secularibusve personis vobis, ecclesiæ ves-

træ, aut hominibus vestris rationabiliter indultas, et consuetudines quoque rationabiles in ecclesia vestra hactenus observatas ratas habemus, easque futuris temporibus illibatas permanere sancimus, &c. Datum . . . per manum Alberti sanctæ Romanæ ecclesiæ presbiteri cardinalis v. kal. Junii, indictione quarta, Incarnationis Dominicæ mclxxxvj. pontificatus verò domini Urbani papæ iij. anno primo.

NUM. XII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 25 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONASTERIUM B'TÆ MAGDALENÆ DE MONKBURTON.

Tempal' val' in

Sit' monasterii ibm, cum gardin' pomar' columbar' cum dom' q' nup' fuit tannaria ejusdm monasterii p annu'

0l. 13s. 4d.

Exit' terr' et grang' in man' abbatis occup' in pat', pasc' et pastur' dco manasterio annex' p am 10l. Grang' de Newland 5l. Mollend' aquat' juxta monasteriu' 1l. 13s. 4d. Mollend' voc' Asith Mill 1l. Exit' miner' ferr' cum oblac' infra monasteriu' 3l. 6s. 8d. In toto p annu'

21l. 0s. 0d.

Redd' et firm' in Barfeld, Framore, Wakefeld, et Thornes p annu' 10l. 2s. 2d. Aderley, Cadeby, Doncaster, Donsthorp 21l. 2s. 5d. Thornellith, Swinton, Ardeslawe, Bargh, Barnby, Smithley, Gressebroke, Athewike, et Pontefrett 3l. 4s. 10d. Wrangbroke, Ridding, Milnehouse, Haughton Magna, Haughton Pva, Thirnescoigh, Billingley, Pledwike, Cawthorne, Houghland, et Hill 15l. 7s. 2d. Mañii de Newall cu' membris 18l. 11s. 8d. Mekesburgh cu' Carrehouse 22l. 18s. Worshburghdaill et Pennyston cum membris 13l. 13s. . . . 104l. 19s. 11d.

Derb'.

Tempal' val' in

Reddit' et firm' terr' et teñt' in Beighton in com' Derby p annu' 7l. 9s. 8d.

Not'.

Tempal' val' in

Redd' et firm' terr' et teñt' in Est Markham in com' Nottingham p annu' 6l. 12s. 0d.

Lincoln'.

Tempal' val' in

Redd' et firm' terr' et teñt' in Tunstall in com' Lincoln p annu' 1l. 0s. 0d.

Lanc'.

Tempal' val' in

Redd' et firm' terr' et teñt' in Hollekham in com' Lancaster p annu' 0l. 13s. 4d.

Ebor'.

Spual' val' in

Exit' et pfic' divs' rectoriar' appropriat' diet' monaster' jacen' in com' Ebor' pdict', videlt, rector' de Darton 12l. 11s. 11d. Ruston cum capella de Wolley tam in spual' quam in Tempal' 109l. 1s. 11d. Rector' de Bolton cu' Goltthorpp 30l. 5s. 8d. Rector' de Hekilton 17l. 4s. 7d. In toto in com' Ebor' p annu' 180l. 19s. 11d.

Necnon cum REXBURGH 6l. 5s. 11d. Bargh et HEGHAM 5l. 9s. 11d. pcell' et membr' pdict' rector' de Barton. In toto ut supra.

Sim'a to' valoris monasterii pdicti . . . 323l. 8s. 2d.

Rep's'.

Resolut' Redd', videlt in

Resolut' redd' divs' psonis videlt ppos' dñi regis de Sandall 8d. ppos' dñi regis de Thornes 6s. 3d. ppos' dñi regis de 5s. 9d. Ballivo dñi rs. de Wakefeld 5½d. Cant' B'tæ Mariæ in ecclia ibm 3s. In to' p am 16s. 1½d. Exeunt' de dño de Darfeld Ale'xo Boswell armigero 3s. 1d.

Cant' Btæ Mariæ iſm 1s. 6d. Dñi regi p terr' in Don-
caster 1s. 4d. Exeunt' de terr' in Ardesley cu' Doncastre
et membr' 5s. 11d. Priori S̃ti Oswaldi 1s. et dño regi 2s.
p terr' in Swynton et Pontefr' p annu' 3s. Dño regi ad
manus feodarii de Pontefr' 1s. Wiſſmo Gascoign milit' p
terr' in Wrangbroke 2s. Joſni Wentworthe milit' p terr'
in Wrangbroke 1s. 7d. Dño regi ad manus ppos' de Ak-
worth p terr' in Rideyng 10d. Abbati de Rupe p terr' in
Milnehowse 9s. Dño de Haughton Magna p terr' iſm 2s.
8d. 1l. 6s. 3d. Baſſio de Strafurth infra honor' de Tik-
hull 10s. 10d. Prioriſſæ de Nunappulton 1l. 15s. Riçò
Birdehede de terr' in Worshburdall et Pennyston 4s. In
to^o 1l. 19s. Priori de Blide 5s. 2½d. et dño de Cokenton
3s. 4d. de terr' in Beighton p a^m 8s. 6½d. In toto p annu'
de tempal' 5l. 8s. 10d.

Penc', vidz in

Penc' annuati' ſolut' diſs' psonis, videſt, priori S̃ti
Johis de Pontefracto 1l. Vicario de Darton 12l. 10s. De-
can' et caplo eccl̃iæ metŕpol' Ebor' 13s. 4d. Vicario eccl̃iæ
de Ruston 16l. 13s. 4d. Penc' an' ſolut' hæred' Skargill
exeunt' de rect' de Ruston 13s. Vicario de Bolton 6l. 13s.
4d. Archiepo Ebor' 13s. 4d. Decan' et caplo Ebor' 6s.
8d. Archiepo Ebor' de 10s. Rector' de Hekilton 5s. In
toto p annu' 39l. 8s. 0d.

Salar' sive Penc' an't, vidz in

Penc' sive ſalar' annual' ſolut' diſs' cantar' et curat'
ppet', videſt, cantarist' ad altare S̃ti Nich' in eccl̃ia de Dar-
ton 4l. 13s. 4d. Cantarist' S̃ti Petri in eccl̃ia de Wolley p
aia Wiſſmi Nott' milit' 4l. Salar' curat' ppet' de Wolley
4l. 13s. 4d. Caplo cant' Btæ Mariæ in eccl̃ia de Bolton 3l.
13s. 4d. Penc' ſolut' priori de Blida exeunt' de rect' de
Bolton 6s. 8d. Custod' capell' de Hekilton 4l. et pençõe
an' ſolut' archiepo Ebor' de dict' rector' 6s. 8d. In toto p
annu' 21l. 13s. 4d.

Sinodal' et Pcurat', vidz in

Denar' annuati' ſolut' archiepo Ebor' p ſinod' p eccl̃iis
de Darton 4s. et p pençõe iſm p annu' 1l. 6s. 8d. Ruston
4s. Bolton 4s. Hekilton 2s. et archidiaçò iſm p expen'
pcurat' de Darton 7s. 6d. Ruston 7s. 6d. et Hekilton 7s.
6d. In toto p annu' 3l. 10s. 8d.
Ac p Bolton 7s. 6d. In toto ut ſupra.

Elemosia, vidz in

Elemosia annuati' diſtribut' paupibz de p^r exit' et pfic'
rector' de Ruston p compos' 3s. 4d. et in pç' triu' ll' cer' iſm
expedit' ex ordinacõe Henr' Hensham p annu' 2s. In toto
p annu' 0l. 5s. 3d.—0l. 3s. 4d.

Feod', videſt in

Feod' Henr' Savell milit' ſen^{li} monasterii 3l. 6s. 8d.
Caroli Jakson ſen' cur' 1l. Joſhis Bean baſſi de Carlton 1l.
6s. 8d. Wiſſmi Cawthorp baſſi de Munkeburton 1l. 6s. 8d.
Thomæ Grene ball' et rect' den' de Donsthorp 1l. Ed-
mundi Dewis baſſi de Mekesburgh 1l. Wiſſmi Wilson baſſi
de Beighton 1l. In toto p annu' 10l. 0s. 0d.

Annual' Solut', vidz in

Denar' annuati' ſolut' vicar' eccl̃iæ de Darfeld p pcell'
decim' feni 1s. 6d. Reddit' an^{ti} ſolut' de rector' de Ruston
2s. 8d. Capello Btæ Mariæ in eccl̃ia de Roderam p aia
Joſnis Letterd 3l. 13s. 4d. et elemosia an^{ti} p dicto Joſie
Letterd 3s. ex fundacõe imp̃pm 4l. 0s. 6d.
84l. 4s. 8d.

S̃m^a rep's pz.

Et valet clare 239l. { 3s. 6d.
1s. 6d.
X^{ma} ps inde 23l. 18s. 4½d.

NUM. XIII.

Paper Surveys, temp. Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.

MONKE BRETTON.

Supervisus ibidem captus 21^{mo} die Novembris anno 30
Henrici Octavi.

Terr. Dominic.

First the scite of the late monasterye, wyth

	£.	s.	d.
orchardes gardyns adioynnyng to the same, cont. oon acre grounde and oon close of mede adioynnyng to the same uppon thest syde of the same scite, inclosed uppon thoon side wyth a stone wall, and uppon thodersyde wyth a pale of oake, and cont. 7 acres in all, whiche in all be worthe by the yere to be latte to farm	1	0	0
Iſm oon close called Peese Roode, cont. 30 acr. arrable, at 8d. the acre	0	18	8
Iſm oon close arable called Eſshetoftç, cont. 50 acres, at 8d. the acre	1	13	4
Iſm oon close called Lambrcroft arrable, contenyng 8 acres	0	5	8
Iſm a close called the Legh arrable, att 8d. the acre, cont. 14 acres	0	9	4
Iſm a close arrable called the Litill Legh, cont. 6 acres, and rentç	0	4	0
Item a close contenyng 56 acres of arra- ble grounde called the grete new close . . .	1	6	8
Item a close called the Haggç arrable cont. 15 acres, and is worth	0	9	4
Iſm in Fevell Flatt 2 acres arrable . . .	0	1	4
Iſm the 9 Landç, cont. 2 acres	0	1	4
Iſm a Flatt called Lynghyll, cont. 4 acres	0	2	8
Iſm a Flatt called Shawflatt, cont. 2 acres	0	1	4
Iſm a Flatt called Hungeryehill arrable, cont. 2 acres, and is worth	0	1	4
Iſm a Flatt called Cudworthbroke arr. cont. 1 acre, and is worthe	0	0	8
Iſm in the Old Fyld Knoll and 3 lyttle Flattç on tholdefeld, cont. 3 acres	0	2	0
Iſm y ^r is a close called Dodrodengç mede, and cont. 12 acres mede	0	11	8
Item a close called Dodraweleese, cont. 9 acres pasture	0	6	8
Item a grounde called Grassecrofte, cont. 8 acres mede	0	10	8
Item 1 close callyd Hasyng, cont. 4 acr. . .	0	4	8
Item in cote yerdç 7 acres mede	0	7	0
Item in Heyebootç 4 acre mede	0	4	8
Item in Heywood 6 acr. pasture	0	5	0
Item in the littell innclose 6 acre pasto ^r .	0	6	0
Item in the Olde Felde 12 acr. pat. . . .	0	11	8
Item in the Ovgaddyng Wood 7 acr. pasto ^r	0	5	0
Iſm in the Nether Gaddyng Wood 12 acres mede, and is worthe by yere	0	14	0
Item the Darnerodemede 10 acres mede	0	11	8
Item the Rouwh haye, cont. 24 acr. land arrable	0	16	0
Iſm y be in the Coñon Feldç 4 Rye Flattç, conteynyng amongç them 12 acres land arrable, and be worthe	0	8	0
Item in Dernerode pasture, cont. 16 acr.	0	16	0
Item th'oxepasture, cont. 24 acres	1	4	0
Item a close called Grasse Lee, cont. 8 acres pasture	0	6	8
Item a close called Ingle, cont. 12 acr. pat.	0	18	0
Item a close called Carr Eng, cont. 14 acres medow	1	0	8
Iſm a close called Whetewoode, cont. 10 acr. pati, and is worthe by yere	0	11	8
Iſm ther is a close callyd Weste yerdç, cont. 2 acrez, and is worth by yere	0	14	0
S̃m	18	11	8

Darton Rectoria.

Darton Villat.

Iſm the tithe cornez of Darton Village in
the occupyeng of Thoñs Marshe and Richerd
Addy, by yere 4 13 4

Keggesworth and Birthnate.

The tithe co^rnez of the Townshipç of
Kegesworth 2l. 13s. 4d., and Birthwate 13s. 4d.
in the tenur of Thoñs M̃she and Riç Addy by
yere 3 6 8

Villat' de Hay.	£.	s.	d.	Com' Ebor'	£.	s.	d.
The tith cornez of the Touneship' of Hey				Wirsburghdale—Reddit' et firm'	8	6	3 ob'
is worth by yere	1	6	8	Derfeld—Reddit' et firm' . . .	4	13	10
Villat' de				Houghton Major—Reddit' et firm'	1	1	6
The tithe cornez in the Towneship of				Houghton Minor—Reddit' et firm'	0	11	1 ob'
Berghe with Hegham, in the occupyenc' of				Billingley—Reddit' et firm' . . .	1	3	0
the same Thom's M'she and Richerd Addy,				Cudworth—Reddit' et firm' . . .	10	6	9
and rent' by yere	4	0	0	Wakefeld—Reddit' et firm' . . .	4	18	10
The Lent Booke with tythe hey of the				Faramore infra Felkirke—Red-			
sayme pishing 4 <i>l</i> . In oblations 1 <i>l</i> . 16 <i>s</i> . Tithe				dit' et firm'	3	11	0
hens 2 <i>s</i> . 6 <i>d</i> . Tithe geese 3 <i>s</i> . 4 <i>d</i> . I'm tithe				Cudworth—Reddit' recuperat' . .	0	16	8 ob'
pigg' 2 <i>s</i> . 8 <i>d</i> . And tithe woll and lambe with				Wakefeld—Reddit' recuperat' . .	0	8	11
calves 2 <i>l</i> . In all by yere appropriate unto the				Hikilton—Reddit' et firm' . . .	7	15	7
sayme late monastery of Monkebreton . .	8	4	6	Cadeby—Reddit' et firm' . . .	0	18	10
S'm totlis Rectorie de Derton .	21	11	2	Humhelf—Reddit' liberorum te-			
Newlathez with Chapell, Shepecote.				nentium	0	19	5
I'm ther is a messuage with a lathe and				Wolley—Reddit' et firm' . . .	1	2	6
other edificez with di'vse closez pasto's and me-				Notton—Reddit' et firm' . . .	0	19	6
dowes, with appurtenne', and be worth by				Bolton—Reddit' et firm' . . .	16	17	10
yere	5	13	4	Mekesburgh—Reddit' et firm' . .	17	3	6
I'm ther is a Shepe Coote, with 2 closez				Newall—Reddit' et firm' . . .	14	16	7 ob'
therunto belonging and a chappell adionyng				Riddinge in Ackeworthe—Firma			
callyd Sanct Ellyn Chappell, and is worth by				Grangia	3	0	0
yere, with 1 close callyd Carelton Shethe . .	1	0	0	Reynbargh in Wathe — Firma			
S'm	6	13	4	Grangia	3	13	4
S'm totlis pcell' p'dict'	46	16	2	Warmelton—Reddit' unius tene-			
P JACOBUM ROKEBY, Audit.				menti	0	17	8

NUM. XIV.

COMPUT' MINISTRO- RUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII. [Abstract of Roll 34 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.] MONKEBRETON nuper MONASTERIUM.			
Com' Ebor'	£.	s.	d.
Bretton—Situs et terr' dominical'	18	11	8 non
respond' quia conceduntur Willielmo Blithman,			
hæred' et assign' suis imperpetuum.			
Bretton—Redd' reservat' . . .	4	19	2
Bretton—Firma molend' . . .	17	3	0
Bretton—Reddit' et firm' . . .	27	1	0
Carleton—Reddit' et firm' . . .	24	7	2
Ardisley—Reddit' et firm' . . .	9	9	3

Com' Ebor'	£.	s.	d.
Wirsburghdale—Reddit' et firm'	8	6	3 ob'
Derfeld—Reddit' et firm' . . .	4	13	10
Houghton Major—Reddit' et firm'	1	1	6
Houghton Minor—Reddit' et firm'	0	11	1 ob'
Billingley—Reddit' et firm' . . .	1	3	0
Cudworth—Reddit' et firm' . . .	10	6	9
Wakefeld—Reddit' et firm' . . .	4	18	10
Faramore infra Felkirke—Red-			
dit' et firm'	3	11	0
Cudworth—Reddit' recuperat' . .	0	16	8 ob'
Wakefeld—Reddit' recuperat' . .	0	8	11
Hikilton—Reddit' et firm' . . .	7	15	7
Cadeby—Reddit' et firm' . . .	0	18	10
Humhelf—Reddit' liberorum te-			
nentium	0	19	5
Wolley—Reddit' et firm' . . .	1	2	6
Notton—Reddit' et firm' . . .	0	19	6
Bolton—Reddit' et firm' . . .	16	17	10
Mekesburgh—Reddit' et firm' . .	17	3	6
Newall—Reddit' et firm' . . .	14	16	7 ob'
Riddinge in Ackeworthe—Firma			
Grangia	3	0	0
Reynbargh in Wathe — Firma			
Grangia	3	13	4
Warmelton—Reddit' unius tene-			
menti	0	17	8
Wrangbroke—Reddit' et firm' . .	4	18	9
Gressebroke — Firma Grangia			
voc' Carr House	6	13	4
Derton—Reddit' et firm' . . .	4	16	4
Fishelake—Reddit' et firm' . . .	8	16	8
Com' Ebor'—Reddit' et firm' in			
diversis parvis villatis . . .	6	13	4
Com' Derb'			
Beighton—Reddit' et firm' . . .	7	9	1
Com' Nott'			
Markeham—Reddit' et firm' . . .	6	12	0
Com' Lanc'			
Holkeham—Reddit' et firm' . . .	0	13	4
Com' Linc'			
Tunstall—Reddit' et firm' . . .	1	0	0
Com' Ebor'			
Darton—Firma rector' . . .	21	12	2
Ruston—Firma rector' . . .	41	16	8
Bolton super Derne—Firma rec-			
tor'	14	18	0
Hikilton—Firma rector' . . .	9	0	0

Priory of Thetford, in Norfolk.



LOMFIELD and Martin have investigated the history of Thetford Priory so closely, that new materials relating to it, in very large abundance, will not be expected from the Editors of the Monasticon.

According to the Annals of Bermondsey, Roger Bigod, the founder, began the building of his monastery here in 1104; though Dugdale, in the former edition of this work, placed the foundation in the year 1103.^a

Geoffery de Rocherio, who was prior of Thetford in the middle of the fourteenth century, has left a detailed account of the foundation.^b Roger Bigod, it appears, a man of great power and reputation in the reign of the two Williams,

formed a design of going on a pilgrimage to Jerusalem, but commuted his intention by applying the money which he would have expended on his pilgrimage, in the building of a Religious House. By the advice of Elbran, his steward, and William de Walsam, a monk, he determined on making his offer to found a monastery to Hugh, abbat of Cluni; who, though he refused to send monks from his house to colonize the intended foundation, was not displeased to have a new monastery added to the Order, and demanded a mark of silver yearly for the parent Monastery as an acknowledgment of dependence. The church of St. Mary in Thetford, the abandoned cathedral of the East Anglian bishops, was fixed upon as the church for the new Priory, and the cells for the monks being constructed round it of wood, Lanzo, Prior of Lewes, as proctor for the house of Cluni, sent twelve monks to inhabit them, making Malgod, a person of primitive simplicity, their prior. The house and place, however, being found inconvenient, Roger Bigod, began, on the other side of the water, a little without the

^a See the Head-Title of the Appendix to the present Account, from the Annales Norwic. in Bibl. Cotton.

^b See the Append. Num. IX.

town of Thetford, a stately monastery and church. His new edifice he ordered to be dedicated to the Virgin Mary; but, dying before its completion,^a Stephen, the second prior of the monastery, carried on the work. He finished it in seven years, and removed his convent into it on the feast of St. Martin, A. D. 1114.

Roger Bigod's deed, declaratory of his foundation, is given in the Appendix to the present account; followed by the endowment deed of William Bigod his son, and the confirmation by King Henry the First.^b

In 1236 the abbat of Cluni complained to the king against Earl Roger, that he would not permit him to visit this monastery, which was a daughter of the church of Cluni, and when he claimed to put in the prior; but, after a suit, the visitation was adjudged to the prior, and the patronage to the earl.

Matthew Paris, about A. D. 1248, has a remarkable story relating to the death of one of the priors.^c

Martin gives the following list of benefactors to the priory from the manuscript in the Cottonian collection formerly marked Vitellius F. iv. but which was burnt in the fire of 1731.

William de Albini gave all his rents and customs in Snareshill, and the land in Kilverstone, which Henry the First gave him, for the souls of the Conqueror and Maud his queen; for the souls of Roger his father and Amicia his mother, Maud his wife, Nigel his brother, his own, and children's souls.

William the sheriff, son of Robert, gave the tithes of his mill in Kilverstone.

Amicia de Furneaux gave land in Riddlesworth.

William earl of Chichester gave the land which was Godric's in Riddlesworth and Gasthorp.

Gilbert, son of Godland, gave a house in Wells. Simon Fitzwalter gave a turbary there. Thomas, son of Gilbert of Wells, gave a meadow, and John, son of Godland of Wells, and Godfrey, son of Geoffrey Godland, gave land there.

Robert, son of Richard of Thasebure, gave a marsh in Taseburgh.

William Sorrell, by leave of Edward bishop of Norwich, gave the church of Bungeye, with the tithes and all belonging to it, for the souls of King Henry the First, Robert earl of Mellent his lord, and Robert earl of Leicestershire his son; for the soul of Thomas his son, his own, that of his wife, and his children's souls.

William, earl of Surrey, with his wife's consent, gave the monks Hasehagh Wood in Rasing.

John, son of Roger de Tudenham, gave the church of Little Bricete.

William de Frenei gave the church of Little Belings.

William, son of William de Burnovill, gave a moiety of his land in Barnardiston.

Sir Robert de Bosco, or Bois, Knight, with the consent

of William de Bosco his son, and of William de Bosco then rector of Fersfield, gave two parts of his tithes in Fersfield of all fruit, peas, and beans in all his demesnes then in his hands, Roger Bigod earl of Norfolk, Robert de Burnvill, and others being witnesses.

Hubert and Alexander de Vaux gave lands in Horham.

Emma, widow of Robert de Cantilupe, confirmed her husband's grant of two marks a year rent out of her inheritance in Oton Belcamp, in Essex.

Robert de Essex, and Gunnora his wife, daughter of Roger Bigod, for the souls of their ancestors, and for their own, and their son Henry's on his birth-day, gave the monks the church of Fremingham with all thereto belonging; and the said Gunnora, at the same time, with her husband's consent, gave the churches of Cavendon and Brom, and the church of Poringland Magna, for joy of the birth of her son Henry, who, when he came of age, confirmed his parents' gift, and added other lands for his own soul and that of Cecily his wife, Henry his son, and his other children. He calls himself Henry de Essex, the king's constable.

Robert de Vere and Alice his wife gave ten shillings rent in Shelfhanger.

Hugh earl of Norfolk gave his body to be buried at Thetford, in the presence of Walter abbat of Colchester: he gave also the church of Soham.

Sir William Verdon, Knight, gave the moiety of Aslacton advowson. Watlime, son of Adam Winnot, gave the land there which Hugh de Uvedale, Knight, confirmed, Helias Benjamin gave lands in Hales.

Muriel, wife of Hubert de Montchensey, gave her lands in Rushworth which she held in jointure along with Hugh her son, when she made him monk here; which lands William, Roger, and Peter de Valoniis her brothers, and Roger her son confirmed.

Ralph Fitz Walter and Maud his wife gave their bodies to be buried here; and for the health of the souls of Roger Bigod the said Ralph's lord, and William his son, and for the souls of Hugh Bigod, and themselves, they gave St. Giles's church at Watton, with lands in Glemham and Stratford, which were of Maud's inheritance; for which reason Earl Walter Giffard confirmed them.

Agnes, wife of Robert de Vallibus, or Vaux, gave the monks here some of her demesne land in Wedleton, which William her son disseised them of; but, upon her recovering them by suit, she offered a fresh grant of them upon the altar of the Priory Church, praying for and pronouncing God's eternal curse on those that should ever take them away: at which time she confirmed all the gifts of Ralph Fitz Walter her father. After this, William her son gave them lands and rents in Griston and Wadeton; and William Curzon, and Ralph his son, gave them the tithes of their lands in Watton.

The said Agnes de Vaux, daughter of Ralph Fitz Walter, gave Kettringham and the church there, which Simon her brother then held, for her own soul and the souls of

^a Dugdale in his Baronage, tom. i. p. 132, from Hoveden, says he died in 1107, 7th. Hen. I. Order. Vitalis gives his epitaph.

^b See Numm. I. II. III.

^c A. D. 1248. "Eodem anno, mense Decembri, priori de Thetfordia, natione Sabaudialis, monachus Cluniacensis, qui se consanguineum, vel affinem, vel saltem compatriotam reginæ fecerat, et inde sibi cornua assumpserat, fratres suos Bernardum militem, et Guiscardum clericum monstruosum, ad domum suam de Thetford advocavit. Et ibidem immoderatis commensationibus et potationibus cum eisdem pernox, matutinalium oblitus, usque ad gallicinium de more morabatur indulgens. Rarò missis licet demissis, rarò horis curavit interesse canonicis, manè crapulatus, nocturnos potus ructando exhalavit. Si pauperum esurientium clamor insonuit, hæc fuit illius pectore cura minor, et si quandoque unus fratrum suorum jam dictorum, scilicet Bernardus recessisset, alter, scilicet Guiscardus, cujus venter quasi uter in pruina, cujus quoque cadaver, plastrum oneraret, diutius morabatur, et in charybdi uteri omnia monachorum victualia immersit, et postea ingurgitatus, ipsos sprexit et convitiis lacessivit. Dum igitur prior memoratus, fratres, qui pondera dierum portaverunt et æstus, secus quàm deceret vel expedire tractando, substantiam ecclesiolæ suæ turpiter dilapidaret, et ut dicebatur, metus pudicitiae crapulatus transgrederetur, orta est lis et contentio inter ipsum et quendam monachorum suorum natione Walensem. Nitebatur prior ipsum monachum, quem paulo ante à Cluniaco vocaverat, non charitative sed odiose remittere invitum et renitentem, et rationibus probabilibus sese excusantem. Cumque prior reboando nimis horribiliter juraret, quòd vellet nollet, peregrinaret manticatus, ille Monachus demoniacus ira vehementi vel potius furore succensus, ipsum Priorem cultello extracto evisceravit, nec formidavit illud scelus infra

septa ecclesiæ perpetrare. Qui cùm taliter saucius oregmon a gutture emitteret, volens fratres clamando advocare, vel saltem excitare, sed jam præclusis arteriis non valebat, dictus monachus iterum insurgens, et in ipsum irruens, ictus non nugatorios ter vel quater iteravit, cultellum usque ad manubrium in exanimem corpus immergendo, et sic miser miserum non sine ordinis monastici enormi læsione et opprobrio, Deo utrobique irato et ultore, ad tartara destinavit. Hoc idcirco plenius enarravi, ut legentes moniti et castigati, a talibus catigaretur; ne in consimilem confusionem, Deo provocato, præcipitentur. Apprehenditur a supervenientibus auctor sceleris, et ligatus arctissimè custodiæ deputatur. Quod cùm domino regi innotuisset, reginæ pulsatus querelis, jussit ipsum flagitiosum in turri Norwicensis oppidi vinculis mancipatum, profundissimo carcere expertem luminis præcipitari, non obstante causa beati Thomæ Martyris, qui pro quodam sacerdote homicida constanter allegans, et stans usque ad sanguinis et cerebri effusionem ne judicio laicæ curiæ clericus et præcipue sacerdos damnaretur, et ne deordinatus suspenderetur, martyrium toleravit, cùm non puniat Dominus bis idipsum, pœnas laxans peccatorum, et supra merita remunerans, et cum sufficienter una culpa per unicam pœnam prævia debeat dilui ratione. Hæc cùm a quodam Monachorum æmulo in religiosorum obprobrium recitarentur, respondit quidam religiosorum amicus, et religionis amator, et specialis advocatus: In Angelis invenit Dominus prævaricatorem, inter septem Diaconos deviatorem, et inter Apostolos proditorem. Absit ut unius vel paucorum peccatum in numerosam redundet universitatem. Hanc etiam modestiam docet poeta ethnicus, et gentilis dicens:

"Parcite paucorum diffundere crimen in omnes."

Mat. Par. edit. 1640, p. 752.

her lord Earl Hugh Bigod and Gundred his countess; and after this, by the name of Agnes de Vaux, daughter of Maud Langeton, she confirmed all her gifts, and William, Oliver, and Ralph her sons, Agnes her daughter, and Emma and Muriel de Langetot, and Alan de Dunstavi, son and heir of Muriel, joined with her; Edward dean of Thetford, and Richard and Roger priests of Thetford, being witnesses.

Reginald de Brun, great-uncle to John le Strange, gave lands in Bernham, which the said John confirmed; and the said John came into Norfolk, and did his homage for those lands to Ralph de Plaiz, and warranted them to the Priory as his deed expresses.

The church of All Saints in Ditton was given by Droard, son of Cade lord of Ditton, and Wimarek his wife, for the souls of themselves, Stephen earl of Brittain, and William Earl Warren, and was confirmed by Baldwin de Say and Wimarek his wife.

Robert Brito gave nine acres in Brothesdon.

Robert, son of Humphrey, gave nine acres in Ditton. Adeliza, or Alice de Albeni, gave her body to Stephen prior of this monastery, to be buried in the monastery-church, commanding her son and heir to confirm those lands in Ditton which King Richard and she had given to the house. Hugh, son of Richard, and Margaret his wife, and Roger his son, confirmed the lands in Ditton given by their father and mother. Henry earl of Warwick and Margaret his wife confirmed the lands in Ditton given by Richard, son of Osbert, and Alice his wife. Jocus, son of Thurstan of Thetford, gave the monks here lands in Ditton, on consideration of receiving half a mark per annum during his life; Henry, son of Robert de Saham, gave other lands in Ditton.

Ralph, son of Robert de Stratton, gave ten shillings per annum out of the tenement he held of Earl Hugh Bigod in Long Stratton.

Emma de la Mere gave lands and a tenement in Totington.

William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, and Ela his countess, gave two marks per annum out of their mill at Kaneford.

Humphrey, son of Wiard, released land in Crokeston.

Ernald Catchase and Robert his son, gave 3s. per annum rent out of thirty acres in Offeton.

Robert Mallet released all his right in Dullingham church. Alan, son of Ralph de Burgo; Philip, son of Roger de Burgo; Richard, son of Peter le Brun; Ralph, and Philip lord of Brun; and William, son of Ralph, son of Mathers, gave lands in Dullingham: and Theobald and Henry de Escalariis, or Scalers, confirmed their father Robert's grant. Baldwin de Segenie, and Jeffrey son of Edwi, also released lands there.

Theobald, son of Theobald, and brother of Henry de Scalariis, gave forty acres of land, and twenty shillings rent in Croxton.

Ralph, steward to Nigel bishop of Ely, gave Norwold mill; and Henry de Riga gave two thousand five hundred eels out of a fishery at the same place.

William, Earl Warren, confirmed all the lands he had given.

Reinald de Brunna gave the land in Barnham, which his mother, Helewise, held in jointure.

Robert Fitz gave twenty shillings per annum out of Sotesford mill.

William, son of Robert de Keleshall, released certain villans and lands in Darsham and Jokesford.

William Earl Warren, gave the services of Algar son of Godric; William prior of Lewes, and Reinald, the earl's brother, being witnesses.

He confirmed his father's gifts, and further granted to this house the advowson of the churches of Bradley, Offinton,^a Oveton,^b Stanham, Sahaley, Framingham Great and Less, Kelshall, Lopham, Thornforth, Hugenwerd, Suthsted, Methon,^c Southfield,^d &c.; and till these were delivered to them they were to have two parts of the tithes of Bradley, Offinton, Saham, Kelshall, Framingham the Less, Haler,

Hagenword, and the granary of Rederham, with its lands, and twenty librates of land in exchange for Chipeham manor (which his father mortgaged to them for a hundred pounds) and twenty thousand herrings in the soke of Kelshall, and five thousand eels in Welles, one fishery called Ramerse, and a piece of land which his father held in Riseword, of the abutments of Ely; and all the lands and tenements that were Bishop Arfast's and his son Richard's in Thetford, both within and without the town, and all the land of Fauconafeld and of Sircha, as held by Herbert, the chaplain of Herbert bishop of Norwich; and one fourth part of Chikerings,^d and the land held by Egga in Denham, and the land of Asceline de Deisham,^e and twenty-five solidates of land in Minsemere, and ten solidates in Langwade, and Edric de Thorp with all his land and his men in Thorp and Dumirick, or elsewhere, and all the land and men of Archeline in Tasburgh, and the church of Tasburgh, with its lands and tithes; and the land of Ulf the presbyter, and Ulmer of Tasburgh, with all his land, and two men in Stratton.^f All these were of his own and his father's gift. He further granted the two parts of tithes given by his own and his father's vassals, as follows: William Bigot gave two parts of his demesne in Finchingfield, with the advowson of the church; Robert Camerarius, two parts of his tithes in Sinthings; Ralph Fitz Norman the same in Pesshale in Suffolk; Gerald de Seuci, the same in Elingham; Ethard de Vaux, the same in Keswic; Robert de Bosco the same in Sterston, in Norfolk.

Robert de Vaux gave all his churches and land in Pantney,^g Terston,^g Turtin, Chedstone, Wenham, Ramdon, and Belchamp,^h and the scite of a mill "ad vadum holmi," and an alder grove below it, and his body to be buried at Thetford, as all the rest of the earl's men.

Hugh de Hosdene, and his wife Maud, gave Offeton church, and thirty acres in demesne, and the tithe of Weston, and of the mill, and twenty shillings rent in Danesey of her dower, and the tithe of Tothenham.

William de Burnville, and his wife Alva, gave the church and tithe of Ringshale and Belham, tithe of Colney and Nettlested, and lands in Somersham, with a portion of the church.

Ralph Fitz Walter gave the church of St. Giles at Wadeton, some land and houses held by Ernald the priest, and sixty acres of demesne land, and Eilewardeshage wood.

Herbert de Cravencum gave eight solidates of land in Lethon, and two parts of his tithes in Gresthon.

Robert Buviun, two parts of his tithes in Oviton.

Ivo Verdon, lands in Muleton.

Ralph Fitz Hugh, lands in Crey.

Edward Fitz Hugh, lands in Mellis in Suffolk, and Bisthorp in Norfolk.

William de Curcun, lands in Wodeton, Hoxcroft, and Newton, and tithe in Terston.

Ranulph, tithe of Wyke and Bant.

Richard de Cadome, land in Brokedish, wood for twenty hogs, two parts of his tithes in Norton, and his right in Silham church.

Hubert de Montchensey gave two parts of his tithes in Balecham.

Berenger de Sap, the same in Brainton.ⁱ

Roger de Eufreus, the same in Tenton.^k

Ralph Passelewe, two measures of wheat yearly, and sixty sheaves at his death.

Walter de Smalberg was also a benefactor.

Reinald Dapifer gave three measures of wheat, and a thousand herrings.

Roger de Cailli gave five shillings a year, and the moiety of all his effects at his death.

Fulk Savigni, ten shillings.

Robert de Bram, two measures of wheat.

Bernard de Bernham, three thousand herrings.

Baldwin Fitz Wido, three measures of wheat, and three of barley.

William Aplegart, one measure of wheat.

William de Bois, two measures of wheat.

^a Oton, co. Suff.

^b Ovington, co. Norf.

^c Mitton and Suffield, co. Norf.

^d Chickering, co. Suff.

^e Darsham, co. Suff.

^f Long Stratton, co. Norf.

^g Pentney and Thurston, co. Norf.

^h Tunstall, Cheston, Wenham, Ramsholt, and Bulkham, co. Suff.

ⁱ Brantham, co. Suff.

^k Turnston, co. Suff.

Bristric de Longelond, a hundred herrings.

Robert de Rokelund, one measure of wheat, and a thousand herrings.

Ralph Fitz Herlewin, two pieces of land, one measure of barley, and one of pease.

Robert de Reinis, one of the witnesses to Henry the First's confirmation, gave the church of Little Briset, and twelve acres of demesne land between it and Offeton church, in frank almoigne.^a

Theobald de Scalariis confirmed his father Robert's grant of Dulingham church; and Edwy, with his lands, and twenty-four acres of demesne with free fold, which the prior and monks purchased of his father.^b

Roger de Monte Begonis gave, and offered on the altar, the field near Croxton Meer, with the woods, meads, lands, and fisheries which he had there; also the church of Sustorp and Nortorp, and all the churches and chapels of his fee, and the land called Tarlton and Littleholme, and the wood called Caiueda, and all the lamb and goat skins on his manors, and liberty of fishing in all his fisheries in frank almoigne.^c

The prior and convent gave up their right in the Holmes by Tarlton Meer, in Lancashire, to the abbat and convent of Cokersand.^d

King Henry the Second confirmed all the grants of his grandfather Henry the First, and Roger Bigod, and forbad collecting scot as well of the lands which never paid it before out of the burgh, or in Fagertones field, as of any round Thetford. He confirmed to the monks the mills at Thetford, viz. at Dodescross and the Little Mill, and 5s. 4d. in Brendemulna, and the mill, late the bishop's, and the mill, land, and mead, by the castle. Snareshill; lands in Culumdestune^e and Briteham; Silham, with its church, and a fourth part of Chickerings; land in Deneham;^f twenty shillings out of Sotesford mill; the land of Ascell the chaplain, with the church of Dersham; fifteen solidates in Minesmere, and ten in Langwade;^g the tithes of Kershal, Bradley, and Offeton; the churches and tithes of Brome, little Framingham, and Canedon; the land and homagers of Edric at Torp, and in Dunwic; Tasburg church and tithes, and Ulf the priest's land; two men in Stratton; the land and homagers of Aceline in Tasburg, and four men in Newton, with the lands given them by Hurlewin de Panewurd;^h tithes, and one man, and four sticks of eels in Panwurd; Ulmer de Tasburg, and his land, with the land and homagers in Hulme given and sold to them by Erahald de Waketon; the churches and tithes of Haell, Hagenwurd, and Susted; tithes in Florendon,ⁱ Moleton,^k and Teston, which belonged to Robert de Bosco; land in Berkedis;^l the church, land, houses, and woods, at Wadeton; sixty acres in demesne; and Hilwardeshage wood; Glamham and Stretford of the gift of Ralph Fitz Walter and his wife; tithe of Roger Bulzunonetona;^m eight shillings worth of land and tithes in Greston, of the gift of Herbert de Craneton; tithes of William Fitz Offord, Warner de Totinton and Lambert de Shireford; of Ralph de Fredun, Aluric Karlesune, and one socman and land in Bokeney;ⁿ three homagers, with their lands in Elingham; tithes of Perneho, Jokeford,^o Mellis, and Biscorp;^p the church of St. Peter at Reidun,^q in which were monks of Thetford, and the chapel of St. Margaret at Rushmere; the churches of Screpeham^r and Eston,^s a homager, and the marsh of Bruges; St. Peter's church at Horkeley,^t in which were monks of Thetford; the churches and tithes of Wiseton,^u Boxted,^x Essildesham, and Offeton, with thirty acres of land; the tithes of Weston, and twenty shillings worth of land in Danesy; the tithes of Toteham,^y of the gift of Matilda de Hosdene; the churches and tithes of Ringeshel^z and Beleham; tithes of Colenese, and lands, and a portion of the

church at Somersham; the tithes of Nettlestede, of the gift of William de Burneville; the church and tithes of Nutley; the tithe of Finchingfield; the church of Oveton, with its tithes; the churches of Pantney, Terston, Torton, Chedeston, Wenham, and Beltham, and the scite of a mill and alder ground at Holmford: the tithe of Wedeton and Oxcroft, and the land in Newton which was Asceline's, of the gift of William de Curcun; Remesthorp chapel, lands, and tithes, and thirty acres of land in Florendon, with the tithe of Alelm de Terstona; tithes in Benham; the church of Joppam, with its appurtenances; tithes of Saham, with a homager who paid ten shillings in Muthfield; and Blatsone de Strubelim, with his land; tithes of Lambert de Staneham, and the tithes of Newton; the church of Dullingham, with its appurtenances; land of Ed. . . . who lived by Cummertin; and tithe of Ralph de Dullingham, and Ralph Fitz Malfred; tithe of Galfrid de Diton,^a and Surulf de Wilburgham,^b and of his land by Saxton;^c and Caneley,^d and half his tithe in Siluresley,^e tithe of Geoffrey de Quoie,^f and ten shillings of land in Freeton,^g and lands given by Richard Fitz Osbert and his wife and son in Ditton; and tithe of Robert de Berton; the church of Tireville; tithe in Twitras, and land in Roburne; tithe of Gilbert Fitz Bernard, in Waureton, and three thousand eels in Tinsware, and Deepham mill, and a homager with his land; half a thousand eels of Alfelm in Brichebere, as many of Hucha in Salteslade,^h as many of Estmund in Bachelei, and as many of Gotland in Lode; two thousand of Burcard de Montmoreiet; a thousand of Boscel de Ely; five thousand of Roger Bigod in Wells; four stikes of Herlwin in Denham; a thousand of Wolmare; three stikes, or sticks of Gotland Long; lands in Rixword and Brome, and the church of Little Framingham, of the gift of Gunnora, mother of Henry de Essex; Haselitor wood in Little Rasing, with all its land, of the gift of William, earl of Warren; Little Briset church, and twelve acres of demesne, given by William Fitz Edmund: ten shillings in Turston, given by Robert de Vallibus, or Vaux. All these were granted in frank almoigne for ever, with soc and sac, tol and theam, and infangetheof, liberty and discharges from all pleas, tolls, scot, geld, danegeld, lusgull, warpene,ⁱ and all customs due to the crown.^k

William de Walsham gave his tenements in Dunham in the county of Norfolk, in pure alms, to be held by knights service only.^l

Philip de Burgo, and Alice his wife, Richard le Brun, Ralph and Philip le Brun, gave lands in Dullingham.^m

Robert and Oliver de Vallibus gave the church of Thurston, and lands; also lands in Threxton.ⁿ

Richard Fitz William gave the church of St. Peter of Wangford, and the chapel of St. Margaret of Risemere, with all thereto belonging.^o

Beside these, Martin has chronicled the following donations to, and transactions of this monastery, according to dates.

A. D. 1135, Reginald de Peyton, sewer to Earl Hugh Bigod, was a great benefactor.^p

A. D. 1175, Thomas de Lincoln, clerk to the French king, gave sixty acres of land, and three of turf land in Hales, in the county of Norfolk, for his own and parents souls, on condition that he and his mother should enjoy it for life, paying three-pence a year on his father's anniversary, and, after their deaths, the monks were to held it in demesne unalienable. This donation was made at Matheshale before Staingrim the archdeacon, in his chapter there held, and in confirmation of it he sealed it with his own seal, and his mother's ring, which she had given him for that purpose.^q

A. D. 1218, 3 Hen. III. a fine was levied between

^a See his charter in the Append. Num. IV. ^b See Num. V.

^c Num. VI.

^d Compare Num. VII.

^e Culmbeston.

^f Denham.

^g Lanwade, co. Cambr.

^h Panworth.

ⁱ Flordun.

^k Multon.

^l Brokdish.

^m Bulzun, or at Newton, or Buviun in Oviton.

ⁿ Bodney.

^o Yoxford.

^p Bistorp.

^q Roydon, by Rising-Castle.

^r Shropham.

^s Easton.

^t Horkesley, in Essex.

^u Wiston.

^x In Essex.

^y Tudenham.

^z Ringshall.

^a Ditton.

^b Wilbraham.

^c Saxham.

^d Cheveley.

^e Silversley.

^f Quoie.

^g Forton, or Foxton. These last seven places are all in Cambridgeshire.

^h Salterslode, Cambridgeshire.

ⁱ Wardpenny, or Castle-guard. Spelman.

^k See the Charter Num. VIII.

^l Martin, Hist. Thetf. Ibid. p. 136.

^m Ibid.

ⁿ Ibid.

^o Ibid. p. 137.

^p Lib. Niger Scacc. tom. i. p. 246, edit. 1728.

^q Ex autog. penes F. Blomfield.

Thomas, son of Geoffrey de Thurston, and the prior of the monks of Thetford, tenant of the advowson of Thurston church, which was released to Thomas and his heirs on their covenanting for ever to pay to the prior and his successors twenty shillings per annum for land held of them here.^a

A. D. 1219, 4 Hen. III. the Monks of Thetford were found to hold one fee of the earl of Norfolk in Thurston, jointly with four other tenants.^b

A. D. 1248, the monks had a general charter of free warren in all their lands in Norfolk, Suffolk, and Cambridge-shire.^c

A. D. 1271, John de Scales confirmed the land and advowson of Dullingham.^d

A. D. 1274, it was returned that the prior was to find ten men with bows and arrows for forty days, at his expense, whenever the king went against the Welsh in person, for the field called Faverton field, and for his warren in Westwick in Thetford.^e

A. D. 1299, the prior paid four marks per annum to the clerks who celebrated mass at the high altar of the blessed Virgin in St. Paul's.^f

About A. D. 1300, here was a chantry of one chaplain, who was to officiate daily in the priory church, founded by Richard de Huphall, for his own soul and the souls of his parents and uncle, of the bishop of Norwich and his parents, predecessors and successors, &c. to be presented by the prior and convent, and admitted by the bishop. But in the fourteenth century this anniversary was added to the more general funeral commemoration of benefactors.^g

A. D. 1324, the Prior's manors and churches of North-Glemham, Dersham, and Jokesford, or Yoxford in Suffolk, were seized by the king as belonging to an alien.^h

A. D. 1358, the Prior agreed with John Bryggs, of Quidenham, for his manor of Lynford for eight score marks, whereof by his will, which was dated some years after, the prior was to stop forty marks for his anniversary; every monk who was a priest to receive twelve pence, every one not a priest sixpence.ⁱ

A. D. 1359, the prior gave the prioress of the nuns of Thetford ten acres of land, and forty six-shillings and eight pence rent in Rougham, in exchange for Brend-mill in Thetford, and twelve acres of land there.^k

A. D. 1377, the PRIORY OF THETFORD was made DENIZEN.^l

A. D. 1395, the duke of Lancaster, for a fee-farm rent of forty-two marks per annum, granted to the prior and his successors, a messuage called the Graunge, a toft called Castle-yard, nine hundred and forty acres of meadow and pasture, a water-mill, two free-folds, and a warren in Thetford and Croxton.^m

A. D. 1401, 3 Hen. IV. the prior had a grant to be re-possessed of the vicarage of Northales, and for the manor of Santon, and land in West Toftes.ⁿ

A. D. 1411, 13th Hen. IV. the king licensed Hugh Stoppusley to give in mortmain one messuage, two hundred acres of land, and eight acres of meadow, twenty-six shillings rent, a free-fold, and separate fishery in Bretenham, Rushworth, Brigham, and Thetford, on condition that the Convent paid to the duchy of Lancaster, of which they were held, 50s. every vacancy; also fifty-three acres in Snareshill, and sixteen in Wynkeswyke field in Newmarket; and the same year the king licensed Edmund Blankpayn, of Euston, to settle the lands, and a free-fold course in Downham in Suffolk, which were John Howys's, viz. thirty acres in Faverton field (which is part in Downham and part in Thetford), and thirty-three acres and Baxtere's fold-course in Downham, and William Smith was licensed to settle divers messuages, and four acres of land in Yoxford; all which lands were given that year.^o

The same year Roger Stoppusley gave arable land in Croxton.^p

A. D. 1412, 1 Hen. V. Henry Dod, of Dunmow, released to the prior a messuage called Cattystede in Bridge-gate street.^q

A. D. 1414, 3 Hen. V. the convent had the king's pardon, and release of all their offences, forfeitures, &c. A similar pardon was granted in the 8th Edward IV.^r

A. D. 1417, 6 Hen. V. John, son, and Margaret, widow of William Cat of Thetford, severally released another there to John the prior, and convent. William had before granted all his arable lands here to Blankpayn and Stoppusley.^s

A. D. 1427, 6 Hen. VI. the king licensed his cousin, John, duke of Norfolk, to give to this priory the manor of Santon, a toft, and twenty-four acres there and in Westtoft.^t

A. D. 1434, Roger Stoppusley gave all his lands in Croxton and Thetford.^u

A. D. 1440, King Henry VI. was seised of the yearly farm of 13s. 4d. paid by the prior to the king, instead of the abbat of Cluni, the Priory being now denizen.

A. D. 1446, the medieties of the rectory of Brome, in Suffolk, were consolidated, and the prior was to have an alternate presentation; upon which, the following arms and inscriptions were put up in the east chancel window of that church:

<i>Prior et Conventus monachorum de Thetford, Patronus ex una parte.</i>	<i>Et magister Calthorp Patronus ex altera parte.</i>
Per pale, or. and vert. a lion rampant gu.	Chequè, or. and az. a fess ermine.

A. D. 1448, the Convent, by the king's licence to purchase lands to the value of 20*l.* per annum, purchased the manor of Bodney, with the appurtenances, and a hundred acres of land there, value 8*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.* of Richard Waller, Esq. Robert Boole, Esq. John Bertram gent. and William Norwych, junior; and of John Heydon and John Swan a messuage, two hundred and twenty acres of land, and two fold-courses in Thetford, Croxton, Bretenham, and Santon; and of John duke of Norfolk, Sir Thomas Tudenham, Knt. and others the manor of Linford, and eighty acres, and of Heydon and Swan a messuage and three hundred and fifty acres, and liberty of three-fold courses in Lynford, and fifty acres and three fold-courses in Thetford, worth five pounds per annum; and the same year a licence was passed to hold Lynford manor and advowson in mortmain.^x

A. D. 1467, Lynford church being void, and the town almost uninhabited, the bishop appropriated all its profits to the Prior, who was to serve it by one of the monks, and pay a pension of 3*s.* 4*d.* per annum to the sec.^y

A. D. 1486, Nicholas Bouchier, archbishop of Canterbury, gave three copes of white damask, embroidered all over with golden angels, and other things to this priory.

A. D. 1499, William Fyshere, burgess, gave the monks 13*s.* 4*d.* "praying them of charitye to admit him a brodir of their chapter house."^z

Robert Love of Thetford, burgess, was buried in the church of this monastery May 23d, 1511, and in his will ordered to the prior for assisting at the interment 20*l.*; to every monk being a priest 20*s.*; to every novice 10*s.* In another clause of the will is the following bequest thus expressed: "Also I wol and assign that my lond that I bought of tweyn sisters, daughters of John Goodwyn, to that entent to hav a obyt kept yerly for me and fraends for ever in the said monastery, there to hav a dirige and a mese, and then the prior to have 12*d.*; every prest 4*d.*; and every novyce 2*d.* On this condition the said prior and convent to hav the said lond to them and to their successours for ever."^a

Sir Thomas Windham, Knt. and Peter Nobys, D. D. master of Benet College, Cambridge, gave one hundred and thirty marks to the prior and convent, on condition of paying to Dr. Nobys five marks yearly during his natural life, and finding him a stable for two horses, and a house for keeping of hay, two chambers for himself, and liberty of walking in the garden; also to say a solemn dirge with nine lessons on St. Martin's eve, and a mass of requiem the next morning, for the souls of Sir John Windham, Knt. Margaret his wife, Roger Dersie, Esq., John Nobys, sometime of Thompson, Rose, his wife; and of Thomas Wyndham, Eli-

^a Parkins' Contin. of Blomf. Hist. of Norf. vol. v. p. 1163.

^b Ibid.

^c Ibid.

^d Blomf. Thetford, vol. i. p. 143

^e Ibid.

^f Dugd. Hist. St. Paul's, p. 18.

^g Blomf. Hist. Norf. vol. i. p. 441.

^h Ibid. Thetf. p. 143.

ⁱ Ibid.

^k Pat. 19 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 33.

vol. v.

^l Pat. 50 Edw. III. p. 1.

^m Blomf. Thetf. p. 144.

ⁿ Ibid.

^o Reg. Prior. Thetf. pen. D. de Grafton.

^p Ibid.

^q Ibid.

^r Ibid.

^s Ibid.

^t Ibid.

^u Ibid.

^x Ibid.

^y Ibid.

^z See Martin, Hist. Thetf. p. 143.

^a Ibid.

zabeth his wife, and Peter Nobys, after their decease the souls of their benefactors, and all christian souls. Also the said prior and convent, and their successors, were to distribute yearly, for ever, in the said priory at the same dirge, to the prior 12*d.*; to the sub-prior 12*d.*; to every monk 6*d.*; and to the same brethren, for ringing, 4*d.*; also the Prior and Convent, for them and their successors, were to receive and admit for ever all those persons and souls before named to the fraternity, suffrages, chapter, and whole religion, to be partners of all prayers, vigils, masses, fastings, alms-deeds, and all other suffrages of their religion. Also the Prior and convent covenanted, for themselves and successors, to rehearse the names of the said persons in all their prayers and sermons. In case the five marks were not regularly paid, according to the preceding indenture, the said Peter Nobys was to distrain for payment on the manors of Lindford and Santon.^a

A. D. 1535, there was a private Act passed to confirm an exchange of lands between the King, the duke of Norfolk, and the prior.^b

PRIORS of THETFORD.

MALGOD, A. D. 1104. He was removed on the appointment of

STEPHEN, A. D. 1107; who occurs, A. D. 1130. He was succeeded by

CONSTANTINE.

MARTIN occurs A. D. 1189, and A. D. 1197.^c

PETER VINCENT, A. D. 1202.^d

RICHARD, A. D. 1226 and 1235.

STEPHEN, A. D. 1240 and 1257. Either he or his predecessor was murdered by a monk.^e

WILLIAM was prior A. D. 1261 and 1270.

VINCENT, A. D. 1286 and 1297.^f

RALPH DE FREZENFELD, A. D. 1302.

THOMAS LE BIGOD became prior Dec. 31, 1304. He was the first prior who was confirmed by the Bishop of Norwich.

MARTIN, A. D. 1313.^g

PETER DE BOSCO occurs prior in 1316. Blomfield says, that in 1338 he farmed his priory at a hundred marks per annum of the king as an alien.^h

JAMES was deposed A. D. 1355.ⁱ Martin, by mistake, places him in 1335.

GEFFERY DE ROCHERIO became prior on the deposition of James. He occurs again A. D. 1369. He began the History of his Monastery, but died before he finished it.^k

^a See Martin, Hist. Thetf. p. 144.

^b Ibid.

^c Bishop Kennett's MS. additions to Dugd. Monast. tom. i. p. 667.

^d Fin. Norf. lig. 2, n. 157.

^e He occurs in the Register of Lewes, A. D. 1281.

^f Martin, ut supr.

^g Pat. 7 Edw. II.

^h Blomf. Hist. Norf. vol. i. p. 443.

ⁱ Ibid.

^k See the fragment of it remaining in C.C.C.C. in the Append. Num. IX.

^l Reg. Haydon, fol. 10.

^m Blomfield supposes this to be the same person who was Bishop of Durham in 1381, and of Ely in 1388.

ⁿ Blomf. Hist. Norf. vol. i. p. 166.

^o See Martin, Hist. of Thetford, p. 120—124.

^p These were Hugh Bigod, earl of Norfolk, A. D. 1177; Roger, earl of Norfolk, his son and heir, about A. D. 1220; Hugh Bigod, third earl of Norfolk, A. D. 1225; Roger Bigod, his son, A. D. 1269; Roger Bigod, the last earl of the family, 1305; John, lord Mowbray, duke of Norfolk, A. D. 1461; John Mowbray, duke of Norfolk, his son, 1475; John Howard, duke of Norfolk, slain at Bosworth, A. D. 1485; Thomas, duke of Norfolk, A. D. 1524; Thomas, duke of Norfolk, A. D. 1537. See Blomf. Hist. of Norf. vol. i. pp. 450, 451.

^q The names, &c. of the Places are fully described in the official Repertory thus:

"The scite of the Monastery of our Blessed Lady of Thetford, and all houses, land, and ground within the same, together with the parsonage, rectory, and advowson of the churches of the Blessed Virgin and Saint Nicholas in Thetford, and all manors, lands, tenements, hereditaments, possessions, profits, and emoluments whatsoever in Thetford, Santon, Snareshill, Kilverstone, Brettenham, Walton, Tottington, Aslacton, Ensted, Multon, Waketon, Fornsett, Tacolneston, Hampnale, Freton, Tasborough, Gatesthorpe, Threkeston, Rising, Ellyingham Parva, Baknesthorpe, Leeham al's Lynham, Ashley, Letton, Soham, Shropham, Storfod, Colston, Garboldesham, Redlesworth, Guttethorpe, Southwold, Hales, Wel's, Emneth, Sholfanger, Winforthing, Maketon, Floredon, Hamworth, Besthorpe, Fersfeld, Norton, Hurlston, and Bangham, in the county of Norfolk. In Wangford, Rushworth, Syleham, Denham, Dersham, Blaksale, Minnesiere, Sipton, Dunwich, Yoxford,

ROBERT DE BERTON occurs A. D. 1370, in the will of Sir Thomas Hexford, Knt.^l

JOHN DE FORDHAM occurs A. D. 1372, 1390, and 1395.^m

JOHN IXWORTH succeeded Fordham; and died in 1430.

NICHOLAS occurs A. D. 1431; on whose cession or death the priory was vacant in 1438, when William de Elveden, sub-prior, presented to the rectory of Gatesthorpe.ⁿ

JOHN VESEY occurs A. D. 1441, and again in 1479.

ROBERT WETING occurs A. D. 1483, and again in 1497.

ROGER DE BERNINGHAM, or ROGER BALDRY, of *Berningham*, occurs prior A. D. 1503, and again in 1511. So Blomfield. But Martin makes them distinct people.

WILLIAM IXWORTH was confirmed in 1518, and continued to the Dissolution; when he and thirteen monks surrendered their Monastery to the King.

The patronage of this priory appears to have been vested first in the Bigods earls of Norfolk; in the 6th of Edward II. in Thomas de Brotherton, who was likewise so created; afterwards in the Mowbrays; and then in the Howards.^o Of the Bigods and Howards, several were buried in the priory church.^p

The deed of exchange between King Henry VIII. and Thomas, Duke of Norfolk, dated 1st April, in the 31st year of his reign, whereby the former granted to the latter the scite, &c. of the Monastery of Thetford, is in the Augmentation Office.^q

The surrender of the monastery having been made on the 16th Feb. 31 Hen. VIII. and the whole possessions passing from the crown in less than two months afterwards, no Minister's Accompts of it are discoverable in the Augmentation Office.

There seems, however, to have been a second grant to the Duke of Norfolk, in the 32d Hen. VIII. dated on the 9th of July. Martin says, it was in consideration of the payment of a thousand pounds: and that by virtue of this grant the duke had all the manors, messuages, lands, woods, rights, court-profits, pensions, obventions, and all other rights, titles, and hereditaments whatsoever, which had belonged to this monastery: all which possessions he held of the king in capite by the service of a knight's fee, and by the rent of 59*l.* 5*s.* 1*d.* yearly, payable to the treasurer of the court of Augmentations.^r

The Duke of Norfolk, says Tanner, once intended to refund herein a college of secular priests: but King Henry

Glemham, Offeton, Durmondston, Trofton, Lyvermere, Burnham, Bellings, Breset Parva, Brome, Thurton, Westwyke, Downham, Southwold, Roydon, and Stoven, in the county of Suffolk. In Dullingham, Ixning, Monkwyke, and Ditton, in the county of Cambridge: and in Finchingfield and White Nottley, in the county of Essex; which were late pertaining to the aforesaid monastery of our Blessed Lady of Thetford, and to the priory or cell of Wangford, in Suffolk, or either of them."

^r The following is the abridgment of this grant among the abstracts of the Originalia:

Orig. 32 Hen. VIII. p. 1. Anglia Norff. Rex nono die Julii, in consideratione maneriorum de Hardwyk, Kemote, Bonnesnorton, Widdford, Coggs, et firmæ de Coggs Rodehurst, concessit Thomæ duci Norff. Scitum domus sive monasterii Beatæ Mariæ de Thetford ac maneria de Hallwike in Thetforde, Norwike, Santon, Lynforde, Bodney, Watton alias Munkewik in Watton, Kylverston, Bretenham, Aslacton, Snareshill, Tokyngton, et Gatesthorpe, ac rectorias ecclesiarum Beatæ Mariæ Virginis et Sancti Nicholai in Thetforde, ac rectorias, &c. ecclesiarum, &c. de Snareshill, Watton, Hokeham, Susted, Frammingham, et Magna Horynglanda, Aslacton, in com. Norff. ac maneria de Russeshworthe, Sileham, Dorsham, Yxforde alias Yoxforde, Glemham, Offeton, et Westwike in com. Suff. ac rectorias, &c. de Dersham, Yoxforde, Wangforde, Reyden, Stoven, Southwold, et Offeton, ac advocaciones ecclesiarum de Billing et Bresett, in com. Suff. ac manerium de Dullyngham, ac rector. &c. de Dullyngham, Dytton, in com. Cantebr. et manerium de Fynchingfelde ac rector. &c. de Alba Notley in com. Essex. ac omnia maneria et mesuagia, &c. in Thetforde, Santon, Snareshill, Kilmiston, Bretenham, Watton, Totington, Aslacton, Susted, Multon, Wacton, Forneset, Tacolneston, Hempnall, Freton, Tasburghe, Gatesthorpe, Threkeston, Rysyng, Colyngham Parva, Baknesthorpe, Lecheham, Assheley, Letton, Saham, Shroppham, Sturston, Colston, Garboldesham, Redlisworthe, Southfelde, Hales, Welles, Emneth, Shalfanger, Wynfarthyng, Waketon, Floredon, Hamworthe, Besthorpe, Fersfeld, Norton, Harleston, et Bangham, in com. Norff. et in Wangforde, Russeshworthe, Syleham, Denham, Dersham, Blakesale, Mynnesnere, Sibiton, Deonwhiche, Yoxforde, Glemham, Offeton, Dermondston, Trofton, Levermere, Bernham, Helyng, Breset, Parva Melles, Brome,

the VIII. it appears, would not allow him to proceed in the design.

The present owner of the site of Thetford is Lord Petre.

The value of the possessions of this priory, as they were returned in the Taxation of 1291, will be found in the note: the total of the spiritualties, including the appropriated churches, amounted at that time to 35*l.* 1*s.*; the temporal revenues to 78*l.* 12*s.* 5½*d.*^a

In the 26th Hen. VIII. this priory was found to be endowed with a gross income of 418*l.* 6*s.* 3*d.* The clear revenue amounted to 312*l.* 14*s.* 4½*d.*^b

Tanner gives the following references to Records relating to this monastery:

Vide “Cartas quasdam ad hunc prioratum spectantes in pyxide cartarum legata academice Oxon. ab Ant. Wood, et in Museo Ashmol. reposita.

“Registrum MS. olim penes Gul. Le Neve Clarent. reg. armorum.

“Registra bina MS. penes v. amiciss. Petrum Le Neve Norroy regem armorum, A. D. 1719.

“Registrum hujus prioratus penes prænobilem ducem de Grafton.

“In bibl. Coll. Corp. Christi Cantab. MS. 460, n. 5. Sententiam excommunicationis latam A. D. 1358, per episcopum Norwicensem in spoliatores monasterii Thetfordiensis.

“Plac. apud Westm. 6 Ric. I. rot. 3, pro terris in Bernham, ex dono Radulphi le Brun, tem. r. Hen. II.

“Plac. apud Westm. 7 Joan. Pasch. rot. 13, de levatione faldæ versus Norfolk per priorem S. Sepulchri.

“Fin. Norf. 3 Hen. III. n. 65, pro advoc. eccl. de Tharston. Fin. Suff. 8 Hen. III. n. 149, de una carucata in Dersham. Plac. de banco, 10 Hen. III. Hill. rot. 3, de Willelmo de Hispania presentatio ad capellam de Finchingfeld, salva antiqua pensione prioratui. Fin. Suff. 12 Hen. III. n. 8, de terris in Syleham. Fin. Norf. 12 Hen. III. n. 2, proc advoc. eccl. de Hocham. Fin. Suff. 19 Hen. III. n. 82, de quatuor bovatis terræ in Thetford. Ibid. n. 153, de terris in Ixning. Fin. Suff. 22 Hen. III. n. 25, pro advoc. eccl. de Belings Parva. Ibid. n. 28, de duabus carucatis terræ in Glemham. Rot. Vasc. 38 Hen. III. p. 2, m. 9. Fin. Norf. 41 Hen. III. n. 108, de terris in Aslake-ton. Fin. Suff. 55 Hen. III. n. 145, pro advoc. eccl. de Ofteron.

“Plac. in com. Suff. 14 Edw. I. assis. rot. 10, dorso,

Thurton, Westwike, Downham, Southwold, Reyden, et Sloven, in com. Suff. ac. in Dullyngham, Yxnyng, Mounkewyke, et Ditton in com. Cantebr. et in Fynchynfelde et Alba Notley, in com. Essex. nuper Monasterio de Thetforde spectan. habend. ei et hered. suis.” ro. iiij^{xx}. xij.

Spiritualties.

Dioc. Norw.	£.	s.	d.
Ecclesia de Snarishille appropri. priori et conventui	1	10	0
Ecclesia B. M. Theford appropri. eisdem	3	0	0
Ecclesia S. Nicholai ibidem appropri.	2	6	8
Ecclesia S. Cuthberti appropri.	2	0	0
Ecclesia S. Egidii appropri.	0	16	0
Ecclesia S. Edmundi appropri.	1	6	8
Porcio in eccl. de Totyngton	2	0	0
Porcio in eccl. de Assele	1	0	0
Porcio monachorum in eccl. de Framyngnam comitis	2	0	0
Porcio eorundem in eccl. de Taseberg	2	0	0
Porcio in eccl. de Waketon Major	0	6	8
Porcio in eccl. de Sterston	1	0	0
Porcio in eccl. de Wynnefering	1	0	0
Porcio in eccl. de Shafangel	0	1	6
Porcio in eccl. de Floredone	0	13	4
Porcio in eccl. de Hethil	0	13	4
Porcio in eccl. de Ketryngnam	0	8	0
Porcio in eccl. de Haneworth	2	13	4
Porcio in eccl. de Pulling	0	3	0
Porcio in eccl. de Bestorp	0	15	0
Porcio in eccl. de Norton Sancti Andreæ	0	10	0
Porcio in eccl. de Garbotisham Sancti Johannis	0	13	4
Porcio in eccl. de Brethyngnam	0	13	4
Archid. Suff. Porcio in ecclesia de Hoxne	1	0	0
Porcio in ecclesia de Bresete			
Parva non decimabili	2	5	0
Porcio in eccl. de Netlestede	2	0	0
Porcio in eccl. de Somersham	1	6	8

pro advoc. eccl. de Northales. Fin. Suff. 14 Edw. I. n. 70, pro advoc. eccl. de North Hales. Plac. in com. Norf. 14 vel 15 Edw. I. Coron. rot. 5, de libertat. in Kinardeston. Rot. 9 et 10, de libertat. in Snareshill. Rot. 33, de Westwyk sive Faverettfeld, ex dono Rogeri Bigot dapiferi R. Willielmi Conq. Assis. rot. 31, et rot. 51, 52, de ten. in Totyngton. Plac. in com. Suff. 14 Edw. I. assis. rot. 10, pro advoc. eccl. de North Hales versus Joannem de Biskele. Quo war. rot. 46, de libertat. in Dersham; rot. 48, dorso, de libertat. in Brom. Coron. rot. 7, dorso, de eisdem; rot. 11, dorso, de fossata levata in Ofteron; rot. 35 de libertat. in North Glemham. Pat. 19 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 32 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 34 Edw. I. m. ult.

“Cart. 11 Edw. II. n. 25. Pat. 18 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 7, de maner. de North Glemham, Dersham, et Yokesford cum ecclesiis dimissis pro annuo redditu cclxx. marcarum. Ibid. p. 2, m. 26, pro advoc. eccl. de Yokesford; et m. 29, pro advoc. eccl. de Poringland.

“Pat. 5 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 15, pro eccl. de Dersham co. Suff. Pat. 9 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 25 vel 26, de Hospitali concessio. Pat. 18 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 13, pro libertat. apud Bromjuxta Eye. Pat. 39 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 10. Pat. 43 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 19 vel 20. Pat. 50 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 5, quod Prioratus sit indigena.

“Plac. coram rege 2 Ric. II. Hill. Norf. 19, pro separali piscaria apud Sileham, Suff. Pat. 3 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 12, de indigenatione. Pat. 4 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 21. Pat. 19 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 33, pro mess. vocat. Le Grange, Le Castleverd, dccccxl. acris terræ, &c. concessis per ducem Lancastriæ. Pat. 22 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 20, de excambio molendini vocat. Brend Mill, &c.

“Pat. 3 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 12, pro vicaria eccl. de North Hales restituenda et rehabenda. Inquis. Suff. 13 Hen. IV. n. 12. Pat. 13 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 15, pro ten. in Thetford, Croxton, Newmarket, Downham, &c. et m. 31. Pat. 14 Hen. IV. m. 28, pro terris in Bokenham, Rushworth, et Bridgham.

“Pat. 7 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 15, pro maner. de Santon, et ten. in West Tofts. Pat. 20 Hen. VI. p. 3, m. 34. Pat. 31 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 14, pro maner. de Bodney. Pat. 33 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 14, pro maner. de Lindford, et ten. in Thetford.

“Cart. 12 Edw. IV. n. 13, de lib. war. in omnibus maneriis.

“Pat. 26 Hen. VIII. p. 2, m. . pro eccl. de Walton, Felixstow, Faltenham, et Bedingfeld, Suff. appropriandis Rot. act. parliam. 27 Hen. VIII. n. 5, for the exchange of

Dioc. Norw.	£.	s.	d.
Porcio in eccl. de Bramptone	1	0	0

Temporalities.

Dioc. Linc.					
In decanatu Hoyland	3	14	4		
Dioc. Norw.					
In Norwico	0	0	4½		
In Tilneye de redd.	0	9	0		
In Wygenhale de redd.	0	10	0		
In Fransham Parva de redd.	0	0	6		
In Snarishill de prato	0	3	0		
In Tefford de terra, redd. et fetu animalium	5	14	2		
In Santone de redd.	0	2	0		
In Bakenham Parva de redd.	0	0	1½		
In Holme et Hale de redd.	0	2	0		
In Hunigham de terra et redd.	3	10	4		
In Media Herling de redd.	0	2	0		
In Lerlingge de redd.	0	10	0		
In Rokelund de redd.	1	0	0½		
In Blonortune de redd.	0	1	0		
De redd. in Swystling	0	4	9		
De redd. in Stretford.	1	0	0		
De terr. redd. et molend. in Nortglemham	7	2	8½		
In Westlevetone	0	7	9		
De redd. terr. mol. et fetu animalium in Dersham	8	11	4		
De redd. terr. perquis. et molend. in Silham cum Esham	11	19	9		
De redd. in Capeles	0	7	4		
De redd. in Stanham Antegan	0	1	6		
De redd. terr. et fetu animalium in Estone	1	9	4		
De redd. et terr. in Somerisham	1	7	0		
De terr. in Ixnyng	0	15	0		
De terr. redd. cons. et fetu animalium in Wodeditone	16	10	1½		
De terr. reddit. molend. et pastur. in Acle	4	7	6½		
De terr. reddit. cons. et fetu animalium in Brom	8	9	5½		

^b Compare Num. XI.

lands between the king and the duke of Norfolk, and the prior and convent of Thetford."

Among the RELIQUES *preserved in this Priory*, Blomfield, from a manuscript in the library of Corpus Christi college Cambridge, enumerates the following: Various pieces of the purple robe of our Lord, of the girdle of the Virgin Mary, of the Holy Sepulchre, of the rock Calvary, and of the manger of our Lord; of St. George's body; with other reliques of St. Vincent, St. Leodegar or Leiger, St. Barbara, St. Gregory, St. Leonard, and St. Jerom; with some of St. Agnes's hair, pieces of the coffins of St. Edmund and St. Etheldreda, and of St. Lazarus's clothes. These are said to have been all shown at Thetford till the Dissolution.

In the *Abbreviatio Placitorum* of the 7th Joh. p. 52, is a Pleading relative to the convent's right of faldage in Thetford: and, p. 106, another between the abbat of Cluni and Roger Bigod of the 24th Hen. III. concerning the patronage of this priory.

In the *Abbreviatio Rotulorum Originalium*, tom. i. p. 8, we read, "29 Hen. III. Berk. Quia prior de Theford habuit ad firmam manerium de Litelcumb de abbate et conventu Cluniac. mand. est vic. Berk. quod de eodem manerio plenam seis. ei habere fac. Quia idem Prior manucepit coram rege quod eandem firmam fideliter solvet ad scaccarium regis." ro. 6.

The *Veredictum Militum Libertatis Sancti Eadmundi* in comitatu Suffolch. printed with the Hundred Roll for that county, Rot. Hundred. tom. ii. p. 153, "Dicunt quod monachi de Theford appropriant sibi war. in Dunham et Elveden sine waranto de novo."

In the *Inquisition for Suffolk* of the 3d Edw. I. other notices of Thetford priory and its possessions occur, *ibid.* pp. 186, 193, 196.

In the *Placita de Quo Waranto* of the 14th Edw. I. for Suffolk, p. 729, is a Pleading relating to the privileges of

the priory at Dersham in that county; and another, p. 732, as to the manor of Brome, near Eye, in Suffolk.

The ARMS of Thetford priory have been already described as *Or* and *Vert*, a lion rampant *Gu.* This was the coat of Marshall earl of Pembroke, whose arms the Bigods sometimes bore, in right of the marriage of Hugh Bigod with Maud, daughter, and at length co-heir, of William Marshall, earl of Pembroke.^a

Martin has engraved the SEAL of this priory, from the impression appendant to the Surrender still remaining in the Augmentation Office. It is large, of an oval form, the area exhibiting the figure of the Virgin Mary with the infant Jesus in her lap. The inscription round is *SIGILLVM . PRIORIS . ET . CONVENTVS . MONACHORVM . THETFORDIE.*

Blomfield, who published the first volume of his *History of Norfolk* in 1739, gave an account of the RUINS of Thetford priory as they then stood. They were large; and the prior's apartment, which was at the west end of the cloister, had stood whole till 1737, when a part of the roof was taken off. The abbey-gate, which was opposite to it, at a good distance, close by the road, was twelve yards square and fourteen high, with two turrets; it was built of freestone and black flint. The priory church was large, and had a tower between the nave and choir. The cloister was on the south side. Even at that time these ruins were almost daily lessening for the sake of the materials. The foundations of a chapel on the north side of the choir showed that building to have been in size not much inferior to the choir itself.

The gateway, with some of the out-buildings, and parts of the church, are still remaining.

HORKESLEY PARVA, in Essex, and WANGFORD, or REYDON ST. PETERS, in Suffolk, were CELLS to Thetford.^b

Cartae ad Thetfordensem Prioratum in agro Norfolciensi spectantes fundatum anno Mcliiij.^c

NUM. I.

Carta Rogeri Bigot de Fundatione ejusdem Prioratus.

[Inter collectanea Jac. Strangeman in bibl. Cotton. sub effigie Vitellii F. 4.]

Ego Rogerus Bygot consilio domini mei Henrici illustris regis, et uxoris ejus Matildis reginae, et domini Hereberti episcopi, et uxoris meae Adeliciae, et hominum meorum, pro communi salute et remedio animarum nostrarum, et pro anima domini Willielmi regis senioris, et uxoris suae Matildis reginae, et filii eorum Willielmi regis; necnon pro salute aliorum liberorum suorum, dono Domino Deo, et beatae Mariae semper Virgini, beatis apostolis Petro et Paulo, et ecclesiae Cluniacensi, ecclesiam quam apud Thetfordensem villam in honore ejusdem beatissimae semper Virginis Mariae construere et edificare coepi, cum omnibus quae ad eandem ecclesiam pertinent quae Osbertus eidem contulit, et quae tenuit tempore regis Edwardi, et cum omnibus quae ego et haeredes mei inpraesentiarum donavimus, et quae in posterum donaturi sunt haeredes et successores nostri. Ego itaque Rogerus Bygot dono imprimis, et reddo meipsum et uxorem meam Adelyciam et omnes liberos meos, &c. Deo et ecclesiae beatae Mariae de Thetford sicut fratres, et benefactores, et advocatores sepeliendos in fine. Quare confirmo dictae ecclesiae totam terram quam Alwi tenet in Thetford, sicut eam a domino rege Willielmo seniori habui. His testibus, domino Hereberto episcopo, et Gundulpho episcopo, et Roberto Bloet episcopo, Aluredo archidiacono, et Gaufrido archidiacono, Rotoldo comitis filio, Ranulpho cancellario, et Eudone dapifero, Willielmo Malet, Eustachio de

Brettevill, et aliis, dum rex moram fecit apud Thetfordiam, ubi et hoc ✠ signum sanctae crucis, et sigillum suum in testimonium apposuit.

NUM. II.

Carta Willielmi Bigot.

[*Ibid.*]

SCIANT praesentes et posteris, Franci et Angli, et omnes fideles Christiani, quod ego Willielmus Bigot, dapifer regis Anglorum, pro remedio animarum patris mei Rogerii Bigoti et matris meae Adelidis, et pro salute mea, et fratris mei Hugonis, et sororum mearum, et omnium parentum meorum, vivorum et defunctorum; necnon pro salute domini mei Henrici regis, et statu et quiete regni sui, concedo et praesenti carta mea confirmo Deo, et ecclesiae beatae Mariae Thetfordensis, et monachis Cluniacensibus in ea Deo servientibus, in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, quicquid pater meus Rogerus Bigotus, et homines sui et mei, pro salute animarum suarum eidem ecclesiae donaverunt; ecclesias videlicet, et decimas, et terras, et redditus, et alia beneficia, sicut carta ejusdem patris mei Rogerii Bigoti eis testatur. De dono itaque ipsius, ipsam ecclesiam beatae Mariae, in qua ipsi monachi primitus manserunt, cum omnibus quae ad eam pertinent, quae Osbertus ibi dedit, et tenuit tempore regis Edwardi; et terram quam Ailwi tenuit in Tetfordia, cum molendinis, et pratis, et pasturis, et omnibus rebus quae pertinent ad eadem, sicut pater meus Rogerus Bigotus a rege Willielmo seniore ipsam habuit; et manerium Snareshelle, cum advocationibus pertinentibus. Et sepulturam

to them to the middle of the fourteenth century. But this rests upon conjecture only.

^a Annales Norwic. in bibl. Cotton.

^a See Martin, *Hist. Thetf.* p. 164.

^b Blomfield conjectured that the monks of Thetford might possibly have had a Cell at South Lopham, the church of which belonged

corporis mei et hominum meorum in finem, sicut in carta patris mei continetur; similiter et omnes ecclesias et decimas de maneriis meis, cum citius deliberatae fuerint; videlicet, ecclesiam de Bradeleia, ecclesiam de Offintona, ecclesiam de Ovitona, ecclesiam de Stanham, ecclesiam de Saham, ecclesiam de utraque Framingeham, Majori et Minori, ecclesiam de Keleshall, ecclesiam de Loppam, ecclesiam de Tornesethe, ecclesiam de, ecclesiam de Hagenewrda, ecclesiam de Suthsthedda, ecclesiam de Methona, ecclesiam de Suthfelda, et omnes alias ecclesias meas, cum terris, et decimis, et omnibus earum pertinentiis cum citius, ut praedictum est, deliberatae fuerint, et unde et praesentationis meae. Interim autem donec praedictae ecclesiae eis deliberentur, praedicti monachi habebunt duas partes decimarum de dominiis horum maneriorum meorum, sicut pater meus eis concessit, et eos exinde investivit; videlicet, de Bradeleia, de Offintona, de Nuthleia, de Saham, de Keleshale, de Minori Framingham, de Haella, et de Hagenewrda, et garnerium de Rederham, cum tota terra sua, et viginti libratas terrae quas eis assignavero, quam cito poterò, in escambium pro manerio de Chipeham quod tradidit eis pater meus, pro centum libris quas habebat, et commodaverat desuper; et viginti millia allecium in socha de Kesleshale, et quinque millia anguillarum in Weiles, et unam piscariam quae vocatur Rawerre, et quandam terrulam quam tenuit pater meus in Risewrda de abbacia Eliensi, et totam terram, et tenementum, quod fuit Herfasti episcopi et filii ejus Richardi in Tedford, infra burgum et extra, in pratis et pasturis, in aquis et molendinis, in stagnis et piscariis, et in omnibus rebus; et totam terram de Fauconafeld, cum socha et sacha, et thol, et them, et infangenethef, et omnibus aliis libertatibus; et totam terram similiter de Sileham, cum omnibus quae ad eandem terram pertinent, sicut Herbertus capellanus melius, et liberius, et honorificentius eam unquam tenuit de dono Herberti Norwicensis episcopi, qui eam patri meo scambiavit, sicut carta ejusdem episcopi testatur; et quartam partem de Chikeringes, et terram quam tenet Egga in Denneham, et terram Ascelini de Deisham cum omnibus quae ad eam pertinent, et ecclesiam ejusdem villae cum omnibus rebus quae ad eam pertinent; et viginti quinque solidatas terrae in Minsemere, et decem solidatas terrae in Langwade; et Eddricum de Thorp, cum tota terra sua, et hominibus quos habebat in Thorp et in Dunewic, vel ubicunque; et totam terram, et homines, et omnes quos Archelinus tenuit in Thaseburche, et ecclesiam de Thaseburche, cum terris et decimis, et omnibus rebus quae ad eam pertinent; et terram quam tenuit Ulf presbiter, cum hominibus et omnibus rebus quae ad eam pertinent; et Ulmerum de Thaseburche, cum tota terra sua, et duos homines in Stratona. Haec omnia ego et pater meus donavimus et concessimus.

Præterea concedo eis et confirmo duas partes decimationum, quas homines sui et mei eidem ecclesiae donaverunt de dominiciis eorum, et de omnibus rebus unde decima datur, et alios redditus, pro salute animarum suarum, sicut carta patris mei et mea testatur, in quibus et nomina eorum, et donationes, subnotantur et confirmantur. Willielmus Bigotus itaque donavit duas partes decimationum de dominio suo de Finchinkefeld, et totum jus quod habuit in ecclesia ejusdem villae; Robertus Camerarius similiter duas partes decimarum suarum de Sinthinges; Radulfus filius Normanni similiter duas partes decimarum suarum de Pesshale; Giraldus de Seuci similiter duas partes decimarum suarum de Elingeham; Ethardus de Vallibus similiter duas partes decimarum suarum de Kesewic; Robertus de Bosco similiter duas partes decimarum suarum de Sterstona; Robertus de Vallibus similiter omnes ecclesias et decimas de terra sua, videlicet de Pantheneia, de Terstona, et de Turtona, et de Chedestan, et de Wenham, et de Rhamdona, et de Belcham, et de omnibus rebus in quibus eum Deus crescere fecerit, et sedem cujusdam molendini ad vadium holmi; et alnetum, quod subjacet, et seipsum, sicut et cuncti homines mei, reddit sepeliendum ad finem suum apud Tetfordiam, cum tota parte sui census. Hugo de Hosdene et uxor ejus Matildis, ecclesiam de Offetona, cum terra et decima quae pertinent ad eam, et triginta acras terrae de dominio suo, et totam decimam suam de Westona, de omnibus rebus, et etiam de molendino; et viginti solidatas terrae in Daneseia, de matrimonio praedictae Matildis, et decimam de Totheham de omnibus rebus quae decimari possunt.

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Willielmus de Burnovilla et uxor ejus Aliva, ecclesiam et decimam de Kingeshale et de Belham, et deciman de Coleneia, et decimam de Nethlesteda, et terram in Sumeresham, cum parte ecclesiae. Ranulfus filius Walteri, concedente uxore sua Matilda, ecclesiam sancti Egidii de Wadetona, cum terris, et decimis, et omnibus pertinentiis suis, et nominatim mansuram terrae, cum domibus quas tenuit Ernaldus presbiter, et sexaginta acras terrae de dominio suo, et nemus quod vocatur Eilewardeshage. Herbertus de Cravencum, octo solidatas terrae in Lethona, et duas partes decimarum suarum de Gresthona. Rogerus Bulzun similiter duas partes decimarum suarum de Outona. Ivo Verdunensis similiter duas partes decimarum suarum de Mulethona. Radulfus filius Hugonis, terram suam de Creio. Edwardus, duas partes decimarum suarum de Mellis et Bisthorp. Willielmus de Curcun, duas partes decimarum suarum de Wodethona et de Hoxecroft, et terram suam quam habet in Newthona quae fuit Ascelini, et decimam suam de Terstona. Ranulfus, decimam suam de Wica et de Bantia. Richardus de Cadomo, terram suam de Brokedis, et silvam ad pinguedinem viginti porcorum, et duas partes decimarum suarum de Northona, et quicquid juris habuit in ecclesia de Sibeham. Hubertus de Monte Canisio, duas partes decimarum suarum de Belcham. Berengarius de Sap, duas partes decimarum suarum de Brainthona. Rogerus de Eufreus, duas partes decimarum de Tenthona. Radulfus Passelewe, duas mensuras de frumento annuatim, et sexaginta solidos in morte sua. Walterus de Smalaberga, Reinaldus dapifer, iij. mensuras de frumento. Robertus de Cailli, quinque solidos annuatim, et medietatem omnium rerum suarum in fine suo. Fulco Saviniensis, decem solidos. Robertus de Bram, duas mensuras de frumento. Bernardus de Berneham, iij. millia allecium. Baldewinus filius Widonis, iij. mensuras de frumento et tres mensuras de brasio. Willielmus de Aplegart, j. mensuram de frumento. Willielmus de Bosco, duas mensuras de frumento, a Rinaldi dapiferi, unum milliarium allecium. Bristricus de Longelond, unum milliarium allecium. Robertus de Rekelund, unam mensuram de frumento, et unum milliarium allecium. Brismere de Torneia, iij. mensuras de frumento. Radulfus filius Herlewin, duas mensuras terrae, et [j.] meth. de brasio et alterum de pisis. Et ut haec omnia rata sint, et fideliter confirmata praenominatae ecclesiae, et praedictis monachis meis Deo servientibus, sigillum meum huic cartae meae apposui. Hiis testibus, Willielmo Maleth, Willielmo Bigoto, Humfrido Bigoto, Roberto de Vallibus, Ranulfo filio Walteri, Ethardo de Vallibus, Richardo de mo, Roberto de Bosco, Ivone de Verdun, et multis aliis de hominibus meis.

NUM. III.

Carta Regis Henrici Primi.

[Ibid.]

H. DEI gratia rex Angliae omnibus baronibus et fidelibus suis, Francis et Anglis, totius Angliae, salutem. Sciatis omnes, me concessisse Deo, et sancto Petro de Cluniaco, et sanctae Mariae de Thetford, quicquid Rogerus Bigotus ei dedit, et quicquid inantea ipsi ecclesiae de Tedford meo concilio daturus est; scilicet, in terris, et decimis, et consuetudinibus, et omnibus aliis rebus. Et volo et praecipio ut ita benè, et quietè, et honorificè, ipsa ecclesia de Tedford et monachi ibi Deo servientes omnia sua teneant, sicut melius, ei quietius, et honorabilius ulla ecclesia et monachi de Cluniaco sua tenent alicubi in meo regno. Testibus, Roberto Bloiet episcopo Lincolniae, et Rogero episcopo Salisbiriensi, et Waltero cancellario, et Hammone dapifero, et Roberto Mallet camerario, Ursone de Abetot, et Willielmo de Torneio, et Willielmo Reinis, et Willielmo de Magnavilla, apud Ramesei, in transitu regis, in proxima die ante festum sancti Valentini martiris.

In dorso.

Carta prima Henrici regis de terris et omnibus aliis rebus.

NUM. IV.

Carta Roberti de Reinis.

[Ibid.]

NOVERINT praesentes et futuri quod ego Robertus de Reinis concessi, et dedi, et sigillo meo confirmavi, ecclesiae

sanctæ Mariæ de Tedford, et monachis ibi Deo servientibus, ecclesiam de Minori Briseth, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et duodecim acras terræ de dominio meo, quæ jacent inter ipsam ecclesiam et Offeton, in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ et omnium parentum meorum. Monachi vero concesserunt mihi et hæredibus meis fraternitatem et orationes ecclesiæ suæ in perpetuum. Testibus, Gaufrido filio Herberti, Willielmo de Ambli, Jordano de Brisseta, Adri capellano. Willielmo de Summeressam, Ernesio de Chacheham, et aliis.

NUM. V.

Carta Theobaldi de Sculariis.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri quod ego Theobaldus de Sculariis concedo et ratas habeo donationes quas Robertus de Sculariis pater meus fecit Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ, et ecclesiæ de Thedford, et priori et monachis ibi Deo servientibus; videlicet, ecclesiam de Dulingham cum omnibus ad eam pertinentibus, et similiter Edwy cum tota terra sua, et quater viginti acras terræ cum libera falda de dominio suo, quæ prædicti prior et monachi emerunt à prædicto patre meo, &c. Test. Willielmo Elyensi archidiacono, Henrico de Sculariis, Thoma de Dulingham, Gaufrido de Sculariis, Roberto de Valoniis, Baldewino de Sculariis, &c.

NUM. VI.

Carta Rogeri de Monte Begonis.

[Ex Regist. Cart. abbat. de Cokersand.]

NOTUM sit omnibus hoc præsens scriptum visuris vel audituris, quod ego Rogerus de Monte Begonis, pro salute animæ meæ, et pro animabus patris et matris meæ, et omnium parentum et successorum meorum, concessi et donavi ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Cluniaco qui sunt apud Teford, et obtuli super altare insulam quæ est juxta maram de Croxton, cum silvis, et partis, et terris, et piscariis quas ibidem habui; et ecclesiam de Sustorp, et de Nortorp, et omnes ecclesias et capellas de feodo meo; et terram quæ vocatur Tarlton,^a et Littelhol, cum hominibus et omnibus quæ ad eos pertinent, et silvam quæ vocatur Caiuueda, et omnes pelles agnorum et caprorum de maneriis meis; et habeant licentiam piscandi in omnibus piscariis meis ad opus suum. Hæc omnia dedi in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, ita quod nec ego, nec hæredes mei, aliquid accipiemus ab eis præter orationes, sed omnia hæc teneantur in firma pace mea et hæredum meorum.

NUM. VII.

Carta Prioris de Teford, de Holmes in Tarlton, in Parochia de Croston, in Comitatu Lancastriæ.

Nos frater W. prior et conventus sanctæ Mariæ de Teford dedimus et quietum clamavimus dilectis dominis et amicis nostris in Christo R. abbati et conventui de Cokersand totum jus nostrum quod habuimus in Holmes juxta maram de Tarlton,^b cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, &c.

NUM. VIII.

Carta Regis Henrici Secundi Donatorum Concessionem recitans et confirmans.

[Cart. antiq. GG. n. 2. Vide Pat. 20 Hen. VI. p. 3, m. 34.]

HENRICUS rex Angliæ, et dux Normanniæ et Aquitaniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et confirmasse Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ, et monachis de Theodforda, omnes antiquas tenuras suas, sicut rex Henricus avus meus illas eis concessit et per cartam suam confirmavit, et quicquid eis rationabiliter datum est vel donabitur in regno meo; videlicet, ecclesias, et terras, et decimas, et homines, et piscarias, et nemora, et prata, et molendina, et omnia alia beneficia; et nominatim totam terram quæ fuit Alwi, quam Rogerus Bigod tenuit, in qua situm est monasterium sanctæ Mariæ novum, et totam terram quam comprehenderunt ad ortum suum et virgultum; et de tota terra sua extra burgum de Theodforda, de qua non

scottaverunt tempore Rogeri Bigod et Radulphi de Belfago, quæ fuit Alwi, et quæ est in Fagertonesfelda, vel de aliqua terra quæ est circa Theodfordam, prohibeo ne scottent; et molendina quæ habent apud Theodfordam, videlicet molendinum de Dodescros et molendinum quod vocatur Parvum; et quinque solidos et quatuor denarios in Brendemulna; et molendinum quod fuit episcopi; et molendinum, et terram, et pratum quod est juxta castellum; et Snareshell, cum omnibus rebus quæ ad eam pertinent; et in Culumdestuna, terram quam tenuit Eustachius presbiter; et terram in Briteham quam tenuit Avicia filia Willielmi de Burnevilla; et Siliham cum ecclesia et omnibus quæ ad eam pertinent, et quartam partem de Chikeringis; et terram quam tenuit Ega de monachis in Deneham; et viginti solidos de molendino de Sotesford; et terram Ascelli capellani de Dersham, cum ecclesia et omnibus rebus quæ ad eam pertinent; et quindecim solidatos terræ in Minesmera; et decem solidatos terræ in Languada; decimam de Kereshala; decimam de Bradleia; decimam de Offitona; ecclesiam et decimam de Brom; ecclesiam et decimam de Frammingham Minori; ecclesiam et decimam de Canedona; terram Edrici de Thorp, cum hominibus quos habebat in Thorp et in Donewico, et ubicunque habebat terram homines; ecclesiam de Thasberge cum terra et decima quæ ad eam pertinent, et terram quam habuit Ulf presbiter cum hominibus et omnibus rebus quæ ad eam pertinent; duos homines in Straton; terram, et homines, et omnes res quas Ascelinus tenuit in Thaseburg; et quatuor homines in Newtona, cum terris suis, quas Hurlewinus de Panewurda eis dedit; decimam de Panewurda, cum uno homine, et quatuor sticcas anguillarum in eadem villa; et Ulmerum de Thaseburg cum terra sua; terram et homines in Hulme quam dedit eis et vendidit Erabaldus de Waketona per concessum dominæ suæ Gunnoræ, et decimam ipsius Erabaldi de Waketona; ecclesiam et decimam de Haella; ecclesiam et decimam de Hagenewurda; ecclesiam et decimam de Susted, decimam de Florendona, decimam de Moletona, decimam de Teston, Roberti de Bosco; terram de Berkedis; ecclesiam de Wadeton, cum terris, et decimis, et domibus, et nemoribus quas tenuit Ernaldus presbiter, et de dominio suo sexaginta acras terræ et nemus quod vocatur Hilwardeshage. Et Glamham et Stretford, ex dono Randulfi filii Walteri et Matildis uxoris suæ. Decimam Rogeri Bulzunonetona. Ex dono Herberti de Craneton, octo solidos terræ, et decimam de Grestona, decimam Willielmi filii Offordi, decimam Warnerii de Totintona, decimam Lamberti de Scireforda, decimam Radulfi de Freduna, decimam Alwrici Karlesune, et unum sokemanum in Bochenia cum terra sua, et tres homines in Elingham cum tota terra sua. Decimam de Perneho; decimam de Jokeforda; decimam de Mellis et de Biscorp; ecclesiam sancti Petri de Reiduna cum omnibus rebus quæ ad eam pertinent, in qua sint monachi de Theodford, et capellam sanctæ Margaretæ de Russemere; ecclesiam de Serepeham; ecclesiam de Estuna, et unum hominem, et mariscum de Bruges. Ex dono Gern. ecclesiam sancti Petri de Horkeleia, in qua sint monachi de Theodforda. Ex dono Roberto filii Godeboldi, cum ecclesia de Wisetona, et cum ecclesia de Bocteda, et cum ecclesia de Essildesham, cum terris, et decimis, et omnibus rebus ad easdem ecclesias pertinentibus; et ecclesiam de Offetona cum terra et decima quæ ad eam pertinent, et triginta acras terræ. Ex dono Huger. de Hosdene, totam decimam de Westona de omnibus rebus, et de molendino, et viginti solidos terræ in Danesy. Ex dono Matildis de Hosdene, decimam de Toteham, ecclesiam et decimam de Ringeshel et de Beleham, et decimam de Colenese, et terram in Sumeresham cum parte ecclesiæ. Ex dono Willielmi de Burnevilla, decimam de Netlestede, ecclesiam et decimam de Nuteleia, decimam de Finchingefeld, ecclesiam de Ovitona, cum terris, et decimis, et omnibus rebus ad eas pertinentibus. Ex dono Roberti de Vaus, ecclesias de Panteneia, de Trestuna, de Tortona, de Chedestona, de Wenham, de Beltham, et sedem unius molendini ad vadum Holm et alnetum quod subjacet. Ex dono Willielmi de Curcun, decimam de Wedetona et de Oxecrofta, et terram in Newtona quæ fuit Asscelini. Ex dono Gilberti, capellam de Remestorp, cum terra et tota decima sua, et triginta acris terræ in Florendona, et decimam Alelmi de Terstona.

^a In com. Lanc.^b Vulgo Mortonmere.

Decimam Ranulfi de Wica et de Banham; decimam Albreddi de Banham; ecclesiam de Joppam cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Huberti de Montecanesio, decimam de Saham, et unum hominem in Muthfelda qui reddit decem solidos, et Blatsone de Strubelim cum terra sua. Decimam Lamberti de Stanham, et decimam de Newtona; ecclesiam de Dullingeham cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et Ed qui sedet juxta Cumertin cum tota terra sua, et decimam Ranu de Dulingeham, et Radulfi filii Malfredi; decimam Galfridi de Ditona, et decimam Surulfi de Wilburgham, et decimam de terra sua de Saxtona, et decimam de terra sua de Caneleia, et dimidiam partem decimæ quam habet in Siluresleia, et decimam Galfridi de Quoie, et decem solidos terræ in Freetona, et terram quam Richardus filius Osberti, et Adelicia uxor sua, et Hugo filius suus, dederunt in Ditona, et decimam Roberti de Bertona; ecclesiam de Tirevilla cum pertinentiis suis; decimam de Twitras, et terram quondam in Roburna quam tenuit Willielmus capellanus; decimam Gilberti filii Bernardi de Wauretona, et tria millenaria anguillarum de Henrico de Ria in Tinswera, et molendinum de Deopham, et unum hominem cum terra sua. De Alfelmo, dimidium millenarium anguillarum in Brichebera. De Hucha, dimidium millenarium anguillarum in Salteslade. De Estmunde, dimidium millenarium anguillarum in Bachellio. De Gotlando, dimidium millenarium anguillarum in Lode. De Burcardo de Montemoreiet, duo millenaria anguillarum, cum De Boscel. de Hely, j. millenarium anguillarum. De Rogero Bigod, quinque millenaria anguillarum in Welle. De Denham-Herlewini, quatuor sticcas. De Wolmaro, unum millenarium. De Gotlando Longuo, tres sticcas anguillarum. Et dono Muriel de Montecanesio, concessu Rogeri fratris sui, terram de Rixewrda. Ex dono Gunnoræ matris Henrici de Exessa,^a terram de Brom, et ecclesiam de Minori Framingeham, cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Willielmi comitis de Warennæ, nemus quod vocatur Haselitor in Minori Rasing, cum terra tota quæ ad illud pertinet. Ex dono Willielmi filii Eadmundi, ecclesiam de Minori Brisset, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et cum duodecim acris terræ de dominio ejusdem villæ. Ex dono Roberto de Vallibus, decem solidos in Turston. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio quod monachi prædicti habeant et teneant in perpetuam elemosinam hæc omnia prædicta, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, in bosco et plano, in pratis et pascuis, in aquis et molendinis, in vivariis et piscariis, in viis et semitis, infra burgum et extra, et in omnibus locis, et in omnibus rebus, cum socca et sacca, et thol, et them, et infangenetheof, et cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus et quietantiis suis, ita quieti de sciris, et hundredis, et placitis, et omnibus querelis, et theoloneo, et scottis, et geldis, et danegeldis, et lusgull et warpene, et de omnibus consuetudinibus quæ ad me pertinent, sicut fuerunt tempore regis H. avi mei et sicut cartæ nostræ eis testantur; et ita bene et in pace, et liberè, et quietè, et honorificè, sicut cartæ prædictæ avi mei regis H. et aliorum donatorum suorum eis testantur. Teste Nigello Heliense episcopo, et R. Exoniense et Hillario Cicestrensi episcopis, Thoma cancellario, H. comite Norfolciæ, Richardo de Humez constabulario, Manassero Biset dapifero, W. de Caisham, R. de Dunestre, Joscelino de Baillolo, apud Thetfordiam.

NUM. IX.

Fragmentum Historiæ Cænobii Thetfordensis autore Gaufrido ejusdem Locī Monacho. Ex Codice MS. Coll. Corp. Cantab. I. 329, seculo xv^o. ineunti exarato.

[Martin, Hist. Thetf. Append. p. 29.]

FRATRIBUS commanentibus in Thetfordensi ecclesia, cujus protectrix extat Virgo Maria, vester Gaufridus ejusdem Virginis Filio perseveranti deservire obsequio.

Injunxerunt michi viri illustres Albinus et Ricardus, quorum amore cordis mei totus flagrat affectus, opus licet modernum et modicum, tamen ecclesiam nostram incolentibus non contempnendum; causam scilicet et initium Thetfordensis cænobii litterali noticia propalare, et fundatores, rectores, et edificatores ejusdem evolute intimare, ad singularis Virginis Filii gloriam et nostrorum posteram noticiam;

liberalitatem eciam regum, assensum præsulum, largicionem procerum in ipsius augmentacione, et quædam miracula relatu digna præceperunt inserere. Quibus me recolo dedisse responsum, nullum ad hæc in tantum fore ydoneum sicut sanctæ memoriæ patrem nostrum venerabilem priorem Deo dignum Stephanum. Ipse enim singulariter et specialiter super omnes jam dicti cænobii procuratores laborando, edificando, et ecclesiæ res augendo effulsit; utpote qui prima fundamenta elegit, jecit, collocavit; primum lapidem posuit, opusque totum cum claustralibus edificiis, et lapidibus vivis, honestis monachis perornavit, licet laboriosè, tamen felici opere confirmavit. Cujus relacioni ideo auris adhibenda est, quod eum pene omnia visu et auditu didicisse clarum est. Et hoc reverendus pater pro conservanda tenuit humilitate, ne ab imperitis nota infameretur jactantiæ quasi ex propriis operibus laudem vellet acquirere. Et satis juste. Nam opera ejusdem patris a paupertate incepta, jam augmentata, jam dilatata, se intuentibus quodammodo loquuntur; juxta illud, 'licet viri justī lingua taceat vita sua cum operibus clamat.' Quia igitur quæ honestatis et utilitatis sunt videntur jubere, et omnium honestorum sit turpibus non annuere, honestis non contradicere, orationum vestrarum fultus auxilio, ea caritate qua injungit illorum dignacio, eadem quantum sapio hoc modo enarrat mea devocio.

Anno ab Incarnacione millesimo c^o. liii^o. a passione sancti Edmundi regis et martiris cc^o. xxxiiii^o. ab introitu Normannorum in Angliam xxxvii^o. regni autem Henrici gloriosi regis Anglorum tercio, præfuit universæ Angliæ post eundem regem vir quidam strenuus Rogerus, cognomento Bigotus. Hic in fascibus regii examinis constitutus, vir justicialis et providus, malefactoribus ferus et rigidus, benignus, modestus et quietus, pacem omnibus in locis potestate justiciaria præferebat, regisque vices honeste gerebat. Hanc vero potestatem ad exequendam in regno justiciam non recenter tunc exercuit, sed a tempore Willelmi ducis, qui Normannorum primus Angliam bello subegit, et regnum xxii^{bus} annis strenue rexit, et succedentis Willielmi, cujus ferocitatem non solum Gallica sed etiam gens longinqua verebatur et barbarica, qui et ipse Anglorum monarchiam xiii. annis famosissime tenuit, isdem Rogerus longo tempore claruit, utpote tocus regni custos præcipuus, et probatus universæ plebis patricius. Qui tandem divino nutu sibi metuens, et in novissimis intelligens, providens, et præcavens, vidit se potestatem acceptam non posse peragere sine magnis peccatis: potestas enim, si defuerit pietas, ministra est iniquitatis; et revera familiaris potestati adhæret crudelitas quam pietas. Unde scriptum est, 'judicium duricium in hiis qui præsumunt fiet.' Et illud beati Gregorii Anglorum apostoli, 'omnis qui dispensandis terrenis rebus præsidet occulti hostis oculis lacius patet.' Vir igitur prudens, pro excessibus suis valde timens, et memoratæ potestati famulando se ad vitæ regnum accingere non posse verens, hujusmodi proposuit aggredi viam, peregrinando proficisci Jerosolimam, ut adoraret in loco ubi steterunt pedes Domini, utique pro viribus divinæ obsequeretur dignacioni. Habuitque super hoc consilium cum hominibus suis honestissimis scilicet et sapientissimis viris. Qui de absencia sua valde condolentes, verba plurima inter se conferentes, accersito quodam Etbranno, tunc dapifero, viro in seculi legibus erudito, per eundem Etbrannum hujusmodi eum allocuti sunt responso: 'Nosti, honorabilis domine, quod per industriam et probitatem tuam nobis et aliis multis dederit Deus honorem et gloriam. Quod si hujus itineris compos effectus elongeris a nobis, sicut tua præsentia materia fuit diviciarum et exaltacionis sic et tui absentia multis erit causa miseriarum et abjectionis. Ideo quæsumus et consilium nostrum gratanter accipias, et boni voluntatem nequaquam amittas. Pecuniam scilicet, quam in hoc itinere erogare habueras, viris religiosis benigne porrigas, qui in dominio tuo a fundamentis monasterium construant, sub patre spirituali et ordine vivant, oraciones pro te et per se et successores suos, quamdiu mundi cursus durabit, faciant. De terræ vero tuæ fundo et possessionum nostrarum redditibus prædia et decimæ illis dentur pro nobis et nostris orantibus. Hoc si feceris, et nostris favebis votis et Christi præceptum amplecti videberis in evangelio dicentis; 'Date elemosinam et omnia munda sunt vobis, et facite vobis de mammona iniquitatis ut cum defeceritis re-

^a Essexæ.

cipiant vos in æterna tabernacula.” Attende quæso venerabilis Albine. Quisquis prudens hujusmodi consilium attendit, et cui vel a quibus personis datum sit, in Spiritu Sancto percipit, quod exemplo Moysi et Raguelis, Rogerus, unius consilium dantis, alterius consilio adquiescentis, de spinis capserit botrum et de tribulis ficum. Hæc est enim unica via unice perigrinationis, animum scilicet viriliter intendere eleemosinis; ad cuius viæ iter conficiendum elatorum non sufficit tota vita divitum: multarum siquidem dierum est via, et difficilis infirmos gressus ex cupiditate habentibus, et mundanis curis ex superbia coherentibus. Ideo Dominus de hujusmodi in evangelio. Audito igitur tantorum virorum consilio, et hoc saluberrimum perpendens sibi fore et posteris suis coram Deo, assensum humiliter præbuit; et quod devote laudaverat, devocius ipse perficere satagit. Benedictus per omnia Filius gloriosæ Virginis Mariæ, qui potens est suscitare de lapidibus duris filios Abrahæ! Tunc beatissimo Anselmo, clarissimo doctore, præsidente, et sedis apostolicæ legacione fungente, quodam monacho Willelmo de Wals potissimum suggerente, requisivit Rogerus sanctum Hugonem abbatem Cluniacensem per venerabilem Lanzonem priorem Latiscensem, ut ei monachos a Cluniaco dignaretur dirigere, quibus parabat monasterium edificare in sui fundi propria tellure. Quam petitionem vir sanctus et prophetiæ spiritu clarus gratanter amplectens, sed monachos in Burgundia educatos Anglicæque consuetudinis et linguæ ignaros in tam remotam patriam mittere timens, hanc curam eidem Lanzoni injunxit ut de honestis viris mores et consuetudines patriæ cognoscentibus construeret locum, quem daturus erat sæpe-fatus Rogerus. Et quamdiu ipse Lanzo viveret prior et custos ejusdem loci esset; censum eciam karitatis quem Rogerus dabat unoquoque anno marcam argenti de suo dominio memoratus Lanzo redderet Cluniaco; illo vero universæ carnis viam ingresso, mox post mortem ejus locus ille et prior et fratres ibi degentes prope et inconcesse intenderent Cluniaco, nulliusque alterius in posterum subicerentur magistro, sicut monasterium de Monte Acuto, et illud de Latiscensi castro, et sicut locus de Lentona in Notingensi pago. Facta autem concessione hac ab Hugone abbate sanctissimo, impetrata eciam licencia et concessione ab Henrico rege liberalissimo, consilioque et Anselmi beati archipræsulis et Herberti Thetfordensis episcopi accepto, providit Rogerus cum primatibus regalis curiæ talem locum in honore sanctæ Dei genitricis et Virginis Mariæ apud Thetfordiam construere. Est autem Thetfordia villa antiqua et regia, plurimis ecclesiis insignis, et egregia habitatione honestorum virorum cum honestis mulieribus ampla et diffusa, mercibus diversarum rerum habundans, et læta populorum conventu pro exequendis justiciæ legibus celebris et discreta: limes certus sua marca Norfolchiæ et Suffolchiæ, dives et sana pro ascensu et descensu semper currentis aquæ, quam episcopalis sedes et cathedra ab antiquo adornabat tempore, cuius gloria translata est et promota ad Norvicum a prædicto Herberto præsule. In hac itaque villa, seu villa Thetfordensi, cœpit Rogerus officinas monachiles construere circa ecclesiam beatæ Virginis Mariæ. Quam ecclesiam cum terra et omnibus rebus ad eam pertinentibus per commutationem et scambium propriæ terræ suæ adquisierat ipse Rogerus a Ricardo Ervasti filio, qui eam tenebat quasi jure hæreditario, concedente et confirmante hoc ipsum scambium rege Henrico. Peractis tandem officinis ligneis misit venerabilis Lanzo XII. monachos, viros honestos et religiosos, quibus præfecit priorem tredecimum summæ simplicitatis virum nomine Malgodum. Veneruntque illis obviam duo viri sapientes et industrii, a Rogero et barnagio^a suo directi, Rannulfus Walteri filius et Radulfus de Valle Rodomsbry, suscipientes eos apud Anglorum metropolim Londoniam, sicut viri honesti adduxerunt eos cum honore et reverentia Thetfordiam. Eo die erat festivitas transitus beatissimi Martini Turonensis, fuitque ipse Rogerus cum uxore et manu militari, sollemnis et hilaris clericorum procerum multorumque congaudencium populorum conventus, hac de causa ex diversis provinciis congregatus. Eodem die, feria, viz. ii. hora ipsius diei quasi nona, Luna illucescente vicesima, ingressi sunt ecclesiam antiquam beatæ Mariæ et omnium Sanctorum, quæ antea fuerat capud et sedes orientalium Anglorum. Et sicut eandem villam ha-

bitantes pro episcopatus translacione quæ nuperime acciderat fuerant tristes, ita nunc in tantorum virorum adventu videbantur gaudentes, de ———^b Domini per oraciones et laudabilem eorundem conversationem præsumentes. Cœperunt itaque monachi ab illo die et deinceps regulariter vivere; et Rogerus cum supradicto Malgodo priore novum monasterium intra burgum construere, ubi fere per tres annos operati sunt cum magna devocione. Post hoc visum est domino Lanzoni ut removeret jam dictum Malgodum de loco Thetfordensi.

Erat eo tempore in Latiscensi monasterio, vir vita et doctrina clarus, cunctis pro suorum honestate morum carus, gemma scientia apprime eruditus, nomine Stephanus. Hic in partibus provinciæ oriundus, utriusque parentis stirpe ingenuus, patrem spiritualement meruit habere Hugonem abbatem sanctissimum, in cuius præsentia et benedictione monachicum apud Burgundiam induerat habitum. Et certe sicut de bona arbore bonus fructus, ita de sancto magistro sanctus enituit discipulus. Qui in præfato monasterio ejusdem abbatis vices cum venerando Lanzone priore mature gerebat; seipsum aliis prædicando exemplum et formam præbens, prudencia et discrecione in confessionem accipiendo et poenitentiam injungendo apparens. In quem fratres ita corde Spiritus Sancti amore converterant, ut si de amissione patris infortunium eo superstite incurrissent, illum in loco ipsius patrem et dominum amplecti vellent; hoc siquidem est quod legitur, ‘humilis homo triumphat in domo.’ Hunc igitur Deo dignum Stephanum, præ omnibus electum, in vitæ honestate et morum probitate tunc nulli secundum, pater Lanzo Thetfordiam direxit, ibique eum priorem præfecit. Quod cum intimaretur fratribus, oritur mox inter eos immoderatus planctus, tristitia, et luctus; super omnes vero sancta recordatione dignus conquestus est Beluacensis Eustachius, qui postea congregationi prioris jure multis annis præfuit pater piissimus. Cui super hoc valde dolenti et præ aliis audacius conquerenti venerabilis Lanzo in fratrum audientia responsum dedit hujusmodi: ‘Domini nostri abbatis urget præceptio, ut vir talis mittatur Thetfordensi monasterio, qui præsit loco, et loci placeat advocato. Oportet igitur fratres ut sanctissimi patris nostri Hugonis præcepto obediamus, et Rogero Bigoto satisfaciamus, qui post regem quasi secundus in omni regno dominatur, et sicut vir sapiens et honestus ubique honoratur. Num qui vestrum aliquis me amplius dominum Stephanum diligit? Sed justum est ut honestorum secularium vota per honestorum fratrum compleantur adjumenta. Et si mihi concedatur optio, secundum id quod disponit de eo vestra dileccio, Dei nutu ad nos redibit in proximo.’ Hac fratres accepta missione, gavisus sunt de tanta patris tanti promissione. Non tamen sine multorum lacrimis recessit; quem Thetfordiam ad multorum commodum venisse nostra parvitas lætatur, gratulatur, et attestatur; et plurimorum utriusque sexus emendacione veraciter comprobatur. Veniens igitur vir sanctus ad Thetfordensem burgum, vidit locum illum, in quo edificare cœperant, valde angustum, et domibus burgensium undique circumseptum, et oportunitate carentem ad construendam habitationem monachorum. Providensque sicut vir disertus in posterum, primo se continuis precibus ad Virginis Filium, dehinc ad Willelmum de Albini contulit, in regno tunc potentissimum, excellentissimi regis Henrici consiliarium, Rogerique Bigoti generum. Per hunc itaque crebro requisivit Rogerum Bigotum, ut monasterium suum removeret extra burgum in ampliorem locum, ut oportunius monachi illo se removerent ad habitandum, et supervenientes cujusque ordinis hospites honestius susciperentur ad hospitandum. Quæ res quamvis displiceret multis, et etiam quibusdam ex monachis; tamen consilio et admonitione jam dicti Wilelmi, Domini voluntate, concessit Rogerus prætaxatæ petitioni. Et providerunt omnes in simul locum amœnum et amplum super fluvium ubi Deo cooperante cœperunt in honorem beatæ et gloriosæ Virginis Mariæ monasterium per Herberti Norwicensis episcopi consideracionem et consilium, qui tribus vicibus propriis manibus incepit fodere fundamentum. In quo vir loco Henricus rex, sciens et sapiens, et monachorum oportunitate providens, prius laudaverat, et admonuerat Rogerum Bigotum, ut ibi construeret monasterium, quod non provide nec decenter inceperat infra

^a Baronagium. Vide Du Cange.

^b f. misericordia.

burgum. Tandem ab operariis valde perfossa terra utpote sabulosa, in profundo, cunctis in commune deprecantibus ut ipsum initium opere perficeretur secundo, præfatus prior dulci memoria semper recolendus Stephanus, et ipse Bigotus cum multis secum advenientibus proceribus, primos fundamenti lapides imposuerunt. Eadem die promisit Deo Rogerus coram multitudine omne illud opus de suo proprio censu construere: et de nominatis in quodam manerio suo xv. libras pro fundamentis perficiendis; intimavit priori ut post festum beatæ Mariæ duos monachos ei festinaret mittere. Habebat enim providere unum manerium quod donare proposuit beatæ Mariæ ad sustentacionem monachorum. Cœpitque multis exponere idem Bigotus, dudum indomabilis et rigidus, tunc autem humilis et devotus, qua intentione illud opus construere diu flagraverat, quod Dei gratia jam cum illis cœperat. Exposuitque illis monasterii libertatem in posterum, quod unusquisque gratanter accepit audiencium, ut viz. sicut supra taxavimus, nulli unquam alii subjiceretur magisterio nisi abbati Cluniacensi et ipsi Cluniaco. Hæc omnia facta sunt octavo die ante Nativitatem beatæ Mariæ, fundamentum scilicet inceptum, et hæc promissiones et considerationes factæ. Sed quid perfectum in rebus humanis? Non est, ut legitur, mare hic stare, non in seculo est quod jam possis amare. Plena sunt omnia lacrimis, incertis omnia involvuntur periculis. Vita nostra quippe incerta, incerto labori et putredini subjecta, dum ocio hebescit, et opera deficit; ipsa ejus salus, juxta Gregorium, ægritudo est, cui curanda necessitas nunquam deest. Et sicut eloquens vir Ildebertus Turonorum antistes veraci stilo nostras transmisit ad aures, res hominum atque homines levis alea versat in horas. Heu dolor et tristitia! Nam præfatus Rogerus octavo die a fundamento incepto vitam terminavit apud Ercsam, novo nunc castro nominato. Et ipse episcopus Norwycensis manebat in ejusdem villæ confinio, est enim ipsa villa Norwyco contiguo miliaria quasi denario: venerabilis episcopus non caritative faciens, noctu corpus rapuit, et Norwycum ad sepeliendum transportavit, contradicentibus uxore et hominibus ejus ibidem tunc astantibus. Ideo autem dixi episcopum non fecisse caritative, quod constat eundem Rogerum se uxorem et omnes suos in præsentia episcopi ejusdem priori dedisse, viz. ad sepeliendum corpora eorum Thetfordiæ in cimiterio monasterii beatæ Virginis Mariæ. Quod cum patri nostro nunciatum esset, apud Thetfordiam tunc constituto, pluribus novelli operis rebus intento, cum quatuor fratribus Norwycum festinanter perrexit, corpus super feretrum in medio positum invenit; et cum uxore Bigoti et pluribus amicis episcopum precando et supplicando requisivit, ut corpus redderet sepeliendum in cimiterio beatæ Mariæ ubi se et suos reddiderat in vita sua, ipso episcopo hoc audiente et annuente. Quod episcopus valde acriter tenuit; et prius precando et blandiendo, et plurima promittendo priorem et eos qui cum ipso erant, requisivit ut permitteret corpus sepelire in pace et bona voluntate ad Norwycum, remota penitus omni calumpnia in perpetuum. Quam rem pater noster nullo modo concedere voluit. Et tam ipse, quam fratres qui cum ipso erant, et plures alii, sicut est consuetudo religionis monachorum, prostraverunt se ad pedes episcopi, ut prædictam rem concederet eis, corpus viri jam dicti defuncti quod episcopus cum ira magna se facere negavit. Tunc prior ex parte Domini et beatæ Mariæ

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NUM. X.

Petitio Prioris et Conventus Thetfordiæ pro Indigenatione.

[Reyneri Apost. Bened. App. P. iii. Scriptura LXXXI. Ex Archivis Turris Londinensis: ex Bundello Petitionum Parlamenti, tempore, Edw. III. regis.]

A NOSTRE tres redoté S. le roy. Supplient humblement ses poueres lieges oratours les priour et convent des moynes de Thetford de l'ordre de Cluny, que comme avant ces heures la collaçon de la dite priorie appartenante as abbez de Cluny, les priours et plusieurs autres, des moynes estantz en icelle ayent esté personnes alienes, et quen sy la dite meison ayt esté reputée aliene, et ore soit ensy que le priour et tous le moynes en dit lieu sont loyalx et vrays Anglois neez et norriz dedens le royaume et riens ne apportent par delà, et par l'ayde de Dieu et de ascunes personnes seculers qount de leur bonne

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devocion fait les custages, les diz poveres religieux ont acquis et impetrez franche eleccion, a avoir à eux et à leur successours à tousjours, et que leur priour sera toudiz confermè pardecea sanz passer la mer: ensy que la dicte priorie doremes demorera toudiz, si Dieu plest, tout entierement sous gouvernance et administration des personnes vrays et loyalx Englois: il vous plese pur Dieu, et en oever de charité et en relevacion de la dite pouere meison, laquelle par simplese et meynes avisée gouvernance des priours et autres moynes alienes qui y ount esté, et par les grandes charges surmises à icelle en leur temps, à esté bien pres anyenté, et mys à destruction, ordiner et establir ores en ceste present parlement, que doremes elle soit tenue et reputée denizeine en tous cas; et que nulle charge ne imposition ne soit en nul temps avenyr mys ne chalangée deue sur la dite meson, fors que ensy come sera dautres mesons religieux du nostre royaume vrays Anglois et denizennes.

NUM. XI.

Valor Ecclesiasticus 26 Hen. VIII.

MONASTERIUM SIVE PRIORATUS MONACHORUM IN THETFORD.
WILLIELMO Priore ibidem.

Valet

Videfit in Sp̄ualibz, viz

In com' Norff'.

Rectoria de Hockeham valet in om̄ibz decimis et obla-			
conibz p annu'	5l.	13s.	4d.
Rector' Btæ Mariæ Virginis in Thetford valet in			
om̄ibz decimis et oblaconibz p annu'	5l.	6s.	6d.
Rector' S̄ci Nichi in Thetford valet in om̄ibz x ^{mis} et			
oblaconibz p annu'	3l.	0s.	0d.
Pencio rec' de prior' de Hoklyng ex ^a rector' de Han-			
worth valet p annu'	2l.	3s.	0d.
Pencio recept' de rector' de Porlond valet p annu'	0l.	13s.	4d.
Pencio rec' de vicar' de Hockeham valet p annu'	0l.	13s.	4d.
Pencio rec' de rector' de Asshill valet p annu'	0l.	13s.	4d.
Pencio rec' de rector' de Fersfeld valet p annu'	0l.	6s.	8d.
Pencio rec' de rector' de Garboldesham valet p annu'	0l.	6s.	8d.
Pencio rec' de rector' de Bretenham valet p annu'	0l.	6s.	8d.
Pencio rec' de rector' de Norton valet p annu'	0l.	3s.	4d.
Pencio rec' de rector' de Banham valet p annu'	0l.	13s.	4d.
Pencio rec' de rector' de Susted valet p annu'	1l.	0s.	0d.
Pencio rec' de rectore de Barneham valet p annu'	0l.	10s.	0d.
Porcio decimar' rec ^t ex ^a rector' de Besthorp valet p a ^m	0l.	10s.	0d.
Porcio x ^{mar} ex rector' de Totyngton valet p annu'	2l.	0s.	0d.
	23l.	19s.	6d.

Suff'.

Rector' de Alba Notley valet ad firmā p annu'	4l.	0s.	0d.
Pencio rec' de priore de Blyborowe ex ^a rector' de Mell'			
valet p annu'	0l.	9s.	0d.
Pens' rec' de abbe de Langley ex' rector' de Thurton			
valet p annu'	0l.	8s.	0d.
Penc' rec' de rector' de Bromē valet p annu'	0l.	13s.	4d.
	5l.	10s.	4d.

Cantebr'.

Rectoria de Dyton Valans et Cañer valet ad firma' p			
annu'	19l.	15s.	0d.
	49l.	4s.	10d.

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In com' Norff'.

Maner' de Halwyke in Thetford valet in redd' et firm'

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cu' firm' 200 acr' arabil' et libtate faldag' ac pastur' 400 oviu' matric' in occupac' prioris p'dci p annu' 41l. 0s. 6d. pquis' cur' ibm cōibz ann' 1s. In toto p annu'

41l. 1s. 6d.

Maner' voc' Le Graunge ibm valet in diſs' firm' cu' firm' 297 acr' terr' arabil' et libtate faldag' ac pastur' 600 verbic' in occupac' dci prioris p annu' 28l. 5s. 0d.

Maner' de Norwike valet in diſs' firm' cu' firma 60 acr' terr' arabil' et libtat' faldag' ac pastur' 600 oviu' matric' in occupac' dci prioris p annu' 11l. 13s. 4d.

Maner' de Santon valet ad firm' p annu' 22l. 0s. 0d.

Maner' de Lynford valet ad firm' cu' firm' libtat' faldag' et pastur' 700 oviu' matric' ibm in occupac' p'dci prioris p annu' 12l. 0s. 0d.

Maner' de Bodney valet ad firmā p annu' 20l. 0s. 0d.

Diſs' terr' et teñt' in Totyngton valent ad firm' p a^m 2l. 11s. 11d.

Maner' cu' rector' de Watton valet in redd' firm' et decimis cu' libtat' faldag' et pastur' 400 oviu' matric' ibm in occupac' p'dci prioris p annu' 12l. 0s. 0d.

Diſs' terr' et teñt' in Ellyngham Thomson et Croxton valent ad firm' cu' firm' libtat' faldag' et pastur' 300 oviu' hoggastr' in occupac' p'dci prioris p annu' 4l. 13s. 11d.

Maner' de Kylſton valet in redd' et firm' cu' firm' libtat' faldag' et pastur' 300 oviu' matric' ibm in occupac' p'dci prioris p annu' 5l. 13s. 6½d.

Maner' de Brettenham valet in redd' et firm' cu' firm' libtat' faldag' et pastur' 400 vervic' ibm in occupac' p'dci prioris p annu' 5l. 18s. 2d.

Diſs' terr' et teñt' in Harlyng Gasthorp et Riddelsworth valent in redd' et firm' p annu' 1l. 8s. 11d.

Waren' cunicor' de Snasehill in Thetford et unu' prat' ibm cu' firm' duor' clor' voc' Snaseleys et Whitell ibm ac libtat' faldag' et pastur' 500 oviu' hoggastr' ibm in occupac' p'dci prioris valent p annu' 28l. 13s. 4d.

Maner' de Aslacton valet ad firm' p annu' 11l. 0s. 0d.

Terr' et teñt' in Colston valent in redd' et firm' p annu' 0l. 6s. 0d.

207l. 5s. 7½d.

Suff'.

Waren' cunicor' de Westwik et una pcell' prat' ibm cu' firm' libtat' faldag' et pastur' 600 oviu' hoggastr' ibm in occupac' p'dci prioris valent ad firm' p annu' 36l. 3s. 4d.

Maner' de Russheworth valet in redd' et firm' cu' firm' libtat' faldag' et pastur' 1000 oviu' matric' et hoggastr' ibm in occupac' p'dci prioris p annu' 14l. 3s. 2d.

Diſs' terr' in Downeham cu' libtat' faldag' et pastur' bidenc' ibm valent ad firm' p annu' 4l. 0s. 0d.

Maner' de Brome valet ad firm' p annu' 13l. 6s. 8d.

Maner' de Syleham valet ad firm' p annu' 17l. 16s. 10d.

Maner' de Darsham cu' rector' ibm valet ad firmā p annu' 19l. 5s. 10d.

Maner' de Yoxford cu' rector' ibm valet ad firm' p annu' 6l. 13s. 4d.

Maner' de Glemham valet ad firm' p annu' 13l. 6s. 8d.

Maner' de Oston cu' rector' ibm valet ad firm' p annu' 4l. 0s. 0d.

Maner' de Dullyngham cu' rector' ibm valet ad firm' p a^m 11l. 13s. 4d.

Diſs' terr' in Ixnyng cu' libtat' faldag' et pastur' bidenc' ibm valent ad firmā p annu' 1l. 6s. 8d.

Maner' de Fynchyngfeld cu' rector' ibm valent ad firmā p annu' 13l. 6s. 8d. 155l. 2s. 6d.

Cantebr'.

Maner' de Munkewike valet ad firmā p annu' 6l. 13s. 4d.

369l. 1s. 5½d.

418l. 6s. 3½d.

D' quibz in

Repris', videſit in

Sinod'.

Epo Norwicen' p ecclis de Lynford 3s. Watton 6s. 8d. et Thetford 1s. In toto p annu' 0l. 10s. 8d.

Pcurac'.

Archidiacono Norff' p ecclia de Lynford p annu' 0l. 6s. 8d.

Elimos'.

Diſs' pauperibz p elimosinariu' huj' monastii ibm distribut' put ab antiqua fundac' dari consuevit p annu' 2l. 0s. 0d.

Diſs' pauperibz p priorem huj' monastii distribut' scilicet qualiter die Venis 5d. p aia Johis quondam duc' Norff' put p scripta obligat' ac ab antiquo dari consuevit p annu' 1l. 1s. 8d.

Diſs' pauperibz p dcm priorē distribut' in Cena Dñi put ab antiquo consuevit quoliter anno 0l. 16s. 0d.

Diſs' pauperibz in victualibz distribut' quoliter die ant' ultra fragmēt' huj' monast' put ab antiquo dari consuevit ad valorē p annu' 4l. 13s. 4d.

Fribz de Thetford ant' put ab antiquo dari consuevit 0l. 16s. 0d. 8l. 10s. 0d.

Obitibz.

Celebrat' ibm annuat' p aīabz videlī

Potent' principis Thomae duc' Norff' fundat' huj' monastii 13s. 4d. Petri Nobys cl'ic' 10s. Thomae Wyndeham milit' 10s. 4d. Robti Love 6s. 8d. Eñi Heyford 3s. 4d. Stephi primi prioris huj' monastii 5s. et Johis Coket 1l. 0s. 4d. Put ab antiquo celebrari consuevit ac p script' obligat' p annu' 3l. 9s. 0d.

Sustētac' Luminu'.

In ecclia Sñi Petri in Thetford 5s. et Croxston 6d. In toto put ab antiquo consuevit p annu' 0l. 5s. 6d.

Pencōibz solut'.

Epo Norwicen' extra rectoriā de Lynford p annu' 0l. 3s. 4d.

Abbi de Bermūdesey extra rectoriā de Dyton p annu' 6l. 13s. 4d.

Priori de Hatefeld Regs extra dcam rectoriā p annu' 2l. 13s. 4d.

Vicar' de Dyton p annu' 3l. 0s. 0d.

Priori Scae Fids de Horsshām exa rector' de Darsham p annu' 1l. 10s. 0d.

Vicar' de Darsham p annu' 2l. 0s. 0d.

Priori de Belver exa rector' de Yoxford p annu' 0l. 12s. 0d.

Vicar' de Yoxford p annu' 1l. 0s. 0d.

Vicar' de Watton p annu' 1l. 6s. 8d.

Vicar' de Dullyngham p annu' 1l. 3s. 4d.

Magistr' colleg' de Eton p penc' sua p annu' 0l. 13s. 4d. 20l. 15s. 4d.

Feod' Firm' et Firm'.

Baſſio dñi regis villae s' de Thetford pcell' ducat' s' Lancast' p feod' firm' manii dci prioris voc' le Graunge p annu' 28l. 6s. 8d.

Johi Corbet firmar' diſs' terr' dñi regis in Thetford p firm' piscar' stagni ibm voc' le Kyngs Pound p annu' 0l. 10s. 0d.

Priorissae monialiū de Thetford p firm' diſs' terr' jac' infra waren' de Westwike et in Thetford p annu' 5l. 2s. 0d.

Priori canonicor' de Thetford p firm' terr' jac' infra waren' et pastur' bidenc' de Westwik Norwik et Dudwell p annu' 5l. 0s. 0d. 38l. 18s. 8d.

Reddit' resolut'.

Pfato baſſio dñi regis villae s' de Thetford pcell' ducat' s' p'dci p diſs' terr' et teñts in Thetford p annu' 1l. 12s. 2d.

Pfato priori canonicor' de Thetford p diſs' terr' in Thetford et Croxston p annu' 0l. 12s. 0d.

Priori de Lewes p quodm redd' exeūt' de mañio de
Santon p annu' 4l. 5s. 0d.
Bañio comit's Oxon' mañii s' de Wetyng p redd' exeūt'
de dco mañio de Santon p annu' 0l. 2s. 0d.
Eidm bañio p fin' p sect' cur' iñm relaxand' p annu' 0l. 1s. 0d.
Bañio hundr' de Grymsho p redd' exeūt' de dco mañio
de Santon p annu' 0l. 1s. 6d.
Eidm bañio p le lete fee p annu' 0l. 1s. 0d.
Eidm bañio p sect' cur' iñm relaxand' p annu' 0l. 1s. 0d.
Bañio Johis Cornewales milit's mañii s' de Kylvston
p redd' exeūt' de dco mañio de Santon p annu' 0l. 6s. 8d.
Feodar' honoris de Clare p redd' exeūt' de mañio de
Lynford p annu' 0l. 3s. 4d.
Bañio Hugonis Hastyng's milit's mañii s' de ——— p
fin' p homag' respect' p dco mañio de Lynford p annu' 0l. 3s. 4d.
Bañio hundr' de Grymsho p redd' exeūt' de dco mañio
de Lynford p annu' 0l. 3s. 4d.
Eidm bañio p fin' p sect' cur' iñm relaxand' p annu' 0l. 1s. 0d.
Bañio abbis de Bury Sçi Edi mañii s' de ——— p
redd' exeūt' de dco mañio de Lynford p annu' 0l. 0s. 1d.
Bañio priorissæ de Campsey mañii s' de ——— p redd'
exeūt' de cert' terr' in Totyngton p annu' 0l. 6s. 0d.
Bañio hundr' de Waylond p le Shreve shott iñm p
annu' 0l. 0s. 4d.
Bañio comit's Rutland' mañii s' de Watton p redd'
exeūt' de terr' in Totyngton p annu' 0l. 13s. 4d.
Bañio magistri Colleg' Xpi in Cantebr' mañii s' de
Bromehill p redd' exeūt' de terr' in Croxston p annu' 0l. 10s. 3d.
Priori canonicor' de Thetford p redd' exeūt' de terr' in
Croxston voc' Sipton Rent p annu' 1l. 0s. 0d.
Bañio hundr' de Grymsho p redd' exeūt' de terr' in
Croxston p annu' 0l. 2s. 0d.
Eidm bañio p fin' p sect' cur' iñm relaxand' p annu' 0l. 1s. 0d.
Bañio comit's Oxon' mañii s' de Wetyng p redd' exeūt'
de terr' in Croxston p annu' 0l. 2s. 6d.
Eidm bañio p sect' cur' iñm relaxand' p annu' 0l. 1s. 1d.
Bañio dñi Wiffmi Howard mañii s' de ——— p redd'
exeūt' de terr' in Croxston p annu' 1l. 3s. 4d.
Bañio hundr' de Waylond p redd' terr' in Croxston p
annu' 0l. 19s. 0d.
Bañio magistri Colleg' Xpi in Cantebr' ut rectori de
Croxston p quodm redd' iñm vocat' Lokesylver p annu' 0l. 1s. 0d.
Gardian' eccl'ie de Croxston p quodm redd' iñm voc'
le Pascall Rent p annu' 0l. 0s. 4d.

Bañio Johis Cornewaleys milit's mañii s' de Coxforth
p redd' exeūt' de mañio de Kylvston p annu' 0l. 8s. 0d.
Bañio Thomæ duc's Norff' mañii s' de Kenyngghall p
redd' terr' in Snaryshill p annu' 0l. 0s. 5d.
Bañio hundr' de Guyldcrosse p fin' p sect' cur' iñm
relaxand p terr' in Snasehill p annu' 0l. 2s. 0d.
Eidm bañio p le lete fee iñm p annu' 0l. 1s. 0d.
Eidm bañio p alba firm' iñm p annu' 0l. 0s. 7d.
Bañio Robt' Holdyche armigi mañii s' de p
redd' exeūt' de mañio de Colston p annu' 0l. 0s. 8d.
Bañio Bagot mañii s' de Downeham p redd'
exeūt' de terr' in Downeham et Westwyk p annu' 6l. 1s. 8d.
Bañio comit's Oxon' mañii s' de p redd' terr'
in Downeham p annu' 0l. 2s. 0d.
Bañio epi Norwicen' mañii s' de Brome p terr' iñm p
annu' 0l. 2s. 8d.
Bañio hundr' de Blakborne p terr' in Russheworth p
annu' 0l. 3s. 4d.
Bañio abbis de Bury Sçi Edi mañii s' de p
redd' terr' in Russheworth p annu' 0l. 2s. 0d.
19l. 0s. 6d.

Corod'.

Robto A Woode švienti dñi reg's et Robto Hogan
geños' et utriq' eor' diucus vivēti p priorē et convētu' huj'
monastii sub sigillo s' cōie concess' virtute īrar' dñi reg's eis
in hac pte direct' &c. p annu' 4l. 11s. 3d.

Feod'.

Stephi Draper sen^{li} cur' huj' monastii p annu' 2l. 0s. 0d.
Johis Burneham rec' geñal' huj' monaster' p annu' 2l. 0s. 0d.
Johis Kent burgens' villæ de Thetford sen^{li} hospic' ac
hostiar' huj' monast' p annu' 3l. 0s. 0d.
Dci Johis Kent bañi mañii ne Totyngton p annu' 0l. 1s. 8d.
Thomæ Hoodemyne bañi mañii de Hallwyke p annu' 1l. 16s. 8d.
Johis Goge bañi mañior' de Kylvston et Brettenham p
annu' 1l. 6s. 8d.
Johis Browne bañi mañii de Darsham p annu' 1l. 6s. 8d.
Johis Cossey bañi mañii de Syleham p annu' 1l. 2s. 8d.
Vic' Norff' p annu' 0l. 10s. 0d.
Escaet' Norff' p annu' 0l. 6s. 8d.
Bañio libtat' ducat' Lancastr' p annu' 0l. 6s. 8d.
12l. 14s. 4d.—13l. 17s. 8d.
Et valet ultra clare 312l. 14s. 4½d.
X^{ma} inde 31l. 5s. 5¼d.

Priory of Little Horkesley, in Essex:

A Cell to the Priory of Thetford.



FROM the first charter printed by Dugdale in the Appendix to the present Account, it appears that this Priory was founded in the reign of Henry the First, to the honour of St. Peter, by Robert Fitz Godbold, for Cluniac monks. Robert Fitz Godbold and Beatrice his wife state in this their foundation charter that they had given certain churches to the priory of St. Mary Thetford,

upon condition that the prior of Thetford, with the consent of his whole priory in chapter, should send as many Monks to serve God in the church of St. Peter of Horkesley as the place could conveniently maintain; and, for the better subsistence of the monks so appointed, Robert and Beatrice assigned certain other churches; namely, the church of Wiseton, in Suffolk; the church of Assildeham, in Essex, with sixty acres of land belonging to it; a moiety of the church of Boxted, and the tithe of Robert's demesnes in that parish. Beatrice also gave the tithes of her land which she had received in dower, and of that which had been given to her by Turolde her uncle. Robert and Beatrice, moreover, gave the monks here tithes in Foleton and Fordham. By this charter, also, the monks of Horkesley were

to be free, and exempt from the jurisdiction of the priory of Thetford, paying to it, however, half a mark of silver annually as a recognition.^a

Gilbert bishop of London, in the second charter printed in the Appendix, confirmed the founder's endowment, together with a donation, chiefly of tithes, from Robert Fitz Robert.^b

Robert Fitz Philip, the great-grandson of the founder, also granted the monks a charter of confirmation, though without date.^c

Hubert archbishop of Canterbury subsequently confirmed to the monks the appropriation which had been made to their use by John bishop of Norwich of the church of Wisetune.^d

Morant says that Henry and Alan de Creffeld were benefactors to this house before the reign of King Edward the Third.^e In the 13th Hen. IV. he adds, Ralph Chamberleyn, Matthew Sayer, Oliver at Hoo, and Thomas Hanssepe had licence to give one messuage, one toft, a hundred and twenty acres of arable land, five acres and a half of meadow, ten acres of pasture, five acres of wood, and 16s. 8d. rent in Little Horkesley and Whythermondeford, to the priory of Little Horkesley.^f

The spiritual possessions of this priory, as well as its temporalities, appear to have been but of small value in 1291.^g

From an Extent of the possessions taken in the 18th Edw. II. the annual revenue of the house appears then to have amounted to 10*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.* exclusive of the church of Boxted, which, being appropriated to the monks, was let to farm at the further annual sum of 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*^h

Horkesley was one of the Small Monasteries which Cardinal Wolsey obtained leave from the pope in 1525, and from Henry VIII. in 1526, to make part of the endowment of his College at Oxford. Its spiritualties were then valued at 11*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* per annum, its temporalities at 16*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.*; making a total of 27*l.* 7*s.* 11*d.* yearly.ⁱ Tanner says, when

Cardinal Wolsey suppressed it, Sir Roger Wentworth claimed to be founder in right of his wife. Upon the Cardinal's premunire it escheated to the crown.

Sir John Huddilston possessed the site of this priory in 1554, when he got licence from Queen Mary to alienate the manor of Little Horkesley, called le Priory, to Roger Parker. In 1555 it passed into the family of Ball; and, long subsequent, into that of Joscelyne.^k

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office is, "De Roberto Ball, occasionato ad ostendendum quo titulo tenet manerium sive mesuagium vocatum Le Priory de Parva Horkesleigh in com. Essexiæ." Mich. Rec. 10 Eliz. rot. 54.

The charters of this priory given in the former edition of the Monasticon by Dugdale, and which form the four first articles in the Appendix to the present account, are no doubt the same which Tanner refers to as preserved in Ashmole's Museum.

Tanner adds the following references to public Records:

"Rot. pat. 2 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 14, pro tenemento in Wiston, com. Suff. Escaet. 2. Ric. II. n. 115, Suff.

"Pat. 13 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 13, pro ten. in Horkeslee Parva et Withermornford."^l This last has been already quoted from Morant.

No SEALS of the priory or its priors have as yet been discovered.

The PRIORY stood on the north side of the church of Horkesley Parva, where Mr. Joscelyne's house was when Morant wrote.

Cartae ad Prioratum de Horkesley, in comitatu Essexiensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Foundationis ejusdem per Robertum filium Godeboldi.
[Ex ipso autographo penes Anton. Woode, Oxon. Coll. Merton. Artium Magistrum, anno 1669.]

NORUM sit omnibus, tam præsentibus quàm futuris, quod ego Robertus filius Godeboldi, et Beatrix uxor mea, concedentibus hæredibus nostris, donavimus Deo, et S. Mariæ, et monachis de Teffordiâ, pertinentibus ecclesiæ de Cluniaco, omnes ecclesias nostras, cum omnibus rebus quæ ad easdem ecclesias pertinent; viz. in terris, in pratis, in pasturis, in nemoribus, in aquis, in decimis, et in aliis rebus omnibus: et hoc fecimus pro domino nostro Henrico rege, et pro domino nostro Roberto, et pro meipso, et pro Beatrice uxore meâ, et Severiâ matre ejus, et pro Roberto et Ricardo filiis nostris, et Gunnorâ filiâ nostrâ, et aliis infantibus nostris, et pro Osberto filio Hugonis, et Hadewis sorore meâ, et pro animabus Roberti filii Wimare et Sweni filii ejus, et pro animâ patris mei Godeboldi, et pro animâ Raginildis matris meæ, et pro animabus Ricardi fratris mei et Willielmi filii mei, et pro animabus Willielmi filii et Tuoldi fratris ejus, et pro omnibus antecessoribus et parentibus nostris, et pro amicis vivis et defunctis, et omnibus

illis, qui adjuverint ad illum locum construendum: ita videlicet, quod prior de Tefford, concedente toto conventu, in capitulo mittet monachos in ecclesiâ S. Petri de Horkesleiâ ad serviendum Deo et S. Petro finaliter, quantum poterit convenienter sustinere locus ille. Et ad illum locum ad sustentationem monachorum pertinebunt aliæ ecclesiæ nostræ omnes; viz. ecclesiæ de Wisetonâ cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et ecclesia de Assildeham cum sexaginta acris terræ eidem ecclesiæ pertinentibus, et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis, et dimidia ecclesia de Bochestedâ cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et tota decima de dominio nostro in Bochested, viz. de blado, de fœno, de agnis, de vitulis, de porcis, de capris, de pullis, de lanâ, de lino, de fructibus omnibus, de caseo, de butiro, et de aliis rebus omnibus quæ decimari debent. Et uxor mea Beatrix concedit ibi totam decimam de maritagio suo, et de terrâ quam dedit ei Tuoldus avunculus ejus. Insuper dedimus Horkesley manentibus decimam de Foletonâ, et decimam de Fordham, et decem solidatas terræ in Reidonâ, viz. xxx. acras de Warâ; et præter hæc quicquid poterimus nos et amicos nostros convenienter adquirere, ad illum locum construendum libenter faciemus. Et illi monachi qui erunt in ecclesiâ S. Petri subjecti et obedientes erunt priori de Tefford re-

^a See the Charter, Num. I.

^c See Num. III.

^e Morant, Hist. of Essex, vol. ii. p. 236.

^f Ibid. from Inquis. 13 Hen. IV.

^g The following are the entries:

^b Append. Num. II.

^d Compare Num. IV.

Spiritual.

Dioc. Lond.		£.	s.	d.
Porcio in eccl. de Fordham	.	0	13	4
Porcio in eccl. de Mose	.	0	3	6
Dioc. Norw.				
Ecclesia de Wystone appropriata	.	6	0	0

Temporal.

Dioc. Lond.		£.	s.	d.
In Hockele de terr. redd. &c.	.	0	2	0
De terr. et redd. in Horkisleye Magna	.	1	12	10
De redd. in Aldham	.	0	0	8
In Horkisleye Parva de redd.	.	1	12	7½

^h See the Extent, in the Append. Num. V.

ⁱ A copy of the Survey of Horkesley taken at this time, preserved in the Chapter-House at Westminster, will be found in the Appendix, Num. VI.

^k Morant, ut supr.

^l Notit. Monast. Essex, xx.

cognitione reddent unoquoque anno pro karitate ecclesiæ S. Mariæ de Tefford dimidiā marcā argenti; et pro dimidiā marcā ita erunt liberi et quieti monachi qui erunt in ecclesiā S. Petri de Horkesley, quod nihil amplius poterit ullus prior de Tefford, vel monachus requirere ab eis. Cætera autem bona quæ donaverit monachi qui erunt in Horkesley ad sustentationem suam. Et hæc omnia finaliter donavimus in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, ita quod requiremus ab ipsis in servitio præter orationes. Hujus donationis testes sunt Deus et S. Maria, super cujus altare oblata est, et Robertus capellanus, Rog. presbiter de Tefford, et Hugo dapifer monachorum de Tefford, Henricus de Wadetonā, et Robertus

NUM. II.

Carta Gilberti London. Episcopi donationem Roberti filii Roberti, et Roberti filii Godeboldi, confirmans.

[Ibid.]

GILBERTUS Dei gratiā Lundun. episcopus, archidiaconis, decanis, et omnibus ecclesiarum personis per episcopatum Lundon. constitutis salutem, gratiam, et benedictionem. Universitati vestræ notificamus nos donationem et præsentationem Roberti filii Roberti concessisse et confirmasse ecclesiæ S. Petri de Horkesleia, et monachis ibidem Deo servantibus, totam medietatem ecclesiæ de Borested, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et decimam panis frumenti de domo suā, scil. militum et armigerorum ubicunque sit in Anglia, sive in castellis sive extra, ad sustentationem eorundem monachorum in perpetuum. Præterea confirmavimus prædictis monachis omnes donationes quas Robertus filius Godeboldi ad ejusdem loci eis fecit et dedit, scil. ecclesiam de Horkesleia, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ubi monachos Cluniacenses posuit ad serviendum Deo in perpetuum; et ecclesiam Essildesham, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et decimam de marisco de Fulesse et de Lingued, et decimam de, et decimam de Fordham, sicut carta Ricardi prædecessoris nostri eis testatur. Et ut hæc nostra concessio et confirmatio rata et firma in posterum permaneat præsentis paginæ conscriptione et sigilli mei appositione roborare curavimus. Hiis testibus, Ricardo archidiacono Colecestr. Ricardo archidiac. de Essexā, magistro Ric. de Storechef, Ric. de Salefers, Rog. de Wigornā, magistro Radulpho cantore, Waltero elemosinario, magist. Eraclio, Benjamino clerico, et multis aliis.

NUM. III.

Carta Roberti filii Philippi antecessorum suorum donationes recitans et confirmans.

[Ibid.]

ROBERTUS filius Philippi omnibus hominibus suis et amicis, Francis et Anglis, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et hac præsentī cartā meā confirmasse monachis de Theofordiā apud Horkesleiam manentibus omnia quæ dederant et concesserant Robertus filius Godeboldi, et Robertus filius Roberti, et Philippus pater meus; scil. ecclesiam beatorum apostolorum Petri et Pauli de Horkesleia, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, in quā monachi prædicti manent; et ecclesiam de Wysentuniā, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et ecclesiam de Hessildeham, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et dimidiā ecclesiam de Boxtediā, cum pertinentiis suis; et totam decimam de dominio meo in Boxted, videlicet de omnibus quæ decimari debent; præter quod ecclesia de Boxted habebit unoquoque anno de decimā quatuor acrarum, duas scil. siliginis et duas avenæ. Præterea concessi et confirmavi illas duas partes decimarum earum de Fordham; scil. de dominio meo, et similiter in Foltuniā, et totam decimam de marisco meo in Fulesse; et triginta acras terræ de Warā in Reiduniā, cum omnibus ejusdem terræ pertinentiis; et campum qui vocatur Wiweslond; et terram quæ vocatur Prostelescockeslond, cum totā bruscā ejusdem terræ pertinente. Hæc omnia prædicta feci et confirmavi prædictis monachis in perpetuam elemosinam libera et quieta de omnibus scutagiis, et expeditionibus, et exactionibus, et consuetudinibus de omnibus servitiis quæ ad me pertinent vel ad hæredes meos, vel ad dominos meos præter orationes

Præterea concessi et confirmavi præfatis monachis totam decimam panis mei, scilicet militum et armigerorum, ubicunque fuero in perpetuum. His testibus, magistro Albrico, Ric. de Francawill. Godeboldo et Alano avunculis meis, Willielmo filio Geraddi, Will. capellano, Ric. clerico, Rob. fil. Geraddi clerici, et multis aliis.

NUM. IV.

Confirmatio Appropriationis Ecclesiæ de Wisetune facta Monachis de Horkesley, per Hubertum Cantuar. Archiepiscopum.

[Ibid.]

HUBERTUS Dei gratiā Cantuariensis archiepiscopus, totius Angliæ primas, et apostolicæ sedis legatus, universis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis ad quos scriptum præsens pervenerit æternam in Domino salutem. In communem omnem notitiam volumus devenire, nos auctenticum scriptum venerabilis fratris nostri Johannis Norwicensis episcopi sub hujus continentię formā inspexisse. Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Johannes Dei gratiā Norwicensis episcopus salutem in Domino. Universitati vestræ notum esse volumus, nos concessisse et confirmasse dilectis filiis nostris monachis de Theford apud Horkeslee Deo servantibus et in perpetuum servituris, Dei causā, et ob religionis favorem, ecclesiam de Wisetun in usus suos, cum omnibus pertinentibus ad illam perpetuo possidendam, salvā dignitate, reverentiā et debitis consuetudinibus sanctæ Norwicen. ecclesiæ, et honestā et sufficienti sustentatione vicarii qui in eadem ecclesiā ministrabit, et ut hæc nostra concessio, &c. Test. Thomā, Rogero archidiacono, Thomā Briton. et aliis. Nos igitur ea quæ rationabiliter facta sunt firmitate perpetuā guadere volentes concessionem et confirmationem prædicti episcopi memoratis monachis de præfatā ecclesiā secundum præscriptam formam, . . . sicut rationabiliter factæ sunt, auctoritate nostrā confirmamus

NUM. V.

Extenta de Horkeslegh, 18 Edw. II.

[MS. Donat. Mus. Brit. 6164, fol. 165.]

EXTENTA facta apud Prioratum de Horkeslegh coram Johanne de Enefeld milite et Radulpho Hereward clerico custod. terr. et ten. Religiosorum ac aliarum secular. personarum alienigenarum qui sunt de potestate et dominio domini regis Franciæ in comitat. Essex. et Hertford. die Mercurii in crastino sancti Eadmundi regis anno regni regis Edwardi filii regis Edwardi decimo octavo, per sacramentum Willielmi le Ken, Ricardi de Ken, Huberti Petyt, et aliorum Jur. qui dicunt quod aysiamenta domorum, cum proficuis, gard. et columb. val. per annum iij^s. iiij^d. Item dicunt quod sunt ibi de redd. assis. xxvj^s. viij^d. solv. ad festa sancti Mich. et Ph. Item sunt ibi xliij. acr. terræ arrabilis et val. xiiij^s. iiij^d. Prec. acræ iiij^d. Et xxxvj. acr. terræ arrabilis quæ annexæ sunt dictæ ecclesiæ et taxantur cum eadem. Item j. acr. prati quæ valet ij^s. Et iiij^{or}. acræ prati quæ annexæ sunt dictæ ecclesiæ taxantur cum eadem. Item est ibi pastura pro caruca quæ annexa est dictæ ecclesiæ et taxatur cum eadem. Item dicunt quod prior ejusdem loci habet ecclesiam de Horkeslegh in proprio usu, quæ valet per annum viij^{li}. xij^s. iiij^d. cum terr. et decimis dictæ ecclesiæ pertinentibus.

Summa x^{li}. xix^s. iiij^d.

Item prædicti jurati dicunt quod idem prior habet ecclesiam de Boxstede cum xxx. acr. terræ arrabilis et iij. rodīs prati eidem ecclesiæ annexis in proprio usu quæ val. per annum vj^{li}. xij^s. iiij^d. ultra resolutionem; quam ecclesiam Elyas ate Hegg habet ad firmam de dicto priore a festo sancti Marci Evangel. anno sexto decimo usque ad finem quinque annorum prox. sequen. pro vj. libr. xij^s. iiij^d. quas solv. præmanibus.

Summa vj^{li}. xij^s. iiij^d.

In cujus rei testimonium prædicti juratores huic extentæ sigilla sua apposuerunt. Dat. apud Horkeslegh die et anno supradictis.

NUM. VI.

Paper Surveys, temp. Hen. VIII. Chapter-House, Westminster.

HORKESLEY.

The Manor of Horkesley, with the Custumez thereunto belongyng.

FIRST there is belongyng to the seid manor a corte baron, to be holden de tribz septimanis in tres if the lord will.

Item to the same corte belonge aswell freholder, copieholders, as tennt at will or otherwise.

Item evy of the seid tennt shall sue to the corte upon lawfull somons upon the peyn of aſciament.

Item neither copieholder tennt for tme of yeir ne at will shall make eny waist upon their ground upon the peyn of forfayture of their tenur.

Item evy copieholder shall fyne for his land at evy deth or alienacion made as he can agree with the lord.

Item th'advowson of the church of Horkesley is appendaunt to the seid manor, of which church the college is pson in psonye, and no vicar indued; howbeit, for asmuch as the demesne which weir belongyng to the late priorye there ar now in the hande of a ffermor, theis be tythable, so that now there may a vicar be indued, and the tythe sufficient for his lyvyng, beside a yerelie pfit that also may retoꝛne to the colledge owte of the same.

The Demaynes of the Manor.

Horkesley Parva.

Fyrste the syte of the place there, wt. a close called Pryours Close, an orcharde, wt. a barne yarde, conteynyng 3 acres.

Item a pcell of medowe, in the teanure of John Hall, lyeng in Tunman medowe 6 acr.

Item a close wt. an olde brikhousse devyded into 3 part, in the teanure of the saide John Hall, lyeng betwixte the high way ledyng from Lytle Horkesley church to Croseborry on the northe and the lond of Peter Barking and Cutting Land on the south, abutt' upon Springholde and Byrchett cople holde toward the weste, and the copie holde of Horkesley in the teanure of John Culparke and the lond of Peter Creke toward the este, conteynyng 24 acr.

Item a close called Brodefelde, wt. a msshe, in the teanure of the saide John Hall, lyeng betwixte the high way ledyng from Lytle Horkesley church to Croseborry on the south, and a close called Thikkett, pcell of the demaynes, on the north, abutt' upon Boyers land towards the este, and a close called Smith Felde, pcell of the demaynes, toward the west 25 acr.

Item a close called Thikkett, in the teanure of the saide John Hall, lyeng betwixte Brodefelde on the south and the lond of Willyam Sadler on the north, abutt' upon a pightell of the same Willm towards the este, and Cook croft towards the west, conteynyng 7 acr. di. rod.

Item a close called Smithfelde, in the teanure of the saide John Hall, lyeng betwixte the high way ledyng from Lytle Horkesley church to Croseborry on the south and Cok crofte on the north, abutt' upon Brodefelde toward the este, and the high way ledyng from Horkesley church to Naylond toward the weste, conteynyng 10 acr. di. 1 rod.

Item a close called Litle Page Felde, in the teanure of the saide John Hall, lyeng betwixte Grete Page Felde on the south and the high way ledyng from Lytle Horkesley church to Croseborry on the north, abutt' upon the lond called Birchett towards the

este, and the way ledyng from Horkesley to Naylond toward the west, cont. 2 acr.

The Ferme called Hotts Ferme, in the teanure of Roberte Colman.

Hotts Ferme.

Fyrste the mansion there, a gate house wt. a dry mote, a barne, a stable, wt. the scyte of the same, conteyneth 1 acr. di.

Item a close called Hotts Peryfelde, lyeng betwixte the lond of Wylliam Sadeler both north and south, abutt' partelye upon the high way ledyng from Lytle Horkesley to Barfolde toward the weste, and Lytle Haye, pcell of the demaynes, towards the este, conteynyng 17 acr. di.

Item 2 pightell, the one called Lytle Haye, the other Peryfelde, lyeng betwixte the lond of the saide Willyam Sadeler on the south and a close called Olde Haye on the north, abutt' upon Hey Grene toward the este and Peryfelde toward the weste, conteynyng 4 acr. di.

Item a close, wt. a ferme called Crayfelde, wt. 2 pcell of land wt. in the same of my lady Marney, lyeng betwixte Craßs and Craßs Lane on the este, and Cok Peryfelde and Best Crofte on the weste, abutt' upon Best land toward the south, and Sadeler Crabbys toward the north, cont. beside the saide 2 pcell of my lady Marney 26 acr. 4 pch.

Item 2 pightell called Olde Hawys, lyeng betwixt Cok Peryfelde on the south and the Best Lane on the north, abutt' upon Best Crofte towards the este and Cok Lane toward the weste, conteynyng 3 acr. di. 1 rod.

Item a close called Palms, lyeng betwixte the lond of Best on the este and a close called Longlyes on the weste, abutt' upon the lond of Alen toward the south and Westefelde of the saide Hott toward the north, cont. 14 acr. di. 13 pche.

Item a close called Westefelde, lyeng betwixte Palms and Best lande on the south and Bourefelde on the north, abutt' upon Asholte toward the este and Hedgefelde toward the weste, conteynyng 20 acr.

Item a close called Assholte, lyeng betwixte Fregett Crofte on the south and the way going by Hott House on the north, abutt. upon Craßys Lane toward the este and Best Lane toward the west, conteynyng 3 acr.

Item a close called Bourefelde, lyeng betwixt the dwelling house called Hott on the south and a close called Jad on the north, abutt. upon Hott Lane toward the este and the lond of Rychard Poullaye, esquier, toward the weste, conteynyng 21 acr. di. rod.

Item a parcell of medowe lyeng in Tunman Medowe, betwixte Carters Closes on the south and the high ryv. on the north, abutt. upon Petyt and Smyth toward the este and Pkers Dole toward the weste, conteynyng 4 acr.

Landes holden by Copie of Courte Roll.

Litle Horkesley.

A close called Cutting, in the teanure of Roberte Cutting, devyded into 2 parts wt. an hedge, lyeng betwixte the lond of Peter Barker on the south and Southfelde on the north, abutt. upon Slad toward the este and parte of the same Southfeld toward the west, and conteyneth 4 acr. 8 pches.

Item a cotage wt. 2 pightell, in the teanure of the saide Roberte Cutting, called Frostel, lieng betwixte Buckel Garden on the este and the londel of Peter Barker on the weste, abutt. uppon Cuttingel towardel the north and London Way towards the south, conteyning 2 acr. 4 pches.

Item a tenement wt. a pightell, in the teanure of John Culparke, called Sladel, lyeng betwixte London Waye on the este and the londel of Robt Cutting on the weste, abutt. uppon Buckel Garden towardel the south and Southfelde towardel the north, conteyning 2 acr.

Item a cotage wt. a pightell called Buckel, in the teanure of Nichas Ball, lyeng betwyxte London Waye on the este and the londel of Robt Cutting on the weste, abutt. uppon the londel of the same Cutting towardel the south and Sladel towardel the north, conteyning di. acr. di. rod.

Item a close called Knoll at Chamberleyns, in the teanure of Thomas Smyth at Howell, wt. a pightell lyeng betwixte Alwyns Lande on the south and Carders Lane on the north, abutt uppon Sculbing towardel the este and Cardye on towardel the weste, conteyning 5 acr.

Item a close called Quidmar, in the teanure of Mestres Abell wydowe, lyeng betwixte Togelane on the south and Reedel Landel on the north, abutt uppon Rede Strete towardel the este and Lytle Quidmar towardel the weste, and conteyneth 19 acr. di.

Item a close called Danyell Lande, in the teanure of Rycharde Mascoll, lyeng betwixte Kyttel Crofte on the south and Lang Crofte on the north, abutt uppon Luggel towardel the este and Rede Stred towardel the west, cont. 10 acr. di.

Item a crofte called Kyttel Crofte, in the teanure of the saide Rycharde, lyeng betwixte Horsepit on the south and Danyell Lande on the north, abuttel uppon Horsepitth Lande towardel the este and Rede Stred towardel the west, cont. 1 acr. di.

Item a pightell called Poundel, in the teanure of Henry Creke, lyeng betwixte the waye leding from Lytle Horkesley church to Crosebury on the south and Boyers Lande on the north, abuttel uppon Boyers towardel the este and Brode Felde Msshe towardel the west, cont. 2 acr. 1 rod.

Item a grove called Brodefelde Grove, in the teanure of Roberte Cowper, lyeng betwixte Boyars on the south and Swygeleys on the north, abuttel uppon Boyars Fenne towardel the este and Brodefelde towardel the west, conteyning di. acr.

Item a cotage wt. a pightell, in the teanure of Maryon Kyng wydowe, called Byrchettel, lyeng betwixte Page Felde Msshe on the south and the waye leding from Litle Horkesley church to Croseborie on the north, abuttel uppon Byrchettel Croftel towardel the este and Lytle Page Felde towardel the weste, cont. di. acr. 1 rod. 15 pches.

Item a pightell called Byrchittel Crofte, in the teanure of the saide Maryon, lyeng betwixte Forlong on the south and the saide high waye on the north, abuttel uppon Southfelde towardel the este and the saide cotage towardel the weste, conteyning 2 acr. di.

Item a litle close wt. a partycion, in the teanure of the saide Maryon, the one called Furlong, the other Spryngottel, lyeng betwixte Rembyns on the weste and Southfelde on the este, abuttel uppon Southfelde

towardel the south and Byrchettel towardel the north, conteyning 4 acr. di. 1 rod. di.

Item a close called Wynes Lande, in the teanure of the saide Maryon, lyeng betwixte Broke Lande on the south and the londel of Willyam Sadeler on the north, abutt uppon Ffyne Lane towardel the este and Lewes Lande towardel the weste, conteyning 8 acr. di. rod. 10 pch.

Item 3 parcell of medowe, in the teanure of the saide Maryon, lyeng in Tunman Medowe, whereof 2 percell lyen togythers there, cont. 3 rod by estym. betwixte the medowe of Thomas Smyth on the one parte and the medowe of Rychard Pooley esquier on the other parte, the one hedd abutt uppon a medowe called Petitel towards the north and th'other hed uppon the saide Rycharde Pooley towardel the south, and the 3^{de} pcell lyeth in the saide medowe, cont. by estm di. rod, betwixte the medowe of Thomas Smyth on the west and the medowe of Roberte Smyth on the este, abutt uppon the medow of Rychard Poley towardel the south and the gret ryv towardel the north, cont. together di. acr. 1 rod. di.

Item a lytle pightell, in the teanure of Willyam Sadeler, called Thikkettel, lyeng betwixte Swingeleys on the este and Thikkettel on the west, abutt uppon Brode Felde Marshe towardel the south and the landel of Willyam Sadeler towards the north, conteyning 1 rod. 4 pches.

Item a close, in the teanure of the saide Wilm, called Olde Haye, lyeng betwixte Haye Grene on the este and the croftel of the saide Sadeler on the weste, abutt uppon Peryfelde towardel the south and Purchase Londe towardel the north, conteyning 5 acr. di. 1 rod. di.

Item 2 closes called Lottel Leyse, in the teanure of the saide Willyam, lyeng betwixte Longley and Brokel Lande on the este and Fregettel Crofte and Crabys Lane on the weste, butt uppon Leysues Lande towardel the south and Fregettel Landel towardel the north, cont. 10 acr. di.

Item a pightell called Dreys Gardeyn, in the teanure of the saide Willyam, lyeng between Crabys Lane on the south and Crabys Lande on the north, abuttel uppon Crabys Lane towardel the este and Crabys Lande towardel the weste, conteyning di. acr. di. rod. 12 pch.

Wiston.

Item a close called Frerys Crofte, in the teanure of Willyam Sellysdon at Bocher, lyeng este, weste, and south, wtin the landel of the abbotte of Cokkisale, abuttel uppon a lane leding to Naylond towardel the north, conteyning 1 acr. di. 10 pches.

Item a close called Norboldel Groundel, in the teanure of the saide Willyam, lyeng betwixte the lane leding to Naylonde on the south and the same Norboldel Landel on the north, abuttel uppon the same londel towardel the este and the Graunge grounde in the teanure of Roberte Cowper towardel the west, conteyning 10 acr. di.

Item a Bromye Close, wth a grove called Norboldel Grounde, in the teanure of the saide Willyam, lyeng betwixte Norboldel Lande on the este and the Graunge grounde in the teanure of the saide Cowp on the west, abuttel uppon Norboldel Landel both north and south, and conteyneth 11 acr. di. rod. 12 pch.

Item a close called Norboldē, in the teanure of the saide Willyam, lyeng betwixte Norboldē Landē on the este and the Graunge groundē on the weste, abuttē uppon Norboldē Landē towardē the south and Corbytē Landē towardē the north, conteyning . . . 4 acr. di. rod. 12 pch.

Item another close called Norboldē, in the teanure of the saide Willyam, lyeng betwixte Wrightē Landē on the este and Norboldē on the weste, abuttē uppon Norboldē towardē the south and Olde Prikkell and a grove called Norboldē towardē the north, conteyning . . . 7 acr. di. 1 rod. 15 pch.

Item another close called Norboldē, in the teanure of the saide Willyam, lyeng betwixte Wrightē Landē on the este and Narboldē on the west, abuttē uppon the lane leding to Naylondē towardē the south and Narboldē towardē the north, and conteyneth 8 acr. 16 pches.

Item a grove, in the teanure of the saide Wylliam, called Norboldē, lyeng betwixte Wrightē Landē on the este and Prikkell Landē on the weste, abuttē uppon Norboldē Groundē towardē the south and Levenheth towardē the north, cont. . . 3 acr.

Item a messuage, w^t. certeyn houses and a gardeyn w^t. th'appertenēce wⁱⁿ a crofte, called Pennes at Mere, in the teanure of Robert Folk, lyeng betwixte Kyngēfelde, sumtyme called Byrche Wood, on the este, and Boured Wood on the weste, abuttē uppon Warepyt Felde towardē the south and Stubbing Landē towardē the north, conteyning . 5 acr.

Boxsted.

The scyte of the personage, w^t. the yarde, in the teanure of Rychard Messing, lyeng betwixte Claye Lane on the south and Mess-

ing Landē on the north, abutt uppon the psonage landē towardē the este and the vy-carage londe towardē the weste, conteyning 1 acr. di. rod. 6 pches.

Item a close, in the teanure of the saide Rychard Messing, called Walcrofte, lyeng betwixte Kingē Landē on the este and the scyte of the psonage on the weste, abuttē uppon the lane leding from the churchē to Otelande Crosse towardē the south and the londē called Messingē, in the teanure of Mastres Abell, towardē the north, conteyning 1 acr. 1 rod.

Item a close, in the teanure of the saide Ryc. Messing, called Otelande, lyeng betwixte Basewey Lane on the este and Claye Lane on the weste, abuttē uppon Claye Lane towardē the south and a lane leding from Otelande Crosse to Corbyttē towardē the north, and conteyneth 8 acr. 5 pches.

Item a close, in the teanure of the saide Ryc. Messing, w^t. a partycion called Hanging Felde, lyeng betwixte the psonage landē on the south and Claye Strete on the north, abuttē uppon Miles Ine towardē the este and Berne Felde towardē the weste, conteyning 3 acr. di. 1 rod.

Item 3 closes, the one called Pounce House Crofte Harrowe, the other Brome Felde, in the teanure of the saide Rychard Messing, lyeng betwixte Wolffettē on the south and Hanging Felde, Barne Felde, and Keñs on the north, abuttē uppon Wolffettē towardē the este and Gatefelde leding to Boxsted churchē towardē the weste, conteyning 14 acr. di. 1 rod.

Item a close called Bernefelde, in the teanure of the saide Messing, lyeng betwixte Harrowe on the south and the lane leding to Clay Strete on the north, abutt uppon Hanging Crofte towardē the este and the Vycars Crofte towardē the weste, conteyning .6 acr. di. 1 rod

Priory of Wangford, otherwise called Reydon St. Peters, in Suffolk.



wich, to St. Peter and St. Paul.

ANNER says, here was a priory of Cluniac monks, Cell to Thetford, before the year 1160,^b said to have been founded by Doudo Asini,^c steward to the king's household. It was often seized, during the wars with France, as alien; but was made denizen in the 17th Ric. II. It was dedicated, according to Weever, to St. Mary; according to the Registers of the diocese of Nor-

The entries relating to the possessions of this priory in the Taxation of 1291 are as follow:

"Spiritual.

Dioc. Norw.	£.	s.	d.
Porcio in Estone.	0	13	4.

Temporal.

Redd. in Carleton	0	0	6
Redd. in Benacre	0	12	9½
Redd. in Soterle	0	8	8
De redd. terr. et foet. anim. in Stonene	3	16	5
Terr. in Sothertone	0	12	0
Redd. in Bliford	0	3	8

^a Tanner says, often so called, because then probably in Reydon; and Wangford hath grown into a distinct parish from it since that time.

^b In the charter of King Henry II. (attested by Robert bishop of Exeter, who died A.D. 1159, by Nigel bishop of Ely and Hilary bishop of Chichester, who both died A.D. 1169,) mention is made of the monks of Thetford as being settled here.

^c So Leland, Collectanea, vol. i. p. 62; but in the collection of the "Dapiferi Regis" made by Mr. Madox (Hist. of the Exchequer, pp. 34, 35,) there is no such name, nor in any of the historians or records, as far as bishop Tanner could find. He says, quære, therefore, whether Doudo Asini was not the same with Eudo Dapifer, the founder of St. John's Colchester, who subscribed Bishop Herbert's charter to Nor-

wich immediately after Roger Bigot, the founder of Thetford, and out of respect to him might give this place to that monastery temp. Hen. I. Weever ascribes the foundation of this House to one ANSERED of France; and amongst the deeds of Sir John Rous's family is a charter of Sir Geraline de Vernuns, who grants and confirms "Deo et ecclesiæ S. Patri de Wangford et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus quicquid pater meus Anteredus eis dedit et concessit, scilicet ecclesiam de Reinduna cum capella de Rissemere et omnibus ad eam pertinentibus, et molendinum aquaticum de Reinduna cum stagno, et unam acram terræ, quæ jacet juxta molendinum, ad emendationem stagni." Tanner says this deed is without date; but Rogerus filius Osberti being a witness, he supposes him to have been Roger Fitz Osbert, founder of Herlingfleet priory, who flourished in the reign of King John and King Henry

Dioc. Norw.	£.	s.	d.
Redd. in Hensted	0	0	3
Terr. et redd. in Bramptone	2	3	0½
Redd. in Northale	0	0	6
Molend. in Swynelaund	1	0	0
De terr. redd. et foetuanim. in Wangeford	4	3	5½
Redd. in Wysete	0	0	8
De Terr. et redd. in Frostendene	0	10	2½ ^a

were only a Prior and Two Monks; but Tanner discovered a will dated A. D. 1451, in which a bequest is made “Priori de Wansforth et tribus monachis ibidem habitantibus.”^e

Tanner has the following references concerning this priory to public records:

“Fin. Suff. 33 Hen III. n. 69, de mess. et terris in Stoven, Shadenfeld, &c. Fin. Suff. 36 Hen. III. n. 190, de mess. in Henham, et curia prioris in Wangford.

“Escaet. Suff. 28 Edw. I. n. 106.
“Escaet. Suff. 17 Edw. II. n. 75, de advocacione prioratus pertin. ad maner. de Reydon, de quo Audomarus nuper comes Pembroc. fuit seisitus.

“Pat. Moritonii, 34 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 13, custodia hujus prioratus commissa Collegio de Windsor. Bund. benef. alienig. 48 Edw. III. de eccl. de North Hales, Stoven, West Roidon cum Southwold in proprios usus.

“Pat. 17 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 14, quod reputetur pro indigena.

“Rec. in Scacc. 11 Hen. VI. Trin. rot. 2.”

In the Hundred Roll of the 3d. Edw. I. we read, “Item prior de Wangeford tenet unum mariscum in Bregg de feod. milit. de feod. com. mariscall. ex longo tempore.”^f

There are no Ministers’ Accounts of this priory in the Augmentation Office.

Some slight traces of this House are visible on the north side of the church of Wangford.^g

The proceeds, it will be seen, from the different places mentioned, amounted to an annual income of little more than thirteen pounds.

A more full account of the possessions of this house will be found in an Extent in the Appendix, dated in the 44th Edw. III.^b

The name of one prior only has occurred: viz. REGINALD, in the 3d Ed. I.^c

At the time of the Dissolution the yearly revenues of this priory amounted to 30*l.* 9*s.* 5*d.*^d The site was granted, together with the monastery of Thetford, in the 32d Henry VIII. to Thomas duke of Norfolk; whose son sold it to Sir John Rous in the year 1612. In this family it still continues, being the property of the Earl of Stradbroke, who is also lord of the manor of Wangford, and patron of the church, which is a perpetual curacy.

Leland, in his Collectanea, tom. i. p. 62, and a manuscript in the library of Benet College, Cambridge, say here

Cartae ad Wangfordensem Prioratum in agro Suffolciensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Edm. fil. Edw. Charles militis, de Homagio et Servizio Prioris de Wangeford pro Terris in Wangeford et Stovene.

[Cart. Harl. antiq. 48 A. 10.]

PATEAT universis per praesentes quod ego Edmundus filius Edwardi Charles militis concessi, dedi, et hoc praesenti scripto confirmavi Rogero de Hales personae ecclesiae de North Walsham homagium et servicium prioris de Wangeford et decem libratas annui redditus cum pertinentiis quos dictus prior michi reddere consuevit pro diversis terris et tenementis quae de me tenuit in villis de Wangeford et Stovene et alibi in com. Suff. habend. et percipend. praedictas decem libratas redditus annuatim de terris et ten. praedictis ad festum Nativitatis sancti Johannis Baptistae tota vita ipsius Rogeri de capit. dominis feodi per servitia quae ad praedictum redditum pertinerent. Et ego praedictus Edmundus et haeredes mei homag. et servit. praedicti prioris et praedictum redditum cum pertin. praedicto Rogero tota vita ipsius Rogeri contra omnes gentes warantizabimus. In cujus rei testimonium huic scripto sigillum meum apposui domino Johanne de Hales, Gregorio de Castello, militibus; Thoma Bages, Petro Bukskyn, Waltero de Hales, Henr. atte Brigge, Johanne Fraunceys, Rogero de Norton, Johanne de Lymphenhowe, hujus rei testibus, et aliis. Dat. apud Norton die Veneris proxima post festum sancti Lucae Evangelistae anno regni regis Edwardi tertii a Conquestu tertio.

the Third. There is another charter, he adds, of Richard Fitz Williams, giving to God and St. Mary and the monks of Thetford, “pro anima avi mei Dodonis et patris mei Willelmi, &c. ecclesiam S. Petri de Wangheford et capellam S. Mariae de Rissemere, cum omnibus rebus quae ad eas pertinent, libere in hominibus et terris et decimis, et nemore, et virgulta, et totam moram quae est admissione terrae Roberti Oligrant de Huchessale [perhaps Uggeshale] usque ad Caldewelle.” This deed is also without date. Both are printed in Gardiner’s Hist. of Dunwich, p. 254.

^a See the Taxat. Eccles. pp. 104 b, 114 b, 119, 126, 126 b, 127.
^b See Num. II.

NUM. II.

Extenta de Wangford.

[MS. Mus. Brit. Donat. 6164, fol. 422.]

EXTENTA terrarum et ten. ecclesiarum et reddit. tam temporalium quam spiritualium pertin. priori et conventui de Wangeford facta apud Wangeford die Mercurii prox. post festum Ramis-palmarum coram Johanne de Rokwood escaet. domini regis in com. Norff. ac Suff. anno r. r. Edw. III. a Conq. xliiij^o. virtute cujusdam brevis domini regis huic extentae consut. per sacramentum Bartholomei de Weston, Johannis Mykleboy, Roberti Quyntyn, Johannis de Gesolm, Willielmi Fraunceys, et aliorum qui dicunt super sacramentum suum quod prior de Wangeford tenet situm prioratus quod valet per annum iiij^s. Item est ibidem unum columbarium quod valet per annum ultra reprisas x^s. Sunt ibidem vj^{xx}. iiij. acr. terrae arabilis pertin. ad dictum priorat. quae valent per annum ultra redd. resolut. capitalibus Dominis in omnibus exitibus xx^s. vj^d. Item iiij. acr. prati in Wangeford quae val. per annum in omnibus exit. praeter redd. res. vj^s. Item ij. acr. bosc. in Reydon quae val. per annum ultra redd. res. ij^s. Item v. acr. marisc. in Wangeford quae val. per annum ultra redd. res. ij^s. vj^d. Item iiij. acr. prati apud Bramton quae val. per annum ultra redd. res. iiij^s. vj^d. Item tenet j. acr. pasturae in Uggechale quae val. per annum ultra redd. res. xij^d. Item in Wangeford et alibi in hundr. de Blith et Wayneford de redd. assis. pertin. ad dictum prioratum xl^s. Item servic. et cons. provenienc. de diversis cest.^h per annum xix^d. Item apud

^c Rot. Hund. tom. ii. com. Suff. p. 149. “Juratores dicunt quod Will. Giffard vicecomes cepit Reginaldum priorem de Wangeford in curia magistri Philippi de Wangeford, et ipsum contra pacem violenter tractavit et ipsum vi et injuste deduxerunt ad castrum Norwici et ibi infra castrum ipsum prior per septem dies retinuit et non potuit deliberari ullo modo quousque fecit sibi finem de septem marcis quas sibi paravit injuste.”

^d See the Appendix, Num. IV.
^e Notit. Monast. Suff. xlv. note.^p
^f Rot. Hund. tom. ii. p. 148.
^g Taylor, Index Monast. p. 91.

^h sic.

Stoneire unum mesuagium vj^{xx}. acr. terræ, ij. acr. prati, unam acram bosc. et xv^s. de redd. assis. quæ val. per annum cix^s. iiij^d. et redd. ultra Georgio Filbygge et aliis dominis feodi per annum x^{li}. xiijs. ix^d. Item tenet de spiritual. videlicet eccl. de Wangeford quæ val. per annum x. marc. Item tenet ecclesiam de Reydon cum capell. de Soutweld quæ val. per annum x^{li}. Item tenet ecclesiam de Northals quæ val. per annum x^{li}. Item tenet ecclesiam de Stovene quæ val. per annum lx^s. Item habet quandam pens. de ecclesia de Estone quæ valet per annum xiijs. iiij^d. ut per evidenc. dicti prioris dicto esc. ostens. In cujus rei testimonium huic extentæ prædicti juratores sigilla sua apposuerunt. Dat. loco et anno supradictis.

NUM. III.

[From the original, temp. Hen. VI. at the Tower.]
THE PRIOR OF WANGFORD VERSUS JOHN WYNDE.
BILL filed against defendant for breaking the walls of the cloister of Wangford priory in Suffolk.
To the reverent Fader yn God, Bysshop of Bathe, Chaunceler of Ingland :
Besechith lowely youre humble oratour the priour of Wangford yn the shire of Suffolk, for as muche as oon John Wynde wt. othir mo unknowen, wt. force, a geynst the pees of oure soveyn lorde the kyng, have broken up the walles and cloystre of the sayd Priorie, the Moneday next to fore the fest of Seynt Kateryn the yere of the regne of our soverayn lorde the kyng aforeseid the xij^e. wher thoru the sayd suppliant and al his brethrun, beyng in grete doute, yn partie bothe of here lyves and of here godes. And the sayd illedoers seyng that thei wolle have the sayd cloystre comen to hem and to all other psones, and elles the priour shall not a byde ther yn rest, and the pryncipal cause why that thei be so violent is, for the sayd suppliant brought to writtes sub pena a geynst to othir mysdoers, by you gaunte as it likid you of youre gracious lordship : wherfore like it you of youre gracious lordship to gaunte a writte of sub pena directe to the foresaid misdoer, for to a pere a fore you yn the Chauncerie of oure soverayn lorde the kyng, for the love of God and yn wey of charite.

NUM. IV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.
[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]
WANGEFFORD PRIORAT' MONACHOR' 1B'M.
Tempal'.
Redd' et Firm' in Wangefford cu' Membr'.
Valet in redd' assis' ißm p annu' . 10l. 16s. 4d.
Firm' terr' dñic' 4l. 0s. 0d.
Firm' grangii voc' le Reye p annu' . 4l. 13s. 4d.
19l. 9s. 8d.
Inde Repris'.
Resoluc' Redd'.
In redd' resolut' Brewes p annu' . 10l. 0s. 0d.
Duci Suff' manñis s' de Frostenden . 0l. 6s. 0d.

Et Henham 1l. 6s. 8d.
Mañio de Roydon 0l. 1s. 9½d.
Mañio de Ugeshale 0l. 0s. 4d.
Mañio de Southerton 0l. 0s. 3d.
Et bañio hundr' de Blythyng p a^m . 0l. 2s. 4½d.
11l. 17s. 5d.
Feod' Offic'.
Et in feod' Humfri Wyngfeld milit' capital' sen^r ißm . 0l. 13s. 4d.
Ac in feod' Joñis Lane bañi et collector' redd' pñdict' p annu' 1l. 13s. 4d.
2l. 6s. 8d.
14l. 4s. 1d.
Et valet clare 5l. 5s. 7d.
Spual'.
Ecclesiæ appropriat'.
Roydon cu' Capell' de Southwold.
Valet in firm' rector' ißm p annu' . 13l. 6s. 8d.
Covehith.
Valet in firm' rector' ißm p annu' . 4l. 0s. 0d.
Wangeford.
Valet in firm' rector' ißm p annu' . 8l. 0s. 0d.
Stoven.
Valet in firm' rector' ißm p annu' . 3l. 6s. 8d.
Porc' et Pençodes.
Ugeshall.
Valet in porc' decimar' ißm p a^m . 0l. 6s. 8d.
Eston Bavent.
Valet in quad^am penc' eccl'ie ißm p a^m 0l. 13s. 4d.
29l. 13s. 4d.
Inde
Procurac' et Sinodal'.
In peur' et sinodal' eþo Norwic' et archio Suff' p pñdict' eccl'is appropriat' p annu' ex antiqua consuetud' . 0l. 16s. 2d.
Recognic' et Porçodes.
Et in ptin' recognic' priori de Thetford p annu' . 0l. 6s. 8d.
Porc' elimos' eccl'ie Xpi in Norwic' p decimis in Henham p annu' 2l. 13s. 4d.
Et prior' de Blyburgh p a^m 0l. 13s. 4d.
3l. 13s. 4d.
4l. 9s. 6d.
Et valet clare 25l. 3s. 10d.
Sm^a to^{lis} clare valoris d'.
Tempal' 5l. 5s. 7d. } 30l. 9s. 5d.
Spual' 25l. 3s. 10d. }
Inde p x^a 3l. 0s. 11½d.

Priory of Montacute, in Somersetshire.



ANNER, from a passage or two in the Histories of Glastonbury, ascribes the foundation of Montacute priory to King William the Conqueror :^a but Leland, and the charter of endowment which will be found in the Appendix,^b make it more probable that it was really founded by William earl of Moreton, who amply endowed it, and granted it to the monks of Cluny

in the beginning of the reign of Henry the First.^c It was dedicated to St. Peter and St. Paul.

The possessions and privileges of this priory are so fully detailed in the charters of King Henry the First and King Henry the Second, that a recapitulation here is unnecessary.^d A grant of land at Cairleon from Winebald de Baeluna is recorded in a separate charter.^e

In the 13th of Edward the Third, the advowson or patronage of this priory was granted to William de Montacute, earl of Salisbury ;^f and in the following year was confirmed in a more extended form to him and his heirs.^g

The revenues of Montacute in 1291 amounted, in the diocese of Bath and Wells alone, to the sum of 163*l.* 11*s.* 1*d.* and in the dioceses of Exon and Salisbury to 9*l.* 3*s.* 6½*d.* : making a total of 172*l.* 14*s.* 7½*d.*^h According to an Extent of the lands belonging to this priory in Somersetshire in the 18th of Edward the Second, the same were found to amount to the annual revenue of 44*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.*

In the 8th of Henry the Fourth this priory was made denizen. In the 26th of Henry the Eighth its gross revenues were returned at the sum of 524*l.* 11*s.* 8½*d.* The clear income at 456*l.* 13*s.* 3¼*d.*ⁱ

^a Notit. Mon. Somers. xxxiii. Compare Hist. Glaston. per Joan. monachum, p. 155.
^b See Num. II.
^c Tanner himself observes, that not the least notice is taken of William the Conqueror's donations to this house in the subsequent grants and confirmations.
^d Numm. III. IV. ^e Num. VI.
^f Num. VII. ^g Num. VIII.
^h The following are the entries relating to Montacute priory in the Taxation: they will be found in pp. 152 b, 178 b, 184, 184 b, 185, 196, 197, 197 b, 198, 198 b, 200, 203 b, 204, and 204 b, of the printed edition.

Spiritual. et Temporal.			
Dioc. Bath. et Wellen. Portiones Prioris de Monte Acuto.			
	£.	s.	d.
Ecclesia de Cynnok decani, in decanatu Iwelcestr.	10	13	4
Ecclesia de Monte Acuto in eodem decanatu .	10	0	0
Pensio prioris de Monte Acuto in ecclesia de Camelarton in decanatu de Frome	0	8	0
Pensio ejusdem in ecclesia de Gerlyngton in decanatu de Kary	0	10	0
Pensio ejusdem in ecclesia de Genele in decanatu de Merston	5	0	0
Pensio ejusdem in ecclesia de Merston in decanatu de Merston	0	7	0
Pensio ejusdem in ecclesia de Tintenhull in decanatu de Iwelcestr.	0	13	4
Pensio ejusdem in ecclesia de Cicelbere in eodem decanatu	5	0	0
Pensio ejusdem in ecclesia de Crich in decanatu Tanton	0	6	8
Pensio ejusdem in ecclesia de Norton in eodem decanatu	0	5	0
Item temporalia ejusdem prioris apud Clovesworth in decanatu de Merston	13	0	0
Apud Estcoker in eodem decanatu	0	16	0
Apud Westcoker in eodem decanatu	0	3	0
Apud Genele et Preston in eodem decanatu	0	4	0
Apud Chilton in eodem decanatu	0	2	0
Apud Modeforde in eodem decanatu	8	0	0
Apud Iwelcestr. in decanatu Iwelcestr.	0	2	0

PRIORS of MONTACUTE.

Willis, in his Mitred Abbies, has given us from a Cottonian manuscript which has long since been reduced to a state little better than a crust,^k a long List of the Priors of Montacute ; some of whose names are not mentioned elsewhere. This List is here repeated, but with various additions, and a continuation to the time of the Dissolution. The Priors were :

- 1. WALTER, *t.* Hen. I.
- 2. PONTIUS.
- 3. GUIGONUS.
- 4. RALPH.
- 5. ALMERUS.
- 6. ARVALDUS.
- 7. DRANDUS.
- 8. WILLIAM.
- 9. JOSSELIN.
- 10. THOMAS. He was afterwards, A.D. 1174, elected abbat of Hyde.
- 11. HUGH.
- 12. VIGO.
- 13. RICHARD.
- 14. PONTIUS.
- 15. PETER.
- 16. SIMON.
- 17. SIMON.
- 18. DANIEL.
- 19. DURAND. This prior was deprived for his irregularities in the 9th of King John, A.D. 1207.^l According to the Annals of Lewes, he was restored in 1217, but was again expelled : “ M.CC.XVII. Eodem anno rediit prior Durannus, qui postea, facto cismate inter illum et conventum expulsus est.”^m
- 20. MARC succeeded him. In the Cottonian manuscript he was named MARCUS FISCUS BONUS, probably from his skill in medicine. He died in or about 1228, if an entry upon the Hundred Rolls may be relied upon.ⁿ But

	£.	s.	d.
Apud Thorn in eodem decanatu	3	5	0
Apud Cumok in eodem decanatu	10	0	0
Apud Montem Acutum in eodem decanatu	13	0	0
Apud Tintenhulle in eodem decanatu	20	0	0
Et apud diversa loca apud Montem Acutum in eodem decanatu	1	0	9
Apud Crich in decanatu Tanton	60	0	0
Apud Bradeford in decanatu eodem	0	10	0
Et apud Strengeston in decanatu de Brug	0	5	0
Summa	163	11	1

Dioc. Exon.			
Temp.	Manerium de Monkleigh quod tax.	5	3 8½
Dioc. Sarum.			
Temp.	In Alfordskellingg	0	13 4
	In Gyllyngham	1	11 6
	In Osmund	1	5 0
Dioc. Exon.			
Spirit.	Porc. in ecclesia de Atford	0	10 0

ⁱ See the Append. Num. IX.
^k MS. Cotton. Tib. A. x. burnt in the fire of 1731. The middle part of a large portion of the leaves is legible, and all that could be, has been carefully examined for the present Account.
^l “ Rex, &c. omnibus, &c. Monstraverunt nobis subprior et monachi de Monte Acuto quod Durandus qui prior fuit ejusdem loci male et inutiliter gessit se in regimine prioratus illius, et illum adeo intus et extra destruxit quod inde meruit amoveri. Nos vero tam istas quam alias multas et graves querelas audientes de eo et injurias, cum domus illa de speciali elemosina nostra sit et honori et utilitati nostræ congruat ut utiliter tractetur, mandavimus venerabili patri nostro J. Bathon. episcopo, ut, adducens secum quos viderit expedire, diligentem super hiis faciat inquisitionem ; volentes quod si idem episcopus ita esse invenerit, et per suas literas patentes id testificatus fuerit, prædictus Durandus de prioratu illo in nullo de cætero se intromittat. Quare volumus quod domui illi de alia persona honesta et utili provideatur ; ita quod dignitas nostra quam in illo prioratu et aliis habemus in nullo minuat. Teste meipso apud Odiham vicesimo primo die Decembris anno regni nostri nono.” Pat. 9 Joh. m. 4, n. 23.
^m Annal. de Lewes, Tib. A. x.
ⁿ See the Rot. Hundred, tom. ii. p. 131.

in the remains of the Cottonian MS. Tiber. A. x. under the year 1251, it is said, "eodem anno fuit abbas Willielmus Clun. apud Montem Acutum in octab. apostolorum Petri et Pauli et amovit Marcum priorem et tunc primo interfuerunt escaetores Henrici regis domum Montis Acuti."

21. ROGER NORMANNUS. ROGER, as Prior of Montacute, was preferred by the abbat of Clugny to the priory of Lenton, in Nottinghamshire, in 1259.^a

22. HUGH DE NOERS, or NOYERS, his successor, was collated to Montacute Sept. 17th, 1259.^b

23. GILBERT DE BASSA, or BEXOLIO. His election received the royal assent, and he had the temporalities of the monastery restored to him, Jan. 30th, 1265.^c

24. GUY, called also GUYDO DE MERCHAUNT, or MARCANT, became prior in 1269,^d and again in 1284.^e Ruding, in his Annals of the Coinage of Britain, 8^{vo}. edit. vol. ii. p. 88, A.D. 1279, says, "The clipping of the coins appears at this time not to have been confined to the lower orders of the people, but to have been practised even by ecclesiastics of the higher ranks. Guy, the prior of Montacute, was convicted of that crime, but was pardoned by the king on condition of the payment of a fine of sixty marks in this year. It should seem that he was again convicted not only of the same crime, but of counterfeiting also, in the 13th year of the king; for which he again received a pardon, but paid a fine of two hundred marks.^f

25. PETER GAUDEMER was constituted prior in 1289.^g Upon whose death,

26. JOHN DE BELLO RAMO received the temporalities June 8th, 1290.^h

27. GEOFFREY LE DOSA, or DE LA DOUSE, had the temporalities granted to him July 26th, 1292.ⁱ

28. STEPHEN PAULINUS, otherwise ROWLAN, or RAWLUN, received the temporalities July 4th, 1296.^k

29. JOHN CAPRARIUS, or CAPRARRI, received the temporalities Oct. 12th, 1316.^l Upon whose resignation,

30. GUYCHARD DE IO, or DE JOU, was appointed. He received the temporalities June 6th, 1325.^m He was still prior in 1331.ⁿ

31. JOHN DE PORTA.^o

32. JOHN DE PORTA II.^p

33. GERALDUS ROCHE occurs prior in 1362.^q

34. FRANCISCUS, otherwise FRANCIS DE BANGIACO, occurs in 1399,^r and again in 1403.^s Upon whose death,

35. WILLIAM CRYCHE was appointed prior 18 Jan. 1403.^t He died in 1419.^u

36. JOHN BENNET was the next prior. He occurs, according to Willis's manuscript Notes, in 1449.^x

37. ROBERT MONTAGEWE, or MONTACUTE, was appointed prior Feb. 1st, 1452.^y Willis took his name to have been NEWTON also; but, upon the death of Montagewe,

38. ROBERT NEWTON succeeded; to whom the temporalities of the priory were restored Nov. 11th, 1458.^z He resigned in 1460; when

39. ROBERT CRICHE was elected. He received the temporalities Feb. 23d.^a Upon his death,

40. JOHN DORE, or DOURE, succeeded. He received the temporalities April 11th, 1467.^b He died in 1483: on the 9th of June in which year the temporalities were restored to

41. JOHN WATER,^c who occurs prior in 1498.^d

42. THOMAS CHARD occurs 1515 and 1525.^e

43. ROBERT SHIRBURN had the temporalities granted to him, by that name, August 29th, 1532.^f He appears also to have been called WHITLOCK, *alias* GYBBES. He, with his convent, consisting of thirteen monks, resigned his house to the king March 29th, 1539, obtaining a pension for himself of eighty pounds per annum.^g

The site of Montacute priory, with many of the adjacent lands and manors, were granted in the 33d of Henry the Eighth to Sir Thomas Wyatt,^h but was afterwards again vested in the Crown. The site and demesnes appear to have been leased from the crown in the 2d and 3d of Philip and Mary, for the term of forty years, to Eliz. Strowde.ⁱ In the 26th Eliz. the site was granted to the Earl of Leicester.^k

Tanner gives the following references to public records concerning this Priory:

"Cart. 1 Joan. p. 1, m. 8, n. 55, pro parco juxta monasterium. Pat. 9 Joan. m. 4, n. 23, de deprivatione Durandi prioris.

"Cart. 30 Hen. III. m. 2; pro feria apud capellam S. Michaelis. Cart. 37 Hen. III. m. 8, pro lib. war. in Montacuto, Cynnok, Tytenhulle, Clonesworth, Criche, Modiforde, et Tuthington. Cart. 53 Hen. III. m. 13, pro mercat. et feria apud Criche. Cart. 54 Hen. III. m. 8, 9, 10.

"Plac. in com. Somerset, 13 Edw. I. quo war. rot. 63, alloc. libertatum. Cart. 13 Edw. I. n. 43, pro maner. eccl. et hundred. de Titenhella, maner. de Bishopston, &c. Cart. 19 Edw. I. n. 19, pro advoc. eccl. de Evilton concess. episc. Bathon et Wellens. Pat. 30 Edw. I. m. . Fin. Somerset, 31 Edw. I. n. 112, pro advoc. ii. partium eccl. de Odecumb.

"Claus. 12 Edw. II. m. 8 d, de maner. de Tutinhall et Est Chinnok, et advoc. ecclesiarum. Claus. 18 Edw. II. m. 8, de maner. de East Chinnok.

"Pat. 4 Edw. III. p. 2, m. . Escaet. Somerset. 6 Edw. III. n. 127. Pat. 10 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 32, pro eccl. de Chirche. Pat. 15 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 5. Pat. 18 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 1 et 2. Pat. 28 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 1, de eccl. de Criche approprianda. Pat. 36 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 9. Claus. 46 Edw. III. m. 12. Bund. benef. alienig. 48 Edw. III.

"Pat. 4 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 29. Parl. 8 Ric. II. n. 14, reversing a judgment given in the King's Bench touching Tytenhull manor.

"Pat. 1 Hen. IV. p. 5, m. 11. Pat. 8 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 10, pro indigenatione. Pat. 12 Hen. IV. m. 6.

"Pat. 2 Hen. V. p. 2, m. 38.

"Pat. 4 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 23.

"Pat. 6 Edw. IV. p. 3, m. 9.

"Rec. in Scacc. 26 Hen. VIII. Pasch. rot. 25."

In the Abbreviatio Placitorum of the 15th of John, pag. 89, is an entry relating to the claim of the prior of Montacute to the presentation to the church of Lerky in Cornwall.

Other entries in the 9th and 14th of Edward. the First occur, pp. 199, 210, and 279, concerning a dispute with

^a Pat. 44 Hen. III. m. 3.

^b Ibid.

^c Pat. 50 Hen. III. m. 32.

^d "M.cc.lxix. Isto anno die Martis intravit Guido de Marcant prioratum Montis Acuti." MS. Cotton.

^e Pat. 13 Edw. I.

^f See the Abbrev. Rot. Orig. pp. 33, 49.

^g Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 199. See also Pat. 18 Edw. I.

^h Pat. 19 Edw. I.

ⁱ Pat. 21 Edw. I.

^k Pat. 25 Edw. I.

^l Pat. 10 Edw. II. p. 1.

^m Pat. 19 Edw. II.

ⁿ See Rym. Fœd. tom. iv. p. 469.

^o Willis. Mit. Ab. ut supr.

^p Ibid.

^q Harl. MS. 6964, p. 153.

^r Rym. Fœd. tom. viii. p. 103.

^s Registr. Arundel archiep. Cant. fol. 292 b.

^t Ibid.

^u Pat. 7 Hen. V.

^x MS. Cole, Brit. Mus. vol. xxvii. fol. 86 b.

^y Harl. MS. 6966, p. 76, è Registr. Bekynton episc. Bathon. et Wellen.

^z Pat. 37 Hen. VI. p. 1.

^a Pat. 1 Edw. IV. p. 3.

^b Pat. 7 Edw. IV. p. 1.

^c Pat. 1 Edw. V. m. 4. See MS. Lansd. 963, p. 51.

^d Harl. MS. 6966, p. 155, è Registr. Oliv. King episc. Bathon. et Wellen.

^e MS. Cole, Brit. Mus. vol. xxvii. fol. 86 b.

^f Pat. 24 Hen. VIII. See MS. Lansd. ut supr. p. 62.

^g See the list of pensions granted to the prior and monks in the Appendix, Num. X. from the original in the Augmentation Office.

^h Orig. 33 Hen. VIII. p. 3. Somers. Dors. Kanc. "Rex xxxj. die Martii in consideratione maneriorum de Otterpole, Snaue, Warehorne, et Blakemanston, ac mesuag. &c. in Warehorne, Bylsyngton, Snaue, Ivechurche, Blakemanston, Newechurche, Sainct Maria Churche, Lydene, Selling, Ostinghanger, Teneham, Tong, Bapchilde, Lynstede, Ospryng, Borden, Dunstall, Bobbing, Sittingborne, Rayneham, Gillingham, Upchurche, et Cheteham, in com. Kanc. concessit Thomæ Wyatt reversionem scitus manerii de Maitham in com. Kanc. ac etiam scit. monasterii de MONTE ACUTO, ac terr. &c. in Tytenhall et Mountayne in com. Somers. ac etiam scit. nuper monasterii de Tarrant, et terr. &c. in Terrant et Parva Crayford, ac scit. manerii de Kayneston in com. Dorset. habend. ei et hæred. suis imperpetuum." ro. xxvj.

ⁱ Orig. 2 et 3 Phil. et Mar. p. 2. Somers. "De firma totius scitus nuper monasterii de Mountegue in com. Somers. cum divers. al. terr. et ten. ibidem spect. pro termino xl. annorum post mortem Elizabethæ Strowde concess." ro. xiiij.

^k See Tann. Notit. Mon. ut supr.

Hugh Lovel, respecting the manor of Tyntahalt. In the 11th Edward II. p. 334, we have "Relaxatio Ricardi Lovel domini de Carycastle facta priori de Monte Acuto de toto jure suo in maneriis de Tintenhull et Estchinnok, ac in ecclesiis maneriorum prædictorum, ac in hundred. de Tintenhull," &c. rot. 104.

In the hundred roll for Somerset, 4th Ed. I. hundr. de Hundesberg, we read,

"Dicunt quod prior Montis Acuti habet hundr. de Kyndesberg a quo tempore dicunt a fundamento domus per Com. de Morteyne per quod war. nesciunt. Dicunt etiam quod valet per annum ijs."^a

Under the manor of Montacute, it is said,

"Juratores dicunt quod prior de Monte Acuto capit omnia averia provenientia de astraure, sed nesciunt quo waranto."^b

The charter of confirmation from King Henry the First, with another charter respecting suit due to the king at his hundred of Horethorne in Somersetshire, are given in the Placita de Quo Waranto of the 8th Edw. I.^c

Among the Harleian charters in the British Museum, is one, 44 G. II. "Carta Guidonis ministri domus Montis

Acuti Henrico de la Broke concessa de terris in Tintehall. Dat. apud Montem Acutum die Lunæ prox. post festum B. Katerinæ A. D. m.cc.lxxiii.

Appendant to the surrender, dated 20 March, 30 Hen. VIII. and remaining in the Augmentation Office, is the Common Seal of the priory, having for its subject the Blessed Virgin, seated, crowned, and bearing in her left hand a sceptre, in her right the infant Jesus; on her dexter side stands St. Paul, on the sinister St. Peter; over them is a Gothic canopy of three compartments, and underneath them an arch, wherein is a monk praying, on each side of him a cinquefoil. Legend mostly gone, all that remains being s .

. MONTIS ACUTI.

The following CELLS were dependent on Montacute, CARESWELL in Devonshire, HOLME in Dorsetshire, St. SYRIAC in Cornwall, and MALPAS in Monmouthshire.

BABLEW, in Tintinhull, is mentioned in Strachey's List of Religious Houses in Somersetshire, printed at the end of Hearne's edition of Hemingford, p. 646; but it was only one of its estates.

Cartae ad Montis-acuti Coenobium in agro Somersetensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

[Leland. collectan. tom. i. p. 77.]

GULIELMUS, comes Moritonie in Normannia primus fundator; sed, à tempore Henrici primi, reges Angliæ fundatores.

Hoc monasterium habet quatuor cellas, videlicet, Carswelle, Holme, S. Caroke, Mallepasse in Walliæ finibus.

Unaquæque harum cellarum alit duos monachos.

[Lel. Itin. vol. ii. fol. 52.]

I redde in the boke of the antiquities of Glessenbyri, that this toun was caullid in the Saxons tyme Logaresburch. Sum thynke that ther was a gret castel and fortresse at this toun yn the Saxons tyme. Sum say that the counte of Moretone builded a castelle there sone aftir the conquest; but that a castelle hath bene there, and that the counte of Moretone lay yn it, it is without doute. This county chaungid the old name and caullid it Montegue, bycause it stode on a sharpe point of an hylle, and syns that name hath prevailid. This counte of Moreton began a priory of blak monks, a three or fower in nombre, under the roots of Montegue hille, enduing it with three faier lordships, Montegue and Titenhul joyning to it; the third was Chriche a ten myles from Montegu, west south-west.

The count of Moreton toke part with Robert Curthose agayne King Henry the First, and aftir was toke, put in prisone and his landes attaintid; at which tyme the three lordships gyven to Montegue priorie were takyn away, and then were the monks compellyd to begge for a certein season. At the last King Henry the First, had pyte of them, and

^a Rot hundred. tom. ii. p. 129.

^b Ibid. p. 138.

^c Plac. de quo war. pp. 696, 702.

^d Dugdale has given a Latin version of this extract, from Leland's Itinerary.

"Id est,

"In antiquitatum Glastoniensium codice legi hanc villam Saxonum ævo Logaresburch fuisse nuncupatam. Quidam existimant amplum in diebus illis hinc fuisse castellum et arcem. Quidam ferunt comitem Moretonium castellum ibi post conquestum [Normannicum] erexisse. Certo autem certius est, castellum ibi fuisse erectum, comitemque Moretonium ibi commoratum esse. Vetus nomen comes iste mutavit, et Montegue nominavit, quod ad acutum montis verticem staret, quod quidem nomen postea duravit. Comes iste Moretonius nigrorum monachorum, trium numero vel quatuor, prioratum sub montis illius radicibus incepit, tres amplios pagos, Montegue videlicet, et Titenhul eidem adjacentes ei in dotem dans: tertius erat Chriche decimo à Montegue lapide ad occidentem quæ vergit ad austrum.

offerid them ther own landis agayn and more, so that they wold leve that place and go to Lamporte, wher at that tyme he entyndyd to have made a notable monasterie, but the monks intreatid him that they might kepe ther old house; and upon that he restorid them ther three lordshipps, translatyng his minde of building an abbay, from Lamporte to Reading. Then came one Reginaldus Cancellarius, so namyd, by likelyhode, of his offyce, a man of gret fame about King Henry the First, and he felle to religion, and was prior of Montegue, and enlarged yt with buildings and possessions: and thus the priorie encreasing, and the hole lordship of Montegue beyng in the monks possession, the notable castelle partely fell to ruine, and partely was takyn doune to make the priory; so that many yeres synce no building of yt remaynid, only a chapelle was sette upon the very toppe of the dungeon, and that yet stondith ther.^d

[Lel. Coll. vol. iii. p. 255.]]

Mons-acutus, Britannicè Brent Cnolle, id est, Rannum mons vel collis.

Mons-acutus ex re nomen sumpsit. Coenobium ibi fundavit comes Moritonius qui sepultus est Bermundeseiæ.

NUM. II.

Carta Foundationis Prioratus de Monteacuta per Willielmum Comitem Moritonii.

[Ex ipso autographo penes Georgium Stroude de hospicio Lincolnensi armigerum. Videsis etiam bund. 2. de Brev. et Recordis temp. Edw. III. n. 4.]

NOVERINT præsentis et futuri quod ego Willielmus

Comes Moretonius, Roberti Curthose contra Henricum regem primum partes secutus est, ac postmodum captus, in carcerem fuit conjectus, terrisque mulctatus. Quo tempore tres illi prioratui Monteguensi donati adimebantur pagi: unde monachi ad tempus mendicare sunt coacti. Tandem Henr. rex primus eorum misertus, terras ipsorum proprias eis iterum obtulit, sed et plures, modò locum illum relinquentes Lamportam se conferrent, ubi tunc insigne coenobium fundare decreverat. Monachi verò illum obsecrarunt, ut veterem retineant domum: unde tres pagos suos eis restituit, suo de abbatiâ Lamportæ fundandâ proposito in Readingam mutato. Tunc quidam venit Reginaldus Cancellarius, ita, ut verisimile est, a munere nominatus, apud Henricum regem primum magni nominis vir, qui vitam suscepit monasticam, et prior evasit Monteguensis, prioratumque ædificiis et possessionibus ampliavit. Prioratu verò hoc modo floescente, integroque pago Monteguensi à monachis obtento, castellum illud insigne partim cecidit, partim verò dirutum est prioratus construendi gratiâ; ita ut per multos annos jam elapsos nulla ædificiorum pars remanserit, præter capellam in Dungeonis [arcis scil. interioris] vertice constitutam, quæ adhuc stat.

comes Moritonii, pro salute mei ipsius, in vita et post mortem; et pro animabus patris mei Roberti comitis, et matris meae Mathillidis comitissae, dono et concedo Deo et sanctis apostolis ejus Petro et Paulo, ad locum Cluniacum, ecclesiam S. Petri juxta castellum meum Montem Acutum sitam, ad commanendum ibidem monachos supradicti monasterii in servitium Dei, pro se et pro nobis, et pro omnibus Christi fidelibus; in quorum sustentationem do burgum et mercatum cum theoloneo, et castellum et capellam, cum appendiciis suis, et cum pomeriis et vinea quae ibi juxta habebam in dominio meo; manerium etiam meum de Biscopestuna, et hundredum, et molendinum, et feriam cum appendiciis suis; et manerium de Criche, cum Hamma et Eteneburgâ; et Nigemda, et ecclesiam et hundredum, cum appendiciis suis; manerium etiam Cinnuc, et ecclesiam et hundredum de Hunesberga et Wrthelay, cum omnibus appendiciis suis; manerium etiam Clovesuurga et ecclesiam, et molendinum, et terras de Melebiri et de Widedumba et Forda; et Denewoldesham cum appendiciis suis. Manerium etiam Mudifordae, ecclesiam, et hundredum, et molendinum; et terras de Attebare et Humba cum appendiciis suis; et terram de la Welle, et Thornam cum appendiciis suis; et manerium de Legha, et Frisesham, et ecclesiam et hundredum in Devenesire, cum appendiciis suis; et viginti solidatas terrae in Gersic, Huncroft, et Loveslay; et quendam terram nomine Baresfeld: et ecclesiam de Gersic Omnium Sanctorum cum appendiciis suis. Et in Cornubia ecclesiam de Lerky; ecclesiam de Altremine; ecclesiam de Sennet; et ecclesiam de sancto Carentoco, cum omnibus quae ad eas pertinent, tam in terris quam in decimis: et unam berevicam quae vocatur Pennard; et ecclesiam de Gerlintuna, cum appendiciis suis; et ecclesiam de Brimetune, cum appendiciis suis; et ecclesiam de Odecumba, cum appendiciis suis; et duas partes decimarum de Acforde, et decimam de Cinnuc; medietatem decimarum de Ciselberga, de Clafford, de Nortuna juxta Tanton; et decimas de Merscetuna, et de Cridelintona, et de Heecumba, de Candel, de Torp, de Cernel. Item de Cernel; item de tertio Cernel; de Tolra, de Hoc, et duas partes decimarum de Bichehulle, de Derwinestuna, de Pondintuna, de Lodre; et duas partes decimarum de Cilterna. Et si qui meorum hominum, sive in terris, sive in decimis aliqua deinceps voverint dare, similiter concedo et volo quod dicti monachi Cluniacenses apud Montem Acutum in Dei servicio commorantes, omnia praedicta maneria, terras, ecclesias, et decimas, et ferias, et hundreda, cum appendiciis suis, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam habeant, et bene et in pace de me et haeredibus meis, in vita et post mortem, in perpetuum teneant, adeo libera et quieti ab omnibus causis et consuetudinibus de seculo, sicut ego unquam melius et honorabilius eadem habui et tenui, quando fuerunt in manu mea, tanquam proprium dominicum meum, et sicut aliqua elemosina liberior et melius donari poterat. Et ego Willielmus et haeredes mei, post me, omnia praedicta, cum appendiciis suis, dictis monachis imperpetuum garantizabimus erga omnes homines. Quod ut ratum apud omnes homines imperpetuum permaneat, praesentem cartam confirmo, sigillo meo consigno. S. Willielmi Comitis Moritonii. ✠ S. Aluredi pincernae. ✠ S. Willielmi Desbiars. ✠ S. Ranulfi capellani. ✠ S. Stephani capellani. ✠ S. Hervaei Avenel. ✠ S. Ricardi filii Turaldi. ✠ S. Reginaldi de Valtorta. ✠ S. Hamelini de Cornubia. ✠ S. Anserii Britonis. ✠ S. Britelli de Sancto Claro. ✠ S. Willielmi filii Aluredi pincernae. ✠ S. Jordanis de Barnavilla. ✠ S. Pagani de Barnavilla. ✠ S. Rodberti de Bruis. ✠ S. Willielmi Capre. ✠ S. Hugonis Torta Querca. ✠ S. Gosfredi Capre.

NUM. III.

Carta Henrici I. Regis.

[Pat. 1 H. IV. part. 5, m. 11. per Inspex. Vide etiam Pat. 15 E. III. part. 1, mem. 5, et Cart. 54 H. III. mem. 10.]

Ego Henricus Dei gracia rex Anglorum Johanni episcopo, et Ayulfo vicecomiti, et omnibus fidelibus meis in regno meo Francis et Anglis salutem. Sciatis me, pro salute animarum patris mei regis Willielmi et matris meae Matillidis reginae et aliorum antecessorum meorum, et pro salute et incolumitate mei ipsius, et statu regni mei, dedisse et concessisse in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam confirmasse,

Deo et S. apostolis ejus Petro et Paulo de Monte-acuto, et monachis Cluniacensibus ibidem Deo servientibus ecclesiam sancti Petri juxta castellum Montem-acutum, et ipsum castellum, et capellam castelli cum omnibus appendiciis suis et cum pomeriis et vinea, et feriam de Hamedone per tresdecem dies duraturam, burgum de Monte-acuto, et mercatum cum thelonio, et manerium de Biscopeston et molendinum et hundredum cum omnibus appendiciis suis; manerium etiam de Tintenelle, ecclesiam et molendinum et hundredum, cum omnibus appendiciis suis, et feriam ejusdem villae per tresdecem dies duraturam. Manerium etiam de Criche, ecclesiam, et Hamma, et Eceneberga, et Nisheid, et hundredum cum omnibus appendiciis suis. Manerium Cymme et ecclesiam et hundredum de Hunesberga et Wrchelay cum omnibus appendiciis suis. Manerium etiam Clonesuurd, et ecclesiam et molendinum et terras de Melebiri, cum appendiciis suis. Manerium etiam de Modiford et ecclesiam et molendinum et terram de Attebare, et Humbre cum appendiciis suis. Manerium etiam de Legha et Frisesham et ecclesiam et hundredum in Devenesire cum appendiciis suis, et Thornham et terras de Wydecumbe et Forde et Denemoldesham cum appendiciis suis, et viginti solidatas terrae in Gersiche, Huncroft et Lonerlay, et ecclesiam de Gersiche cum omnibus appendiciis suis, et terram quae dicitur Baresfelde et ecclesiam quae dicitur Gerlyngton cum appendiciis suis, et ecclesiam de Brimetune cum omnibus quae ad eam pertinent, et in Cornubia ecclesiam de Altremine et ecclesiam de Sennet et ecclesiam de sancto Carentoco et cum omnibus quae ad eas pertinent tam in terris quam in decimis, et ecclesiam de Lerky cum omnibus quae ad eam pertinent; et unam berevicam quae vocatur Pennard, et duas partes decimarum de Acford; et decimam de Cymme; et medietatem decimarum de Ciselberga, de Clafford, de Nortune juxta Tanton, et decimas domini de Merseton, et de Heorcumbe, de Candel, de Torp, de Cernel, item de Cernel, de tertio Cernel, de Tolre, de Hoc, de Cridilincota, et duas partes decimarum de Diruuneston, de Pundinton, et decimam de Bykehull, de Lodre, et duas partes decimarum domini de Cilterna et liberorum hominum. Quare volo et concedo et regali auctoritate praecipio quod praedicta ecclesia sanctorum Petri et Pauli de Monte-acuto et monachi ibidem Deo servientes habeant et imperpetuum teneant omnia praedicta maneria et mansiones suas et terras suas et redditus et ecclesias et decimas et ferias suas de Hamedon et Tintenell per tresdecem dies duraturas, et res et possessiones suas et homines suos ubicunque sint bene et in pace, liberè et honorificè, quietè, de sciris et hundredis, geldis et scottis, placitis, et querelis, scutagiis, et hidagiis, et danegeldis, et assisis, latrociniis, et murdris, passagiis, et theloniis, et de turno vicecomitum, et de communi misericordia comitatus, et hundredi, et de opere castellorum, et poncium et parcorum, et summagiis, et collectis de wardpeny et averpeny, de hundredpeny et thdingpeni, de weretoff et de forfeng, et de omnibus quae contingunt facienda per Angliam: et habeant socam et sacam, toll et them et infangentheof et omnes alias libertates et liberas ubique consuetudines et quietancias suas, in bosco et in plano, in pratis et pascuis, in viis et semitis, in feriis et mercatis, in aquis et molendinis, in stagnis et vivariis, et piscariis, infra burgum et extra, et in omnibus locis, et in omnibus rebus, et hundreda sua de Monte-acuto, de Tintenell, de Hunesberga, et de Criche, et de Legha et Frisesham in Devenscire, adeo libera, sicut ego habeo mea hundreda in omnibus placitis assisis et querelis. Haec omnia supradicta dedi et concessi praedictae ecclesiae sanctorum Petri et Pauli de Monte-acuto, et monachis Cluniacensibus ibidem Deo servientibus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animarum patris mei Willielmi Regis, et matris meae Mathillidis Reginae, et aliorum antecessorum meorum, et pro salute et incolumitate mei ipsius et statu regni mei, quia ipsi monachi, et maneria sua, et mansiones, et terrae suae, et redditus, et ecclesiae, et decimae, et homines sui et feriae suae de Hanered, et de Tintenell, et res et possessiones suae, et omnia quae sua sunt in mea propria manu consistunt, sicut propria et pura elemosina mea, et sicut proprium dominicum meum. Et ut mea donatio et concessio rata et inconcussa imperpetuum permaneat regali auctoritate praecipio, et hanc conscriptionem inde factam sigilli mei appositione confirmo et signo sanctae crucis manu propria consigno; ✠ S. Henr. regis. ✠ S. Roberti de Mellent com. ✠ Sig. Roberti fil.

Hamonis. ✠ Sig. Ricardi de Redevers. ✠ Sig. Ranulfi capellani regis. ✠ Sig. Aluredi pincernæ.

NUM. IV.

Carta Hen. II. Regis.

[Ibid.]

H. REX Angliæ, dux Normanniæ et Aquitanniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, &c. Sciatis me concessisse et in perpetuam elemosinam confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ sanctorum apostolorum Petri et Pauli de Monte-acuto et monachis Cluniacensibus ibidem Deo servientibus omnes donationes quas rex H. avus meus, Willielmus comes Moriton. et homines ejusdem comitis et cæteri barones Angliæ et Normanniæ fecerunt prædictæ ecclesiæ, vel adduc impostecum facturi sunt; videlicet ecclesiam sanctorum apostolorum Petri et Pauli de Monte-acuto et castellum, et capellam castelli cum pertinentiis suis, burgum et mercatum cum theolonio, et manerium de Bissopeston et molendinum et hundredum cum pertinentiis suis; et ferias de Hamedon et Tintenell, liberaset per tresdecem dies duraturas: et manerium de Tintenell, et ecclesiam et hundredum cum omnibus pertinentiis suis: et ecclesiam de Crich cum Hamma et Theneberga, et Nyghehyda, et ecclesiam et hundredum cum omnibus appendiciis suis, manerium Chinme, et ecclesiam et hundredum de Hunesberga cum omnibus appendiciis suis; manerium etiam Cloneswrd, et ecclesiam et molendinum cum omnibus appendiciis suis, et manerium de Mudiford, et ecclesiam et molendinum; et terram de Athebare, et cum nemore; et terram de Humbre cum pertinentiis suis; et Thornam et terras de Melebyre, et Weydecumbe, et Forde, et Denewoldesham, et Themton, cum appendiciis suis. Manerium etiam de Legha et Frisham et ecclesiam et hundredum in Devenscire, et Colum, et decem solidatas terræ de Culynton, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis: et terram de Thillingeham quæ vocatur Hamme; et terram de Bruges juxta Waymue, cum hominibus et progenie sua; et viginti solidatas terræ in Gersiche, et Huncroft, Loncray, et Dorefen, et ecclesiam de Gersiche Omnium Sanctorum cum omnibus appendiciis suis. Et viginti solidatas terræ de Cary, et unam virgatam terræ in Stoch; et terram in Estok, et terras de Warneford, de Miletun, de la Welle, de Preston, de Sanford, de Cokre, et de Corfe cum omnibus ad easdem terras appendentibus, et molendinum subtus Cadebyry cum adjacenti terra; et molendinum de Erlestoke cum adjacenti terra, et aliis rebus ad idem molendinum nostrum appendentibus, et quinque solidatos redditus de molendino de Estynton annuatim, et domos de Waran liberaset quietas ab omni servicio seculari, et ecclesiam de Edecumbe et ecclesiam de Bruneton et dimidiam ecclesiam de Acford, Roberti Eskilling, et ecclesiam de Melebyre, et ecclesiam de Wermerwell, cum omnibus rebus ad dictas ecclesias pertinentibus, et in Cornubia S. Cairocum cum omnibus appendiciis suis; ecclesiam de Alternona, ecclesiam S. Neoti, ecclesiam S. Karentoci et ecclesiam de Lerchi, et Pennard cum appendiciis suis, et decimas de dominico de Acford, Aluredi de Lincoln, totas integras; et duas partes decimarum de dominico de alia Acford, et decimas de Chumne, et medietatem decimarum de Ciselberga, et decimas de dominico de Clafford, de Norton juxta Tanton, et de Meisketon, et de Bichehulla, de Candell, de Cridebincote, de Thorpe, de Cernell, de Tholre, de alio Cernell, et duas partes decimarum de Derwydestun, de Pundynton, et duas partes decimarum de dominico de Cilterne Faghet, et liberorum hominum, et totas decimas de dominico de Hececumbe integras. Quare volo, &c. Teste Thoma Cantuariensi archiepiscopo, et Henrico Wintoniensi episcopo, et Philippo episcopo Baiocensi, et Arnulpho episcopo Lexoviensi, &c. apud Westmonasterium.

NUM. V.

De Monachis de Monte-acuto.

[Cart. 14 H. III. m. 9.]

Rex archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Inspeximus cartam quam dominus Henr. quondam rex Angliæ avus domini Henrici quondam regis Angliæ avi nostri fecit sancto Petro et monachis de Monte-acuto, in hæc verba. ‘Henr. rex Angliæ episcopo de Bada et vicecomitibus et omnibus ba-

ronibus et fidelibus suis Francis et Anglis de Sumerseta salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et concessisse sancto Petro et monachis de Monte-acuto manerium de Tinetella pro anima patris et matris meæ et Matillidis reginæ et pro statu regni mei sicut Ran. cancellarius eis dedit et concessit; ita tamen quod ecclesia Cluniac. habeat inde per singulos annos c^s. pro anniversario cancellarii: et volo et firmiter præcipio quod bene et honorificè teneant cum soca, et saca, et tol, et them, et infangenethef, et omnibus consuetudinibus suis sicut cancellarius unquam meliùs et honorabiliùs tenuit. Testibus Rogero episcopo Saresbyriensi et Gaufr. cancellario et Willielmo de Tancervilla, et Willielmo de Albini, et Nigello de Albini, apud Wodestokam.’

Inspeximus etiam cartam quam dominus Henr. quondam rex Angliæ avus noster fecit Deo et ecclesiæ et fratribus Montis-acuti in hæc verba. ‘H. rex Angliæ et dux Normanniæ et Aquitaniæ et comes Andegaviæ archiepiscopis, &c. Sciatis me concessisse et in perpetuam elemosinam confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ et fratribus Montis-acuti omnes donationes quas rex Henr. avus meus et Willielmus comes Moritonii et homines ejusdem comitis et cæteri barones Angliæ et Normanniæ fecerunt eis. Ex dono prædicti comitis Willielmi manerium de Biscopeston, ecclesiam ejusdem manerii, capellam castelli cum pertin. burgum et mercatum et molendinum, et quicquid in eodem manerio habebat in dominio, et manerium de Tintenella, et ecclesiam cum appendiciis. Manerium Crich cum Hamma et Echeneberga, et ecclesiam cum appendiciis. Manerium de Chinnok et ecclesiam cum appendiciis. Choneswerdham, et ecclesiam cum appendiciis. Molendinum de Mudifort cum appendiciis, et viginti solidatas terræ in Gersich, Huncroft, et Lunerlaye, et ecclesiam de Gersich cum appendiciis. In Cornubia ecclesiam de Alternona, ecclesiam sancti Neoti ecclesiam sancti Karentoci cum omnibus earundem ecclesiarum pertinentiis. Brotellus de sancto Claro dedit unam hidam in Biscopeston. Ricardus filius Drogonis dimidiam hidam et Torne post obitum suum. Robertus et Willielmus milites illius, dimidiam hidam. Idem quoque Ricardus et Osbertus capellanus suus, ecclesiam de Gerlintonam cum appendiciis. Aluredus Pincerna dedit Melberiam, Wythecumbam, et terras quæ dicuntur Forde et Denewoldesham, et Legha, et Frisham. Ecclesiam de Lerchy cum appendiciis, et Penhard, et duas partes decimarum de Hacford, et decimam de Chinnok, et medietatem decimarum Chiselbyng, de Clatford, de Norton, et dimidiam hidam quæ fuit Siberti. Ranulfus cancellarius dedit Tornham et decimam de Mercetona, de Candel, de Thorp, de Cernele, de alio Cernele, et de tertio Cernele, de Tolre, de Hocking, de Cridelicota. Willielmus de Lestrangle dedit terram Baresfeld, et duas partes decimarum de Derwynestona, de Putinton, decimam de Bicheshell, de Lodre. Jordanus de Barnevilla, Lagar apud Stoch. Robertus de Bello-campo, Nyghenhydam. Willielmus filius Rogon. Colne, et x. solidatas terræ de Culintonam. Nicholaus arbalista xx. solidatas terræ de Kary. Unfredus Judas unam virgatam terræ in Stoch. Osbertus de Foxcota decimam Hacsecumbe. Robertus de la Haye terram Aideling. Henr. de Porc terram de Warnefort. Gaufrerus capellanus comitis, ecclesiam de Bruneton. Gerardus et Balaricus ecclesiam de Melebiria. Robertus filius Selling, dimidiam ecclesiam de Acford. Alveredus de Lincol. et Robertus filius ejus terram de Gillingeham, et terram de Brugia. Radulfus Luvel terram de Ethelberga. Matill. Peverel terram de Stanford. Robertus comes de Mellent domos del Warham cum appendiciis. Robertus Hundret domum et terram de London. Hugo Maltravers terram de Preston. Quare volo, &c. Testibus. T. Cant. archiep. et H. Winton. episc. &c. Apud Westm.’

NUM. VI.

Honorius P. P. Landavensi episcopo.

[Ex regist. de Landaff penes virum cl. Joh. Seldenum, fol. 33 b.]

Honorius episcopus servus servorum Dei, venerabili fratri U. Lundavensi episcopo salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Winebaldus de Baeluna terram de Cairlion monachis de Monte-acuto pro animæ suæ remedio dare disposuit. Ideoque fraternitati tuæ mandamus quatenus ipsam terram præfatis monachis salvo tuæ ecclesiæ jure concedas. Data Laterani kal. Julii.

NUM. VII.

De Advocatione Prioratus de Monte Acuto concessa Comiti Sarum.

[Pat. 13 Edw. III. concess. hom. Angl. et Vasc. Rym. Fœd. tom. v. p. 123.]

REX omnibus ad quos. &c. salutem. Sciatis quod cum prioratus de Monte Acuto, dudum a progenitoribus dilecti et fidelis nostri Willielmi de Monte Acuto comitis Sarum et marescalli Angliæ denominationem acceperit, de quorum terris et possessionibus dictus prioratus dotatus extitit et ditatus, nos ad hoc, necnon ad probitatem strenuam dicti comitis, ac impensa nobis per eum obsequia fructuosa considerationem habentes, et sperantes quod idem comes propter gratam dictorum progenitorum suorum memoriam, et propter idemptitatem cognominis sui, et Prioratus prædicti, ipsum Prioratum gratius protegeret et foveret, si ejus fieret Advocatus, concessimus eidem comiti, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, cum honoribus, prærogativis, juribus, et proficuis quibuscumque Advocato dicti prioratus ab antiquo debitis, absque aliquo nobis inde reddendo, imperpetuum. In cujus, &c. Teste Rege apud Kyenrayng decimo sexto die Septembris anno regni nostri tertio decinio.

NUM. VIII.

De Advocatione hujusmodi Prioratus et cellarum eidem spectantium, Willielmo de Monte-acuto comiti Sarum commissa.

[Pat. 14 E. III. part. 1, mem. 7. Vide Pat. 1 H. IV. part. 5, mem. 11.]

REX omnibus ad quos, &c. salutem. Sciatis quod cum nos nuper considerantes probitatem strenuam dilecti et fidelis nostri Willielmi de Monte-acuto comitis Sarrum et marescalli Angliæ, ac impensa nobis per eum obsequia fructuosa, dederimus et concesserimus eidem comiti pro nobis et hæredibus nostris advocationem prioratus de Monte-acuto, habendam et tenendam sibi et hæredibus suis de nobis et hæredibus nostris imperpetuum; et nos postmodum attendentes fideliem et laudabilem gestum ipsius comitis in obsequiis nostris, necnon quem nobis indies tenere dinoscitur, locum magnum, volentes, præmissorum intuitu, ipsum in hac parte amplioris, gratiæ prosequi ubertate, concesserimus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris præfato comiti quod ipse et hæredes sui imperpetuum habeant custodiam prioratus prædicti tam temporibus quibus iidem prioratus occasione guerrarum inter nos et hæredes nostros ac illos de Francia seu inter regna eadem motarum, aut quacunque alia de causa inter alios prioratus, domos, et possessiones religiosorum alienigenarum infra regnum nostrum capti fuerit in manum nostram seu eorundem hæredum nostrorum, quam temporibus quibus prioratum illum vacare contigerit, sive per mortem depositionem vel resignationem priorum locorum illorum qui pro tempore fuerint, sive alio quovis modo, cum omnibus ad custodiam illam pertinentibus sive spectantibus, &c. et quod idem comes et hæredes sui inde ordinare et disponere possint prout melius pro commodo suo proprio et utilitate prioratus prædicti viderint expedire, exitusque et proficua inde provenientia ad opus suum tam guerrarum hujusmodi quam ipsius prioratus vacationum temporibus supradictis percipiant et habeant, adeo plenè et integrè sicut nos et hæredes nostri ea haberemus si prioratum illum seu custodiam in manibus nostris propriis retinuissemus, absque eo quod nos vel hæredes nostri aut ministri nostri quicunque, de prioratu et custodia hujusmodi temporibus prædictis in aliquo intromittamus: quodque præfato comiti de firma quam custodes sive monachi prioratus prædicti occasione guerræ inter nos et illos de Francia motæ in manu nostra jam existentis nobis pro custodia ejusdem annuatim reddere tenentur, una cum arreragiis ejusdem firmæ, si quæ fuerint, responderet; et quod custodes ejusdem prioratus de firma et arreragiis illis erga nos omnino exonerarentur; ac jam præfatus comes nobis supplicavit ut cum cellæ de Carsewell in comitatu Devonix, de Holme in comitatu Dorseciæ, de sancto Carrico in comitatu Cornubiæ, et de Malpas in Wallia, sint pertinentes ad dictum prioratum de Monte-acuto, et à tempore quo non extat memoria extiterint, velimus cellas prædictas ad dictum prioratum de Monte-acuto sic pertinentes, in literis nostris prædictis sibi de eodem prioratu sic factis specificari jubere, ita quod idem comes et hæredes sui custodiam cellarum prædictarum una cum custodia prioratus

prædicti habere possunt in forma supradicta; nos consideratione præmissorum volentes supplicationi ipsius comitis annuere in hac parte, volumus et concedimus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris quod præfatus comes habeat et teneat advocationes dictarum cellarum de Carswell, Holme, de sancto Carrico, et de Malpas, sibi et hæredibus suis si eadem cellæ de Carswell, Holme, de sancto Carrico, et de Malpas ad dictum prioratum de Monte-acuto pertineant, ut est dictum; una cum advocatione ejusdem prioratus, de nobis et hæredibus nostris imperpetuum; et quod idem comes et hæredes sui prædicti imperpetuum habeant custodiam earundem cellarum de Carswell, Holme, de sancto Carrico, et de Malpas si eadem cellæ de Carswell, Holme, de sancto Carrico, et de Malpas ad dictum prioratum de Monte-acuto pertineant ut prædicitur, una cum custodia prioratus illius tam temporibus quibus iidem prioratus et cellæ occasione guerrarum inter nos et hæredes nostros ac illos de Francia seu inter dicta regna motarum, aut quacunque alia de causa, inter alios prioratus domos et possessiones religiosorum alienigenarum infra regnum nostrum capti fuerint in manum nostram seu eorundem hæredum nostrorum, quam temporibus quibus prioratum illum vacare contigerit, sive per mortem depositionem vel resignationem priorum locorum illorum qui pro tempore fuerint, sive alio quovis modo, cum omnibus ad custodiam illam pertinentibus sive spectantibus, &c. In cujus rei, &c. T. R. apud Westmonasterium vicesimo octavo die Aprilis.

NUM. IX.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONAST' IUM DE MONTE ACUTO.

DECLARA Cōannui' Valor' oīm et singlor' Possessionu', tam Tempal' qam Spual, pfat' Monastio spectan', viz. ut taxat' fuer' p Johem Horsey milite' et al' cōmissionar' ut supā, et put ptiētr p3 tempe Robti Shyrboñe nūc prioris ibm.

Mountagu.

Valet in reddit' assis' tam libor' tenenc' qam custum' p annu' 53l. 19s. 4d. ult^a 2l. 6s. 8d. in feod' Willmi Brown ball' ibm p annu', et rem' clare . . . 51l. 12s. 8d.
Pquis' cur' ibm p annu' cu' al' casual' 1l. 9s. 1d.
Fin' terr' ibm 2l. 0s. 0d.
55l. 1s. 9d.

Tyntenhull.

Valet in reddit' assis' tam libor' tenenc' qam custum' ibm p annu' 65l. 7s. 4½d. ult^a 1l. in feod' Thome Predyll ball' ibm p annu', et rem' clare . . . 64l. 7s. 4½d.
Pquis' cur' ibm p annu' cu' al' casual' 2l. 5s. 11d.
Fin' terr' ibm 4l. 0s. 0d.
70l. 13s. 3½d.

Mochell Criche.

Valet in reddit' assis' tam libor' tenenc' qam custum' ibm p annu' 71l. 12s. 2½d. ult^a 1l. in feod' Robti Mason ball' ibm p annu', et rem' clare . . . 70l. 12s. 2½d.
Pquis' cur' ibm p annu' cu' al' casual' 1l. 9s. 9d.
Fin' terr' ibm 5l. 0s. 0d.
77l. 1s. 11½d.

Est Chynnok.

Valet in reddit' assis' tam libor' tenenc' qam custum' ibm p annu' 31l. 11s. 0½d. ult^a 1l. in feod. Riçi Slade ball' ibm p annu', et rem' clare . . . 30l. 11s. 0½d.
Pquis' cur' ibm p annu' cu' al' casual' 0l. 4s. 0d.
Fin' terr' ibm 1l. 0s. 0d.
31l. 15s. 0½d.

Clowesworth cu' Melbere.

Valet in reddit' assis' tam libor' tenenc' qam custum' ibm p annu' 23l. 5s. 8½d. ult^a 13s. 4d. in feod' Elisei Rocke ball' ibm p annu', et rem' clare . . . 22l. 12s. 4½d.
Pquis' cur' ibm p annu' cu' al' casual' 0l. 11s. 0d.
Fin' terr' ibm 2l. 2s. 0d.
35l. 5s. 4½d.

Blackeford.

Valet in reddit' assis' t^{am} libor' tenenc' q^{am} custum' ibm p annu' 14l. 15s. 5d. ult^a 5s. in feod' Michis Ude ball' ibm p annu' et rem' clare . . . 14l. 10s. 5d.
Pquis' cur' ibm p annu' cu' al' casual' 0l. 9s. 3d.
Fin' terr' ibm . . . 4l. 0s. 0d.
18l. 19s. 8d.

Nynehede.

Valet in reddit' assis' t^{am} libor' tenenc' q^{am} custum' ibm p annu' 9l. 9s. 8¹/₂d. ult^a 4s. 11¹/₂d. in feod' Johis Gybons ball' ibm p annu', et rem' clare . . . 9l. 4s. 9¹/₂d.
Pquis' cur' ibm p annu' cu' al' casual' 0l. 5s. 6d.
Fin' terr' ibm . . . 1l. 0s. 0d.
10l. 10s. 3¹/₂d.

Mudford.

Valet in reddit' assis' t^{am} libor' tenenc' q^{am} custum' ibm p annu' 33l. 15s. 7d. ult^a 1l. in feod' Jacobi Lawrens ball' ibm p annu', et rem' clare . . . 32l. 15s. 7d.
Pquis' cur' ibm p annu' cu' al' casual' 0l. 7s. 8d.
Fin' terr' ibm . . . 2l. 10s. 0d.
35l. 13s. 3d.

Cadbery.

Valet in reddit' unius teñti ibm p annu', clare . . . 1l. 6s. 8d.

Gyllyngham.

Valet in reddit' diſs' teñt' ibm p annu', clare . . . 1l. 11s. 2d.

Leſleygh.

Valet in reddit' t^{am} libor' tenenc' q^{am} custum' ibm p annu', clare . . . 3l. 18s. 4d.

Brygge.

Valet in reddit' diſs' teñtor' ibm p annu', clare . . . 0l. 16s. 0d.

Okeforde Sthyllyng.

Valet' in reddit' diſs' teñt' ibm 3s. cu' pençõe p annu' 13s. 4d. clare . . . 0l. 16s. 4d.

Erlestoke.

Valet in reddit' unius molendini ibm p annu', clare . . . 1l. 0s. 0d.

Wylhay jux^a Waneford.

Valet in reddit' diſs' teñtor' ibm p annu', clare . . . 2l. 4s. 0d.

Mounkulne.

Valet in redd' assis' t^{am} libor' tenenc' q^{am} custum' ibm p annu' 8l. 15s. 5¹/₂d. ult^a 10s. in feod' Wiffmi Lympyn ball' ibm p annu', et rem' clare . . . 8l. 5s. 5¹/₂d.
Pquis' cur' ibm p annu' cu' al' casual' 1l. 9s. 0d.
Fin' terr' ibm . . . 0l. 13s. 2d.
10l. 7s. 7¹/₂d.

Monkeleygh.

Valet in reddit' assis' t^{am} libor' tenenc' q^{am} custum' ibm p annu' 21l. 4s. 2¹/₂d. ult^a 1l. in feod' Thome Denys ball' ibm p annu', et rem' clare . . . 20l. 4s. 2¹/₂d.
Pquis' cur' ibm p annu' cu' al' casual' 1l. 15s. 2¹/₂d.
Fin' terr' ibm . . . 1l. 0s. 0d.
22l. 19s. 5d.

Valor' Sſpual' subsequenc'

Rçoria de Mountagu.

Valet in exit' x^{mar} pñdial', x^{mar} psonal', et al' casual' 5l. cum oblaçõibz in capella sçe Crucis sup' Montem Hampdon ibm p annu' 1l. . . . 6l. 0s. 0d.

Tyntehull.

Valet in exit' x^{mar} pñdial', x^{mar} psonal', et al' casual' p annu' clare 18l. 0s. 0d.

Mochell Cryche.

Valet in exit' x^{mar} pñdial', x^{mar} psonal', et al' casual' p annu' clare 8l. 6s. 8d.

Est Chynnok.

Valet in exit' x^{mar} pñdial', x^{mar} psonal', et al' casual' p annu' clare 6l. 0s. 0d.

Chyltryn Vagge.

Valet in exit' sçde pt' x^{mar} pñdial', psonal', et al' casual' ibm p annu' clare 3l. 0s. 0d.

Rçoria de Ermyngton.

Valet in exit' x^{mar} pñdial', x^{mar} psonal', et al' casual' ibm p annu' 18l. ult^a 6s. 8d. in feod' Johis Rowse ball' ibm p annu', sic clare 17l. 13s. 4d.

Rçoria de Monkeleygh.

Valet in exit' x^{mar} pñdial', psonal', et al' casual' ibm p annu' clare 6l. 0s. 0d.
Cella de Holme, &c. 16l. 9s. 4d.
Cella de Carswell, &c. 28l. 16s. 4d.
Cella sancti Karoci, &c. 11l. 1s. 0d.
Cella de Malpas, &c. 15l. 2s. 4d.

Sçus Neotus.

Valet in exit' x^{mar} pñdial', psonal', cum' al' casual' ibm coibz annis 14l. ult^a 13s. 4d. in feod' Johis Calwey ball' ibm p annu', clare 13l. 6s. 8d.

Launston.

Valet in pençõe recept' de plore ibm p annu' clare 0l. 13s. 4d.

Diſs' Pençõies.

Valet in recepõie rçorie de Ottecombe p annu' ibm 2l. Recepõie rçorie de Camlerton 8s. Recepõie rçorie de Clowesworth 5s. Recepõie abbtie Keynesh^{am} 2s. 6d. In recepõie abbtisse de Polslowe 7s. Ex^a mañiu' de Mñton in com' Soñs' ibm p annu'. In rçpçõie prioris de Caswell ex^a dñm suu' ibm p annu' 4l. 2s. 6d.
Sñ^a to^{lis} valoris t^{am} oim possessionu' tempal' m sſpual' supd' 524l. 11s. 8¹/₂d.

Inde

Elimosina.

In elimosina annuat' distribut' p aia Wiffmi comit' Morentini fundator' p fundaçõem p sustentaçõie septem paupum et in pane et pissibz diſs' tempibz anni al' paupibz distribut' 21l. 0s. 11¹/₂d. In elimosina p rege Johie nup' rege Angl' ex fundaçõie sua in pane et pissibz diſs' tempibz anni paupibz distribut' 13s. 4d. et p aia Riçi de Chylterne et parent' suor' ex fundaçõie sua in elimosina ibm p annu' 1l. 14s. 4d. 23l. 8s. 7¹/₂d.

Resoluc' Redd'.

In redd' resol' dño vill' de Yewelchestre p terr' in Tyntenhull 1s. 4d. Hundio de Andreffylde et Whitleigh 1s. 4d. p terr' in Cryche, et hundr' de Taunton 2s. 1d. p terr' in Nynehede, et hundio de Lovleigh p terr' in Lovleigh 3s. 4d. et dño de Waneford 10s. et collegio de Eton 14s. p terr' in Wylhay, et dño de Holcombe 6d. p terr' in Mounkulne, et dño de Buclond Bruer p firma gurgit' molendini de Monkenleigh ibm p annu' 1s. 6d. Et dñe regine 5s. et abbtie Glaston. 8d. p cella de Holme, et dñis de Colampton et Sampford 2s. 5d. p cella de Carswell. 2l. 2s. 2d.

Penc'.

In annual' pençõibz videlt Johi Freke vicar' ppet' de Mountagu 4l. vicar' ppet' de Tyntenhull 10l. et vicar' ppet' de Monkenleigh 13s. 4d. in augmentac' vicar' s' custod' vicar' coreliu' ecchie cathedral' Exon' de penc' rectorie de Tentenhull 3l. 6s. 8d. Et decano et capitul' ecchie Wellen' 1l. de pençõie rçorie de Tyntenhull. Et archio Wellen' p rçoria de Est Chynnock 2s. 6d. Collegio de Eton p pensione p dñm regem assign' 8l. Et Johi Beere p corrodio dñi r' sibi assign' 2l. 13s. 4d. Et in penc' sot' p plorem celle de Carswell suſdict' priori de Monte Acuto 1l. 30l. 15s. 10d.

Feod'.

In annual' solut' feod' videlt Amisio Paulet mil' capiti sen' dçi pñoris in com' Soñs' 2l. Johi Horsey mil' capiti sen' dçi pñoris in com' Dors', Wiltes', et South^{am} 2l. Robto Byrte sen' dçi pñoris in com' Devon' 13s. 4d. Johi Cuff jun' audtor' oim terr' dçi prioratus 2l. Johi Cuff sen' terr' cell' de Holme 13s. 4d. Nicho Rowe ball' cell' de Holme 1l. 6s. 3d. sen' celle de Carswell 6s.

8d. Johi Mathewe ball' de Carswell 1l. 8s. 2d. Johi Dare ball' celle de S^ci Karoci 6s. Johi Williams sen^r celle de Malpace 6s. 8d. Thome Lyme ball' ibm 6s. 8d. Thome Lyse ball' de Mendengresse celle de Malpace 3s. 4d.

11l. 10s. 10d.
S^ma alloc' p^ed' 67l. 17s. 5½d.
Et rem' clare omibz deduct' . 456l. 13s. 3¼d.
X^{ma} inde 45l. 13s. 5¼d.

NUM. X.

[From a Pension Book, Augmentation Office.]

THE LATE MONASTERY OF MOUNTACUTE IN THE COUNTIE OF SOM^s.

HERAFTER ensueth the pen^cōns appoynted and assigned to the late p^or and covente of Mountacute aforsayd by John Tregonwell, Willm Peto^r, and John Smyth, the kynges gr^{ces} comission^s ther, that they and e^vy of theyme to have one q^rter of a yeres pen^cōn at the feaste of thanⁿūcyacōn of o^r Lady nexte comynge, and at the feast of Saynte Michael tharchūngell then nexte folowinge halffe a yeres pen^cōn, and so to be payd from halffe yere to halffe yere duringe theire lives.

That is to saye,

Furst to Robte Whitloke, at Gibbes, p^or iiij^{xx}. li. and he to have for his dwellinge house for terme of liffe a man^cōn place w^t. the garden adioyninge sette and beinge in Este Chinocke, whiche house the sayd late p^or of late buylded.

I^tm to Robte Warren subp^or . . . xij^{li}.
I^tm to John Coyen viij^{li}.
I^tm to Tho^ms Tawnton al' Chiswaye . . . vij^{li}.
I^tm to Tho^ms H^mme vij^{li}.
I^tm to Willm Dyer vj^{li}. xij^s. iiij^d.
I^tm to John Crybbe vj^{li}. xij^s. iiij^d.
I^tm to John Webbe vj^{li}. xij^s. iiij^d.
I^tm to John Clerke p^or of Malpace . . . vj^{li}. xij^s. iiij^d.
I^tm to Robte Briande vj^{li}. xij^s. iiij^d.
I^tm to Lawrence Herforde vj^{li}. xij^s. iiij^d.
I^tm John Walles p^or of the cell of Holme is appoynted to p^ue the cure of Holme, and he to have yerly for his labor viij^{li}. And if he hapon to be impotente or lame then he to have yerly for his pen^cōn vj^{li}. xij^s. iiij^d.
I^tm to Willm Wynter cvj^s. viij^d.
I^tm to John Palle cvj^s. viij^d.
I^tm to John Sy^mes cvj^s. viij^d.
I^tm to Willm Crise c^s.
I^tm to Willm Rogers iiij^{li}. xij^s. iiij^d.

Some of the yerly pen^cōns aforsayd ciij^{xx}. vj^{li}. vj^s. viij^d.

THOMAS CRUMWELL.
JO. TREGOWELL.
WILLIAM PETRE.
JOHN SMYTH.

NUM. XI.

Paper Survey, temp. Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.

Com. Somerset.

Nuper Prioratus de MONTEAGUE in Comitatu prædicto.

Scitus dicti nuper prioratus, cum terris dominicalibus eidem pertinentibus,

valet in

£. . s. . d.

Firma scitus ibm, cum ortis, pomariis, gardinis, terris, pratis, pascuis, pasturis, vocatis Fulsaid et Short^e Grove, in tenura Thomæ Cogyn; unum clausum jacens inter terras vocatas Le Parke et Hilforde, in tenura Johannæ Cogyn, viduæ per copiam curiæ Calhaves et Gore, in tenura Willielmi Rogers, Northworth et Highwoode, in tenura Walteri Gibbes, Sowthworthe, in tenura Eli-

zabethæ Bevyn, Patelag, in tenura Johannis Genys, Estland, in tenura Willielmi Browne, per copiam una pars montis vocat. Hatchooke, in tenura Johannis Gilberte, per copiam Harmescrofte, Cobcrofte, cum 2 acris terræ in Tyntenhull, in tenura Johannæ Crice, viduæ, Losehill et Whetehill, in tenura Roberti Clerke, Brokefelde et Combes, cum certis pratis in Tyntenhull, in tenura Johannis Webbe, Hamdonhill, in tenura Ricardi Dudney, et Rothercombe, in tenura Radulfi Cribbe, necnon unus campus in Wydcombe vocatus Northfelde, unum clausum pasturæ vocatum le Hayes, cum uno campo juxta Le Hayes, Netilcombe, et Sibheys, in tenura Thomasinæ Dyer, viduæ, Chaunters Close, in tenura Willielmi Browne, per copiam Pewtener's Close, in tenura Lionelli Williams, per copiam cum certis aliis terris dominicalibus ibidem nuper in tenura dudum prioris ibidem vocat. Longcrofte, Newton, Curthill, Batemore le Parke cum Monte ibidem vocat. Mirhell, et un. cimiter. ibidem vocat. Moncken Churche Yarde, cum omnibus et singulis suis pertinen. eidem situi pertinentibus per annum

£. . s. . d.

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NUM. XII.

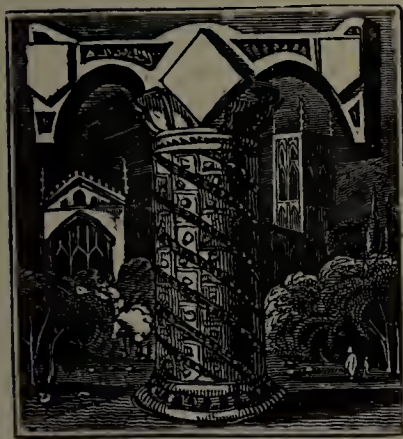
COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 31 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

MOUNTAGUE NUPER PRIORATUS.

Com' Somers'	£.	s.	d.
Mountague—Scitus dicti nuper prioratus, cum terris dominicalibus	14	0	0
Mountague Forensic'—Reddit' assis'	29	8	10 q'
Mountague Forensic'—Liber reddit'	0	3	0
Mountague Forensic'—Firma capital' mesuag' vocat' Thorn Farne	9	6	8
Mountague Forensic'—Perquis' cur'	2	19	0
Mountague Burgus—Reddit'	7	13	6
Mountague Burgus—Cert' terr' adopt' per Nichm Garnsey	1	8	8
Mountague Burgus—Perquis' cur'	1	8	1
Mountague Rector'—Firma x ^{marum}	6	0	0
Chiltern Vagge—Pens' sive porc' decim'	3	0	0
Otcombe—Pensio	2	0	0
Camlerton—Pensio	0	8	0
Tyntenhull—Redd' liber' tenentium	0	13	10
Tyntenhull—Redd' custum' tenentium	48	2	7 ob'
Tyntenhull—Perquis' cur'	22	9	2
Tyntenhull—Terr' dominical'	23	17	0
Tyntenhull—Firma rector'	18	0	0
Michellcreche—Redd' lib' tenentium	69	19	10 q'
Michellcreche—Firma capital' mesuag'	8	18	10
Michellcreche—Perquis' cur'	14	16	8
Estchynocke—Reddit' lib' tenentium	0	11	1
Estchynocke—Reddit' assis' cust' tenentium	31	2	0 ob'
Estchynocke—Firma maner'	Non computat' quia conced' Roberto Whitlocke alias Gibbes nuper prior' ibm pro termino vitæ suæ.		
Estchynocke—Firma rector'	6	0	0
Estchynocke—Perquis' cur'	16	12	0

Com' Somers'	£.	s.	d.	Com' Somers'	£.	s.	d.
Clowesworth—Reddit' assis'	18	11	5 ob' q'	Erlestocke—Redd' un' molend'	1	0	0
Clowesworth—Firma maner'	5	6	8	Wullhaye juxta Warneford—			
Melbury—Reddit' assis'	5	8	8	Reddit' terr'	2	4	0
Clowesworth—Perquis' cur'	3	4	7	Marsheton—Pensio	0	7	0
Blackeford—Reddit' assis'	14	15	3	Monkholme—Reddit' assis'	8	15	5
Blackeford—Perquis' cur'	3	1	5	Monkeleigh—Reddit' assis'	21	11	6 ob'
Nynehed—Reddit' assis'	9	10	8ob'di'q'	Monkeleigh—Firma rector'	6	0	0
Nynehed—Perquis' cur'	3	14	6	Monkeleigh—Perquis' cur'	2	2	3
Cadburye—Reddit' ten'	1	7	8	Mudford—Reddit' assis'	34	15	2
Gyllingham—Reddit' terr'	1	11	4	Mudford—Perquis' cur'	9	17	1
Leverleyght—Reddit' terr'	3	18	8	Armyngton—Firma rector'	18	0	0
Brigg—Reddit' terr'	0	16	0	S' Nich'—Firma rector'	14	0	0
Okeford Shyllynge—Reddit' terr'	0	16	8				



HIS small Priory, situated in the Deanery of Plymptre, was a Cell, according to Leland, for two monks only,^a and was also dependent on the Monastery of Montacute.

The following entries are all that relate to it in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas IV.

“ PRIOR DE KARESWELL.

Apud Careswell quod taxatur 2*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.*
Apud Monekecolon de redd. et perquis. 1*l.*
In parochia de Samford quod taxatur 1*l.* 4*s.*
Tuhington quod estimatur 2*l.* Non taxatur quia in dioc. Bathon.”^b
Having been seized on account of the wars in Aquitaine, it was restored in the 1st Edw. III.^c

Mr. Oliver says, “ In an interesting letter of Bishop Brantyngham to King Edward the Third, on the subject of alien Priories in the diocese of Exeter, 2 Regist. fol. 7. ad finem, I observe the prior did not reside at Carswell, anno 48 Edward III. ‘ Frater Radulfus Shalsham indigena, prior de Careswell optinet ecclesiam de Holcombe Rogus quæ incumbit Priori et Conventui de Monte Acuto et non residet in eadem cujus fructus et proventus annui se extendunt ad xx. libras.’ ”^d

PRIORS of CARSWELL.

BARTHOLOMEW occurs 25 Edw. I.^e
RALPH SHALSHAM has just been mentioned in the 48th Edw. III.
THOMAS CHARD was prior in 26 Hen. VIII.
The Prior here was appointed and removeable at the pleasure of the Prior of Montacute.

In the 26th of Henry the Eighth the revenues of this Cell were valued at the sum of 28*l.* 16*s.* 4*d.*^f

Tanner gives two references only to records relating to this monastery: “ Pat. 15 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 5. Fin. div. com. 3 Ric. II. n. 31.”

In the office of the King’s Remembrancer in the Exchequer are,

1. Certificatio facta Regi de Prioratu de Careswell. Mich. 22 Edw. III.
2. Processus ad ostendendum quare Prioratus de Careswell in manus regis seisiri non debet ut alienig. Mich. 1 Hen. V. rot. 53.

The Scite of this Priory was granted, in the 38th of Henry the Eighth, to John Etherydge, Esq.^g; and the particular for it exists in the Augmentation Office. It was afterwards purchased by William Rowsewell, solicitor to Queen Elizabeth, whose son, Sir Henry, possessed it when Sir William Pole made his collections. It is situated in the parish of Broad Hembury.^h

Prioratus de Careswell, in agro Devoniensi.

NUM. I.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

CELLA de CARSWELL in com' p̄dict' d̄co prioratui de Monte Acuto ptin' unde THOMAS CHARD est p̄ior est dative et removabil' ad voluntat' d̄ci prioris de Monte Acuto.

Carswell.

Valet in reddit' assis' ibm p annū 3*l.* 2*s.* 1½*d.* Cū terr' dñical' 6*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.* Reddit' assis' in Delvet ibm p annū 6*l.* 7*s.* 2½*d.* Reddit' assis' in Holcomb 1*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* Reddit' assis' in Behull 1*l.* 15*s.* In x̄mis p̄dial' p̄sonal' cū al' casual' ibm p annū 9*l.* 10*s.* Sic clare . . . 28*l.* 16*s.* 4*d.*

NUM. II.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll. 31 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

CELLA DE CARSWELL CUM RECTORIA DE HOLCOMBE.

Compotus JOHANNIS ETHERIGE Firmarij et Collectoris Redditus ibidem per tempus predictum.

Arreragia.

Nulla quia est primus compotus ipsius computantis ad usum domini regis ibidem.

Summa nulla.

^a Itin. vol. vii. p. 20.
^b Taxat. Eccles. P. Nicholai IV. p. 151 b.
^c Rym. Fœd. tom. iv. p. 247, from Claus. 1 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 22.
^d Oliver's Historic Collections, p. 149.
^e Prynne's Records, tom. iii. p. 707.

^f Compare the Append. Num. I.
^g Orig. 38 Hen. VIII. Devon. “ Rex vii. die Septembris concess. Johanni Etherydge ar. cellam et capitale mesuag. de Carsewell cum pertinentiis, et manerium de Carsewell, et terr. &c. in Carsewell et Delvett, habend. ei et hæred. suis imperpetuum.” ro. xxij.
^h Lysons's Magna Britannia for Devon. p. 266.

Redditus assisi in Carswell.

Sed respondet de 62s. 1½d. de toto redditu assiso in Carswell solvend. ad 4^{or}. anni terminos principales prout patet per diversa compota inde super hunc compotum ostensa et examinata.

Summa 62s. 1½d.

Delvett.

Et de 6l. 7s. 2½d. de toto redditu assiso in Delvett solvend. ad terminos supradictos prout patet per diversa compota inde super hunc compotum ostensa et examinata.

Summa 6l. 7s. 2½d.

Holcombe.

Et de 36s. 8d. de toto redditu assiso ibidem solvend. ad terminos supradictos prout patet per diversa compota super hunc compotum ostensa et examinata.

Summa 36s. 8d.

Bohull.

Et de 35s. de toto redditu assiso ibidem solvend. ad

terminos predictos prout patet per diversa vetera compota similiter inde super hunc compotum ostensa et examinata.

Summa 35s.

Firma ibidem cum Rectoria de Holcombe.

Et de 15l. 15s. 4d. de firma capitalis mesuagij cellæ predictæ necnon omnium domorum edificiorum gardinorum eidem mesuagio adjacentium. Ac tocius Barton et terr. dominicat in Carswell eidem cellæ pertinent. Ac tocius garbarum parochiæ de Holcombe cum omnibus decimis proficuis et commoditatibus rectoriæ predictæ pertinentibus in tam amplis modo et forma prout Thomas Chard nuper prior ibidem habuit et occupavit sic dimiss Willielmo Symons generoso pro termino vitæ suæ per indenturam datam 29^o. die Junij anno regni Henrici 8^{vi}. 29^o. solvend. ad festa Paschæ et sancti Michaelis archangeli equaliter. Reparationibus premissorum ad onus dicti firmarij prout in indentura inde confecta plenius continetur.

Summa 15l. 15s. 4d.

Summa totalis receptæ 28l. 16s. 4d.

Cell of St. Syriac, or St. Karroc, in Cornwall.



ANNER has given a list of the various names by which this little priory appears to have been called in early times: St. Syriac, St. Cyriac, St. Carriacus, St. Karrocus, St. Cyret, and Julette.^a

It was a small cell of two monks only, dependent on the priory of Montacute;^b and from the mention of it by Gervase of Canterbury, is known to have existed at least as early as the time of

King Richard the First. The church of St. Carriac, or Karrentocus, was given to the monks of Montacute by their founder, as has been already seen.^c

This cell occurs but once in Pope Nicholas's taxation, at p. 154. "Prior de Sancto Karabo" (or more properly as

corrected in a note Karoko) "habet de redditu in decanatu de Westweleschire et Major Treageschne 2l."

In the Valor of the 26th Hen. VIII. the clear revenue of this cell is rated at 11l. 1s.^d

The scite was granted in the 37th Hen. VIII. as parcel of the possessions of Montacute to Laurence Courtney;^e and the particular for it remains in the Augmentation Office.

The Messrs. Lysons, in their *Magna Britannia* for Cornwall, speaking of the parish of St. Veep, call this the "little priory of St. Cyric and St. Juliet."

"St. Syrus the priest is said, by William of Worcester, to have been buried in the church of this cell. Walter de Exon, who wrote a history of Guy earl of Warwick, in the fourteenth century, is said to have been a monk of this house.

"The site," they add, "now generally called St. Cadix, is the property and residence of Mrs. Anne Wymond, widow of Richard Wymond, Esq. lately deceased. Here are some remains of the chapel."^f

Sti. Syriaci Cella, in agro Cornubiensi.

NUM. I.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

CELLA S^{ci} KAROCI in com' pred^{co} dict' p'oratui de Monte Acuto ptinen' unde Laurencius Casteltown est prior est dative et removabile ad voluntatem d^{ci} prioris de Monte Acuto.

Valet reddit' terr' dnical' ibm p annū 9s. 8d. cū x^{mis} p^{ed}ial' psonal' et al' casual' ibm p annū 7l. 13s. 4d. et reddit' terr' in Gonam et S^{ce} Ive ibm p annū 2l. 18s.

Sic clare . . . 11l. 1s. 0d.

^a The authorities are, Hen. Sulgrave, MS. Mon. Angl. Taxat. Lincoln, MS. Lel. Itin. vol. iii. p. 37.

^b Leland, Itin. vol. ii. p. 121, says, "Two myles above Bodennek ynto the land northward, is a creke upon the north syde, wherein ys a sel of ii. blake monkes of Montegu, and is dedicat to S. Sirice and Julit."

^c See the Append. to Montacute, Num. II.

^d See Num. II.

NUM. II.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Transcript of Roll. 31 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

CELLA SANCTÆ CAROKÆ.

Computus JOHANNIS TUBBE, JOHANNIS KAYLLEWAY et ROGERI TUBBE Firmariorum ibidem per dictum Tempus.

Arreragia.

Nulla quia primus computus.

Summa nulla.

Firma Cellæ prædictæ.

Sed respondet de 11l. 1s. de firma totius capitalis me-

^e Com. Cornub. Orig. 37 Hen. VIII. p. 3. rex tertio die Septembris concessit Laurentio Courteney et Dorotheæ uxori ejus capitale mesuagium nuper cellæ sancti Karochi, ac mesuag. &c. in parochiis de Dewloo. Lanteglos juxta Fowey, seynte Kayne, et seynte Veppa, ac etiam capellam voc. seynt Karrock, ac rectoriam, &c. de seynte Veppe, ac decimas, &c. capellarum de Muneley, Langoneck, et Manelly Coleshall in com. Cornub. habend. eis et heredibus ipsius Laurentii imperpetuum. ro. xxviii.

^f Magna Brit. Cornw. p. 317.

suagij ibidem cum omnibus et singulis suis pertinentijs necnon omnium illorum mesuagiorum terrarum tenementorum reddituum reversionum et servitiorum cum omnibus et singulis suis pertinentijs jacentibus et existentibus in parochia de Dewle Lantegles in comitatu Cornubiæ ac etiam capella quæ vocatur saint Karoche alias saint Karicke cum suis pertinentijs per quæcumque nomina cenciantur sive cenciatur necnon tota garba parochiæ de saint Veppa cum omnibus decimis et proficuis ac commoditatibus rectoriæ de saint Veppa prædicta pertinentibus unacum firma totius manerij de Govan et saint Karoche necnon omnium illorum mesuagiorum terrarum tenementorum pratorum pascuarum et pasturarum communia boscorum reddituum reversionum et servitiorum cum omnibus et singulis suis pertinentijs sic

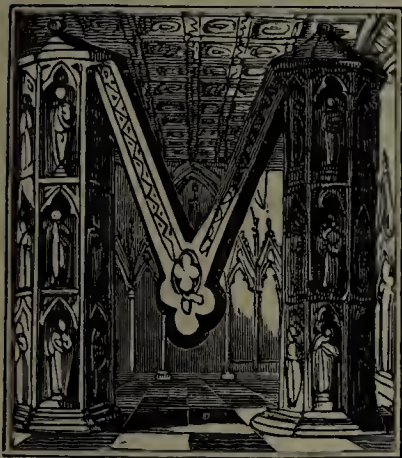
dimiss. præfatis computantibus per indenturam datam ultimo die Junij anno 29^{mo}. Henrici 8^{vi}. pro termino vitæ eorum et unius eorum diutius viventis solvend. ad festa Paschæ et sancti Michaelis Archangeli equis portionibus reparationibus præmissorum in omnibus ad onus dictorum firmariorum prout in indentura inde confecta ad largum irrotulatam plenius continetur, viz. pro duobus hujusmodi festis infra tempus hujus computi accidentibus ut supra.

Summa 11*l.* 1*s.*

Summa totalis firmæ prædictæ 11*l.* 1*s.* quæ liberaverunt Thomæ Arundell militi receptori Domini regis ibidem sine billa sed tamen ex recognitione super hunc computum.

Et eque.

Malpas, near Caerleon, in Monmouthshire.



ALPAS was another Cell, of two Cluniac monks, to the priory of Montacute, and is supposed by Tanner to have been the Terra de Caerleon granted to that monastery by Winebald de Baeluna in the time of Henry the First.

In the Taxation of Pope Nicholas the possessions of this small house are thus returned :

Prior de Maupas habet apud Maupas de reddit, as-

sis. 1*l.* 16*s.* ad recipiend. per manus com. de Novo Burgo. Et de propriis tenentibus iſm 18*s.* De quodam molendino iſm 8*s.* Item idem habet in eodem manerio triginta acras de mora. prec. cujuslibet acræ 6*d.* De quadam pastura quæ vocatur Warda 2*s.* Item idem habet in Maupas viginti acras terræ, prec. cujuslibet acræ 3*d.* Et apud le Maupas tres acras prati prec. cujuslibet 2*s.* De operationibus custumar. in autumpno 6*s.* De placitis et perquisitis 2*s.*—Summa 4*l.* 18*s.*

Prior de Meupas habet quatuor vaccas, exitus cujuslibet in vitulis et lacte 1*s.* 8*d.*—Summa 6*s.* 8*d.*

It was valued at 15*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.* clear, and granted as parcel of the cell of Montacute in the first of Edw. VI. to Sir William Herbert.

It was situated a mile and a half from Newport.

Coxe, in his Tour in Monmouthshire, gives the following description of the chapel of this cell :

“The chapel of this cell, now the parish-church, is worthy of being visited by the antiquary, as one of the most ancient religious edifices in these parts.

“It is a small building of unhewn stone, of an oblong shape like a barn, with a belfry having two apertures for bells. The arched door which is on the western side, the stone frames of the three principal windows, as well as the arch which separates the chancel from the church, are all rounded, and decorated with friezes of hatched moulding, denticles, and receding columns, peculiar to the Saxon and Norman architecture. The arch of the southern window, which seems to have been a doorway, is more elegantly ornamented and embossed with roses, not unlike the Etruscan style. All the columns, which are mostly of a rude form, have dissimilar capitals and shafts, a striking feature in Saxon structures. Some modern Gothic windows have been introduced into the stone frames of the original apertures.”^a

Cella de Malpas, in agro Monumethensi.

NUM. I.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

CELLA DE MALPACE, in Wallia, dñi p̄oratus de Monte Acuto p̄tin', un' Joh'ES MONTAGU est p̄ior, est dative et removabile ad voluntatem dñi prioris de Monte Acuto.

Valet in reddit' terr' dñical' et Penrose iſm p̄ annu' 4*l.* 13*s.* 8*d.* ; reddit' assis' in Malpace et Mendlegesse iſm p̄ annu' 4*l.* 6*s.* 3*d.* ; cu' x^{mis} p̄dial', p̄sonal', et al' casual' iſm p̄ annu' 3*l.* 19*s.* 8*d.* ; et rem' clare . . . 15*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.*

NUM. II.

Proceedings of the Court of Augmentations, temp. Hen. VIII.

[From the originals, in the Augm. Office.]

Articles and Instructyons made and devysed for the Kyng's Commyssyoners named in the Commyssyon herunto annexed,^b for the dew executycon of the same Commyssyon.

FIRST the sayd commyssyoners shall cause to com' before theym, or on' of theym, at suche tyme and place as by theym shalbe lymytte, as well the pryour or chief governoure of the priory or cell of Malpas, in Wales, whiche is p̄tendit and supposyd to be a cell to the monastery of Mountague, in the countie of Soĩns. as also the abbot of the same monastery.

Iſm that the sayd commyssyoners, or on' of theym shall cause the sayd abbot and priour to be sworne upon the holy Evangelyst, and upon theyr othe to declare and shewe unto the same commyssyoners what deedes, charters, wryttinge, evidenc, books of accompte, indentures, leasses, courte rolle, escript, and muniment be and remayne in the hand and custodye of the same abbote and priour or chiefe governour, or eny of theym, or in the hand and custodye of eny other pson to theyr knowlege, concernyng as well the land, tenement, and possessyons, as the foundacōn of the sayd priory or cell of Malpas, and to cause the same abbote and priour or chiefe governour to delyver the same deedes, chartours, wryttinge, evydenc, indentures, leasses, courte rolle, escript, and muniment into the hand of the sayd commyssyoners.

Item if any of the same deedes, chartours, wryttinge, evydenc, book of accompte, indentur, leasses, courte rolle, escript, or muniment be or remayn in the hand or possessycon of any other pson or psons, then the same commyssyoners, or oon of theym, shall cause the same pson or psons to appere afore theym, or oon of theym, and to cause hym or theym, by and upon their othe, to delyver the same to the hand of the seyde commyssyoners, or oon of theym.

Iſm that the sayd commyssyoners, at the daye and tyme lymytte in the sayd comyssyon, shall certyfy and send, under theyr seales, or the seale of oon of theym, the sayd deedes, charters, wryttinge, evydenc, book of ac-

^a Coxe's Tour in Monmouthshire, p. 79.

^b The Commission, which is in Latin, bears date 27 Nov. 28 Hen. VIII.

compte, indentures, leasses, court roll^e, and muniment^e, by theym so receyvede.

This is the aunswer of Robert Shirborn, prior of Mountegew, in the countie of Somers. and John Mountegew, prior of the sell of Malpas, in Watis, and also their writyng^e belonging to the said sell, as hereaftir folowythe, according to the entent of certeyne articlis annexid to the king^e writ directed down for the same.

Firste the said priours and eyther of them by themself saie uppon their othes that they have not, nor oon of theym have not, nor it any other pson to their knowleig hath not, any other maner of writyng^e, dedis, foundations, charters, escript^e, muniment^e, court rowlis, bokis of accompte made aftir any other maner of fourme then hereaftir folowithe, whiche theie have here delyverd.

Firste a dede of Hoell the sonne of Gerverd. Another dede of Roberd the sonne of the king, whiche was erle of Gloucester; and also another dede of Ranulph the king's phicision.

I^m two bokis of the maner and fastion of the court^e holding for the land^e and tenement^e belonging to the said sell.

I^m certeyn rowlis and bokis of accompte according aftir the fourme and maner as the aforenamyd priour of Mountegiw doth yerlie take accompte of the said priour of Malpace s^yng at the said sell.

I^m two collacion^e aftir the fourme wherof the p^ror of Mountegiw doth alwais make suche writyng for that monk of his house of Mountegiw which that he will send to serve at Malpace as to be priour therof so long as it shall please the said p^ror of Mountegiw, and the said collacion or writyng so made is seallid w^t. the p^ror of Mountegew^e seale and not with their chapter seale their.

I^m a boke made be the king^e comissioners for the censing of all the land^e belonging to the house of Mountegiw for the payment of the king^e annuall rent, in the whiche the p^ror of Mountegiw is chargid for the land^e belonging unto the sell of Malpace aforesaid, aswell as for any other land^e belonging to the said house of Mountegiw.

I^m acquittance made by the king^e collect. for the anuall rente.

I^m a copie aftir the fourme wherof the other copies be made concernyng the landis that be hold be copies of the sell of Malpace.

Per me ROB'TU' SHYRBORN, p^rorem Mont Acuti.

Per me domⁱpn^um JOHANNEM MOUNTEGUE, priorem de Malpace.

Dane John Cogyn, monke of the house of Montegyw, saith uppon his othe, that in the tyme that oon Tho^ms Charde was p^ror of Mountegiw aforesaid oon Dane Nicholas Yevill, then being priour of the sell of Malpace, was callid

home to the same house of Mountegiw be the said Tho^ms Charde, and then the said John Cogyn sent unto the said cell of Malpace by the said Tho^ms be letter of collacion to be porther, and ther ded contynyw be the space of xiiij^{tene} yeres, and then aftir Roberd Sherborne being prior of Mountegiw, ded call home me the said John Cogyn unto the said house of Mountegiw, and then ded send oon Dane John Mountegiw unto the said sell, which then was it unto this tyme doth contynywe.

The certificat of John Fitz James knyght, cheif justice at pleas of o^r so^vaigne lorde the kyng byfore his highnes to be holden, and S^r John Horssey knyght, ap^on the kyngg^e comission to them d^erected from his honorable Courte of Augmentacion of the crone for the execucion of certen articles to the same comission annexed.

In p^rmis the xxvij. day of December in the xxvijth yere of the reigne of o^r saide so^vaigne lorde at Mountagewe in the countie of So^ms, wee the saide John Fitz James and John Horssey, knyght^e, did swere uppon the Holie Evange-liste, aswell the saide p^ror of Mountagew as the p^ror of the cell of Malpasse in Wales, accordyng to the articles annexid to the saide comission.

I^m the saide p^rors have delyvered unto us the saide comissioners all suche evydenc^e, w^rtyng^e, and mynymen^t as be mencioned in a cedula annexid to the saide comission, subscribed w^t. the handd^e of the saide priors, whiche be as they say ap^on ther saide othes all suche writynges as they or any of them, or any other pson or psons to ther knowleg^e have, con^cnyng the saide cell, all whiche evydence be here redie to be schewid to this honorable courte.

In witnes wherof we the saide comissioners to this p^rsentt^e have put o^r seales the daye and yere abovesaide.

JOHN FITZ JAMES.
JOHN HORSEY.

NUM. III.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Transcript of Roll, 31 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

CELLA DE MALPASE.

Computus JOHANNIS PARRY Firmarii ibidem per Tempus prædictum.

Firma Cellæ.

RESPONDET de 15l. 2s. 4d. de toto redditu assisæ in Penros 4l. 13s. 8d. Malpase 2l. 2s. 9d. Menelegiff 4l. 6s. 3d. Decim' garb' prædial' et al' minut' decim' rectoriæ ibidem pertinen^t 3l. 19s. 8d. sic dimiss' præfato computanti per indenturam ut asseritur solvend' ad quatuor anni terminos principales videlicet pro quatuor hujusmodi terminis infra tempus hujus computi accidentibus.

Summa 15l. 2s. 4d.

Priory of Holme, or East Holme, in Dorsetshire.



HEN or by whom the little Priory of Holme was founded is not known. It existed as a Cell to Montacute at least as early as 1291.^a According to Leland it was furnished with a prior and two monks only, who took care of the revenues and served the cure: the demesnes and tithes of the whole vill of East Holme belonging to the priory.^b

WILLIAM POPE occurs Prior in 1444.

JOHN WALES was Prior in the 26th Hen. VIII.

After the Dissolution, in the first year of Edward the Sixth, the Site of this Cell, with the demesne lands belonging to it, were granted to Edward, Duke of Somerset. In the 1st and 2d of Philip and Mary, they were again granted out from the Crown to John Hannam, Esq. and his heirs, to be held by the fortieth part of a fee, value 11l. 5s. In this family the site continued till the 8th Will. III., when an act passed for vesting this manor and that of Swanwich, part of the estate of Sir John Hannam, Bart., in trustees for payment of his debts. Soon after which it was sold to Denis Bond, Esq. serjeant at law; who left it to his nephew

^a Itin. vol. vii. p. 21.

^b In the Taxation of Pope Nicholas IV. A.D. 1291, we find the following entries of the profits of this priory:

" Sarum, Spirit.	£.	s.	d.
Porcio prioris in ecclesia de Pudeton . . .	0	6	8
Porcio in ecclesia de Wermewl . . .	0	7	0

Nathaniel Bond, Esq. barrister at law, who was the owner of it when Mr. Gough republished Hutchins's History of Dorsetshire.^a

Tanner refers to Pat. 15 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 5. and Pat. 2 Hen. V. p. 2, m. 17. relating to this priory.

In the office of King's Remembrancer in the Exchequer are proceedings dated in the first year of Henry V. calling upon William Cryche, the then Prior of Montacute, to show why the Priors of Holme and Careswell

should not be seized into the hands of the king as alien priories.

At the Suppression this Cell was valued at the annual sum of 16*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* The prior, it appears, was dative and removeable at the pleasure of the Prior of Montacute.

Hutchins says, that some remains of this priory were existing in 1744; with some ruins of the church belonging to the Cell: but in 1746 the whole were removed by Denis Bond, Esq. to Grange, where he built an oratory with them a little north of the house.

Cartae ad Holmensem Prioratum in agro Dorsetiensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

CELLA DE HOLME in com' p^edict' d^{co} priorat' de Monte Acuto ptinent' un' Jofies Wales est p^{ior} est dative et removeabile ad voluntatem d^{ci} p^{ioris} de Monte Acuto.

Est Holme.

Valet in reddit' assis' t^{am} libor' tenen' q^{am} custum' i^{bm} p annū 7*l.* 14*s.* In X^{mis} p^edial' p^{sonal}' et al' casual' i^{bm} p annū 1*l.* 1*s.* 10*d.* Et in dⁱvs' pcell' terr' vide^{it} in Plusshe 1*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.* In Venegar 8*s.* Weston 2*l.* 10*s.* Acton 4*s.* Croffe 12*s.* Warrame 6*d.* Whyte church 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Watercomb 6*s.* 8*d.* et Langton jux^a Abbotsbury i^{bm} p annū 7*s.* 16*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.*

NUM. II.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Transcript of Roll, 31 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

CELLA DE HOLME cum diversis hamlettis porcionibus sive pencionibus eidem pertinentibus.

Compotus NICHOLAI ROWE firmarij et collectoris redditus ibidem per tempus p^{redictum}.

Arreragia.

Nulla quia est primus compotus ipsius computantis ad usum domini regis ibidem.

Summa nulla.

Redditus assisi in Holm.

Sed respondet de 70*s.* 8*d.* de redditu custumariorum tenencium ibidem per annum solvend. ad 4^{or}. anni terminos principales prout patet per diversa compota inde super hunc compotum ostensa et examinata.

Summa 70*s.* 8*d.*

Langton, Welssh, et Plusshe.

Et de 4*s.* de redditu unius tenementi ibidem in tenura Johannis Browne per copiam curiæ solvend. ad eosdem terminos. Et de 44*s.* 8*d.* de redditu certarum terrarum et tenementorum in Plusshe p^{redicta} per annum solvend. ad terminos p^{redictos}.

Summa 48*s.* 8*d.*

Sarum, Spirit.	£.	s.	d.
Porcio in ecclesia de Langeton	0	13	4
Pensio in ecclesia de Corston	0	13	4
Pensio in ecclesia de Porstok	0	13	4
Sarum, Temp.			
In Corfe	0	2	0

Felbake.

Et de 12*s.* de redditu unius tofti cum pertinencijs ibidem in tenura Nicholai Rowe per copiam curiæ solvend. eosdem terminos.

Summa 12*s.*

Wareham.

Et de 6*d.* de redditu unius gardini ibidem cum pertinencijs in tenura Walteri Ilys ad voluntatem solvend. ad terminos supradictos.

Summa 6*d.*

Worthe.

Et de 26*s.* 8*d.* de redditu certarum terrarum tenementorum et mesuagiorum cum omnibus suis pertinentijs ibidem in tenura Henrici Gyllott solvend. ad terminos supradictos.

Summa 26*s.* 8*d.*

Penciones et Portiones.

Et de 23*s.* 4*d.* de quadam porcione decimarum provenientium de p^{redictis} mesuagijs et terris in Worthe per annum. Et de 26*s.* 8*d.* de quadam porcione decimarum provenientium de terris et tenementis Henrici Trovellfyld in Whitchurche sic dimiss. prefato Henrico per indenturam ut asseritur. Et de 7*s.* de quadam porcione recept' de hospitale de Mayne per annum. Et de 7*s.* de quadam porcione sive porcione provenient. de rectoria de Langton per annum qui quidem penciones et porcio solvend. ad

Summa 64*s.*

Firma terrarum dominicalium.

Et de 100*s.* de firma terrarum dominicalium ibidem cum ortis pomarijs gardinis terris pratis pascuis et pasturis communis ac operibus custumariorum tenencium ibidem cum suis pertinencijs sic dimiss. Nicholao Rowe pro termino vitæ suæ per indenturam datam 24^{to}. die Aprilis anno 27^{mo}. regis Henrici 8^{vi}. solvend. ad 4^{or}. anni terminos principales. Et de 13*s.* 4*d.* de decimis provenientibus de terris dominicalibus p^{redictis} dimiss. p^{refato} Nicholao Rowe ad voluntatem solvend. ad terminos supradictos. Et de 6*s.* 8*d.* de firma scitus prioratus de Holm cum Bartoñ eidem scitui pertinente ac cemetor. ecclesiæ ibidem sic dimiss. Johanni Walys clerico servienti curiæ ibidem ad voluntatem reparationibus inde ad onus p^{redicti} Johannis Walys solvend. ad terminos supradictos.

Summa 6*l.*

Summa totalis receptæ 17*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*

Sarum, Temp.	£.	s.	d.
In Borland cum Plisses	0	13	4"
Taxat. Eccles. P. Nich. IV. pp. 179, 179 b, 180, 182 b, 183 b, 184, 195.			

^a See the last edit. of Hutchins's Hist. of Dorsetshire, vol. i. p. 312.

Priory of Daventre, in Northamptonshire.



UGH de Leycester,^a sheriff of Northamptonshire, and steward to Maud sister of Earl Simon Seynliz the First, according to Bridges about 1090, but certainly in the latter end of the Conqueror's reign, or beginning of William Rufus, placed in the Church of Preston Capes, or West Preston, in this county, four Cluniac monks;^b who, labouring under want of water, and other inconveniences, were, in a few years, removed to the town of Daventre: where the said Hugh, near the parish-church (wherein were then four secular canons), built a priory to the honour of St. Augustine the monk, subordinate to St. Mary de Caritate in France.^c

Bridges, from the Register which will be quoted in the margin, has condensed the following particulars concerning the endowment of this monastery. He says the first provision made for the maintenance of these monks was the grant of the church of Preston, given them by their founder, with the lands of Edric de Everdon, amounting to upwards of six virgates, and the revenue of a mill called "Molendinum Vicecomitis;"^d to which, upon their removal, he added three virgates of land in Fawesley, in consideration of the loss they might thereby sustain. He further obtained for them the church of Daventre from Maud de St. Liz, to whom he was seneschal, with five carucates of land, containing a wood called Armele Wood, certain meadow grounds, and a mill.

But, upon the death of Hugh de Leycester, these three virgates of Fawesley were claimed by William, his son and heir, who brought an action against the monks, and sought to recover them out of their hands. In this distress they made their application to King Henry the First, who, considering their poverty, confirmed the grant which their founder Hugh had made, gave them besides the church of Fawesley, and exempted them from the payment of certain customary duties.^e

Besides these benefactions, with others very considerable from the descendants of Maud de St. Liz, Hugh Poer, the grandson of Hugh de Leycester, gave them the churches of Haddon, Cold-Ashby, Eltingdon, and Suthorp.^f The churches of Haddon and Cold-Ashby he gave with the consent of the prior and convent of Coventry, to whom he was an under tenant. This grant was made in the 15th year of King Stephen, in the time of prior Laurence, and, according to Dugdale, wrought such love and affection between these two religious houses, that, in a manner, they had henceforward all things in common.^g

Robert, the son of Vitalis Palfrey, or Fitz Violi, lord of the manor of Foxton, gave to this priory the churches of

Foxton, Gutmundeley, Bitlesbrook, Scaldeford, Braybrook, and Lubenho.^h Stephen de Welton, lord of Staverton, gave them the church of Staverton;ⁱ Henry de Noers, lord of Norton, the church of Norton;^k William de Novo Mercato, lord of Welton, restored to them the chapel of Welton, to which Daventre was the mother church;^l and Geoffrey Malesoures, lord of Waldegrave, gave them the church of Waldegrave.^m

The monks here had likewise large temporal revenues and privileges bestowed on them by several benefactors in Daventre, Drayton, Norton, Staverton, Welton, Thorp, Houghton, Northampton, Dodford, Buckton, Watford, Everdon, Fawesley, Thorp Mandeville, Preston, West Haddon, Cold-Ashby, Ravensthorp, Waldegrave, Broughton, Foxton, Lubenho, Middleton, Braybrook, Bitlesbrook, and Scaldeford.ⁿ

PRIORS of DAVENTRE.

OSBERT is the first prior whose name has come down. He was living, as appears by a memorandum in the Register of Daventre, in 1135.^o He was succeeded by

HERBERT, who occurs prior in 1146, 11 Steph.^p

JAYBERT, a Norman, according to Sir William Dugdale, occurs prior about the year 1198.^q

BENEDICT occurs prior in the 6th of John, A. D. 1205.^r

AELM occurs in a fine relating to the church of Suthorp in the 9th of Joh. A. D. 1208.^s

WILLIAM DE BOUAY occurs in 1217.^t In his time the bishop of Lincoln was appointed superintendant of the affairs of the convent by authority of the pope's delegates.^u

WALTER DE SALEBRUGGE was chosen prior in 1225.^x

NICHOLAS DE ELY succeeded in 1231.^y

ROBERT DE HELIDENE, celerar of the monastery, was admitted on the nones of January, 1264.^z

JOHN DE STAVERTON was elected on the death of Helidene, permission, as in the former case for the election, having been first obtained of Robert fitz Walter, knight, the then patron. He was admitted on the 16th kal. June, 1269.^a

WILLIAM DE LEMYNGTON, the next prior, was chosen upon the cession of Staverton in 1281.^b Upon his cession,

PETER DE ESSEBY was made prior 4 non. July, 1289.^c

PETER DE HORPEL was elected prior in 1328.^d Upon his death, licence for an election having been obtained of Henry duke of Lancaster,

JOHN DE FALWESLE was chosen 12 kal. Oct. 1352.^e He died in 1360, when the election fell upon

THOMAS DE STOCKINGFORD, who presided but little more than a year. His election was on the 3d kal. April, 1360.^f

WILLIAM DE GRENDON, upon Stockingford's death, succeeded 20 kal. Sept. 1361.^g

WILLIAM ROTHWELL was elected prior, according to the List already quoted from the Daventry Register, in 1381;

^a Supposed by Tanner to be the same person with Hugh de Fawesley, mentioned by Leland, Collect. vol. i. p. 48.

^b It is reckoned among the Benedictine priories Cart. 22 Edw. I. yet in the Record 18 Hen. VIII. expressly called "Monasterium S. Mariæ de Caritate de Daventre." Reyner, Tract. ii. p. 141, says, the monks of Daventre were Cluniacs at first, and afterwards turned Benedictines. See also Tract. i. p. 210. But there seems to be no doubt but they remained Cluniacs to the last.

^c Compare Tanner, Notit. Mon. Northampt. x. The connexion of the priory of Daventre with the monastery de Caritate is expressly noticed in one or two charters. See the Append. to this account, Numm. III. XIV.

^d See the excerpts from the Cottonian Register of Daventre, Claud. D. xii. in the App. to the present account, Num. I.

^e Compare Num. IV. But the charter, from the mention of Anjou in it, must be that of Henry the Second, not Henry the First.

^f See Num. II.

^g Dugd. Antiq. Warw. last edit. p. 159.

^h Compare Num. V.

ⁱ See the Charter, Num. XII.

^k See Num. XV.

^l See Num. II.

^m Ibid.

ⁿ Compare the abstract of the Register, which will be presently given in a Note.

^o "Sciant præsentis et futuri quod in anno decessionis Henrici regis Willielmus de Novo Mercato ad Daventreiam venit, et capellam

de Welton quam pater suus et ipse de ecclesia Daventreiæ injuste abstraxerant Deo et prædictæ ecclesiæ reddidit, verum etiam se reum clamitans per clavem ipsius capellæ eam saisivit, sibique patri suo jam defuncto veniam postulans, ab ejusdem Priore OSBERTO et a fratribus ab illa invasione injusta absoluti sunt." fol. 82 b.

^p In a Charter of Thomas de Braybroc, de recognitione erroris. Registr. ut supr. fol. 156 b.

^q Antiq. Warw. p. 161.

^r Registr. ut supr. among the Charters of Fawesley, fol. 104 b.

^s Ibid. fol. 110. See also fol. 58.

^t Ibid. fol. 57.

^u Bridges, Hist. Northampt. vol. i. p. 47, from Reg. Hug. Wells, episc. Linc. an. 11.

^x Registr. de Daventr. fol. 172.

^y Ibid.

^z Rot. Gravesend, episc. Linc. anno 7.

^a Ibid. an. 12.

^b Registr. de Daventr. fol. 172.

^c Reg. Oliv. Sutton, episc. Linc. an. 10.

^d Reg. de Daventr. ut supr.

^e Reg. Ginewell, Linc.

^f Ibid.

^g Ibid. The Registr. of Daventr. fol. 172, in a list of the priors, the first part of which was compiled about 1480, by mistake represents Grendon to have been elected in 1353; omitting priors Falwesle and Stockingford entirely.

but it appears in the Lincoln Registers that Grendon did not die till Aug. 20th, 1396: soon after which Rothwell was confirmed prior.^a

It was not during the priorate of Rothwell, as Bridges states, but in the time of Grendon, in the reign of Richard the Second, that the dissension was terminated between the convent and the inhabitants of Daventre, respecting the unseasonable ringing of bells in the parish-church, and the privilege of way through the church-yard to the monastery.^b

JOHN ASHBI was elected prior in 1408.^c He was succeeded by

JOHN DAVENTRE in 1415.^d

ROBERT MAN was elected in 1425.^e His successor was

THOMAS KNYGHT, who was elected in 1444.^f He was advanced to the see of St. Asaph in 1450,^g and allowed to hold the priory of Daventre in commendam. He resigned, however, in 1460, and was succeeded by

WILLIAM BROMLEY.^h Upon his death, in 1475,

WILLIAM LANE was chosen prior.ⁱ

THOMAS YLSTON, or IBSTON, was chosen prior in 1482.^k His successor was

ALEXANDER COLYNS, who was elected in 1515, upon Ibston's death:^l and who was the last prior.^m

Daventre was one of the monasteries which were dissolved by a bull from Pope Clement VIIth, and with the consent of Henry the Eighth, in the seventeenth year of that king's reign; and which were granted to Cardinal Wolsey toward the erection of his two colleges at Oxford and Ipswich.

Its revenues, and it was one of the largest which were suppressed at this time, amounted to the gross sum of 236*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.* per annum: the spiritualities being valued at 115*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.* and the temporalities at 120*l.* 10*s.* 2*d.*ⁿ

The site, and greatest part of the lands and churches belonging to this monastery, were granted, after Wolsey's fall, by King Henry the Eighth, to Christ Church College, Oxford, at its refoundation.

A very fine Register of this Priory is extant in the Cottonian manuscript Claudius D. XII.: on a blank leaf, at

the beginning of which is the following title, in Sir William Dugdale's handwriting; "Registrum cartarum prioratus de Daventre in agro Northamptoniensi: ex dono Johannis Legard de Ganton in com. Ebor. baronctti."

On the third leaf, preceding the beginning of the Cartulary itself, is "A composicion translated out of Ffrenche for the fredome and liberties for cariage thorowe the church yerde of Daventr. and sealed with the duke of Lancaster's seal;" dated 18th March, 13 Rich. II.

The charters of the chartulary itself are arranged under the heads of

- Daventre, fol. 5.
- Draytone, fol. 54.
- Norton, fol. 65 b.
- Staverton, fol. 72.
- Wellton, fol. 82 b.
- Thrope, fol. 88 b.
- Hangynge Houghton, fol. 93 b.
- Northampton, fol. 94 b.
- Dodfforde, fol. 95.
- Bukkeby, fol. 95 b.
- Watford, fol. 96.
- Everdon Parva, fol. 98 b.
- Falwesley, fol. 102 b.
- Thrope Mundevyle, fol. 105 b.
- Prestone Magna, fol. 111.
- Prestone Parva, fol. 113 b.
- West Haddone, fol. 114.
- Coldesheby, fol. 140.
- Pippewell, fol. 141 b.
- Eltingdon, fol. 142 b.
- Waldegrave, fol. 143 b.
- Foxtone, fol. 145.
- Lobenho, fol. 150.
- Braybroc, fol. 156 b.
- Bitlesbrok, fol. 159.
- Schaldeford, fol. 160.
- Goumdelay, fol. 162.
- Appropriationes et confirmationes ecclesiarum, fol. 162 b.
- A few miscellaneous instruments occur at the end.^o

^a Reg. Joh. Bokyrgh. episc. Linc. an. 2. Bridges has fallen into the error of the Daventre Register.

^b See the Indenture in the Register of Daventre, fol. 3.

^c Ibid. fol. 172.

^d Ibid.

^e Ibid.

^f Ibid.

^g Bridges, vol. i. p. 47, from Memorand. Joh. Chedworth, ep. Linc.

^h Reg. Daventr. ut supr. fol. 172.

ⁱ Ibid.

^k Ibid.

^l Ibid. and Reg. Atwater episc. Linc.

^m Beside the catalogue of the priors of Daventre above recited, the following priors occur in the register of Daventre, in deeds and charters without dates:

REYNER,
JAMES,
RICHARD,
SAMPSON, and
RALPH.

ⁿ The following are the entries in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas IV. A.D. 1291, relating to Daventre.

Spiritual.

Dioc. Linc.		£.	s.	d.
Pensio prioris in eccl. de Braybroc	.	2	4	0
Pensio prioris in eccl. de Labenham	.	2	0	0
Pensio prioris in vicaria de Wyssebrok	.	0	10	0

Temporal.

Prior habet in Daventre, Drayton, Staverton, Norton, Halmesle, Preston, Thorp, Everdon, et Walton, de redd.	.	15	2	1½
Idem habet in Drayton, in terris, mol. et cur.	.	2	0	0
Idem habet ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	.	2	12	8
Prior habetin West Haddon in terris, redd. pratis	.	14	6	10
Idem habet ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	.	1	12	0
Prior percipit de abbate de Pippewell de redd.	.	4	16	0
Idem percipit de dicto abbate de redd.	.	0	6	8
In archidiaconatu Leicestriæ	.	2	5	4

See the Taxat. Eccles. P. Nich. IV. pp. 39, 53 b, 54 b, 55, 64, 66, 67, 73.

^o Among the charters of the greatest importance are,

1. Prima carta Davidis regis Scotorum, fol. 5.
2. Carta alia ejusdem regis, ibid.
3. Carta Hugonis filii regis Scotiæ, ibid.
4. Carta Davidis comitis, ibid.
5. Carta Matildæ de Senliz, ibid.
6. Carta alia ejusdem, ibid.
7. Carta tertia Matildæ de Senliz, fol. 5 b.

8. Cartæ quinque Walteri filii Roberti, fol. 5 b, 6.

9. Condemnatio sive sententia super decimis agnorum et vel-lerum in parochia de Daventre, A.D. 1294, fol. 18.

10. Compositio inter priorem et parochianos ecclesiæ parochialis de Daventre, fol. 25.

11. Septem aliæ conventiones inter priorem et parochianos ejusdem ecclesiæ, fol. 25 b, 26.

12. Conventio de parochianis de Drayton, fol. 26 b.

13. Finalis concordia de ecclesia de Norton, fol. 66.

14. Alia concordia de eadem ecclesia, fol. 66 b.

15. Cartæ de capella de Welton, fol. 83, 83 b.

16. Carta de capella de Throp, fol. 90.

17. Cartæ Henrici II. regis de Falwesle, fol. 102 b.

18. Quo waranto prior de Daventre tenet visum franciplegii in Falwesle et Everdone, et feriam in Haddon, fol. 108.

19. Donatores omnium spiritualium monasterii sancti Augustini de Daventre, fol. 109.

20. De advocacione ecclesiæ de Suthrop, fol. 110.

21. Conventio inter priorem de Daventr. et abbatem de Bytlesdene, A.D. 1295, fol. 113.

22. Cartæ de ecclesia de Preston, fol. 113, 113 b.

23. Compositio inter abbatem de Sulleby et priorem de Daventre de fossatis levatis. A.D. 1239, fol. 114.

24. Alia conventio de eadem, fol. 114 b.

25. Compositio inter priorem de Daventre et priorem de Coventr. fol. 115.

26. Bulla Papæ Gregorii, fol. 116 b.

27. Carta de ecclesia de Haddon, fol. 139.

28. Conventio inter priorem de Daventr. et abbatem de Pipewell. fol. 141 b.

29. Ordinacio vicariæ de Esseby, fol. 142 b.

30. Carta de ecclesia de Waldegrave, fol. 144.

31. Confirmatio Alani Basset omnium terrarum, possessionum, et ecclesiarum baroniæ de Foxton, fol. 147.

32. Confirmatio Henrici de Oyry de eisdem, fol. 147.

33. Confirmatio Simonis comitis Norhamtoniæ omnium ecclesiarum baroniæ de Foxton, fol. 147 b.

34. Delegacio pro ecclesia de Foxton, fol. 150.

35. Cartæ de decimis de Lqbenho, fol. 150 b, 164.

36. Carta Roberti filii Vitalis de ecclesia de Braybroc, fol. 156 b.

37. Cartæ de ecclesia de Bitlesbroke, fol. 159, 163 b.

38. Instrumentum vicarii de Schaldeforde, fol. 160 b.

39. De ecclesia de Goumdelay, fol. 162 b.

40. Appropriatio et confirmatio episcopi et decani Linc. omnium ecclesiarum, fol. 162 b.

41. Confirmatio trium ecclesiarum, videlicet de Scaldeforde, Bitelesbroc, et Southrop, fol. 163.

Another register, intitled by Tanner "Liber Monasterii de Davintre," is preserved in the Office of the Duchy of Lancaster.

The Cardinal's bundle among the records in chancery is likewise referred to.

At Oxford, various charters relating to this priory occur in the treasury at Christ Church College; with others among the manuscripts bequeathed to the university by Anthony à Wood.

Various excerpts from the register of Daventre already described, occur in MSS. Dodsworth, in the Bodleian, vol. lv. fol. 2. lxxv. fol. 57. cviii. fol. 52, 57.; and from the Duchy of Lancaster register in vol. cxvii. fol. 1.

The Harleian MS. 2044, fol. 7, contains excerpts from charters of Daventre, formerly belonging to Christopher Lord Hatton.

Among the charters presented to the British Museum by Lord Frederick Campbell, is one marked L. F. C. X. I. Carta Walteri prioris et conventus de Davintr. Stephano de West Haddon filio Herberti concessa de ij. virgatis terræ in West Haddon. Without date.

Tanner gives the following references to records concerning Daventry:

"Cart. antiq. E. n. 25.

"Fin. Northampt. 10 Ric. I. n. . pro v. virg. terræ in W. Haddon.

"Fin. Northampt. 6 Joan. n. . pro terris in W. Haddon. Plac. de banco 9 Joan. Mich. rot. 2. de advoc. eccl. de Trop.

"Cart. vel Claus. 30 Hen. III. m. 13. dorso. Pat. 30 Hen. III. m. 13. dorso, pro commun. pastur. apud Baddebury. Fin. Northampt. 39 Hen. III. n. . pro v. carucat. terræ in Daventre.

"Cart. 20 Edw. I. n. 50. pro mercat. et feria apud West Haddon. Pat. 29 Edw. I. m.

"Pat. 9 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 4. Pat. 12 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 20. de terris et pratis in Draiton, Welton, Norton, W. Haddon, et Ravensthorp. Pat. 19 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 18, vel 19.

"Plac. in com. Northampt. 3 Edw. III. quo war. rot. 4. pro libertat. in Falwesle, Everdon, W. Haddon, &c. Cart. 3 Edw. III. n. 9. Pat. 5 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 35. pro ten. in Draiton Parva, &c. Escaet. Northampt. 5 Edw. III. n. 85. Pat. 11 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 16, vel 17. Pat. 38 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 12. Pat. 42 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 29. Pat. 43 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 4.

"Rec. in Scacc. 18 Hen. VIII. Trin. rot. 2, vel 3."

In the Office of the Duchy of Lancaster are some pleadings and other proceedings in 16 Hen. VIII. between the tenants of the town of Daventry against the prior of Daventry, for disturbance of common of pasture in Redwell and Donnesdale, and impounding of cattle; as also other proceedings of the same reign, but without date, instituted by Alexander, prior of Daventry, against Richard Samell, claiming rent of a bakehouse and a horse-mill, and as to trespass on lands, and destruction of furze, at a place in or near Branwally.

An impression of the Common Seal of the prior and convent of Daventry upon red wax, is attached to a deed in the Office of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 12 Hen. IV. It is somewhat mutilated; it represents St. Augustine, the monk, sitting, and holding in his left hand a crosier; no part of the legend remains but these words SIGILLVM . SCI . A .

The Seal used by Nicholas prior of Daventry was very neat: it represented a table (or altar) surmounted by a cup streaming with water. The inscription round it, s. NICOLAI PRIORIS DE DAVINTRE. The matrix is, or lately was, in the possession of the Rev. Dr. Smith, the present dean of Christ church, Oxford.

Cartae ad Davintrensem Prioratum in agro Northamptoniensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

De prima Fundatione ejusdem.

[Ex Registro Prioratus de Davintre penes Joh. Rushworth de hosp. Linc. armig. 1651.]

Anno gratiæ mxxvj. tempore Willielmi Conquestoris divisum est regnum Angliæ in diversas partes. Cecidit autem comitatus Northampton et Hontindun in manus Symonis de Seynliz qui erat alienigena. Habuit autem Symon duas sorores, quarum una vocabatur Matildis Seynliz, et desponsata esset cuidam qui vocabatur Robertus filius Ricardi, et habebant duos filios; scilicet Walterum et Symonem. Dedit autem Walterus dominium de Davintre Symoni fratri suo, quia potens erat in prælio; de quo Symone venit Robertus (i. e. de Davintre) et de consensu filii Symonis, et ad petitionem Hugonis de Leycestria, Matildis Senliz dedit ecclesiam de Davintre, cum quinque carucatis terræ, boscum videlicet Armele, prata, et molendinum. Hugo de Leycestria fuerat seneschallus Matillidis Seynliz. Dedit etiam Hugo ecclesiam de Prestone, terram Eddrici, cum servitio molendini quod vocatur molendinum vicecomitis. Fuerunt etiam apud Prestone quatuor monachi. Tum propter aquæ defectum, tum propter castelli propinqui-

tatem, procuravit amoveri dictos monachos, ubi fuerunt quatuor canonici seculares, quorum duo ceperunt habitum monachalem, et duo noluerunt, sed victum et vestitum ad eorum vitæ terminum habuerunt.

NUM. II.

Donatores omnium Spiritualium Monasterii Sancti Augustini de Daventre.

[Ibid. fol. 105 a.]

Hugo de Leycestre, dictus vicecomes, dedit nobis ecclesiam de Preston, ubi primo fundavit prioratum et monachos instituit. Sed post annorum paucorum curriculum eundem propter aquæ defectum, et castri sui vicinitatem, usque ad villam de Daventre, ex licentia domini Simonis de Seynlitz senioris, comitis Northamptoniæ et ejusdem villæ domini, removit ad ecclesiam de Daventre, ubi secundo fundavit prioratum et monasterium construxit in honore beati Augustini Anglorum apostoli, juxta ecclesiam parochialem ejusdem villæ; in qua tunc erant quatuor canonici seculares qui singuli habebant præbendas suas de eadem ecclesia, ex quibus duo susceperunt habitum monachalem,

42. Confirmatio episcopi Linc. pensionis de Braybroc, fol. 163 b.
43. Confirmatio Oliveri episcopi Lincoln de ecclesia de Throp, fol. 165.
44. Confirmatio Willielmi episcopi Lync. de ecclesia de Norton, ib.
45. Confirmatio ecclesiæ de Daventre, fol. 165 b.
46. Confirmatio antiqua capellæ de Coldesseby, ibid.
47. Confirmatio ecclesiæ de Falwesleyn, ibid.
48. Confirmatio Hugonis Lyncoln. episcopi de Preston. fol. 166.
49. Confirmatio Ric. archiepiscopi Cantuar. de omnibus ecclesiis, ibid.
50. Confirmatio Bonifacii archiep. Cantuar. de omnibus ecclesiis fol. 166 b.

51. Confirmatio Roberti archiep. Cantuar. de eisdem, ibid.
52. Confirmatio Gregorii summi pontificis de Preston, fol. 167.
53. Confirmatio Innocentii summi pontificis, fol. 167 b.
54. Confirmatio Alexandri summi pontificis, ibid.
55. Ordinatio vicariæ de Daventre. A.D. 1301, fol. 168.
56. Alia ordinatio ejusdem. A.D. 1321, ibid.
57. Ordinatio vicariæ de Northon. A.D. 1321, fol. 168 b.
58. Ordinatio vicariæ de Faluisle, ibid.
59. Inquisitio an prior cooperiet cancellam de Faluisle vel vicarius, fol. 169.
60. Ordinationes vicariorum de Scaldeforde, Throp, Bitelsbroc, West Haddon, Cold Esseby, Doverton, et Preston, fol. 170, 170 b, 171.

et duo in seculo viventes retinuerunt præbendas suas ad totam vitam illorum ex voluntate patronorum. Dedit etiam idem Hugo ecclesiam de Suthrop, ecclesiam de Eltyndone.

Hugo Poer dedit nobis ecclesiam de Haddone, ecclesiam de Coldesseby, ecclesiam de Suthrop.

Robertus filius Vitalis dominus de Foxton dedit nobis omnes ecclesias terræ suæ: videlicet ecclesiam de Foxtone, ecclesiam de Gommundele, ecclesiam de Lobenho, ecclesiam de Scaldeforde, ecclesiam de Bytlesbroch, ecclesiam de Braybroch.

Willielmus Cheyndnt dedit nobis ecclesiam de Preston.

Henricus rex secundus filius Matildis imperatricis dedit nobis ecclesiam de Falwesle.

Stephanus de Whelton dominus de Staverton dedit nobis ecclesiam de Staverton.

Henricus de Noers dominus de Norton dedit nobis ecclesiam de Nortone.

Matildis de Seynlitz, et soror Simonis de Seynlitz junioris comitis Northamptoniæ, dedit nobis in libera viduitate sua tanquam patrona et domina, ecclesiam de Daventre.

Willielmus de Novo-mercato dominus de Weltone dedit nobis capellam de Welton spectantem ad matricem ecclesiam de Daventre tanquam membrum ejusdem.

Galfridus Malesoures dominus de Waldegrave dedit nobis in bona prosperitate sua, ecclesiam de Waldegrave.

NUM. III.

Carta Johannis Poherii.

[Ibid. fol. 106 a.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego Johannes Poherius filius Hugonis Poherii, inspectis cartis Hugonis de Leycestre proavi mei et Hugonis Poherii patris mei, concedo et hac carta mea confirmo, pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ Eustachiæ, et omnium meorum tam vivorum quam mortuorum, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Caritate et ecclesiæ S. Augustini de Daventre et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, omnia quæ in dictis cartis continentur, ecclesiam videlicet de Haddon cum omnibus beneficiis et pertinentiis suis et ix. virgatas terræ in eadem villa, et servitium Radulphi Poer, et illam virgatam terræ quam prædictus Radulphus dedit eis et quam tenent in dominio, et illas duas virgatas terræ quas Radulphus de Esseby tenuit de eis pro v^s. per annum, et iiij^s. quos Gilbertus de Preston solebat reddere per manus Galfridi et Roberti militum suorum. Et ecclesiam de Caldesseby et ecclesiam de Eltyngton, et ecclesiam de Suthtrop quam ipsi monachi dederunt magistro Stephano de Manecestre, et quam Petrus de Wirecestre de eis tenuit per eorum præsentationem, cum omnibus quæ ad easdem ecclesias pertinent. Quapropter volo et firmiter præcipio quod prædicta ecclesia de Daventre et monachi ejusdem loci omnia quæ prænominata sunt et quæcumque tenent de dono antecessorum meorum, bene et honorifice et pacifice teneant libere et quiete ab omni consuetudine et servitio ad me vel ad hæredes meos pertinentibus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Et ut hæc mea concessio rata sit et stabilis, eam scripti et sigilli mei testimonio confirmo. Hiis testibus, Willielmo de Bruch, Philippo de Bruch, Hugone de Clahulle, Waltero Pohero, et pluribus aliis.

NUM. IV.

Carta Henrici II. Regis.

[Ibid. fol. 98 b.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, dux Normanniæ, Aquitaniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, &c. Inspeximus cartam quam Henricus rex avus noster fecit Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Caritate et sancto Augustino de Daventre et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus in hæc verba:

‘Henricus rex Angliæ, dux Normanniæ et Aquitanniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, Roberto episcopo Lincolnæ et comiti Simoni et omnibus baronibus et fidelibus suis clericis et laicis, Francis et Anglis salutem. Sciatis me dedisse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Caritate et sancto Augustino de Daventre et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus ecclesiam de Falwesley manerio meo, in elemosinam imperpetuum tenendam. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio quod ipsi mo-

nachi de Daventre eam liberè et quietè et honorificè teneant cum omnibus quæ ad eam pertinent in inland et utland, in hominibus et serviciis et decimis, et in omnibus aliis rebus, in villa et extra villam, in burgo et extra burgum, et in omnibus locis, cum sacca et socca, et thol et theam, et infangenthes, et omnibus aliis consuetudinibus et libertatibus. Illas etiam iij. virgatas terræ quas Willielmus Vicecomes calumpniabatur ad dominium prædicti manerii eis quietas concedo in elemosina ab omni consuetudine et exactione, et chirkeseat de duobus hundredis prædictæ ecclesiæ concedo undecumque sibi redderetur tempore regis Willielmi et regis H. et nullus illud detineat super forisfactum elemosinæ meæ. Et illas quatuor virgatas terræ quas tenent de socagio de Falwesley in Welton, et in Throp cum molendino uno et aliis earum pertinentiis eis quietas concedo. Testibus, Roberto episcopo Lincolnæ, Thoma cancellario, et Ricardo de Humet constabulario, apud Burgum. Nos igitur prædictam donationem, &c. confirmamus, &c. Data per manum venerabilis patris Radulphi Cycestræ episcopi cancellarii nostri, apud Wodestoke tercio die Novembris anno regni nostri decimo nono.’

NUM. V.

Donatio omnium Ecclesiarum Baronie de Foxtone, Carta Roberti filii Vitalis.

[Ibid. fol. 141 a.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis et Christi fidelibus clericis et laicis, Francis et Anglis, Robertus filius Violi, veram in Christo salutem. Notum sit omnibus vobis dilectissimi quod tercio anno posteaquam Osbertus prior de Daventre cum quibusdam monachis suis dirationaverat apud Leicestriam in conspectu Alexandri Lincolnensis episcopi ecclesias totius terræ meæ Foxtone; videlicet Lubeho, Guthmundelay, Scaldeford, Bitlisbroc, Braibroc, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis unde eos injustè dissaisiveram, pœnitentia ductus Daventreiam veni, et ecclesiam sancti Augustini bono animo et benivolo resaisiavi de ecclesiis prædictis quas antea ex donatione mea ab anno quo Anselmus Cantuariensis archiepiscopus mortuus est habuerat, et usque ad annum regni regis Stephani nonum quo eam investiivi inconcusse possederat, culpam et injustam actionem meam ibidem coram plurimis clericis et laicis apertè recognovi, et veniam à Domino et à sancto Augustino quem offenderam postulavi, et à monachis quantum in ipsis fuit Dei gratia impetravi. Quapropter vobis filii Dei et amici karissimi scribo et scribendo enixius supplico, quatinus pro Dei amore et animæ nostræ salute elemosinam meam, ut in ea mecum per Dei misericordiam participemini, ad utilitatem ecclesiæ Daventrensis et monachorum ibidem Deo servientium ubicumque et in quocumque poteritis manuteneatis et juvetis, quia volo oro et desidero et in quantum michi licet præcipio, quod bene et honorificè teneant liberè et quietè perpetuò possideant. Hujus rei et actionis testes sunt, Johannes capellanus de Daventre, Thomas sacerdos de Norton, Nicholaus sacerdos de Foxtone, Jordanus filius ipsius Roberti filii Violi, et multi alii.

NUM. VI.

Confirmatio Simonis filii Roberti.

[Ibid. fol. 141 b.]

SIMON filius Roberti, Roberto Dei gratia Lincolnensi episcopo et omnibus sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis salutem. Sciatis me pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ Julianæ et liberorum meorum, patris et matris meæ et omnium meorum tam vivorum quam mortuorum, concessisse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Caritate et ecclesiæ sancti Augustini de Daventre et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus donationem ecclesiarum quam fecit eidem ecclesiæ pater meus Robertus in vita sua. Dedit enim illi eo anno quo mortuus fuit Anselmus Cantuariensis archiepiscopus, in perpetuam elemosinam et liberam, quantum ad se et hæredes suos, ecclesias maneriorum suorum Foxtoniæ; videlicet Gutmundelay, Bitlesbroc, Scaldeford, Braybroc, et quod juris habebat in ecclesia de Lobenho, cum omnibus appendiciis et pertinentiis earum in terris et hominibus et in decimis et oblationibus et cæteris quibuscumque beneficiis. Volo igitur et firmiter præcipio quod prædicta ecclesia sancti Augustini de Daventre et monachi beneficia memorata quietè et honorificè teneant, etsicut eis data

fuerunt, in perpetuam elemosinam et liberam jure perpetuo pacificè per omnia possideant; sed ut tenuræ ecclesiarum evidentius designentur et quid servicii forinsecus debeant, caritati vestræ notifico, quod ecclesia de Foxton iiij. virgatas terræ habet et dimidiam, quarum duæ omnimodis liberæ sunt, et duæ et dimidia exterius serviunt. Habet etiam illa mansuras suas in villa quæ satis notæ sunt. Et unam aliam dimidiam virgatam terræ penitus liberam, quam ego dedi pro eo quod monachi in eadem ecclesia ante altare sanctæ Mariæ luminare unum singulis noctibus perpetuo invenient, et unam missam in honore sanctæ Mariæ semel in ebdomada ad idem altare dicere facient sive sabato sive in alio quocumque die. Ecclesia de Gutmundelay ij. virgatas terræ habet cum mensura clericici, et ambæ exterius serviunt. Ecclesia de Bitlesbroc cum pertinentiis suis libera est, ea libertate qua pater meus eam donavit. Ecclesia de Scaldeford tres virgatas terræ habet et ij. mansuras Dirnanni scilicet Aswi et Willa Slinge quæ simul virgatæ forinsecus serviunt. Dimidia vero virgata quam ego in elemosinam eidem ecclesiæ dedi in nativitate Ricardi primogeniti mei omnimodis libera est. Ecclesia de Braybroc ij. virgatas terræ habet cum mansura clericici, et hæ ambæ forinsecus serviunt. Quod autem juris mei est in ecclesia de Lubenho sicut illud pater meus dedit sic et ego concedo. Ut ergo rata et stabilis sit patris mei donatio et mea concessio sigilli mei testimonio utramque confirmo. Me etiam cum obiero Daventreiæ apud sanctum Augustinum ad patrem meum sepeliendum constituo, et uxorem meam si sine velo mortua fuerit, et liberos meos, quod et ipsi concesserunt in die confirmationis hujus. Testibus Juliana uxore mea, Ricardo Henrico et Simone filiis meis, Jordano fratre meo, Henrico de Oxenden, et multis aliis.

NUM. VII.

Carta Ricardi filii Simonis de Foxtona.

[Ibid. fol. 142 a.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis Ricardus filius Symonis de Foxton salutem. Sciatis me pro salute animæ meæ et omnium meorum tam vivorum quam mortuorum concessisse et hac mea carta confirmasse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Caritate et ecclesiæ sancti Augustini de Daventre et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus donationem ecclesiarum quam fecit eidem ecclesiæ Robertus filius Vitalis avus meus, et pater meus post eum concessit et confirmavit. Dedit enim Robertus præfatæ ecclesiæ eo anno quo mortuus fuit Anselmus Cantuariensis archiepiscopus, in perpetuam et liberam elemosinam, quantum ad se et hæredes suos, ecclesias maneriorum suorum Foxtoniæ; videlicet Guthmundelay, Bitlesbroc, Scaldeford, Braibroc, Lubenho cum omnibus appendiciis et pertinentiis earum in terris et hominibus, in decimis et oblationibus, et cæteris quibuscumque beneficiis. Volo igitur et firmiter præcipio quod prædicta ecclesia sancti Augustini de Daventre et monachi beneficia memorata quietè et honorificè teneant, et sicut eis data fuerunt in perpetuam et liberam elemosinam, jure perpetuo pacifice per omnia possideant, salvo jure forinseco quod evidenter designatur in carta patris mei. Ut ergo rata et stabilis sit mea concessio et mea confirmatio, sigilli mei testimonio utramque corroboro. Ibidem etiam ego et uxor mea et liberi mei sepeliemur. Hujus rei testes sunt, Thomas capellanus, Adam filius Henrici de Buggedun, Simon Victor, Radulphus Cocus, et plures alii. Hæc carta facta fuit apud Daventre primo anno regis Ricardi.

NUM. VIII.

Confirmatio Alani Basset omnium terrarum, possessionum, et ecclesiarum Baronie de Foxton.

[Ibid. fol. 143 a.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens carta pervenerit Alanus Basset de Lufphenam salutem in Domino. Sciatis me pro salute animæ meæ et omnium meorum concessisse et hac præsentis carta mea confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ sancti Augustini de Daventre et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus omnes ecclesias terras et possessiones quas Ricardus de Foxton pater Annæ uxoris meæ donavit concessit et confirmavit dictis monachis per cartam suam quam ipsi habent de illo; habendas sibi et successoribus suis et possidendas imperpetuum, in liberam puram et perpetuam ele-

mosinam sicut in eadem carta prænominati Ricardi de Foxton continetur. Quare volo quod dicti monachi et homines eorum liberi sint et quieti imperpetuum de secta curiæ meæ et hæredum meorum. Ego vero Alanus Basset et hæredes mei acquietabimus dictos monachos de Daventre de omni forinseco servicio præfatis ecclesiis terris et possessionibus pertinente. Et hanc meam concessionem et confirmationem eidem warantizabimus contra omnes gentes imperpetuum. In cujus rei testimonium præsentem cartam sigilli mei munimine roboravi. Hiss testibus, domino David de Esseby, Nicholao de Noers, Willicmo de Daventre milite, Ricardo de Foxton, et multis aliis.

NUM. IX.

Confirmatio Henrici de Oyri de eisdem.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Henricus de Oyri filius Fulconis de Oyri dominus de Foxton salutem. Sciatis me pro salute animæ meæ et omnium meorum tam vivorum quam mortuorum concessisse et hac præsentis carta mea confirmasse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Caritate et ecclesiæ sancti Augustini de Daventre et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus donationem et concessionem ecclesiarum quam fecit eidem ecclesiæ Robertus filius Vitalis, et Simon filius ejus et Ricardus filius ejusdem Simonis et Ricardus filius Ricardi post eum concesserunt et confirmaverunt per cartas suas quas vidi et audiui. Dedit enim Robertus filius Vitalis præfatæ ecclesiæ eo anno quo mortuus fuit Anselmus Cantuariensis archiepiscopus, in perpetuam et puram et liberam elemosinam, ecclesias maneriorum suorum Foxtoniæ, videlicet Guthmundelay, Bitlesbroc, Scaldeford, Braibroc, Lobeho, cum omnibus appendiciis earum in terris in pratis et hominibus in decimis et oblationibus et ceteris quibuscumque beneficiis. Præterea confirmo dictis monachis donum Ricardi avi uxoris meæ quod fecit eis in villa de Foxton scilicet sedem molendini in Foxton ubi antiquitus fuit, et unam acram prati, et toftum illud quod fuit Lamberti. Volo igitur et firmiter præcipio quod prædicta ecclesia sancti Augustini de Daventre et monachi beneficia memorata quiete honorifice et pacifice teneant in puram et perpetuam elemosinam et liberam et jure perpetuo possideant. Has ergo donationes et concessionem antecessorum meorum ego et hæredes mei warantizabimus dictis monachis de Daventre. Volo etiam quod dicti prior et monachi de Daventre sint quieti imperpetuum de me et hæredibus meis de secta curiæ meæ et hæredum meorum. Et ut hæc mea concessio et confirmatio rata permaneat et stabilis eam præsentis scripto et sigilli mei appositione corroboravi. Hiis testibus, Godefrido de Quatremains, Willicmo de Daventre, Thoma de Lobeho, et multis aliis.

NUM. X.

Confirmatio Simonis comitis Northamptonæ omnium ecclesiarum Baronie de Foxton.

[Ibid. fol. 143 b.]

SIMON comes Northamptonæ, et Matildis comitissa uxor ejus, Roberto Lincolnensi episcopo et omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis in Domino salutem. Notum sit omnibus vobis quod Robertus filius Vitalis eo anno quo Anselmus Cantuariensis archiepiscopus mortuus fuit, Northamptonam venit, et requisivit me et Matildam comitissam uxorem meam, quatinus pro Dei amore et salute animarum nostrarum concederemus donationem illam quam fecerat de ecclesiis suis. Dederat enim ipsum et ibi testabatur antea pluribus annis præteritis Deo et ecclesiæ sancti Augustini de Daventre et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus omnes ecclesias totius terræ suæ de Foxton; videlicet de Lubenho, de Scaldeford, de Guthmundelay, de Bitlesbroc, de Braibroc, et alias si fortè acquirere posset in vita sua, liberè et quietè et honorificè imperpetuum tenendas, cum omnibus quæ ad eas pertinent in decimis terris hominibus et aliis omnibus rebus. Et nos precatu suo et baronum nostrorum quos ipse obnixius precatus est ut nos inprecarentur, concessimus et concedimus quatinus ipsi bene et in pace imperpetuum teneant. Testibus, Nigello archidiacono, Eggaro decano, Willielmo filio vicecomitis, Hugone canonico, Roberto clerico, et multis aliis.

HIC INCIPIUNT CARTÆ DE STAVERTON JUXTA DAVENTRE.
NUM. XI.

Carta Stephani de Welton.

[Ibid. fol. 68 a.]

ROBERTO Dei gratia Lincolnensi episcopo et omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, Stephanus de Welton salutem. Notum facio universitati vestræ filii Dei et amici karissimi, me pro salute animæ meæ uxoris et liberorum, patris et matris meæ et omnium meorum tam vivorum quam mortuorum dedisse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Karitate et ecclesiæ sancti Augustini de Daventre et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus ecclesiam sanctæ Mariæ de Stavertone in perpetuam elemosinam, cum una virgata terræ et cæteris quibuscumque pertinentiis et beneficiis suis, et concessisse ut liberè et quietè et honorificè eam teneant et pacificè per omnia jure perpetuo possideant, nichil consuetudinis vel servicii debiti cuiquam hominum laicorum vel de ecclesia vel de beneficiis vel de terra agentes, præter quod orent pro me et meis et solum denegeldum reddant in tempore suo regi. Hanc eandem ecclesiam de Staverton ad jus ecclesiæ Daventreiensis pertinentem ut membrum ejus pluribus annis ante hanc donationem sancto Augustino et suis patre meo annuente reddideram, sed nullam cartæ vel sigilli defensionem contra posterorum cautelam et vexativam pulsationem dederam, et actionem meam immunitam reliqueram. Ut ergo jam ex hoc nunc in seculum rata sit et stabilis mea quæ præcessit redditio et quæ sequenter adjuncta est donatio, necnon et ipsa præfata libertatis concessio, scripti et sigilli mei testimonio eas pariter et munimine confirmo. Williel. autem filium Wlrici Sedcal et sorores ejus sancto Augustino et suis confirmo. Hæc apud Daventre feci anno ab Incarnatione Domini millesimo centesimo sexagesimo primo et regni regis Henrici junioris vij. die quodam festo translationis sancti Martini, ubi et Agnes uxor mea mecum fuit et manu sua apposita per quendam textum ecclesiæ altare sancti Augustini de prædicto beneficio mecum pariter seisiavit. Testibus, Adam abbate de Evesham cum iij. monachis suis, Constantino, Jotselino de Senliz et Reginaldo, Pagano clerico de Evesham fratre Reginaldi monachi, Galfrido juvene filio Galfridi de Trailli, Willielmo decano de Brechebi, et multis aliis.

NUM. XII.

Carta Rogeri de Welton.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis Rogerus de Welton filius Willielmi de Welton salutem in Domino. Notum sit universitati vestræ me pro salute animæ meæ, uxoris meæ et liberorum meorum, patris mei Willielmi et matris meæ et pro salute Stephani de Welton avi mei et omnium meorum vivorum et defunctorum, concessisse et hac præsentis carta mea confirmasse in liberam, puram et perpetuam elemosinam, Deo et ecclesiæ sancti Augustini de Daventre et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, donationem, concessio- nem et confirmationem quam Stephanus de Welton avus meus fecit eisdem monachis de Daventre de ecclesia sanctæ Mariæ de Stavertone et de una virgata terræ et cæteris quibuscumque pertinentiis et beneficiis suis, sicut carta dicti Stephani de Welton avi mei quam ego vidi et audivi testatur, quam etiam dicti monachi de Daventre super hoc habent ex dono ipsius Stephani de Welton avi mei. Ego autem Rogerus de Welton warrantizabo dicti monachis de Daventre et successoribus suis de me et hæredibus meis dictam ecclesiam de Stavertone cum omnibus pertinentiis suis inperpetuum. Et ut hæc mea concessio, confirmatio et warrantizatio stabilis inperpetuum perseveret, eam sigilli mei munimine roboravi. Hiis testibus, Adam persona de Welton, Nicholao de Noers, Willielmo de Daventre, Rogero Gulafre, et multis aliis.

NUM. XIII.

Carta Matildæ de Senliz.

[Ibid. fol. 1 b.]

ROBERTO Dei gratia Lincolnensi episcopo et Willielmo archidiacono Norhamtonæ et omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ fidelibus Matilda de Senliz salutem. Universitati vestræ tam

posteris quam præsentibus notificetur me concessisse et in perpetuam et liberam elemosinam dedisse Deo et ecclesiæ sancti Augustini de Daventre et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute mea et pro animabus patris mei et matris meæ, necnon pro anima domini mei filii Ricardi, et pro animabus infantium parentum et amicorum nostrorum et omnium fidelium defunctorum, xl. solidatas redditus ad froccos et cucullas emendas, videlicet iij. molendinos in Daventre pro xx. solidis quos dedi prædictis monachis omnino ita quietos et liberos ne quis successorum aut hæredum meorum vel aliquis alius possit in Daventre seu in Drayton facere molendinum nisi sit ad opus monachorum. Et in Daventre j. virgata terræ quam Johannes capellanus tenet, et j. virgata terræ in Drayton quam Gocelinus tenebat, et homagium Gocelini et infantium suorum, et viii. acras terræ quas Revelandum appellant, et xv. acras prati mei. Istas verò supradictas ij. virgatas terræ et viij. acras de Revelandum et xv. acras prati dedi eis pro aliis xx. sol. Dedi etiam prædictis monachis unam acram terræ ad curtilagium, illam videlicet acram quæ est juxta vivarium. Præter hoc dedi etiam eis terram de Videcroft et duas acras in burgagio juxta mansuram quam Radulfus Saracenus tenebat, et quatuor acras in Langedune juxta terram ipsorum monachorum, et viij. acras de dominio meo juxta terram quam regina Matildis mater mea illis dedit. Statui etiam ut ex hac postrema donatione ematur vinum ad missas cantandas. Concessi etiam eis et dedi homagium Odulfi et infantum suorum. Concedo etiam et hac carta mea confirmo donationem quam Teboldus homo meus eis fecit de una acra terræ in burgagio, cum Hugone Plumston et pueris ejus. Volo igitur et præcipio quod monachi teneant omnia ista dona prædicta ita solidè, et quietè, et honorificè, et liberè, ne de aliquo humanæ vel laicæ potestati subiaceant, vel de aliquo ex hiis eis respondeant. Testibus, Helia capellano, Johanne capellano de Daventre, Odone clerico Philippo de Daventre, Hugone de Wanci.

NUM. XIV.

Carta Walteri filii Roberti.

[Ibid.]

WALTERUS filius Roberti omnibus fidelibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ, et omnibus amicis suis, et omnibus hominibus suis, Francis et Anglis, salutem. Sciatis me dedisse, et concessisse, et hac carta mea confirmasse Deo, et S. Mariæ de Karitate, et ecclesiæ S. Augustini de Daventre, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in perpetuam et liberam elemosinam, pro animabus Roberti filii Ricardi patris mei, et Matildis de Senliz matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum meorum, et pro anima mea, et animabus uxoris meæ Matildis de Lucy, et filiorum et filiarum mearum, tria molendina in Daventre, super quæ alia fieri in possessione, vel in campis de Daventre, vel in Drayton, à quoquam hæredum vel successorum meorum, vel à quoquam hominum penitus prohibeo et omnimodis interdico. Dedi etiam in Daventre xx. acras terræ ad austrum cimiterii, iij. acras in burgagio, et viij. acras Revelandum, et xv. acras prati, et j. acram ad curtilagium juxta vivarium, et Widelcroft versus Drayton, et iij. acras in Langedon, et terram de Gara, et j. acram et j. rodam in Widelcroft, quod est inter duo vivaria, et mansuram Ailwardi et matris suæ, et iij. acras hospitali, duasearum ex una parte campi et duas ex parte alia, et j. seillum juxta vivarium, et iij. acras, et Warewrthemed, et duo vivaria, et piscationem unius diei in meo vivario contra festum sancti Augustini unoquoque anno, et unum millenarium de allece et v. acras bevarii super Burc et decem quadrigatas de bosco et xxiiij. onera ligni separatim sacristæ ad coquendas hostias suas. In Drayton verò dedi eis j. virgata terræ, et j. virgata eschangiavi ibidem pro illa virgata quam Johannes sacerdos tenuit in Daventre de sancto Augustino in die mortis suæ. Præterea in hominibus dedi prædictæ ecclesiæ Vitalem filium Odias et Hugonem Plumstan et Johannem molendinarium, Ivonem, Turb. et Walterum fratres suos cum sororibus suis, et Hugonem, Marinum cum Odulfo fratre suo et sororibus suis. Gruganum cum fratribus suis et Godwinum Blundum, et Matildam uxorem Gamel. de Heddon. Omnes hos cum filiis et filiabus suis. Volo igitur et præcipio firmiter quod prædicta ecclesia sancti Augustini de Daventre et monachi omnia hæc carta et sigilli mei testimonio confirmata cum cæteris pertinentiis et beneficiis in feudo et potestate

mea liberè et quietè honorificè et per omnia pacificè teneant et jure perpetuo possideant. Testibus, Roberto sacerdote de Preston, Willielmo sacerdote de Welton, Willielmo de Albeimei, Radulfo de Hulm, Philippo de Daventre.

NUM. XV.

Carta Henrici de Nuiers.

[Ibid. fol. 61 b.]

HENRICUS de Nuiers et Juliana uxor sua omnibus hominibus et amicis suis, et universis matris ecclesiæ filiis salutem. Notum facimus omnibus vobis nos recognovisse et reddidisse et ex parte nostra dedisse in perpetuam et liberam elemosinam ecclesiæ sancti Augustini de Daventre jus suum ecclesiam de Nortona cum omnibus appendiciis et libertatibus et consuetudinibus, et omnibus rebus ad eandem ecclesiam pertinentibus, pro salute animarum nostrarum et antecessorum nostrorum, qui eam eidem ecclesiæ de Daventre longo ante tempore injustè subtraxerant. Volumus ergo et præcipimus ut jam dicta ecclesia de Daventre et monachi qui ibidem Deo serviunt eam liberè possideant et ab omni exactione quietam habeant. Et ut hæc omnia rata sint et nullo possint impetu iræ vel odii vel alio quolibet modo temerari aut violari, hanc recognitionem et redditionem et donationem ex parte nostra factam præsentis scripti testimonio et sigilli nostri auctoritate confirmamus. Testibus; Willielmo presbytero de Falwesle, Simone presbytero de Daventre, Galfrido presbytero de Cundon, Willielmo presbytero de Welton, et multis aliis.

NUM. XVI.

Carta Roberti Nuiers.

[Ibid. fol. 62 a.]

ROBERTUS de Nuiers omnibus sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis salutem. Sciatis me concessisse ecclesiæ sancti Augustini de Daventre et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus totum quod Henricus de Nuiers frater meus et Juliana uxor sua filia et hæres Henrici de Chandri fecerunt prædictæ ecclesiæ et monachis de ecclesia de Nortona. Recognoverunt enim eis jus suum ecclesiam scilicet de Norton cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis, et reddiderunt et ex parte sua donaverunt et carta sua confirmaverunt, quod et ego ex parte mea et uxoris meæ Mariæ pariter concedo et confirmo. Diligo enim ecclesiam et profectum ejus omnimodis cupio. In fratrem ibidem susceptus sum, et in die susceptionis fide affidavi in manu Philippi de Daventre quod actionem et cartam fratris mei et meam ubique dum vixero contra omnes homines pro posse meo warrantizabo. Testibus, Willielmo presbytero de Falwesle, Simone capellano de Daventre, Philippo de eadem, et aliis.

NUM. XVII.

Carta Ricardi Vernun.

[Ibid. fol. 62 b.]

RICARDUS de Vernun omnibus hominibus et amicis suis Francis et Anglis et universis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis salutem. Sciatis me vidisse cartam Henrici de Noers attestantem quod Henricus de Nuiers et Juliana uxor sua recognoverunt et reddiderunt et ex parte sua dederunt in perpetuam et liberam elemosinam ecclesiæ sancti Augustini de Daventre et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, jus suum, ecclesiam scilicet de Norton, de feudo meo, cum omnibus appendiciis et libertatibus et consuetudinibus et omnibus rebus ad eandem ecclesiam pertinentibus. Et ego per petitionem Henrici de Nuiers et Julianæ uxoris suæ et pro amore Dei et salute animæ meæ hanc eorum recognitionem et redditionem et donationem ex parte sua factam concedo ex parte mea, et præsentis scripti testimonio et sigilli mei auctoritate confirmo. Testibus, Simone capellano de Daventre, Philippo de eadem, Willielmo et magistro Henrico filiis ejus, et aliis.

NUM. XVIII.

Carta Willielmi Gulafre.

[Ibid. fol. 63 a.]

NOTUM sit omnibus præsens scriptum visuris vel audituris quod ego Willielmus Gulafre de Nortone pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ et omnium meorum tam vivorum

quam mortuorum remisi et quietum clamavi de me et hæredibus meis Deo et ecclesiæ sancti Augustini de Daventre et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus totum jus et clamium quod habui vel habere potui in ecclesia de Nortone, tenendam et habendam in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam in perpetuum cum omnibus pertinentiis suis sine contradictione mei vel hæredum meorum. In cujus rei testimonium præsentis scripto sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus, domino Simone filio, W. Radulfo de Thorp, Henrico clerico de Norton, Wincencio clerico, Rogero clerico de eadem villa, et multis aliis.

NUM. XIX.

Donatio de Coldesseby.

[Ibid. f. 110 b.]

ANNO ab incarnatione Domini millesimo centesimo quinquagesimo ego Laurencius Conventrensis ecclesiæ prior totusque conventus dedimus et concessimus in perpetuam elemosinam priori et monachis de Daventre ecclesiam de Asseby in feudo nostro sitam, cum tribus virgatis terræ quæ ad eam pertinent, et cum aliis suis pertinentiis, et ecclesiam de Adduna similiter in terra nostra sitam cum duabus virgatis terræ quas eidem ecclesiæ assignavimus. Salvo tamen jure et consuetudine decimationum et aliorum omnium quæ nostra ecclesia de Winewic de prædictis habuit ecclesiis. Hæc verò supradicta beneficia liberè et honorificè teneant et de nostra ecclesia recognoscant absque omni redditu excepta una libra incensi quam annuatim ante Nativitatem Domini nostræ ecclesiæ persolvent.

NUM. XX.

Carta Galfridi Malesoures de Ecclesia de Wallgrave.

[Ibid. fol. 140 a.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri quod ego Galfridus Malesoures filius Henrici Malesoures dedi, concessi, et hac præsentis carta mea confirmavi Deo et sancto Augustino de Daventre et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute animæ meæ antecessorum et successorum meorum ecclesiam de Waldegrave, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis liberam et quietam in puram et perpetuam elemosinam quantum ad donationem laici et patroni pertinet. Et ut hæc mea donatio rata in posterum et stabilis perseveret, huic scripto sigillum meum apposui. Testibus, Radulfo de Gernemue, Nicholao de Noers, Willielmo de Daventre, Radulpho de Thorp, et multis aliis.

INCIPIUNT CARTÆ DE BRAYBROC.

NUM. XXI.

Carta Thomæ de Braybroc de Recognitione Erroris.

[Ibid. fol. 152 b. An. 11 regis Stephani.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri quod Thomas de Braybroc anno undecimo regni regis Stephani die antecedente octabas Epiphaniæ pœnitentia ductus Daventreiam venit, et ibidem recognovit se male errasse erga ecclesiam sancti Augustini de Daventre et monachos ibidem Deo servientes de ecclesia de Braibroc, quam eisdem monachis, videlicet et ecclesiæ injustè subtrahere volebat, cum eam longo tempore ex donatione antecessorum suorum habuissent. Venit quidem et vadimonio suo super altare posito in satisfactionem erroris sui, elemosinam datam animo benivolo concessit, et ratam ac stabilem perpetuo fieri constituit. In fratrem itaque tandem ecclesiæ à monachis susceptus, in manum Philippi fide affidavit quod elemosinam antecessorum suorum et suam ubique pro posse suo warrantizabit, et ad utilitatem ecclesiæ sancti Augustini et pauperum Christi fratrum suorum manutenebit. Hujus rei testes sunt prior Herbertus et conventus ejus, Seerus de Quinci dominus de Daventre, Hugo de Locrenne, Philippus de Daventre, Radulphus de Thurnebi, et multi alii.

NUM. XXII.

Carta Roberti filii Vitalis de donatione Ecclesiæ de Braybroc.

[Ibid.]

ROBERTO Lincolniensi Dei gratia episcopo et omnibus

sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis Robertus filius Vitalis salutem. Sciatis me concessisse donationem ecclesiæ de Braibroc quam Cetelbertus dedit ecclesiæ sancti Augustini de Daventre. Quapropter volo et præcipio quatinus ecclesia de Daventre eandem ecclesiam cum omnibus pertinentiis suis honorificè teneat, et in perpetuam elemosinam sicut ei data fuit pacificè per omnia jure perpetuo possideat. Et ut rata sit Cetelberti donatio et mea concessio, ipso me inde precante Cetelberto, scripti et sigilli mei testimonio utramque confirmo. Testibus, Hugone de Leicestria, Waltero de Gommundeley, Radulfo de Schaldeford, et multis aliis.

NUM. XXIII.

Progenies Vitalis Palfrey.

[Ibid. fol. 105 a.]

VITALIS Palfrey qui venit cum domino Willielmo Bastard habuit ex dono ipsius Willielmi baroniam de Foxton, qui genuit Robertum, et Robertus Simonem, et Simon Ricardum primum, et Ricardus Ricardum secundum, qui habuit duas filias Amyam et Beatricem. Amya fuit desponsata Alano Basset, qui genuit ex eadem Johannam et Agnetem. Johanna fuit desponsata, secundum quosdam, magistro Willielmo de Gommundeley, de quo Rogerus de Foxton. Agnes fuit desponsata Radulpho de sancto Lando, de quo Johannes de sancto Lando, qui mortuus est sine hærede corporis sui. Beatrix filia Ricardi de Foxton secundi, fuit desponsata Ricardo filio Huberti de Mydelynton, de Johanne Ricardus de Midelynton.

NUM. XXIV.

Genealogia de Weltone.

[Ibid. fol. 78 b.]

ALLELMUS filius Rory, qui venit cum domino Willielmo Bastard, genuit Adam; Adam Willielmum j. Willielmus Stephanum, Stephanus Willielmum ij. Willielmus Rogerum j. Rogerus Willielmum iij. isti sunt domini de Weltone post adventum dicti Willielmi Bastard. Rogerus de Welton primus desponsavit Elisabet filiam et hæredem domini Nicholai de Noers de qua genuit Willielmum, de quo Rogerus, Nicholaus, Galfridus.

Nicholaus, de quo Michael. . . . Argentinam. Ista fuit desponsata domino Waltero de Wodehul, de quo Michael, Walterus. . . . Anabele, et ista domino Hugoni de Capes de Preston, de quo Thom.

Abilis, et ista Roberto Dyne de Brampton, de quo Radulfus. . . . Item dictus Rogerus duxit in uxorem Johannam de Wodehul matrem domini Walteri de Wodehul, de qua nullus exitus.

Item dictus Rogerus duxit in uxorem Margeriam de Haynton de qua nullus exitus.

Willielmus filius R. de Welton desponsavit Fyne de Armenters, de qua Rogerus. Iste Rogerus post decessum patris sui W. vendidit hæreditatem suam, manerium scilicet de Welton. Nicholaus. Iste Nicholaus desponsavit Aliciam filiam domino Willielmo la Zuche. . . . Gaufridus^a domine Feliciæ de Cowe, de qua, Felicia quæ fuit desponsata Nicholao de Monte-Gomeri, Agnes, Eustacius.

Item dictus Willielmus filius R. duxit aliam in uxorem Rosam Murdach, de qua Rogerus. Iste Rogerus, dictus Noers, desponsavit Johannam filiam Feliciæ de Cowe. Mattersuende, de qua Willielmus, Alelmus, Adelina, Isabella, Agnes, Rosa. Item dictus W. duxit alteram in uxorem, scilicet Feliciam de Cowe, de qua Robertus.

NUM. XXV.

[Ibid. fol. 92 b.]

MEMORANDUM quod Walterus Leydet, a die Sanctæ Trinitatis in xv. dies anno Domini millesimo cclij. quarto die placiti comparuit coram dominis Silvestro tunc episcopo Karliolensi, et Rogero de Turkesby et domino Galfrido de Prestone tunc justiciariis itinerantibus apud Leycestre. Et quia dominus W. non fuit plenæ ætatis adjudicatum fuit Willielmo de Everdon attornato prioris quod recederet sine die. Simon vero de Throp debet exspectare plenam ætatem prædicti Walterii. Jacobus vero monachus et Willielmus

de Everdon vel alter ipsorum sunt attornati prædicti prioris in ista loquela per breve regis, et debent se essoniare ad primum diem placiti per duos garciones.

NUM. XXVI.

Lineæ Generationis Latimer.

[Ibid. fol. 94 a.]

HENRICUS de Braybroc dedit quoddam pratum quod vocatur Saunforde domui de Daventre pro sex marcis et dimidia per annum. Qui Henricus procreavit Wiscardum. Qui Wiscardus procreavit Walterum. Qui Walterus procreavit duas filias, Aliciam et Cristianam, quæ seisitæ fuerunt de annuali redditu in communi. Quæ Cristiana habuit quendam filium Thomam le Latymer. Qui Thomas et Alicia sunt seisiti de illo redditu annuali in communi.

NUM. XXVII.

Genealogia de Braybrok.

[Ibid. fol. 94 b.]

ROBERTUS de Braybroc, quondam vicecomes Norhamptoniæ, emit de veteri Eustachio de Watford pratum quod vocatur Sanford, reddendo inde annuatim dicto Eustachio ij. solidos. Iste Robertus genuit Henricum de Braybroc, qui Henricus dedit prædictum pratum domui de Daventre ad firmam perpetuam pro sex marcis et dimidia annuatim sibi et hæredibus suis persolvendis, centum annis elapsis et ultra. Dictus Henricus genuit Wiscardum Ledet, qui sumpsit cognomen ex matre sua Cristiana Ledet domina de Wardon. Iste Wiscardus genuit Walterum Ledet. Et iste Walterus genuit de Ermendrua de Insula duas filias, Aliciam videlicet et Cristianam sorores. Alicia desponsata fuit domino Willielmo le Latimer qui genuit ex ea iij. filios; videlicet dominum Willielmum, dominum Johannem, dominum Thomam, dominum Nicholaum, milites. Cui Nicholao^b domina mater sua Alicia post mortem mariti sui domini Willielmi dedit omnes terras et tenementa quæ habuit in comitatibus Northamptonæ et Leycestriæ. Christiana desponsata fuit domino Johanni fratri domini dicti Willielmi senioris le Latimer, qui genuit ex ea duos filios, videlicet dominum Thomam et dominum Willielmum milites, fratres germanos.

NUM. XXVIII.

Littera Prioris de Coventr.

[Ibid. fol. 111 b.]

UNIVERSIS præsentibus literas inspecturis vel audituris Gaufridus divina permissione prior Coventre salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra priorem de Daventre satisfecisse nobis de relevio Hugonis de Clyntona, hæredis Johannis Poherii, scilicet, quantum pertinet ad quindecim virgatas terræ quas dictus prior tenet de feodo nostro in villa de Westhaddon. In cujus rei testimonium præsentis scripto sigillum meum apposui.

NUM. XXIX.

Inquisitio.

[Ibid. fol. 107.]

INQUISITIO facta coram Johanne de Moyne escaetore domini regis citra Trentam, die Martis proxima ante Assumptionem beatæ Mariæ anno regni regis Henrici filii Johannis regis quinquagesimo quarto, apud Westpreston, per juratos subscriptos; scilicet per Hugonem Lovel, de Fardington, &c. Qui dicunt per sacramentum suum, quod Hugo dictus vicecomes qui habuit castrum et villam de Westpreston, fundavit domum monachorum de Daventre apud Westpreston juxta castrum suum, et dedit eisdem monachis quinque virgatas terræ in Westpreston. Et postea quia ecclesia dictorum monachorum stetit nimis propè castrum suum, ideo amovit dictam abbatiam usque Daventre ubi nunc est, et pro dampnis quæ jam dicti monachi receperunt pro remotione domorum suarum dedit eisdem monachis tres virgatas terræ in Falwesle. Et postea venit Willielmus dictus Vicecomes, filius et hæres dicti Hugonis, et implacitavit dictos monachos

^a sic. MS.

^b MS. Nicholaus.

tempore Henrici regis avi regis H. nunc existentis. Et prædicti monachi accesserunt ad dictum Henricum regem et ostenserunt ei qualiter Willielmus Vicecomes implacitavit eos. Et dictus Henricus rex perpendebat paupertatem monachorum et confirmavit donationem trium virgatarum terræ in Falwesle, et dedit eisdem monachis ecclesiam de Falwesle cum omnibus pertinentiis, et cum cherecheset duorum hundredorum, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Ita quod nichil tenent in capite de domino rege nisi ecclesiam in forma prædicta. Aliam terram quam habent in Falwesle habent de dono dicti domini regis Henrici avi regis Henrici, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam.

NUM. XXX.

Carta Domus.

[Ibid. fol. 107 b.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus præsentis litteras visuris vel audituris frater Nicholaus ecclesiæ sancti Augustini de Daventre humilis prior et ejusdem loci conventus patroni ecclesiæ de Preston, salutem in Domino. Noveritis nos pro nobis et successoribus nostris concessisse dilecto nostro ac speciali domino Hugoni de Capes et hæredibus suis, quantum ad nos pertinet, potestatem liberam capellam erigendi et ædificandi in manerio suo de Preston, salvis in omnibus tam minutis decimis et majoribus quam oblationibus et aliis obventionibus et consuetudinibus, et salvo juramento cujuslibet capellani in prædicta capella divina celebraturi successive, super fidelitate observanda in omnibus suprascriptis matriæ ecclesiæ de Preston et vicario ibidem celebranti. In hujus rei testimonium præsens scriptum in modum cyrographi inter nos est confectum et sigillis nostris hinc inde appositis roboratum. Hiis testibus, dominis Rogero de Weltone, Simone de Throp, Willielmo de Hodenet militibus, Nicholao de Muscote, et multis aliis.

NUM. XXXI.

Carta Radulphi Cheynduit.

[Ibid. fol. 107 a.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis Radulfus de Cheynduit salutem. Notum sit omnibus vobis quod ego pro salute animæ meæ et omnium meorum tam vivorum quam mortuorum concessi et ex parte mea dedi et præsentem cartam confirmavi Deo et sancto Augustino de Daventre et monachis fratribus meis ibidem Deo servientibus, ecclesiam de Prestona cum omnibus ejus pertinentiis in elemosinam puram et perpetuam et liberam ab omni consuetudine et exactione ad me vel hæredes meos pertinente. Testibus, Adam Gilbert de Cotendon, Simone de Foxton, Thoma capellano de Daventre, Helia capellano de Preston, et multis aliis.

NUM. XXXII.

PRIORY OF DAVENTRY.

[Extracts from Survey temp. Hen. VIII. Chapter-House, Westminster.]

Daventre.

THOMAS Strangwyche, squier, holdeth at will the manor place of Daventr. aforesaid, w^t. all the demesne land[℥] belongyng[℥] to the same, w^t. tythe, psonage and vicarage of the towns of Daventre and Drayton, and a pasture enclosed called Thropfeld[℥], w^t. c^{te}in ground in the feld of Welton, for the which he paieth yerelie at t^{me}z accustomed . . . 5 4 0

The church and chauncell of the late monastere of Daventre, clerelie dekaied, and nothyng there standyng[℥] but the wall[℥] and litle, and di^{vs} wyndowes that be glased; which seid wall[℥] and glasse were taken down, and the stone saved for the reedifieng[℥] of the tenandrie^z in the towne of Daventre and in the countre belongyng to the seid manor, &c.

The iron aboute the glassed wyndowez in the seid late church be saved and sold, &c.

The Manor Place.

First at the cūmyng into the utter court is a gatehowse well covered with tile, and a howse adioynyng to the same sūtyme, a howse now lieng in decay, the tymb. whereof wold be taken and sold.

I^m a dwellyng howse, wherein oon Wifm Spencer now dwelleth, sufficient in repa^{co}n.

I^m an howse for best[℥] there sufficient in rapa^{co}n.

The inner court there is a feyr large court, and cūpassed round abowte with buyldyng[℥], except a certein space lieng aft Northe Wey of old tyme dekaied, which buyldyng is goode and substanciall and coū w^t. tyle, wherein is comprehendyd the haull, w^t. di^{vs} chaumbers, the butie, the kechyn, the pantr. w^t. all other howsez of office.

The gatehowse of the inner court conteyneth in length 24 fote and in brede 18 fote, which gatehowse is well coū with lede.

The cloyster there is in cumpas 80 and 4 yard[℥], whereof 52 yard[℥] is coū with lede, and the residue is a chaumb. buylded ov. the cloyster, which is tyled.

There is in the seid cloyster a laver of lede cont. in length 11 fote and more, and much of the seid cloyster is glased.

There is a howse adioynyng[℥] to the cloyster called the Fratre, which conteyneth in length 60 fote and more, which is coū with lede.

The dorter howse, and other howsez nygh unto the same, which weir coū with lede, have much good tymber of theme that wold be saved.

I^m di^{vs} spowt[℥] of lede there.

In the barn yard, at the cūmyng in from the church, is a garret-chamber, which is thacked. I^m 4 barnes there sufficient in repa^{co}n, which be thacked.

In the dayhowse yard is a howse, wherein is 2 stabull[℥] an oxehowse, and a cowhowse. Item a calfehowse adioynyng to the same. I^m a klyn howse w^t a malthowse, which howsez been sufficient in repa^{co}n.

The closys adioynyng to the manor and pcell of the demesnes.

First an orchard called the covent garden, which is well replenysshed with trees of frute, wherein is 40 okes and asshez, with meny small saumplerr[℥]; which orchard is walled round abowte w^t ston. and lieth on the sowth side of the manor.

Item a close called the Beklow, wherein is 650 trees of oke, elme, and asshe, with meny small saumplerr[℥] and groves of asshez.

There is in the seid close a motte called the round abowte, wherein be fyve small stewes for fysshe.

Item a close called the wey to the horse pole, w^tin which close is of oke, asshe, and elme, to the number of 110 trees.

I^m there is in the seid close a feyr fysshepole.

I^m a close called the Dayhowse close, within which close is of oke and asshe trees to the noub^r of 200, with di^{vs} saumplerr[℥]. There is in the same close a feyr fysshepole, which 3 closez before exp^{ss}ed be cūpassed round abowte w^t a wall of ston. and conteyn abowte 10 acr[℥], and butte on the sowthside on the feild next unto Borow hill, and on the northside on the manor, and on the westside on a close of the king[℥] called Inland, and on the estside of the king[℥] high wey ledyng from Daventre to Northampton.

The noub^r of trees before expressed is 1000, which be worth oon with an other 1s. apece and better.

It is right necessarie to sell the most pt or all, and then the said ground wold be good pasture and more in p^{fy}t bothe for lord and ten^{ant}.

The seid pool[℥] before expressed be stored with fysshe.

I^m a close of the demesne[℥] called Henry Smyth close, conteynyng 2 acr. and di. wherein is in trees of oke and asshe 240, which be worth a pece oon with another 6d. which close butts on the sowthside on the high wey ledyng from Daventre to Northampton, and on the estside, and the coēn feld betwene the seid close and Borow hill, and on the northside on a close belongyng to the manor called the Awmbre close, and on the westside on a close of oon Richard Jorden.

I^m in the seid close is a poole which is dekaied.

I^m a medowe close called the Yng[℥] medow, conteynyng nygh fyve acr. which lieth se^vall; howbeit the township

have made strifte with the late p^lors there to have it to be coēn aft. the hey be caried thens, wherein is 6 trees oon with an other worth a pece 6*d*.

Which meadow buttē on the estside on a ground of the kingē, called the Kingē meadow, and on the sowth side on the coēn feld lieng towardē Borow hill, and on the westside on a close called Henry Smythē close, belongyng to the man^r of Daventr. and on the northside pte on a close called the Awmbre close, and pte of the coēn feld, and pte of the miln close.

Iīm a close called the miln meadow, conteynyng nygh 2 acr. wt a holme adioynyng to the same, called the Miln Holme cont. di. acr. which buttē on th estside and sowthside on a meadow called the Kingē meadow, and on the westside on a close belongyng to the man^r called the Ingē meadow, and on the northside on the miln dame there 0 13 4

There is in the seid meadow and holme of trees, asshe and oke, 98, oon with an other worth a pece 10*d*.

Iīm there is a howse standyngē in the seid miln holme which of late was a water miln called Cuttell miln, and now in deokay, and the tymber there standyng wold be taken down and put to the mending of other howsez, the hold rent of the seid howse was but as is reported butt 10*s*.

Iīm a close called the Awmbre close cont. 2 acrē, wherein is 38 trees, oon with an other worth a pece 10*d*.—10*s*. p ann. which buttē on the northside on the coēn feld, and on the sowthside on the miln dame, and on the estside on a place called the Redwell, lieng in the coēn feldē, and on the west side on a lane lieng betwene the same ground, and a close of the kingē called Rumbyloos.

Iīm of trees in the late p^lorie church yard, and the town church yard 23, oon with an other worth a pece 10*d*.

Iīm a litle grove adioynyng to the kingē wodde, which grove is called Monkē Typpet, and conteyneth 2 acrē of ground, wīn the which grove is of rent okes 230.

With diūs small sawmplerrē, which seid okes be worth oon with an other a pece 4*d*. and better, which seid okes wold be sold, for they will nevē be better.

There is belongyng to the seid man^r place of Daventre 12 yardē of arrable land.

There may be kept for the seid man^r in the coēn feldē of Daventre, 6 or 7 hunereth sheip.

Iīm th offeryngē at the image in the pisshe church called Mare a pyte is worth by yere.

Priory of St. Andrew Northampton.



N the north-west part of the town, says Bridges, near the wall, and bordering on the river, was the priory of St. Andrew. When it was first founded we can no where discover; but Ingulphus acquaints us,^a that amongst the monks he found at Croyland in 1076, there were two who had been professed at St. Andrew's in Northampton. In 1084, Simon de St. Liz, the first of that name, earl

of Northampton and Huntingdon, repaired and largely endowed it; and replenishing it with Cluniac monks from the abbey of St. Mary de Caritate upon the Loire, made it a Cell to that house. Upon this restoration, from which he is usually called the founder of the convent, he gave to it, in conjunction with Maud his wife, all the churches in Northampton and their appurtenances, with three carucates of land, three doles of meadow, an holm, and twenty shillings payable annually at Michaelmas arising from the farm of the town. With these donations he also gave two hides of land at Stotesbury; his demesnes in Hardyngestorn and Haelynton; two parts of the tithe of Thorpe; the church of Brayfield, with the glebe and tithe belonging to it; the church and tithe of Equeton; the whole tithe of Jerdeley; a moiety of the tithe of corn, and the whole tithe of cattle in Berton, Dodynton, and Todeham; with a third part of his tithes in other places. At the same time Grimbold endowed it with the church and tithe of Moulton, with the tithe of Budon, and one carucate of land; Acard with his tithe of Sprotton; Otger with his tithe of Horton; and Burchard with ten acres of arable land, and the tithe of his estate at Hamton.^b This charter was again renewed in the eighth year of Henry the First, and confirmed by the king himself, enlarged with the additional benefactions of a mill at Hardingestorne, two parts of the tithe of Wollaston and Poton, two virgates of arable land, and twenty acres of heath; and xx*s*. issuing from a mill at Paxton; with a mill

and one carucate of land, and the church of Riale, given to the monks of the convent by Payen the lord of the manor of Riale.^c Several of these donations were also ratified by Simon de St. Liz the son of Simon, and Simon his grandson.^d

Besides these benefactions, Earl Simon the first farther gave them common of pasture in Hamton, and a rent-charge of x*s*. to be paid yearly in Lent from the town of Huntingdon.^e Earl Simon the second gave the tenth of his profits from the fair of All Saints in Northampton, the sum of xv*j**s*. iii*j**d*. issuing from a meadow called Estecroftes, and the mill of Thorp.^f Maud de Mandevill conferred on them the manor and church of Sywell; the grant being confirmed by William de Averanches her son, and Simon earl of Northampton.^g Robert de Pinkeny granted them all that fee in Sulgrave which was held by Godfrey and Gozo.^h David king of Scots confirmed to them the grant of the church of Brayfield, with one virgate of land, and the privilege of having two carts in Yardley wood for gathering dead wood.ⁱ

King Henry the First gave them the church of St. Sepulchre in Northampton, with four acres of his demesnes, confirming by his charter an annual rent-charge of xl*s*. in Bedford by the gift of the Countess Maud; one carucate of land and a mill in Scaldeford by Robert Fitz Violi, with ten virgates and a fourth part of one virgate in the same township, which they had purchased of the said Robert; two virgates, and the tithes of a mill called Canchesmilne, in Multon, and thirty acres of land in Ackley, with common of pasture, pannage for a hundred hogs, and five virgates of land in the same lordship bought of Robert the son of Lanceline; with one virgate in Wendlingbury of the gift of Ilbert de Cogenho, and land in Foxley given them by Otbert and Alelulph; the church of Newenton, with four bovates in Tirkingeham, by Ancher de Chanci; and tithes in Isham, Harwadon, Preston, Wotton, Flore, Braybroc, Kislingbury, and Harleston, with certain houses in Northampton, an exemption to their tenants from all custom due to the town, and liberty of holding these several possessions with sac and soc, tol, them, and infangenthef.^k

Besides the above-mentioned benefactions, Robert

^a Ingulphi Hist. p. 76.

^b See the charter in the Append. Num. II.

^c Compare Num. VII.

^d See the Abstract which will be given presently in a Note of the charters in the Cottonian Register of St. Andrew Northampton, Vesp. E. xvii. foll. 4, 7, 8.

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^e Registr. S. Andr. ut supr. fol. 2.

^f Ibid. foll. 3, 3 b.

^g See the Append. Num. III.

^h Registr. ut supr. fol. 5.

^k See the charter, Num. IX.

ⁱ Ibid. fol. 8 b.

Grimbaud and Maud his wife gave them the churches of Houghton Parva and Herdwick;^a Gilbert de Preston the church of Preston;^b and Philip and David de Quenton the church of Quenton.^c Walter Fitz-Winemar bestowed on them the church of Little Billing, with two virgates of land;^d and Sibyll daughter of Gilbert de Preston three virgates of land in the same town;^e and Bartholomew the son of Godfrey de Sulgrave the church of Sulgrave.^f With these they had also lands and houses in Sulgrave, which were given them by Henry the son of Bartholomew de Sulgrave, Waleran de Sulgrave, Robert de Cotestowe, Robert vicar of Sulgrave, William Fitz-Swain, and others;^g in Wodeford, by the gift of Osmund Basset and Ralph his son, William Basset and William his son, Richard the son of William de Boketon, Gilbert de Brancote, Henry the son of Ralph Clerk, Peter the son of Hugh de Frankelein, and Adam Clerk the son of Alured de Wodeford;^h in Boketon by Robert Fitz Simon;ⁱ a mill in Welford by Robert de Witville;^k part of a wood called Purnho in Horton by Roger de Brai;^l a mill called Tethe by Peter de Goldington;^m lands and rents in Barton by Ralph Campioun, Robert the son of Geoffrey de Campioun, William Chambre and Milisent his wife, and John the son of Saveric de Barton;ⁿ certain rents in Northampton, by Ralph the son of Ernulph de Fonte, Roger Clarke, Isabella de Caysho, and John the son of Robert Hyngeth;^o in Stotesbery, by Ralph de St. Leonard, Robert his son, and Theobald his grandson;^p a certain piece of arable ground called Westbreche, and pasture ground called Armele, in Hampton;^q a wood with its appurtenances in Wotton, by Sibyll de Beauchamp;^r and a mill at Tingden, near Irewell bridge, by William the son of Reimund of Northampton.^s

To these donations were added a rent-charge of six shillings issuing from one virgate of land in Pillesle by William the son of Robert de Thorpe;^t a mill at Holecote by Robert Grimbaut, and half a mark yearly from a mill at Briclesworth by Simon Fitz Pierre;^u a mill without the walls of Northampton, called Mervin's-mill, by Simon the son of Simon, and grandson of Peter de Briclesworth;^x a rent-charge of xl^s. issuing from ten virgates of land in Briclesworth by Simon Fitz Simon;^y the church of Multon, with seven virgates in the same township, by Robert Grimbaut of Houghton,^z William his son, and Robert the son of William, confirming the grant, with the former grant of the churches of Brafield, Herdwick, and Houghton;^a one virgate of land in Multon, by Alexander de Multon;^b an assart called Gudhingesleye in Horton, by Ernald de Boys;^c a mill at Kyllingbury, by Henry de Armenters;^d and a wood called Brendwode, near Salcey, by Geoffrey de Armenters.^e

Walter Luvell gave them two parts of the tithes of eight virgates of land in Kislingbury, and two parts of the tithes of his demesnes;^f Anselm de Cochis two parts of his tithes of Wollaston;^g Alan de Watford four virgates of land in Suelesworth;^h and Henry de Dive one virgate in Brampton;ⁱ Hugh de Haversham three virgates and three

parts of a virgate of land in Oxendon;^k David de Quinton two virgates in Haclinton;^l Ralph the son of Simon de Orlingbere a mill called Gricche at Isham;^m Henry de Isham two parts of the tithes of his demesnes;ⁿ and Henry de Harwedon all the tithes of his fee at Isham;^o Richard the son of Simon de Faxton one bovate of land in Faxton;^p and Gilbert de Croc half a virgate in Caldecote and half a virgate in Greneburg.^q

With these possessions they had also divers lands, tenements, and rents in Pidington, Haclinton, Quinton, Billing Parva, Cotes, Brayfield, Northampton, Wavendune, Holecote, and Wyrmenton.^r

These several churches, revenues, and possessions were confirmed to the convent by Richard Wethershed, archbishop of Canterbury,^s and Hugh Wells,^t and Henry Beaufort bishop of Lincoln.^u

During the subordination of St. Andrew's, Northampton, to the Abbey de Caritate, the revenues of the convent, in time of war with France, were seized into the hands of the crown, and let to farm at the yearly rent of one hundred marks.^x But in the first of Henry the Fourth they obtained the liberty of retaining their temporalities on paying annually xx^s. to the king, in his wars with Francis, being the pension they paid to the convent abroad in time of peace.^y This pension was called Apportus, and was paid yearly by all Houses of the Cluniac Order in England to the foreign monastery on which they depended.^z

In the sixth year of Edward the Fourth this priory was made denizen, and became discharged from all pensions due to the crown.^a

By the survey taken of the revenues of this house in 1535, 26 Hen. VIII. they were rated at 263*l*. 7*s*. 1½*d*. clear of all deductions in quit rents, synodals and procurations, pensions to stipendiary chaplains, charitable distributions, or the anniversaries of several benefactors, and the following fees to the officers of the house; to Sir William Gascoin, high-steward of the priory demesnes, forty-shillings per annum; to Robert Chauntrell steward and keeper of the court at Cotton, Hardington, and Sywell, 4*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*.; to Thomas Lovett, steward of Stotesbery, Sulgrave, and Woodford, 26*s*. 8*d*.; to Richard Coton, auditor of all the manors, lands, and tenements, 40*s*.; to John Tylcok, bailif of Cotton and Hardington, 51*s*.; to John Hyklynge, bailif of Sywell, 20*s*.; to William Netilham, bailif of Ryall and Newton, 3*s*. 4*d*.; to Thomas Hylton, bailif of Kyngeswarden, 3*s*. 4*d*.; to John Lewes, bailif of Cotton, 10*s*.; and to John Brightwyn, bailif and receiver of the rents in Northampton, 16*s*. 8*d*.^b

The gross revenue of St. Andrew's, Northampton, amounted to 334*l*. 13*s*. 7*d*.^c

Dr. Richard Layton, in a letter to Lord Cromwell, still extant, written in 1538, gives but a poor account of the administration, at that time, of the revenues of this house. "At Saint Androse, in Northampton," he says, "the Howse is in dett gretly, the lands solde and morgagede, the fermes let owte, and the rent recevide before hande for x, xv, xx

^a Registr. S. Andr. foll. 22, 22 b.
^b Ibid.
^c Ibid.
^d Ibid. fol. 33 b.
^e Ibid. fol. 36.
^f Ibid. foll. 44 b, 49 b, 50 b, 52 b.
^g Ibid. foll. 57 b.
^h Ibid. fol. 66 b.
ⁱ Ibid. fol. 68 b. et seqq.
^j Ibid. fol. 71 b.
^k Ibid. fol. 77.
^l Ibid. fol. 80 b.
^m Ibid. fol. 82.
ⁿ Ibid. fol. 87.
^o Ibid. fol. 91.
^p Ibid. fol. 98.
^q Ibid. fol. 100 b.
^r Ibid.
^s Ibid. fol. 106.
^t Ibid. fol. 107 b.
^u Ibid. fol. 111.
^v Ibid. fol. 117.
^w Ibid. fol. 19 b.
^x Ibid. fol. 20. See also the Append. Num. VIII.
^y Registr. Hen. Beaufort episc. Linc.
^z Rot. Fin. anno 15 Edw. III. m. 23, anno 14 Ric. II. m. 16.
^a Regist. S. Andr. Northampt. ad finem.
^b See T'ann. Notit. Monast.
^c Rot. Fin. 5 Hen. IV. m. 3. et Reg. Priorat. ut supr.

^b Compare Bridges, Hist. Northampt. vol. i. pp. 452, 453.
^c See the Append. Num. XI.

The following are the entries relating to St. Andrew's, Northampton, in the Taxation of 1291 :

		Spiritual.		
Linc.		£.	s.	d.
	Pens. prioris in eccl. de Potton	.	3	6 8
	Pens. in eccl. de Stivecle Majori	.	1	16 8
	Pens. in eccl. de Stutesbur	.	0	6 8
	Pens. in eccl. de Horton	.	0	6 8
	Porc. in eccl. de Isham	.	0	18 0
	Porc. in eccl. de Esseby	.	1	0 0
	Pens. in eccl. de Siwelle	.	1	6 8
	Pens. in eccl. dr Foderingeye	.	0	13 4
	Porc. in eccl. de Gissingbur	.	13	6 8
	Porc. in eccl. de Flora	.	1	0 0
	Porc. in eccl. de Harlingeston	.	0	10 0
	Porc. in vicar de Malton	.	0	13 4
	Pens. in eccl. de Billings Minor.	.	1	0 0
	Pens. in eccl. de Bosegat	.	1	13 4
	Pens. in eccl. de Wollaston	.	1	4 0
	Porc. in eccl. de Overton	.	1	0 0
		Temporal.		
Linc.		£.	s.	d.
	De moll. de Paxton de redd.	.	1	0 0
	In Cotes in terris et redd.	.	3	11 0

yeres. Chauntreys fowndeth to be paide oute of the londs, and gret bōds off forfeitures therupon for non payment. The Howse is iiij. hundret pownds in revenewys, the king's foundation thus to be mangelled by the quondam. Jhane Petie, the prior, now is a bachelor of divinitie, a gret husbonde and a goode clerke, and petie hit is that ever he cam ther. If he were promotede to a better thyng, and the king's grace wolde take hit into his hands, so myght he recover all the lands agayne, which the prior shall never." ^a

The same year the prior and convent acknowledged the king's supremacy, and in the next year gave up the monastery into the hands of the commissioners appointed for that purpose. ^b

There are two instruments of the surrender of this monastery, one in English, bearing date the first of March, and the other in Latin, dated the day following, in the 29th year of Henry VIII. Both signed by the prior and twelve other monks. The English instrument, containing a long recital of the abuse of their possessions to vain and superstitious uses, contrary to their institution and Order. ^c

The following is a list of the

PRIORS of ST. ANDREW, NORTHAMPTON.

ROBERT TRIANEL is the first who occurs. He was elected abbat of Ramsey in 1180. ^d His successor appears to have been

WALTER, between whom and the abbat of St. Preject of Vermandois an agreement was made in 1185, respecting the tithes of Kislingbury and Stowe. ^e He occurs again in 1200. ^f

SAMSON occurs in the episcopate of Hugh Wells, Bishop of Lincoln. ^g

RALPH is mentioned in a confirmation of the church of Sulgrave by Robert, Bishop of Lincoln, the successor of Hugh Wells. ^h

ROBERT DE WINTON occurs prior about 1255. ⁱ

WILLIAM DE FONVILLE occurs in 1256; ^k two years after which being chosen prior of Lewes, when

GUY was presented, 9 kal. Feb. 1258. ^l He resigned the Priorate in 1270. He occurs in the *Abbreviatio Placitorum*, p. 178. an. 53 Hen. III.

JOHN DE THIFFORD was his successor. ^m He resigned in 1272; when the Convent of Caritate presented

BERNARD DE KARILOCO, ⁿ who quitted the office in 1288. In which year, on the 12th kal. Nov.

ODO, a monk of de Caritate, was presented: ^o also called EUDO. He died in 1293; when, after some disputes about the right of admission, between the Bishop of Lincoln and the Prior of the Abbey of Charité,

ROBERT DE ARCY succeeded to the priorate. ^p In

1298 he is stated to have been elected to some foreign convent, when

BARTHOLOMEW DE BOSCO became his successor. ^q He resigned in 1318; and was succeeded by

GUICHARD DE CAROLOCO, ^r or BAROLOCO. ^s In the 13th Edw. II. he became prior of Wenlok. ^t

WILLIAM CONON occurs prior in 1332. ^u In 1337, 7 kal. October, we find the temporalities of this priory in the king's hands, ^x soon after which

FRANCIS, a Fleming by birth, was made prior. ^y He occurs in 1343. ^z Upon his resignation

THOMAS DE SYNARCLEUS was appointed prior in 1346. ^a

GUY occurs in 1358. ^b

JOHN DOKESWORTH was presented by the king in 1387. ^c

JOHN DE TUDENHAM received the temporalities upon Dokesworth's deprivation, Nov. 17th, 1391. ^d

RICHARD NAPTON occurs in 1399. ^e

JOHN HOLDER occurs in 1452. ^f He died in 1459; when

WILLIAM ANDREWS succeeded. ^g In the Pat. 20 Edw. IV. p. 1, however, he is called WILLIAM BREKNOK. ^h

WILLIAM HAMOND resigned in 1473. ⁱ His successor was

THOMAS SUTBURY. ^k He died in 1490, and was succeeded by

THOMAS ROCHE. ^l To whom in 1503 succeeded

THOMAS YORK. ^m Bridges says, he appears to have presided about twenty years, his successor

WILLIAM REKNER occurring in 1523. ⁿ

JOHN PETIE occurs in 1538 in Dr. Layton's letter to Lord Cromwell. ^o

FRANCIS ABREE, alias LEICESTER, is mentioned by Bridges as the last prior of this convent. Upon the erection of the bishoprick of Peterborough, in the 33d Hen. VIII. he was appointed the first dean of that church. ^p

In the 29th Hen. VIII. a fine was levied between the king himself and Francis, prior of St. Andrew's, of the manors of Cotton, Hardingston, Kislingbury, Sywell, Molton, Hakulton, Stotisbury, and Sulgrave, and of lands and rents in the same townships and other places; and of the rectories and advowsons of All Saints, St. Giles's, and St. Sepulchre's, in Northampton, and of Sulgrave, Multon, Brafild, Houghton, and Hardingston, and of the advowson of the church of Sywell. ^q

In the 4th Edw. VI. the site of this monastery, with the demesne lands belonging to it, were granted to Sir Thomas Smith, in consideration of a certain sum of money, and lands and tenements in other places. ^r Sir Thomas

Linc.	£. s. d.
In Branfeld, et in Parva Houtton, Hagelington, et Quenton, de redd.	1 5 10
In Hagelington et Quenton de grang.	5 0 0
In Sywell in terris, redd. mol. et cur.	9 8 0
Ibidem de redd. et pitanc. monachorum	0 10 0
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	1 12 6
In Deen de abbate de Pippewell de redd.	2 0 0
In Cotes et in Barthon de redd.	1 11 0
In Boketon in redd.	0 15 0
In Sywelleswrth in redd.	1 0 0
In Welleford in mol.	1 0 0
In Bylling Major in redd.	1 0 0
In Sulthon in redd.	2 1 4
In eadem villa in terris	0 4 0
In Keselingbur in quodam mol.	1 10 0
In Flora in redd.	0 14 0
In Minor Bramptone in terris	0 4 0
In Heslicston in redd. ad pitanc.	0 10 0
In Wyrmyngton de redd.	0 19 0
In Stotesbur. et Sulgrave in terris, reddit. fruct et animal	7 9 10
In Archidiaconatu Leicestriæ	6 3 1
In Gertre	0 3 0
In Framelund	6 3 1
In Avelund	0 9 0

See the Taxat. P. Nich. IV. p. 35 b, 38 b, 39, 39 b, 40, 40 b, 52, 53, 53 b, 54 b, 55, 55 b, 65 b, 67, 71.

^a MS. Cotton. Cleop. E. IV. fol. 132 b.

^b Bridges, ut supr. p. 453. ^c Ibid.

^d See Bridges, vol. i. p. 454. Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 159.

^e Ibid. from. Reg. Priorat. S. Andr. fol. 98 a.

^f MS. Harl. 6952, p. 208, in an instrument relating to the Chapel of St. David, in the parish of Thorpe.

^g Reg. Priorat. S. Andr. ut supr. fol. 20.

^h Ibid. fol. 21.

ⁱ Ibid. fol. 120.

^k Ibid. ^l Rot. Gravesend, episc. Linc. an. 1.

^m Bridges, ut supr. from Rot. Gravesend, episc. Linc.

ⁿ Ibid. Pat. 56 Hen. III.

^o Rot. Oliv. Sutton, episc. Linc. ^p Ibid.

^q Bridges, ut supr. e Rot. Oliv. Sutton, Pat. 26 Edw. I.

^r Bridges, e Reg. Dalderby, episc. Linc.

^s See MS. Harl. 6958, e Pat. 10 Edw. II. p. 1.

^t Ibid. p. 243, e Pat. 13 Edw. II.

^u Reg. Burgherst, episc. Linc. ^x Reg. episc. Linc.

^y Pat. 16 Edw. III. p. 1.

^z Rot. Fin. an. 16 Edw. III. m. 16.

^a Fin. 19 Edw. III. m. 22.

^b Willis, Mit. Abb. vol. ii. p. 159.

^c Pat. 10 Ric. II. p. 2. ^d Pat. 15 Ric. II. p. 1.

^e Bridges, e Reg. S. Andr. fol. 135.

^f Ibid. e Collect. Br. Willis, armig. ^g Ibid.

^h Harl. MS. 6963, p. 178.

ⁱ Bridges, e Collect. Br. Willis. ^k Ibid. ^l Ibid.

^m Ibid. Willis ut supr. calls him THOMAS YORK, alias SKIT, alias SHERE.

ⁿ Ibid. ^o Cleop. E. IV. ut supr.

^p Bridges, ut supr. p. 454. The following entry occurs on the Pension Roll of 2 and 3 Phil. and Mar.

SANCTI ANDREÆ Monasterium. Annuit. Fraunc. Morganne per ann. xx^s. Edwardi Saunders per annum xvj^s. viij^d. Aliciæ Michell per annum x^s. Roberti Chaunterell per annum xl^s. Thomæ Hasilwood per annum xx^s. Domini Vauxe per annum xxvj^s. viij^d. Edwardi Montague militis per annum xl^s. Penc. Johannis Bette per annum viij^s. Willielmi Warde per annum liij^s. iiij^d. Willielmi Sucker per annum liij^s. iiij^d. Thomæ Goldestone per annum iiij^s. Ricardi Cooke per annum iiij^s. Thomæ Atterburie per annum liij^s. iiij^d. ^q Bridges, ut supr. from MS. Hatton. ^r Pat. 4 Edw. VI. p. 8.

Smith died seized of them in the 20th Eliz. and was succeeded by Laurence Skott, and Anne his wife, the daughter of John Smith, elder brother of Sir Thomas.^a The premises, however, reverted to the Smiths. For in 1631 Sir William Smith, of Theydon-Mount, in Essex, granted, bargained, and confirmed, by indenture bearing date the 25th November, to Sir Francis Crane, and his heirs, the capital messuage and site of the Priory of St. Andrew, with all the demesne lands and manors thereunto belonging, as they were held by him the said Sir William Smith, or Sir William Smith, Knight, his late father.^b Sir Francis Crane left them at his death to Francis Arundell, the son of John Arundell, Esq. by Sir Francis's eldest sister. His son Francis Arundell, Esq. was the possessor when Bridges's History of Northamptonshire was published.^c

^a Esc. ar. 20 Eliz. p. 2, n. 38.

^b Ex Evident. famil. Arundel.

^c Compare Bridges, ut supr. s. 455.

^d See the Append. of Instrum. Num. II.

^e Notit. Monast. Northampt. xxiv.

^f It is a folio volume, fairly written on three hundred and four leaves of vellum.

- * 1. Incipit de fundatione domus nostræ, fol. 1.
2. Carta Sim. comitis primi fundatoris de ecclesia sancti Andreae de Northampton, fol. 1 b.
3. Item carta ejusdem Simonis, fol. 2.
4. Carta Simonis secundi de decimis nundinarum ad festum Omnium Sanctorum, fol. 2.
5. Simon secundus quod monachi infra et extra terras in pace possideant, ibid.
6. Cartæ ejusdem Simonis secundi de Estcroftes, fol. 3 b.
7. Carta ejusdem de molendino de Thorpe, ibid.
8. Confirmatio comitis Simonis secundi de villa de Sywell, ibid.
9. Carta ejusdem de ecclesia de Potten, fol. 4.
10. Cartæ Simonis tertii de Exton, Wolaston, Berton, Ryall, et Bedforde, foll. 4 b, 5.
11. Carta Simonis tertii de ecclesia de Sulgrave, et de omnibus possessionibus in eadem villa, fol. 5 b.
12. Carta ejusdem de Novo Burgo, ibid.
13. Carta ejusdem de confirmatione ecclesiæ de Potton, fol. 6.
14. Carta ejusdem comitis de advocatione ecclesiæ de Wyssenden quam confirmavit in die sepulture Simonis filii sui, ibid.
15. Confirmatio Walteri filii Roberti de xx^{ti}. solid. de molendinis de Paxton, fol. 6 b.
16. Simon comes de quadraginta solidis in Bedforde, ibid.
17. Simon comes de decimis prati sui de Wyssenden, fol. 7.
18. Simon comes tertius de duabus partibus totius domini de Styveclaye, ibid.
19. Confirmatio comitis David fratris regis Scotiæ de possessionibus in honore de Huntyngdon, ibid.
20. Confirmatio David fratris regis Scotiæ de ecclesia de Potton et capella ejusdem, fol. 7 b.
21. Confirmatio generalis ejusdem David comitis fratris regis Scotiæ, ibid.
22. Confirmatio ejusdem David de decimis et de assartis de Yerdele, fol. 8.
23. Concessio comitis David regis Scotiæ de ecclesia de Potton, ibid.
24. Confirmatio David regis Scotiæ de possessionibus in Scaldeford et Exton, fol. 8 b.
25. Confirmatio generalis prædicti David regis Scotiæ, ibid.
26. Confirmatio ejusdem David regis de quadraginta solidis in Bedforde, ibid.
27. Confirmatio ejusdem de ecclesia de Brawfeld, ibid.
28. Confirmatio Malkelini regis Scotiæ de tribus summis frument apud Barton, fol. 9 b.
29. Confirmatio ejusdem Malkelini de ecclesia de Brawfelde et una virgata terræ, et de duabus carect. in nemore de Yerdele, ibid.
30. Confirmatio ejusdem regis Malkelini de ecclesia de Ryall, et de tribus acris terræ eidem pertinentibus, fol. 10.
31. Confirmatio ejusdem regis de omnibus rebus et terris nostris, ibid.
32. Confirmatio Henrici filii regis Scotiæ de omnibus tenuris, ibid.
33. Confirmatio ejusdem Henrici filii regis Scotiæ de quadraginta solidis de firma de Huntyngdon percipiendis, ibid.
34. Confirmatio Willielmi regis Scott. de ecclesia de Brawfield cum una virgata terræ, et de duabus carect. de Yeerdele in nemore, ibid.
35. Confirmatio generalis Henrici regis Scotiæ de omnibus possessionibus, fol. 10 b.
36. Confirmatio generalis Willielmi regis Angliæ de omnibus possessionibus, ibid.
37. Confirmatio regis Henrici primi de omnibus terris, ecclesiis possessionibus, et tenuris quas Simon comes monachis prædictis dedit, et quicquid eis rationabiliter postea donatum est, ibid.
38. Confirmatio regis Henrici tertii de omnibus terris, ecclesiis, possessionibus, et tenuris quas præfati monachi tempore regis Henrici avi sui tenuerunt, et quicquid eis postea rationabiliter donatum est, fol. 11 b.
39. Confirmatio alia regis Henrici primi de omnibus terris, ecclesiis, possessionibus, et cæt. fol. 12 b.

Tanner mentions a REGISTER of this priory formerly belonging to Dr. Richard Neale, Bishop of Durham, cited by Reyner.

Dugdale quotes another register as, in his time, in the possession of John Theyer, Esq. of Couper's Hill, near Gloucester.^d This is referred to by Tanner as "in Bibl. Regia, n. 158."^e

The only Register of St. Andrew's, Northampton, which the editors of the present work have had access to, is that among the manuscripts in the Cottonian Collection, Vesp. E. xvii. probably the finest of all: an abstract of its chief contents will be found in the note.^f

Among Bishop Tanner's original charters at Oxford is one "Innoc. Pont. ad Priorem et Monachos Sancti Andreae

40. Confirmatio tertia Henrici regis Angliæ primi omnium possessionem, fol. 13.
41. Confirmatio regis Henrici primi de omnibus ecclesiis, decimis, &c. fol. 13 b.
42. Item confirmatio regis Henrici primi de omnibus rebus et possessionibus, fol. 14.
43. Confirmatio regis Henrici primi de molendino de Hardyngysthorne, fol. 14 b.
44. Confirmatio ejusdem regis de ecclesiis, decimis, et terris, et omniibus aliis rebus et possessionibus eidem ecclesiæ pertinentibus, ibid.
45. Confirmatio ejusdem regis Henrici de terris de Stotysberia, scilicet quod monachi ecclesiæ prædictæ terras illas liberè et quietè possideant, ibid.
46. Confirmatio regis Henrici primi de ecclesia sancti Egidii Northampton una cum aliis rebus et possessionibus ad easdem ecclesias pertinentibus, ibid.
47. Confirmatio ejusdem regis de ecclesia sancti Sepulchri Northampton cum quatuor acris terræ eidem pertinentibus, fol. 15.
48. Confirmatio regis Henrici primi de molendino de Hardyngysthorne quod dicitur Cotes Mylne, fol. 15 b.
49. Confirmatio ejusdem de ecclesia de Newnton, ibid.
50. Item confirmatio ejusdem de ecclesia sancti Sepulchri Northampton, ibid.
51. Confirmatio regis Henrici III. sancti Andreae Northampton habeant natos et fugitivos suos cum catall. eorum ubicunque inventi fuerint, fol. 16.
52. Confirmatio ejusdem regis Henrici de viginti solid. monach. sancti Andreae Northampton de firma ejusdem villæ annuatim persolvendis, ibid.
53. Carta ejusdem regis Henrici III. quod omnes res monachorum quietæ sint de omni teloneo et passag. et omni consuetudine, ibid.
54. Confirmatio ejusdem regis de ecclesia de Newton et de iiij^{or}. bovatis terræ in eadem villa et in Trykyngham, ibid.
55. Confirmatio regis Henrici III. quod omnes res monachorum liberæ sint et quietæ de omni teloneo et passagio, et omni consuetudine, fol. 16 b.
56. Carta ejusdem regis de terris in Newton, ibid.
57. Carta regis Henrici III. qualiter mandavit Henrico de Pomeria quod manuteneret et protegeret terram ecclesiæ sancti Andreae de Northampton, fol. 16 b.
58. Carta ejusdem regis de ecclesia Howhton, ibid.
59. Carta ejusdem regis de ecclesia sancti Petri de Northampton et similiter de capella de Thorpe, fol. 17.
60. Quomodo ecclesia de Potton ad petitionem ejusdem regis Henrici cuidam Radulpho Herfordensi archid. pro quinque marcis argenti annuatim persolvendis concessa est, ibid.
61. Confirmatio regis Henrici secundi de omnibus terris, ecclesiis, possessionibus, et tenuris quas Simon comes monachis sancti Andreae de Northampton concessit, ibid.
62. Confirmatio regis Henrici tertii de omnibus terris, ecclesiis, possessionibus, et tenuris quas tempore Henrici regis avi sui prædicti monachi tenuerunt, fol. 17 b.
63. Carta regis Henrici secundi de quindecim marcis de ecclesia sancti Petri, et de capella de Thorpe, et capella de Upton annuatim percipiendis, fol. 18 b.
64. Carta regis Henrici sexti de libera electione, ibid. fol. 19.
65. Carta Ricardi Gobiun militis de Trendale Well, fol. 18.*
66. Confirmatio Stephani regis Angliæ de manerio de Sywell, fol. 20.
67. Confirmatio generalis Stephani regis Angliæ de omnibus terris, ecclesiis, decimis, et omnibus aliis possessionibus, ibid.
68. Confirmatio ejusdem de molendino de Thorpe et de vij. acris terræ ibidem, ibid.
69. Item alia confirmatio ejusdem regis Stephani, ibid.
70. Confirmatio regis Edwardi de conductu subterraneo a capite cujusdam fontis Ricardi Gobyon extra villam Northamptoniæ, an. regni xx^o. fol. 21.
71. Confirmatio ejusdem regis Edwardi quod omnes res monachorum liberæ sint et quietæ de omni teloneo et tallagio et omni consuetudine, anno regni decimo, ibid.
72. Confirmatio regis Edwardi de omnibus terris, ecclesiis, possessionibus, et tenuris quas prædicti monachi tempore regis Henrici avi sui tenuerunt, fol. 21 b.
73. Carta regis Henrici quarti quomodo omnes possessiones sancti Andreae Northampton. fratri Ricardo Napton tradidit gubernandas, anno regni primo, fol. 23.

Norhant. de omnibus ejusdem villæ ecclesiis eisdem pertinentibus. Dat. Lateran. 8 id Apr. Pontificat. an. quarto." He has the following references also to Pleadings, Patents, &c. in his Notitia Monastica.

"Rot. fin. Northampt. 20 Hen. III. p. . pro advoc. eccl. de Preston.

"Plac. apud Huntingdon 14 Edw. I. rot. 5 dorso. Pat. 20 Edw. I. m. 1, de quodam aquæductu.

"Brev. 6 Edw. II. Trin. rot. 1. Pat. 8 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 19. pro placea terræ in Sywell concedenda personæ pro manso rectoriæ elargando. Rec. in Scacc. 17 Edw. II. Mich. rot.

"Cart. 3 Edw. III. n. 39. Plac. apud Northampt. 3 Edw. III. quo war. rot. 36. dorso, pro libertat. in maner. de Stuteburs. Petit. parl. apud Winton. 4 Edw. III. n. 37. pro dimid. villæ de Sulgrave. Cart. 10 Edw. III. n. 27. Assis. in com. Northampt. 32 Edw. III. rot. 10. pro uno mess. et iii. virg. terræ, xx. acris prati in Bylling P. recup.

"Pat. 18 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 1.

"Pat 6. Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 25, quod pro indigena reputetur iste prioratus.

"Plac. coram rege, 2 Hen. V. Mich. rot. 76. de suc- cisione subbosci in Sulgrave.

"Pat. 16 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 8 vel. 9. Pat. 23 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 21. pro molendino vocat. Thorp Mill.

"Rot. act. parl. 4 Hen. VII. n. 35."

Various complaints of neglect on the part of the prior and convent of St. Andrew occur upon the hundred roll for Northamptonshire, of the 3d Edw. I.^a

The privileges of the prior and convent in 3 Edw. III.

74. Carta ejusdem regis Henrici quomodo pardonavit et relaxavit Ric. Napton priori et conventui sancti Andreæ North. omnimodas transgressiones, offensas, &c. fol. 24.

75. Carta regis Henrici quarti quomodo de gratia sua speciali concessit quod nec impositio, taxa, nec aliquod subsidium occasione alicujus guerræ de monachis sancti Andreæ North. ut de Alienig. exigantur, an. regni vj^{to}. fol. 25.

76. Carta regis Henrici quinti qualiter de gratia sua speciali pardonavit et relaxavit priori et conventui sancti Andreæ North. omnimodas transgressiones, offensas, misprisiones, contemptus, et impetitiones, an. regni quinto-decimo.

77. Confirmatio Eugenii papæ de omnibus rebus et possessionibus ad tunc datis seu in posterum concedendis ac etiam dandis, fol. 28 b.

78. Confirmatio Thomæ Cantuar. archiep. de omnibus rebus et possessionibus, fol. 29.

79. De fundatione domus sanctæ Trinitatis juxta Kyngysthorpe quæ alio nomine vocatur Seynt Dews, fol. 29 b.

80. Item de domo sanctæ Trinitatis, fol. 31.

81. Item de domo sanctæ Trinitatis juxta Kyngysthorpe, fol. 31 b.

82. Item de domo sanctæ Trinitatis prædicta, fol. 32.

83. Placitum inter Ricardum Napton priorem sancti Andreæ Northampton, Johannem Greyby, et dominum regem, de domo sanctæ Trinitatis, ibid.

84. Revocatio præsentationis Henrici quarti de domo sanctæ Trinitatis juxta Kyngesthorpe quæ alio nomine vocatur Seynt Dewes, fol. 34.

85. Cartæ de Brampton, foll. 35, 38 b.

86. Cartæ de Bouhtun, fol. 35 b.

87. Cartæ de Multon, fol. 39.

88. Cartæ de Holecote, fol. 43 b.

89. Cartæ de Weston Fauuel, fol. 47.

90. Cartæ de Weston et de Byllyng, fol. 49.

91. Byllyng Minor, fol. 50 b.

92. Byllyng Major, fol. 55.

93. Cartæ de Braunfeld, fol. 57.

94. Cartæ de Hocton Minori, fol. 61.

95. Cartæ de Preston, fol. 65.

96. Cartæ de Hakylton, fol. 67 b.

97. Cartæ de Pydyngton, fol. 70 b.

98. Cartæ de Horton, fol. 72 b.

99. Cartæ de Dryburgh, fol. 77.

100. Cartæ de Quenton, fol. 77 b.

101. Cartæ de Jerdele, fol. 86.

102. Cartæ de Colintre, fol. 89 b, 92.

103. Cartæ de Hardyngsthorpe, fol. 92 b.

104. Cartæ de Cotun, fol. 95 b.

105. Kyselyngbury, fol. 105.

106. Wodeford, fol. 116 b.

107. Flore, fol. 129.

108. Foxle, fol. 131.

109. Sylueswoorth, fol. 133 b.

110. Calcote, foll. 135, 136 b.

111. Greneborow, fol. 136.

112. Foxton, fol. 136 b.

113. Teken, fol. 137 b.

114. Sulgrave, fol. 138 b.

115. Stotysbury, fol. 155.

116. Brydesworth, fol. 157.

in the manor of Stutesbure in Northamptonshire, are enumerated in the Plac. de Quo Waranto, p. 568.

Among the ancient rolls belonging to the Harleian collection of manuscripts, are two relating to this priory, marked K. 7 and K. 8.

K. 7. Norht. Buk. Bed. Leyc. Lincoln. Computus Simonis Dunstall receptoris domini Johannis Holder prioris prioratus sancti Andreæ Norht. in comitatibus prædictis, videlicet de firmis, pensionibus, et porcionibus dicto prioratui spectan. a crastino S. Michaelis Archangeli anno 34 Hen. VI. usque in crast. ejusdem festi anno ejusdem regis 35 per unum annum integrum. Sc. in Norht. et Coton, Kyslyngbury, Stowe cum ix. ecclesiis, Boseyate, Horton, et Rydersthrop, Harougdon Magna, Isham, Haryngworth, Yerdley Hastings, Assheby Mars, Dyngley, Fodrynghey, Braunfeld, Houghton, Preston, Multon, Wodeford, Foxley, Syllestone, Colyntrough, Qwynton, Hakelton, Sullesworth, Broughton, Brampton, Wormyngton, Brykelesworth, Sulby, Pyppe- well, Pightesley, Cotes, Billyng Parva, Billyng Magna, Holcote, Sproxton, Styveley, Exton, Ryall, Wavenden, Grene- burgh, Caldecote, Scaldeford, Foxton, Newton in Kesteven, Sharnebroke, Potton, Stotesbury, Sywell, et Wendlyng- burgh.

K. 8 is a rotten and imperfect roll on paper, containing a rental of the possessions, together with a statement of the expenditure of the priory for a year. Without date, but of the fifteenth century.

In the Office of the King's Remembrancer are some proceedings concerning the site of the house, and the demesne lands of the dissolved monastery of St. Andrew, Northampton, Easter term, 26 Eliz.; and in Michaelmas

117. Hardwyc, fol. 181 b.

118. Dyngley, fol. 184 b.

119. Asscheby, fol. 185.

120. Sywell, foll. 186, 199 b.

121. Northampton, fol. 199.

122. Barton, fol. 200.

123. Ysham, fol. 202.

124. Pyghtisley, fol. 206 b.

125. Thyngden, fol. 208 b.

126. Wolauston, fol. 212.

127. Wyrmyngton, fol. 213.

128. Bedford, fol. 215.

129. Acheley, or Acley, fol. 218.

130. Welleford, fol. 220 b.

131. Paxton, fol. 222 b.

132. Wavenden, fol. 223 b.

133. Cotesbydon, fol. 226.

134. Sproxton, folio. 227 b.

135. Stucle, fol. 229.

136. Huntynghdon, fol. 239.

137. Newnton, fol. 231 b.

138. In Kesteyn, fol. 232.

139. Scaldeford, fol. 234 b.

140. Dryburgh, fol. 238.

141. Wyssenden, fol. 239 b.

142. Ryhall, fol. 240 b.

143. Exton, fol. 246 b.

144. Potton, fol. 248 b.

145. Oxendon, fol. 251.

146. Herlyston, foll. 252, 255.

147. Wutton, fol. 253 b.

148. Overton, fol. 254 b.

149. De assartis in Salceto, fol. 256 b.

150. Distinctio tallagii de xl. solid. in North. fol. 257.

151. Empyngnam Mylne, fol. 257 b.

152. Sypton Mylne, ibid.

153. Davintre, fol. 258.

154. Stratton, ibid.

155. Wedon, ibid.

156. Fodringeye, fol. 258 b.

* See the Rot. Hundred. vol. ii. pp. 1, 2, 3.

In the Abbreviatio Placitorum 28 Edw. I. p. 242. Juratores dicunt quod prior sancti Andreæ Northampton debet habere tertiam garbam omnium decimarum provenientium de dominicis terris dominorum de Kyselingber'. Et quod ipse et omnes prædecessores sui Priores sancti Andreæ tertiam garbam decimarum prædictarum semper habuerunt, et de jure perceperunt. Ideo consideratum est quod prædictus prior recuperet, &c. rot. 34.

Patet per placitum in banco de anno xv. regni Regis Edw. II. quod Prior sancti Andreæ Northt. recuperavit versus Priorem Hunt. xxxvj^{lib}. xiiij. sol. et iiij^d. pro arrer. xxxvj. sol. vj. den. pro annuali redditu solvend. de rectoria de Stivecle pro omnibus decimis quæ dicto prior de Northt. compete- bant juxta conventionem inter prædecessores dictorum priorum prius factam et hic prolatam. Et post multos dies datos prior Hunt. non ven. super quo adjudicatur quod prior Northt. habeat executionem. rot. 9.

Abbrev. Placit. p. 351.

term, in the same year, a commission to inquire of all the tithes issuing from any rectories or churches in the county of Northampton, in any wise belonging to the priory of St. Andrew.

The Surrender, dated 1 March, 29 Hen. VIII. is ex-

tant in the Augmentation Office : appendant to it is an impression of the Common Seal. St. Andrew is there represented seated, and having in his left hand a book ; much of the legend is gone, these words only remain

SANCTI : AND LI : DE : NORHAMTON.

Cartae ad Sancti Andreae Northamptonae Prioratum spectantes.

NUM. I.

Incipit de Fundatione Domus nostrae.

[Ex regist. S. Andreae Northam. in bibl. Hattoniana, fol. 1.]

MEMORANDUM quod anno gratiae millesimo sexagesimo septimo Willielmus dictus Bastard filius Ducis Normanniae venit cum maxima et strenuissima militia in Angliam, et Haraldo rege devicto simul et interfecto totum regnum adquisivit. Et in die Natalis Domini apud Westmonasterium coronatus, totum praedictum regnum pacifice possedit. Venerunt etiam cum illo duo fratres strenuissimi milites, videlicet Garnerius dictus le Ryche et Symon de Seynlyz filii Raundoel le Ryche. Mortuo praedicto Randoel, Garnerius primogenitus, reversus est in Franciam, et optinuit haereditatem patris : Simon autem remansit in Anglia cum praedicto rege Willielmo. Aliquanto autem tempore elapso, quidam comes Huntyngdoniae nomine Waldelfus, erga regem praedictum de prodicione accusatus et convictus apud Wintoniam decapitatus est. Habebat autem ipse comes duas filias : Rex verò primogenitam, Maud nomine, dedit Simoni de Seynlyz, cum toto honore Huntyngdon. Dictus vero Simon maritavit Aliciam sororem uxoris suae Randulpho de Tonny ; cum centum libratis terrae de praedicto honore. Iste Simon comes, tempore regis Willielmi praedicti, et anno regni sui octavo decimo, fundavit domum sancti Andreae Northamptoniae, et eam submisit imperpetuum domui beatæ Mariæ de Caritate. Postea tempore regis Henrici primi, iste Symon comes Huntyngdon, adiit terram sanctam, et in redeundo obiit apud Caritatem, et ibidem sepultus est. Henricus rex praedictus desponsaverat Maud sororem Alexandri regis Scotiae et Davidis, et dedit Maud quæ fuit uxor Simonis comitis, Davidi fratri regis Scotiae praedicti, una cum custodia haeredis praedicti comitis Simonis. Nomen ejus haeredis erat Simon de Seynlyz junior, post nomen patris ejus. Et iste Simon junior fundavit abbatiam beatæ Mariæ de Pratis juxta Northampton.

NUM. II.

Carta Simonis primi Comitis.

[Ex regist. S. Andreae de Northampton penes Joh. Theyer, de Copenhill juxta Gloucestr.]

IN nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti, Amen. Ego Symon et uxor mea Matildis, ne ante æternum judicem in extremo die cœlestis possessionis exhæredes simus, de nostra terrena possessione aliquantulum monachis sanctæ Dei genetricis Mariæ de Caritate, apud Hamptonam Deo servientibus, pro nobismet ipsis, et pro animabus patrum nostrorum, dominorum, atque amicorum damus, et firmissima conditione constituimus, quod ipsi monachi teneant honorifice sicuti nosmet ipsi, et in quantum ad nos pertinet defendimus, ne aliquis nostrorum hominum audeat, aliqua mala consuetudine, servitute, vel donatione, malè tractare quicquid Deo et monachis donamus : scilicet ipsam ecclesiam in qua habitant, et omnes alias ejusdem villæ ecclesias cum appenditiis suis, et in eadem villa terram trium carucarum et tres dalos prati, et unum hulmum, et aliquos hospites, et de firma ipsius villæ viginti solidos ad festum sancti Michaelis, et Stoberiam : scilicet duas hidas terræ, et quod in Hardyngestorn et in Halclynton in dominio habebamus ; et duas partes decimæ de Thorpe, et in Bracefeya ecclesiam, et ipsius ecclesiæ terram et decimam. In Equetonia ecclesiam, et decimam, et quicquid Walterus capellanus de eo tenet, ipso Waltero laudante. De Jerdeleya totam decimam per consensum et donum Hu-

gonis capellani. In Bertonia et Dodyntoune et Toteham, annonæ mediam decimam, et bestiarum totam. Tertiam partem totius decimæ de Obertona, et Stratoniam, et Harin-godia, et Frodigeya, et in Daventria tertiam partem annonæ, et suarum equarum totam decimam. Et Grimbaldus dedit eisdem monachis in Multonia ecclesiam et totam decimam, et decimam Budonis, et terram unius caruæ ; et Acardus suam decimam de Sprottona. Et Burchardus x. acras terræ, et decimam terræ suæ in Hamtona. ✠ Signum Simonis comitis. ✠ Signum Matildis comitissæ. ✠ Signum Grimbaldi. ✠ Signum Nigelli iij^s. ad car. unoquoque anno. ✠ Signum Johannis nepotis comitis. ✠ Signum Rogeri Olifardi iij^s. unoquoque anno. ✠ Signum Walteri filii Wyneri. ✠ Signum Hugonis filii Athelini. ✠ Signum Hugonis de Esseby iij^s. unoquoque anno. ✠ Signum Symonis nepotis comitis. ✠ Signum Warneri nepotis comitis. ✠ Signum Maynardi capellani. ✠ Signum Petri nepotis comitis. ✠ Signum Sedwini de Alneto ij^s. unoquoque anno.

NUM. III.

Carta Matildis de Mundevilla.

[Ex registro S. Andreae Northam. in bibl. Hattoniana.]

NOVERINT universi matris ecclesiæ filii, tam præsentis quam futuri quod domina Matildis de Mundevilla, pro salute animæ patris sui Nigelli de Mundevilla, à quo hæc hereditas procedit, et domini sui Roelandi de Abrincis, et filii sui, donum suum et elemosinam fecit ecclesiæ sancti Andreae de Northampton ; scilicet Siwellam, et omnia ei pertinentia, tam in bosco, quam in plano, et ecclesiam eis absolute concessit, exceptis quatuor virgatis terræ et dimidia, quas, cum filia sua ecclesiæ de Elnestowe dedit &c. Teste, Roberto Grimbald, Roberto de Westona, Warnero Grimbald, &c.

NUM. IV.

[Ibid.]

WILLIELMUS de Albrincis confirmat donum matris suæ de villa et ecclesia de Siwell (exceptis ut supra) an. Dom. m.cxlviij. Testes Simon comes Northampton, Ricardus de Campvilla, Robertus Grimbald, Robertus de Westona, Hugo Gobion, &c.

NUM. V.

Carta regis Stephani donationem manerii de Siwelle per Willielmum de Abrincis confirmans.

[Ibid.]

S. REX Angliæ episcopo Lincolniae et comiti Simoni, et justitiariis, et vicecomitibus et baronibus, et ministris, et omnibus fidelibus suis, Francis et Anglis Norhamtonscire salutem. Sciatis quod concedo et confirmo illam donationem quam Willielmus de Abrincis fecit Deo et ecclesiæ sancti Andreae et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, de manerio Siwelliæ, et omnibus ejus pertinentiis. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio, quod ecclesia prædicta et monachi illud manerium, cum pertinentiis, teneant, et imperpetuum possideant bene, et in pace, et libere, et honorifice, et quiete in omnibus rebus et libertatibus, et consuetudinibus eidem terræ pertinentibus, sicut idem Willielmus de Abrincis illas melius et liberius tenuit, et sicut ipse eis illas dedit et carta sua confirmavit. Test. Simone Comite, Ricardo de Canvilla, et Roberto Grimbald camerario, apud Northampton.

NUM. VI.

Carta Davidis Scotorum regis.

[Ex autographo in bibl. Cottoniana.]

DAVID Dei gratia rex Scotorum, omnibus baronibus, et hominibus suis salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et confirmasse monachis ecclesiæ sancti Andreæ Norhamptoniæ, ut ubicunque decimas domini mei plenarie eis habeant, tam in pecoribus, quam in omnibus fructibus terræ. Confirmo igitur eis quicquid habent in villa de Scaldeford; scilicet unum molendinum, et unam carucatam terræ, in liberam elemosinam. Reliquam vero terram quam ibidem habent, ea libertate tenebunt, quâ Robertus filius Vitalis dominus ejusdem villæ, terram suam tenet, nec aliquam consuetudinem ei inde debent, sicut ipse confessus est ante me, et meos homines. Concedo igitur eis, ut apud Extonam terram illam quæ vocatur Wiliges frangatur et seminetur, et nullus eos inquietare præsumat. Testibus, Michaele de Hanesel, et Roberto de Brus, et Roberto filio Nigelli, apud Gerdelai.

NUM. VII.

Carta Simonis comitis, primi fundatoris.

[Ex registro S. Andreæ in bibl. Hattoniana, ut supr.]

IN nomine summæ et individuae Trinitatis, Amen. Notum sit sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, quod comes Simon et uxor sua Matildis, ne in die iudicii cunctis astantibus cum vacua manu appareant, largiti sunt de possessionibus suis monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Caritate Deo apud Hamtonam in ecclesia sanctæ Dei genetricis Mariæ apostolique Andreæ servientibus, pro animarum suarum salute, et omnium antecessorum suorum, necnon et dominorum et amicorum suorum, et pro omnibus illis, qui locum istum auxerint, et hæc et alia ad ipsum locum pertinentia fideliter testificaverunt, ipsam ecclesiam Omnium Sanctorum; et omnes ejusdem villæ ecclesias cum omnibus appendiciis suis, et in eadem villa terram trium carucarum, et tres dailos prati, et unum hulmum, et aliquos hospites et de firma ipsius villæ viginti solidos ad festum sancti Michaelis, et hospites prope eos manentes, liberos et quietos ab omni consuetudine ipsius villæ pro voluntate monachorum, et Scoteberiam, scilicet, duas hidas terræ, et quod in Hardyngestorne et in Haclynton in dominio habebant, et duas partes decimæ de Thorp. Et in Brakeleya ecclesiam et ipsius ecclesiæ terram et decimam. In Equitonia ecclesiam et decimam et quicquid Walterus capellanus ibidem tenet, ipso Waltero laudante. De Gerdela duas partes decimæ. In Bertona et Dodyngton et Toteham annonæ mediam decimam, et bestiarum totam: tertiam partem totius decimæ de Brotona et Stratoniam, et Haringordia, et Frodigeya, et in Daventreya tertiam partem annonæ, et suarum equarum totam decimam; et unum novum molendinum quod est apud Hardingestorne, et decimam ipsius villæ; et duas partes decimæ de Ullavestona, similiter duas de Troop, et duas de Potona, et duas virgatas de terra, et viginti acras de bruario, et viginti solidos de molendino Pacastone ad vinum emendum ad missas, qui debent semper reddi in Pascha. Dominus quoque Paganus dedit ipsis monachis ecclesiam Riale, et postea dedit molendinum quod fecit apud villam Riale, et terram ad unam carucam pro clerico qui pro hac re effectus est monachus. Grimboldus etiam dedit eisdem monachis in Multonia ecclesiam et totam decimam, et decimam Bundonis, et terram unius carucæ, et Acardus suam decimam; et Otgerus de Hostona suam; laudante hoc et confirmante Henrico Anglorum rege, octavo imperii sui anno, coram subscriptis testibus. ✠ Signum Henrici regis Anglorum. ✠ Signum Matildis reginæ. ✠ Signum Anselmi archiepiscopi. ✠ Signum Roberti episcopi Lincoln. ✠ Signum Roberti episcopi Cestrensis. ✠ Signum Johannis episcopi de Lys. ✠ Signum Samsonis episcopi. ✠ Signum Johannis episcopi Bæus. ✠ Signum Gundulphi episcopi Rovecestr. ✠ Signum Mauricii episcopi Londin. ✠ Signum Ranulfi cancellarii. ✠ Signum Henrici comitis de Warewyke. ✠ Signum Willielmi comitis de Warenne. ✠ Signum Nigelli de Oily. ✠ Signum Roberti de Ferers. ✠ Signum Eudonis Dapiferi. ✠ Signum Willielmi de Aubency. ✠ Signum Willielmi de Curey. ✠ Signum Roberti comitis de Mellent. ✠ Signum David fratris reginæ.

NUM. VIII.

Confirmatio Donationum, per Hugonem Lincolnensem episcopum.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, Hugo Dei gratia Lincolnensis episcopus salutem in Domino. Nostrum est justis petitionibus adquiescere et quicquid possumus auxilii filiis sanctæ ecclesiæ impertiri; unde et fratribus nostris monachis ecclesiæ sancti Andreæ de Northampton speciali autoritate qua fungimur confirmamus; scilicet ecclesiam Omnium Sanctorum de Northamptona, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam sancti Egidii cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam sancti Michaelis cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam sancti Sepulchri cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam sanctæ Mariæ cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et ecclesiam sancti Gregorii cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et ecclesiam sancti Petri cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, scilicet cum ecclesia de Thorp et capella de Upton cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis; et ecclesiam sancti Edmundi cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et ecclesiam sancti Bartholomæi cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et capellam sancti Thomæ cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et ecclesiam de Ryall cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et ecclesiam de Exton cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam de Newenton cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam de Sywell cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam de Multon cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam de Branfelde cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam de Preston cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam de Bylyng cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam de Howton cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam de Quenton cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam de Hardyngystorn cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam de Stotysbyry cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam de Sulgrave cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et duas partes decimæ totius decimationis domini comitis David in Yerdela, et in Bartone et in Dodyngtonne et Haryngwrth. Et tertiam partem totius decimæ domini comitis David in Fodryngeya. Et tertiam partem totius decimæ domini de Overton. Et duas partes totius decimæ domini de Styvecle. Et viginti solidos de molendinis de Paxton ad vinum emendum ad missas. Et de horreo comitis David in Bertona tres summas frumenti ad oblatas faciendas. Et duas partes totius decimæ domini de Wllastona. Et duas partes decimæ domini Walteri filii Winemeri in Trop. Et duas partes decimæ domini Walteri prædicti in Wutton. Et duas partes decimæ domini Achardi de Sproxton in Sproxton, et in Wythyn et in Strattona. Et duas partes totius decimæ domini quod fuit Rogeri filii Azæ in Ysham; et duas partes totius decimæ domini Henrici de Cogenho in Horrowedon. Et duas partes totius decimæ domini Willielmi filii Burchardi in Flore. Et duas partes totius decimæ domini Henrici de Armenters in Stowe, et in Kyslingbury, quas tenent ad firmam de monachis sancti Prejecti de Vermendes. Et duas partes decimæ domini Walteri Luvel in Kyslingbury. Et ecclesiam de Pottona cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et in eadem villa duas virgatas terræ et viginti acras de bruera. Et duas partes decimæ domini Richardi de Heyforde in Herleston. Et duas partes totius decimæ domini Andreæ de Braybrooke in Braybrooke. Et tertiam partem totius decimæ domini Richardi Foxle in Foxle. Et duas partes totius decimæ domini de Parva Hoctona, juxta Langeporte, quas habent ex donatione Godefridi de Boloigne: et ut hæc omnia præfatis monachis sancti Andreæ rata et illibata permaneant, sicut ipsis justè et rationabiliter collata sunt, præsentis scripti et sigilli nostri attestatione communimus; salva in omnibus Lincolnensis ecclesiæ dignitate. Testibus hiis, Roberto abbate de Nuttelega, Walkelino abbate de sancto Jacobo, Walkelino priore de Landa, magistro Roberto de Harding, magistro Rogero de Kolveston, magistro Simone de Sywell, magistro Willielmo de Monte, magistro Richardo de Dodeforde, Henrico filio Petri, magistro Warino de Bedforde, Simone decano de Witlyngbere, Rogero decano de Pateshyll, magistro Samsone de Bercheby, magistro Roberto de Melhum, magistro Roberto Grosteste.

NUM. IX.

Carta Regis Henrici primi donatorum concessionessratificans.

[In registro S. Andr. de Northampton penes Johannem Theyer, fol. 14 a. Vide cart. 3 E. III. n. 39. Et cart. 10 E. III. n. 27.]

HENRICUS rex Angliæ Roberto Lincolnæ episcopo et David comiti et omnibus baronibus, et fidelibus suis, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et dedisse monachis de Caritate in ecclesia sancti Andreae de Northampton Deo servientibus, ecclesiam sancti Sepulchri, quæ est in eadem villa, cum quatuor acris de dominio meo, pro anima patris mei, et matris meæ, et pro animabus antecessorum meorum. Et præterea concedo et confirmo omnes possessiones eorum, quas Simon comes et Matildis uxor sua, et alii barones et homines mei eis dederunt in ecclesiis, in decimis, in terris, sive in aliis rebus, et nominatim xl. sol. quos habent per annum in Bedeford ex dono Matildis comitissæ; et unam carucatam terræ, et unum molendinum in Scaldeford quæ Robertus filius Vitalis eis dedit in liberam elemosinam. Et præter hoc in eadem villa decem virgatas terræ, et quartam partem unius virgatæ, quas ipsi emerunt de eodem Roberto, ita liberè tenendas, sicut ipse tenet terram suam. Et in Multon duas virgatas terræ quas ipsi emerunt à Grimboldo, ita liberè tenendas sicut ipse tenet terram suam. Et ex dono ejusdem Grimboldi decimam de molendino, quod dicitur Caucheshmelne. Et in Acheleia xxx. acras terræ et paisonem centum porcorum, et communem pasturam quæ Robertus filius Lancelini dedit eis in liberam elemosinam. Et præter hæc in eadem villa quinque virgatas terræ et dimidiam quas emerunt ab eodem Roberto, ita liberè tenendas, sicut ipse tenet terram suam. Et in Wendlingbury unam virgatam terræ, ex dono Ilberti de Cogenho in liberam elemosinam. Et terram de Foxle, ex dono Adeluphi in elemosinam; et ecclesiam et terram de Newenton, cum omnibus appenditiis suis, ex dono Auscheri de Chanci. Et duas partes decimæ Rogeri de Isham, et in eadem villa decimam duarum virgatarum terræ, ex dono Hardewini de Hargedon. Et duas partes decimæ Walteri de Preston in Wyton. Et in Hargedon duas partes decimæ Engelranni. Et in Flora decimam Willielmi filii Burcardi. Et in Braibroc decimam Willielmi; et in Chislingbiri decimam Walteri de Liner. Et in Herveleston duas partes decimæ Roberti de Armenters. Et in Northampton domum Werriçi quæ est in foro et domos Roberti Huuet, cum omni tenura sua, et domos Walteri cum tota tenura sua. Præterea concedo quod homines eorum de Northampton qui sunt residentes in terra eorum, à fossatis burgi usque ad fossatum eorundem monachorum, et usque ad aquam sint liberi et quieti ab omni consuetudine ejusdem villæ. Et volo, et firmiter præcipio quod ipsi monachi teneant omnia prædicta bene et in pace, liberè et honorificè et quietè, in bosco et plano, in pratis, et pascuis et molendinis et stagnis, et aquis, in viis et semitis, infra burgum et extra, cum saca, et soca, et toll et theam et infangenthef: et prohibeo super hoc ne aliquis eis injuriam vel contumeliam faciat. Teste, Roberto episcopo Cestriæ, Herveo episcopo de Ely, Ranulpho cancellario, Gaufrido de Glington, Radulpho Basset, Hugone de Leghercestria, apud Northampton.^a

NUM. X.

Fundatio Hospitalis de Kingsthorpe.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Walterus prior sancti Andreae Northampton, et totus ejusdem loci conventus salutem in Domino. Ad universitatis vestræ notitiam volumus pervenire, nos communi consilio et assensu totius capituli nostri, ad petitionem Petri filii Adæ de Northampton, et Henrici filii ejus, liberaliter concessisse donum quandam, in susceptionem peregrinorum, et pauperum in loco nostro in quo sita est capella sancti David infra limites parochiæ nostræ de Thorp, sub hac forma construi; scilicet quod in loco prænominato, nullum, in posterum, fiet collegium, sive de monachis, sive de canonicis, sive de templariis, sive de hospitalariis, sive de monialibus: ita est quod domus ipsa nullis temporibus in ecclesiam, vel in formam ecclesiæ commutabitur, nec formam

xenodochii excedet. Concessimus ut divina in eo loco celebrantur officia, et duo tantum ibidem perpetuo habeantur altaria: unum in capella sanctæ Trinitatis, aliud in capella sancti David: et una tantum campana ad pulsandum, et cimiterium ad sepulturam pauperum, et peregrinorum, et aliorum ibidem commorantium.

Concessimus etiam ut si quis de parochianis nostris, sive sanus, sive æger, dum tamen sanæ mentis fuerit, ibidem sepulturam elegerit, et votum ibi perpetuo manendi, sub testimonio capituli sui, et virorum fidedignorum, expresserit, benignè in Domino recipiatur ibidem, in habitu seculari permansurus quamdiu viverit, salvo jure ecclesiæ in cujus parochia extiterit. Illud autem nobis ex consensu prædictorum Petri filii Adæ et Henrici clerici filii ejus, reservavimus, quod nullius corpus, post obitum ejus, de parochiis nostris ad eundem locum deferetur, nec aliquis parochianorum nostrorum ibidem nisi sub forma prædicta recipietur. In ejusdem verò loci domus principalis corpore conjunctæ capellæ sanctæ Trinitatis, conjuncti erunt imperpetuum tres ordines lectorum contiguorum in longum, in quibus jaceant pauperes et peregrini, et præcipuè valetudinarii quo expeditius missam audire valeant, et devotiùs orationibus intendant. Concessimus etiam ut in eodem loco unus habeatur procurator, capellanus, vel clericus vel laicus bonæ opinionis, qui communi concilio et concensu nostro et prædicti H. dum idem H. vixerit providebitur et constituetur: post obitum autem ipsius H. communi consilio et assensu nostro et abbatis de Sullebi à prædicto H. substituti. Excessus, et procuratoris, et eorum qui per procuratorem corrigi non poterunt, per nos, et prædictum H. in vita sua, et post mortem ejus, per nos, et abbatem prædictum corrigentur. Et si idem procurator, propter transgressionem aliquam, amovendus fuerit, communi consilio et consensu nostro et præfati H. dum idem H. vixerit, absque omni reclamazione et contradictione, amovebitur, et alius loco ejus idoneus constituetur. Ex quo autem idem H. in fata decesserit, communi concilio et consensu nostro, et abbatis prædicti, si amovendus fuerit amovebitur, et alius loco ejus substituetur. Cum autem amotus fuerit, communi consilio, et assensu nostro, et H. præfati, vel post mortem ejus, concilio et concensu abbatis prænominati, de statu ipsius disponetur, ita quod indempnitati ecclesiæ nostræ provideatur, et scripti hujus forma non immutetur. Si autem super procuratore instituendo, vel amovendo, inter nos et prædictum H. vel abbatem de Sullebi, post mortem prædicti H. orta fuerit dissensio, electis ex parte nostra duobus viris discretis, et ex altera parte duobus viris discretis et quinto communi utriusque partis consensu, quod major pars statuerit, firmiter observabitur. Illi vero qui procuratorem eligent, in eodem loco ubi procurator instituendus est, ad eundem eligendum convenient, et ibidem eum constituent, et ita tamen quod ante institutionem suam, ad ecclesiam nostram accedens, in eadem ecclesia, super altare beati Andreae, coram priore, et conventu, et coram memorato H. vel abbate de Sullebi, post mortem ipsius H. juratoriam præstabit cautionem, quod formam hujus scripti, et tenorem, pro posse suo tenebit, et servabit; et quod nec dampnum ecclesiæ, nec occasionem dampni, in aliquo malitiose procurabit, nec ab aliquo sibi subjecto, procurari, pro posse suo, patietur. Nos vero sacramenti hujus occasione nullam in eodem loco, contra scripti hujus tenorem, exigemus subjectionem.

Concessimus etiam ut in loco prænominato duo tantum habeantur capellani præter procuratorem, ita quidem, quod si idem procurator electus fuerit, capellanus ibi licite possit celebrare. Et prædicti capellani, ex quo recepti fuerint, antequam in loco prædicto celebrent, nobis, de indemnitate ecclesiæ nostræ, sicut procurator juratoriam præstabant cautionem. Præterea concedimus ut sex ibi habeantur conversi ad ministerium et susceptionem et provisionem pauperum ibidem commorantium, et supervenientium, ita quod numerus procuratoris et capellanorum et conversorum novenarium non excedat. Procurator vero, et capellani tales habebunt vestes, quales decet honestos capellanos seculares habere, et conversi uniformia habebunt indumenta, scilicet, cappas et pallia, tunicas nigri coloris, absque signo. Siquis autem commorantium, contra hujus scripti tenorem venerit, et super hoc, coram nobis, et prædicto H. vel abbate de Sullebi

^a Quod hujusmodi prioratus sit indigena, vide Pat. 6 H. IV. part. 2, mem. 25.

prædicto, post mortem ipsius H. convictus fuerit, à loco prædicto, omni cessante reclamatione. ejicietur, nisi digne poenitens, ex misericordia nostra, et prædicti H. vel abbatis de Sulleby, post mortem prædicti H. ibidem toleretur.

Prædicta vero omnia sub hac forma concessimus ne præfata domus alicui domui religiose, nec alicui personæ privatæ præter formam scripti hujus subjiçiat, nec aliquid ultra hanc concessionem nostram, in dampnum ecclesiæ nostræ ab aliquo in loco prænominato existente præsumatur. Nos quoque de redditibus vel possessionibus eidem domui collatis, vel in posterum conferendis, aut alio justo titulo adipiscendis, nullis temporibus in usus nostros aliquid convertemus, vel aliquo modo diminuemus, sed totum in utilitatem et incrementum ipsius loci proficiet. Ad augmentationem quoque ipsius domus, concessimus eidem domui, intuitu caritatis, totam terram nostram in Torp, quam Helias tenuit de feodo nostro, ecclesiæ nostræ de Torp, scilicet, duas virgatas terræ cum mesuagio, et crofta, et cum communi pastura et cum omnibus pertinentiis earum, consentiente H. prædicto filio Petri, qui nunc temporis ecclesiam de Torpe de nobis tenuit. Præterea decimam duarum virgatarum terræ, quas eidem loco contulimus et quietam olamavimus, et decimam ortorum in eodem loco construendorum, et pecorum quæ infra parochiam de Torp, ratione prædictarum duarum virgatarum rationabiliter haberi poterunt. Si autem aliam terram, infra parochiam de Torp, vel aliis parochiis nostris, sive ex empto, sive ex conducto, sive ex dono alicujus sive alio modo eundem locum habere contigeret, decimæ tam de omnibus fructibus terræ ejusdem, quam de pecunia, ratione terræ illius habita, ecclesiis nostris plenarie persolventur, non obstante privilegio, si quod de immunitate decimarum fuerit impetratum. Hæc autem concessio ad petitionem Petri filii Adæ post fuit inchoata; eo verò mortuo, ad petitionem et instantiam Henrici clerici filii ejus, postea perfecta, et in scriptum redacta, anno secundo regni regis Johannis, qui fuit annus incarnationis Domini millesimo ducentesimo. Et ne ipsa concessio nostra nobis in posterum fiat captiosa, nec aliquod nobis juris nostri, sive in privilegiis nostris, sive in jure communi faciat præjudicium, nec prædictus H. filius Petri, vel ipsius successores, vel in loco sæpedito existentes, vel aliquis alius aliquid præter hanc concessionem nostram exigere, sive aliquid commutare, vel per surreptionem aliquam in præjudicium nostri aliquid attemptare præsumat formam concessionis nostræ præsentis scripto expressam, ut robur perpetuum obtineat, tam ex parte nostra quam ex parte memorati H. et domus supradictæ haberi necessarium duximus, partem unam sigillo nostro munitam, eidem H. et domui præfata conferentes, et partem alteram tam sigillo ipsius H. quam sigillo domus prænominatæ corroboratam à prædictis H. et Wilhelmo tunc temporis ejusdem procuratore domus recipientes, consentientibus, et instanter petentibus omnibus eo tempore in eadem domo commorantibus. Hiis testibus, Walkelino abbate sancti Jacobi de Northampton, magistro Ricardo de Kent tunc archidiacono de Northampton, Alexandro priore de Esseby, magistro Henrico de Gilleville, magistro Roberto de Wahaton, magistro Roberto de Kinton, magistro Johanne de Hikeford, magistro Roberto de Arche, Henrico decano de Northampton, Radulfo decano de Billing, Ricardo decano de Dodeford, Rogero decano de Patteshille, magistro Nicholao capellano archidiaconi, magistro Stephano de Yrencester, Thoma clerico filio Adæ Albi, Roberto de Leicestr. Ada Gurnay, Symone de Davintre, Roberto Oriol, Simone filio Sewardi, Radulfo de Pontefracto, Roberto clerico, et aliis.

NUM. XI.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

PRIORATUS SÇI ANDREE IN VILLA NORTHAMPTON' P'DICT'.

FRAUNCISC' LEICETER Pior Pioratus ibm.

Tempo'al.

Scitus Piorat' cum Terr' Dñicalibz.

EXIT' et pfic' omn' claus', ortor', gardinor', aquar' molendin' aquatic' infra scitum domus piorat' accum terr', patis, pase' et pastur' extra dcm scitu' vocat' Demayns simull in man' et occupacone dcor' pioris et convent' et nun-

qam plus arrentat' et modo p vic' inquis' strutineu' tam comissionar' qam 12cem hoium sup' hoc jurat' valuat' viz ad sumam 17l. 0s. 0d.

Reddit' in Villa Northampt'.

Reddit' et Firm' in Villa Northampton', viz

In reddit' vocat' Chambrannt . . . 3l. 2s. 0d.
Coventrent 19l. 5s. 6d.
Lottesrent 6l. 19s. 4d.
Feod' firm' ejusdm duor' molendin' aquat' voc' Russhe . . . 1l. 0s. 0d.
Milne et Marvyns Mylne ac un' pat' vocat' Milnholme p annu' 3l. 6s. 8d.
44l. 17s. 2d.

Reddit' in divs' Villis in com' Northampton'.

Reddit' et Firm' in divs' al' Villis et Hamlett' p annu', viz

In Cotton et Hardyingston cum 10l. in man' et us' abbesse moniali' de patis juxa Northampton' sibi concess' p Wifm Rekner nup' p'orem p'orat' pdci et ejusdm loci conventu' p sigillm suu' cõe p imino annor' absq' aliquo inde solvend' sive reddend' p deñiis ab eadem abbesse metuat' de quo quidm imino adhuc restat 4or anni tamen hic dict' 10l. oñant' int' alia, viz ad 32l. 17s. 8d. Kislinbur' 1l. 10s. Flower 7s. 11d. Sywell 24l. Wenlingborughe 1l. 13s. 4d. Isham 1l. 6s. 8d. Pinsley 1l. 5s. 4d. Cot's Molend' 1l. Holcott 7s. 0½d. Billing Magn' 16s. Billing Pv' 1l. 13s. 4d. Wodford 3l. Foxley 13s. 4d. Syllesworthe 16s. Silleston 6s. 8d. Molton ad 2l. 14s. 6d. p annu' in manibz et usu' Thom' Chipsey sibi concess' p pdcu' Wifm Rekner nup' p'orem p sigillm conventual' p imio annor' p deñiis de eodm Thom' metuat' d' quo quidm imio adhuc restant 4or, anni tamen hic dict' 2l. 14s. 6d. oñant' 2l. 14s. 6d. Quynnton ad 8l. p annu' in man' et usu' Anthon' Brian ut dicit sibi concess' p pdcm nup' p'orem p deñiis ab eo metuat' tamen igno' quo jure r' hic in oñe 8l. Brykylworth 2l. Sulby 18s. Okley 2l. Hakulton ad 5l. 10s. p annu' in man' pdci Thom' Chipsey nup' pdcum p p'orem concess' p imio annor' sub sigillo conventual' dicit tamen igno' si ita sic anno io oñat' hic 5l. 10s. Stotisbury cum 20l. in manibz et usu' Wifm Silyard et Johis Danaster accum 6l. in man' et usu' Johis Molle p pdcum nup' p'orem concess' p imino annor' p sigillm conventual' absq' aliquo inde solvend' d' quibz quidm imis adhuc restant ex pte dict' Wifm Sulyerd et Johis Danaster 9 ann' et ex pte Johis Molle 33 ann' tamen hic oñat' int' alia viz 43l. et Solgave 6l. 18s. 9½d. Sma p annu' 142l. 4s. 7d.

Northampton Decanat'.

Squalia.

Reus in com' Warwic', Leicestr', Lincoln', Rutland', et Bedf'.

Reddit' et Firm' in divs' Com' Forinc', viz

In Grenbrogh in com' Warwic' p annu' 0l. 5s. 0d.
Shatford in com' Leicestr' p annu' . 4l. 10s. 0d.
Trykyngham in com' Lincoln' p annu' . 0l. 7s. 0d.
Ryall in com' Rutland' p am . . . 1l. 13s. 4d.
Kynges Wauden in com' Bedford' p annu' . . . 0l. 19s. 0d.
Et Sharnbrok in com' Bedford p annu' 0l. 10s. 0d.
Sma 8l. 4s. 4d.

Penções in Com' Northampt'.

Decim' et oblaçoibz cum aliis pfic' pvenient' de divs' ecclis in com' Northampt' cõibz annis, viz ecclie Omn' Sçor' in villa Northampton' pdca 16l. 0s. 0d.
Eccliar' Sçi Petri in dicta villa Northampton' et Upton cum capella in Kyngesthorpp' 6l. 13s. 4d.
Firma xmar' blador' in Cotton et Hardingston 9l. 0s. 0d.

Penção eccliar' de Ritherthropp, Horton, et Lichebarow p man' abbis Sçi Jacobi solut' . . . 2l. 6s. 0d.
Penção ecclie de Kyslynbury 2l. 13s. 4d.
Porção xma garbar' de Flour p p'orem de Marten solut' . . . 1l. 0s. 0d.
Porção xmar' garbar' de Stowe 1l. 0s. 0d.
Penção rectorie de Sywell 1l. 6s. 8d.
Penção ecclie de Isham 0l. 13s. 4d.

Eccle de Billinge Pv	1l.	0s.	0d.
Pencone eccle de Yardley Hastings	1l.	6s.	8d.
Pencone vicar de Ashbyymse	1l.	6s.	8d.
Pencone eccle de Dingley	1l.	3s.	4d.
Pencone eccle de Foderinghay	0l.	13s.	4d.
Firm rector de Brayfeld	10l.	0s.	0d.
Firm rector de Houghto Pv	11l.	0s.	0d.
Pencone eccle de Quynnton	0l.	6s.	8d.
Pencone eccle de Harringworthe	0l.	15s.	0d.
Firm rector de Solgrave	9l.	0s.	0d.
Pencone vicar de Molton	0l.	13s.	4d.
Et firm rector de Molton ad 16l. p annu concess p			
pdcm Wifm Rekner nup p iorem p imio annor Edwardo			
Watson et assignat p deniis ab eo metuat d quo quidm			
imin reman 4or ann tamen hic onantr	16l.	0s.	0d.
Sma	93l.	17s.	8d.

Penc'in Com' Lincoln', Leicestr', Hunt', Rutland', et Bedford'.

Penconibz divs Eccliar in divs Forinc Com', viz			
In Newton in Keston in com' Lincoln'	0l.	6s.	8d.
Porc in Sproxton p abtem de Croxton solut in com'			
Leicestr'	1l.	0s.	0d.
Porcone in Steueckley in com' Hunt'	1l.	16s.	8d.
Firm rectorie de Exton in com' Rutland'			
	10l.	0s.	0d.
Firm rector de Ryall in eodm com' Rutland' cum			
	6l.	0s.	0d.
	28l.	9s.	9d.
In man et usu Wifm Netilham sibi concess p imio			
annor p sigill convent in recompence denar ab eo me-			
tuat ut dicit tamen igno quo jure io hic in oie int alia			
	12l.	0s.	0d.
Et pencone de Potton in com' Bedford' p abbiss monial'			
minoris juxa Turrim London solut	3l.	6s.	8d.
	334l.	13s.	7d.
	122l.	7s.	6d.

Inde in

Repris.

Chamb Reint et Covent Reint in Com' Northm'.

Resoluc Reddit Dno Regi et divs aliis Pson p annu, viz			
Dno regi p man baffior ville Northampton exeunt de			
terr pdict vocat Chambr et Covent Reint	0l.	6s.	6d.
Johi Longfeld milit p reddit exeunt de eisdem terr'			
	0l.	7s.	0d.
Frañitat Sca Katie in eccia Beate Marie in villa			
Northampton pda p reddit exeunt de eisd' terr' p annu'			
	0l.	0s.	8d.
	0l.	14s.	2d.

Loll's Reints in Villa Northampton.

Pdcis baffis ville Northampton p reddit exeunt de			
lofts reints p annu'	0l.	6s.	8d.
Mro Sci Johis pdict ville Northampton p reddit ex-			
eunt de eisdem terr' p annu'	0l.	7s.	8d.
Frañitat Sci Clement in eccia Sci Egidii exeunt de			
eisdem lofts reints p annu'	0l.	13s.	4d.
Frañitat Beate Marie in eccia Omn Scor pdce ville			
exeunt de eisdem terr' p annu'	0l.	11s.	0d.
Majori et baffis ville Northampton pdce p manuteñe'			
fossar de le Towndyche p annu'	0l.	10s.	0d.
Eisdem majori et ball ville Northampton p reddit			
exeunt de cert teñt ibm p am	0l.	3s.	0d.
Johi Sloughe p reddit exeunt de uno claus exa portam			
borialem Northampton p annu'	0l.	5s.	0d.
Hered Turpyn p reddit exeunt de un alio claus ex-			
tra dictam portam	0l.	5s.	0d.
Abbiss monialiu de le Pray p reddit de molendin'			
vocat Mvyns Milne p annu'	0l.	11s.	0d.
Johi Hasulwode p reddit exeunt de eodm molendin'			
p annu'	0l.	11s.	8d.
	2l.	0s.	8d.

Reddit resolut exeunt de divs al Terr et Teñt.

Abbis monialiu de Elenstowe p reddit exeunt de			
terr in Sywell p annu'	0l.	5s.	0d.

Dno le Straunge p sect cur de Sywell et Wodford p			
annu'	0l.	5s.	4d.
Dno de Dalington p un lawshott in campis de Da-			
lington et p un claus exa portam oriental pdict ville			
Northampton p annu'	0l.	5s.	0d.
Colleg de Winsor p reddit vocat Winsor Reint ex-			
eunt de Solgrave p annu'	1l.	1s.	0d.
Wifmo Parr milit p redd assto exeunt de Quynnton			
ad castrum dni reg Rokingham p annu'	1l.	0s.	2d.
	2l.	16s.	6d.
	7l.	10s.	0d.

Sinodal et Pcurac.

Sinodalibz et pcuraconibz archidiac Northampton so-			
lut exeunt de eccfis pdcis	3l.	16s.	11d.

Annue Penc in Com' Northam et Rutland solut.

Penconibz Annuis solut divs Pson exeunt de divs Ecclis			
et cert Terr, viz			
Vicar eccle Omn Scor in villa Northampton virtute			
composicois p annu'	13l.	6s.	8d.
Duobz capellan secundar in dict eccia ministrant'			
virt composic p annu'	1l.	15s.	4d.
Capellan celibrant missam tribus diebz septimanatim			
in eccia Sci Egidii p aiaz Johis Loff et Margaret ux is			
ejus exeunt de terr vocat Loffs Rent pdict ex compo-			
sicone p annu'	2l.	12s.	0d.
Rector de Stotisbury p pencone p annu'	1l.	6s.	8d.
Capellan cantar de Addington p penc p annu'			
	6l.	0s.	0d.
Capellan cantar de Loughton p penc	5l.	6s.	8d.
Abbi de Bidelsden p penc eccle de Houghton Pv p			
annu'	1l.	6s.	8d.
Presentori de Leicestr p pencone sibi debet p annu'			
	0l.	5s.	0d.
Et capellan cantar de Exton in com' Rutland p annu'			
	6l.	0s.	0d.
	37l.	19s.	0d.

Feod Officiar.

Feod divs Officiar Piorat ibm p annu, viz.			
Wifmo Gascoyn milit, sen domu piorat pdci			
	2l.	0s.	0d.
Robt Chauntrell sen et custod cur de Cotton, Har-			
dingston, et Sywell p am	4l.	13s.	4d.
Thom Lovet sen de Stotisbury, et Solgrave, ac Wod-			
ford	1l.	6s.	8d.
Rico Coñon audit omn mañior, terr, et teñt, &c.			
dom piorat pdci	2l.	0s.	0d.
Johi Tylecok baffio de Cotton et Hardington			
	2l.	11s.	0d.
Johi Hyklynge baffio de Sywell	1l.	0s.	0d.
Wifmo Nettelham baffio de Ryall et Newton			
	0l.	3s.	4d.
Thom Hylton ball de Kyngyswauden	0l.	3s.	4d.
Johi Lewes baffio de Cotto	0l.	10s.	0d.
Et Johi Brightwyn ball et recept denar et redd in			
villa Northampton pdict	0l.	16s.	8d.
	15l.	4s.	4d.
	53l.	3s.	4d.

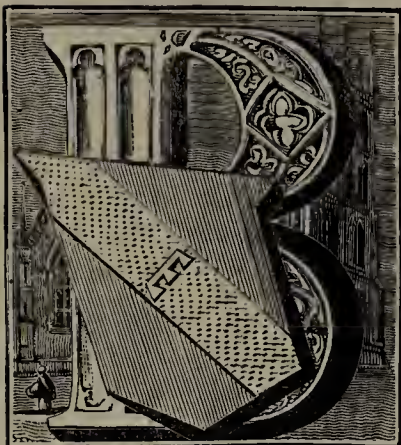
Elimos concess p Benefact Dom Piorat.

D quibz in elemos annuis et ppet dat ex ordinac et fun-			
dacone fundator et benefact piorat pdict, viz.			
In die anniſar Johis Loffe et Margarete ux is ejus p			
aiaz eor parent et benefact s ex composine fact in tribz			
ptibz reman, &c. scilit majori et baffis ville Northampton p			
annu'	0l.	10s.	0d.
Vicar eccle sci Egidii eodm die	0l.	2s.	0d.
Tribz presbit eodem die celebrant miss	0l.	1s.	0d.
Duobz clicis eccle pdce et sex pueris ibm ministrant'			
	0l.	1s.	6d.
xijcem paupibz torchias ferent	0l.	1s.	0d.
Et in panibz distribut et distribuend paupibz eodem			
die	1l.	0s.	0d.
	1l.	15s.	6d.

Com' North'	£.	s.	d.
Hawghton Parva, Rectoria et Northampton—Firma	11	0	0
Abyngdon Streete, &c.—Redd' teñt' ad vol' dñi	8	10	4
Abyngdon Streete, &c.—Redd' assis'	1	5	9
In Vico Sçi Andree—Redd' teñt' ad vol' dñi	31	1	10
In Pochia Sçi Sepulchri—Firma teñtorum	4	2	8
Rushmylles—Firma molend'	11	3	4
Northampton—Feod' firma	1	0	0
Sywell Dñm—Redd' assis'	0	8	0
Sywell Dñm—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	2	7	4
Sywell Dñm—Redd' custum' tenen'	19	18	11
Sywell Dñm—Firma	6	3	0
Sywell Dñm—Pens'	1	6	8
Coton, Hardyingston, Byllyng, Wol-lyngborough—Redd' assis'	0	10	4
Coton, Hardyingston, Byllyng, Wol-lyngborough—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi, secund' consuet' manerii	18	9	4
Coton, Hardyingston, Byllyng, Wol-lyngborough—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	7	1	0
Coton, Hardyingston, Byllyng, Wol-lyngborough—Firma terr'	5	5	4
Coton, Hardyingston, Byllyng, Wyl-lyngborough—Firma molend'	4	9	0
Hardyingston Rectoria et Maner' sive Graung' de Cotton—Firma rectoria et manerii	18	12	0
Hardyingston Rectoria et Maner' sive Graung' de Cotton—Decima claus'	0	2	0
Hardyingston Rectoria et Maner' sive Graung' de Cotton—Redd' rent'	0	3	4
Hardyingston Rectoria et Maner' sive Graung' de Cotton—Perquis' Cur'	0	13	4
Sulgrave, Woodforde—Redd' assis'	0	11	3
Sulgrave, Woodforde—Redd' terr' ad vol' dñi	2	16	0
Wodeford—Redd' tent'	3	0	0
Sulgrave—Firma duorum mes'	1	18	0
Sulgrave—Firma rectoria	9	0	0
Sulgrave—Redd' rept'	1	11	2
Sulgrave—Redd' mobil'	0	1	4
Statesbury—Firma terr'	37	0	0
Statesbury—Perquis' cur'	0	2	8
Sealford et Sproxton—Firma terr' et molend'	4	10	0
Sealford et Sproxton—Porc'	1	0	0
Northampton Sçi Andree Monast'—Firma seit' monasterii cum terr' dñic'	0	0	0

Com' North'	£.	s.	d.	Com' Rutland'	£.	s.	d.
Northampton Sci Andreæ Monast'—				Exton et Ryall—Annual' redd'	0	10	0
Firma rectoria	20	0	0	Com' North'			
Northampton Sci Andreæ Monast'—				Hulcote, Isshame, Foxston—Redd'			
Decima	22	0	0	assis'	1	14	6½
Northampton Sci Andreæ Monast'—				Flower, Holcott, Pyttesley, Holte,			
Penc'	6	13	4	Sillisworth—Redd' tenen'	2	11	8½
Grayfyld—Firma rectoria	12	0	0	Hakylton, Molton, Syllyston,—Fir-			
Assheby Mares, Byllyng, Dyngley,				ma teñt' et terr'	0	13	4
Flowere—Penc' et porc'	22	12	6	one ros' rub'			
Greneborowgh, Kyngs Maunder—				Multon—Firma rectoria	10	0	0
Redd' tenen'	1	6	4	Multon—Firma molend' aquatic'	2	13	4
Com' Rutland'				Tekyn, Wolsedge in Brygkesworth,			
Ryall—Firma duorum mess'	2	0	4½	Collingtre, Ryngested, Foxley,			
Exton et Ryall—Firma rectoriar'	16	0	0	Pyppewell, Okeley, Pytesley, Sul-			
				by—Annua soluc'	8	9	10

Priory of Barnstaple, in Devonshire.



ARNSTAPLE priory, dedicated to St. Mary Magdalen, was founded either in the reign of William the Conqueror or that of William Rufus by Joel the son of Alured, also called Joel of Totness, and was at first made dependent on the priory of St. Martin de Campis at Paris. In the deed of foundation Joel grants to the religious here Pilton, with its wood and marsh, and Pilton; the mill of Barnstaple; all the land without that town between North Gate and East Gate, with all the waters, fish, &c.; the church of St. Peter Barnstaple, with its appurtenances, chapels, tithes, and offerings; the chapel of St. Sabinus; two parts of the tithe of Fermigtun, and the whole tithe of fish.^a

King William, King Henry the First, and William bishop of Exeter confirmed the founder's donations.^b Henry de Traci and William de Braosa, as descendants of Joel, likewise added their charters:^c the former dated in 1146.

The exact time when Barnstaple was made denizen does not appear. Mr. Oliver conjectures that it was made so in the reign of Henry the Sixth.^d

From a passage in Bishop Bronescombe's Register, fol. 33, it appears that the community here consisted of thirteen members.^e

The following are the entries concerning Barnstaple priory in Pope Nicholas's Taxation :

" Dioc. Exon. Spirit.	£.	s.	d.
Prior Barn. percipit de ecclesia Barn.	1	10	0
Idem prior percipit de ecclesia de Fre-			
mynton	0	8	0
Idem percipit de ecclesia de Hamme .	2	0	0
Dioc. Exon. Temp.			
In decanatu Barnastopol de redd. et			
terra	2	10	0
Apud Wallewondi et Kymelond quod			
taxatur	0	15	0" f

The following is Mr. Oliver's List of the
PRIORS of BARNSTAPLE
from 1265, as supplied by the Registers of the see of Exeter.

^a See the Append. of Instruments, Num. I.
^b Compare Numm. II. III. VI. VII. ^c Numm. IV. V.
^d Oliver's Hist. Collections, p. 123.
^e Ibid.
^f Taxat. P.Nicolai IV. folio, 1802, pp. 145 b, 146 b, 152 b.

SIMON GURNEYE, admitted prior in August, A.D. 1265.

THEOBALD DE CURTIPALATIO followed, 29th June, 1275.

JOHN occurs prior in 1314.

JOHN DE SANCTA GEMMA. He scandalously neglected the duty of residence, and was obliged to tender his resignation to Bishop Grandisson late in the year 1332.

JOHN SOYER succeeded on the 18th of the following March.

IMBERTUS DE GAUMACHIIS, admitted on the death of John Soyer, 10 Dec. 1334.

REGINALDUS PIRDOK succeeded 9th Dec. 1349, and resigned in the summer of 1351.

ROGER HAYM, admitted 7th November, 1351. He died soon after.

RICHARD CARR, or CARY, succeeded, and died late in the year 1376.

RALPH CHELFHAM, who died early in 1392.

HENRY SUTTON succeeded 28th May the same year, and died six years after.

SIMON SELE, admitted in September, 1398, and died 15th June, 1428.^g

HUGO LYTON succeeded 28th July the same year, and died 16th December, 1461.

JOHN PYLTON was confirmed as his successor.

JOHN ILFRACOMBE, who resigned early in 1502.

JOHN PYLTON followed, and, after governing the priory sixteen years, resigned on a pension of 20*l*.

ROBERT THORN succeeded 12th Aug. 1518.

In Risdon's Survey of Devon, p. 327, we read that this prior, for his device, bare a *roe*-buck leaning to a hawthorn in an escutcheon, with the word BERT interposed, and this underwritten : *Caprum cum spinâ protegat divina potestas*.

He surrendered his convent to the king's commissioners Feb. 4th, 27th Hen. VIII.^h

The only prior of Barnstaple anterior to this List who has occurred to the editors of the Monasticon is

RICHARD, A.D. 1226, 11th Hen. III. mentioned in Prynne's Records, tom. iii. p. 4.

NORMANNUS occurs, but without date, in the charter of William de Braiosa.ⁱ

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the gross revenue of this house amounted to 129*l*. 13*s*. 3*d*. : the nett income to 123*l*. 6*s*. 7*d*.^k

The site was granted in the 29th Hen. VIII. to Wil-

^g He is probably the same person with Simon OCLE mentioned as prior in 1399 in Rymer's Fœdera, tom. viii. p. 101.
^h Oliver, pp. 124, 125, ut supr.
ⁱ See the Append. of Instruments, Num. V.
^k See Num. VIII.

liam Lord Howard and Margaret his wife.^a From the Howards it passed to Reginald Portree; one of the co-heiresses of whose family brought it to the Sydenhams, of whose descendants, the Northmores, it was purchased by the grandfather of R. N. Incedon, Esq. the present proprietor.^b

Bishop Tanner, in his *Notitia Monastica*, refers to "Pat. 31 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 13 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 12 vel 13, de excambio cum priore de Pilton. Pat. 14 Edw. III.

p. 2. m. 6 vel 7. Pat. 2 Hen. IV. p. 3, m. 17 vel 18," as relating to this priory.

Mr. Oliver, in the Appendix to his *Historic Collections* relating to the Monasteries in Devon, page 1, has printed the grant of Barnstaple to Lord Howard.

There are no Ministers' Accounts of this priory in the Augmentation Office, probably owing to the short time it remained in the crown after its suppression by King Henry the Eighth.

Cartae ad Prioratum Barnestaplensem in agro Devoniensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Joelis filii Aluredi.

[Carta 10 E. II. n. 39. per Inspex.]

IN nomine sanctæ et individue Trinitatis incipit carta Joelis filii Aluredi; reverendo patri et domino Willielmo Exoniensi episcopo et universis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Joel filius Aluredi salutem in Domino. Cum nos omnes à Christo vocemur Christiani et illius ut salvatoris sequi debeamus vestigia, illos quos Christus ob seculi contemptum et religionis suæ meritum filios specialiter vocat pia devotione venerari convenit, et eorum sancto proposito devotè præstare subsidium. Ea propter ego Johel filius Aluredi universitati vestræ notum fieri volo me pro salute animæ meæ et patris et matris meæ et omnium parentum et amicorum meorum, constituisse quandam obedientiam monachorum Cluniacensium apud Barnestaple, ad honorem Dei et Domini nostri Jesu Christi sanctæque Mariæ et sanctorum apostolorum Petri et Pauli et sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ, et ipsam obedientiam ecclesiæ sancti Petri de Cluniaco, et ecclesiæ sancti Martini de Campis subdidisse, ad quam divina providente clementia devotus confugiam, habitum monasticæ religionis suscepturus; ibidemque onere carnis deposito, et anima ad conditoris sui gloriam suspirante misericordiam ipsius fiducialiter prestolabor. Et quia ex voto teneor ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ extra castellum meum fundatæ tantum beneficii conferre unde sacer monachorum conventus constitui et sustentari poterit, ad sustentationem ipsorum quasdam particulas terræ meæ donavi eis; scilicet Piltonam cum bosco et marisco et Pillandam, utrasque liberas et quietas cum omnibus appendiciis suis, sicut ego unquam eas liberiùs et quietiùs habui et tenui. Donavi etiam eis molendinum de Bardestaple liberum et quietum cum moltura totius villæ et castelli, ita quod burgenses ad aliud molendinum molendino monachorum integro existente molere non poterunt. Et to-

tam terram extra muros quæ est inter portam de North et portam de Yest, simul cum fosso usque ad contiguam viam. Et totam aquam prout terra eorum extenditur. Et totum tractum piscium ipsius aquæ tam in terra ipsorum quam in terra mea proxima: ipsis quoque monachis exclusam piscariæ in terra mea firmare licebit in quantum terra eorum extenditur ex altera parte aquæ. Insuper autem concessi eis omnes terras suas, et homines, possessiones, et elemosinas quas habent vel in posterum jure ac legaliter adquirere poterunt infra fines totius terræ meæ et feudi mei habeant et teneant solutas liberas et quietas ab omnibus exactionibus, hundredis, placitis, querelis, et omni servicio et opere servili, et omnibus consuetudinibus quæ excogitari poterunt. Si quid vero forefacti vel querelæ inter homines meos et homines eorum quacumque occasione inciderit, monachi plenariè de qualibet causa curiam suam et justitiam habeant propriam et emendationem. Et quia hæc prædicta prædictorum fratrum sustentationi minime sufficere estimavi, divini amoris instinctu, totam ecclesiam sancti Petri de Bardestaple cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, capellis, decimis, obventionibus, et omnimodis fructibus, et cum capella sancti Sabini, et oblationibus suis per manus venerabilis Willielmi Exoniensis episcopi, cujus consilio et assensu præfatam obedientiam constitui, in proprios usus suos habendam et in perpetuam elemosinam possidendam donavi. Et duas partes decimæ meæ de Fermigtun, et totam decimam piscium. Hæc autem omnia sepepredictis monachis donavi et jure proprietatis transactavi, ita quod in eos, nec michi, nec alicui ex hæredibus meis aliquid violentæ potestatis exercere licebit, nisi tantummodo contra adversantium molestius defensionis auxilium. Et ne aliquis indevotus contra hanc meæ donationis paginam diabolica inspiratione ire præsumat, vel aliquam inferat molestiam, ipsam sigilli mei impressione corroboraui, coram hiis testibus, Ascelino archidiacono, Osberto capellano episcopi, Herveio capellano episcopi, Ailtrio decano, Godwino sacerdote Exoniensi, Willielmo de Framtton in armata

^a Orig. 29 Hen. VIII. Devon. Midd. "Rex ix^{mo}. die Martii concessit Willielmo domino Howard et dominæ Margaretæ uxori ejus domum et scitum nuper prioratus monachorum sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ de Barnestapoll, ac etiam maneria de Barnestapoll, Pylton, Strechton, et Ingestowe, necnon rectoriam, &c. de Barnestapoll, ac omnia alia maneria, &c. in villis, &c. de Barnestapoll, Pylton, Bradford, Strechton, Wetherige, Delbridge, Fullyn, Nethercote, Instowe, Collecote, Marwode, Crede, Georgeham, alias Sancti Georgii, West Ansty, Wolley, Downe, Shyrewell, Heawnton, Poucheston, Est Hakenden, Berynarber, Chalcombe, Langtre, Kyntesbury, Keymelond, Stoke Ryvers, Potyngdon, et Fremyngton, in com. Devon. nuper Prioratui de Barnestapol spectan. ac etiam rectoriam, &c. de Totenham in com. Midd. nuper prioratui sanctæ Trinitatis London. spectan. ac omnia maneria, &c. in villis, &c. de Edelmeton et Totenham in com. Midd. habend. eis et hæredibus de corporibus eorum inter eis legitime procreat. et pro defectu talis exit. rect. hæred. ipsius Willielmi imperpetuum." ro. cxij^{mo}.

Orig. 35 Hen. VIII. p. 2. Devon. Surr. Sussex. "Rex xvij. die Martii concessit Willielmo domino Howard et dominæ Margaretæ uxori ejus domum et scitum nuper prioratus de Barnstaple, ac etiam maneria de Barnestapell, Pylton, Strethon, et Ingestone, necnon rectoriam de

Barnstapoll, et advoc. &c. ecclesiæ et vicariæ voc. Port Myll, ac mesuag. &c. in Barnestapoll, Pylton, Bradford, Stretchton, Wetherige, Delbrige, Fullingcote, Nethercote, Instowe, Collecote, Marwood, Crede, Georgeham, alias Hame Sancti Georgii, West Ansty, Walley, Downe, Shirewell, Heawnton, Ponchendon, Esthakendon, Berynerber, Chalacombe, Langtre, Kyntesbury, Kym lond, Stoke Ryvers, Pottyingdon, et Fremyngton, in com. Devon. ac etiam maneria de Bydlyngton in com. Sussex. et Bokham Parva et advoc. &c. de Bokham in com. Surr. et maneria de Leffy, Ketelberg, et Stanhehall, et advoc. &c. de Ketelberg, et terr. &c. in Boxforth, Polsted, Nayland, Snape, Alderborowe, Sybton, Bukkeshall, Bretenham, et Heckham, in com. Suff. ac etiam scit. nuper priorat. de Reigate in com. Surr. ac etiam maneria de Southwyke et Estbroke in com. Sussex. necnon rectorias, &c. de Dorking, Capell, et Mikelham, ac mesuag. &c. in Reigate, Dorkyng, Horley, Beckeworth, Gatton, Capel, Westhumble, Mikelham, Fletcham, Lethered, Mytfield, Lingfeld, Bukland, Lee, Borstowe, Hedley, Ashested, Walton super Montem, et Horne in dicto com. Surr. ac in Southwyk, Estbroke, et Bolney, in com. Sussex. habend. eis pro termino vitæ eorum." ro. ciij.

^b Lysons's *Magna Britannia* for Devonshire, p. 36.

manu, Willielmo de Raelega, Willielmo de Cuvert, Aluredo filio Nigelli, Radulpho de Cruna, Aluredo de Zoign, Malgerio de sancto Albino, Walterio de sancto Albino, Rogerio Porer. Nos autem, &c.

NUM. II.

Carta Willielmi regis Anglorum.

[Ex ipso autogr. apud S. Mart. de Campis Paris.]

Ego Willielmus Dei gratia rex Anglorum concedo S. Petro de Cluniaco in obedientiam S. Martini de Campis quæ est Parisiis, scilicet pro salute animæ meæ et antecessorum meorum et pro anima Juheli, qui hujus dator est elemosinæ et parentum suorum, ecclesiam de Barnastapola, cum omnibus rebus quæ eidem ecclesiæ pertinent; hoc solo excepto quod ejus capellano attinet, et hoc est tantummodo domini suæque propriæ familiæ oblatio. Quod autem superest plurimorum testimonio trium solidorum numerum non excedit per annum. Præterea hoc quod idem habet in Piltona, tam in terra, quam in hominibus. Terra quidem duabus carrucis sufficit, quæ in dominio est, homines vero decem solidos per annum reddunt. Præter hæc etiam quicquid ipse in Pallanda videlicet similiter terram in dominio quæ duabus carrucis sufficit et homines qui per singulos annos quindecim solidos reddunt et unum molendinum quod singulis annis viginti solidos reddit; et in Tavestoc quindecim solidatas redditus. Præter hæc autem omnium dominicarum suarum duas partes tam animalium quam segetum, lanæ et caseorum seu cæterorum. Et nominatim decimam molendini de Boni, et decimam piscinæ Framinctorinæ et illius piscinæ quæ est apud Tavestoc. Et decimam viginti solidorum quos ipse habet in Barnastapola, videlicet, duos solidos et unum Burgensem apud Essecestram qui per annum reddit duos solidos. De hac itaque elemosina prædicta ego Willielmus rex Anglorum concedo ut ecclesia præfata S. Martini de Campis quadraginta solidos singulis annis propriis usibus habeat. Quod autem super fuerit fratres qui loco prædicto, id est ecclesiæ de Barnastapala deservient, in suis necessariis habeant. Et ut hæc largitio firma inconcussa que omni tempore permaneat, sigillo sanctæ Crucis manu propria ego ipse confirmo. ✠ Huicque confirmationi fideles meos subscriptos testes adhibeo. Johalem, Robertum Balduini filium, Rog. de Novant. Ra. episcopum de Frem. H. regis, Henricum comitem de War. Ro. Ricardi filium, Ra. Bigot.

NUM. III.

Carta regis Henrici primi.

[Cart. 10 Edw. II. n. 39. ut supr.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ episcopo Exoniensi, et vicecomiti, et Alueredo de Totnes, et omnibus baronibus, et fidelibus suis Francis et Anglis de Devonshire salutem. Sciatis me donasse, et firmiter concessisse, Deo et sancto Petro de Cluniaco et beatissimo Martino de Campis, ecclesiam sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ de Barnestapla, cum omnibus appendiciis suis, sicut venerabilis memoriæ Johel, et alii fideles Christi, pro statu, et incolumitate regni mei, et pro salute animæ meæ, et patris et matris meæ, et Matildis reginæ uxoris meæ et Willielmi filii mei, et prædecessorum et antecessorum meorum: et volo, et firmiter præcipio, quod bene, et in pace et honorificè, et liberè teneant unam virgatam terræ de Piltona cum luto, et aquis, et pratis, et alteram virgatam de Pillanda, et lutum et molendinum de Barnestapla, cum multura totius castelli, et alteram virgatam de Kunelanda, et j. ferlingum terræ de Cerchilla, et unum ferlingum terræ de Cokosleg, et unum ferlingum de Witefelda, cum luto; et quinque solidos de molendino de Almondesworde; et quinque solidos quos Henricus de Soratona dedit; et duos solidos de molendino de Langatun. Et sciatis me clamasse quietam totam supradictam terram de omnibus geldis, et danegeldis, ethidagiis, et placitis, et auxiliis, et omnibus consuetudinibus, cum socca et sacca et toll et teme, et viis et semitis. Teste, Johanne episcopo Lexoviensi, Roberto de Sigillo, Roberto comite de Gloucestr. et comite de Auco. Baldwino de Redveriis, Willielmo filio Odonis, Willielmo de Vernun, Ilberto de Lacy, Roberto de Cury. Apud Pirarios.

NUM. IV.

Carta Henrici de Tracy.

[Ex vetust. exemplari in bibl. Cottoniana.]

IN nomine Domini nostri Jesu Christi, Amen. Ego Henricus de Traci divina providente gratia, video et intelligo omnia quæ hujus mundi sunt vana esse, et caduca; audio enim apostolum dicentem: Quicumque diligit mundum, vel ea quæ in mundo sunt, non est charitas Dei in eo. Scio enim impossibile esse sine charitate Deo placere. Ergo perfecta charitas, quæ foras mittit timorem, huc adduxit dominum Odonem sancti Martini de Campis, secundum priorem, qui me admonuit, ut ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ de Barnastaple omnes donationes quas Johel ecclesiæ sancti Martini de Campis dedit, etiam ex parte mea quantum ad me pertinet pro salute animæ meæ concederem. Tandem divina inspiratione admonitus, consilio baronum meorum, ejus voluntati assensum dedi; et ego cupiens hæreditatem habere cum sanctis, et particeps fieri orationum sanctorum, et omnium monachorum Cluniacensium, pro salute animæ meæ, et patris mei, et matris meæ, filiique mei Oliverii, et antecessorum et successorum meorum, hanc donationem, una cum filio meo Olivero, super altare sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ, coram baronibus meis optuli, et carta mea confirmavi. Insuper coram Deo, et sanctis ejus promisi ut ecclesiam sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ diligerem, et omnes res, et possessiones ejus ubique, secundum posse meum, manutenerem, ut proprius fundator, quia de rebus hæreditatis antecessorum meorum eadem ecclesia facta est et fundata. Igitur quicquid Johel et Alueredus prædictæ ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ concesserunt, et dederunt, in villis, in pratis, in prædiis, in aquis, in silvis, in campis, in omnibus possessionibus, et quicquid in tempore eorum, prædicta ecclesia tenuit, insuper et ecclesias de Barnstapla et ecclesias de Taustochia, et decimas quas prædicta ecclesia, in tempore eorum tenuit, et possedit, quantum ad me pertinet, ad honorem Domini nostri Jesu Christi, et sanctæ Mariæ virginis, sanctæque Mariæ Magdalenæ concedo, et confirmo. Hujus rei testes sunt, Jordanus de Campo-Ernulfi, Philippus de Cartrei, et Humfridus frater ejus, Stephanus Flandrensis, et Archembaldus filius ejus, Hugo de Ralegia, et Willielmus le Desvet, et Robertus de Pleiston, et Thomas filius ejus, Robertus de Tapeleia, et Alex. et Robertus fratres ejus. Hæc carta facta est, anno ab incarnatione Domini m. cxlvj. Datum per manum Ricardi capellani.

NUM. V.

Carta Willielmi de Braosa.

[Ibid.]

WILLIELMUS de Braosa donationem bonæ memoriæ Johelis avi sui de terris, et ecclesiis, quas ad sustentationem monachorum Cluniacensium dedit in die quo ipsam ecclesiam fundavit, ut ibidem libere quiete et honorificè viverent, &c. ipsis etiam concessit, &c. Testibus, Normanno tunc priore, &c.

NUM. VI.

Carta Willielmi Exoniensis episcopi qua Priori S. M. Magdalenæ concedit Ecclesiam S. Petri de Barnestapoli.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Willielmus miseratione divina Exoniensis ecclesiæ minister humilis æternam in Domino salutem. Noverit universitas vestra nos divinæ charitatis intuitu, inspectis cartis Johelis de Toton et Henrici de Trasci dedisse et hac præsentis carta nostra confirmasse de voluntate et consensu dilectorum filiorum nostrorum decani et capituli Exoniensis ecclesiam matricem beati Petri de Barnestapolia cum capellis decimis et obventionibus ad eam pertinentibus priori S. Mariæ Magdalenæ de Barnestapl. quem pro tempore perpetuum esse decrevimus, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus habendam et tenendam inperpetuum ad usus proprios integre et plenarie, salva honesta sustentatione capellani ad præsentationem dictorum prioris et monachorum à nobis et successoribus nostris instituendi. Qui quamdiu fideliter et honeste se habuerit amoveri non poterit ab eisdem. Hanc

autem donationem et concessionem fecimus salva jurisdictione nostra et successorum nostrorum, et archidiaconorum loci in eadem ecclesia, salvo etiam jure et possessione omnium qui vel in eadem ecclesia, vel ad eandem aliquid juris obtinere noscuntur. Habebit autem capellanus qui pro tempore fuerit honestam domum juxta portam prioratus et victualia; panis et calciamentis exceptis, sicut unus de fratribus, et una cum illis. Duas etiam marcas ad quatuor anni terminos pro æquis portionibus percipiet, per manum prioris de oblationibus ejusdem ecclesiæ, et equum et servientem habebit de ipso prioratu ad omnes necessarias ecclesiæ profectiones. Et his tantum contentus, nihil extra vel intra percipiet, sed de omnibus integre dicto priori respondebit. Et sustinebit idem prior omnia onera ecclesiæ episcopalia et archidiaconalia debita et consueta. Ut autem hæc concessio et donatio nostra futuris temporibus stabilis perseveret, eam scripti præsentis munimine et sigilli nostri fecimus impressione roborari. Actum anno Domini mcccxxxij. in die inventionis S. Stephani prothomartyris, consecrationis nostræ anno x. His testibus, magistris Philippo præcentore et Ricardo cancellario, magistro Will. de Arundell canonicis Exoniens. Martino Prudue rectore ecclesiæ de Peinton, magistro W. de Molend. Rogero, Eurardo, et multis aliis.

NUM. VII.

Confirmatio Concessionum eidem Loco factarum, per eundem Willielmum Exoniensem episcopum.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Willielmus Dei gratia Exoniensis episcopus salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra quod nobilis vir Joel filius Aluredi pro salute animæ suæ, et patris sui et matris suæ, et omnium parentum et amicorum suorum constituit quandam obedientiam monachorum Cluniacensium apud Barnastaple ad honorem Dei et Domini nostri Jesu Christi sanctæque Mariæ et sanctorum apostolorum Petri et Pauli et sanctæ Mariæ Magdalænæ, et ipsam obedientiam ecclesiæ sancti Petri de Cluniaco et ecclesiæ sancti Martini de Campis subdidit ad quam divina providente clementia devotus confugere et in ea habitum monasticæ religionis suscipere disposuit. Et quia ex voto tenetur ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Magdalænæ extra castellum suum de Barnastapla fundatæ tantum beneficii conferre, ut sacer monachorum conventus constitui et sustentari possit, ad sustentationem ipsorum quasdam particulas terræ suæ donavit eis, scilicet Piltonam cum bosco et marisco et Pillandam, utrasque liberas et qui-

etas cum omnibus appenditiis suis, sicut ipse unquam eas liberius et quietius habuit et tenuit. Donavit etiam eis molendinum de Barnastapla liberum et quietum cum multura totius villæ et castelli; ita quod burgenses ad aliud molendinum (molendino monachorum integro existente) molere non poterunt. Et totam terram extra muros, quæ est juxta portam de North et portam de Yest simul cum fosso usque ad contiguam viam, et totam aquam prout terra eorum extenditur. Et totum tractum piscium ipsius aquæ, tam in terra monachorum, quam in terra sua proxima. Ipsius quoque monachis concessit exclusam piscariæ in terra sua firmare in quantum terra eorum extenditur ex altera parte aquæ. Insuper autem concessit ipsis monachis ut omnes terras suas et homines et possessiones et eleemosinas quas habent vel in posterum jure ac legaliter acquirere poterunt, infra fines totius terræ ipsius et feudi sui habeant et teneant solutas, liberas et quietas ab omnibus exactionibus placitis querelis et omni servitio et opere servili et omnibus consuetudinibus quæ excogitari poterunt. Si quid vero forefacti vel querelæ inter homines præfati Joelis et homines monachorum inciderit, monachi plenarie de qualibet causa curiam suam et justitiam habeant propriam et emendationem. Et quia memoratus Joel hæc prædicta præfatorum monachorum sustentationi minime sufficere estimavit, divini amoris instinctu totam ecclesiam sancti Petri Barnastapla cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, capellis, decimis, obventionibus, et omnimodis fructibus et cum capella S. Salvii et oblationibus suis per manum nostram et per assensum nostrum in proprios usus monachorum habendam et in perpetuam eleemosinam possidendam donavit et jure proprietatis transactavit, et duas partes decimæ suæ de Freminton, et totam decimam piscium. Quæ omnia supradictis monachis donavit et sigillo suo confirmavit; ita quod in eos nec sibi nec alicui ex hæredibus suis aliquid violentæ potestatis exercere licebit, nisi tantummodo contra adversantium molestias defensionis auxilium. Quod ne tractu temporis vel malignantium versutiis in dubium revocetur, ego sicut diocesanus episcopus ad petitionem jam dicti Joelis præsentis scripto et sigilli mei appositione ipsis monachis concessi et confirmavi. His testibus, Ascelino archidiacono, Osberto capellano episcopi, et aliis.

Ex veteri Martyrologio MS.

VI. idus Feb. dominus Philippus de Coulombiers miles patronus domus prioratus B. Mariæ Magdalænæ de Barnastapoli Exoniensis diocesis, ac Helenora ejus uxor, officium fiat pro eis.^a

* Here, in the former edition of the Monasticon, Sir William Dugdale has inserted three Instruments, which, although they relate to St. Martin de Campis, on which church Barnestaple was at first dependent, do not really belong to Barnestaple itself. The first of these concerns the priory of St. James at Exeter: the other two relate to lands in London belonging to St. Martin. For compression's sake they are here inserted in the Notes.

Prioratus S. Jacobi extra Muros Exoniensis civitatis Exoniensis diocesis in quo debent esse Priore computato iv. Monachi.

Carta Baldewini de Reveriis comitis Exoniensis, concessionis ejusdem.

IN nomine sanctæ et individuæ Trinitatis, incipit carta comitis Baldewini de Riveriis. Quilibet Christiani a Christi ecclesiæ rectoribus ammonentur religiosorum desideriis consentire, justisque ipsorum postulationibus clementer annuere. Quapropter ego Baldewinus Exonien. comes universis ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, notum fieri volo quod venerabilis monachi Ricardi de Tottonia cognati mei ammonitionis frequentia divinitus inspiratus, filio meo Ricardo concedente et plenarium assensum præbente pro remedio animæ meæ et præcipue pro anima uxoris meæ Adelizæ et patris mei Ricardi et matris meæ Adelizæ, necnon et nobilissimi Henrici regis qui terram patri meo dedit, et filiorum filiarumque mearum et pro omnium parentum meorum animabus totam terram cum capella S. Jacobi et decima et omnibus pertinentiis suis quas Walterus filius Wlwardi de me libere tenuit, ipso Waltero rogante et concedente quicquid juris et domini in eis habebat, et hærede sua Edit assentiente, Deo et monasterio S. Petri Cluniaco et S. Martini de Campis, ad sustentationem monachorum Cluniacensium, ibidem Deo et S. Jacobo servientium, per manum domini Roberti Exoniensis episcopi donavi et irrevocabiliter confirmavi cum eadem libertate et liberis consuetudinibus quibus terram de Toppesham tenui et habui. Insuper etiam concessi eis ut omnes terras suas et homines, possessiones, et eleemosinas quas habent vel in posterum jure ac legaliter acquirere poterunt infra fines totius terræ meæ et feudi mei habeant et teneant solutas liberas et quietas ab omnibus exactionibus, hundredis placitis querelis et omni servitio et opere servili, et teloneo et omnibus consuetudinibus quæ excogitari poterunt. Præterea piâ devotione concessi ut monachi præfati et homines eorum habeant in terra

sua quamlibet mensuram et libertatem vendendi et emendi et res suas omnibus modis juste multiplicandi. In terra etiam mea concessi ut habeant absque omni impeditioe, liberum itum et reditum, cum rebus suis, et communes pascuas animalibus suis, et juncos in marisco absque emptione et omnem communitatem refugium et profectum in omni loco qui ad me spectare dignoscitur. Si quid vero forefacti vel querelæ inter homines meos, et homines eorum quacunque occasione inciderit monachi plenarie de qualibet causa curiam suam et justitiam habeant propriam et emendationem. Hæc omnia supradictis monachis donavi et jure proprietatis transactavi, ita quod in eos nec mihi nec alicui ex hæredibus meis aliquid potestatis violenter exercere licebit, nisi tantummodo contra adversantium molestias defensionis auxilium. Et quia hæc prædicta prædictorum fratrum sustentationi minime sufficere aestimavi, divini amoris instinctu totam ecclesiam de Twivertona, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, per manum prædicti domini Roberti Exon, episcopi donavi et præsentis scripto confirmavi. Volens ut ipsi ab omni vexatione liberi et immunes orationi vacent, et Deum pro nobis indesinenter exorent. Præterea ex voto teneor prædictæ ecclesiæ S. Jacobi extra muros civitatis Exon. fundatæ tantum beneficii conferre, unde sacer monachorum conventus constitui et sustentari poterit. Et ne aliquis indevotus contra hanc meæ donationis paginam diabolica inspiratione ire presumat, vel aliquam inferat molestiam, ipsam sigilli mei impressione corroboravi, coram his testibus, Stephano de Mandevill, Huberto de Vaus, Radulpho Patrich, Roberto de Scocis, Rogero abbate, Willielmo filio Radulphi et fratre suo Roberto, Hugone clerico de Coleford, Roberto de Guerin. Guidone de Briteville, Willielmo de Musters, domino Roberto abbate de Tavistoch, Ri. filio Radulfi. Willielmo de Morevill, et filiis Willielmo et Henrico, Johello filio Nigelli, Galfrido de Lega, militibus.

Prioratus S. Clari in Angliæ ea regione quæ Wallia dicitur, ubi debent esse Priore computato, tres monachi.

De novem mansionibus terræ apud Landoniam in Anglia Willielmi Wintoniensis episcopi concessionis earundem carta.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit cunctis ecclesiæ fidelibus tam futuris quam præsentibus quod ego Willielmus Giffard Guintoniensis episcopus, pro salute animæ meæ et animæ Radulfi de Tunio, do terram meam quæ est in foro Lun-

NUM. VIII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

PRIORATUS B'Æ MARIE MAGDALENÆ DE BARNISTAPOLIA.

VERUS et annuus valor omī' dñior', mañior', mesuag', terr' et ten', rectoriar', vicariar', penconu', et aliar' possessionu' tam temporal' quam spūaliu' infra regnu' Angliæ unde Robus Thorne prior monastii B'æ Mariæ Magdalene de Barnistapolia p̄dict' in decanatu et archidiaconat' Barnistapolia p̄dcæ Exon' q' dioc' in com' Devon' aliqualit' modo scit' exist' in feod' seu alit' in jure monastii sui p̄dci put postea pateb'.

Maneriu' Barnistap' in Decanat' p̄dict'.

Valet in re^u assīæ tam libor' 4l. 8s. 6d. et 1 lib' ceræ. Qam custum' tenenc' 52l. 19s. 10d. Firma terr' dñical' 6l. 13s. 4d. Firma molior' ibm p an^m 10l. Ult^a 3s. solut' Henrico duci Richmūd' et hæred' suis p capitli re^u divs' tr' et ten' in Barnistapolia p̄dcæ an^{ti} imp̄pm. Et 6d. solut' Johi Chechester armigo et hæred' suis p affirm' sive attachmento unis gurgit' sup' tra' dci Johinis an^{ti} imp̄pm. Sic oibz alloc' deduct' rem' clare . 75l. 18s. 2d. et 1 lib' ceræ.

Et in pquis' cur' et aliis casualibz ibm p an^m coibz anis 4l. 10s. 1d. Sic nūc rem' clare . 78l. 8s. 3d. et 1 lib' ceræ.

Mañiu' de Pylton in Decan' p̄dict'.

Valet in reddu assīæ tam libor' 1l. 2s. 6d. Qam custum' tenenc' ibm p an^m 25l. 7s. 8d. Ult^a 2s. solut' abbi et conventui de Clyff infra dioc' p̄dict' et success' suis p capitli re^u tr' et ten' in p̄dcæ an^{ti} imp̄pm. Alloc' deduct' rem' clare 26l. 8s. 2d.

Et in pquis' cur' et aliis casualibz ibm p an^m coibz anis 2l. 10s. Sic nūc rem' clare . 28l. 18s. 2d.

Mañiu' de Stretton in Decan' de Molton infra Dioc' p̄dict'.

Valet in reddu assīæ tam libor' qam custum' tenenc' ibm p annu' 2l. 1s. 10d. et 1 lib' ceræ. Ult^a 2s. sol' hæred' Wiffi Hutesfyld milit' et hæred' suis dño hundri de Wytherygge p capitli reddu annuati' imp̄pm. Sic allocac' deduct' rem' clare . 1l. 19s. 10d. et 1 lib' ceræ.

doniæ, quam habui de Odone Bajocensi episcopo, ecclesiæ sancti Martini de Campis ita ut ejusdem ecclesiæ prior eam cum suis redditibus sic libere possideat in perpetuum, ad opus fratrum in prædicta ecclesia Deo famulantium, sicut ego unquam liberius illam possedi: Hujus rei testes sunt Henricus archidiaconus. Grimaldus medicus. Gualterus presbyter. Ricardus presbyter. Godefridus de Audeloio. Jordanus de Salchavilla cum fratribus suis Willielmo et Roberto. Ricardus de Ricardivilla. Rogerus de sancto Laurentio. Ricardus de Herbertivilla.

Henrici Regis Angliæ pro eadem Concessione Carta.

HENRICUS rex Anglorum, A. archiepiscopo Cantuariæ, et Mauricio episcopo Lundoniæ, et Hugoni de Bochelanda, et omnibus baronibus

Divs' cult' infra Dioc' p̄dict'.

Valet in re^u assīæ p a^m 4l. 3s. 4d. Ult^a 1s. solut' Johi Bougrehyer militi dño de Fitzwareyn' et hæred' suis p capitli re^u cert' tr' et ten' infra pochia' de Yendstowe an^{ti} imp̄pm. Sic alloc' deduct' rem' clare . 4l. 2s. 4d.

Sīm^a tollis possession' temporal' p̄dci prioris 113l. 8s. 7d. et 2 lib' ceræ.

Possession' Spūal' p̄dci Prioris infra Dioc' et Com' p̄dict'.

Rectoria de Barnistapolia p̄dcæ.

Valet in exit' decim' garbar' ibm p an^m 4l. 10s. Et in annuali et ppetua pencone rec' de vicario ibm p an^m 5l. 9l. 10s. 0d.

Pencones.

In annuali pencone pven' de rectoria de Georgeham infra decan' de Shyrwyll Exon' q' p an^m 5l. Et in annuali pencoe pven' de rectoria de Fremyngton p an^m 1l. 10s. Et in annuali pencone pven' de cantia de Mounkelegh in decan' de Hertlond Exon' q' dioc' p annu' 6s. 8d. Sīm^a 6l. 16s. 8d.

Sīm^a omī' possession' spūal' p̄dci prioris de Barnistapol' 16l. 6s. 8d.

Sīm^a tollis tam omī' temporal' quam spūal' possession' p̄dci prioris 129l. 15s. 3d. et 2 lib' ceræ.

Inde solut' Henrico duci Richemūd dño hundri et mañii de Fremyngton et hæred' suis p capitli re^u imp̄pm 2s. Et in feod' Hugonis Pollard armigi capitlis sen^{ti} mañii de Barnystaple Pryor an^{ti} imp̄pm 1l. 6s. 8d. Et in feod' Thomæ Haycche capitlis sen^{ti} mañii de Stretton an^{ti} imp̄pm 1l. 6s. 8d. Et in feod' Johinis Fawell bafli mañii de Barnystaple Pryor p̄dcæ an^{ti} imp̄pm 2l. Et in feod' Riçi Stephyns bafli mañii de Stretton p̄dcæ an^{ti} imp̄pm 13s. 4d. Et in feod' Nic̄i Kyrkehā auditoris compor' ministor' p̄dci monastii de Barnistapolia p̄dcæ an^{ti} imp̄pm 1l. 6l. 8s. 8d.

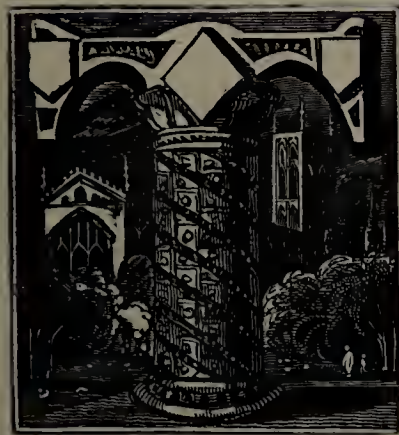
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Et rem' clare . 523l. 6s. 7d. et 2 lib' ceræ.

In' p x^{ma} . 12l. 6s. 8d. et 2 lib' ceræ.

Francis et Anglis Lund. salutem. Sciatis me concessisse sancto Petro de Cluniaco, et sancto Martino de Campis, novem mansiones terræ in Lundonia, quas Odo episcopus Bajocensis dedit Willielmo Giffardo, quæ sunt in magno vico Lundoniæ, in perpetuum possidendas: Et volo et firmiter præcipio, ut ita bene et honorificè et quietè teneant, sicut Willielmus Giffardus episcopus Wintoniæ eas meliùs et honorabiliùs et quietiùs tenuit, et ita habeant saccam et soccam, et toll et team, et infangenteof, et omnes alias consuetudines suas sicut prædictus Willielmus meliùs et honorabiliùs habuit. ✠ Signum regis Henrici. ✠ Signum reginæ Mathildis I. ✠ Signum Willielmi Gifardi episcopi Wintoniensis. ✠ Signum Eudonis dapiferi. ✠ Signum Roberti Bloet episc. Lincoln. ✠ Signum Rogeri Bigod. ✠ Signum Rogeri episcopi Sarisberiae, ✠ Signum Willielmi de Werelwast.

Tykeford, or Tickford Priory, near Newport Paine.
IN BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.



ANNER calls this a Cell of Cluniac monks, dedicated to the blessed Virgin Mary, subordinate to the abbey of St. Martin Majoris Monasterii, commonly called Marmonstier at Tours in France, to which the manor of Tykeford was given by Fulc or Fulcodius Paine in the reign of King William Rufus.
It was seized into the king's hands, at different times, as an alien priory.

The following were its possessions, as returned in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas, A. D. 1291.

Spiritual.

Table with 3 columns: Diocese, Description, and Amount in £. s. d.
Rows include Dioc. Linc. Pensio in eccl. de Sulesbur (0 5 0), Porcio in eccl. de Harmede (1 6 8), and Dioc. Coventr. Eccl. de Astone approp. pr. de Tykeford praeter pensionem (26 13 4).

Temporal.

Table with 3 columns: Diocese, Description, and Amount in £. s. d.
Rows include Dioc. Lond. Redd. in Alba Nuttele (0 0 6), Dioc. Linc. In Sulebur. in redd. (0 6 8), De magistro hospit. Sancti Johannis extra portam orientalem in Oxon. in Thornbery (0 10 0), In Tykeford, in terris, redd. pratis, vis. franc. pleg. et heriet. (9 14 7 1/2), and In Norhampton de redd. (0 19 10).

Upon the last restoration of this priory as an alien in the 1st of Henry the Fourth, it was subjected to the priory of the Holy Trinity at York, by the Priors of which house those of Tickford were presented in 1465, 1475, 1499, and 1501.

In addition to the charters already printed in the former edition of the Monasticon, the reader will find in the Appendix to the present Account an Inventory of the goods and chattels of this priory, with an Extent of the manor of Tykeford, taken in the 22d of Edw. I.; an Extent of the whole possessions of the priory, taken in the 18th of Edw. II.; and a Survey of the priory house, precinct, and other possessions, held by the priory in demesne in the time of Henry the Eighth.

The following is Willis's List of the PRIORS of TYKEFORD

in his manuscript History of the Hundred of Newport; a copy of which is preserved among Cole's manuscripts in the British Museum, voll. xxxviii. xxxix.

- ROBERT DE BOHUN. He occurs anno 1187, about a hundred years after the foundation of the cell.
- WALTER occurs 1 Jan. 1199.
- ROBERT, A. D. 1205.
- BERNARD, A. D. 1210.
- HUGH resigned in 1220. His successor was
- WILLIAM. He was banished by the convent of Marmonstier in 1228; but was restored upon submission.
- JOHN DE HOLNA, or COLNA, a monk of Spalding, was made prior in 1232.
- OLIVER occurs prior in 1259.
- GILBERT occurs about 1262. He resigned in 1267, and was succeeded by
- BARTHOLOMEW, who died in 1270.
- REGINALD DE COSSAM was elected 11 kal. Nov. 1270.

In his time, about A. D. 1270, died Giles Erdington, a great benefactor to Tykeford, for whose soul a monk was appointed to sing perpetually.
REGINALD DE BERNEWELL, if he is not the same person with Reginald de Cossam, occurs in 1275.
SIMON also occurs prior in 1275.
GEOFFREY occurs A. D. 1293: upon whose resignation, WILLIAM DE MENEVERE was elected 4 non. July, 1302.
FULK DE CHAMPAIGNESE was admitted 18 kal. July, 1332, upon Menevere's resignation. He was still prior in 1337.
WILLIAM LANGETOURE was admitted on the ides of August, 1349.
JOHN GARRY occurs in 1352.
JOHN DE FRESNAY, 1362.
FRANCIS QUARTERSUL was admitted 13 kal. Apr. 1364.
WILLIAM DE ALNETO, or ALVETO, was admitted prior Feb. 1st, 1365.
JOHN DRIEN occurs in 1400, and again in 1416.
THOMAS CHACE, 1419.
JOHN KARLYSLE, or CARLIEL, occurs 1431. Upon whose death,
ROBERT BLYTHE, a monk of St. Andrew Northampton, was elected Feb. 10th, 1433.
THOMAS DERNETON was elected June 18th, 1465, on the resignation of Blythe, at the presentation of John Parke, prior of the Holy Trinity at York.
WILLIAM KIRKBY, or KIRBY, was elected in 1468, on the resignation of Derneton. He resigned in 1475, and was succeeded by
WILLIAM PYMBERTON, who was admitted Jan. 4th, 1475, on the presentation of the convent of the Holy Trinity in York.
WILLIAM EYNESHAM was presented by the same convent May 27th, 1499, on the death of Pymberton. In 1501, he was made abbat of Whitby; and was succeeded here by
THOMAS YORK, who was presented by the convent abovementioned Nov. 9th, 1501. In 1503 he was made prior of St. Andrew Northampton.
THOMAS BROOKE was elected, on the resignation of York, July 31st, and instituted August 22d, 1503. In 1497, he had been delegated to take care of this priorship, on Pymberton's superannuation, and had been prior of Snelshal.
This priory was dissolved in the 17th of Henry the Eighth, upon its being granted with other houses, to Cardinal Wolsey, in order to be settled on one of his two intended colleges at Oxford and Ipswich. The spiritualities of the priory at this time were valued at 59l. 3s. 4d. per annum, and the temporalities at 67l. 13s. 8d.: in the whole at 126l. 17s. per annum.
Tanner says, after the cardinal's fall, this among other lands of religious houses was granted to the bishop of Lincoln, and other trustees, for the use of the King's college in Oxford; yet was afterwards resumed by the crown, and by King James the First sold to Henry Atkins, M. D. his physician. The Messrs. Lysons say, that it is more probable that it was given to Dr. Atkins as a remuneration for his attendance in Scotland on his son Prince Charles, when he recovered of a dangerous fever; for which we are told he was amply rewarded, and offered a baronet's patent, which he refused. The priory was one of the seats of his posterity, who were afterwards baronets by a patent bearing date 1660; their chief residence was at Clapham in Surrey. Tickford Abbey, as it is called, is now the property of — Hooton, Esq.

* This monastery appears to have been sometimes called Newport St. Mary, and Newport Paine. See Tann. Notit. Mon. Buckingham. xxvi. Note 7.
See the Account of the Alien Priories, 8°. Lond. 1786, vol. ii. pp. 172, 201.
Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 27 b, 33 b, 46, 47, 47 b, 52, 53 b, 242.
See Chron. Dunstap. p. 176.
See Prynne's Papal Usurp. tom. iii. p. 1205.
Tann. Notit. Monast. Buckingham. xxvi.
Ibid. Lysons's Magna Brit. for Buckinghamshire, p. 613.
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From the charter of King Edward the Second, printed in the Appendix, it will be found that the muniments of Tykeford Priory, about the fifth year of that king's reign, received much injury from fire.

Tanner says,

"*Vide Cartas quasdam originales ad hunc prioratum spectantes legatas Musæo Ashmol. Oxon. a cl. v. Antonio Wood.*

"*Rentalia, computos, cartas, et alia munimenta penes Camerarios Senec. Reg. in the Cardinal's Bundle.*

"*Registrum hujus prioratus quondam inter MSS. Cecilianos, nunc penes illust. D. D. Henricum ducem Kantiae.*

"*In bibl. Harleiana MS. 2188, fol. 125, Collectanea ex Registro.*

"*In bibl. publ. Acad. Cantab. MS. Dd. x. 28, fol. 66. Bullam Innocentii Papæ quod episcopus Lincoln. officium suum in prioratu de Neuport Paynel exercere queat.*

"*Fin. Buckingh. 1 Joan. n. 9 vel 10. pro terris in Bradewell. Claus. 9 Joan. n. 8.*

"*Fin. War. 15 Hen. III. Mich. rot. pro advoc. eccl. de Eston. Fin. Buckingh. 38 Hen. III. n. 19. pro terris in Tykeford, Shirinton, &c.*

"*Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 23. d. de ten. in Chetwell et Brad-*

well. Fin. Buckingh. 3 Edw. I. n. 28. pro advoc. eccl. de Bradewell.

"*Inquis. Buckingh. 4 Edw. II. n. 84. Cart. 4 Edw. II. n. 4. pro. lib. war. in Thikthorn, Chechele, et Haremede. Pat. 5 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 14. Pat. 8 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 13.*

"*Claus. 1 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 22. Pat. 5 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 4. pro eccl. de Aston Warw. appropriand. Claus. 19 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 17. de lite cum dom. rege super eccl. de Cosham. Claus. 22 Edw. III. p. 1, n. 27. de advoc. ecclesiæ de Yerdele, Wigorn. Bundel. benef. alienig. 48 Edw. III.*

"*Pat. 6 Rich. II. p. 2, m. . Claus. 18 Rich. II. n. . de decimis in Craule P. et Wakesfee.*

"*Rec. in Scacc. 3 Hen. IV. . . rot. 14. de lit. patentibus Priori de Tickford factis.*

"*Pat. 12 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 3 vel. 4."*

In Browne Willis's time, five or six pillars which supported the nave of the priory church, with the arches turned over them, were remaining; together with a gateway, consisting of a greater and a lesser arch. The latter had fallen down before 1767. There are no remains of the smallest consequence at present.

Cartae ad Tykefordensem Prioratum in agro Buckinghamensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Regis Edwardi. secundi Donatorum Concessionones ratificans.

[Pat. 12 E. IV. part. 2, m. 3. per inspex.]

EDWARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, et dux Aquitanniæ omnibus ad quos præsentis literæ pervenerint salutem. Sciatis quod cum per inquisitiones quas ad sectam prioris de Tykeford asserentis cartas et munimenta tam progenitorum nostrorum quondam regum quam aliorum diversorum dominorum de terris tenementis redditibus ecclesiis pensionibus et possessionibus, ac de quibusdam libertatibus dicto prioratui et monachis ejusdem antiquitus datis et concessis incendio consumpta fuisse, ac nobis cum instantia supplicantis ut cartam nostram de confirmatione terrarum et tenementorum et reddituum prædictorum, et similiter ecclesiarum pensionum possessionum et libertatum prædictarum juxta tenorem inquisitionum prædictarum concedere velimus eidem, per dilectos et fideles nostros Robertum de Retford, et Johannem de Mutford ad hoc per nostras patentes literas assignatos fieri, et in cancellaria nostra fecimus retornari compertum sit, quod Fulcodius Paganellus fundavit prioratum de Tykeford in comitatu Buk. et quod idem Paganellus dedit monachis ibidem situm ejusdem domus et totam terram quæ est ex utraque parte le Monechustret nunc inhabitata tenentibus, et quæ se extendit à porta ejusdem domus usque ad crucem juxta altam viam quæ ducit versus London, et terras et tenementa omnia quæ sunt in vico qui vocatur le Havestrete usque ad pontem de Tykeford ex parte orientali, sicut metæ et bundæ per fossata et hayas circumquaque se extendunt inter nativos dilecti et fidelis nostri Johannis de Somery nunc domini de Neuport, et tenentes ejusdem prioris, et omnino terras et tenementa quæ sunt ante portam ejusdem domus, sicut metæ et bundæ per fossata et hayas circumquaque se extendunt, ex parte australi prædictæ domus, usque ad aquam de Ouse, cum croftis, gardinis, clausuris, et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis. Et etiam quod dedit eisdem quoddam pratum vocatum le Castelmede, et liberam ac separalem piscariam in aqua de Ouse sub tam clausuram ejusdem domus, à cornerio curiæ suæ super aquam quæ vocatur le Ildele usque ad fossatum quod vocatur Larkebrok, versus orientem, et molendinum de Caldecote cum stagno ejusdem molendini, et viginti et quatuor acras terræ et dimidiam, et tres acras prati cum pertinentiis in Tykeford, et quinquaginta et quatuor solidatas redditus cum pertinentiis, provenientes à diversis tenementis suis in Tykeford, et etiam ecclesiam de Neuport in proprios usus; et unam hidam terræ in campo de Neuport quæ est gleba ejusdem ecclesiæ, cum capella de Parva Lynford, cum quodam mesuagio et

grangia, et aliis pertinentiis suis, in eadem villa, et decimam anguillarum, et molendini ejusdem villæ. Similiter et decimam de omnibus molendinis suis in Neuport, et etiam decimam de omnibus dominicis, terris, pratis, pascuis, et pasturis suis, et hominum, et tenentium suorum in Neuport, Tykeford, Caldecote, et Parva Lynford, et pasturam ad duodecim vaccas, et unum taurum in omnibus pascuis et pasturis suis in Neuport eisdem locis quibus et sui boves pascerentur: et decimam venationum in parco suo de Tykeford, et similiter pratum quod vocatur le Hoggemede quod est juxta gardinum suum, et stagnum molendini sui, ex parte boreali de Neuport, et quadraginta, et sex solidatas, et decem denaratas redditus cum pertinentiis provenientes de diversis tenementis dicti prioris in Neuport. Et viginti et septem solidatas, et x. den. redditibus cum pertinentiis in le Mersh juxta Neuport, et tres solidatas et quatuor denaratas redditus cum pertinentiis in Caldecote juxta Neuport, et curiam suam de omnibus tenentibus suis in Neuport, Tykeford, Mersch, Caldecote, de tribus septimanis in tres septimanas in Tykeford. Et duas solidatas, et tres denaratas redditus cum pertinentiis, provenientes de uno mesuagio et dimidia virgata terræ in Latthebury, et quindecim acras prati, cum pertinentiis in eadem villa; et unum mesuagium et unam virgatam terræ cum pertinentiis, et cum prato pertinente in Gayhurst, et etiam octo denaratas redditus cum pertinentiis percipiendas per manus Willielmi Martyn in Weston, et duas solidatas et duas denaratas redditus cum pertinentiis provenientes de una dimidia virgata terræ quam Thomas de Neuwent tenuit in Clifton. Et tres solidatas et duas denaratas redditus cum pertinentiis provenientes de quodam tenemento quod Johannes Berthelmewe tenet in Emberton. Et septem acras terræ cum pertinentiis in Schyryngton; et novem solidatas redditus cum pertinentiis provenientes de uno mesuagio et quatuordecim acris terræ quæ Sampson clericus quondam tenuit in Schyryngton. Et decem denaratas redditus cum pertinentiis provenientes de uno mesuagio quod Radulphus Machon tenuit in eadem villa, et in Magna Craule sex solidatas et octo denaratas redditus cum pertinentiis, provenientes de uno mesuagio, et duabus virgatis terræ quæ Walterus de la Burn quondam tenuit. Et sexdecim denaratas redditus cum pertinentiis, provenientes de quodam tenemento quod Willielmus Goldyng quondam tenuit, et quindecim denaratas redditus, cum pertinentiis provenientes de quodam tenemento, quod Hugo Sabyn quondam tenuit in Parva Craule, et sex solidatas et octo denaratas redditus cum pertinentiis provenientes de uno mesuagio et duabus virgatis terræ quæ Walterus Maunsel quondam tenuit in Solebury. Et duas partes decimarum de omnibus dominicis terris et pratis Roberti Lovet in eadem

villa, et omnes decimas de dominicis terris, et pratis Ricardi de Toures in Wolston, et Magna Lynford, et unam carucatam terræ et sexdecim solidatas redditus cum pertinentiis in Bradewell, Loghton, et Staunton, et sectam curiæ de omnibus tenentibus suis de Bradewell de tribus septimanis, in tres septimanas in Bradewell; et quoddam mesuagium et ecclesiam ejusdem villæ in proprios usus, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et in Loghton omnes decimas de feodo le Fauconer, et viginti solidos nomine pensionis capiendos per manus prioris de Caldewell, et successorum suorum pro ecclesia de Magna Craule; et tres solidos nomine pensionis capiendos per manus abbatis de Wouborne, et successorum suorum pro capella de Wouburn-chapell. Et decem solidatas redditus cum pertinentiis pro terris quas magister hospitalis sancti Johannis Oxoniæ tenet in Thorneburg. Et ecclesiam de Wilyes in proprios usus cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et in Chechele, et Hardmede, manerium de Thikethorne, et trescentas et decem et septem acras, et unam rodam terræ, et unam acram et tres rodas et dimidiam prati, et tresdecim acras et unam rodam pasturæ, et quadraginta et septem acras et dimidiam et unam rodam bosci, et decem et octo virgatas terræ quas nativi sui tenent in eadem villa; et triginta et sex solidatas redditus cum pertinentiis, provenientes de diversis tenementis suis in eadem villa. Et in Chechele sexaginta et quinque acras terræ, et ecclesiam ejusdem villæ in proprios usus, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et tres denaratas redditus cum pertinentiis in eadem villa percipiendas de quodam tenemento quod Stephanus Parage tenuit, et curiam suam de omnibus hominibus et tenentibus suis in eadem villa de tribus septimanis in tres septimanas apud Thikethorns. Et in Astewode quoddam mesuagium, et ecclesiam ejusdem villæ in proprios usus, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et duodecim denaratas redditus cum pertinentiis in eadem villa provenientes de quodam tenemento quod Botulphus quondam tenuit. Et insuper compertum sit per inquisitiones prædictas quod prædictus prior de Tykeford habet, et omnes prædecessores sui, a tempore quo non extat memoria, habere consueverunt visum franciplegii, et omnia alia ad eundem visum quoquomodo spectantia de omnibus hominibus et tenentibus suis, in Neuport, Tykeford, Chechele, Merish, Caldecote, Thykethorns, et Hardmede. Et etiam quod prædictus prior de Thykeford tenet de dono prædicti Fulcodii in comitatu Norht. advocacionem duarum partium ecclesiæ de Botyngdon, quæ de duabus marcis est eidem priori pensionaria annuatim, et decem solidatas annui redditus in eadem villa de Botyngdon, exeuntes de uno mesuagio et tribus virgatis terræ cum pertinenciis quæ Willielmus tenuit in eadem. Et quod idem prior percipit singulis annis duas marcas nomine pensionis de ecclesia de Bernak, per manus abbatis de Burgo sancti Petri in abbacia ejusdem, simul cum expensis ejusdem nunciæ prædictas duas marcas ibidem quærentis, quamdiu idem nuncius moram ibidem fecerit expectando pensionem supradictam. Et similiter quod prædictus prior habet, et habere debet in villa Norhampton, de dono quondam Agnetis de sancto Petro filiæ Beringeri de Norhampton, viginti et octo solidatas et quatuor denaratas annui redditus, provenientes de diversis tenementis, reddendo inde ballivis villæ Norhampton tres solidos annuatim. Compertumque similiter sit per inquisitiones memoratas, quod prædecessores prædicti prioris habuerunt cartas et munimenta diversa de terris, tenementis, redditibus, ecclesiis, appropriatis, pensionibus, et possessionibus supradictis; necnon cartam Henrici secundi quondam regis Angliæ progenitoris nostri per quam idem rex omnes terras, tenementa, redditus, ecclesias, appropriatas, pensiones, et possessiones prædictas, ac etiam dictam libertatem visus franciplegii præfatis monachis confirmavit, et quod carta illa et omnes aliæ cartæ et munimenta quæcumque prioratus prædicti, in eodem prioratu per incendium domorum ejusdem combusta fuerunt; et quod non est ad dampnum vel præjudicium nostrum aut aliorum si cartam nostram de confirmatione præfato priori de terris, tenementis, redditibus, ecclesiis, pensionibus, possessionibus, et libertate prædictis fieri faciamus. Nos supplicationi prioris prædicti super præmissis Dei intuitu favorabiliter annuentes, omnes donationes et concessionem prædictas ratas habentes et gratas eas pro nobis et hæredibus nostris quantum in nobis est præfato priori et monachis ejusdem domus, ac eorum successoribus una cum prædicta libertate visus franciplegii quatenus idem prior et prædecessores sui priores ejusdem loci libertate illa

hactenus usi sunt rationabiliter et gavisi, salvo jure cujuslibet, concedimus et confirmamus. Præterea volentes dilecto nobis in Christo fratri Willielmo de la Manerere nunc priori prioratus prædicti pro emendatione status prioratus ejusdem gratiam facere ampliorem, concessimus ei pro nobis et hæredibus nostris quod ipse et successores sui priores loci illius imperpetuum habeant in villa de Tykeford in solo suo ibidem pillorium et tumberellum ad transgressores ibidem, prout justum fuerit castigandos et puniendos. In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste meipso apud Norhampton undecimo die Augusti anno regni nostri quinto.

NUM. II.

Carta Gervasii Paganelli Donatorum Concessionem Monachis de Tikford recitans et confirmans.

[Ex Collectaneis Rob. Gloveri (quondam heraldi à Somers. denominati) penes prænob. comitem de Elgin, an. 1656.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Gervasius Paganellus salutem. Noverit universitas vestra, me dedisse, et hac præsentem cartâ meâ confirmâsse, consilio et assensu uxoris meæ Isabellæ comitissæ de Norhamton, Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Neuport, et beato Martino Majoris monasterii, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute animæ, et pro animâ patris mei et matris meæ, et uxoris meæ Isabellæ comitissæ, et pro animabus omnium antecessorum meorum et filiorum meorum, quorum corpora requiescunt in ecclesiâ et in capitulo beatæ Mariæ de Neuport, omnes donationes de ecclesiis, et capellis, et decimis, et terris, et hominibus, et pratis, et pascuis, et libertatibus, et aliis omnibus ecclesiasticis beneficiis, quas antecessores mei, scil. Fulcodius Paganellus avus meus, et Radulfus Paganellus pater meus, dederunt Deo, et beatæ Mariæ, et monachis Majoris Monasterii apud Neuport commemorantibus: similiter et meas donationes, et donationes hominum meorum, concedo et confirmo, viz. ecclesiam de Neuport, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et terram, viz. unam hidam in Neuport; et capellam de Linford, cum pertinentiis suis; et ecclesiam de Chichele, cum suis capellis et aliis pertinentiis suis. Et ecclesiam de Tiringeham, ex dono Giffardi de Tiringeham, cum pertinentiis suis; et capellam de Parvâ Craule, cum pertinentiis suis; et capellam de Estwde, cum pertinentiis suis; et ecclesiam de Estone, cum suis capellis et pertinentiis suis; et ecclesiam de Botendune, cum pertinentiis suis; et ecclesiam de Bernache, cum pertinentiis suis. Et duas virgatas terræ in Parva Craule, ex dono Johannis de Someri et Radulfi ejus filii. Et duodecim acras terræ, quæ dicuntur Forest, ex dono Pagani de Embertune. Et terram et silvam de Essarz, ex dono ejusdem Pagani. Et totam terram meam de Chichele, quam Willielmus Paganellus de me tenuit, liberam et quietam, cum omnibus libertatibus et pertinentiis suis. Et molendinum de Caldecote, et dimidiam virgatam terræ, cum prato, quæ pertinet ad molendinum de Caldecote; et totam terram meam de feodo meo de Torneberge; et homagium, et fidelitatem, et servitium de Reginaldo filio Adchur et de hæredibus suis; et decem solidos, quos terra illa annuatim reddit, de firma; et totam terram illam, quæ est de dominico meo circa Laverkehruge, apud Tikeford.

Præterea concedo eis omnes donationes quas homines de feodo meo prædictis monachis dederunt sive daturi sunt; et capellam de Pettesho, cum pertinentiis suis, ex dono Osberti dapiferi et Michaelis ejus filii. Similiter, culturam quandam quæ jacet ante portam monachorum usque ad magnam meam de dominico meo, cum cæteris elemosinis; et pratum quod est situm inter pontem de Neuport et domum monachorum; et decimam pathnagii de Neuport et de Linford; et totum messuagium quod est inter portam cimiterii S. Petri et curiam domini; et decimam molendini de Linford, et unam hidam terræ in Haremede; et terram de Brocheleshai, et terram de Cadewrthe, et medietatem terræ de Cuculmesho. Et totam terram quam Will. de Lovente et pater ejus prædictæ ecclesiæ dederunt; viz. unam virgatam terræ ex dono Godrici coci, et dimidiam virgatam terræ ex dono Radulfi ejus filii, et unam virgatam terræ in Bradewelle ex dono Michaelis filii Osberti de Pettesho. Et duas partes decimæ de dominico Walteri Manselli et Johannis ejus filii; et octo denarios, quos Johannes Mansellus dedit prædictæ ecclesiæ pro animâ Roberti Paganelli, et duas acras terræ et unum mesuagium ex dono Ricardi

magistri in Linford. Præterea omnes donationes, et omnes homines et terras, et omnia prata et pascua, et omnes silvas, et libertates, et vias, quas Radulfus Mansellus et uxor ejus Cecilia, et hæredes eorum, dederunt prædictæ ecclesiæ de Neuport in elemosinam, eis concedo, sicut cartæ eorum testantur. Concedo etiam eis et confirmo, ut decimam habeant in domo meâ, et in domo hæredum meorum, de pane, et piscibus, et venationibus, cum apud Neuport fuerimus vel Bradefeld, vel Botunden; et boscum in omnibus silvis meis per totam terram meam Angliæ, ad ecclesiam suam construendam, et ad domos faciendas et reparandas ubicunque capere voluerint extra parca; et decimam venationum de parco de Neuport; et ut sui homines licentiam habeant vendendi et emendi, quicquid necesse eis fuerit, solutè, liberè, et quietè ab omni redditu, et in foro et extra forum apud Neuport.

Concedo iterum eis licentiam piscandi in omnibus aquis meis ejusdem villæ, et pascua bobus eorum ubicunque boves mei pascunt; et pastionem porcis eorum, in omnibus silvis meis et parcis, per totam terram Angliæ, absque omni consuetudine. Iterum autem concedo eis, quod si homines illorum monachorum hominibus meis aliquam injuriam fecissent, quod absit; homines mei et hæredum meorum rectum in curiâ monachorum habebunt. Concedo etiam eis et confirmo illam elemosynam quam Robertus de Castretona, homo meus, tempore Radulfi patris mei, ecclesiæ de Neuport, et monachis dedit; scil. duas partes decimæ suæ de dominico suo de Tolthorep. Similiter et elemosinam quam Radulfus dapifer, tempore Radulfi patris mei, et diebus Fulcodii Paganelli avi mei, prædictis monachis dedit; scil. duas partes decimæ suæ de dominico suo de Bernarhes.

Has autem omnes elemosinas et libertates, do et concedo Deo et monasterio S. Mariæ de Neuport, et monachis, in puram elemosynam, liberas et quietas ab omni servicio, quantum ad me pertinet, vel ad hæredes meos perpetuè possidenda; et ut firmè et imposterum et inconvulsè permaneant, præsentis eis scripti mei patrocínio, et sigilli mei appositione, testium quoque subscriptione duxi communire. Hiis testibus, Simone comite Northamptoniæ, Isabella comitissa, matre ejus; Petro dapifero; Helia Foliot; Fulcone Paganello; Willielmo fratre ejus; Godwino dapifero; Pagano de Emberton; Galfrido de Roeli; Michaele filio Osberti; Willielmo Paganello; Bernardo filio ejus; Willielmo Simone capellanis; Roberto diacono; Garino filio ejus; Thoma camerario; Willielmo de Duddele; Herverard pincernâ; Radulfo Coco; Willielmo de Lovente; Willielmo de Stabulo; Philippo de Haggeleia; Philippo Lorimer; Roberto Suitft; Radulfo Dod; Rogero Segin; Simone de Castertun, et multis aliis.

Hæc carta facta fuit tempore Roberti de Bohun, apud Neuport, tunc ejusdem loci prioris, anno Dominicæ Incarnationis m.c. octogesimo septimo, rege Henrico, filio Imperatricis, regnante 33 H. II.



NUM. III.

Carta Fulcodii Paganelli, de Ecclesiâ de Burgewalter.
[Ex dictis Collect. Rob. Glover Somerset Herald, Miscel. lib. v. fol. 40 a.]

Ego Fulcodius Paganellus de Bahantune, omnibus qui præsens scriptum viderint vel audierint, notum esse volo, quod ecclesiam de Burgewalter, de Sumersete, quæ ad donationem meam pertinet, et me paternâ successionem contingit, intuitu pietatis, et spe remunerationis æternæ, et pro salute animæ meæ, et patris mei Willielmi Paganelli, et matris meæ Julianæ de Bahantune, et Aldæ uxoris meæ, et filiorum meorum Willielmi et Fulcodii, filiarumque mearum Julianæ et Christianæ, et antecessorum et successorum meorum animabus, donavi Deo et beato Martino, et monachis Majoris Monasterii in perpetuam elemosinam, &c. Feci autem hoc donum assensu prædictæ Adæ uxoris meæ, et filiorum et filiarum mearum, præsentibus et audientibus testibus, quorum nomina subscripta sunt, Willielmo Paganello fratre meo, Stephano de Bahamtune, Alberto de Bahamtune, &c.

NUM. IV.

Carta ejusdem Fulcodii, de Ecclesiâ de Hunespill.

NOVERINT omnes, tam posteri quam præsentem, quod ego Fulcodius Paganellus, pro amore Dei, &c. dedi in elemosynam, beatæ Mariæ de Neuport, et monachis Majoris Monasterii in ejus ecclesiâ commorantibus, ecclesiam de Hunespill in Brentemares cum omnibus appendiciis suis. Testes affuerunt Gervasius Paganellus et uxor ejus comitissa Isabella, et Robertus Paganellus eorum filius, et Willielmus Paganellus prædicti Fulcodii frater, et Robertus Baldwini filius, et Radulphus de Sumeri, et Henricus de Moium, et Willielmus de Mareys.

NUM. V.

Carta Hawisiæ Paynel.

SCIANT tam præsentem quam futuri, quod ego Hawis Paynel, consilio et voluntate domini mei Rogeri de Berkele, dedi Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Tykeford, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute animæ meæ, et Gervasii Paynel fratris mei, et omnium antecessorum meorum, in puram elemosinam, totam terram Bernardi Segm. in Tykeford, cum omnibus pertinentiis, &c. Hiis testibus, Simone de Hocton, &c.

NUM. VI.

Alia Carta ejusdem Hawisiæ.

SCIANT tam præsentem quam futuri, quod ego Hawis Paganella dedi monachis Majoris Monasterii de Neuport, duas virgatas terræ, quas Johannes de Sumeri vir meus dedit prædictis monachis. Testibus, Radulfo de Sumeri filio meo, &c.

NUM. VII.

Carta Willielmi Paynel, de Manerio de Brugewalter.

SCIANT præsentem et futuri, quod ego Willielmus Paynel, filius Fulconis Paynell de Bamtone, concessi, &c. Willielmo Briwere et hæredibus suis, donationem quam Fulco Paynel pater meus ei fecit de Burgh Walteri, scil. totum manerium de Burgh Walteri, integrè, &c. tenendum de me et hæredibus meis, per servicium dimidii militis, pro omni servitio, &c. Testibus, Reginaldo de Mohun, Ricardo Briwere, et aliis.

NUM. VIII.

Carta Radulfi Mansell, de Terrâ de Cuculmesho.

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus Radulfus Mansellus salutem. Noveritis me dedisse monachis Majoris Monasterii de Neuport, assensu et voluntate uxoris meæ Cecilie, et Seheri filii mei et hæredis; et pro animabus patris mei et matris meæ, et filiorum meorum Gileberti, Rogerii, Simonis, Willielmi, Hugonis, et omnium antecessorum meorum, in puram elemosynam, terram meam de Cuculmesho, &c. Dedi et concessi, et sigillo meo confirmavi, audiente et concedente domino meo Gervasio Paganello, et sigillo suo confirmante. Hiis testibus, Isabellâ comitissâ Northamptoniæ, Ricardo de Lund. Rogero Paganello.

NUM. IX.

Inventorium Bonorum et Catallarum Maner. de Tykeford Abbatis de Mermust. an. 22 Edw. I.

[MS. Donat. Mus. Brit. 6164. fol. 106.]

IBIDEM invent. sunt j. palefr. prec. xl. Item iij. equi

prec. cujuslibet x^s. Summa xxx^s. Item iiij. equi xx^s. prec. cujuslibet v^s. Item j. equus cecus prec. xij^d. Item ij. equi carectar. x^s. prec. cujuslibet v^s. Item vij. stotti xiiij^s. prec. cujusl. ij. sol. Item j. stottus prec. viij^d. Item ij. juvenc. x^s. prec. cujuslibet v^s. Item vij. boves xlvj^s. viij^d. prec. cujusl. dimid. marc. Item ij. tauri xv^s. prec. cujusl. v^s. Item j. vacc. prec. iij^s. Item vij. boviculi xiiij^s. prec. cujusl. ij^s. Item xlv. bidentes prec. cujusl. xij^d. Summa xlvj^s. Item xiiij. agni vj^s. vj^d. prec. cujusl. vj^d. Item lvij. porci lxxij^s. vj^d. prec. cujusl. xv^d. Item xix. porcell iij^s. ij^d. prec. cujusl. ij^d. Item ij. cynn. vj^s. prec. cujusl. iij^s. Item ij. pavones ij^s. prec. cujusl. xij^d. Item in campis seminatis de frumento cxxiiij. acr. xv^{li}. x. sol. prec. acræ ij^s. vj^d. De mixt. ij. acr. di. ij^s. vj^d. prec. acr. xij^d. De draget. ix. acr. xix^s. vj^d. prec. acr. ij^s. ij^d. De fab. iij. acr. viij^s. prec. acr. ij^s. De pisis et vesc. xv. acr. dim. xxix^s. viij^d. ob. prec. acr. xxiiij^d. De avenis cxxxiiij. acr. ix^{li}. xix^s. vj^d. prec. acr. xviiij^d. De prato faleabili ij. acr. viij^s. prec. acr. ij^s. viij^d.

Summa xlv^{li}. xij^s. viij. den. ob.

Extent. ejusdem Manerii.

Juratores dicunt quod commod. et aysiamenta curiæ de Tykeford, Bradewelle, et Tykethorn valent per annum cum vend. subbosei iij^{li}. viij^s. De redditu libere tenen. xiiij^{li}. xix^s. x^d. De redd. et servitio customar. ix^{li}. xiiij^s. iij^d. q. De precio xx. acr. terræ arab. apud Tykeford x^s. prec. acr. vj^d. De precio cccc.xv. acr. dimid. j. rod. terræ arabilis apud Tykethorn xiiij^{li}. xvij^s. ij^d. prec. acr. viij^d. Item de precio vj. acr. dim. terræ arabilis in campo de Schirinton spectante ad Tykethorn iij^s. iij^d. prec. acr. viij^d. Item de precio cxi. acr. terræ arabilis in dominico apud Bradewelle vij^{li}. prec. acr. xij^d. De precio ix. acr. prati et dimid. cum quadam placea prati ex opposito prioratus xxiiij^s. De pastur. prædictorum locorum ix^s. ij. den. De molendino de Caldecot lxxvj^s. viij^d. De placit. et perquis. curiarum cum fin. terrarum et cum tallag. villanorum iij^{or}.^{li}. x^s. De pensionibus et redd. forinsec. lxxiiij^s. viij^d. De decimis ecclesiarum de Lynford, Estwode, Bradewell, Chethele, Wylyes, Wolston, et Louzetón, lxxviij^{li}. xvij^s.

Summa cxlvj^{li}. xv. solid. ij. den. q.

NUM. X.

Extentia de Tykeford, an. 18 Edw. II.

[Ibid. fol. 540.]

EXTENTA terr. et tenementorum prioratus de Tykeford facta ibidem die Martis prox. ante festum S. Nich. anno regni regis Edwardi fil. regis Edwardi decimo octavo per sacramentum Thomæ de Lughton, Johannis de Eltison, et aliorum, qui dicunt per sacramentum suum quod commod. et aysiamenta domus valent per annum xl^s. Item dicunt quod sunt ibidem xx. acr. terræ arabilis quæ val. per annum x^s. Item sunt ibidem in dominico cxv. acr. terræ arabilis quorum xlvij. solebant esse in man. tenent. et val. per annum liij^s. vj^d. Item in diversis parcellis xxiiij. acr. prati quæ val. per annum xxxvj^s. Item est ibidem situs cujusdam mesuagii et j. columbar. de dono Rogeri de Brabeson quæ valent per annum iij^s. Item est ibidem quidam croftus vocatus Martines Croft cont. ij. acr. terræ, quæ val. per annum xij^d. Item quod est ibidem unum molendinum aquaticum diruptum quod nihil valet quousque de novo reparetur, et si fuisset reparatum tunc val. per annum viij^s. iij^d. et dicunt quod potest reparari de xl^s. Item sunt ibidem de redd. assis. per annum iij^{li}. vj^s. ij^d. ad terminos Annunc. B. Mariæ et sancti Mich. Item sunt ibidem opera proven. de lib. tenen. quæ val. per ann. iij^s. ad term. S. Mich. Item sunt ibidem placita et perquis. cur. quæ val. per annum cum visu franc. vj^s. viij^d.

Summa xiiij^{li}. xvij^s. viij^d.

Thykethorn.

Item prædicti juratores dicunt quod commod. et aysiamenta domus et situs curiæ val. per annum vj^s. viij^d. Item sunt ibidem in dominico ccccxxij. acr. terræ arabilis, quæ val. per ann. vij^{li}. viij^d. Item ibidem xj. acr. pastur. quæ val. per annum cum pastur. in bosco ix^s. ij^d. Item ibidem ij. acr. et ij. rod. prati, quæ val. per annum iij^s. j^d. ob. Item sunt ibidem duo bosc. cont. xliij. acr. et quod profic. val. numper annum xx^s. Item est ibidem quoddam molendi-

ventriticum quod val. per annum xxj^s. Item sunt ibidem de reddit. lib. tenenc. per annum xlvj^s. viij^d. ob. ad terminos Annunc. B. M. et S. Michaelis per equales porciones. Item sunt ibidem de redd. custom. et cot'all. ad eosdem terminos cix^s. Item de redd. eorundem ad term. S. Martini vj. gal. lin. et ad Nat. Domini xxxviij. quæ val. per ann. v^s. vj^d. Item opera eorundem custom. et cot'all. val. per annum vij^{li}. xij^s. x^d. videlicet ad Natal. Domini vij^s. ad Annunc. B. Mariæ vij^s. ad festum Nat. S. Joh. Bapt. xxj^s. et ad festum sancti Michaelis cxviij^s. x^d. Item placita et perquis. cur. val. per annum terr. et tall. custom. iij^{li}.

Bradewell.

Item dic. quod aysiamenta domus et situs curiæ val. per annum iij^s. iij^d. Item sunt ibidem cxi. acr. terræ arabilis quæ val. per annum xlvj^s. viij^d. Item sunt ibidem v. acr. quæ val. per annum vij^s. vj^d.

Item de reddit. assis. per annum xvij^s. ad prædictos duos terminos. Item sunt lxxiiij^s. vj^d. ob.

Item sunt ibidem de pens. et redd. forinsec. cum porcione decimarum et Hardiued lxxiiij^s. viij^d. Item ecclesia de Neupôte val. per annum cum capella de Parva Lynford xxvj^{li}. xiiij^s. iij^d. Item ecclesia de Wylie val. per annum xlvj^s. viij^d. Item ecclesia de Checchele val. per annum vj^{li}. x^s. Item ecclesia de Bradewell val. per annum liij^s. iij^d. Item ecclesia de Astwode vj^{li}. xiiij^s. iij^d. Item porciones decimarum in Leghton, Galston, et Magna Lynford val. per annum xxvj^s. viij^d.

Summa xlix^{li}. xvij^s.

Dicunt etiam per sacramentum suum quod Walterus de Attefelde tenet prioris de Tykeford undecem marc. sterlingorum quas solvisse debet ante festum sancti Michaelis anno regni regis Edwardi nunc decimo septimo pro fructibus de Parva Lynford sibi vend. eodem anno xvij^o.

Item dicunt quod idem prior dimisit prædictam ecclesiam de Astwode cuidam magistro Firmario de Filegrave a festo S. Joh. Latman anno regni regis nunc. xvij^{mo}. usque finem trium annorum prox. sequen. x. marc. quas eidem priori solvatur p'manibus.

Onera Domus de Tykeford.

Prior et viij. monachi. Item l. capellanus vocat. dominus Ricardus Cachepol; qui capit in omnibus sicut unus monachus per cartam. Item Robertus de Cornedale cum uxore sua, Willielmus Wenrych, et Martinus Angleys, quorum quilibet capit in omnibus sicut unus monachus, et ultra quolibet die l. panem biss. et l. lagenam secundæ cervisiæ, et prædictus Martinus capit l. porc. ad festum sancti Martini et ij. car'eat bosci et stipul. ij. acr. terræ. Item Joh. de Pontefract cap. per septiman. vij. pan et vij. lagen. cervisiæ conventualis et iij. fercul. grossarum carniū per cartam. Item Will. de Shongelar capit in omnibus sicut unus monachus et x^s. pro roba per cartam. Johannes de Wykham capit per septim. viij. panes et viij. lagen. cervisiæ conventualis per cartam. Item Henr. de Shagh capit per septim. vij. pan. et vij. lagen. cervis. per cartam. Ricardus Trop capit per sept. vij. pan. et vij. lag. cervisiæ quousque sibi fuerit satisfactum de xxv^s. Item quidam capellanus videlicet dominus Thomas de Cosham divina celebrans pro anima domini Rogeri Brabason capit per sept. sicut unus monachus ex antiq. elemos. eidem. Item pensiones subscriptæ; videlicet persona de Tyryngnam qui capit per annum xx^s. dominus Gilbertus de Mopflo xx^s. Magister Joh. de Drayton xx^s. dominus Joh. de Olneye xl^s. Nich. Darderne xx^s. Hug. de Bradewell xl^s. dominus Ric. Hiller xx^s. Robertus Kelim xx^s. Item debentur ad luminare beatæ Mariæ de Tykeford, videlicet dispositioni Sacristæ x^s. de redd. for. Item estimantur ad sustentationem domorum prioratus de Tykeford per annum viij^{li}. Item Alex. Tynte serviens de Thykelthorn capit per sept. in omnibus sicut unus monachus et ultra l. panem convent. et ix^s. pro roba sua per ann.

NUM. XI.

PRIORY OF TYKFORD.

[Transcript from Survey temp. Hen. VIII. in the Chapter House Westm. as to the Site and Demesnes.]

The manor of Tykford.

The haull there is well coverd with tile, and laith a

little chaumber adioynnyng to the same, with a butte called the black butte.

Iȝm a chaumbr at the haull dore called the portche chaumbr.

Iȝm a chaumber on the northpte of the haull, called the pre chaumber, with a chymney, and a litle closet adioynnyng thereunto, and a high chaumber over the same pertelie in deokay for lack of tylyng.

Iȝm a chaumber on the sowthpte of the haull, called the kinge chaumber, which is seled, and the selyng therof ruinows, notwithstanding it may well be spared.

Iȝm a litle chaumber adioynnyng to the kinge chaumber.

Iȝm in the kechyn court is the kechyn, and a chaumber oȝ the same tyled.

Iȝm the gate howse, and 2 upper chaumbers tyled. Iȝm a bultyng howse, with a chaumber oȝ the same tyled. Iȝm a litle stable coȝd with thack, called the priors stable.—Thies may welbe spared.

Iȝm a bakhowse with 2 owens, oon greit and thother small.

Iȝm a brewhowse and 2 brewyng ledge in the same.

Iȝm an eelyng howse with 2 eelyng ledge in the same.

Iȝm a chaumber oȝ the brewhowse coȝd with tyle.

Iȝm a larder howse.

The cloyster is well coȝd with sklate, and the gutters therof bene leded, and the tymber work is good, and much ston there may be had and saved.—It may welbe spared.

Iȝm a loo chaumber, latelie called the misericorde, with a chymney, and an inner chaumber thereunto adioynnyng.

Iȝm a loo parler latelie called the farne, with a howse called the farne kechyn.

Iȝm the late chapit howse, wherein is a glased wyndow.

Iȝm the dorter chaumber coȝd with tyle, wherein is a chymney and fyve sellge for the late monkge there.

The church there is adioynnyng to the dorter howse, which is substanciallie buylded with a fair rofe of tymber work in the bodie of the said church, which conteyneth in lenght 80 fote, and in brede 21 fote.

Iȝm the ile on the northside oȝ the belframe, the rooffe whereof, and is good and substanciall tymber, which conteyneth in lenght 30 fote, and in brede 21 fote.

Iȝm the ile on the sowthside the belframe is substanciallie buylded in the rofe with tymber, and conteyneth like lenght and brede as the foresaid ile doeth.

Iȝm the belframe is substanciallie buylded with ston and much good tymber within the same, a 3 bellge of the value of

Iȝm the chauncell there is voted with ston and tymber work oȝ the same, which conteyneth in lenght 45 fote, and in brede 21 fote.

Iȝm a litle chapell adioynnyng to the chauncell, which conteyneth in lenght 16 fote, and in brede 12 foote.

Iȝm there be diȝs wyndowes as well in the church as in the chauncell that be glased, the glasse whereof is verie old and litle worth.

The seid church, with the ilez thereunto belonging be well coȝd with tile, which church and chauncell may welbe spared, and much good tymber and ston there had and saved.

The utter court, which is the cūmyng into the manor, conteyneth an acr. of ground.

In p^rm^e at the cūmyng into the seid court, on the gate is a chaumber tyled, and a chymney therein, and a lofte oȝ the same.

Iȝm on the sowthside the gate is a litle chapell of o^r Ladie, which is coȝd with tile and buylded w^h stude. Iȝm a litle bell in the chapell eend. Iȝm a loo parler, and a chaumber oȝ the same, which stond adioynnyng to the seid chapell, with diȝs wyndowsz of new glasse, which seid chaumbr is coȝd w^h tile. Iȝm on the northside the gate is a howse called the dayhowse, with a stable adioynnyng to the same, which be covered with straw.—Thiez may welbe spared.

Iȝm in the seid utter court is a kyn howse and a malt-howse, set to gethers. The barn yard.

Iȝm a barn conteynyng 7 baies, sufficientlie buylded with good tymber, and coȝd with sklate and tyle.

Iȝm a barn of 6 bayes sufficientlie buylded w^h tymber, and the oon side coȝd with sklate and tyle, and the other side w^h strawe, ptelie in deokay for lack of tylyng.

Iȝm a dovehowse, which is worth yeirlye.

The tile, tymber, and ston, of such howsez as may be spared is worth, if it be taken down by tyme.

The closez belongyng to the seid manor and pcell of the demesne.

There be 2 litle orchardge or garden placez, with a pece of ground betwene the riȝ cont. di. acr.

The dovehowse close, wherein is a feir poole, replenysshed with carpge, and the close called the wat^r gate close conteyn 5 acr. Iȝm a close called the comyngge, which is well replenysshed w^h coneyes, w^h a fyshepole in the same, conteyneth 3 acr. and di.

Iȝm a close called the long close, which conteyneth 2 acr. which seid closez lie betwene the water of Ore on the northside, and on the sowthside pte on the coȝn feld called Tykford feld, and pte on the closys belongyng to the Lady Seyntleger, which closez be seȝall all the hole yere. Iȝm a medow close called the castle medowe, cont. 3 acr. which is seȝall from the feist of th^r Annunciacion of our Ladie unto midsoȝm, and then coȝnen, which close lieth betwene the town of Tykford on the sowthside, and the riȝ on the northside, and buttge on the estend on the manor place, and on the westend on Tykford bridge.

The water there is seȝall to the manor from the metyng of the water of Ore and the water of Lovent unto the ptiȝon of the seid 2 wat^rs, which is beneth a place in the water called Holme, and is worth yeirlye.

There is in the seid closeys of asshe and elme 60 trees, oon with an other worth a pece and better, 8d.

Iȝm there be meny other small saumplerrge.

There is certein arrable land and medow belongyng to the seid manor, which manor, w^t the closys, conye, dovehowse, and seȝall waterz, is in the occupaȝon of oon Andrew Stokge, for the which he paieth yeirlye 5l.

NUM. XII.

PRIORY OF TYKFORD.

[Abstract of Survey, temp. Hen. VIII. Chapter-House Westm.]

Bucks.	£.	s.	d.
Tykford—Manor and demesnes			
Vakes—A house and land	0	4	2
Newport Paynell—Tithes	34	13	4
Newport Paynell—Rents of freeholders	2	6	4
Newport Paynell—Tenements by indenture	1	8	10
Calcote—Tithes	3	6	8
Calcote—Freehold rents	0	4	0
Calcote—Tenants at Will	6	19	8
Geyhurst—Lands	0	8	0
Sherington—Tenement and land	0	7	6
Little Lynford—Tithes	5	0	0
Lathbury—Lands	0	16	0
Chicheley—Tithes	10	0	0
Chicheley—Freehold lands	1	17	8
Chicheley—Tenements by indenture	5	14	0
Chicheley—Copyhold lands, &c.	14	8	11
Harmede—A close	0	16	0
Lynford Magna—Portion of tithes	0	5	0
Wolston Parva—Portion of tithes	1	6	8
Astwod—Pension	2	0	0
Wyllyn—Pension	0	10	0
Filgrave—Chief rent	0	12	0
Clifton—Free rent	0	2	2
Sulburie—Tithes, &c.	0	8	0
Crawley—Tithes, &c.			
Lowghton—Portion of tithes	0	5	0
Bradwell—The parsonage	3	0	0
Bradwell—Freehold rents, &c.	5	1	4
Northton.			
Northampton—A messuage	0	6	8
Bodington—Pension, &c.	1	13	4
Warw.			
Aston Bremyncham—Divers premises	18	8	4
Thornborow—Rent	0	17	0

Abbey of De la Pre, in Northamptonshire.

FOR

CLUNIAN NUNS.



HIS Religious House was founded in the reign of King Stephen for Cluniac Nuns^a by Simon de St. Liz, the younger, Earl of Northampton. He endowed it with the churches of Barton, Dodington, and Fotheringay; with large possessions in Hardingstone, and certain other smaller benefactions in Extune, Welcumbestowe, Walebec, and Northampton.^b

To these donations Richard, the son of Richard de Beseville, and Ralph, the son of Richard de Beseville, added an acre of arable land in Hardingstone, with a fish-pool named Lachemere, sixty perches in length, each perch containing sixteen feet. And William de Beseville gave a tenement in Cotes. Peter, surnamed Flectarius of Yardley, gave all the lands which he had in Hardingstone by grant from William de Vieux-pont; and John, the son of John Fitz-Dor, and Thomas le Serjaunt gave other lands and rents in Hardingstone and Cotes. Henry de Cotes, William Briton, Walter at le Ground, William Cooke, Walter Bake-cake, and Thomas, the son of J. Kipping, were benefactors to this convent in Cotes. And by the benefactions of several other persons, they were possessed of divers rents and tenements in Northampton.^c

Malcolm and William, kings of Scotland, confirmed the grant of the church of Fotheringay. David, Earl of Huntingdon, brother to the king of Scots, Simon, the son of Richard de Fotheringay, Robert, the son of Reginald de Fotheringay, William Fitz-Lefwin, John de Baliol, and Endo Petich, bestowed upon them lands and revenues in Fotheringay. Robert de Chokes gave them the church of Wollaston; and his grant was confirmed by William de Newburgh. Roger Fitz-Syer, of Wollaston, gave them rents and tenements in Barton; and Matthew de Bykesthorpe, Robert de Newburg, Sampson Fitz-Samson, Ralph Clerk, William Fauconberge of Strixton, William de Bray, Robert, the chaplain, son of Robert Above-towne, John de Yrecestre, William Fitz-Simon, and Roger Fitz-Baldewin, were benefactors to them in Wollaston.

The churches of Filgrave, in Buckinghamshire, were given them by Hugh de Filgrave, and the grant confirmed by William, the son of Alexander de Syrinton, and John, the son of John Clerk, of Terynham; and Giffard de Terynham gave them half a virgate of land in Filgrave.^d

William Fitz-Hamon confirmed to them the church of Fifhide, which was given them by Hamon his father. Roger de Clare, Earl of Hertford, conferred on them the church of Broughton; Stephen de Eketon the church of Drayton; and Robert de Bethune, advocate of Arras, a pension out of the church of Gayton.^e

To these were added divers other donations and privileges in Yardeley, Drayton, Brixworth, Harley, la Gare,^f Abingdon, Hertwell, Conington, Bramfield, Rishton, Scalde- well, Waude, Lodington, Brandeston, Faleclive, Shirington, Braybroke, Evenle, Rothwell, Stapleford, Wykyngeston, Daston, Ashby-Folville, Leyke, and Barton.^g

^a According to Leland, Itin. vol. i. p. 5, the nuns were translated hither from Fotheringay.

^b See the Charter, Num. I. ^c Ibid. ^d Ibid. ^e Ibid.

La Gare, says Bridges, whose abridgement from Dugdale has been principally followed in the above Account, is the place now called Gore Fields, in the parish of Hanslap, in Buckinghamshire. Here was formerly a chapel, where a priest officiated once a week, and received, by agreement with the convent, 13s. 4d. yearly: and this is the same with GARE, mentioned by Bishop Tanner in his Notitia Monastica, Buck. xi. where was said to be a Benedictine Nunnery, dedicated to St. Mary Magdalen, which the bishop, in his second edition, imagined to have been GORING, anciently called GARING, in Oxfordshire. See Bridges, Hist. Northampt. vol. i. p. 364.

ABBESSES of DE LA PRE.

Upon the foundation of the convent AZELINA was appointed abbess.^h

CECILIA DE DAVENTRE received the royal assent to her election as abbess, Nov. 7th, 1220.ⁱ

AGATHA died in 1274, when

EMMA MALORE was chosen.^k She died in 1282, when

MARGERY DE WOLASTON, sub-prioress of the convent, was chosen to succeed her.^l But the election not meeting the approbation of the whole house, the Bishop of Lincoln first pronounced it void, and then declared her abbess in consideration of her merits. She died in 1296, and was succeeded by

MARGERY DE BROKE,^m upon whose resignation, in 1319,

AGNES DE PAVELY was chosen by scrutiny. But the Bishop of Lincoln, upon inquiry, disapproving of the election, pronounced it void, and then, as his predecessor had done in the case of Abbess Wolaston, declared her abbess in consideration of her merits.ⁿ

MARGARET GRAY, or DE GREY, occurs abbess in the Abbrev. Rot. Orig. vol. ii. p. 23. in the 2d Edw. III. 1329: and again in a charter relating to a messuage in Walda.^o Upon her decease in 1333, the convent was divided in choice, between Catherine Knyvet and Isabel de Cotesbrook; and proceeding to an irregular election, the Bishop of Lincoln set it aside, and nominated

CATHERINE KNYVET.^p This lady died in 1349, and was succeeded by

ISABEL DE THORP, whom the bishop nominated by reason of some defect in the election made by the convent.^q In 1366 she resigned her office, when

JOANE MALLORE was chosen to succeed her.^r

JOANE DOUGHTY was elected in 1481: and occurs again July 7th, 1487.^s

JOANE CHESE occurs A. D. 1492.^t

CLEMENTIA or CLEMENTISSA STOKE, or STOKES, received the temporalities Jan. 24th, 20 Hen. VII.^u She was the last abbess. Dr. London, in a letter to Lord Cromwell, still preserved in the Cottonian Manuscript, Cleop. E. IV. fol. 308. gives the following account of her surrender of her house. "At Delapray, besyde Northampton, I have taken th' abbesse surrendre. Sche ys a gudde agydd woman, and lately hadde the kings chartre for the continuance of herre howse, that notwithstandinge sche willingly withowt any refusall renderyd unto the king's majestie that chartre wiche with herre and her sisters surrendre I have sent by thys berar: and according to your commandment have put small Mr. Hennages, kinsman, in possession of the same. And forasmuche as I founde that late abbess so conformable, and the howse in so gudde state, consydering dyvers great chardges sche hathe be att. I dydde assigne unto herre for herre comfort in her great age, the fourt partt of the schépe, viz. fyve score a certen of every kynde of greyne, a certen of every sorte of the catell, whereof I found praty store, and lykewise of the stuffe and implements, beseking your lordshippe to ratifie the same, and to be gudde lorde unto herre, and to her power sisters in their pensions."

According to the Survey of the Revenues of this House,

^g Append. Num. I.

^h Compare the Append. Num. I. paragr. i.

ⁱ Pat. 5 Hen. III.

^k Bridges, vol. i. p. 365, from Reg. Gravesend, episc. Linc.

^l Ibid. e Reg. Oliv. Sutton, ep. Linc.

^m Ibid.

ⁿ Ibid. e Reg. Joh. Dalderby.

^o Cart. antiq. Mus. Brit. L. F. C. III. 8.

^p Bridges, ut supr. e Reg. Burgherst, episc. Linc.

^q Ibid. e Reg. Joh. Gynwell, ep. Linc.

^r Ibid. e Reg. Joh. Buckingham.

^s MS. Cole, Brit. Mus. vol. xxvi. fol. 225 b.

^t Ibid.

^u MS. Lansd. Brit. Mus. 963, p. 56.

taken in the 26th of Henry the Eighth, the clear annual revenue amounted to 119*l.* 9*s.* 7½*d.*^a The principal officers of the house, at that time, being Sir William Gascoygne steward, whose fee was xxvj*s.* viij*d.* per annum; John Spencer, receiver-general, whose fee was xx*s.*; and Henry Dudley, auditor, whose fee was also xx*s.*^b

The Convent, at the time of the Suppression, consisted of ten nuns.^c The surrender, which is printed by Bridges,^d was dated in the chapter-house of the abbey, Dec. 16th, 30 Hen. VIII.

The Surrender is extant in the Augmentation Office. It is not signed by the abbess and nuns, but is sealed with their COMMON SEAL. The impression, on red wax, is mutilated and much flattened; the subject cannot therefore be determined with certainty. It represents, however, two figures, one apparently in the act of crowning the other. Such part of the inscription as remains may be thus read,
S . CŌE . ABBATIE . BE PRATIS . JYX . NORHT.

In the 34th of Henry the Eighth the scite of this monastery, with the demesne lands belonging to it in Hardingston and the two Cottons were granted to John Mershe.^e

In the 43d Eliz. Bartholomew Tate, Esq. died seized of them, and was succeeded by William Tate, Esq., his son, with whose posterity they have continued ever since.^f

Tanner's references to records relating to this abbey are,
"Fin. Northampt. 50 Hen. III. n..

"Pat. 2 Edw. I. m. 3. dorso, pro ten. in Duston.

"Plac. apud Northampt. 3 Edw. III. assis. rot. 128, dorso, pro molendino in Hardingsthor. Ibid. rot. 154. et quo war. rot. 18.

"Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 3. pro ten. in Bourton.

"Plac. assis. in Northampt. 1 Hen. IV. rot. 11. de ten. in Northampt."

The modern House of De la Pre, now the seat of Edward Bouverie, Esq. stands on the site of the abbey; of which, when Bridges's History was published, there remained only some battlements at the west end, and what was supposed to have been a part of the chapel.

In the 24th of Henry the Sixth the Priory of Sewar-desley, in Northamptonshire, is said to have been appropriated to De la Pre; though we find it still continuing as a distinct house.

Cartae ad Sanctimonialium S. Mariae de Pratis Abbatiam in agro Northamptoniensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Regis Edwardi tertii donatorum concessionem ratificans.

[Cart. 2 Edw. III. m. 15, n. 47.]

REX archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Inspeximus cartam confirmationis domini S. quondam regis Angliæ progenitoris nostri in hæc verba. 'S. rex Angl. archiepiscopis, &c. Sciat is me concessisse donationem illam quam comes Simon fecit ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Norhantona et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus in terris et molendinis et aliis tenuis et redd. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio quod ecclesia illa et sanctimoniales teneant omnia quæ de dono ejusdem comitis habent, benè et in pacè, et liberè et quietè et honorificè et in perpetuam elemosinam cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus quæ pertinent ad illas tenuras, sicut idem comes Simon illas eis dedit et concessit, et carta sua confirmavit, T. Roberto de Vere et Ric. de Canvilla et Will. de Caisneto, apud Cantebrig.' Nos autem concessionem prædictam, necnon fundationem quam Simon comes de Northamptona fecit de ecclesia in proprio patrimonio ipsius Simonis in Herdyngestorn in honore beatæ Dei genetricis virginis Mariæ, in qua ecclesia constituit abbatissam Azelinam et sanctimoniales, ut ibidem Deo serviant et ejus genetrici; ac etiam collationem et donationem quas idem comes per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbatissæ et monialibus de omni eo quod Hugo Grymbald de prædicto comite tenuit in Herdyngestorn; et de omni eo quod Walterus Dealt tenuit in eadem villa, necnon de omni tenura in eadem villa quæ fuit Onti quondam Portarii regis Scociæ; ac etiam de servicio Hugonis Gubiun de duabus mansuris quæ sunt juxta pontem sancti Leonardi; et de prato quod vocatur Alfwoldesholm. Donationem etiam quam idem comes fecit eisdem abbatissæ et monialibus de xx. solidis in molendino de Extune ad lumen prædictæ ecclesiæ, et de uno tunello vini ad missas cantandas, percipiendis de Roberto filio Sewini de firma prædicti comitis de Welcumbestove singulis annis ad Pentecosten. Donationem insuper quam Robertus Grymbald fecit eisdem abbatissæ et monialibus de uno molendino in Walebec. Do-

nationem etiam quam Robertus fil. Hugonis fecit eisdem abbatissæ et monialibus de redd. xx. solidorum. Donationem insuper quam Robertus filius Sewini fecit eisdem abbatissæ et monialibus de dimidia marca in Northamptona annuatim percipienda.

Donationem etiam et concessionem quas prædictus Simon comes Huntingdoniæ fecit præfatis abbatissæ et sanctimonialibus de ecclesia de Fodringheia cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem insuper et confirmationem quas Ricardus fil. Ricardi de Besevill per cartam suam fecit eisdem monialibus de una acra terræ cum pertinentiis in Hardyingesthor. Donationem etiam concessionem et confirmationem quas Radulfus de Besevile fil. et hæres quondam Ricardi de Besevile per cartam suam fecit Agathæ abbatissæ et conventui sanctæ Mariæ de Pratis extra Northampton de una acra terræ et dimidia et j. crofto jacente juxta ortum præfatae abbatissæ cum pertinentiis in Hardyingesthor in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam.

Concessionem insuper et donationem quas Radulfus de Besevile per cartam suam fecit præfatis abbatissæ et monialibus de vivario illo quod infra suam inclusionem et sedem molendini, et de tanto terræ quanto de feodo ipsius Radulfi est in prædicta inclusione in perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem etiam remissionem et quietam clamantiam quas Radulfus fil. Ricardi de Besevile per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de toto jure et clamio quod habuit vel habere potuit in piscaria de Lachemere cum pertinentiis in Hardyingesthor, continente in longitudine sexaginta et viij. perticatas unde quælibet perticata continet sexdecim pedes. Redditionem insuper relaxationem et quietam clamantiam quas Willielmus de Bosevile per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de toto tenemento quod de eis tenuit in Cotes extra Northampton cum pertinentiis, jacente inter feodum Radulfi de Bosevile et tenementum priorissæ de Sewar-desley. Donationem etiam, &c. quas Petrus Flectarius de Yerdele per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de tota terra sua in Hardyingesthor cum pertinentiis quam habuit ex dono Willielmi de Veteri ponte in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Remissionem in-

^a See the Append. Num. III.

^b The Pension List of the Nuns will be found in the Append. Num. IV. The following is the return upon the Pension Roll, 2 and 3 Phil. and Mar.

DE LA PREY nuper Mon. Annuit. Johannis Spencer et Johannis Baker per annum c^s. Georgii Gifford per annum lx^s. Georgii Treshame et Thomæ Tomwoode alias Harper per annum xxvj^s. viij^d. Georgii Gifford per annum xxxij^s. Penc. Eliz. Nettehame per annum xx^s. Domine Smythe per annum xxxij^s. iiij^d. Eliz. Walshe per annum liij^s. iiij^d. Graciæ Smythe per annum xxvj^s. viij^d. Dorotheæ Barnard per annum xx^s.

^c Tanner, Notit. Monast. Northampt. xxiv. 3.

^d Hist. Northampt. ut supr. vol. i. p. 365.

^e Pat. 34 Hen. VIII. p. 6.

^f Bridges, ut supr. In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office is

Delapre. De Willielmo Tate milite occasionato ad ostendendum quo titulo tenet Monasterium de Delapre et alia in Com. Northampton. Ex Pasch. Record. 10 Jac. I. rot. 215.

super et quietam clamationem quas magister Johannes dictus filius Dor filius Johannis filii Dor per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et monialibus de toto jure et clamio quod habuit vel habere potuit in quatuor virgatis terræ et xl. solidatis annui redditus et sex libris piperis cum pertinentiis in Hardyngesthorn et Cotes in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem eciam et confirmationem quas Thomas le Seriaunt de Hardyngesthorn per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de j. mesuagio cum pertinentiis in Hardyngesthorn, jacente inter domum quæ fuit Galfr. Bisshop, et domum quæ fuit Roberti Nubond in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Henr. de Cotes fil Stephani fil. Willielmi coci, per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui, de toto jure et clamio quod habuit vel habere potuit in illo messuagio cum pertinentiis quod Willielmus avus suus et Stephanus pater suus quondam tenuerunt de præfatis abbatissa et conventu. Remissionem, &c. quas Henr. fil. Stephani de Cotes per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de toto jure et clamio quod habuit vel habere potuit in illo mesuagio cum pertinentiis quod Stephanus pater suus quondam tenuit de præfatis abbatissa et conventu. Donationem, &c. quas Milo de Bello Campo per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de tribus solidatis redditus percipiendis de magistro et fratribus S. Johannis Norhampton, quas iidem magister et fratres præfato Miloni solvere consueverunt pro quadam terra vocata Hirkeshale in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Venditionem, &c. quas Willielmus Brito filius Walteri Britonis per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de domo ipsius Willielmi cum pertinentiis in Coten. Donationem, &c. quas Walterus ad le Ground per cartam suam fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de domo ejusdem Walteri in Cotes cum tofto et dimidio crofto eidem domui spectantibus in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Remissionem, &c. quas Johannes fil. Radulfi ad the Ground per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de toto jure et clamio quod habuit vel habere potuit in domibus et mesuagiis cum toftis et croftis et eorum pertinentiis jacentibus inter orrea monachorum sancti Andreæ in Cotes et domum quam Ricardus Letelyn tenuit de prædictis abbatissa et conventu. Donationem, &c. quas Willielmus cocus per scriptum suum fecit eisdem monialibus de duodecim denaratis redditus percipiendis per annum de tofto quod fuit Stonardi Poterii in Cotes in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Walterus Bakecake de Cotes per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de j. mesuagio cum pertinentiis in Cotes, jacente inter tenementum Simonis Wiseman et tenementum Thomæ Cissoris. Donationem, &c. quas Thomas Braciator fil. Johannis, Kippyng de Hardyngesthorn per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de j. messuagio cum pertinentiis in Cotes, quod fuit Hawisiæ de Luda matris dicti Johannis et de duabus acris terræ cum pertinentiis in Hardyngesthorn in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Remissionem, &c. quas Thomas Sofnete de Norhampton per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de duabus solidatis redditus quas idem Thomas percipere consuevit de domo Johannis fil. Radulfi Athelground. Donationem, &c. quas Willielmus de Gaugy de Norhampton per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de dimidia mercata redditus cum pertinentiis percipiendis de duobus mesuagiis et una tinctura versus Mounsorell apud Castre in perpetuam elemosinam.

Concessionem, &c. quas Simon Doget per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de duabus solidatis redditus cum pertinentiis in Norhampton percipiendis de j. tofto quod præfatus Simon de præfatis monialibus tenet in Northampton. Donationem, &c. quas Robertus fil. Thomæ clerici de Norhampton fecit præfatis monialibus de duodecim denaratis redditus percipiendis per manus magistri et fratrum hospitalis sancti Johannis Norhamptonæ de shopa quam Osbertus de Cronyorp dedit eisdem magistro et fratribus. Concessionem, &c. quas Robertus fil. Saw per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de quatuor seldis cum pertinentiis in Norhampton in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem insuper, &c. quas Johannes Sampse de Norhampton per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de una marcata redditus cum pertinentiis in Norhampton in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Fina uxor quondam Radulfi fil. Radulfi de Norhampton per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de quatuor tenementis

cum pertinentiis in Norhampton quæ præfata Fina habuit ex venditione Agnetis filiæ Adæ le Marchaund de Norhampton, in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Robertus le Megre per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de prædictis quatuor tenementis. Donationem, &c. quas Ingelramus fil. Henr. fil. Tiardi de Norhampton per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de dimidia marcata redditus cum pertinentiis percipiendis de shopa quæ fuit Rogeri le Cordewaner, in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Ingelramus filius Henrici per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de redditu dimidiæ marcæ in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem eciam quam prædictus Ingelramus per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de redditu xiiij. denar. percipiendo de domo Walteri de Upton in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem insuper quam prædictus Ingelramus per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de redditu duorum solidorum percipiendo de domo quæ fuit Radulfi Belond in perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem eciam, &c. quas Ingelramus fil. Henr. fil. Tiardi, et Alicia uxor ejus per cartam suam fecerunt præfatis monialibus de duabus solidatis redditus et duorum dierum operatione percipiendis de tenemento Willielmi fil. Roeis in perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem insuper quam Alex. de Cransleia per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de uno manso in Norhampton, et tribus solidatis redditus percipiendis de molendino de Brughton in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quam prædictus Alex. per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de duabus solidatis redditus percipiendis de molendino de Brughton in perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem insuper, &c. quas Ricardus de Brughton per cartam suam fecit prædictis monialibus de duabus solidatis redditus percipiendis de domo Hervei le Mazon, et de domo Willielmi Parent, necnon de tenemento quod Johannes de S. Petro de præfato Ricardo tenuit ad portam occidentalem de Norhampton. Concessionem, &c. quas idem Ricardus fecit præfatis monialibus de illo tenemento quod Alex. de Cranesleye eis dedit in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem etiam, &c. quas Johannes de Berners per cartam suam fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de decem solidatis redditus percipiendis de molendino vocato Mervinesmilne in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Adam fil. Herberti Bersi per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et monialibus de undecim denaratis et j. obolata redditus percipiendis de quodam tenemento quod fuit Stephani capellani extra portam orientalem Norhamptonæ. Donationem eciam, &c. quas Johannes Egede fil. Ricardi Egede per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de quadam domo cum pertinentiis, extra portam australem Norhamptonæ quam idem Johannes emit de Laurencio Tartinent. Donationem, &c. quas Robertus Speciarius de Norhamton per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de duabus solidatis redditus cum pertinentiis percipiendis de quadam shopa in Norhampton in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Hugo fil. Pagani Wace per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de quadam shopa jacente juxta shopam Barth. fil. Jordani in perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Thomas abbas et conventus sancti Jacobi de Norhampton per scriptum suum fecerunt præfatis monialibus de j. tenemento juxta ecclesiam sancti Martini in Norhampton. Donationem, &c. quam Margareta la Coifere filia Roce Tigtoris per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de decem denaratis redditus cum pertinentiis percipiendis de quodam tenemento quod Walterus Mercerus de præfata Margareta tenuit in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Will. fil. Tursteri per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de duabus shopis cum pertinentiis in nundinis Norhampton in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Hugo fil. Roberti per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de sex shopis cum pertinentiis in feria Omnium Sanctorum Norhampton in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Henr. fil. Tehardi per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de quadam shopa cum pertinentiis in vico pellipariorum quam Galfridus Blundus de præfato Henrico tenuit in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Galfr. fil. Petri per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de xl. solidatis redditus cum pertinentiis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Venditionem insuper quam Bartholomeus fil. Ann-

ketill carnificis per scriptum suam fecit præfatis abbatissæ et monialibus de octo denaratis redditus percipiendis de quodam tenemento quod est in capite regni scamellorum carnificum. Concessionem eciam quam Achelina quæ fuit uxor Hugonis le Taillour per scriptum suum fecit prædictis monialibus de quinque solidatis redditus percipiendis de quadam domo et j. shopa quam prædicta Achelina habuit in vico pontis Norhampton. Venditionem insuper et quietam clamantiam quas Philippus filius Rogeri rotarii de Norhampton per cartam suam fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de quinque solidatis redditus percipiendis de illa domo cum pertinentiis jacente inter domum Henrici rotarii et domum quæ fuit Johannis Ray in vico pontis. Donationem, &c. quas Petronilla filia Roberti Gregore per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de quadam domo quam eadem Petronilla tenuit in vico feutrariorum. Concessionem, &c. quas Jacobus le Fisher de Norhampton et Juliana uxor ejus per scriptum suum fecerunt præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de illo mesuagio quod iidem Jacobus et Juliana de præfatis abbatissa et conventu tenuerunt in Norhampton in vico sancti Egidii juxta tenementum dominæ Aliciæ Peverel. Concessionem eciam quam Ricardus magister hospitalis sancti Johannis Norhampt. et fratres ejusdem domus per scriptum suum fecerunt præfatis abbatissæ et monialibus de quodam annuo redditu trium solidorum percipiendorum de prædictis magistro et fratribus et successoribus suis imperpetuum, per manus celerarii ejusdem hospitalis. Venditionem insuper quam Ernaldus de Brackeleye per scriptum suum fecit prædictis monialibus de v. solidatis redditus percipiendis de quadam domo et una shopa jacentibus juxta illam domum quam idem Ernaldus habuit in vico pontis Norhampton. Donationem, &c. quas Malculmus rex Scotorum per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de ecclesia de Fodringheia cum terris et decimis et omnibus ad illam pertinentibus in perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Willielmus rex Scotorum per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de prædicta ecclesia de Fodryngheye cum terris et decimis et omnibus ad illam pertinentibus in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Simon filius Ricardi de Fodryngheye per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de tribus acris terræ cum pertinentiis in Fodryngheye in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem insuper et confirmationem quas Simon filius Ricardi de Fodryngheye per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de j. tofto in Fodryngheye et de ij. acris prati in Femannesmede in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Simon fil. Ricardi de Fodryngheye per cartam suam fecit prædictis monialibus de una acra terræ jacente desuper Litlemore in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Simon fil. Ricardi de Fodryngheye per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de uno tofto cum pertinentiis in Fodryngheye in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Robertus fil. Reginaldi de Fodryngheie per cartam suam fecit prædictis monialibus de v. acris terræ cum pertinentiis in Fodryngheie in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem insuper, &c. quas Robertus fil. Reginaldi de Fodryngheye per cartam suam fecit prædictis monialibus de sex rodīs terræ jacentibus ex parte orientali de Holmssodegate in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam.

Donationem etiam, &c. quas Robertus fil. Reginaldi de Fodryngheia per cartam suam fecit prædictis monialibus de j. acra terræ jacente in Parkefeld in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Robertus fil. Reginaldi de Fodryngheia per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de sex acris terræ cum pertinentiis in Fodryngheie in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Robertus fil. Reginaldi de Fodryngheie per scriptum suum fecit prædictis monialibus de quatuor acris terræ et una domo cum tofto quæ fuerunt Frebernii in Fodryng. in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Robertus fil. Reginaldi de Fodryngheie per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de tribus acris prati cum pertinen. in Fremannesmedewe in puram liberam et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Robertus filius Reginaldi de Fodryngheie per scriptum fecit præfatis monialibus de quadam domo cum tofto in Fodryngheie in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas comes David frater regis Scociæ per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de dimidia acra terræ in Fodryngheie

Venditionem etiam et quietam clamantiam quas Willielmus fil. Lefwini de Fodryngheie per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de tribus solidatis redd. cum pertinentiis percipiendis de omnibus illis terris et tenementis quæ idem Willielmus tenuit in Fodryngheie. Concessionem, &c. quas Johannes de Bailliol per scriptum suum indentatum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de omnibus terris et tenuris, pratis et redditibus, et omnibus possessionibus et libertatibus quas habent et habere solebant de tenemento Roberti fil. Reginaldi et Simonis filii Ricardi in Fodryngheie. Conc. etiam quam idem Johannes fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui quod ipse et omnes earum successores et earum tenentes liberi et quieti sint ab omni secta curiæ ipsius Johannis de Fodryngaye; ac etiam de turno et de visu franciplegii et de amerciamentis omnium braciatorum et braciaticum in curia ipsius Johannis amerciandorum ad opus eorundem abbatissæ et conventus et eorum successorum habendis. Concessionem, &c. quam idem Johannes fecit eisdem monialibus et earum successoribus de libera curia sua habenda de omnibus tenentibus ipsarum monialium de omnibus querelis quæ movere poterunt aliquo tempore in curia prædicti Johannis quotienscunque contigerit aliquem illorum tenentium in eadem curia implacitari, excepta justitia de vita et membris. Donationem insuper, &c. quas Robertus fil. Reginaldi de Fodryngaye per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de quodam tofto quod Simon filius Bense tenuit in Fodryngheie in puram, liberam, et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem etiam, &c. quas Eudo Petich de Fodryngheie per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de sex denariatis annui redditus percipiendis de j. mesuagio cum curtilagio in Fodryngheie. Donationem, &c. quas Simon comes Norhampton per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de ecclesia de Barton, cum omnibus appenditiis suis, in hominibus, in terris, in pratis, in pascuis, in villa et extra; ac etiam de ecclesia de Dodinton, cum omnibus appenditiis suis, liberis, solutis, et quietis de omni terrena exactione vel consuetudine in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Hugo Linc. episcopus per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de duabus marcis in ecclesia de Barton quæ de earum advocacione est, annuatim, nomine perpetui beneficii percipiendis per manum Petri personæ illius ecclesiæ et successorum suorum qui pro tempore instanti fuerint in eadem. Donationem, &c. quas Rogerus fil. Syeri de Wllaston per cartam suam fecit præfatis abbatissæ et monialibus de toto tenemento ipsius Rogeri et redditu quæ Thomas Chelet et Simon Capun de prædicto Rogero tenuerunt in Barton, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; ac etiam de corporibus prædictorum Thomæ Chelet et Simonis Capun, cum omnibus catallis et rebus suis, et cum tota eorum sequela in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Rogerus filius Syeri de Wolaston per cartam suam fecit prædictis abbatissæ et monialibus de tresdecim solidatis et novem denaratis annui redd. in Barton, et de Thoma Chelet et Simone Capun, hominibus prædicti Rogeri, cum omnibus catallis suis, terra, et rebus, et cum tota sequela eorundem in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem quam Robertus de Chokes per scriptum suum fecit prædictis abbatissæ et monialibus de ecclesia de Wlvestone, cum omnibus appenditiis, et libertatibus, et consuetudinibus, ab omni exactione quieta in perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Hugo de Novoburgo per cartam suam fecit præfatis abbatissæ conventui de Woloveston, cum pertinen. quod Robertus de Chokes eis dedit et concessit, et de terra retro curiam earundem abbatissæ et conventus quam terram de me exigerunt in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Matheus de Bikesthorp per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de j. virgata terræ, cum pertinen. in Wlveston quam Osbertus de Colworth tenuit, cum corpore ipsius Osberti et cum secta sua. Concessionem, &c. quas Robertus de Novoburgo per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de j. virgata terræ cum pertinentiis in Wlveston. Relaxationem, &c. quas Matheus de Bykestrop per scriptum suum fecit prædictis abbatissæ et monialibus de homagio et servicio ac etiam consuetudinibus quæ prædictus Matheus habuit vel habere potuit in terris quas magister Radulfus quondam offic. Oxon. tenuit de dono prædicti Mathei in Wolaveston, et extra, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Robertus de Novoburgo per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de cultura de dominico suo de Northyrne in Wolaston, cum pertinentiis, in

liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Rogerus de Novoburgo per cartam suam fecit prædictis monialibus de terra quæ est retro domos earum inter duas vias et pratum quod vocatur Utinediche in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Sampson fil. Sampsonis per cartam suam fecit prædictis monialibus de duobus mesuagiis cum pertinentiis in Wllaveston in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Sampson filius Sampsonis per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de duobus mesuagiis, et viginti et duabus acris terræ, et una cultura vocata Gerscroft, et de prato vocato Brintyngesholm cum pertinentiis in Wllaveston, et de quatuor bobus et duabus vaccis in dominica pastura domini, cum dominicis bobus ipsius Sampsonis pascendis, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Radulfus clericus per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de tota terra et redditu cum pertinentiis quos habuit in Wllaveston, sine aliquo retinemento, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Willielmus Fauconberge de Strixton per cartam suam fecit præfatis abbatissæ et monialibus de j. mesuagio cum pertinentiis in Wolaveston, quod Aylebold aliquando tenuit, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Willielmus de Bray de Wolaveston per scriptum suum fecit prædictis abbatissæ et conventui de sex solidatis annui redd. percipiendis de duobus cotlandis in Nedham in Wolaveston. Remissionem etiam et quietam clamantiam quas Robertus Tumby de Wolaston per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de toto jure et clamio quæ habuit vel habere potuit in j. mesuagio cum pertinentiis in Wolaveston. Concessionem, &c. quas Robertus capellanus filius Roberti Abovetoune per scriptum suum fecit abbatissæ et monialibus de toto jure et clamio quæ habuit vel habere poterit in quodam tofto cum crofto, cum pertinentiis, in Wllaveston, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Johannes de Yrecestre capellanus per cartam suam fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de duabus domibus cum pertinentiis in Wolaveston in liberam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Willielmus fil. Simonis de Wllaston per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de duobus mesuagiis cum croftis et aliis pertinentiis suis in Wllaveston, in vico vocato Nedham, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Rogerus fil. Baldewini per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et monialibus de j. mesuagio cum pertinentiis in Wollaveston juxta cimiterium. Donationem, &c. quam Hugo per scriptum suum fecit prædictis abbatissæ et monialibus de ecclesia de Philegrave, et de duabus virgatis et dimid. et duabus acris terræ, et de quatuor mansuris liberis, et ab omni exactione quietis in perpetuam elemosinam. Relaxationem etiam et quietam clamantiam quas Willielmus filius Alexandri de Syrinton per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et monialibus de toto jure quod habuit in advocatione ecclesiæ de Philegrave, et de omnibus terris quas dictæ abbatissa et moniales habuerunt in eadem villa. Remissionem, &c. quas Johannes filius Johannis clerici de Teryngeham per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et monialibus de toto jure et clamio quæ habuit vel habere poterit in advocatione ecclesiæ de Philegrave, et in omnibus terris et tenementis, pratis, et redd. et omnibus aliis possessionibus prædictæ ecclesiæ spectantibus. Donationem, &c. quas Giffardus de Teringeham per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de dimid. virgata terræ cum pertinentiis in Philegrave in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Hamo fil. Menifel per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de ecclesia de Fifhida cum pertinentiis in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Will. fil. Hamonis per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de ecclesia de Fifhida cum pertinentiis quam Hamo pater prædicti Willielmi eisdem monialibus dedit in liberam, &c. elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Rogerus de Clara comes Hertfordiæ fecit præfatis monialibus de ecclesia de Brotona in perpetuam, &c. elemosinam. Confirmationem etiam quam Robertus Linc. episcopus per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de ecclesia de Broicona cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Reginaldus fil. Thori de Bruthon per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de dimidia virgata terræ et de tofto cum pertinentiis quod Will. Sprot tenuit in Bruthon in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quam Alex. fil. Reginaldi de Bromton per scriptum suum fecit præfatis ab-

batissæ et conventui de decem solidatis annui redd. percipiendis de terra quam Willielmus Archur et Alicia uxor ejus prædictis abbatissæ et conventui dederunt. Donationem, &c. quas Willielmus Archur de Bromton et Alicia uxor ejus per cartam suam fecerunt præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de tota terra sua cum domibus et mansionem crofto et omnibus aliis pertinentiis in Bromton in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quam M. rex Scociæ per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de una carecta singulis diebus habenda propter boscum ad ignem earum refocillandum ambulante in boscode Yerdele. Concessionem, &c. quas comes David frater regis Scociæ per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de j. carecta errante ad focaliam attrahendam in nemore prædicti comitis de Yerdele pro necessariis domui suæ ministrandis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. etiam quas comes Simon per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de quadam biga ipsarum monialium errante in nemore ipsius comitis de Yerdelay singulis diebus ab omni servicio in perpetuam liberam et quietam elemosinam. Resignationem insuper quam Stephanus de Ekethon per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de toto jure quod habuit in ecclesia de Draitona et de decimis obventionibus et aliis pertinentiis. Ractificationem etiam et confirmationem quas Steph. filius Stephani de Eketuna per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de Draitona cum pratis pascuis et omnibus libertatibus suis. Donationem, &c. quas Beatrix de Bluevilla per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de uno tofto uno crofto et quatuor selionibus terræ cum pertinentiis in Draiton in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Stephanus de Blokevile per scriptum suum fecit prædictis monialibus de uno tofto cum crofto et quatuor selionibus terræ cum pertinentiis in Draiton in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Petrus Poer per scriptum suum fecit prædictis abbatissæ et conventui de tribus solidatis annui redd. percipiendis de domo et curia quas Radulfus molendinarius de præfato Petro tenuit in Draiton in liberam, &c. elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quam Robertus de Betona advocatus Attrebatensis per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et monialibus de j. marcata redd. de ecclesia de Gayton singulis annis percipienda in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Simon fil. Simonis de Brikelesworthe per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de homagio et servicio hæredum Simonis fil. Hugonis molendinarii de Brikelesworth, et de redditu viginti solidorum, quos iidem hæredes reddere solebant præfato Simoni fil. Simonis et Hugoni de Clahalle, percipiendo de molendino vocato Kyngesmulne, et de servicio et redditu viginti denariorum percipiendis de j. virgata terræ quam prædictus Simon fil. Hugonis tenuit, et de servicio et redd. duodecim denariorum percipiendis de prato de Clyntewellesic quod prædictus Simon fil. Hugonis tenuit in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Johannes de Verdun de Brikelishoorde per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de homagio serviciis et redd. prædictis in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas prædictus Simon fil. Simonis miles dominus de Brikelesworth per cartam suam fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de duabus virgatis terræ cum pertinentiis in Briclesworth et de j. cultura vocata Kolesdich et de prato de Stanwade in prædicta villa de Breclsworth, et de pastura octo averiorum et unius equi in hayis prædicti Simonis; habendum in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Simon fil. Simonis fil. Petri per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de tota decinia de expensis domus ipsius Simonis, et de decem solidis percipiendis de molendino Rogeri de Briclesworthe, et de j. virgata terræ in Briclesworth quam Alelwinus Budellus tenuit, et de eodem Alelwino et pueris suis, et de j. cultura vocata Rollesdik, et de prato de Stanwade, et de octo animalibus et j. equo habendo in hayis ipsius Simonis in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas prædictus Simon per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de decem solidatis redd. percipiendis de molendino ipsius Simonis vocato le Kingesmulne in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Robertus de Leicestria per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de redd. duorum solidorum quem Herbertus capellanus præfato Roberto debuit de domo sua in vico Pontis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Agnes fil. Walteri de Briclesworth per cartam suam fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de illa do-

mo cum shopa et ædificiis et omnibus aliis pertinentiis quæ eadem Agnes emit de Ernaldo Brakkele et Juliana uxore ejus. Concessionem, &c. quas Robertus de Leicestria per cartam suam fecit præfato conventui de capitali messuagio Ernulfi Surmult ante hospitale sancti Johannis Baptistæ. Concessionem, &c. quas Simon fil. Edwardi de Stoches per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de terra de Harelea quam pater prædicti Simonis illis dedit in perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Ricardus fil. Simonis de Stoches per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de terra de Herlea quam prædictus Simon pater suus et Edwardus pater prædicti Simonis dederunt præfatis monialibus in perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Johannes de Bid. per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de terra de Harleie quam Edwardus de Stoches et Simon fil. ejus dederunt præfatis monialibus in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Petrus de Golditun per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de viginti acris de terra in Surre juxta terram quam prædictæ moniales habent in Arlei in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Robertus fil. Nicholai de Haweresham per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de dimidia acra prati proxima post pratum avunculi ipsius Roberti in magno Hulmo, et de dimidia summa tritici percipienda in unaquaque quadragesima in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Hugo de Haversham per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de octo acris terræ in Herlei et de septem acris terræ ubi Robertus de Hernesdene juxta Totale et de j. acra prati in prato ipsius Hugonis de Langford in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Traditionem, &c. quas Petrus de Staning per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de toto jure suo quod habuit in terra de Gare cum pertinentiis. Donationem, &c. quas Robertus de Salteya, per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de decem solidatis redditus percipiendis apud Stokes de terra quam Aiulfus tenuit in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quam Ricardus de Bosvile per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de aliqua domo in loco vocato la Gare per ipsum Ricardum non edificando. Concessionem, &c. quas Humf. de Basingburn per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de j. dimid. marcata redditus quam Willielmus de Lysures fil. et hæres Fulconis de Lysures dedit et concessit præfatis monialibus percipienda de manerio ipsius Humfridi de Abyndon in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Humfr. de Basingburn per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de j. dimid. marcata redd. quam Willielmus de Lysurs fil. et hæres Fulconis de Lysurs dedit et concessit præfatis monialibus percipienda de manerio ipsius Humfridi fil. Humfridi de Abydone in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Robertus Linc. episcopus per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et monialibus de xl. acris in Hertwelle quas Galfridus pater prædicti episcopi eis concessit cum sorore ejusdem episcopi et de ij. toftis in Hertwelle in perpetuam elemosinam. Ratificationem etiam quam Walkalinus Maminot per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus, de donatione xl. acrarum terræ quas Galfr. de Hertwella dedit præfatis monialibus et de duobus toftis in Hertwella quæ Simon filius ejus dedit præfatis monialibus in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Simon de sancto Licio frater comitis Simonis per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de uno prato in Cunintona vocato Huthere-Lidehalch in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Confirmationem etiam quam Simon comes Norhampton per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de quodam prato in Cuningtona vocato Huthere-Litlehaleu quod Simon frater prædicti comitis concessit eisdem monialibus in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Matill. de Honitune uxor Ricardi del Pett per cartam suam fecit prædictis monialibus de terra cum mesuagio quæ Ailmarus in Branfeld de præfata Matill. tenuit in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Willielmus Grimbalt per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de mesuagio et terra quæ Ailmarus tenuit in Branfeld in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Rogerus Fab. fil. Johannis Fabri de Branfeld et Isabella uxor ejus per scriptum suum fecerunt prædictis monialibus de v. solidatis redditus percipiendis de uno mesuagio in Branfeld quod Willielmus fil. Radulfi ad firmam de præfatis Rogero et Isabella tenuit, et de duabus acris terræ in campis de Dudington Parva, quas prædictus Willielmus tenuit in liberam, &c. elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Rogerus Faber de

Bramfeld et Isabella uxor ejus per scriptum suum fecerunt prædictis monialibus de v. solidatis redditus de duabus acris terræ cum pertinentiis in Parva Dodynton annuatim percipiendis in puram, &c. elem. Donationem, &c. quas Robertus Basset de Riston miles per scriptum suum fecit prædictis monialibus de viginti solidatis redditus in villa de Riston; scilicet quindecim solidatis redd. percipiendis de terris et tenementis quæ Stephanus Carpentarius de præfato Roberto tenuit in eadem villa et quinque solidatis redditue percipiendis de terris et tenementis quæ Radulfus Faber de præfato Roberto tenuit in eadem villa in liberam, &c. elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Robertus fil. Roberti Basset de Riston per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de viginti solidatis redditus in villa de Riston. Concessionem, &c. quas idem Robertus fil. Roberti Basset de Riston per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de prædictis viginti solidatis redd. in liberam, &c. elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Ricardus de Standewell clericus per cartam suam fecit præfatis abbatissæ et monialibus de quinque solidatis redditus cum pertinentiis in Standewell annuatim solvendis per manus prædicti Ricardi et hæredum suorum, et percipiendis de messuagio in quo situs est furnus et iij. parte j. virg. terræ quæ Andreas Furnarius tenuit de prædicto Ricardo in liberam, &c. elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Letia fil. Adæ de Staldewell per cartam suam fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de j. tofto cum crofto, quod Simon clericus frater prædictæ Lecie ei dedit in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Hugo fil. Mathei de Lodyngton per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de tota illa terra quam prædictus Hugo emit de Radulfo de Hastinkis in villa de Walda cum omnibus pertinentiis et quam Hugo Pilet tenuit; et de tota illa terra quam prædictus Hugo emit de Jordano Britone de Wanda, et de j. mess. cum pertinen. in eadem villa et de dimidia acra terræ cum pertinen. in campis de Waude quæ jacet propè Mavennellegate. Concessionem, &c. quas Radulfus de Hastenges de Waude per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de illa dimidia virgata terræ cum pertinentiis in campis de Walda quam Hugo Pilet quondam tenuit in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Matill. de Paeli per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de redd. dimidiæ marcæ in villa de Walda quem eadem Matill. emit de prædictis monialibus in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Remissionem, &c. quas Juliana et Alicia fil. Simonis fil. Mathei Fabri de Lodyngton per scriptum suum fecerunt præfatis abbatissæ et monialibus de toto jure et clamio quod habuerunt in uno tofto et dimid. virgata et dimidia acra terræ cum pertinentiis in Lodyngton in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Jordanus Brito de Waude per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de j. messuagio et j. dimidia acra terræ in Waude in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Agatha Trussebut per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de quatuor bovatis terræ cum pertinentiis; videlicet, de ij. bovatis terræ cum pertinentiis in Brandeston quas Hugo filius Willielmi de Brandeston quondam tenuit de præfata Agatha, et de ij. bovatis terræ cum pertinentiis in Faleclive, quas Johannes fil. Alberni de prædicta Agatha tenuit in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Robertus de Tenethebrai et Avelina uxor ejus per scriptum suum fecerunt præfatis monialibus de ij. virgatis terræ in Shirintunia. Concessionem, &c. quas Adam de Cokefeld et Lucia uxor ejus per scriptum suum fecerunt præfatis monialibus de terra quam Robertus de Tenethebrai et Avelina uxor ejus dederunt præfatis monialibus in villa de Shirington in perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Robertus de Cokefeld per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de illo dono quod domina Lucia de Cokefeld avia prædicti Roberti præfatis monialibus concessit de tribus solidatis redditus annuatim percipiendis de tenemento quod Gervasius Pistor tenuit in villa de Shirington in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas R. filius Hugonis per cartam suam fecit prædictis monialibus de xx. solidatis annui redditus percipiendis in Braibrok et Turnebia in perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Ricardus fil. Roberti fil. Hugonis per cartam suam fecit prædictis monialibus de xx. solidatis annui redd. percipiendis in Braibrok, et in Turnebia in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Henr. de Braibrok per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de

quatuor marcatis redd. et dimid. percipiendis de tenementis quæ Ricardus de Farthingest de ipso Henrico tenuit in villa de Evenle in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Henr. de Braybrok per scriptum suum fecit prædictis monialibus, de molendino ipsius Henrici de Bollebrichulle cum toto situ et stagno et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Wyscardus Ledet per scriptum suum fecit prædictis monialibus de omni eo quod Henr. de Braybrok pater prædicti Wiscardi eisdem monialibus dedit et concessit; scilicet de molendino de Bollebrikhull cum toto situ et stagno et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et de quatuor marcatis redd. et dimid. in Evenle in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Kelina filia Joannis fil. Eudonis de Rothewell per cartam suam fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de j. domo cum pertinentiis in Rothewell quam Brito quondam tenuit, et de j. domo cum pertinentiis quam Cospis tenuit in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Nicholaus de Cirencestr. vicar. de Rowll per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et conventui de duabus solidatis et septem denaratis annui redd. quas Johannes de Waude præfato Nicholao solebat reddere annuatim pro illis duabus scoppis quas idem Nicholaus emit de Rogero de Phytesle et de Rogero Cissore in Rowll in liberam et perpetuam elemos. Donationem, &c. quas Nicholaus de Cirecestr. vicar. de Rowel per scriptum suum fecit prædictis monialibus de illo messuagio cum crofto quod Willielmus de Warneville præfato Nicholao dedit in Rothewell, et de domo et curia quam Willielmus Brion quondam tenuit in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Agnes de Vesey per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et monialibus de uno tofto et crofto in Stapelford, et de v. bovatis terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Remissionem, &c. quas Radulfus Pippard per scriptum suum fecit præfatis monialibus de toto jure et clamio quod prædictus Radulfus habuit vel habere potuit in j. mes. et v. bovatis terræ cum pertinentiis in Stapelford in com. Leycestr. quæ prædictæ moniales tenent de dono et feoffamento Agnetis de Vesey. Donationem, &c. quas Johannes de Chanesin per scriptum suum fecit præfatis abbatissæ et monial. de j. virg. terræ in Wykyngeston, cum tofto et crofto, et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis ad prædictam virgatam terræ pertinentibus. Concessionem, &c. quas Aleys de Campann per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de donatione quam Johannes de Chanesin, pater prædictæ Aleys, et Petronilla mater ejus, prius fecerunt prædictis monial. de una virgata terræ in Wykyngeston, cum tofto et crofto, et omnibus pertinentiis suis, et de quatuordecim solidatis redd. percipiendis annuatim de illa virgata terræ quam Johannes de Wykyngeston fil. Toldewini tenuit. Concessionem, &c. quas Aleys de Campann fil. prædicti Johannis de Chanesin fecit prædictis monialibus de prædictis xiiij. solidis de Johanne Fabro percipiendis. Donationem, &c. quas Nichol. de Bernewell per cartam suam fecit præfatis abbatissæ et monial. de ij. mess. et ij. virgatis terræ cum pertinentiis in Doston quæ præfatus Nicholaus emit de Willielmo de Cauz in perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Eustachius de Foleville per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de j. virgata terræ in Esseby-Folville cum pertinentiis quam Robertus Weke de præfato Eustachio tenuit et de ipso Roberto nativo suo, cum omni sequela sua et omnibus catallis suis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas Lucia de Mungumery per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de j. virg. terræ cum pertinentiis in villa de Leyke quam Ricardus fil. Edmundi tenuit, et de ipso Ricardo cum tota secta sua in lib. et perpetuam elemosinam. Donationem, &c. quas W. comes Albemarle fecit prædictis monialibus de dimid. marcata redd. in Hedonie percipienda. Donationem, &c. quas Henr. de Pynkeney per cartam suam fecit præfatis abbatissæ et monialibus de octo virgatis terræ cum pertinentiis in Barton; scilicet de illa virgata terræ quam Johannes fil. Galfridi tenuit, et de illa virgata terræ quam Willielmus fil. Johannis tenuit, et de illa virgata terræ quam Thomas molendinarius tenuit, et de illa dimid. virg. terræ quam Hugo fil. Galfridi tenuit, et de illa dimid. virgata terræ quam Gilbertus fil. Willielmi tenuit, et de illa dimid. virgata terræ quam Willielmus fil. Petri tenuit, et de illa dimid. virg. terræ quam Robertus filius Johannis tenuit, et de illa dimid. virgata terræ quam Ricardus de

Donyngton tenuit, et de illa dimidia virgata terræ quam Simon Poket tenuit, et de illa dimid. virgata terræ quam Johannes fil. Willielmi tenuit, et de illa dimid. virg. terræ quam Robertus fil. Willielmi tenuit, et de illa dimidia virgata terræ quam Adam fil. Hugonis tenuit, et de illa dimidia virgata terræ quam Willielmus fil. Hugonis tenuit, et de omnibus dictis villanis dicta villenagia tenentibus, cum omnibus sequelis et catallis suis, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Rogerus filius Ivonis de Dutleburc et Matill. uxor ejus per cartam suam fecerunt præfatis monialibus de v. solidatis redd. percipiendis annuatim de præfatis Rogero et Matill. et hæredibus suis de ten. ipsorum Rogeri et Matill. in Seenges. Donationem, &c. quas Willielmus fil. Henr. de Cugenho per cartam suam fecit præfatis monial. de decimatione panum ipsius Willielmi habenda eo modo quo pater prædicti Willielmi eis dedit et concessit in perpetuam elemosinam. Concessionem, &c. quas Thomas fil. Johannis de Suthwick per cartam suam fecit præfatis monialibus de ij. acris terræ de dominico ipsius Thomæ in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, ratas habentes et gratas, &c. confirmamus sicut cartæ et scripta prædicta rationabiliter testantur, &c. Dat. per manum nostram apud Norhampton xvij. die Maii.

NUM. II.

Carta Simonis de Sancto Licio.

[Ex autographo in bibl. Cottoniana.]

SIMON de sancto Licio frater comitis Symonis universis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et concessisse, et hac præsentī carta confirmasse, Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ de Prato Northamptoniæ, et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute animæ meæ, et animæ patris mei et omnium antecessorum meorum, et pro anima Symonis nepotis mei, unum pratum in Cumtona, quod vocatur Huthere Lidehaleh, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, ad luminare ejusdem ecclesiæ. His testibus, comitissa Adelyz de Gaund, Ric. de Pec. Arneis. de Nevilla, Willielmo fil. Hugonis, Andrea Muschant, Rogero capellano, Tom. de Barton, Pagano hostiario, Tom. le Butiler.

NUM. III.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

ABB'IA DE PAT' MONIALIU' JUXTA NORTHAMPTON'.

CLEMENCIA Abbissa Incumbens ibm.

Valet in

Temporalia.

Scitus Abbie cum Terr' Dñicalibz.

Exit' et pñic' omn' et singlor' terr', p'ator', pastur' dñicaliu' vocat' Demayns, cum ort' gardin' infra scitum abbie simul in man' et occupacone abbiss' et convent', et nunqam p'ius arrentat' et modo p' vis' inquis' et scrutac' tam dict' comiss' qam 12^{cem} homiū jurat' valuat' p' annu'

19l. 6s. 8d.

Reddit' in Com' Northampt'.

Reddit' et Firm' in dñvs' Villis et Hamlett' in Com' Northampton' p' annu', videlicet

In Hardyngston cum 8l. de firm' molendin' aquatic' 31l. 4s. 11½d. Weston 11s. Northmpt' 3l. 19s. Wollerton 7l. 7s. 8d. Barton 9l. 5s. Rushdon, Haṽsham, Shern-ton, cum cert' al' villis in com' p'dcō 12l. 1s. 3d.

64l. 8s. 10½d.

83l. 15s. 6½d.

Sṽualia.

Rectorie cu' Penc'.

Decim' oblaṽoibz Penc' cum aliis pñic' Sṽual' cōibz ann', viz

Firm' rector' de Kyllerston 20l. Firm' rector' de Barton 14l. Decim' in Scruton 1l. 13s. 4d. Firm' rector' de Dodington 10l. Pencōne ecclie de Draughton 1l. 6s. 8d. Pencōne ecclie de Filgrave 10s. Penc' ecclie de Gaiton

13s. 4d. Pençõne ecclie de Wollerston 10s. Et penc' ecclie de Fyshed 1l. 6s. 8d.	50l. 0s. 0d.				£. s. d.
133l. 15s. 6½d.					
Inde in					
Repris'.					
Resolut' Redd'.					
Resoluc' reddit' dño regi p terr' in Barton p am	0l. 5s. 0d.				
Eidm dño regi p molendin' vocat' Quenesmylne p am	0l. 2s. 0d.				
Prior' Sçi Andree p terr' in Northampton'	0l. 14s. 0d.				
Et decan' ac canonic' Leicestr' p terr' in Wollerston p d'	0l. 2s. 3d.				
1l. 3s. 3d.					
Penc' cum Sinod' et Pcur'.					
Pençõn' annua solut' eþo Lincoln' p am	1l. 6s. 8d.				
Sinodal' et pcurac' solut' archid' Northampton p annu' p ecclis de Wollerston, Dodington, et Barton	1l. 2s. 8¼d.				
2l. 9s. 4¼d.					
Feoda Officiar'.					
Feod' Willi Gascoyn milit' capital' sen' dom' abbie p annu'	1l. 6s. 8d.				
Feod' Johis Spencer rec' reddit' supadict' p annu'	1l. 0s. 0d.				
Feod' Henr' Dudley audit' p annu'.	1l. 0s. 0d.				
3l. 6s. 8d.					
6l. 19s. 3¼d.					
Et reman' . . .	126l. 16s. 3¼d.				
Petiçõnes.					
D' quibz in stipend' capellan' celebrant' miss' et alia švic' divina ministrant' cotidie in monastio pdicto coram dicta abbiss, et monialibz p annu' . . .	5l. 6s. 8d.				
Et in stipend' capellan' celebrant' miss' un' die Septimanati in capella de Gore virtute composiçõis	0l. 13s. 4d.				
Et in elimos' dat' paupibz in cena Dñi tam in pmpt' deñiis 1s. 8d. qam in pan' et pisc' 1l. annuim ex pima fundac'	1l. 1s. 8d.				
Et in elimos' dat' paupibz annuatim de annišsar' dišs' benefact' domus abbie ex concession' eordm beñfact'	0l. 5s. 0d.				
Et reman' clare . . .	119l. 9s. 7¼d.				
Inde p xma . . .	11l. 18s. 11¼d.				
pcincte of the seid monri, valuyd to be letton to ferme by the yere at	1	6	8		
Item the medowe of the seid demeynes lyenge in Westecotton, called the Westemedede, the Dikkel, and Longe Dole, and in Hardington in the mede called Nunemedel, cont. among them by est 38 acr. lyenge comen when ye croppe or hey is gon, valued yerly at 5l. 14s. and in ye Ovheys and Nether Heys lyeng sevall all ye yere, by estimacõn 8 acr. 1l. 6s. 8d. in all yerly to be letten, ov and besidel on acr. in Nunemedeforseid called Lachemere, letton to John Green amongel other	7	0	8		
Item pasture sevall and enclosed pcellel of the demenes lyenge in dišs feldel subscribed, that is to say, in the Cowe Leys by estimacõn 20 acr. the Grete Hey by estimacõn 17 acr. Kyngelmore Close by estimac. 6 acr. and in Battel Acr. Close, wt. the Conyngrey, by estimac. 23 acr. in all 66 acr. ov and besidel 5 acr. in Fobbel Crofte, and a close by Seynt Leonard, letton forthe to	4	19	0		
Item in lees lyeng in ye comen fildel of Hardington and Westecotton forseid, by estimacõn 12 acr. and one rode, valued yerly to be letton	0	6	1½		
Item the erable grounde lyenge in ye Estefeld wtin the pisshe of Hardington, by estimacõn 53 acr. and in ye Westefeld wtin ye said pisshe by estimacõn 76 acr. and 3 roodel, in all 130 acr. and 3 roodel, at 6d. the acr. valued to be letton by yere, besidel 5 acr. in a pcell of grounde called the Pykes in Ballans Feld, letton to John Green by indentur amongel others	3	5	4		
John Green occupyeth at wiff from yere to yere one close of pasture by Seynt Leonardel, and payeth by yere	0	5	0		
Item in the estefeldel of Hardington, forseid, lyeth one pece togetherel, by estimacõn 32 acr. di. of erable londe, called Penylond, or Brokelonde, lett on amongel the tenantel of Hardington, forseid, from yere to yere, paynge therfore of yerly rente	0	16	3		
Sma of all the seid demeyne landel wh. 1l. 6s. 8d. for the scite and wt. 16s. 3d. for ye Penylond or Brokelond wt. all comens and shepegate belonging to the same	17	19	1		
P me Robtum BURGOYN.					

NUM. IV.

DELAPRE MONASTERY.

[Paper Surveys, temp. Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

The Scite of the late Monastery of Delapre nere Northm̃t', wt. the Demeyne Londel of ye same, sett, lyeng, and bienge wtin the Pisshe of Hardington in ye same Countie.

THE view and survey of the scite of the late monastie ther, with the demeane landel therunto belonginge, beeng in the abbes handel, and occupyenge at the surrendre and dissoluçõn of the seid late monastie, vyewd and surveyed by the kyngel officerel of his Courte of Augentac' in the countie of Northm̃ton mense Junii anno 31 r. Henr. 8.

£. s. d.

First, the scite of the seid late monastie, wt. all howses and buyldingel ther necessary to a fermor, wt. theis pcellel of grounde folowyng, called the Calves Close, the pigh-tell called the Marres, the Covent Orchard, the Okepittle, the Shepperdel Yard, the Barne Yard, the Churcheyardel, and the Pondyard, sett and beenge wtin and nere unto the

Md. ther is one yard lond in varyance, and claymed by one John Hicheokel Clerk pson of Broughton, whiche lond lyeth in ye feldel and pisshe of Hardington, forseid, and is worth by yere

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P me Robtum BURGOYN.

NUM. V.

[From a Pension Book, Augmentation Office.]

DELAPRAY PRIORY.

IN my right humble mañ. I have me comendyd vnto yo^r gudde mastershippe, certifying the same that I and M. doctor Baskerfylde have taken the surrendre of the lat. abbasse and covent of Dalapray, besyd Northampton, and whereas sche hadde obteynyed by the kingel ge chartre her howse shulde contynew, sche nevthelesse willingly consentyd vnto the sayd surrendre. Sche ys a very syklye and an agyd woman, and hath bene abbasse ther above xxx yeres, and hath lyvyd alwayel lyke a virtuose woman, and her howse in lyk man. wasse so well orderyd, that at the tyme of the surrendre, notw^tstanding her chardgel for the pcuring of the kingel

gē chartre, and paymeſe made for the same yerly besyd the tenth, yet all thinge ponderyd sche left herre howse in so gudd case as the guddes and catallys besyd the ledde and bellys wer able dischardge all man. of dettē they owz^t, wherefor in consideration of all the pmissē I and M. doctor Baskerfelde appoyntede unto herre a pension of 40*l*. by yere, the fyrst payment to begyn at o^r Lady Day lent next comyng for the oon half yere, and at the fest of Seynt Michael next comyng 20*l*. for the other half yere sche taketh upon herre to dischardg many dettē wich be nott chardgyd in herre to boke, and therfor in consideration sche ys worthy of the more favo^r. I beseh yo^r mastershipp to be gudd mast^r unto herre, for suerly sche cannott longe enioy thys pension sykenes and age so growyth upon herre. Thus I besceh Almyztie God long to p^rseve yo^r guddē masterschipp w^t increse of moch hono^r.

At Northampton 23 day Decēbris.

Yo^r bounden orato^r JOHN LONDⁿ.
Yo^r orator EDWARD BASKERVYLE.

Pensions assignede unto th'abbesse and the Sistres of Delapray besyd Northampton.

Clemens.Stocke abbatissa	.	.	xlii.
Elizabeth Welsch priorissa	.	.	liij ^s . iiij ^d .
Margareta Stokk	.	.	xl ^s .
Emma Smyzth	.	.	xxxiiij ^s . iiij ^d .
Grace Smyzth	.	.	xxvj ^s . viij ^d .
Elizabeth Nyztinas	.	.	xx ^s .
Elizabeth Haywarde	.	.	xx ^s .
Margarete Doydy	.	.	xx ^s .
Dorothere Barnard	.	.	xx ^s .

Yo^r bounden orato^r JOHN LONDON.
Yo^r orato^r EDWARD BASKERVYLE.

NUM. VI.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Transcript of Roll, 31 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

DELAPRE, NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Northton.	£.	s.	d.
Hardynston—Reddit. assis.	0	6	0
Hardynston—Reddit. tenen. ad vol.	19	7	0
Hardynston—Diversæ firmæ	6	15	8
Hardynston—Firma molend	8	13	4
Hardynston—Perquis. cur.	0	1	2

Wollaston—Reddit. tenen. ad vol.	3	1	6
Wollaston—Diversæ firmæ	4	7	4
Wollaston—Firma rector.	20	0	0
Wollaston—Firma x ^m . agn.	0	3	4
Strixton—Firma x ^{mar}	1	13	4
Wollaston—Pensio	0	10	0
Barton Yarlis et Dodyngton—Redd. ten. ad vol.	9	19	3
Barton Yarlis—Firma rector.	14	0	0
Dodyngton—Firma rector	10	0	0
Northampton Vill. &c.—Reddit.	1	12	10
Northampton Vill.—Mesuag. et cotag.	0	18	0
Brixworth—Mesuag. et cotag.	1	4	0
Kyngsthorpe—Mesuag. et terr.	0	4	0
Duston—Mesuag. et terr.	1	12	0
Northampton Vill.—Mesuag.	0	13	8
Dodyngton—Mesuag.	1	0	0
Gayton—Pensio	0	13	4
Scaldewell—Terr.	0	1	5
Scaldewell—Redd. ten. ad vol.	2	3	2
Broughton—Redd.mess.et terr.	0	3	0
Arden Close—Reddit.	0	13	4
Rushton—Terr. ten. &c.	0	8	0
Hertwell — Tenementum cum clauso	0	9	0
Draughton—Pensio	1	6	8
Buck. Fylgrave—Reddit. assis.	0	5	0
Leic. Wyxston—Terr.	0	10	0
Ashby Fulwell—Terr.	0	10	0
Buck. Stapleford—Cotag. et terr.	0	16	8
Stokegoldington—Terr. et ten.	0	10	0
Amersham—Reddit. prati	0	2	0
Sheryngton—Mesuag. et terr.	1	2	0
Filgrave—Pensio rector	0	10	0
Fifhed—Pensio rector	1	6	8
Northton. Delapre—Firma terr. dominical.	16	17	10
Delapre—Redd. juxta sanctum Leonardum	0	5	0
Hardingston—Cotag.dimiss. per indenturam	0	11	8
Hardingston—Terr. vocat. Pen-nyland	0	16	3
Buck. Gorefield—Firma pastur.	2	6	8

MONASTERIES
OF
THE CISTERCIAN ORDER.



Cistercian Monk.

OF THE

CISTERCIAN ORDER.

ANOTHER branch of the Benedictines was called CISTERCIANS, from Cistertium or Cisteaux in the bishoprick of Chalons in Burgundy, where this order was begun, A. D. 1098, by Robert, abbat of Molesme in that province; but brought into repute by Stephen Harding, an Englishman, third abbat of Cisteaux, who is therefore reckoned the principal founder.

They were also called BERNARDINES, from St. Bernard, who was abbat of Clairvaux or Clareval, in the diocese of Langres, about A. D. 1116, and a great promoter of this Order; and WHITE MONKS, from the colour of their habit, which was a white cassock, with a narrow scapulary, and over that a black gown when they went abroad, but a white one when they went to church.

Fuller in his Worthies, book iii. p. 164, makes the Bernardines to be a stricter Order of Cistercians.

The monasteries of the Cistercians, which became very numerous in a short time, were generally founded in solitary and uncultivated places, and all dedicated to the blessed Virgin. It was a rule with the Cistercians not to allow another house, even of their own Order, to be built within a certain distance.

These monks came into England about A. D. 1128, and had their first house at Waverley in Surrey.

In the twenty-sixth of Henry the Eighth, the number of Cistercian abbies, of which thirty-six were amongst the Greater Monasteries, amounted to seventy-five; beside twenty-six Cistercian Nunneries. Of the latter, one only was endowed with more than two hundred pounds per annum.

The total of the revenues of the Cistercian houses amounted to 1869*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.*^a

Besides these, various Cells occur, some of which must be made distinct articles in the present work; though many were connected so closely with the parent monasteries as to have been little more than Granges.

Stevens, in his Continuation of the Monasticon, has translated a long History "of the Original and Progress of the Order of the Cistercians," from the French.^b It is omitted here, as throwing but little light on the history of the English Houses.

The rules and regulations of the Order, as printed by Dugdale, with the various bulls of confirmation and privilege assembled by Stevens, will be found at the end of the present account.

Stevens has likewise given a Catalogue of the learned men of the order of the Cistercians in England: thirty-six in number.

^a See Tanner's Pref. to the Notitia Monastica, pref. p. ix.

^b Hist. des Ordres Monast. &c. tom. v. pp. 341, 373.

^c The reader who wishes to make further researches into the history of the Cistercian Order may consult the following manuscripts in the Cottonian and Harleian collections:

In the Cottonian Collection.

Aug. II. fol. 120. The bull of privileges granted by Pope Lucius III. Lat. Verona, A. D. 1184. Ibid. foll. 133, 134. Two bulls of Pope Innocent IV. Lat. Lugd. 5 kal. Apr. 1249.

INCIPIT RELATIO QUALITER INCEPIT ORDO CISTERCIENSIS.

[Ex Regist. de Bellalunda penes Joh. Rusheworth armig. A. D. 1653.]

Nos Cistercienses primi hujus ecclesiæ fundatores successoribus nostris stilo præsentî notificamus quam canonicè, quanta auctoritate, à quibus etiam personis, quibusque temporibus cœnobium et tenor vitæ illorum exordium sumpserit, ut hujus rei propalata sincera veritate tenaciùs et locum et observationem sanctæ regulæ in eo à nobis per Dei gratiam utcumque inchoatum ament, pro nobisque qui pondus diei et æstus indefessè sustinuimus orent, in arta et angusta via quam regula demonstrat usque ad exalationem Spiritus desudent, quatinus deposita carnis sarcina in requie sempiterna fæliciter pausent.

Exordium Cisterciensis Cœnobii.

ANNO ab incarnatione Domini millesimo nonagesimo octavo beatæ memoriæ Robertus Molismensis ecclesiæ in episcopatu Lingonensi fundatæ primus abbas, et quidam ejusdem cœnobii fratres ad venerabilem Hugonem tunc apostolicæ sedis legatum ac Lugdunensis ecclesiæ archiepiscopum venerunt, vitam suam sub custodia sanctæ regulæ patris Benedicti se ordinaturos pollicentes, et idcirco ad hoc liberiùs exequendum ut eis et sui juvaminis apostolicæque auctoritatis robur porrigeret constanter flagitantes. Quorum votis legatus ille lætanter favens tali epistola exordii eorum fundamentum jecit.

Nero C. III. fol. 183. Confirmatio R. Henrici III. bullæ Lucii Papæ, Ordini Cisterciensi concessæ; ut de laboribus quos propriis manibus aut sumptibus excolunt, nemini decimas solvere teneantur.

Nero A. XI. fol. 1. Charta Charitatis sive Decretum Stephani abbatis, et fratrum suorum: de regulis ab abbatibus et monachis Ordinis Cisterciensis observandis. Sæc. XIII.

Vitall. E. V. fol. 193. Bulla Alexandri IV. et Innocentii Paparum, de juribus Cisterciensis Ordinis conservandis.

Vesp. A. XVI. fol. 17. Epistola duorum cardinalium quos papa auditores et provisos constituebat de quadam lite orta inter Cistercienses, ex detentione cujusdam abbatis capitulo generali relinquenda.

Vesp. A. VI. fol. 54 b. Index temporum quibus fundata erant monasteria Cisterciensium monachorum ab anno 1098 ad annum 1247.

Faust. B. VII. fol. 36. Nomina abbatiarum Ordinis Cisterciensium numero CCC.LXVIII. et a quo tempore fundatæ erant: i. e. ab anno 1114 ad an. 1190. Postea continuantur ad annum 1234.

In the Harleian Collection.

Num. 2866. art. 3. Ordo ad monachum nigrum vel Cistercien. faciendum abbatem.

Num. 2937. Ordinale seu rituale Cisterciensium. Codex membr. in 12^{mo}. Sæc. XV.

Num. 3708. Statua Ordinis Cisterciensis compilata anno 1289 et 1300. Sæc. XIV.

The argument of this work, which is distributed into 15 portions, is thus described on the first leaf:

1	2	3	4	5	6
Ordinat, indulget, fundat, sacrat, canit, unit,					
7	8	9	10	11	
Corripit, ac visit, operatur, iter, recepitque,					
12	13	14	15		
Contrahit, ac victum, commissos, et moniales.					

Num. 3898. 1. Charta Caritatis: cum xv. definitionibus, seu determinationibus de Regulis Ordinis Cisterciensis, A. D. 1262. Sæc. XIII.

2. Clementina Constitutio de Ordine Cisterciensi, scilicet Clementis IV. Papæ. Libellus perfectus et bene scriptus.

Epistola Hugonis legati.

HUGO Lugdunensis archiepiscopus et apostolicæ sedis legatus Roberto Molismensi abbati et fratribus cum eo secundum regulam sancti Benedicti Deo servire cupientibus. Notum sit omnibus de sanctæ matris ecclesiæ profectu gaudentibus, vos et quosdam filios vestros Molismensis cœnobii fratres Lugduni in nostra præsentia astitisse, ac regulæ beatissimi Benedicti quam illuc tepidè ac negligenter in eodem monasterio tenuerant, arctiùs deinceps atque perfectiùs inhærere velle professos fuisse. Quodque in loco prædicto pluribus impediens causis constat adimplere non posse. Nos utriusque partis salutis; videlicet inde recedentium, atque illuc remeantium providentes, in locum alium quem vobis divina largitas designaverit, vos declinare, ibique salubriùs atque quietiùs domino famulari utile duximus fore. Vobis ergo tunc præsentibus Roberto abbati, fratribus quoque Alberico, Otoni, et Johanni, Stephano, Letaldo et Petro, sed et omnibus quos regulariter et communi consilio vobis sociare decreveritis hoc factum propositum servare et tunc consuluimus, et ut in hoc perseveretis præcipimus, et auctoritate apostolica per sigilli nostri impressionem imperpetuum confirmamus.

De egressu Cisterciensium de Molismo, et de adventu eorum ad Cistercium; ac de Monasterio quod inceperunt.

POST hæc talia ac tanta antedictus abbas et sui auctoritate freti Molismum redierunt, et de illo religioso fratrum collegio socios votum in regula habentes elegerunt, ita ut inter eos qui legato Lugduni fuerant locuti et illos qui de cœnobio vocati xx. et unus monachi essent, talique stipati comitatu ad hæremum quæ Cistercium dicebatur, alacriter tetenderunt. Qui locus in episcopatu Cabilonensi situs, et pro nemorum et spinarum tunc temporis opacitate accessui hominum insolitus a solis feris inhabitabatur. Ad quem viri Dei venientes, locumque illum tanto religioni quam animo jamque conceperant et propter quam illuc advenerant habiliorem quanto secularibus despicabiliorem et inaccessibilem intelligentes, nemoris et spinarum densitate prescisa ac remota, monasterium ibidem voluntate Cabilonensis episcopi et consensu illius cujus ipse locus erat construere cœperunt. Nam viri isti apud Molismum sæpiùs inter se Dei gratia de transgressione regulæ beati Benedicti patris monachorum loquebantur, conquerebantur, contristabantur videntes se cæterosque monachos hanc regulam sollempni professione servaturos promisisse, eamque minimè custodisse, et ob hoc, perjurii crimen scienter incurrisse, et propter hoc apostolicæ sedis legati auctoritate uti prælibavimus, ad hanc solitudinem ut professionem suam observantia sanctæ regulæ adimplerent veniebant. Tunc dominus Oto dux Burgundiæ sancto fervore eorum delectatus, sanctæque Romanæ ecclesiæ præscripti legati literis rogatus, monasterium ligneum quod inceperunt de suis totum consummavit, illosque inibi in omnibus necessariis diu procuravit, et terris ac pecoribus abundè sublevavit.

Quomodo locus ille in Abbatiam surrexit.

EODEM tempore abbas qui advenerat ab episcopo illius diœcesis virgam pastorem cum cura monachorum jussu prædicti legati suscepit, fratresque qui secum advenerant, in eodem loco stabilitatem regulariter firmare fecit. Sicque ecclesia illa in abbatiam canonicè apostolicæ auctoritate crescendo surrexit.

Quare Molismenses aures Domini Papæ pro reditu Roberti Abbatis inquietaverint.

IGITUR haud multo elapso temporis spacio Molismenses monachi voluntate domini Godefridi abbatis sui qui Roberto successerat dominum Urbanum Papam Romæ adeuntes postulare cœperunt ut sæpe dictus Robertus in locum pristinum restitueretur. Quorum importunitate motus papa mandavit legato suo venerabili scilicet Hugoni, ut si fieri posset idem abbas reverteretur et monachi hæremum diligentes in pace consisterent.

Epistola Domini Papæ pro reditu Roberti Abbatis.

URBANUS episcopus servus servorum Dei venerabili fratri et coepiscopo Hugoni apostolicæ sedis vicario salutem et benedictionem. Molismensium fratrum magnum in consilio clamorem accepimus ab-

batis sui reditum vehementer postulantium. Dicebant enim religionem in suo loco eversam seque pro abbatis illius absentia odio apud principes et cæteros vicinos haberi. Coacti tandem à fratribus vestris dilectioni tuæ per præsentia scripta mandamus significantes gratum nobis existere ut si fieri posset abbas ille ab heremo ab monasterium reducatur. Quod si implere nequiveritis, curæ tibi sit ut et qui heremum diligunt conquiescant, et qui in cœnobio sunt regularibus disciplinis inserviant. §. Hiis apostolicis literis lectis legatus viros autenticos et religiosos convocavit, et de præsentī negotio quæ subtus sunt exarata diffinivit.

Decretum Legati de toto negotio Molismensium atque Cisterciensium Monachorum.

HUGO Lugdunensis ecclesiæ servus carissimo fratri Roberto Lingonensium episcopo salutem. Quid de negotio Molismensis ecclesiæ in colloquio apud Pontum Ansille nuper habito diffiniverimus fraternitati vestræ notificare necessarium duximus. Venerunt ante nos illuc cum literis vestris Molismenses monachi loci sui desolationem atque destructionem quam per remotionem Roberti Abbatis incurrerant ostendentes, ipsumque sibi reddi in patrem magnopere postulantes; nullo modo enim aliter sperabant pacem et quietem Molismensi ecclesiæ posse restitui, vel monastici ordinis vigorem in pristinum statum illic revocari et prosperitatem, nisi in præsentia nostra frater Gaufredus, quem eidem ecclesiæ in abbatem ordinavistis, dicens se libenter ipso Roberto velut patri suo locum daturum si nobis placeret ut eum Molismensi ecclesiæ remitteremus, remitteretur. Audita et ipsorum Molismensium petitione, relictis domini papæ literis super hoc negotio nobis directis totum dispositioni et arbitrio nostro committentibus, tandem multorum virorum religiosorum conventorum quam aliorum qui nobiscum aderant consilio precibus vestris et eorum adquiescentes Molismensi ecclesiæ ipsum restituere decrevimus, ita videlicet ut priusquam illuc redeat Cabilonem veniens, in manu fratris vestri Cabilonensis episcopi, cui secundum consuetudinem cæterorum abbatum professionem fecit, virgam et curam abbatiae reddat, atque monachos Novi monasterii qui ei sicut abbati suo professionem fecerunt et obedientiam promiserunt, ab ipsa professione et obedientia liberos et absolutos dimittat, ac sic ab ipso episcopo professionis quam ei et Cabilonensi ecclesiæ fecit absolutionem accipiat. Dedimus etiam licentiam cum eo redeundi Molismum omnibus illis de fratribus Novi monasterii qui eum secuti fuerant quando à novo monasterio recesserit; tali conditione, ut de cætero neutri neutros sollicitare vel recipere præsumant, nisi secundum quod beatus Benedictus monachos Novi monasterii percepit recipiendos. Postquam autem hæc supradicta fecerit, remittimus eum dilectioni vestræ ut Molismensi ecclesiæ illum in abbatem restituatis. Ita tamen ut si deinceps eandem ecclesiam solita levitate deseruerit, nullus ei substituatur vivente præfato G. abbate absque nostro et vestro ejusdemque Galfridi assensu. Quæ omnia apostolica auctoritate rata esse præcipimus. De capella eciam prædicti abbatis Roberti et de cæteris rebus quas à Molismensi ecclesia recedens secum tulit et cum eis Cabilonensi episcopo atque Novo monasterio se reddidit id statuimus, ut omnia fratribus Novi monasterii salva permaneant præter breviarium quoddam quod usque ad festivitatem sancti Johannis Baptistæ retinebunt ut transcribant, assensu Molismensium. Huic autem diffinitioni interfuerunt episcopi Norgundus Eduensis, Galterus Cabilonensis, Berardus Manticensis, Poncius Bilbensis; et abbates Petrus Trevorciensis, Jarento Dimonensis, Gancerennus Acanocensis, Petrusque Domini Papæ camerarius, multique alii viri honesti et boni testimonii. Hæc omnia abbas ille laudavit et fecit absolvendo Cistercienses ab obedientia quam ei in illo vel in Molismensi loco promiserant. Et dominus Galterius Cabilonensis episcopus abbatem à cura illius ecclesiæ liberum dimisit. Sicque reversus et quidam monachi cum eo qui heremum non diligebant. Hac ergo ratione apostolicaque dispensatione istæ duæ abbatiae in pace et libertate summa remanserunt.

Rediens verò abbas secum pro scuto has literas episcopo suo detulit.

Commendatio Abbatis Roberti.

DILECTISSIMO fratri et coepiscopo Roberto Lingonensi episcopo Galterus Cabilonensis ecclesiæ servus salutem. Notum sit vobis fratrem Robertum cui abbatiam illam in vestro episcopatu sitam quæ Novum monasterium dicitur commiseramus, à professione quam Cabilonensi ecclesiæ fecit, ab obedientia quam nobis promisit, secundum Domini archiepiscopi Hugonis diffinitionem à nobis esse absolutum. Ipse autem monachos illos qui in præfato Novo monasterio remanere decreverunt ab obedientia quam sibi promiserant et professione absolvit et liberos dimisit. Illum igitur amodo suscipere et honorificè tractare ne vereamini.

De Electione primi Abbatis Cisterciensis Ecclesiæ.

VIDUATA igitur suo pastore Cisterciensis ecclesia convenit, ac regulari electione quendam fratrem Albericum nomine in abbatem sibi promovit, virum scilicet literatum, in divinis et humanis satis gnarum, amatorem regulæ et fratrum, quique prioris officium et in Molismensi et in illa diucius gerebat ecclesia, multumque diu nitendo laboraverat sic ad illum de Molismo transmigrarent fratres locum, et pro hoc negotio multa opprobria, carcerem, et verbera, perpessus fuerat.

De Privilegio Romanorum.

PRÆFATUS Albericus cura pastorali licet multum renitens suscepta, cogitare cœpit veluti vir mirabilis providentiæ quæ tribulationum procellæ domum sibi traditam aliquando concutientes vexare possent, et præcavens in futurum cum consilio fratrum transmisit monachos duos, Johannem et Ilboldum Romam, dominum papam Paschalem per eos exorans ut ecclesia sua sub apostolicæ protectionis alis quæta et tuta ab omni ecclesiasticarum seculariumve pressura personarum perpetuò sederet. Qui fratres prædicti Hugonis archiepiscopi, Johannisque et Benedicti Romanæ ecclesiæ cardinalium, Walteri quoque Cabilonensis episcopi literis sigillatis freti Romam prosperè ierunt et redierunt antequam ipse papa Paschalis in captione positus imperatoris pacaret, reportantes ejusdem apostolici privilegium juxta abbatis sanctorumque ejus per omnia exaratum. Has epistolas privilegium etiam Romanum congruum duximus in hoc opusculo relinquere, ut posteri nostri intelligant quam magno consilio et auctoritate ecclesia eorum sit fundata.

Epistola Johannis et Benedicti Cardinalium.

DOMINO patri papæ Paschali et ubique laude eximia prædicando Johannes et Benedictus seipsos per omnia. Quia vestri moderaminis est omnibus ecclesiis providere et justa poscentium votis manum porrigere, vestræque justitiæ adjumento religio Christiana fulta debet incrementum sumere, vestram sanctitatem obnixiùs deprecamur quatinus harum literarum bajulo nostro consilio à quibusdam religiosis fratribus paternitati misso aures pietatis vestræ flectere dignemini. Petunt enim ut præceptum quod de quiete et suæ religionis stabilitate à prædecessore vestro domino nostro beatæ memoriæ papa Urbano acceperunt ut quod secundum ejusdem præcepti tenorem archiepiscopus Lugdonensis tunc legatus et alii coepiscopi et abbates inter eos et Molismensem abbatiam a qua religionis causa decesserant diffinierunt, vestræ auctoritatis privilegio imperpetuum maneat inviolatum. Ipsi enim vidimus eorumque veræ religioni testimonium perhibemus.

Epistola Hugonis Lugdunensis Ecclesiæ Archiepiscopi.

REVERENTISSIMO patri et domino suo Paschali papæ Hugo Lugdunensis ecclesiæ servus per omnia seipsum. Fratres isti præsentium geruli ad paternitatis vestræ celsitudinem tendentes, per nos transitum fecerunt. Et quia infra provinciam nostram, videlicet in episcopatu Cabilonensi mansionem habent, humilitatis nostræ literis apud celsitudinem vestram se commendari pctierunt. Sciatis autem eos de quodam loco qui Novum Monasterium vocatur ad quem de Molismensi ecclesia cum abbate suo exeuntes propter artiores et secretiores vitam secundum regulam beati Benedicti quam proposuerunt tenendam habitandum venerunt, depositis quorum monasteriorum consuetudinibus imbecillitatem suam ad tantum pondus sustinendum imparem judicantes, unde Molismensis ecclesiæ fratres et quidam alii adjacentes monachi inter eos habitare videantur. Quapropter desideratissimam nobis paternitatem vestram humiliter et cum fiducia deprecamur, ut fratres istos totam spem suam in vobis post Dominum ponentes, et idcirco ad apostolatus vestri auctoritatem confugientes benignè pro more vestro respiciatis, et eos et locum ipsorum ad hac infestationem et inquietudinem liberando auctoritatis vestræ privilegio muniatis, utpote pauperes Christi nullam contra suos æmulos divitiis vel potentia defensionem præparantes, sed in sola Dei et vestra clementia spem habentes.

Epistola Episcopi Cabilonensis.

VENERABILI papæ Paschali Walterus Cabilonensis episcopus salutem et debitam subjectionem.

Sicut sanctitas vestra, ut fideles in vera religione proficiant ardentem desiderat, sic eidem vestræ protectionis umbram vestræ consolationis fomentum deesse non expedit; simpliciter ergo petimus quatinus quod factum est de fratribus illis qui artioris vitæ desiderio à Molismensi ecclesia sanctorum virorum consilio recesserunt quos in nostro episcopatu divina pietas collocavit, à quibus transmissus præsentium literarum bajulus vobis præsens adest, secundum prædecessoris vestri præceptum et Lugdunensis archiepiscopi apostolicæ sedis tunc legati, et episcoporum et abbatum diffinitionem et scriptum cui rei nos præsentem extitimus, vos approbare, et ut locus ille abbatia libera imperpetuum permaneat, salva tamen personæ nostræ successorumque nostrorum canonica reverentia, auctoritatis vestræ privilegio corroborare dignemini; sed et abbas quem in eodem loco ordinavimus, et cæteri fratres totis viribus hanc confirmationem in suæ quietis tutelam à vestra flagitat pietate.

Privilegium Romanorum.

PASCHALIS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabili Alberico Novi Monasterii abbati quod in Cabilonensi parochia situm est ejusdemque successoribus regulariter substituendis imperpetuum. Desiderium quod ad religiosum propositum et animarum salutem pertinere monstratur auctore Deo sine aliqua dilatione complendum, unde nos ô filii in Domino dilectissimi citra difficultatem omnium vestrarum precum petitionem advertimus quia religioni vestræ paterno congratulamur affectu locum ergo illum quem inhabitandum pro quiete monastica elegistis ab omnium mortalium molestiis tutum ac liberum esse sancimus, et abbatiam illic perpetuò haberi, ac sub apostolicæ sedis tutela specialiter protegi, salva Cabilonensis ecclesiæ canonica reverentia. Præsentis itaque decreti pagina interdiciamus ne cuiquam omnino personæ liceat statum vestræ conversationis immutare, neque vestri quod novum dicitur cœnobii monachos sine regulari commendatione suscipere in congregationem vestram astutiis quibuslibet aut violentiis perturbare. Eam sanè controversiæ decisionem quam inter vos et Molismensis claustrum monachos frater noster Lugdunensis episcopus tunc apostolicæ sedis vicarius, cum provinciæ suæ episcopis, aliisque religiosis viris, ex præcepto prædecessoris nostri apostolicæ memoriæ Urbani secundi perpetravit, nos tanquam rationabilem ac laudabilem confirmamus. Vos igitur in Christo filii dilectissimi meminisse debetis, quod pars vestri seculares latitudines, pars etiam ipsas monasterii laxioris minùs austeras angustias reliquistis. Ut ergo hac semper gratia digniores censeamini, Dei semper timorem et amorem in vestris cordibus habere satagite, ut quanto à secularibus tumultibus et deliciis liberiores estis, tanto ampliùs placere Deo totis mentis et animæ virtutibus anheletis. Sanè si quis imposterum archiepiscopus aut episcopus, imperator aut rex, princeps aut dux, comes aut vicecomes, judex aut ecclesiastica quælibet secularisve persona hanc nostræ constitutionis paginam sciens contra eam venire temptaverit, secundo terciòve commonita si non satisfactione congrua emendaverit, potestatis honorisque sui dignitate careat, reamque se divino judicio existere de perpetrata iniquitate, cognoscat, et à sacratissimo corpore ac sanguine Dei aliena fiat atque in extremo examine districtæ ultioni subjaceat. Cunctis autem eidem loco justa servantibus sit pax Domini nostri Jesu Christi quatenus et hîc fructum bonæ actionis percipiant et apud districtum Judicem præmia æternæ pacis inveniant.

Instituta Monachorum Cisterciensium de Molismo venientium.

DEHINC abbas ille et fratres ejus non immemores sponsionis suæ, regulam beati Benedicti in loco illo ordinare et unanimiter studuerunt tenere, rejicientes à se quicquid regulæ refragabatur, froccos videlicet et pelliceas ac stamina, capucia quoque et femoralia, pectina et coopertoria, stramina lectorum ac diversa ciborum refectorio fercula, sagimen et cætera omnia quæ puritati regulæ adversabantur, sicque rectitudinem regulæ supra cunctum vitæ suæ tenorem ducentes, tam in ecclesiasticis quam in cæteris observationibus regulæ vestigiis sunt adæuati seu conformati. Exuti ergo veterem hominem novum se induisse gaudebant. Et quia nec in regula nec in vita sancti Benedicti eundem doctorem legebant possedisse ecclesias vel altaria, seu oblationes, aut sepulturas, vel decimas aliorum hominum, seu furnos vel molendinos, aut villas, aut rusticos, nec etiam fœminas monasterium ejus intrasse, nec mortuos ibidem excepta sorore sua sepelisse, ideo hæc omnia abdicaverunt, dicentes, ubi beatus Benedictus docet ut monachus à secularibus actibus se faciat alienum, ibi liquido testatur hoc non debere versari in actibus et cordibus monachorum qui nominis sui ethimologiam hæc fugiendo sectari debent. Decimas quoque aiebant à sanctis patribus qui organa erant Spiritus Sancti quorum

statuta transgredi sacrilegium est committere, in quatuor partitiones distributas; unam scilicet episcopo, alteram presbitero, tertiam hospitibus ad illam ecclesiam venientibus seu viduis, et orphanis sive pauperibus, aliunde victum non habentibus, quartam restorationi ecclesiæ. Et quia in hoc compoto personam monachi qui terras suas possidere unde et per se et per pecora sua laborando vivat non reperiebant, idcirco hæc veluti aliorum jus injustè sibi usurpare detrectabant. Ecce hujus seculi divitiis spretis cœperunt novi milites Christi cum paupere Christo pauperes inter se tractare quo ingenio, quo artificio, quo se exercitio in hac vita, se hospitesque, divites et pauperes, supervenientes quos ut Christum suscipere præcipit regula sustentarent. Tunc itaque diffinierunt se conversos laicos barbaros licentia sui episcopi suscepturos, eosque in vita et morte excepto monachatu ut seipsos tractaturos, et homines etiam mercenarios, quia sine adminiculo istorum non intelligebant se plenariè die sive nocte præcepta regulæ posse servare, suscepturos, quoque terras ab habitatione hominum remotas, et vineas, et prata, et silvas, aquas quoque ad faciendos molendinos, ad proprios usus, et ad piscationem, et equos pecoraque diversa necessitati hominum utilia. Et cum alicubi curtes aut agriculturas exercendas instituissent, decreverunt ut prædicti conversi domos illas regerent non monachi, quia habitatio monachorum secundum regulam debet esse in claustro ipsorum. Quia etiam beatum Benedictum non in civitatibus, nec in castellis aut in villis, sed in locis à frequentia hominum et populi semotis cœnobيا construisse sancti viri illi sciebant, idem se æmulari promittebant. Et sicut ille monasteria constructa per duodenos monachos adjuncto patre disponebat, sic se acturos confirmabant.

De Tristitia eorum.

ILLUD virum Dei prædictum et suos aliquantulum mœstitiæ subdidit, quod rarò quis illis diebus illuc ad eos invisendos veniret; viri enim sancti thesaurum virtutum cœlitus inventum successoribus ad multorum salutem profuturum committere gestiebant; sed fere omnes videntes et audientes vitæ eorum asperitatem insolitam, et quasi inauditam, plus corde et corpore elongare quam approximari se eis festinabant, et de perseverantia eorum titubare non cessabant. Sed Dei misericordia qui hanc militiam spiritalem suis inspiravit ad multorum profectum, egregiè eam amplificare et consummare non cessavit, sicuti sequentia declarabunt.

De Morte primi Abbatis et Promotione Stephani, et de Institutis et Lætitia eorum.

VIR autem domini Albericus in scola Christi per septem annos et dimidium regulari disciplina fœliciter exercitatus migravit ad Dominum fide et virtutibus gloriosus, et ideo in vita æterna à Deo merito beandus. Huic successit quidam frater Stephanus nomine, Anglicus natione, qui et ipse cum aliis de Molismo illuc advenerat, quique amator regulæ sanctæ et fratrum. Hujus temporibus interdixerunt fratres una cum eodem abbate ne dux illius terræ suam aliquo tempore in illa ecclesia tenerent sicuti antea in solempnitatibus agere solebant ne quid hiis qui in domo Dei die ac nocte Deo servire devotè cupiebant remaneret, quod superbiam aut superfluitatem redoleret, aut paupertatem custodem virtutum sponte quam elegerant aliquando corrumperet. Confirmaverunt ne retinerent cruces aureas aut argenteas nisi tantummodo ligneas coloribus depictas, neque candelabra nisi unum ferreum, neque thuribula nisi cuprea vel ferrea, neque casulas nisi de fustaneo vel lino sine pallio aureo vel argenteo, neque albas vel amictus nisi de lino similiter sine pallio aureo vel argenteo. Pallia verò omnia et cappas atque dalmaticas tunicasque ex toto dimiserunt, sed calices argenteos non aureos, sed si poterit fieri deauratos et fistulam argenteam, et si possibile fuerit deauratam, stolas quoque atque manipulos de pallio tantum sine auro et argento retinuerunt. Pallæ autem altarium ut de lino fierent et sine pictura planæ præcipiebant, et ut ampullæ vinariæ sine auro et argento essent. Illis diebus in terris et vineis et pratis curtibusque eadem ecclesia crevit, nec decrevit religione. Ergo istis temporibus visitavit Deus locum illum viscera misericordiæ suæ effundens super se petentes ad se clamantes coram se lacrymantes die noctuque longaque et profunda suspiria trahentes et ferè hostio desperationis appropinquantes pro eorum successoribus ne panecarerent. Nam tot clericos literatos et nobiles laicos et in seculo potentes et æque nobiles uno tempore ad illam Dei gratia remisit ecclesiam ut xxx. insimul in cellam novitiorum alacriter intrarent, ac bene contra propria vitia et irritamenta spirituum malignorum fortiter cursum suum

consummarent, quorum exemplo senes et juvenes diversæque ætatis homines in diversis mundi partibus animati, videntes scilicet possibile in istis fore quod antea impossibile in custodienda regula formidabant, illuc concurrere, superba colla jugo Christi suavi subdere, dura et aspera præcepta regulæ ardenter amare, ecclesiamque mirabiliter ædificare et corroborare cœperunt.

De Ordinatione et Institutione Cartæ Caritatis sufficienter habetur, secundum quam Ordo multis Annis satis pacificè et utiliter fuit gubernatus, donec Scisma horribile ortum fuit inter Abbatiam Cisterciensem et Clarevallensem, sicut sequens Epistola manifestè testatur.

Transcriptum Literarum Domini Abbatis Savigniacensis, directa Domibus suis filiabus in Anglia.

VENERABILIBUS et in Christo dilectis de Furnes et de Bellalanda, ac universis generationis Savigniacensis coabbatibus suis per Angliam et Walliam constitutis, ac eorum conventibus, frater Johannes dictus abbas Savigniacensis cum salute quam sibi in Domino compassionis visceribus abundare et rei cognoscere veritatem. Inter procellosas voragines et tempestuosos turbines hujus mundi nostri ordinis navicula constituta, sicut stellæ maris radioso lumine, gratia videlicet Virginis indiget ad conductum, ita nautarum solertia, prælatorum scilicet diligentia eidem est necessaria ad Scillense periculum cautiùs evitandum. Inde est quod vobis tanquam zelatoribus religionis pariter et fervoris, ipsius ordinis statum cujus estis filii et alumpni qualiter ad præsens se habeat in partibus Gallicanis breviantes duximus intimum. Noverit ergo universitas vestra quod anno præterito in capitulo generali cum dominus Cisterciensis diffinitores vellet eligere et nominatos à quatuor primis reprobare pro suæ libito voluntatis, unum de filiis Clarevallis virum utique experientia fama et industria ac fervore religionis insignem inter alios specialiter refutavit. Obsecratus itaque à reverendo patre domino abbate Clarevallensi, et cæteris senioribus et majoribus abbatibus de linea Clarevallensium, Cisterciensis abbas, etiam petitis veniis ut propter novitatem dicti Clarevallensis quem dominus diebus istis ordini vestro creditur reservasse, antiqua libertas et consueta licentia quatuor primis super nominatione diffinitorum saltem in illo anno in suo robore perduraret, nullatenus nec supplicationibus nec precibus idem Cisterciensis voluit consentire. Et habito cum filiis suis consilio salutari, idem Clarevallensis de consensu omnium filiorum suorum jus suum et antiquam libertatem matris nostræ Clarevallis in ipso capitulo protestatus dixit, propter illius abbatis ammonitionem nullum sibi debere præjudicium generari. Vidimus enim quia Cisterciensis abbas quos vellet posset ponere diffinitores et quos nollet reprobare, posset diffinitores facere quales vellet, et ita pro libitu subventiones imposterum exigeret, exactiones imposeret, jurisdictionem sibi per totum ordinem vendicaret, et sic antiqua ordinis simplicitas malignorum ambitione multiplici penitus deperiret, et limitati termini quos posuerunt patres nostri transgressione dampnabili minimè curarentur. Quibus de causis et etiam pluribus aliis quæ inferiùs describuntur, consulimus universi abbates de linea Clarevallis ut tantæ pestilentiae congruum antidotum quæreretur. Ecce autem interim dominus Clarevallensis mandato summi pontificis compellitur ad pontificii dignitatem; quod mira et occulta Dei dispositione factum esse creditur, et ut honestiorem et manifestiorem occasionem haberet ad curiam accedendi. Quam quidem dignitatem idem Clarevallensis tanquam homo humillimus et religiosissimus recipere minimè adquevit. Sed audiens quod Cisterciensis abbas mandati esset apostolici executor, festinato viam eundi ad curiam Romanam aggressus jam sex dietas itineris confecerat, cum ecce duo abbates missi ex parte abbatis Cisterciensis ad pedes montium invenerunt, exhibentes ei duo paria literarum, in quibus Cisterciensis excommunicabat in scriptis nulla monitione præmissa prætermisso juris ordine eundem Clarevallensem nisi tertia die pro quibusdam negotiis, ut scribebat, apud Cistercium compareret. Clarevallensis vero nil motus talibus utpote homo constantissimus et ordinatus se literatoriè humiliter excusavit, dicens quod cum ad curiam accedere disponeret pro absolutione sibi impositi oneris optinenda et pro filiabus suis quæ sunt in Italia visitandis, et jam magnam partem itineris confecisset, non poterat sine magno detrimento et scandalo dimittere iter cœptum, et ideo supplicabat omni humilitate qua poterat, quatinus suam excusationem

legitimam acceptaret, et ita infecto negotio ad quod illi duo venerant abbates ad propria redierunt. Dompnus autem Clarevallensis vocaverat nos ut essemus participes itineris illius et laboris. Venientes igitur ad curiam Romanam insimul post multas fatigationes et difficultates permaximas, tandem absolutio- nem optinuit ab episcopatus regimine quam petebat. Innotuit post hæc summo pontifici quod ordo noster quoad plures articulos reformatione indigeret propter tyrannicas oppressiones et graves insolentias ali- quorum patrum abbatum qui ad cedendum turpiter et injustè suos filios compellebant, parentes suos et alios sibi favorabiles vitiosos ignominiosè depositos et malæ famæ homines loco utilium personarum contra voluntatem conventuum intrudentes. Innotuit etiam eidem summo pontifici conventus ordinis in pluribus locis suis liberis electionibus defraudatos per patres abbates, et personas honestas religiosas et utiles indebitè refutari; tempore etiam visitationis, honesti et utiles domibus monachi contra voluntatem proprii abbatis et consilii sanioris cum suis sarcinulis sæpius emittuntur nulla causa rationabili existente. Gravationem etiam domorum intellexit idem summus pontifex occasione plurium equiturarum in ordine suboriri, scan- dala non curari, dissensiones augeri, novitates obrepere, fervorem minui, augmentari dissolutiones, remitti rigorem monasticæ disciplinæ. In capitulo etiam generali animadvertit statuta edi et inutilia et grave inferentia ordini nocumentum, sicut est illud ut de aliis taceatur de inquisitionibus committendis, licet de novo inceperunt plura tum scandala generarunt tum per tales commissiones inquisitionum aliquibus malivolis injunctas auctoritate capituli generalis multorum jam fuerit innocentia supplantata. Percepit insuper idem summus pontifex quod visitatio Cist. superficialis tantum esset cum quatuor primi ibi ad vi- sitationem convenientes nichil possent aut auderent corrigere nisi de domini Cisterciensis beneplacito et assensu, cum idem Cisterciensis tempore visitationis sedem primam teneat et usurpativè correctiones faciat pœnitentias injungendo, et si aliquid contra voluntatem Cisterciensis fuerit attemptatum comminationes visitoribus inferuntur, et ex defectu debitæ correctionis domus illa Cisterciensis in abisso debitorum mul- tociens corrui, de quibus onerari sæpe oportuit ordinem universum. Hiis et pluribus aliis rationibus immo enormitatibus quoniam nimis longum esset præsentibus inserere licet multiplices sint et graves, ex- citatus summus pontifex, post longos tractatus, de conscientia religiosorum et majorum fratrum suorum cardinalium, et honestos, et discretos fama religionis, experientia, et ætate grandævos reverencia præcipuos, dominum episcopum Treten. abbatem Majoris-Monasterii et confessorem domini regis Franciæ reforma- tores nostri ordinis et inquisitores instituit, ut per tractatus pacificos et viam concordiae si posset fieri, nostrum ordinem appellatione postposita reducerent ad cursum solitum et antiquum. Dominus autem Morimundus cum tenorem rescripti apostolici inquisitoribus destinati plenius intellexisset, nichilque ficti- tium nichil adinventicium vel mendosum in eo perspexisset, pro se et pro tota generatione sua literas adhe- rentiæ nobis dedit reformationi ordinis consentientes totaliter et precisè. Ita quod sumus modo tres partes totius ordinis in hoc negotio concordantes absque illis qui sunt de alia quarta parte qui nobis occultè favent, et quidam etiam manifestè. Unde non credimus quod sit conventus in toto ordine nisi unus, scilicet conven- tus Cisterciensis, nec aliquis abbas nisi fortè xx. vel circiter qui non adhæreant toto corde. Cæterum cum assignata die et partibus convocatis ad preces et instantiam domini regis Franciæ tractaretur de pace in aliquibus articulis, fuit ex utraque parte concordatum, in aliquibus contradictum, et præsentibus xv. abbatibus et ampliùs et electo Mailamensi, et archiepiscopo Baiocensi ex parte regis ad tractandum de pace specialiter destinatis, abbas Cisterciensis coram omnibus petit jurisdictionem et correctionem culparum et curam animarum per ordinem universum, et fuit ista petitio sigillata de mandato Cisterciensis abbatis et ab abbate Clarevallensi omnino contradicta. Sic enim Cisterciensis celare non potuit virus pestiferum quod latebat in corde, sed crepuit in audientia talium et tantorum, et sic errore acceptus contra se omnes patres abbates totius ordinis provocavit. Cum verò die assignata coram reformatibus et inquisitoribus cum aliquantibus abbatibus Cist. abbas et xvj. advocatis secularibus comparuisset, et mandatum apostolicum audivisset, et ei facta fuisset copia rescripti apostolici, postquam Clarevallensis et Morimundensis qui secum habebant circiter xij. abbates et nullum penitus advocatum obnixè supplicaverant, petitis veniis ut juxta mandatum apostolicum in commisso sibi negotio procedere non differrent, Cisterciensis abbas et qui præ cæteris reformationem et bonum statum ordinis quærere debuisset consilio advocatorum deceptus frivolum quandam appellationem et nugatoriam cum legisset coram executoribus mandati apostolici, de nocte effugit et exinde ad curiam est profectus. Executores verò nostri frivoli appellationi et tergiver- sationi minimè deferentes in negotio totaliter juxta formam sibi traditam processerunt, et relationem super hiis quæ à majoribus et sanioribus ordinis per sacramentum invenerint diversis in locis et diversis personis miserunt ad curiam per nuncios speciales; post quos ivit jam dominus Clarevallensis et nos post ipsum, audituri et recepturi, Deo propicio, quod ad decus ordinis et decorem antiquum et pacem

cedere debeat animorum. Hæc autem vobis scripsimus ut vobis aliud referentibus non credatis, quia vobis licet breviter, rei intimavimus veritatem. De cætero quia res vestra et totius ordinis agitur vel ad confusionem perpetuam vel ad exaltationem perpetuam duraturam, devotissimis orationibus negotium quod habemus præ manibus muniatis, orantes pro nobis et orari devotiùs facientes, Bene valete. Legatur ista epistola in omnibus capitulis generationis vestræ, ubi fieri potuit opportunè. Dat. apud Clarevallem anno Domini m.cclxiiij. in crastino Natalis Domini.

Ordinatio Domini Guydonis, titulo sancti Laurentii in laicis Presbyteri Cardinalis pro diffinitione habeatur, quæ talis est.

IN nomine Domini, Amen. Nos frater Guydo titulo sancti Laurentii presbyter cardinalis, sedis apostolicæ legatus, facto et recepto in nos compromisso super discordia quæ vertebatur in ordine circa electionem sive institutionem diffinitorum, et data nobis plenariè potestate ab abbate et conventu Cistercii, et à quatuor primis abbatibus, et à toto capitulo generali ordinandi et statuendi in prædicto negotio quod paci et utilitati ordinis videbimus expedire: pro bono pacis et caritatis in ordine conservandæ ordinamus atque constituimus, quod quilibet de quatuor primis abbatibus veniens ad capitulum generale quinque abbates dompno Cisterciensi volenti diffinitores eligere nominabit, ita tamen quod duo ex ipsis quos pater abbas nominans præeligere voluerit, per abbatem Cisterciensem illa vice amoveri non poterint vel dimitti. De tribus verò residuis quemcumque voluerit abbas Cisterciensis relinquet, et alios duos diffinitores instituet cum prædictis. Si verò aliquem de primis quatuor abbatibus ad capitulum generale venire non contigerit, prædictam nominationem et præelectionem per literas suas petere poterit, vel aliquem de filiis suis abbatibus vicarium ibi constituet ad hoc ipsum. Si verò aliquem de quatuor primis filiabus vacare contigerit vel abbatem ejus in tali statu esse ut ad facienda prædicta sit impotens et ineptus, tempore capituli generalis primus abbas de filiis generationis illius qui in capitulo fuerit prædicta omnia supplere poterit vice patris. Si verò aliquem de primis quatuor abbatibus per negligentiam vel quamcumque occasionem aliam nec venire ad capitulum nec literas mittere nec vicarium ad prædicta substituere contigerit, abbas Cisterciensis vice ipsius quatuor diffinitores assumet de generatione ipsius absentis si tot præsentis ibi fuerint, alioquin de aliis abbatibus quod defuerit suppleatur ut diffinitorum numerus integretur. In nullo tamen volumus per ordinationem istam derogari statutis cartæ Caritatis quæ de generali capitulo faciunt mentionem. Cætera verò quæ in ordinatione dompni papæ continentur, in suo robore perseverent. Act. Cistercii xvij. kal. Octobr. tempore capituli generalis, anno Domini m.cclxv.

PRIVILEGIA MONACHIS ORDINIS CISTERCIENSIS A SUMMIS
PONTIFICIBUS CONCESSA.

I.

Privilegium Innocentii Quarti Papæ, Quod ratione Delicti non debeant Monachi Cistercienses conveniri coram Locorum Ordinariis.

[E Registro Chartarum Abbatix de Holmeoltram, penes Joh. Warburton, armig.]

INNOCENCIUS episcopus, &c. Dilectis filiis abbati Cisterciensi, ejusdem coabbatibus et eorum conventibus Cisterciensis ordinis salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Cum nuper duxerimus statuendum ut exempti quantacumque gaudeant libertate, nichilominus cum ratione delicti seu contractus aut rei de qua contra ipsos agitur rite possint coram locorum ordinariis conveniri et illi quoad hoc suam in ipsos jurisdictionem prout jus exigit exercere; vos dubitantes ne per constitutionem hujusmodi libertatibus et immunitatibus vobis et ordini vestro per privilegia et indulgentias ab apostolica sede concessas præjudicari valeat, nobis humiliter supplicastis ut provide super hoc immunitati vestræ paterna sollicitudine curaremus.

Quia vero ejusdem ordinis sacra religio sic vos apud nos dignos favore constituit ut nobis votivum existat vos ab omnibus per quæ possent vobis provenire dispendia immunes libenti animo preservare volentes auctoritate præsentium vobis indulgemus ut occasione constitutionis hujus nullum eisdem libertatibus et immunitatibus in posterum præjudicium generetur: nulli ergo omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam nostræ concessionis infringere vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem, &c. Dat. Lugduni, IV nonas Marcii, pontificatus nostri anno quarto.

Memorandum, quod abbas sancti Benigni Dumons Lugdunensis diœcesis est conservator prædictæ indulgentiæ. Item bulla autentica sicut tenor superius notatur verbo ad verbum habetur in Clarevalle et in tribus primis abbaciis.

II.

Privilegium ejusdem Innocentii Papæ, ne quis Prælati excommunicare vel interdicere præsumat Familiares, Servientes, et Benefactores Cisterciensium.

[Ibid.]

INNOCENCIUS episcopus, &c. dilectis filiis abbatibus et eorum conventibus Cisterciensis ordinis per Eboracensem constitutis salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Cum a nobis petitur quod justum est et honestum tam vigor equitatis quam ordo exigit rationis ut id per sollicitudinem officii nostri ad debitum perducatur effectum; ex parte siquidem vestra fuit propositum coram nobis quod nonnulli ecclesiarum prælati vestris libertatibus invidentes cum eis non liceat ex apostolicæ sedis indulto in vos excommunicationis vel interdicti sententias promulgare, infamiliares, servientes et benefactores, ac illos qui molunt in molendinis vel coquunt in furnis vestris quique vendendo vel emendo vel alias vobis communicant sententias proferunt memoratas, sicque non vim et potestatem privilegiorum vestrorum sed sola verba servantes vos quodammodo exco-riant, dum vobis alios communicare non sinunt et ex hoc judicari videmini judicio Judæorum, et qui vobis communicant in prædictis, illud evenit inconveniens quod majorem excommunicationem incurrant, quam excommunicatis communicando fuerant incursuri. Quare nobis humiliter supplicastis ut proinde quieti vestræ super hoc paterna sollicitudine curaremus. Nos ergo vestris supplicationibus inclinati ne quis prædictorum has sententias in fraudem privilegiorum apostolicæ sedis de cetero promulgare præsumat auctoritate præsentium inhibemus, decernentes eas si per præsumptionem cujuspiam illicite promulgari contigerit, irritas et inanes. Nulli ergo, &c. Si quis, &c.

III.

Privilegium Alexandri Papæ, ne visitentur Monachi Cistercienses nisi a propriis Abbatibus.

[Ibid.]

ALEXANDER episcopus, servus, &c. dilectis filiis abbati Cisterciensi, ejusque coabbatibus universis Cisterciensis ordinis salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Sedes apostolica duxit vobis provide concedendum, ut a nullo alio nisi a prioribus seu vestri ordinis monachis a dictis abbatibus super hoc deputatis visitari vel corrigi valeatis. Quia vero sic sunt procuraciones visitacioni annexæ, ut prælatis non sint nisi visitent exhibendæ, auctoritate præsentium ne quis diœcesanus vel prælatus alius a vobis procuraciones exigere vel extorquere præsumat; et ne vos eas exhibeatis districtius inhibemus. Decernentes eadem auctoritate irritum et inane si quid contra inhibitionem hujusmodi a quoquam fuerit temeritate propria præsumptum, ac sententias si quæ in vos hujusmodi occasione prolatae similiter non tenere. Nulli ergo, &c. Siquis, &c. Dat. &c.

IV.

Privilegium ejusdem Alexandri Papæ ut non teneantur Cistercienses ex debito Prælati necessaria ministrare.

[Ibid.]

ALEXANDER episcopus, &c. Intimantibus vobis accepimus quod cum exhibeatis vos in hospitalitate omnibus liberales, diœcesanis vestris ac aliis ecclesiarum prælatis eorumque familiis, cum ad monas-

teria vestra declinant caritative secundum facultatum vestrarum exigenciam necessaria ministrantes, nonnulli prælatorum vestrorum hæc convertere molientes in debitum et quod sic sponte impenditis sibi deberi ex antiqua consuetudine asserentes vos et monasteria vestra multipliciter gravant et molestant. Nos igitur vestris supplicationibus inclinati et volentes in hac parte quieti vestræ paterna diligencia providere, ne quisquam prælatus id quod sic generose expenditis a vobis ex debito seu præscripta consuetudine exigere præsumat auctoritate præsentium distinctius inhibemus. Nulli ergo, &c.

V.

Aliud Privilegium ejusdem de non reddendis Decimis Animalium.

[Ibid.]

ALEXANDER episcopus, &c. Persignis ordinis vestri religio, fœcunditate referta virtutum, et meritorum conspicua sanctitate, necnon et devocionis sinceritas quam reverenter et sedulo erga nos et Romanam ecclesiam exhibetis promerentur ut nos apostolici favoris plenitudine prosequentes vobis assidue nos reddamus ad gratiam liberales. Sane cum sicut lecta nobis ex parte vestra peticio continebat sæpe contingit quod vos de vestris animalibus societatem cum aliis contrahentes ea ipsis ad terciam partem custodienda traditis, seu eciam nutrienda, vestris itaque supplicationibus inclinati, ut de contingente vos pecorum, animalium seu fœtum eorundem porcione non teneamini solvere cuique decimas nec ad eas solvendas compelli possitis auctoritate præsentium vobis indulgemus. Nulli ergo, &c.

VI.

Alia Bulla ejusdem Pontificis, quod non liceat Monachis Cisterciensibus alicui seculari Presbitero, vel alterius Ordinis Religioso confiteri.

[Ibid. fol. 150.]

ALEXANDER episcopus, &c. Præclaræ religionis vestræ favor exposcit quod devocionis sinceræ quam erga nos ac Romanam ecclesiam geritis merita nos inducunt ut vos speciali prærogativa prosequentes vestris precibus quantum cum Domino possumus favorabiliter annuamus. Cum igitur felicis recordacionis J. papa prædecessor noster ut in ordine vestro sublata materia scandali religionis conformitas et vitæ unitas in caritatis integritate servetur vobis suis literis concessisse dicatur, ut juxta ejusdem ordinis instituta nulli fratrum ipsius ordinis seu alii ejusdem ordinis personæ absque abbatis sui licencia, liceat cuiquam alterius religionis vel seculari presbitero confiteri nec ei confessiones eorum audire vel eis absolucionis beneficium impertiri, vestris devotis supplicationibus inclinati quod super hoc vobis est a prædicto prædecessore nostro concessum gratum habemus et ratum, id auctoritate apostolica confirmamus et præsentis scripti patrocinio communimus. Nulli ergo, &c. Siquis autem. Dat. &c.

VII.

Aliud Privilegium ejusdem Alexandri Papæ, quod Cistercienses nihil contribuant vel molestantur per Prælatos contra Indulta.

[Ibid.]

ALEXANDER episcopus, &c. Abbati Cisterciensi cæterisque coabbatibus, &c. Circa sanctum et famosum ordinem vestrum illius sinceritatis affectum gerimus, quod semper ipsius justa desideria libentissime procuramus et sumus ad ea solliciti per quæ virtutum Domino possitis devotius et quietius famulari. Sane lecta coram nobis vestra peticio continebat, quod licet legati et nuncii sedis apostolicæ et etiam archiepiscopi et episcopi diœcesani locorum, necnon et alii ecclesiarum prælati, quotiens ad monasteria et domos ordinis vestri divertunt honeste admittantur in eis et caritative tractentur, quandoque tamen iidem diœcesani et prælati auctoritate papali, interdum vero dicti legati et nuncii prætextu literarum præfatæ sedis in quibus aliquando continetur quod

ab exemptis et non exemptis, non obstante aliqua indulgentia Cisterciensibus vel aliis quibuscumque concessa in procuracione pecuniaria provideatur eisdem procuracioni hujusmodi et alia plura contra indulta quæ prædicta sedes concessit vobis communiter vel divisim, a vobis vel prædictis monasteriis ac domibus exigere vel extorquere, ac alias vos et monasteria ipsa seu domos multipliciter molestare præsumunt, interdicti et in personas suspensionis et excommunicationis sententias proferenda in vestrum præjudicium et ipsius ordinis detrimentum. Cum itaque dilectus filius noster J. tituli Sancti Laurencii in Lucina presbiter cardinalis, qui semper ad hoc intentus esse dinoscitur ut ordo prosperitatis affluentiam consequatur, a nobis affectuose petierit ut super præmissis paterna sollicitudine curaremus, nos ejusdem cardinalis et vestris precibus annuentes, quod eisdem legatis et nunciis per supradictas et quascumque alias apostolicæ sedis literas, ac eciam prædictis archiepiscopis, episcopis, seu prælatis in procuracione pecuniaria non teneamini providere vobis auctoritate præsentium indulgemus, decernentes quod hujusmodi sententiæ, si quas in vos vel aliquem vestrum taliter contigerit de cætero promulgari, sint irritæ penitus et inanes. Nulli ergo, &c. Dat. Lat. xv. kal. Marcii, pontificatus nostri anno vii.

VIII.

Privilegium Innocencii Quarti Papæ, ne Cistercienses vocentur ad Capitula, vel Conventus Forenses, vel Forum Provinciale, ratione Delicti seu Contractus, vel rei de qua contra ipsos agitur.

[Ibid. fol. 151.]

INNOCENCIUS episcopus servus servorum Dei dilectis filiis abbati Cisterciensi ejusque coabbatibus et conventibus universis Cisterciensis ordinis salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Cum nuper duxerimus statuendum ut exempti quantacumque gaudeant libertate, nihilominus tamen ratione delicti seu contractus aut rei de qua contra ipsos agitur, rite possint coram locorum ordinariis conveniri, et illi quoad hæc suam in ipsos jurisdictionem prout jus exigit exercere, vos dubitantes ne per constitutionem hujusmodi libertatibus et immunitatibus vobis et ordini vestro per privilegia et indulgentias ab apostolica sede concessis præjudicari valeat nobis humiliter supplicastis, ut provide super hoc indemnitati vestræ paterna sollicitudine curaremus. Quia vero ejusdem ordinis sancta religio sic vos apud nos dignos favore constituit ut nobis votivum existat vos ab omnibus per quæ vobis possent provenire dispendia immunes libenti animo preservare, auctoritate vobis præsentium indulgemus, ut occasione constitutionis hujusmodi nullum eisdem libertatibus et immunitatibus in posterum præjudicium generetur. Nulli ergo omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam nostræ concessionis infringere, vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare præsumpserit, indignacionem omnipotentis Dei et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum ejus se noverit incursurum. Dat. Mediolani, vii. idus Julii, anno ix°. pontificatus nostri.

IX.

Privilegium Alexandri Quarti Papæ superius Privilegium Innocentii Quarti confirmans.

[Ibid.]

ALEXANDER episcopus servus servorum Dei dilectis filiis abbati Cistercii, ejusque coabbatibus et conventibus universis Cisterciensis ordinis salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Meritis sacræ vestræ religionis inducimur ut vos favore benivolo jugiter prosequamur, et super hiis quæ digne deposcitis habeamus providentiæ studium efficacis. Sane cum felicis recordacionis Innocencius papa prædecessor noster hactenus statuisset ut exempti quantacumque gaudeant libertate, nihilominus cum ratione delicti, aut contractus seu rei de qua agitur contra ipsos, rite coram locorum ordinariis conveniri et inde ordinarii quoad hoc jurisdictionem ordinariam in eosdem exemptos valeant exercere. Idem prædecessor postmodum, ac nos eciam per literas apostolicas duximus injungendum, ut occasione constitutionis hujusmodi libertatibus et immunitatibus ordini vestro ab apostolica sede concessis nullum præjudicium generetur. Processu vero temporis nos circa hoc aliud statutum in quo de templariis et hospitalariis ac aliis religiosis exemptis habetur mentio specialis edidimus, inter alia continens ut exempti, oratoria vel capellas in locis non exemptis sine licencia diœcesanorum locorum construere non præsumant, nec in taliter constitutis aut in locis non exemptis cum ab ordinariis interdicta fuerint, divina celebrent vel faciant cele-

brari; et si forte talia præsumpserint ab hiis per locorum ipsorum ordinarios compescantur; ita quod in locis eciam exemptis hoc præfati exempti non audeant attemptare; hujus autem nostri occasione statuti nonnulli locorum ordinarii qui prædictis libertatibus et immunitatibus vestris incessanter invident et frequenter obsistunt ad sua judicia contra libertates et immunitates easdem vos pertrahunt et multiplici vexacione fatigant in vestrum præjudicium et ipsius ordinis non modicum detrimentum, quare humiliter petebatis a nobis super hiis de circumspectione apostolica provideri. Cum itaque intencionis nostræ non fuerit nec existat ut per idem nostrum statutum, in quo de ordine vestro aliqua mentio non habetur, libertatibus et immunitatibus vobis et eidem ordini a præfata sede concessis, in aliquo derogetur, nos vestræ in hac parte quieti consulere cupientes, ut occasione prædicti statuti nostri nullum vobis super eisdem libertatibus et immunitatibus præjudicium generetur, nec dicti ordinarii vos aut aliquem vestrum contra libertates et immunitates easdem propter statutum ipsum coram se possint ad judicium evocare vobis auctoritate præsentium indulgemus. Nulli ergo hominum liceat hanc paginam nostræ concessionis infringere, vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare præsumpserit, indignacionem omnipotentis Dei et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum ejus se noverit incursurum. Dat. Anginæ, 11 kal. Maii, pontificatus nostri anno vº.

X.

Privilegium Honorii Papæ, Cisterciensibus concessum, de Decimis non solvendis de Terris antiquitus cultis et in posterum excolendis, sive ante Concilium sive post.

[Ibid. fol. 152.]

HONORIUS episcopus servus servorum Dei dilectis filiis abbati Cistercii, et universis coabbatibus ejus et fratribus sub eodem ordine Deo servientibus salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Contingit interdum quod nonnulli propriis incumbentes affectibus dum sanctionum sensum legitimum ad sua vota non habent accommodum, superinducunt adulterum intellectum in temporali compendio æternum dispendium non timentes. Sane quia sicut audivimus quidam suo nimis inhærentes ingenio, nimiumque voluntarii concilii generalis interpretes de novalibus post idem concilium acquisitis a vobis intendunt decimas extorquere, ne super hiis vos contingat indebita molestacione vexari, nos interpretacionem illorum intellectui constitucionis prædicti concilii super Cisterciensium decimis editæ asserimus peregrinam. In ipsa quidem expresse cavetur ut de alienis terris et amodo acquirendis, si eas propriis manibus et sumptibus colueritis decimas persolvatis, ecclesiis quibus ratione prædiorum antea solvebantur, unde si ad propositum aciem discretionis extenderent, advertentes nichilominus de quibus novalibus apostolica sedes intelligat indulgenciam super talibus piis locis concessam, non sic circa novalia novæ interpretacionis ludibrio ingenia fatigarent. Inhibemus igitur auctoritate præsentium, ut nullus a vobis de novalibus a tempore concilii excultis vel imposterum propriis manibus aut sumptibus excolendis decimas exigere vel extorquere præsumat. Nulli ergo omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam nostræ inhibicionis infringere vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare præsumpserit indignacionem omnipotentis Dei et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum ejus se noverit incursurum. Dat. Lateran. xvi. kal. Jan. pontificatus nostri anno vº.

XI.

In Dei nomine, Amen. Hoc est exemplum cujusdam Rescripti Apostolici, vera Bulla plumbea, bonæ Memorie Domini Alexandri Papæ IIII^{te} filo serico more Curie Romanæ bullati, non rasi, non cancellati, non aboliti, nec aliqua sui parte vitiati, cujus tenor talis est.

[Ibid. p. 153.]

ALEXANDER episcopus servus servorum Dei venerabilibus fratribus universis archiepiscopis et episcopis, et dilectis filiis abbatibus, prioribus, decanis, archidiaconis et aliis ecclesiarum prælatis præsentibus literas inspecturis, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Felicis recordacionis Lucii papæ prædecessoris nostri literarum tenorem in literis venerabilis fratris nostri Johannis episcopi Cicestrensis contentum perspeximus in hæc verba: 'Lucius episcopus servus servorum Dei venerabilibus fratribus, archiepiscopis, episcopis, dilectis filiis abbatibus, prioribus, archidiaconis, decanis, presbiteris et universis ecclesiarum prælatis ad quos literæ istæ pervenerint salu-

tem, et apostolicam benedictionem. Audivimus et audientes mirati sumus quod cum dilectis filiis nostris fratribus ordinis Cisterciensis a pontificibus et prædecessoribus nostris concessum sit et a nobis postmodum confirmatum, ut de laboribus quos propriis manibus aut sumptibus excolunt nemini decimas solvere teneantur, quidam ab eis nichilominus contra apostolicæ sedis indulgentiam decimas exigere et extorquere præsumunt et prava et sinistra interpretacione apostolicorum privilegiorum capitulum pervertentes, asserunt de novalibus debere intelligi ubi de laboribus est inscriptum. Quia igitur manifestum est omnibus qui recte sapiunt interpretacionem hujusmodi perversam esse et intellectui sano contrariam, universitati vestræ per apostolica scripta percipiendo mandamus, quatinus omnibus parochianis vestris auctoritate apostolica prohibere curetis ne ullatenus contra prædictos fratres materiam accipiant malignandi, nec de aliquibus terris quas propriis manibus aut sumptibus excolunt, non tantum de novalibus sed etiam de terris antiquitus cultis quomodocumque teneantur ab illis, sive de nutrimentis animalium suorum quisquam ab eis vel ab aliis pro eo quod animalia ipsorum in pastura sua vel custodia sua habeant decimas exigere vel quomodolibet extorquere præsumat. Nam si de novalibus tantum vellemus intelligi, ubi ponitur de laboribus, de novalibus poneretur, sicut in privilegio quorundam aliorum apponitur. Quia vero non est conveniens ut contra sedis apostolicæ indulgentias temere veniatur, quæ obtinere debent inviolabilem firmitatem, vobis per apostolica scripta præcipiendo mandamus, ut si qui monachi, canonici, clerici vel laici, contra privilegia sua memoratos fratres super decimarum vel aliarum libertatum exactione gravaverint, appellacione remota clericos ab officio suspendatis, laicos autem excommunicationis sententia percellatis, et tam suspensionis quam excommunicationis faciatis usque ad satisfactionem condignam observari sententias. Quod si a sede apostolica literæ impetratæ fuerint quarum occasione quis ab aliis decimas exigere vel aliud contra privilegia vel indulgentias eorum ab ipsis extorquere notatur, respondere illis minime teneantur. In quibus etiam si inhibita fuerit appellacio, nichilominus appellandi habeant facultatem, nisi pro bono pacis spontanea cum aliquibus composuerit voluntate. Quod si aliquæ compositiones inter eos et aliquos pacis intuitu et utriusque partis consensu factæ fuerint illas perpetuis temporibus ratas et incassas permanere faciatis; si tamen de constancia et approbacione abbatis et fratrum constiterit processisse. Ad hæc præsentium auctoritate præcipiendo mandamus quatinus si quis eorundem parochianorum vestrorum in sæpeditos fratres violentas manus injecerit, eum candelis accensis excommunicatum publice denunciatis et tanquam excommunicatum faciatis ab omnibus devitari donec eisdem fratribus congrue satisfaciat, et cum litteris diœcesani episcopi rei veritatem continentibus apostolico se conspectui representet. Dat. Veronæ, xii. kal. Aprilis.' Nos igitur ad ejusdem prædecessoris exemplar universitati vestræ per apostolica scripta firmiter præcipiendo mandamus, quatinus omnia et singula supradicta diligenter et efficaciter exequi procuretis. Nulli ergo hominum liceat hanc paginam nostri præcepti infringere, vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare præsumpserit indignacionem omnipotentis Dei et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum ejus se noverit incursurum. Dat. Anagninæ, viii. kal. Augusti, pontificatus nostri anno primo.

XII.

Privilegium Bonifacii Papæ, quod non solvant Decimas Cistercienses de Terris quas aliis concesserint.

[Ibid. fol. 154.]

BONIFACIUS episcopus servus servorum Dei dilectis filiis universis abbatibus, abbatissis, et conventibus ordinis Cisterciensis tam præsentibus quam futuris salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. In ecclesiæ firmamento vester ordo nitore claro coruscans universalem gregis Dominici aulam illuminat, et currentibus in stadio rectum iter insinuat quo ad salutis bravium facilius perveniant. Nos quidem ob hoc et propter magnæ devocionis affectum quem ad nos et apostolicam sedem habetis ordinem ipsum ac vos et alios ejusdem ordinis professores intima caritate prosequimur ac sinceris affectibus excitamur ad vestra et illorum commoda in quibus possumus honeste promovenda. Ideoque præmissorum intuitu et obtentu dilecti filii nostri Roberti titulo Sanctæ Prudencianæ presbiteri cardinalis, qui tanquam præfati ordinis, quem professus existit, promotor assiduus, necessitates vestras et dicti ordinis nobis reverenter exposuit et super illis jure provisionis auxilium imploravit, vobis auctoritate præsentium indulgemus, ut de terris vestris cultis et incultis ad ordinem vestrum spectantibus, quas aliis concessistis vel concedetis imposterum exco-

lendas de quibus tamen aliquis decimas seu primicias non percepit, nullus a vobis seu cultoribus terrarum ipsarum, aut quibuscumque aliis decimas seu primicias exigere vel extorquere præsumat. Nos tamen nichilominus irritum decernimus et inane, si quid contra tenorem hujusmodi indulgentiæ fuerit attemptatum. Nulli ergo hominum liceat hanc paginam nostræ concessionis et constitutionis infringere, vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare præsumpserit indignationem Omnipotentis Dei et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum se noverit incursurum. Dat. Lateran. xv. kal. Jan. pontificatus nostri anno octavo.

XIII.

Privilegium Innocentii Quarti Papæ, quod non debent Monachi Cistercienses vocari ad Capitula vel Conventus Forenses, aut Provinciale Forum etiam ratione delicti, nisi pro fide tantum.

[Cartularium Abbatiae de Holmcoltram, penes Joh. Warburton, arm.]

INNOCENTIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis abbatibus eorumque conventibus monasteriorum Cisterciensis ordinis per regnum Angliæ constitutis salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Cum a nobis petitur quod justum est et honestum tam vigor equitatis quam ordo exigit rationis ut id pro sollicitudine officii nostri ad debitum perducatur effectum. Ex parte siquidem vestra fuit propositum coram nobis, quod licet ordini vestro per privilegia sedis apostolicæ sit indultum, ut nullus episcopus seu alia persona ad sinodos vel conventus forenses, nisi pro fide vos ire compellat, aut in vos, vel monasteria vestra seu etiam personas ordinis vestri excommunicationis, suspensionis, aut interdicti sententias promulgare præsumat, quæ si promulgatæ fuerint tanquam contra apostolicæ sedis indulta prolatae determinantur per eadem privilegia irritæ et inanes, nichilominus tamen plures prælati et iudices ordinarii, aut alii ecclesiarum rectores, eadem privilegia quibus muniti estis evacuare supersticiosos adinventionibus molientes asserunt vos pro quavis offensa ratione delicti existere fori sui, sicque vocantes vos ad placita, capitula, et penitentialia forum sicut alios clericos seculares vos super hoc multiplici vexacione fatigant, quamquam excessus vestri tam per generale quam etiam cotidiana capitula quæ fiunt in singulis monasteriis vestri ordinis congrua penitencia puniantur. Quare nobis humiliter supplicastis ut præsumptionem talem cohibere paterna sollicitudine curaremus. Nos igitur attendentes quod si ex suscepti cura regiminis de universis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis cum et sollicitudinem gerere teneamur, de illis tamen specialius cogitare nos convenit qui postpositis vanitatibus seculi jugem impendunt Domino famulatum, ac volentes quieti vestræ super præmissis paterna in posterum sollicitudine providere, ut nullus vos seu monasteriorum vestrorum personas ad sinodos, vel conventus forenses nisi pro fide duntaxat, vel hujusmodi placita, seu capitula, vel forum provinciale absque mandato sedis apostolicæ speciali evocare etiam delicti ratione præsumat, maxime cum quilibet vestrum, filii abbates, punire excessus quoslibet secundum statuta vestri ordinis sit paratus, auctoritate præsencium distinctius inhibemus, decernentes eadem auctoritate sententias si quas hac occasione per præsumptionem cujuscumque promulgari contigerit irritas et inanes, salvo in omnibus apostolicæ sedis mandato. Nulli ergo omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam nostræ inhibitionis infringere vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare præsumpserit indignationem Omnipotentis Dei et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum ejus se noverit incursurum. Dat. Lateran. xij. kal. Marci, pontificatus nostri anno primo.

XIV.

Privilegium Honorii Papæ Tertii, quod Legati Apostolici non possint Monachos Cistercienses excommunicare, suspendere, vel interdicere.

[Ibid. fol. 143.]

HONORIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis abbati Cisterc. et universis coabbatibus ejus et fratribus sub eodem ordine Deo servientibus, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Cum ordinis vestri generosa plantatio multæ religionis et honestatis flores et fructus protulerit, effuso longe lateque laudabilis conversationis odore apostolicæ sedis auctoritas considerans per Marthæ sollicitudinem providendum esse Mariæ quieti, ut orantis Mariæ suffragiis satagentis Marthæ sollicitudo ministerii uniretur, ne alicujus temeritatis incursus sanctæ conversationis ortum perturbaret, ordinem vestrum et privilegiis et nonnullis indulgentiis specialis gratiæ prærogativa munivit. Nos au-

tem qui salutifera commoda vestra benigno favore prosequimur, tranquillitati vestræ libenter prout possumus providemus, auctoritate præsentium inhihentes ne legati sedis apostolicæ sine speciali mandato nostro in vos excommunicationis vel suspensionis, nec in monasteria vestra interdicti sentencias contra ea quæ vobis sunt ab apostolica sede concessa promulgent. Nulli ergo, &c. Si quis autem hoc, &c. Dat. &c.

XV.

Privilegium Honorii Tertii Papæ de Libertate recipiendi Personas liberas absque Mortuario solvendo.

[Ibid.]

HONORIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis abbati Cisterciensi et universis co-abbatibus ejus et fratribus sub eodem ordine Deo servientibus salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Constituti juxta Verbum Prophetæ, licet insufficientibus meritis super gentes et regna, officii nostri debitum decenter exequimur cum evellimus evellenda et plantanda plantamus, recta regimus, et dirigimus indirecta. Significastis siquidem nobis quod in quibusdam partibus consuetudo detestabilis inolevit, videlicet quod cum aliqui æmulantes carismata meliora monasteria ordinis vestri volunt causa religionis intrare ut ibi Domino famulentur capellani eorum donec ab ipsis pecuniam quæ mortuarium nuncupatur extorqueant prout a parochianis suis decedentibus consueverunt accipere, illis temere se opponunt, qua re super nostræ providenciæ remedium flagitastis. Volentes igitur abusum corruptelæ hujusmodi aboleri, auctoritate vobis præsentium indulgemus, ut capellanorum contradiccione hujusmodi non obstante, liberas personas ad vos e seculo fugientes libere recipere valeatis. Nulli ergo omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam, &c. Si quis autem contra hoc, &c. Dat. &c.

XVI.

Privilegium Innocentii Quarti Papæ de Hortis, Virgultis, Pratis, Pasturis, Nemoribus, Salinis, Molendinis, Pascariis, &c. Cisterciensium in Regno Angliæ.

[Ibid.]

INNOCENTIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis abbatibus eorumque conventibus monasteriorum Cisterciensis ordinis in Cantuariensi et Eboracensi constitutorum provinciis salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Significastis nobis quod cum vobis a sede apostolica sit indultum, ut de ortis, virgultis, pratis, pasturis, nemoribus, salinis, molendinis, piscationibus ante et post concilium acquisitis ac de vestrorum animalium incrementis nullus a vobis decimas exigere vel extorquere præsumat. Injuncto nichilominus ab eadem sede venerabilibus fratribus, archiepiscopis, episcopis, et aliis ecclesiarum prælati per regnum Angliæ constitutis ut vos et alios præfati ordinis regni ejusdem immunes a præstatione decimarum hujusmodi conservarent, nonnulli tamen ecclesiarum prælati ipsarum provinciarum, dicentes dictam indulgentiam ad acquisita post concessionem ipsius aliquatenus non extendi, vos super hoc multiplici molestacione fatigant. Nos igitur credentes præfatam indulgentiam ad acquisita postmodum extendendam ut nullus vos super hoc hujusmodi occasione fatiget auctoritate præsentium inhihemus. Nulli ergo omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam nostræ inhihicionis infringere vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem, &c. Dat. &c.

XVII.

Privilegium Honorii Tertii Papæ Cisterciensibus in Anglia concessum, ne ultra duas Dietas in Causas trahantur.

[Ibid. fol. 146.]

HONORIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis universis abbatibus et prioribus Cisterciensis ordinis per regnum Angliæ constitutis salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Cum contemplacioni vacantibus ut videant quam suavis est Dominus eo sit periculosior evagacio quo a suo proposito alieni paciuntur facilius insidias inimici, nos quieti vestræ paterna sollicitudine providere volentes, ne auctoritate literarum nostrarum de causis compellamini cognoscere liti-

gancium, vel ultra duas dietas a propriis monasteriis trahi possitis in causam auctoritate præsencium vobis indulgemus, nisi forte impetratæ a sede apostolica literæ plenam de indulgenciis hujusmodi fecerint mentionem. Dat. Lateran. xj. kal. Julii, pontificatus nostri anno vj°.

XVIII.

Littera a generali Abbatum Cisterciensium Capitulo, quâ de prædicatoribus et minoribus apud Regem querelas effundunt, A. D. 1285, an. 13 Edw. I.

[Ex. Litt. et Autogr. Edw. I. in Turr. Lond.]

EXCELLENTISSIMO domino, Edwardo, divinâ munificentîâ, illustri regi Anglorum, frater Johannes, dictus abbas Cistercii, totusque conventus abbatum, capituli generalis, potentiam invincibilem, et quicquid potest apud Deum humilis et assidua deprecatio peccatorum.

Sicut regalis elementîæ celsitudinem generosam in nullo diminuit sed commendat, cum se ad ima pauperum per priorum beneficiorum inclinât affluentiam liberalem; sic et ipsi pauperes præsumptuosi vel temerarii jure censi non possunt, si sublimioribus scribendo principibus, quos inter suos benefactores præcipuos recognoscunt, ad debitas et devotas gratiarum actiones assurgunt; ut, juxta sapientiam Salamonis, ad loca, unde exeunt beneficiorum flumina, dignis regrationibus revertantur.

Cum igitur ex proventibus ecclesiæ de Scardeburgh, quam de advocatione vestrâ, et ex dono progenitorum vestrorum, in proprios usus canonicè possidemus, nostrum generale capitulum, quolibet anno, consueverit sustentari per triduum, nunc sustentetur in parte, et ferè omninò sustentaretur, si proventus dictæ ecclesiæ liberè et integrè possemus percipere, sicut in retroactis temporibus solebamus; ingrati possemus meritò judicari, si nostrum generale capitulum, sine vestri memoriâ, (quod nunquam factum extitit) pertransiret; undè nos, ingratitude vitium præcaventes, super hiis et aliis gratiis et beneficiis, à magnificentîâ vestrâ nostro ordini collatis, ad gratiarum actiones excellentiæ vestræ dignum duximus assurgendum, exorantes suppliciter Regem Regum, in cujus manu sunt omnium Regum corda, ut personam vestram, et amicos vestros, et regnum vestrum, in honore, et bonâ pace stabiliat et confirmet, et actus vestros dirigat in suæ beneplacito voluntatis.

Et quia, super perceptione proventuum præfatæ ecclesiæ, per ingressus prædicatorum et minorum in villâ de Scardeburgh, contra tenorem chartarum prædecessorum vestrorum et apostolicas inhibitiones, quamplurimum perturbamur; in tantum quod, ubi solebamus percipere triduanam procuracionem nostri capituli generalis, vix processu temporis, sicut experimento cotidiano discimus, per unum diem dictum generale capitulum poterit sustentari, ad vos tanquam ad patronum habemus recurrere; excellentiam vestram humiliter exorantes, ut factum prædecessorum vestrorum, sicut vestrâ interest, prosequentes, quod contra chartas et prohibitiones regias factum est, faciatis per potestatem regiam adnullari, et donationem præfatæ ecclesiæ, à vestris progenitoribus nobis factæ, dignemini per chartas regias confirmare.

Insuper, cum per statutum vestrum, ne religiosi propria feoda, seu aliena ingrediantur, adeò sit deteriorata nostra conditio, quod terras, quæ sunt de dote et feodo ecclesiæ supradictæ, alieni, cum ipsas vendi contingit quam pluries, nobis invitis, occupant; nos verò, contra justitiam, intrare proprium feodum prohibemur: strenuitatem vestram humiliter deprecamur quatinus mandare dignemini ballivis vestris de Scardeburg, quod, non obstante præfato statuto, permittant nos intrare terras, quæ sunt de feodo ecclesiæ supradictæ.

De comite verò de Warennâ, qui per octo annos et amplius spoliavit nos decem marchis, quæ nobis debentur annuatim in nundinis Stanford, pluries strenuitati vestræ scripsimus, et vos ei super hoc vestras direxistis literas, et nos nostras; ipse verò semper monachis nostris assignat terminos, sed nil solvit; undè, si placet, remedium congruum per potestatem regiam super hoc apponatis.

Nos verò, licet universitas ordinis in orationibus suis cotidiè vestri memoriam faciat, tamen pro personâ vestrâ, uxore vestrâ, ac liberis vestris, et pro tranquillitate regni vestri, in nostro generali capitulo orationes injunximus speciales (videlicet, tres missas, unam de Spiritu Sancto, aliam de Beatâ Virgine, et aliam de Sanctâ Crucē) celebrandas à singulis sacerdotibus ordinis universi.

Vigeat vestra dominatio per tempora longiora.

Dat. apud Cistercium, die festi Exaltationis Sanctæ Crucis, tempore capituli generalis.

Abbey of Waverley, in Surrey.



THE history of Waverley abbey has been so thoroughly investigated by Messrs. Manning and Bray, that little, comparatively speaking, can be added to it by the editors of the *Monasticon*.

The foundation of this abbey was laid on the 24th of November, A.D. 1128, the 29th Hen. I. by William Giffard, bishop of Winchester,^a for the re-

ception of twelve monks of the Cistercian order, who were transplanted hither from the abbey of Aumone, in Normandy.^b This monastery was the first house of the Cistercian Order established in England, although precedence was, for a while, claimed by the abbey of Furness, in Lancashire.^c

William Giffard's foundation charter, which will be found in the Appendix, besides the land of Waverley, endows the monks here with two acres of meadow at Elsted, and pannage for their hogs; with liberty to cut wood for fuel and other necessary purposes in his coppices at Farnham.^d

Henry de Blois, brother of King Stephen, and successor to Giffard in the see of Winchester, confirmed the grant of his predecessor, and added, of his own free gift, one virgate of land with its appurtenances, lying at or near Waneford; also right of pasture for swine and other cattle at Farnham, in all such places as the free tenants and others of the hundred were wont to enjoy the same; with licence to cut and dig heath, stone, sand, and all other earth whatsoever for their necessary uses, without let or hindrance. The bounds of the possessions of the monks, as they then stood, are thus described by Henry de Blois in his charter: viz. From the oak at Tileford called King's Oak, along the king's high-way to Farnham as far as Wynterbourn; and from thence along the bank which runs from Farnham to the hill called Richarde's Hulle; and across the said hill and the bridge of Waneford, to the meadow of Tyleford called Ilvethammes-mede; and so to the oak from whence this perambulation sets out.^e

Other benefactors to this House were,

1. Adeliza, the second queen of Henry I. who died in 1151, having bestowed upon the monks here the grange or farm of Northolt, with the woods and other appurtenances adjoining to the same.^f She had married to her second

husband William d'Albini, earl of Arundel, who died here in the month of October, A. D. 1176.

2. King Stephen, who gave the monks Netham near Alton, and the church of Farnham.^g

3. Alan, son of Pagan de Villers, who gave them Bochild.^h

4. Pharamus of Bologne, nephew of King Stephen's queen, of whom they had the grange or farm of Warenberge, Weneberge, or Wandenberg:ⁱ but for this they paid him one hundred and twenty marks of silver, as appears by the charter of Geffrey de Magnaville, earl of Essex, who was the lord of the fee, and confirmed the grant.^k

5. Richer de Aquila, lord of Witley, of whose gift they had Oxeneford, in that parish.^l This Richer died in 1176.

6. Radulphus, or Ralph, the sheriff, who gave the monks Riehull, in the parish of Peperharrow.^m

7. Sewall de who gave them Cuserugia.

8. Richard de Sifrewast, who gave half a hide of land at Polementon, supposed to be Polehampton near Overton in Hampshire.

Beside these, Messrs. Manning and Bray have recorded some other benefactions from charters formerly in the possession of Richard Gough, Esq. but at present belonging to Dr. Prattenton, of Bewdley, in Worcestershire. The chief of these are, a yardland in Stiventon given by Galfrid de Luvieres and Adeliza; the latter and Michael de Luvieres confirming the grant in separate charters: a virgate of land from Hugh Peregrinus, or the Palmer, situated between Hurtespunde and Cobbelie: and a virgate of land, with right of pasture, in the manor of Stiventon, from Ingelram de Louvieres.ⁿ

All these grants were confirmed to the convent by a bull of Pope Eugenius the Third, dated at Paris May 27th, 1147, whereby also the monks of this house were exempted from all payment of tithes for their cattle, and for such lands as were occupied by themselves.^o

By charter from King Richard the First, dated at Westminster Sept. 5th, 1189, the monks of Waverley obtained a further confirmation of their lands and privileges;^p by which it appears, that, in addition to the lands already mentioned, they were possessed of Dodingdon, of the gift of Robert de Venuz; of certain lands lying between Buttele and the wood of Netham, called the Hoo; of other lands, between Gavelthers and Losthela, given by William, son of Robert de Venuz; of the land called Riehell; of the grange or farm of Dacheriefeld, with one hide of land in Wishangle;^q of the grange or farm of Bomata; of the grange of Serveton; the grange of Dumnore; the grange of Laga;

^a Annal. Waverl. Gale, Script. tom. ii. p. 150. See the App. Num. I. Tanner says that the foundation being so late in the year as viij. kal. Dec. the Chronicle of South Park might, without great mistake, place this foundation in an. Dom. 1129; but Bishop Giffard, the founder, was dead before 1132, in which year it is placed in Leland's Collect. tom. i. p. 86, tom. iii. p. 73.

^b Manning and Bray's Hist. Surr. vol. iii. p. 145.

^c The Annals of Waverley printed by Gale give a minute account of this dispute. Furness abbey is stated to have been founded a short time before Waverley, which gave the abbat of Furness a colour for claiming precedence; but Furness was originally of the Benedictine Order, being a daughter of Savigni, in France. The fourth abbat of Savigni, in a general chapter, surrendered his house, with all its dependencies, into the hands of Bernard abbat of Clarevall, for the purpose of becoming Cistercians. Peter, the fourth abbat of Furness, with his convent, appealed to the pope, Eugenius the Third, against this surrender, and Peter went to Rome on the occasion, and obtained from the pope a confirmation that the abbey should remain of its original Order; but, on his return, he was seized by the monks of Savigni, obliged to resign his abbey, and became a monk there, bearing the Cistercian Order. His successor at Furness reconciled his house to the mother church of Savigni, and it became from thence Cistercian. It was at length determined that the abbat of Furness should have precedence through the whole generation of the houses of Elemosyna in England and the daughter of Savigni in England only; but the abbat of Waverley was to have precedence as well in the chapters of the abbats through England, as a superiority over the whole Order. Compare the Annal. Waverl. Manning, Hist. Surr. vol. iii. p. 144.

^d See the Charter, Num. II.

^e See the Charter in the Appendix, Num. III.

^f See the bull of Pope Eugenius III. also in the Appendix, Num. VII.

^g See Manning's Hist. Surr. vol. iii. p. 145.

^h Ibid.

ⁱ App. Num. VII.

^k Compare the Charter, Num. V. This, says Mr. Manning, I take to have been the present Wanborough. It came into the hands of the convent as early as the time of Gilbert who was second abbat, and elected in the second year after the foundation. Hist. Surr. vol. iii. p. 145.

^l See the App. Num. VII.

^m Ibid. This Ralph Mr. Manning takes to have been Ralph Picot, who was sheriff of the county in 1157, 1158, and 1159. The convent, he adds, were in possession of Riehull, indeed, some years before; but Ralph might also have been sheriff earlier.

ⁿ See Manning, vol. iii. p. 146.

^o App. Num. VII. before referred to.

^p App. Num. VI.

^q The former of these, says Manning, is Dockenfield, a manor lying on the border of the county of Surrey but in Hampshire, within the bounds of Wolmore forest. The abbey had a licence, 8th Edw. II. to assart and enclose forty acres of wood on this estate, which was renewed or confirmed to them by another patent in 6 Edw. III. (Pat. 8 Edw. II. m. 21; and 6 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 6.)

At Dokkenfeld the abbat of Waverley was obliged to find entertainment for the foresters and reguards of the king, when they came to take views, for one night; and hay and oats for their horses, to the value of 20s. (Pl. Forest. t. Edw. III.) The latter is certainly what was given to the convent under the name of Wishangle by Richard de Toelive,

and the grange of Tuangham;^a with one hide of land in Ebbesburn.

In the time of King John, Gilbert de Basseville, lord of the manor of Werplesdon, and son of Gilbert who died 17th May, 1212, gave a plat of ground in that lordship, which was afterwards called la Newe Rude.^b

In the time of Richard the First, or John, Engelger de Bohun gave the monks one mark per annum out of his mill at Midhurst, which was confirmed in the time of Henry the Third by Savaric de Bohun, to be paid at Midhurst at Midsummer and Christmas, for the maintenance of one monk in augmentation of the convent.^c

A. D. 1237, 21st Henry III. the king, having recovered, by a writ of inquiry, certain lands in Netham which had been fraudulently separated from his demesne, gave the same, with their appurtenances, consisting of a hundred and five acres, to this house; but they had not seisin thereof until the 19th June, 1239.^d

A. D. 1245, 29th Henry III. Eleanor, the king's sister, with Simon de Montefort, earl of Leicester, her husband, and Henry and Simon, her sons, made a visit to the convent: and, at the same time, or shortly after, made them a present of fifty marks, and also of eighteen more for the use of the fabric. By her assistance, says the writer of the Annals of Waverley, we were enabled to make a purchase of a hundred and fifty acres more of land at Netham.^e

About the same time, also, William de Raley, bishop of Winchester, who died in France about the year 1250, in consideration of the yearly sum of half a mark to be paid to him and his successors, gave a piece of ground on the heath situated within his warren of Farnham, to make a vivary or fish-pond.^f

In 1260, Hugh de Polsted granted to the monks in frank almoigne his wood called Inwood, in Compton, in the county of Surrey, with liberty to enclose it.^g

In the 38th Hen. III. they received a hundred shillings a year of the manor of Ham, in Kingston.^h

A. D. 1263, 47th Hen. III. one Maud died here on the 8th February, and was buried on the 12th in the chapel of the infirmary, who was so considerable a benefactress to this convent, that the annalist of the place calls her "a kind mother to it; having given to it, in her life-time, and at her decease, the greatest part of her substance." Amongst other bequests, she gave by her will a hundred marks sterling to be laid out in lands, directing that out of the issues thereof two pittances should be yearly distributed to the monks on the anniversary of her death, and of Lebert de Pisce, her husband, December 13th; and also a taper provided for the said chapel, to be lighted on certain solemnities by her prescribed. Accordingly the said money was laid out on a tenement in Serweton, which they purchased of Richard de Totteford, clerk; and a yearly portion of 29s. 6d. reserved thereout for the purposes afore-mentioned.ⁱ

A. D. 1279, 7 Edw. I. William de Abbecroft gave by his deed in writing to the monks of this place all his land of

Abbecroft, which he held of the convent in capite, with his capital messuage and appurtenances in Waneburgh.

In the 3d Edw. II. A. D. 1310, on a writ of Ad quod damnum, Hugh Tripacy, parson of the church of Martre-worthy, near Winchester, and executor of Nicholas de Ely, late bishop of Winchester, had licence to give to the abbat and convent the manor of Cuserugge, one messuage, fifty-nine acres of land, five of pasture, and four of wood in Chivele, for the maintenance of a chaplain in the conventual church of Waverley to pray for the soul of the said Nicholas;^k who, by his will, left two hundred marks to the convent, being their share of five hundred marks bequeathed by him "Cisterciensibus in capitulo generali congregatis."^l

The monks were, also, owners of Ogshate, in Surrey; that is, of land in Ockshot in Stoke Dabernon, and of a piece of land there in the soil of John Dabernon, which had been seized by the king, and restored to them.^m

Their liberties in Wanborough and Bramley were confirmed by King Edward the Third in the twentieth year of his reign.

A. D. 1331, 5th Edward III. By a charter of this date, the convent appears to have had a patent for receiving a pipe of red wine annually out of the port of Southampton; which patent was renewed also in the 2d Edw. IVth. where it is expressly said to have been given "pro consecratione Corporis ac Sanguinis J. Christi."ⁿ

In the 36th of Edw. III. A. D. 1363, John de Netherhauene had licence to alienate to the abbey one messuage, eighty acres of arable land, two of meadow, sixteen of moor, three of heath, rents of 30s. 4d., and one pound of pepper in Farnham, to celebrate an anniversary for his soul; the same being held of the Bishop of Winchester as of his castle of Farnham by a rent of 21s. a year, suit of court to the manor of Farnham, and keeping in repair thirty feet of the enclosure of the park there: in value, beyond the reserved rent, 4l. 0s. 6d. per annum.^o

ABBATS of WAVERLEY.

JOHN, one of the twelve religious who were first settled here from the convent of Aumone, was the first abbat. He died within the year.^p

GILBERT, his successor,^q was present at the translation of St. Erkenwald's body in the church of St. Paul, at London, Nov. 14th, 1148. Mr. Manning says he was succeeded by

GEFFREY, according to some; though no mention of this abbat is found in the Annals of Waverley. On the contrary,

HENRY, who according to this account was the fourth, is expressly called there the third abbat.^r He died A. D. 1182; and was succeeded by another abbat of the same name,

HENRY OF CHICHESTER, a monk of this house, who resigned this dignity in 1187 to

CHRISTOPHER, who had previously been abbat of

bishop of Winchester, who died Dec. 22, 1188, in the charter appended to the present account, Num. IV.

These lands of Duckenfield and Wishangle, now Wishanger, says Manning, lie in the parishes of Frensham and Hedley, and partly in the county of Hants, between the small stream which runs through the great pond of Frensham (which is the water of Wishanger) and the larger which comes down from Liphook. Manning, Hist. Surr. ut supr. p. 147.

^a Tongham, in the parish of Sele.

^b Manning, ut supr.

^c Ibid. from MS. Dodsw. in bibl. Bodl. tom. xxx. fol. 49.

^d Annal. Waverl. p. 139.

^e Ibid. p. 206.

^f This ground extended from the little bridge beyond Tilleford, along the course of the stream called Erikeledesburn, towards Cherte. Herein Manning supposes the monks dug the pond which is still known by the name of the Abbat's Pond.

^g Compare Manning, ut supr.

^h Ibid.

ⁱ Annal. Waverl. p. 215. Manning observes, that "this Maud is called in the Index to the Annals publ. by Gale 'Queen of England;'" but this is plainly a mistake, no queen of that name having been living near this time.

^k On July 25th in the same year they entered into a covenant, 1. To celebrate one mass annually in the chapel of St. Mary at the gate of their convent, or in the great church of the same, for the soul of Nicholas de Ely, late bishop of Winton, who dedicated the church of Waverley, and was there interred; one mass weekly by one of the brethren of the house, and one other daily by the precentor, or succentor. 2. To

celebrate his anniversary every year on 12th February, on which day he died, A. D. 1279-80. 3. To distribute annually among the monks on the same day, as a consideration for their trouble, spicery, or, as it is afterwards said, *ad species emendas*, to the value of five marks, in equal portions. 4. At the same time to expend 13s. 4d. in a pittance, *i. e.* a small addition of viands to the monks' table. 5. Also to distribute on the same day at their gate, by the hands of their porter, 20s. worth of new shoes to poor widows, and to pay the same yearly on the feast of St. John Baptist, to the prior, cellarer, &c. and to charge the same on the manor of Cuserugge, given to the convent by Hugh Tripacy, the bishop's executor. 6. Also to provide one wax taper in a brazen candlestick, to be set up at the head of the said bishop, to burn on his anniversary, and on other solemn days at great mass. 7. To maintain and keep up a cross of marble set up by the bishop's executors at Froyle, and in case it be broken or thrown down by lightning, thunder, or other storm, to erect another in its place. 8. To remember the said Master Hugh Tripacy in all their masses, as well during his life, as after his decease. Manning ut supr. p. 148, e Regist. Woodl. fol. 138 a.

^l Manning, ut supr.

^m Claus. 14 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 7.

ⁿ Cart. 5 Edw. III. art. 4. Pat. 2 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 15, vel. 16. See also Pat. 14 Edw. IV. p. 2.

^o Inquis. ad quod damnum, 36 Edw. III. p. 2, n. 13.

^p Annal. Waverl. p. 150.

^q Ibid.

^r "Anno MCLXXXII. Obiit Henricus tertius abbas Waverliæ; eique successit Henricus de Criestria monachus loci." Annal. Waverl. p. 162.

Bruern in Oxfordshire.^a At this time, says the Annalist of Waverley, here were a hundred and twenty converts, or lay brethren in the house, seventy monks, and about thirty plough-teams constantly at work.^b In 1196, abbat Christopher was removed from his office, when

JOHN, the hospitaller of the convent, succeeded.^c During his time, in 1201, the possessions of the abbey suffered much from inundation.^d He died at Merton on Sept. 16th, in the same year.^e

JOHN III. cellarer, or purveyor of the convent, was the next abbat; the first act of whose government was to get the chapel of the Infirmary consecrated, which was accordingly done by Albinus, bishop of Fernes, in Ireland, and a Cistercian monk, Nov. 6th, 1201.^f

On the 19th of March, 1203, William de Bradewatre laid the foundation of the new church of the convent, dedicated to the Virgin Mary. In which year, also, there was so great a scarcity of corn, occasioned chiefly by the flood of 1201, that the monks were obliged to disperse into other convents for sustenance.^g

In 1210 the monks of the Cistercian Order having been generally remiss in their payments towards the king's aids, under pretence of restrictions laid upon them by their founder, were severely harassed; and, amongst others, the estates of this house seized.^h Abbat John died August 5th, 1216. He was succeeded in his office and dignity by the sub-prior of the monastery, of the name of

ADAM,ⁱ who resigned the abbacy the year following,^k though he did not die till 1229.^l He was the first institutor of a ceremony which was long afterwards observed in the convent; that of celebrating a private mass for all strangers dying in the scholar's infirmary here, on the day or morrow of their funeral.^m His successor in the abbey was

ADAM II. who, at the time of his election, was abbat of Gerondon, in Leicestershire, a cell to Waverley.ⁿ

In 1222 William de Bradewatre, who had laid the foundation of the conventual church of Waverley nineteen years before, died. He was interred on the outside of the church near the south wall.^o

On Dec. 16th, 1225, King Henry the Third made a visit to Waverley, where he was received with great solemnity, and, the day following, was admitted, at his own request, in the chapter-house, a member of the fraternity.^p

In 1231, on the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle, the conventual church, the foundation of which was laid in 1203, was opened with great solemnity.^q

On the 11th of July, 1233, a flood arose which did considerable mischief in many places, but more particularly at Waverley; where it ran through the cloister and offices

with great violence, and caused material injury. The Annals of Waverley, in giving an account of this flood,^r mention the new monastery which stood on higher ground. Manning observes that there is no other mention of the original house having been removed to higher ground. The buildings, he observes, which yet remain are on the low ground. Abbat Adam resigned in 1236, when

WALTER GIFFARD, who had been abbat of Bittlesden, in Buckinghamshire, succeeded.^s

This abbat appointed a private mass to be celebrated on the anniversary of all good christians who should bequeath an annual sum for the refreshment of the brethren of the house. He also provided certain tapers to be lighted up at every altar in the church during the time of divine service, on the two festivals of All Saints and the Nativity of our Saviour.^t

The heart of Peter de Rupibus, Bishop of Winchester, was buried at Waverley in 1238.^u

Abbat Giffard died in 1251: when he was succeeded in his office by

RALPH, abbat of Dunkewell in the county of Devon, who had previously been abbat of Tintern, in Monmouthshire.^x In his time, A. D. 1262, William, abbat of Ford, died in the convent of Waverley, and was buried in the chapter-house.^y Abbat Ralph resigned in 1266, through infirmity of health.^z His successor was

WILLIAM DE LONDON, a monk of this house, who was his notary.^a He is mentioned by Willis, in his Mitred Abbies, as distinct from

WILLIAM DE HUNGERFORD: though nothing more is known of either than that the latter resigned the abbacy in 1276, after an attack of palsy; being succeeded by

HUGH DE REUBENORUM,^b or LEWKNORE, who was also a monk of the house, and elected abbat, Nov. 20th, 1276.^c

In his time, Sept. 21, 1278, the conventual church here was dedicated in due form to the Virgin Mary, by Nicholas de Ely, Bishop of Winchester, who dying February the 12th, 1281, was interred in the same on the 16th, his heart only excepted, which, three days after, was deposited with great solemnity in his cathedral church of Winchester.^d

In 1283, Peter de St. Maur, archdeacon of Surrey, commenced a suit against the abbat and convent for the recovery of small tithes; and a commission was granted by the Pope to the prior of Southwark, the dean, chancellor, and treasurer of St. Paul's, to hear and determine the same. But, by various appeals from one set of judges to another, it was protracted for no less than fifteen years, when it was referred to the Bishop of Winchester, who finally decided it, obliging each party to pay their own costs.^e

inclined to gratify him; but the lords and great men of the council interfering, all he could obtain was a promise to be heard upon his petition, on condition of taking off the interdict under which he had laid his convent. Accordingly, at the time appointed, the charters, muniments, and privileges of the Order were laid before the king and council, who commented upon them as they thought fit, and not much to the advantage or satisfaction of the complainants. At length, however, the friends of holy church prevailed; and it appearing upon the face of their charters, &c. 'That the precincts of abbies and their estates were by apostolical, *i. e.* papal authority, exempted from the encroachments of all wicked and profane persons, *i. e.* from all lay-visitation whatsoever, and inviolable as the altars of churches; and that all manner of persons committing violence thereupon, stood, *ipso facto*, excommunicate;' the king granted the abbat's petition in its full extent, and the shoemaker was immediately sent back, to the great joy and edification of all the good people of England. Mean time, the serjeant and his party, who had done no other than their duty, in executing the lawful orders of the government, came off but poorly; being condemned to ask pardon of God and the monks at the gate of the convent, and afterwards to be publicly whipped. Which sentence having been fully executed upon them by the dean of the house, and the vicar of Farnham, they were absolved in form, and having a sufficient penance enjoined them besides, were dismissed." Hist. Surr. vol. iii. p. 150. See the Annal. Waverl. p. 201.

^x Annal. Waverl. p. 210.

^y Ibid. p. 215.

^z Ibid. p. 223.

^a Ibid.

^b Ibid. p. 231.

^c Ibid. p. 233.

^d So the Annales Wigorn. "A. D. MCCLXXX, pridie Idus Januarii obiit felicitis recordationis dominus Nicolaus Wintoniæ episcopus; et in basilica gloriosæ virginis Mariæ de Waverleye, quam nuper dedicaverat, cum summa devotione a venerabilibus patribus dominis Willielmo Norwic. et Roberto Bathon. episcopis xiv. cal. Martii traditur sepulturæ." Wharton, Angl. Sacr. tom. i. p. 504.

^e Annal. Waverl. p. 238.

^a Annal. Waverl. p. 163.

^b Ibid. p. 165.

^c Ibid. p. 117.

^d Ibid. p. 167, 168.

^e Ibid. p. 182.

^f Ibid. p. 191.

^g "Hic instituit ut una privata missa diceretur pro singulis hospitibus in infirmitorio scolarium morientibus, in die sepulturæ eorum, sive in crastino, quod antea in domo nostra non fiebat." Annal. Waverl. p. 191.

^h Annal. Waverl. p. 185.

ⁱ Ibid. p. 187.

^j Ibid. p. 189.

^k Ibid. p. 193.

^l Ibid. p. 194.

^m Ibid. p. 197.

ⁿ Ibid.

^o Manning says, "In the year 1240, an accident happened in the convent, which made a considerable noise at the time, and furnishes us with a striking picture of the times, as well as of the resolution and authority of an abbat. A young man, it seems, about Easter, was received into the house in the capacity of shoemaker to the convent, where he exercised his craft without molestation till the beginning of August; when a party was sent, by the king's orders, to secure him on a charge of murder. They accordingly came, and like good men and true, notwithstanding the remonstrances and menaces of this holybody, executed the commission they were sent upon, and carried the young man away with them to prison. Astonished at this impious outrage on their privileges, and foreseeing, as their annalist very justly observes, that, if things should go on at this rate, there would soon be an end of all distinction between religious and seculars, the monks having at first agreed to suspend divine services in the house till satisfaction should be made, dismissed their abbat to the legate Cardinal Otho or Ottobon, at that time in England, with a proper representation of their case. The legate heard what they had to say, but stirred not in the matter. The abbat hereupon laid it before the king, requiring, in pretty high terms, that God and holy church should be avenged of his irreverent officers, by an immediate restitution of their charge. The king seemed well enough

Abbat Hugh died March 8th, 1286,^a and was succeeded by

PHILIP DE BEDWINDE, who received the benediction at the hands of the Bishop of Winchester in the cathedral there on Easter-day following.^b In the 28th and 31st years of Edw. I. A.D. 1300 and 1303, the sheriff of Surrey distrained the abbat for escuage toward payment of the army in Scotland; to which the abbat excepted, as holding his lands in frank-almoigne. Hereupon the king commanded the barons of his Exchequer, if they found he held by that tenure, to acquit him.^c

The Annals of the Convent, Mr. Manning observes, descending no lower than these times, we are much in the dark about the succession of the abbats; the names of a few only, and those casually, occurring.

WILLIAM OCCURS as abbat in 1312.

ROBERT, in 1335.^d

JOHN, being elected, licence was granted to him by Bishop Orleton, May 14th, 1344, to receive the benediction from any Catholic bishop.^e

WILLIAM HAKELESTON died in 1399.^f

JOHN BIRD was elected in full chapter, January 31st, 1400, upon a visitation of the convent under the bishop's commission, by John abbat of Rewley, and the abbat of Grace Dieu in the county of Monmouth, who ratified the same.^g

WILLIAM MARTYN, a monk of this house, being elected abbat, had licence from Bishop Wainflete, December 21st, 1456, to receive the benediction from any Catholic bishop.^h He occurs again in the bishop's register in the years 1460, 1462, 1463, and 1468.ⁱ

THOMAS is mentioned in Bishop Langton's register, October 12th, 1492.^k Manning thinks he was the same with *Thomas Skevington*, abbat here, who, in 1509, was promoted to the bishoprick of Bangor.^l

WILLIAM OCCURS abbat, in the register of Fox Bishop of Winchester in 1511, and again in 1522.

JOHN is mentioned as abbat in 1529.^m He occurs also in 1533.ⁿ

The Abbey of Waverley was dissolved in the 27th of Henry VIIIth. A. D. 1536, the gross income being at that time rated at 196*l.* 13*s.* 11½*d.*, the clear produce at 174*l.* 8*s.* 3½*d.*^o On the 20th of July in the following year, Sir William Fitzwilliam, treasurer of the king's household, afterwards Earl of Southampton, had a grant of the site of this abbey, with the church, churchyard, messuages, and lands thereto belonging; also the rectories of Waverley and Wanborowe in Surrey, and of Netham, Sawroton, and Roviatt in the county of Southampton, the manor of Dokynfeld, in Surrey and Southampton, and the manor of Shaw, in Berks, to the said abbey belonging; and all mills, &c. and all advowsons, &c. in Waverley, Stokedaborne, Dunsfold, Shallesford, Alford, Wytteley, and Seale, Southwark, Godalmyne, Wokyng, Worplesdon, Farnham, Elsted, Puttenham, Peperharowe, and Frynsham, in Surrey, and in

other places in the other counties; the whole being of the annual value of 188*l.* 14*s.* 11*d.* and no more. The rent reserved for the whole was 23*l.* 12*s.* 10½*d.* The grant extended to all corn and grain, chattels, lead, bells, &c.^p

Sir William Fitzwilliam settled this, with other estates, on himself and the Lady Mabell his wife, and the heirs of their bodies; with remainder to his half brother, Sir Anthony Brown. From Sir Anthony Brown the site and estate of Waverley abbey descended to his son Anthony, created Viscount Montacute; whose grandson, Anthony Montacute, sold them to the family of Coldham. After passing through different hands, this estate was sold, about 1796, to John Thomson, Esq. who was the owner in 1811.^q

The abbat of Waverley was summoned to the parliament at Woodstock in the 49th Hen. III. A. D. 1265.^r

A few early particulars occur in the Annals of Waverley of the buildings of this monastery. In 1179, it appears the lavatory and aqueduct were finished.^s A new church has been already noticed from them as begun in 1203. Two altars were consecrated in the church upon St. Barnabas' day, A. D. 1230, and another altar on the day following.^t Ten days of indulgence were granted to those who attended the consecration of these altars; and as many when three other altars were dedicated in the north cross.^u

Aubrey gives us an account of the Remains of this abbey, as they stood in 1673. They then consisted of the walls of the church and cloister, with some part of the cloisters themselves, within the quadrangle of which had been a pond, then a marsh. There was also a chapel of considerable size; great remains of the hall or refectory, which was vaulted; the dormitory; and some other ruins.^v

The crypt beneath the dormitory, some remains of the refectory, portions of the walls of the church, and some walls of the chapter-house, were all that remained in 1802.^w

What is now called the vill of Waverlye, near Farnham, contains nothing more than the site of the abbey, two or three small farms, and a few cottages, within or immediately contiguous to its precincts: the whole being extra-parochial.

The Annals of Waverley, a General Chronicle of England from the Incarnation of our Lord to the year 1291, preserved in the Cottonian library,^z were printed by Gale in the second volume of his "Scriptores." A transcript of these Annals occurs in the Harleian library of manuscripts, No. 687. They were, in all probability, compiled by some member of this house; numerous particulars relating to the buildings and endowment of which are, as has been already seen, interspersed throughout.

Tanner has the following references to public Records concerning Waverley:

"Cart. 6 Joan. n. 6. Cart. 7 Joan. m. 4, n. 28.

"Claus. 9 Hen. III. m. 17, pro assartis in bosco de Netteham. Cart. 21 Hen. III. m. 1, pro cv. acris in Netteham. Cart. 30 Hen. III. m. 17 d, de perambulatione terræ

^a Annal. Waverl. p. 239.

^c Madox, Hist. Scacc. fol. edit. p. 466. Brev. 34 Edw. I. Trin. rot. 41.

^d See Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 235. See also Stevens, Contin. of Monast. vol. ii. p. 36.

^e Registr. Orleton, Episc. Winton. fol. 125.

^f Registr. Wickh. Wint. tom. i. fol. 305 b.

^g Reg. Wainfl. Episc. Winton. fol. 40.

^h Manning, Hist. Surr. vol. iii. p. 151.

ⁱ Ibid.

^k Ibid.

^l See Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 235. Stevens, vol. ii. p. 36. See also Fiddes, Life of Cardinal Wolsey, p. 157.

^m See Willis, and Stevens, ut supr.

ⁿ The following are the possessions of Waverley which occur in the Taxation of 1291; the temporalities only of this monastery being entered, amounting to the total annual value of 98*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.*

	£.	s.	d.
Lond. Temp.			
In parochia S. Andr. Holborn	0	1	8
Norwic. Temp.			
In parochia S. Cutberti	0	6	8
In Gernemut. Magna de redd.	0	13	4
Cicestr. Temp.			
In Abinton de redd. assis.	1	0	0
Sarum Temp.			
In Schawe	5	0	0
In temp. ejusdem in Schawe	0	16	8

Winton. Temp.

	£.	s.	d.
In Waneberg, quod taxatur	6	13	4
Exeneford, quod taxatur	1	0	0
Hoggesheth, quod taxatur	1	0	0
In Nathan, quod taxat. ad	53	6	8
Borgate, quod taxat. ad	10	0	0
Nutshelne, quod taxat. ad	5	0	0
Dummere, quod taxat. ad	2	0	0
Sarneton, quod taxat. ad	2	10	0
Berton, quod taxatur ad	6	13	4
Dokkenesfelde, quod tax. ad	2	0	0

Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. fol. Lond. 1802, pp. 13, 20 b, 29 b, 93, 97 b, 109, 139, 192, 196, 206 b, 215.

^p Pat. 28 Hen. VIII. p. 2. Manning, vol. iii. p. 152. Compare also Rot. orig. 28 Hen. VIII. ro. lxx. lxxi. MS. Donat. Mus. Brit. 6364, fol. 149, 6365, fol. 1 b.

^q Manning, ut supr.

^r Selden, Titles of Honor, pp. 723, 941. Leland, in his Collectanea, tom. iii. p. 148, gives a Catalogue of some of the manuscripts preserved in the library of this house.

^s Annal. Waverl. p. 161.

^t Ibid. p. 193.

^u Ibid.

^v Aubrey's Hist. of Surrey, vol. iii. p. 360.

^w Gent. Mag. 1802, pp. 1114, 1115.

^z MS. Cotton. Vesp. A. xvi. art. 14.

abbatis in Waverle. Fin. Surr. 31 Hen. III. n. . de maner. de Pypenhanger. Pat. 32 Hen. III. m. . pro assart. terrarum apud Neccham in foresta de Asiholt.

“Plac. in com. Surr. 7 Edw. I. assis. rot. 1 d, pro reddit. in Fernham. Ibid. rot. 31. Cart. forest. in com. Southamt. 8 Edw. I. rot. 21, pro xl. acris bosci sui de Drokenfeld in claudendis. Plac. div. com. 9 Edw. I. de terris in Essington, Awelton, &c. Plac. in com. Devon. 9 Edw. I. rot. 17, pro terris in Offenden. Rot. hundred. in com. Surr. temp. Edw. I. quod abbas debet reparare pontem de Cumpston.

“Pat. 3 Edw. II. m. 26. Pat. 4 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 23. Brev. 8 Edw. II. Hill. rot. 5. Pat. 8 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 21, pro assart. et includ. xl. acris bosci de Dokenesfeld. Cart. 11 Edw. II. n. 41. Pat. 11 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 36.

“Cart. 5 Edw. III. art. 4, pro j. dolio vini rubei percipiendo singulis annis ad portum Southamton. Escaet. Surr. 6 Edw. III. n. 74, pro bosco de Dokenesfeld inclaud. Pat. 6 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 6 vel 7. Claus. 14 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 7, de maner. de Ogshetc. Pat. 15 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 44, de taxatione temporalium. Ibid. p. 2, m. 6, de corrodiis. Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 6, pro libertat. in maner. de Wauburn, Bromley, &c. Pat. 36 Edw. III. p. . m. 46, pro ten. in Farnham.

“Pat. 1 Hen. IV. p. 6, m. .

“Pat. 2 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 15 vel 16, pro dolio vini annuatim. Pat. 14 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. .

“Pat. 23 Hen. VII. p. 2, m. 10.”

An enumeration of the privileges claimed by the abbat

of Waverley in the 7th Edw. I. occur in the Placita de Quo Waranto, p. 748. See also the same work for other rights and possessions of this abbey, pp. 768, 770, 812, 815.

In the Augmentation Office is a Paper Survey of the possessions of this abbey; but it seems only an abbreviation of the Ecclesiastical Valor of the 26 Hen. VIII.

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office,

“Finis solutus pro confirmatione libertatum, per abbatem et conventum de Waverley.” Orig. 1 Hen. VIII. rot. 144.

“De domina Mabilia comitissa Southamptoniæ, occasionata ad ostendendum quo titulo tenet situm nuper monasterii de Waverley et alias terras in comitatibus Surr. et Sussex.” Trin. Record. 35 Hen. VIII. rot. 24.

The only impression of a Seal of this abbey which has yet been met with, is on green wax, attached to a Deed, dated in 1282, in the possession of Mr. Newman. The Seal is small and oval, representing a hand with a sleeve holding a crozier: the dexter side of the Seal flory: in the sinister a crescent surmounted by a star. Legend, CONTRA SIGILL. ECCLIE DE WAVERLEIA.

Aubrey, in his History of Surrey, vol. iv. p. 39, says, “At Willey” in that county “was a numery, where the impropiation is, called Oxenford, which belonged to Waverley abbey.”

Cartae ad Waverleienne Coenobium, in agro Surregiensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

[Ex Annal. de Waverle in bibl. Cottoniana.]

ANNO MCXXVIIJ. Hoc anno fundata est abbatia de Waverleia à domino Willielmo Giffard episcopo Wintoniæ, viij. kal. Decembris.

[Annal. de Peterborough in bibl. Cottoniana.]

ANNO MCXXVIIJ. Ordo Cisterciensis primo venit in Angliam. Abbatia de Waverle fundata est, filia domus de Elemosina, hoc est transmissis illuc de Elemosina xij. monachis cum abbate, ei subjectionem et obedientiam, sicut filia matri debet.

NUM. II.

Fundationis Carta per Willielmum Giffard Wintoniensem Episcopum.

[Pat. 11 E. II. part. 2, m. 36, per Inspec. Vide etiam Cart. 11 E. II. num. 41.]

WILLIELMUS Giffard Dei gratia episc. Wynton. omnibus sanctæ Dei ecclesiæ fidelibus salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et concessisse in elemosina assensu domini nostri regis Henrici, et tocius fratrum Wyntoniensis ecclesiæ conventus monachis de Cistell. terram de Waverli solutè et quietè in æternum possidendam, cum omnibus eidem terræ pertinentibus in pratis, et in pascuis, et ij. acras prati apud Helested; et pasnagium porcorum suorum ab omni consuetudine quietum in boscis de Ferneham, et ligna ad usum ardendi, et ad alia necessaria. Hujus donationis testes sunt, Ingulfus prior, Richerus archid. Stephanus archid. Gilbertus de Cumai, Rogerus de Meleford, Walchelinus capellanus, Ricardus cap. Gyroldus cap. Bernardus cap. Herlebalus cap. Petrus camerarius, Hugo dapifer, Ernaldus frater Rich. archid. Gaufridus de Gemigiis, Will. disp. Robertus pinc.

NUM. III.

Carta Henrici de Bloys Winton. Episcopi.

[Ibid.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia Wynton. episc. omnibus S. m. VOL. V.

tris ecclesiæ filiis salutem. Quoniam ex injuncto nobis a Deo pontificatus officio compellimur universis nostræ dioc. et maximè viris ecclesiasticis subvenire, hinc est quod Deo et ecclesiæ S. Mariæ de Waverle et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus et imperpetuum servituris, dedimus et concessimus, assensu prioris et conventus ecclesiæ Wynton. unam virgatam terræ cum pertinentiis suis juxta Waneford, in augmentum terræ suæ de Waverle, quam terram cum pertinentiis suis venerabilis pater Will. Giffard prædecessor noster, assensu regis Henrici et tocius fratrum Wynton. ecclesiæ conventus in elemosina dedit eis; cujus donationem una cum nostra additione eisdem monachis confirmamus, et præsentis scripti nostri munimine roboramus. Volentes et concedentes, pro nobis et successoribus nostris, ut dictas terras claudant ubi voluerint infra bundas suas, quæ se extendunt à quercu de Tileford quæ vocatur Kynghoc per viam regiam versus Farnham usque ad Wynterborn, et inde per ripam quæ currit de Farnham ad montem qui dicitur Richardishulle, et per transversum illius montis et pontem de Waneford usque ad pratum de Tyleford quod dicitur Iluethammesmede; et inde sursum directè ad prædictam quercum, et ut eas cum omnibus pertinentiis suis sicut liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam pacificè et quietè teneant et possideant imperpetuum. Ut etiam habeant in communi pastura de Farnham porcos suos et alia averia sua in omnibus locis ubi liberi tenentes et alii de hundredo habeant et habere solent. Et ubicumque sibi magis viderint expedire, brueriam, petram, sabulum, et aliam terram pro voluntate sua capiant ad omnes usus sibi necessarios sine calumpnia contradictione et impedimento cujuscumque imperpetuum. In quorum omnium testimonium huic scripto apposuimus sigillum nostrum, statuentes ne quis imposterum ratione præmissorum à prædictis monachis aliquid exigat vel extorquere præsumat, nec molestiam aut gravamen eis inferat, ne iram districti judicis et nostram maledictionem incurrat, et à communione sanctorum alienus existat. Hiis testibus, Radulfo archid. Wynton. Roberto archid. Surr. Roberto de Lunes, Alberto Summano, Will. Tifell, Bernardo, Adam, Roberto, capellanis meis, magistro Herberto, magistro Nicholao, magistro

Hugone, magistro Willielmo, Turstino, Petro et Simone filiis Ric. Alano, Josepho, Willielmo de Monte-caniso, clericis incis, et multis aliis.

NUM. IV.

Carta Ricardi de Toclive, Winton. Episcopi.

[Ibid.]

RICARDUS Dei gratia Wynton. episc. omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis salutem et Dei benedictionem. Noverit universitas vestra nos dedisse et concessisse abbatiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Waverleia et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus totam illam partem terræ nostræ de Wishangla quæ est versus forestam et terram ipsorum monachorum quæ vocatur Duchenefeld, sicut aqua de Wishangla dividit, in pratis, et pascuis, et bosco, liberam et quietam ab omni seculari servicio in perpetuam elemosinam. Ut autem rata sit hæc nostra donatio eam præsentis scripti et sigilli nostri munimine roboramus. Testibus hiis Philippo priore Sudwic, magistro Gregorio de Lund. magistro Henrico de Davintre, &c.

NUM. V.

Carta Gaufridi de Magnavilla Essexiæ Comititis.

THEOBAUDO Dei gratia venerabili Cantuariensi archiep. Henrico Wyntoniensi episcopo, universis sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis tam præsentibus quam futuris Gaufredus de Magnevilla comes de Essexia salutem in Domino. Notum sit omnibus tam præsentibus quam futuris, quod Faramusus de Bolonia vendidit abbati Gisleberto et monachis de Waverleia terram de Warenbergia quæ ad feodum meum spectat, pro centum xx. marcis argenti. Hanc venditionem præcepto et prece domini mei regis Anglorum Henrici ratam habeo, concedo, et confirmo, et prædictæ ecclesiæ eandem terram absolutam et liberam ab omni servitio seculari trado in elemosinam pro anima patris mei et pro redemptione animæ meæ et antecessorum meorum. Ut autem hæc nostra concessio stabilis et inconvulsa permaneat præsentis paginæ scripto et sigilli mei impressione corroborari feci sub testium subscriptorum testimonio. Garinus filius Geroldi, Henricus frater ejus, Willielmus de Magnevilla frater comitis Gaufridi, Ernulfus de Magnevilla, Rogerius filius Ricardi, Radulfus, de Berneriis, Gauterius de Magnevilla, Hugo de O, Jordanus de Teidene, &c.

NUM. VI.

Carta Richardi primi facta Abbatia de Waverleia.

[Cart. antiq. S. n. 20.]

RICARDUS Dei gratia rex, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse, et præsentis carta nostra confirmasse, abbatiam de Waverleia, et omnes terras et possessiones suas. Imprimis locum ipsum in quo abbatia ipsa fundata est, et etiam grangiam, quæ est juxta abbatiam; damus etiam eis et præsentis carta, nostra confirmamus Netham cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et iterum concedimus eis et confirmamus terram illam quæ est ex dono Willielmi de Venuz, quæ jacet inter Buttele, et boscum de Netham, qui (Hoa) vocatur, et inter Gavethers, et Hosthela; et terram illam quæ est ex dono Roberti patris ejusdem Willielmi, quæ vocatur Dodingdona. Grangiam de Wandeburga; grangiam de Oxeneford, cum terra Richella; grangiam de Dacheriefeld, et unam hidam terræ de Wishang; grangiam de Norholt: grangiam de Bomata; grangiam de Serneton; grangiam de Dumnora; grangiam de Nuttesself; grangiam de Saga; grangiam de Tuangham, et unam hidam terræ in Ebbesburne, cum omnibus pertinentiis. Quare volumus, &c. Testibus B. Cantuariensi archiepiscopo, Waltero Rothomagensi archiepiscopo, H. episcopo Dunelmensi, Willielmo de Mandevilla, Willielmo Marescallo. Dat. quinto die Septembris apud Westm. anno regni nostri primo per manum Willielmi cancellarii.

NUM. VII.

Bulla Eugenii III. Rom. Pontificis, donatorum concessionem Waverlegensi Cænobio recitans et confirmans.

[Ex autographo penes prænob. Basilium comitem Denbigh. anno 1657.]

EUGENIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis

filiis Gilberto abbati monasterii S. Mariæ de Waverleia ejusque fratribus, tam præsentibus quam futuris, regulariter professis, in Christo salutem. Apostolici moderaminis clementiæ convenit religiosos diligere, et eorum loca piâ protectione munire. Dignum namque et honestati conveniens esse cognoscitur, ut qui ad ecclesiarum regimen assumpti sumus, eas et a pravorum hominum nequitia tueamur, te apostolicæ sedis patrocinio foveamus: ea propter, dilecti in Domino filii, vestris justis postulationibus clementer annuimus, et præfatum beatæ Mariæ monasterium, in quo divino mancipati estis obsequio, sub beati Petri et nostrâ protectione suscipimus, et præsentis scripti privilegio communimus: statuentes, ut quascunque possessiones, quæcunque bona in præsentiarum justè et canonicè possidetis, aut in futurum concessione pontificum, liberalitate regum, largitione principum, oblatione fidelium, seu aliis justis modis, præstante Domino, poteritis adipisci, firma vobis vestrisque successoribus et illibata permaneant; in quibus hæc propriis duximus exprimenda vocabulis; locum ipsum in quo abbatia fundata est, cum omnibus suis pertinentiis. Ex dono Stephani regis Anglorum Nietham et Ferneham, cum omnibus suis pertinentiis. Ex dono Adelizæ reginæ boscum de Northolte, et culturas juxta ipsum boscum. Ex dono Alani de Vilcrs terram de Bochilde. De Faramuso Boloniensi, Wenebergiam. Ex dono Richerii de Aquilâ, Oxenefordam. De Radulfo viccomite, Riehullam. Ex dono Sawali, Cuserugiam. Ex dono Roberti de Manerio, Nutescheolvain. Ex dono Ricardi de Sifrewast, dimidiam hidam terræ de Polementona. Ex dono Ingelranni Piscis, virgatam terræ et pasturam juxta chiminum Wintoniæ de mancrio Stiventonæ.

Sane laborum vestrorum, quos propriis manibus vel sumptibus colitis, sive de nutrimentis vestrorum animalium, nullus a vobis decimas exigere præsumat. Decernimus ergo, ut nulli omnino hominum liceat prædictum monasterium temere perturbare, aut ejus possessiones auferre, vel ablatas retinere, minuere, seu quibuslibet vexationibus fatigare; sed omnia integra conserventur, eorum, pro quorum gubernatione et sustentatione concessi sunt, usibus omnimodis profutura; salvâ sedis apostolicæ auctoritate, et diocesani episcopi canonicâ justitiâ. Si qua igitur in futurum ecclesiastica secularisve persona, hanc nostræ constitutionis paginam, sciens contra eam temerè venire temptaverit; secundo, tertiove commonita, nisi reatum suum congruâ satisfactione correxerit; potestatis, honorisque sui dignitate careat, reamque se divino judicio existere de perpetrata iniquitate cognoscat, et a sacratissimo corpore ac sanguine Dei et Domini Redemptoris nostri Jesu Christi aliena fiat; atque in extremo examine districtæ ultioni subjaceat. Cunctis autem eidem loco justa servantibus, sit pax domino nostri Jesu Christi, quatenus et hic fructum bonæ actionis percipiant, et apud districtum judicem præmia æternæ pacis invenient. Amen.

Data Parisiis per manum Hugonis presbyteri cardinalis, tenentis vice domini Guidonis S. Romanæ ecclesiæ diaconi cardinalis, et cancellarii v. kal. Junii; indictione x. incarnationis Dominicæ anno m.c.xlvii. Pontificatus vero domini Eugenii papæ tertii, anno tertio.

NUM. VIII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONASTERIUM DE WAVERLEY.

Com' Surr'.

Valet in Temp'al'.

Firm' seit' monest'ij Bte Marie Virgin' de Waverley cum lez courtyards et diſs' dom' cum ort' et ortulan' situat, infra p̄cinct' dñi monest'ij . . . 2l. 0s. 0d.

Firm' t'r dñical' in man' dñi abb't' reſvat' v3

Diſs, pcell' arabil' prat' et past' offic' coquinar' ejusdm monest'ij ptin' put p3 t'm p sacrm Wilh'i Alyng mo°. abbis ibm q'm p al' declar' inde fact' man' sua coram Ricō Weston et diſs' al' comissionar' assign' et reman' 14l. 14s. 10d.

Redd assis' cum al' redd' et firm' tenen' in diſs' vill' hamlett' et proch' ibm videft

In Wanborowe 35l. 8s. 6d. Hoogshott 4l. Tongh'm

2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Oxford 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Pecharow 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* et
Merkwyke 3*l.* 19*s.* 11*d.*

Ut p*3* dict' declaracōn' . 2*l.* 13*s.* 9*d.*

Firm' molendin' dñi i*bm* vide*tt*

Owtmyll 4*l.* Wanfordmyll 2*l.* 10*s.* Et Wadonmyll 4*l.*

Ut p*3* dict' declarac' examiat et pbat' 10*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*

Bosc' i*bm* existen' infra dñm de Wanborowe estimat' p
p*3*d' comissionar' fore in valor' cōib*3* ann' vendend' ut p*3* dict'
declarac' inde fact' et examiat' . 0*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

P'fic' unius nundin' tent' infra dict' dñm de Wanborowe
estimat' fore in valor' cōib*3* ann' ut p*3* dict' declarac' ostens'
et examiat' . 0*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Exit' pven' de pquis' cur' et al' añciament' infra dict'
dñia et cet'a pmiss' cōib*3* ann' estim' p p*3*d' comissionar' fore
in valor' p annū v*3*

In Wanborow 3*s.* 4*d.* M'kwyk 4*s.* . 0. 7*s.* 4*d.*

Ut p*3* dict' declaracōn' . 80*l.* 13*s.* 11*d.*

Spu'al'.

Obla*cc*ōn' annuati' pven' sive crescent' p di*vs*' pigrin' et
al' pson' in capell' sc*i* Barthi de Wanborowe p annū oblat'
0*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

81*l.* 7*s.* 3*d.*

Com' Suth'.

Valet in Temp'al'.

Red*3*d' assis' cum al' red*3*d' et firm' tenenc' in di*vs*' vill'
hamlett' et proch' i*bm* v*3*

In Dokkynfold 15*l.* 2*d.* Neth^m 55*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.* Bov-
yate 13*l.* 18*s.* 0½*d.* Swarveton 6*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Nutshawe 4*l.* 3*s.*
4*d.* Et Dunmere 2*l.* 10*s.* Ut p*3* dict' declarac' ostens' et
examiat' . 97*l.* 14*s.* 8½*d.*

Bosc' i*bm* existen' v*3*

In Neth^m estimat' fore in valor' cōib*3* ann' p p*3*d' comis-
sionar' 3*s.* 4*d.*

P'quis' cur i*bm* v*3*

In Dokkyngfeld 4*s.* Neth^m 6*s.* 8*d.* Et Bovyate 6*s.*
8*d.* estimat' fore in valor' p p*3*d' comissionar' cōib*3* ann'
0*l.* 16*s.* 4*d.*

98*l.* 15*s.* 4½*d.*

Com' Berk'.

Valet in Temp'al'.

Red*3*d' et firm' manij de Shawe p annū 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

London'.

Valet in Temp'al'.

Red*3*d' et firm' in civitat' Lond' p annū 1*l.*

Com' Sussex'.

Valet in Temp'al'.

Red*3*d' assis' cum al' red*3*d' et firm' tenenc' in di*vs*' vill'
hamlett' et proch' i*bm* v*3*

In Rogate 3*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Northholte 4*l.* Yapton 16*s.*
Et Chychester 3*s.* 4*d.* Ut p*3* dict' declaracōn' examiat' et
pbat' . 8*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.*

Com' Wilt'.

Valet in Temp'al'.

Red*3*d' et firm' manior*3* de Berford 12*s.* Et Crowches-
ton 1*l.* p annū.

Ut p*3* dict' declaracōn' ostens' et pbat' 1*l.* 12*s.* 0*d.*
196*l.* 13*s.* 11½*d.*

Com' Surr'.

Rep's in Temp'al'.

Resoluc' red*3*d' annu^u exeunt' de di*vs*' dñijs t*r*' et teñt'
p*3*d' v*3*

Ex^a. dñia de Oxford 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Merkwyke 10*s.* 7*d.*
Tongh^m 6*s.* Et mo*lm* de Wadon 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Sci^t. p*ti*ct*r*
cont^t. in ante d*3*co declarac' sup hunc comp*3*m ostens' et
exaiat' . 4*l.* 16*s.* 7*d.*

Feod' bañior*3* di*vs*' dñior*3* et manior*3* sup^ad' v*3*

Feod' bañi de Wanborowe 1*l.* Et bañi de Merkwyke
5*s.* Ut p*3* dict' declaracōn' ostens' et examiat' 1*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.*

Feod' Wiñi Lusshe*r* capiñl' senesc' d*3*ci monest^eij p
annū 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Ric'i Mathew auditor' i*bm* 1*l.* Sicut
continet' in anted*3*ca declaracōn' . 3*l.* 13*s.* 3*d.*
9*l.* 14*s.* 11*d.*

Spu'al'.

Pens' annu^u solut' p*3*ioriss' de Dertford p porc' decim
exeunt' ex^a. dñm de Oxford p annū. . 0*l.* 12*s.* 0*d.*

Denar' solut' archidia*3* Surr' p p*3*cura*cc*ōn' et sinod' e*3*pi
Winton. p capell' de Wanborow p a^m. . 0*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.*

Denar' distribut' in*3* paupes in p*3*pet' elemozin' ex antiq'
consuetud' usitat' p a*3*ib*3* fundator' d*3*ci monest^eij p annū
4*l.* 10*s.* 5*d.*
5*l.* 7*s.* 5*d.*

15*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.*

Com' Suth'.

Repris' in Temp'al'.

Red*3*d' resolut' annu^u solut' bañis dñi R's de Alton p cert'
t*r*' in Neth^m 13*s.* 4*d.* Ab*3*bt' de Redyng p cert' t*r*' in
Bovyate p ann' 2*l.* . 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Feod' bañior*3* di*vs*' dñior*3* et manior*3* sup^ad' v*3*

Feod' bañi de Neth^m 1*l.* Et bañi de Dokkyngfeld
13*s.* 3*d.* Ut p*3* dict' declaracōn' examiat' 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*
4*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Sp'ual'.

Pens' annu^u solut' a*3*b*3*t' de Hyda*juxta* civitat' Winton'
p porc' x^m exeunt' ex^a. dñiū de Neth^m p annū 2*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
cons' pens' annu^u solut' rector' de Dūmere ex^a. eundm dñiū
p annū 10*s.* Ut p*3* anted*3*cam declaracōn' 2*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*
7*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

22*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.*

Et reman' clare . 174*l.* 8*s.* 3½*d.*

Decima pars . 17*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.*

WYLL^{us}. FYTZ WYLLā,
RYCHARD WESTON,
By MATHEW BROWNE,
CHRISTOFERUS AYRE,
JOHN DANASTER.

Sū^a to³. clare decime part. p domino rege comitat'
Surr' . 121*l.* 14*s.* 10½*d.*

Abbey of Furnes, or Furness, in Lancashire.



ANNER, speaking of Furness, says, "The monastery began at Tulket, in Amounderness, A. D. 1124, for the monks of Savigny in France,"^a was after three years, A. D. 1127, removed to this valley, then called Bekangcsgill. Stephen, then Earl of Morton and Boloigne, afterwards King of England, was the founder of this abbey, which was of the Cistercian Order, and commended to the patronage of the blessed Virgin Mary."^b

Stephen, in his foundation charter, gave the monks here his forest of Furness, with Walney of Wagney, and the privilege of hunting in both; lands at Dalton; his demesnes in Furness, with its homagers and appurtenances; Ulverston; a fishery at Lancaster; and one or two villans, with their property. In Furness, every thing except the land of Michael Flemeng or Fleming. King Henry the First was one of the witnesses to the charter.^c

The next benefactor, in point of time, was this same Michael Flemeng or Fleming; whose two charters will be found in the Appendix.^d

Another great benefactor was William de Lancaster.^e

Among the more important documents relating to this abbey, beside the grants already referred to, will be found the ratification of an agreement with William de Lancaster concerning the limits of Furness Fells on that side which bounds the barony of Kendal, by King Henry the Second;^f an agreement between the monks of Furness and those of St. Mary Lancaster, in 1304;^g and a bull of confirmation from Pope Eugenius III.^h

A few minor benefactors are mentioned in West's History of Furness from Dodsworth's Manuscripts at Oxford: mostly of very small parcels of land and rents.ⁱ

King Edward the First, in the 10th year of his reign, granted to the abbat of Furness a charter of free warren in all his lands.^k

Among the charters of confirmation to this monastery, West notices one from Henry the First, in the 26th year of his reign; one from Stephen when king; one from King Richard the First, in his seventh year; one from King John; a charter of Inspeximus from Henry the Third, in his thirtieth year; another from Edward the First, in his twentieth year; a grant of free warren and confirmation of liberties from Edward the Third; with other charters of general confirmation from King Richard the Second, King Henry the Fourth, King Henry the Fifth, and King Henry the Sixth.^l

Few abbeys, it should seem, could boast of more royal protection than the abbey of Furness: nor was Pope Eugenius the only pope who granted a bull to Furness Abbey: West has given the substance of two bulls of confirmation from Pope Innocent the III^d.^m

The following is West's list of the

ABBATS of FURNESS.

EVANS, or YVON DE ALBRENUS, A. D. 1127.

EUDO DE SUDERVAL.

MICHAEL DE LANCASTER.

^a Lel. Collectan. tom. ii. p. 357. "Stephanus comes Bononiensis, postea rex Angliæ, dedit Gaufrido Saviniensi villam, scilicet Tulket, in Provincia quæ vocatur Acmundernes, super ripam flu. Ribble, ad abbatiam construendam Ordinis sui, et ibi fere per tres annos permanserunt."

^b Tann. Notit. Monast. Lanc. V.

^c See the Append. Num. IV.

^d Numm. VI. VII.

^e See Numm. V. VIII. and IX. "De familia Willielmi de Lancastria."

^f Num. X.

^g Num. XI.

^h Num. XII.

ⁱ West, Hist. of Furness, p. 46.

^k Ibid.

^l Ibid. p. 53 to 58.

^m Ibid. pp. 64, 65.

PETER DE YORK, A. D. 1145.

RICHARD DE BAYEUX.

JOHN DE CAUNUSFIELD.

WALTER DE MILLUM, 26 Hen. II.

JOSLIN DE PENNINGTON, A. D. 1181.

CONON DE BARDOUL.

WILLIAM, surnamed NIGER, first of Swinshead.

GERALD BRISTAL, or BRISHALTON.

MICHAEL DE DALTON, t. Rich. I.

RICHARD DE ST. QUINTINE.

RALPH FLETHAM.

JOHN DE NEWBY.

STEPHEN DE ALVERSTON.

NICHOLAS DE MEAUX, translated to the bishoprick of Sodor and Man, A. D. 1217.

ROBERT DE DENTON, first of Swinshead.

LAURENCE.

WILLIAM DE MIDLETON.

HUGH DE BRON.

WILLIAM DE COCKERHAM.

HUGH SKELLER, alias DALTON, deposed, 13 Edw. III.

JOHN DE COCKERHAM, A. D. 1340.

ALEXANDER DE WALTON. He received the benediction 9th Dec. 1342.ⁿ

JOHN DE COCKERHAM, A. D. 1362.

JOHN DE BOLTON, 5 Hen. IV.

WILLIAM DE DALTON, A. D. 1412.

ROBERT, 2 Hen. VI.

THOMAS occurs A. D. 1424, in a MS. in the Manchester Library.

ALEXANDER occurs in an indenture 17 and 24 Hen. VIII. His name was *Rawlinson*.

ROGER PYLE. He with twenty-nine monks surrendered the abbey to the king, 9th April, 1537, 28 Hen. VIII. and received for pension the rectory of Dalton, value 33*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*.

West also gives the following separate Lists of ABBATS from a MS. of Browne Willis.

JOHN TURNOR elected abbat after the death of William Woodward, A. D. 1443.

. . . Rawlinson occurs abbat between A. D. 1440 and 1446.

LAWRENCE elected abbat A. D. 1461.^o

THOMAS CHAMBER, elected A. D. 1491.^p

ALEXANDER BACH, or BAUCH, A. D. 1534.^q

Among the Excerpts from the Registers of the see of York in the Harleian Library of Manuscripts,

JOHN is noticed as professing obedience as abbat A. D. 1303.^r

Another JOHN also as professing obedience as abbat Sept. 19th, 1367.^s

The following are the entries which relate to Furness Abbey in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas, A. D. 1291.

"Dioc. Linc. temporal. in decanatu de Hoyland, 4*s*. 8*d*."

"Dioc. Ebor. temporal. pens. abbatis de Furnays in ecclesia de Wlneston, 6*l*."

"Abb. de Fornays 176*l*."^u

In the 26th of Henry VIII. the gross value of this monastery amounted to 966*l*. 7*s*. 10*d*.; the net income to 805*l*. 16*s*. 5*d*. per annum.^x

The site of this abbey remained after the Dissolution,

ⁿ Harl. MS. 6972, fol. 18.

^o So the Harl. MS. 6972, fol. 33. "Laur. el. ab. Furnes. Nov. 1461."

^p Ibid. fol. 40 b.

^q West's Hist. of Furness, pp. 84, 85.

^r Harl. MS. 6970, p. 148.

^s Harl. MS. 6972, fol. 21.

^t In another entry, Ulverston.

^u Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. pp. 74, 309, 309 b, 329, 329 b.

^x See the Valor given in the Append. Num. IX. For the abbats' privileges in the lordship of Furness, the customs in the Furness Fells, &c. the reader may refer to West's History, pp. 142, 149.



for a consinerable time, in the crown; the earliest notice which West has of its having been passed away, is in the 5th of James the First; when it appears to have been granted to the Earl of Salisbury and John Preston.^a

The Cottonian manuscript Cleopatra E. IV. contains a list of the crimes charged upon the monks of Furness and Salley monasteries just before the dissolution; but it is too trivial to need copying here.

The following are Tanner's references to manuscripts and records relating to Furness.

"*Vide* Registra duo hujus abbatiae in officio Ducatus Lancastriae, unum penes cancellarium, alterum penes auditorem.

"Excerpta ex secunda parte cartularii penes auditorem, MSS. Dodsworth in bibl. Bodl. Oxon. vol. xxxiii. fol. 14, vol. xxxix. fol. 38, vol. lxvi. fol. 125, vol. cxviii. fol. 107, vol. cxx. fol. 111, vol. cxlv. fol. 88. Ex rotulo scriptorum monasterii de Furneys, ibid. vol. cliv. fol. 13.

"Excerpta ex registris de Furnes, MS. Cotton. Otho D. IV. 8.

"Collectanea plurima ex registro per Will. Dalton abbatem digesto, A.D. 1412, extracta per v. cl. Robertum Glover, MS. nuper in museolo autoris [Tho. Tann.] nunc in bibl. Bodl. Oxon.

"In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 280, fol. 77, nomina fundatorum et benefactorum. MS. 294, fol. 187, collectanea ex registro hujus monasterii, parte secunda per Johannem Stell monachum ibidem, A.D. 1412, exarata. MS. 948, fol. 51, adnotationem de determinatione quaestionis inter abbatem de Waverleia et abbatem de Furnesio super gubernatione elemosinae, et in gubernatione Saviniacensium monachorum in Anglia. MS. 1499, fol. 79, of the foundation and arms of this abbey. MS. 5019, foll. 33, 143, 232, notes out of the register. MS. 5855, fol. 45, grants, donations, &c. from the register.

"Cartularium hujus abbatiae olim penes dom. Hen. Spelman, Glossar. 431.

"Cartularium hujus abbatiae penes doct. Rawlinson, A. D. 1742.

"Historiam hujus abbatiae laudatam a cl. Camdeno in com. Lancast.

"Cart. 1 Joan. p. 2, m. 6, n. 43, m. 10, n. 69, pro materia ad aedificand. e foresta de Lancaster. m. 19, n. 37 et 38. Oblat. 2 Joan. m. 4. de terris in Stablethorp. Cart. 17 Joan. m. 7, n. 30, pro Brotherdale. Fin. 17 et 18 Joan. m. 8.

"Pat. 11 Hen. III. m. 2. Fin. 11 Hen. III. m. 9. Claus. 11 Hen. III. m. 16. Fin. 12 Hen. III. m. 5. Pat. 12 Hen. III. m. 5. Claus. 12 Hen. III. m. 10. Cart. 23 Hen. III. m. 4. pro feria apud Dalton. Cart. 30 Hen. III. m. 6. Plac. assis. apud Lancaster 30 Hen. III. rot. 14, de terris Michaelis Flandrensis. Ibid. 31 Hen. III. rot. . de foresta de Furnes, Ulmeston, &c. Cart. 36 Hen. III. m. 23. Pat. 51 Hen. III. n. 12.

"Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 5. et m. 28. dorso, pro ten. et comun. pastur. in Flaseby. Cart. 9 Edw. I. m. 22. pro lib. war. in Wintreburn, Heton, et Flascheby, Ebor. Pat. 27 Edw. I. m. . ter.

"Pat. 8 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 30, dorso, de Piscaria in aqua de Lone. Inquis. 19 Edw. II. n. 184, Lanc.

"Pat. 5 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 34, vel 35. Esc. Lancast. 6 Edw. III. n. 133, de maner. de Bello-pecco, &c. in Hibernia. Pat. 6 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 2, vel 3. Pat. 8 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 8. Pat. 10 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 9, de turno vicecomitis. Ibid. m. 42, vel 43. Cart. 10 Edw. III. n. 10, pro lib. warr. in Haukeshead, Somer, Clouf, Graithwaite, Saterthwayte, Grisdale, Finneshewaite, Haverthwaite, Roleslonde, Bouthe, Colton, Neburthwayte, Kunyngston, Skathwaite, Lyndale, Dalton, Killerwike, Mershe, Irlithe, Howehome, Soler, Newton, Fermerzbouthe, Cokaine, Sundescale, Baverge, Ros, Oryvelton, Salthouse, Wagheray, et Angertonesse Lancast. Neuby, Hardacre, Selflette, Sowteskales, Winterskales, Birkwith, Wintreburn, et Flasceby Ebor. Borrowdale, Botherulke, Meles, et Salthouse Cumbr. Cart. 11 Edw. III. n. 3, n. 31. Pat. 12 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 32, 33,

et 34, pro ten. in Drogheda Hibern. pro meremio in foresta de Lancastre, et de imparcatione boscorum de Rameshad, Soureby, Kowhead, &c. Pat. 14 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 25. Pat. 15 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 43. Pat. 21 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 8. Pat. 25 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 28, pro ten. in Drogheda et Lowth, Hibern. Pat. 28 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 12, pro mess. in civit. Ebor. Pat. 31 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 5, pro medietate manerii de Ulverston. Pat. 41 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 14, vel 15, de visitatione abbatiae. Rec. in Scacc. 44 Edw. III. Pasch. rot. 2. de grangia de Winterborn.

"Pat. 8 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 22, pro mess. in Dalton et Furness. Pat. 20 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 35. Rec. in Scacc. 21 Ric. II. Mich. rot. 19. Rec. in Scacc. 22 Ric. II. Pasch. rot. 21, de burgagio in villa de Lancaster.

"Pat. 2 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 36. Pat. 2 vel 9 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 11, de atturn. in wapentagiis de Staincliff et Friendless, Ebor. Cart. 13 Hen. IV. n. 8. Pat. 13 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 13, vel 14, pro terris, suis in Craven.

"Pat. 1 Hen. V. p. 1, m. 7.

"Pat. 2 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 16. Pat. 8 Hen. VI. p. 3, m. 16."

See also the Placita de Quo Waranto, pp. 218, 370, 371, 373, 374, 380, 386, 607.

In the king's remembrancer's office in the Exchequer are :

1. Issue to be tried touching the site of the late monastery of Furness. Easter, 34, Car. II. R^o. 90.
2. Decree as to the site of the said monastery. Trin. 34 Car. II. R^o. 102.
3. Decree as to the possession of it, &c. Easter, 34 Car. Lib. Decret. fo. 370.

The COMMON SEAL of the abbey is engraved in West's History of Furness from the surrender in the Augmentation Office.

It is round, in point of form; and exhibits within the circle the Virgin Mary holding in her left arm the infant Jesus, the infant having a nimbus or glory round its head; and the Virgin bearing a mound or orb in her right hand. On each side are shields of arms, suspended from bundlets of nightshade, charged with three lions of England: and below each shield the figure of a monk upon his knees. Before and above the monks are also sprigs of nightshade, emblematical of the name BEKANGESGILL mentioned at the beginning of this account: BEKAN being the ancient name for nightshade. In the exergue is a wivern, the device of Thomas Plantagenet, second Earl of Lancaster. The legend is S . COMMVNE . DOMVS . BEATE . MARIE . DE . FVRNESIO.

Tanner, from Camden, speaking of Furness, says, "Out of this place, the bishops of the Isle of Man (which lies over against it) were formerly wont to be chosen; this being the mother of many monasteries both in that island and in Ireland."

Dugdale, at the end of his Latin notices of Russin Abbey, in the Isle of man, which, in the present work, follows this of Furness, has printed the constitutions of the bishoprick of Sodor. These, in the present edition, will hereafter be thrown into a note.

The daughter monasteries, as they were called, or filiations of Furness, were CALDRE; SWYNESHEAD; FERMOY, or *De Castro Dei*, in Ireland; YNES, or *De Insula*, in the diocese of Down; HOLY CROSS, or *Wethirlagaan*, in the diocese of Cashel; WYTHNEY; CORKONROUTH, or *De Petra fertili*; RUSSYN, in Man; and DE SURIO, or *Yneselughenught*, in the diocese of Lismore in Ireland.^b

The Ruins of this abbey are still magnificent: and amongst the most striking of our monastic remains. The perspective of the church is said to be two hundred and eighty-seven feet in length; and the walls, in some places, fifty-four feet in height, and five in thickness. The windows and arches upon a scale of unusual loftiness.

RUSSIN, or RUSHEN, *Abbey*, as will hereafter be seen, was a Cell to Furness.

^a West's Hist. of Furness, pp. 136, 137.

^b See the Append. Num. XIV.

Cartae ad Furneseiense Coenobium in agro Lancas- trensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Foundationis Historia, et Series Abbatum.

[Ex Regist. de Furnesse in Officio Ducatus Lancastriæ. Vide Pat. 21 Ric. II. part. 2, m. 35; et Pat. 8 Hen. VI. part. 3, m. 16; et Pat. 1 Hen. V. part. 1, m. 7.]

ANNO Domini millesimo centesimo vicesimo septimo, nonas Julii, à foundatione Cestertii anno vicesimo nono, à foundatione verò Savigniensi anno decimoquinto, et pontificatus Honorii papæ Secundi anno secundo, regni autem regis Henrici post conquestum Angliæ anno vicesimo sexto, fundatum est monasterium Furnesii per nobilem virum Stephanum comitem Moritonii, et Bolonii, in loco vallis, quæ tunc Bekangesgill vocabatur. Sed (ut in libello quodam veteri, et de vetusta litera scriptum reperi) ipsum monasterium prius fundatum erat in Aundyrnes, in loco qui dicitur Tulket, anno Domini mcxxiii. quarto nonas Julii, et ibi situm tenuit, per tres annos, et tres dies antequam, ubi nunc est, fundaretur; fundatum autem erat tam ibi, quam hic, de ordine Savigniacensi, id est, Tironensi, sub regula sancti Benedicti, cujus ordinis professores monachi fuerunt et eorum habitus grisius color erat. Primus autem abbas dicti monasterii Furnesii fuit Evanus de Abrincis, magnæ scientiæ, et non minoris sanctitatis vir. Secundus abbas Eudo de Sourdevall, cui Honorius papa secundus scribit privilegium speciale. Tertius abbas Michael de Lancastria. Quartus abbas Petrus de Eboraco.

Tempore hujus abbatis venerabilis, Serlo quartus abbas Savigneii, quæ est materna domus Furnesii, reddidit apud Cistertium, in capitulo generali domum suam Savigniacensem, cum filiabus suis, de ordine Tironensi, ad ordinem Cisterciensem, in manus sancti Bernardi, tunc abbatis Clarevallis, à qua redditione prædictus Petrus abbas, cum conventu suo, ad summum pontificem, et sanctam sedem apostolicam appellavit: ad quam sedem personaliter accedens impetravit à domino Eugenio papa tertio, confirmationem, ut domus sua Furnesii remaneret in perpetuum de eodem ordine de quo primò fundata erat, non obstante redditione prædicta: sed in redditu suo à curia Romana, captus est in itinere per monachos Savignienses, et ductus ad Savigneiam, ibi cessit officio abbatiali, et factus est ibidem monachus probatissimus, discens ordinem Cisterciensem; et inde fuit sumptus in abbatem Quareriæ quintum. Cui Petro successit in Furnesio quintus abbas Ricardus de Baiocis, doctor in theologia, prius monachus Savigneii. Qui modico tempore gubernavit, cujus diligentia et consilio redditum fuit ipsum monasterium Furnesii ad matrem suam Savigneiam, et ad ordinem Cisterciensem, priusquam idem Ricardus creatus fuerat in eodem, in abbatem, nam temporibus quatuor abbatum præcedentium fuit ordinis Savigniensis, ut superius est expressum. Sextus abbas Furnesii Johannes de Cawncefield, cui Eugenius papa tertius privilegium scribit. Septimus abbas Walterus de Millum, cui Alexander papa tertius scribit privilegium. Octavus Joslenus de Pennington, cui etiam Lucius papa tertius scribit privilegium; et ipse Joslenus fuit inceptor in theologia. Nonus Conanus de Bardoule. Decimus Willielmus Niger, qui prius erat abbas de Swynsheved. Undecimus Giraldus Bristaldon. Duodecimus Michael de Dalton, cui Celestinus papa tertius privilegium scribit. Decimustertius Ricardus de sancto Quintino. Decimusquartus Radulfus de Fletcham, prius abbas de Swinsheheved, assumptus illuc de Furnesio. Decimusquintus Johannes de Newby. Decimussextus Stephanus de Alverston. Decimusseptimus Nicholaus de Meaux: iste Nicholaus primò fuit canonicus de Wartria, postea monachus de Melsa, deinde monachus et abbas Furnesii, et deum episcopus Sodorensis. Decimusoctavus Robertus de Denton prius abbas de Swinseheved. Decimusnonus Laurentius de Acclom. Vicesimus Willielmus de Midleton. Vicesimus-primus Hugo de Bron. Vicesimus-secundus

Willielmus de Cockeram, cujus corpus jacet sub longo colosso marmoreo in capitulo sine epitaphio. Vicesimus-tertius Hugo Skiller: iste fuit depositus de abbatatu. Vicesimus-quartus Johannes de Cockeram. Vicesimus-quintus Alexander de Walton. Vicesimus-sextus Johannes de Cokham. Vicesimus-septimus Johannes de Bolton. Vicesimus-octavus Willielmus de Dalton modernus, qui diu vivat in gratia et honore.

NUM. II.

Carmina historica de Foundatione Furneseiensis Cœnobii.

[Ibid. fol. 6 a.]

ANNO milleno centeno bis duodeno^a

Fournes fundatum primò fuit, et situatum.

Primus ei fundus Tulket fuit, haud dubitatur,

Quo jam fundatur est Bekanesgillque secundus.

Annis namque tribus transactis, totque diebus

Tollitur à fundo primo, struiturque secundò,

Agmundernesiam qua primò floruit ædes

Hæc, teneas patriam qua Tulket erat sibi sedes.

Annos à fundo, si vis numerare secundo

Illius ætatis cape versibus hic subaratis.

Anno milleno centeno terque noveno,

Julii primo Fournes fundatur ab imo.

Dedit Honorius sub hoc tempore papa secundus.

Ewanus primus abbas fuit, hicque facundus.

In Tulket fuimus grisei monachi situati.

Hic sumus albatii præsentis tegmine scimus,

Hanc hac valle domum Stephanus comes ædificavit,

Quem gens Anglorum regem sibi post titulavit.

Anno milleno centeno ter quoque deno,

Necnon septeno, rex hic fit in ordine pleno

Stephanus iste stetit comes ad tunc Boloniensis

Et Mortonensis, hanc ædem cum fore fecit.

Henrici regno primi currente sub anno

Viceno sexto, fundi jactamine texto;

Sicque decennæ fuit hoc cœnobium statione,

Cum primo micuit comes iste decore coronæ.

Hic sed sex menses, sex atque dies remove

De numero penses patet ætas postea vere.

Quo post conquestum domus anno cœpit oriri

In sexageno primo noscas reperiri.

Anno milleno sexageno quoque seno

Will. Norman. ducem sibi protulit Anglia regem.

Hæc vallis tenuit olim sibi nomen ab herba

Bekan, qua viruit dulcis nunc, tunc sed acerba.

Unde domus nomen Benkangsgill claruit ante,

Jam patriæ tantæ nomen partitur et omen.

Prædicti comitis, regumque rescripta docent hæc,

Gestis præteritis, quæ chronographi reticent, nec

Gratia divina domui sit huic pia nutrix,

Auctrix, et tutrix, ut gaudeat absque ruina.

Ejus cultores ditet Deus arce polorum;

Ejus amatores ornet mercede bonorum.

Si quis eam turbet, dampno cedente, ve lite

Hunc Deus emendet breviet vel tempora vitæ.

Mater, virgo pia, titulo domus ista Maria

Est tua dos propria, tu sis rectrix ope dia

Nomen des isti libro, pars prima registri,

Hujus cœnobii nomine Furnesii.

Cartas terrarum tenet in se quod variarum,

Quas dederant proceres, confirmavereque reges

Isti cœnobio pietatis munere firmo.

Fines et placita retinet quoque per loca mixta;

Per tabulam cuncta reperire potes, sive cuncta

Ordine scriptorum, possessorum, foliorum.

A meque nectuntur quæ per papas tribuuntur

Ordinis indulta communia, nostraque multa.

Willielmus Dalton abbas hunc condere librum

Fecit, ei cribrum Sathane terat, et petat altum.

Sicque liber plenum finem sortitur amœnum
Anno milleno centum quater ac duodeno
Quem John. Stell digitis, monachis scripsit, sine penna
Cujusquam volucris; careat sine fine gehenna.
Istorum capita dant arbor genteque tumba
Quo scripsit calamum par paradigma suum.
Quisquis amore libros pretiosos nescit habere
Illius e manibus hunc librum Christe tuere.

Est ^a Dives durus ^b cape denam pro decanona
Hæc metra dictantis sic nomen habes vice prona.
Is studioque sui tabulam dedit esse sequentem.
Cui pietate tui vitam des Christe manentem
Ut patet in capite quo scripto, quo folioque,
Post reperire potes, quod in illis noscere quæres.

NUM. III.

Progenies Regis Stephani.

[Ibid fol. 41 b.]

STEPHANUS comes Bolonii et Moretonii, filius comitis Blesensis, genitus ex Audoena filia Willielmi Conquestoris, fundavit istud monasterium Furnesiense, nouas Julii anno Domini, MCXXVIJ. et regni regis Henrici primi post Conquestum, avunculi ejusdem Stephani, anno vicesimo sexto. Et anno decimo post dictam foundationem, idem Stephanus est in regem Angliæ coronatus immediatè post dictum Henricum regem, anno videlicet Domini MCXXXVIJ.

Hujus pii regis Stephani uxor fuit nobilissima domina Matildis filia strenui comitis Bolonii Eustachii, genita ex Maria filia Christianæ sororis Margaretæ reginæ Scottorum. Hæ duæ, videlicet, Margareta et Christiana, sorores erant Edgari Edling, consanguinei sancti Edwardi regis et confessoris. Willielmus verò comes Warrennæ et Bolonii, filius fuit dictorum Stephani regis et Matildis uxoris suæ. Dicta verò Margareta regina peperit Malcolm regi Scottorum, marito suo, sex filios et duas filias; videlicet, Matildem quæ nupsit regi Henrico primo, de qua genuit Matildem, quæ primo nupsit imperatori, deinde Galfrido comiti Andegaviæ, de quo concepit regem Henricum secundum, et Mariam, de qua supradictum est.

NUM. IV.

Carta Stephani Comitis Bolonii et Moretonii.

[Cartæ de annis 13 et 14 Hen. IV. per Inspex.]

IN nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti, et in honore sanctæ Mariæ, matris Domini nostri, ego Stephanus, comes Bolonii et Moretonii, providens, et in Deo consulens salutem animæ meæ et uxoris meæ Matildis comitissæ, et pro anima domini mei et avunculi Henrici regis Anglorum et ducis Normannorum, et pro animabus omnium fidelium, tam pro vivis, quam pro solutis debitum mortis, anno ab incarnatione Domini nostri millesimo centesimo XX. sexto, indictione quinta, epacta XVIIJ. ævi metas cotidie etiam videns ad occasum ruere; pompas omnes labentis hujus seculi, et flores roseasque vernantium regum, imperatorum, et ducum, et omnium locupletum coronas et palmas marcescere, et omnium concreta simul in unum redigere, et ad mortem prepeti cursu cuncta properare, reddo, dono, et concedo Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Fudernesio, et abbati illius loci, totam forestam meam de Fudernesio et Wagneiam, cum omni venatione quæ in eis est, et Daltonam, et omne dominicum meum infra Fudernesiam, cum hominibus et omnibus ei pertinentibus, videlicet, in bosco et plano, in terris et in aquis, et Olvestonam, et Rogerum Bristoaldum, cum suis, et piscariam meam de Loucastra, et Guorinum Parvum, cum omni terra sua, et socum et saccum, et tollum et team, et infangethefe, et quicquid infra Fudernesium continetur, præter terram Michælis Flameng. Eo nimirum intuitu et tenore, quatinus in loco prædicto ordo monasticus, et regularis, per divinam gratiam, teneatur. Quam proculdubio donationem illibatam imperpetuum custodiri, principali auctoritate constituo, et quicquid præsentium vel futurorum devotio fidelium ipsis in Christo contulerit firmum manere constituo, atque compono. Porro ut hæc intemerata et inconcussa imperpetuum permaneant, ego ipse manu mea subscribo, et præsentem cartam signo sanctæ crucis corroboro. Signum

Henrici regis Anglorum et ducis Normannorum. ✠ Signum Turstini Eboracensis archiepiscopi. ✠ Signum Audini episcopi. ✠ Signum Ricardi Baiocensis episcopi. ✠ Signum Roberti de Sigillo. ✠ Signum Roberti comitis Gloucestræ.

NUM. V.

Carta Willielmi de Lancastria tertii.

[Ibid. fol. 132.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus, præsentibus et futuris, Willielmus be Lancastre salutem in Domino. Noveritis me, pro salute animæ meæ, et Agnetis sponsæ meæ, et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, concessisse et reddidisse domino abbati de Forneys, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, quandam terram quam de eis tenui; videlicet totum Scaththwait et Egtone, cum omnibus aisiamentis et pertinentiis suis. Quam quidem (terram) eisdem legavi, cum corpore meo. Et insuper concessi eisdem unum batellum, competens ad cariandum, quæ fuerint necessaria in aqua de Thurstainwater et aliud modicum batellum ad piscandum in ea, pro libitu, cum viginti retibus, ad opus dictorum monachorum meorum. Et similiter in Winendermer unum batellum competens ad cariandum maeremium, et cætera quæ fuerint necessaria, et aliud modicum batellum ad piscandum ibidem cum viginti retibus, sine ulla contradictione mei vel hæredum meorum. Si verò aliquis serviens dictorum monachorum qui direxerit batella sua per easdem aquas deliquerit in foresta mea, rationabiliter mihi emendabitur. Si quis verò ex eis justum judicium sustinere noluerit amovebitur à servitio monachorum et amittet mercedem suam. Quapropter volo et præcipio et præsentem cartam meam confirmo quod corpus meum ibidem testamentaliter sepeliatur, in locum quem elegi mihi in eodem monasterio; scilicet juxta sepulcrum avi mei, bonæ memoriæ Willielmi de Lancastre, in presbiterio, et dicti monachi ea quæ eisdem caritative legavi, sicut præscriptum est bene et in pace habeant et possideant, in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam. Et ego dictus Willielmus et hæredes mei prædictam elemosinam contra omnes homines warantizabimus, adquietabimus, et defendemus imperpetuum. Hiis testibus, domina Agnete sponsa mea, domino Johanne tunc priore de Coningesheved, domino Rogero fratre meo, Roberto de Leyburn et Laurentio. . . . militibus meis, Raulando de Renesgill seneschallo meo, Gilberto de Lancastre constabulario de Kirkeby, Roberto le Tailur, Gilberto de Boivile, et multis aliis, qui huic legationi meæ et donationi interfuerunt. Actum apud Kirkeby in Kendale anno Domini millesimo ducentesimo quadragesimo, sexto die Novembris.

Iste Willielmus dedit cuidam Laurentio de Cornubia et hæredibus suis molendina de Ulverstona inde reddendo per annum ad certos terminos . . . et alias terras et teneamenta ibidem, reddendo inde per annum triginta solidos ad Ascensionem Domini, et xij. denarios, et servitium militare faciendo. Qui Laurentius genuit Johannem et Johannes Laurentium. Qui Laurentius, quia non habuit hæredem de corpore suo, dedit Edmundo de Nevyl et hæredibus suis, prædicta molendina, terras et teneamenta oneratas de redditibus et servitiis supradictis. Quæ servitia et redditus abbas et conventus de Forneys percipiunt, cujus causa patebit postea. Qui quidem Edmundus genuit Willielmum. Qui Willielmus genuit Johannem et Johannes Thomam, qui nunc est; videlicet anno Domini MCCCCIX.

Prædictus vero Willielmus de Lancastre tertius, dedit cuidam antecessori domini Thomæ de Flemyng, qui nunc ei et hæredibus suis Conirgeston cum pertinentiis tenendum per servitium militare, et redditum duorum denariorum et oboli per annum. Quod quidem Coningeston prædictus dominus Thomas tenet de abbate et conventu de Forneys tanquam parcella medietatis suæ de Ulveston, qui fecit domino Johanni de Bolton abbati ejusdem loci homagium et fidelitatem anno Domini MCCCCIIJ. in festo Conversionis sancti Pauli, et solvit relevium suum; videlicet, quadraginta solidos, præsentibus domino Alano de Penington milite, Christofero be Broghton, Alexandro de Kirkeby, et Rogero fratre ejus, Willielmo de Berdesay, Ywano de Asmunderlaw armigeris, et multis aliis.

Item prædictus Willielmus de Lancastre confirmavit

^a In Est et sit Esk.^b Riche hard.

cuidam Ailwardo de Broghton et hæredibus suis Broghton, tenendum per servitium militare et redditum, &c.

Item prædictus Willielmus de Lancastre dedit cuidam prædecessori domini Ricardi de Kirkeby qui nunc est, et hæredibus suis Doverdale, tenendum per servitium militare et redditum, &c.

Item prædictus Willielmus de Lancastre dedit cuidam prædecessori domini Alani de Penington et hæredibus suis Tilburthwait, tenendum per servitium militare et redditum ij^d. ob. per annum, quod quidem Tilburthwait tenetur de abbate de Forneys per eadem servitium militare et redditum tanquam parcella prædictæ medietatis suæ manerii de Ulveston.

Item prædictus Willielmus de Lancastre dedit totum Rosset diversis, quorum nomina adhuc non scribuntur, sed scribentur, tenendum de eodem abbate per servitium militare et certum redditum annualem. De quo quidem Rosset Vanus de Asmunderlaw, qui nunc est, tenet duas parcellas per idem servitium, et redditum novem denariorum per annum; videlicet pro una parcella sex denarios et ob. Qui quidem Vanus fecit domino Johanni de Bolton abbati homagium et fidelitatem pro eisdem parcellis et solvit relevium anno mcccc. quarto, præsentibus domino Alano de Penington, domino Thoma Fleming, Cristophero de Broghton, et aliis multis.

NUM. VI.

Carta Michaelis Flemengi.

[Ibid. fol. 171.]

IN nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti Amen. Notum sit omnibus fidelibus sanctæ ecclesiæ quod ego Michael Flamengus do et concedo Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Forneys et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus Ros, cum piscariis suis et omnibus suis pertinentiis, et Crineltonam cum omnibus suis pertinentiis, in excambio pro Berdeseia, cum piscariis suis et omnibus suis pertinentiis, et Urswica cum omnibus suis pertinentiis, excepta ecclesia quam abbas Johannes dedit Danieli elerico filio meo in elemosina, et pro una carucata terræ et dimidia infra terminum sex annorum datura; pro qua scilicet carucata terræ et dimidia interim dabunt mihi singulis annis quindecim solidos, concedente Guillelmo filio meo et hærede et omnibus filiis meis. Teste Ranulfo presbitero, &c.

NUM. VII.

Alia Carta ejusdem Michaelis.

[Ibid.]

IN nomine Patris et Filii et Spritus Sancti Amen. Notum sit omnibus tam futuris quam præsentibus, quod ego Michael Flamengus providens et in Deo consulens salutis animæ meæ, patris et matris meæ, et uxoris meæ, et filiorum meorum, anno ab Incarnatione Domini mclij. dono et concedo Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Forneys et abbati illius loci totique conventui ibidem Deo servienti Fordebote cum omnibus suis appendiciis in perpetuam elemosinam. Quam donationem ita solutam et ab omni calumpnia omnium mortalium quietam et liberam dono, sicut oblationem Deo in odorem suavitatis et sicut sacrificium quod Deo offerimus, saltim vespertinum. Signum ✠ ipsius M. concedente Guillelmo filio meo et hærede, et omnibus filiis meis. Signum ✠ Guillelmi filii M. Signum ✠ Gregorii nepotis M. Signum ✠ Hugonis filii Ledred. Signum Lamberti

NUM. VIII.

Quieta Clamatio Agnetis nuper Uxoris Willielmi de Lancaster super Terras quas clamavit in Furnesio.

[Ibid. fol. 143.]

OMNIBUS ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Agnes quondam uxor Willielmi de Lancaster salutem in Domino. Sciat universitas vestra me, pro salute animæ quondam viri mei Willielmi de Lancaster, et meæ concessisse, remisisse, condonasse, et quietum clamasse Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Furnesio, abbati et conventui ibidem Deo servientibus totam terram cum pertinentiis, quam clamavi versus eos in dote, coram justiciariis de banco; de terra scilicet quam ha-

bent de dono quondam viri mei prædicti in Furnesio; ita vero quod ego Agnes vel aliquis per me nihil juris nomine dotis in terra illa cum pertinentiis, de cætero possimus clamare, vel exigere. Et ne ista remissio et hæc mea quieta clamatio alicui in posterum vertantur in dubium, huic scripto sigillum meum, in pura viduitate mea, apposui. Hiis testibus, Ricardo de Coupland, Willielmo de Furnesio, Rogero de Lancastra, Ricardo de Kirkeby, Johanne Buscell, et aliis.

NUM. IX.

De Familia Willielmi de Lancastra.

[Ibid.]

ITEM supradictus Willielmus de Lancastra tertius, duxit in uxorem Agnetem de Brus de qua habuit; videlicet, Helewisam, quam duxit in uxorem Petrus le Brus senior, et Aliciam quæ nupsit domino Willielmo de Lyndesay, et Serotam quam duxit dominus Alanus de Multon, quæ obiit sine hærede. Et quia prædictus Willielmus tertius non habuit hæredem de corpore suo, descendit manerium de Ulverston ad Helwisam et Aliciam sorores ejus. Et partitum fuit prædictum manerium inter eos, cujus unam medietatem habet abbas de Furnesio; illam videlicet, quam Alanus de Lyndesay et Alicia uxor ejus habuerunt; quam medietatem postea habuit Johannes de Cowpland de domino Edwardo rege tertio.

[Ibid. fol. 146 b.]

Et alteram medietatem manerii de Wlverston habuit Petrus le Brus senior, qui genuit Petrum juniorem, Agnetem, Luciam, Margaretam et Laderinam. Quæ Margareta nupsit domino Roberto de Ros. Agnes supradicta nupsit Waltero de Fawkunbergh. Lucia Marmaduco de Thweng. Laderina Johanni de Belew. Petrus le Brus junior supradictus obiit sine hærede de corpore suo: post cujus mortem, prædicti Walterus et Marmaducus, per attornatum suum, ceperunt seisinam in medietate sua, quæ descendebat ad eos ratione prædictarum Agnetis, et Lucie uxorum suarum, an. Dom. mclxxij.

SUPRADICTI Walterus et Marmaducus, Agnes et Lucia, post seisinam, ut superius scribitur, captam, dederunt Rogero de Lancastra bastardo fratri Willielmi de Lancastra tertii, avunculo prædictarum Agnetis, et Lucie, medietatem suam omnium terrarum suarum, quæ habuerunt in Furnesio, scilicet in Ulverston.

[Ibid. fol. 147 b.]

Et postea supradictus Rogerus de Lancastra cepit de Willielmo de Lyndesay, et Alicia uxore ejus, alteram medietatem ad ipsos pertinentem ad terminum vitæ eorundem Willielmi et Alicie, tempore Hugonis abbatis de Furnesio, an. xj. regis Edw. primi.

NUM. X.

Divisio Montanorum Furnesii, per Regem confirmata.

[In Registro Abbatiae de Furnesio, fol. 130.]

HENRICUS rex Angliæ et dux Normanniæ et Aquitanniæ et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et carta mea confirmasse conventionem quæ facta fuit coram me inter monachos de Furnesio, et Willielmum filium Gilberti, de montanis de Furnesio. Quæ talis est. Montana de Furnesio dividuntur à Kendala, his terminis, sicut juratum est præcepto meo, juramento xxx. hominum. Desicut aqua descendit de Wremeshales in Langedene-little, et inde in Helterwatra, et inde per Braiza in Winendermer, et inde in Levenam, et inde usque mare. Hanc vero terram partitus est abbas de Furnesio per divisas subscriptas. Ab Helterwatra ad Tillesbure, et inde ad Coningeston, et inde ad caput de Turstiniwatra, et per ripam ipsius aquæ usque Crec, et inde in Levenam. Willielmus vero elegit sibi partem illam quæ adjacet istis terminis à parte occidentali, tenendam de abbacia de Furnesio, integre et plenarie in bosco et plano, in aquis et piscariis et omnibus rebus, reddendo inde abbati de Furnesio annuatim xx. sol. et filius ejusdem Willielmi faciet homagium inde abbati ejusdem loci. Illam vero partem

quæ adjacet eisdem terminis à parte orientale habet eadem abbatia, excepto quod in parte illa habebit Willielmus venationem et accipitres. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio quod hæc conventio firma et inconcussa teneatur, et quod eadem abbatia partem suam prædictam habeat et teneat bene et in pace, et integrè, in bosco et plano, in aquis et piscariis, et in omnibus locis et rebus. Testibus, R. Lincoln. et H. Dun. episcopis, R. comite Legrecestr. Ricardo de Luci, Willielmo de Vesci, Gaufrido de Valoniis, Willielmo de Agremont, Auberto de Grellei, Johanne constabulario, Ricardo Pincerna, Henrico filio Suani, Gospatricio filio Ormi, Ricardo filio Ivonis, per manum Stephani capellani apud Wodestoc.

Iste fuit primus Willielmus qui se fecit vocari, per licentiam domini regis, Willielmum de Lancaster, baronem de Kendale, qui prius vocabatur de Tailboys. Qui desponsavit Gundredam comitissam Warwic, qui quidem Willielmus genuit de Gundreda prædicta Willielmum secundum. Qui quidem Willielmus secundus desponsavit Helewisam de Stuteville, de qua genuit Helwisam tantum. Quæ Helwisa fuit maritata Gilberto filio Rogeri filii Reynfredi. In cujus tempore levatus fuit finis subsequens de escambio villæ Ulveston cum parte montanorum.

Hæc est finalis concordia facta in curia domini regis apud Westmonasterium anno regni regis Ricardi septimo, die Dominica proxima post octab. Purificationis beatæ Mariæ, coram Huberto Cantuariensi archiepiscopo, et R. Londoniensi, et G. Roffensi episcopis, et Radulfo de Hereford archidiacono, et Simone de Pateshill, et Ricardo de Heriet, et Osberto filio Ben. et aliis justiciariis et fidelibus domini regis ibidem tunc præsentibus, inter abbatem et conventum de Furnesio petentes, per Willielmum de Leides cellerarium et Willielmum de Lonesdale positos loco eorundem ad lucrandum, vel perdendum in præfata curia, et Gilbertum filium Rogeri filii Reynfredi et Helewisam uxorem suam tenentes, per Ricardum de Marisco clericum, positum loco eorundem ad lucrandum vel perdendum in eadem curia, de montanis de Furnesio, unde placitum fuit inter eos in eadem curia; scilicet quod præfati abbas et conventus concesserunt præfatis Gilberto et Helewisæ uxori suæ, et hæredibus eorum illam partem præfatorum montanorum de Furnesio versus occidentem, quam prædecessores eorum habuerunt secundum concordiam et conventionem quæ facta fuit in curia domini H. regis et eorum ipso, et sicut carta ejus testatur, quam prædicti monachi habent, per istas divisas; scilicet, ab Elterwatra, per vallem ad Tildes-Burghthwait, et inde per Ywedalebec ad Koningeston, et sic in Thurstainewatra, et inde per ripam ad caput de Thurstainewatra, usque in illam ripam quæ se extendit subtus Rig, usque Craie, et inde per Craie usque in Levenam; item ab Eterwater contra montem per duetum qui cadit de Wreneshals usque ad Wreneshals, et sic per Wreneshals, descendendo in Boigorha, in Duthen, et inde per Dwthen, descendendo quamdiu divisæ de Brocton se extendunt; tenendam de prædicta abbatia de Furnesio, et de ipsis monachis in bosco et plano, in aquis et piscariis; reddendo prædictæ abbatiæ et ipsis monachis annuatim viginti solidos, pro omni servitio et consuetudine. Insuper concesserunt prædicti abbas et monachi prædictis Gilberto et Helwisæ et hæredibus eorum Ulveston, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, pro decem solidis annuatim reddendis ipsis monachis pro omni servitio. Has verò prædictas terras tenebunt prædicti Gilbertus et Helwisa et hæredes sui de abbatia, et de ipsis monachis in feodo et hæreditate, tam libere, et quiete, quam ipsi monachi de dominis suis tenent, salvo servitio eorum, scilicet, triginta solidis reddendis eis pro omni servitio in vigilia assumptionis sanctæ Mariæ annuatim. Prædicti verò Gilbertus et Helwisa uxor sua concesserunt, et quietum clamaverunt prædictis abbati et monachis de Furnesio cervum et cervam et accipitrem, et omnem omnino libertatem, quam ipsi Gilbertus et Helwisa habuerunt in illa parte Montanorum, quæ ad ipsos monachos pertinet, amodo absolute et quiete, et sine omni reclamazione ab eis et hæredibus eorum, per istas divisas; scilicet, ab Elterwater, per vallem ad Tildesburgthwait, et inde per Ywedalebec ad Koningeston, et sic inde in Thurstainewatra, et sic per ripam ad caput de Thurstainewatra usque ad ripam illam quæ se extendit subtus Rig, usque in Craie, et inde per Craie in Levenam versus orientem; item de Elterwater usque in Braitha usque in Winendermer, et per Winendermer

usque in Levenam, et sic per Levenam usque mare. Insuper reddiderunt prædicti Gilbertus et Helwisa præfatis monachis, et quietam eis clamaverunt Neuby cum omnibus pertinentiis suis ab omni jure et calumpnia quam in eadem habuerunt, et quæ ad eos et hæredes eorum pertinebat, et ut libere, et quiete, de cætero, teneant idem monachi pro ipsis Gilberto et Helwisa et suis in pace possideant. Et si aliquis imposte- rum ipsos monachos super eam vexare voluerit, ipsi Gilbertus et Helwisa et hæredes eorum, pro posse suo, eos adjuvabunt et ad eam tenendam manutenebunt sine expensis suis xx vero solidos quos præfati Gilbertus et heredes sui prædictis monachis pro servitio mo Ulveston annuatim de in festo assumptionis sanctæ Mariæ. Persolvent præterea prædicti Gilbertus et Helwisa uxor

NUM. XI.

Conventiones inter monachos de Furnesio, et S. Mariæ Lancastriæ.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS pateat per præsentis quod cum religiosi viri abbas et conventus Furnesii teneantur priori et monachis ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ Lancastriæ in quadam pensione duarum marcarum pro decimis omnium terrarum grangiae de Bellomonte quas propriis manibus, aut sumptibus excolunt; prout in quadam compositione inter prædictos abbatem et conventum Furnesii ex parte una, et priorem ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ Lancastriæ ex altera confecta, evidentiùs apparet; idem prior pro se et successoribus suis concessit, quod, si contingat prædictos abbatem, et conventum, omnes terras de grangia prædicta integraliter, extra manus suas dimittere aliis excolendas quod tunc cesset solutio duarum marcarum prædictarum quamdiu eas ita integraliter extra manus suas dimiserint, et idem prior pereipiat omnes decimas dictarum terrarum sic dimissarum, sine contradictione dictorum abbatis et conventus; et quamcittò terras prædictas vel aliquam partem illarum propriis manibus, aut sumptibus suis excoluerint, vel ad manus suas aliququaliter revocaverint, extunc, ut priùs, dicti abbas et conventus ad solutionem dictæ pensionis dictarum duarum marcarum annuatim teneantur prout expressum est, in forma expressa, in compositione prælibata. In cujus rei testimonium huic scripto chirographato ambæ partes prædictæ sigilla sua alternatim apposuerunt. Dat. in abbatia Furnesii in crastino sancti Mathei Apostoli anno gratiæ M.CCC. quinto.

NUM. XII.

Eugenius Papa recipit nos in protectionem; confirmat diversas terras et possessiones per nomina sua; quod decimas non solvemus de arboribus, &c.

[Ibid. fol. 235.]

EUGENIUS episcopus servus servorum Dei dilectis filiis Johanni abbati sanctæ Mariæ de Furnesio, ejusque fratribus tam præsentibus quam futuris regularem vitam professis. Effectum justa postulantiis indulgere, et vigor equitatis, et ordo exigit rationis, præsertim quando petentium voluntatem et pietas adjuvat et veritas non relinquit. Idcirco dilecti in Domino filii, vestris justis petitionibus benigno concurrentes assensu, ecclesiam beatæ Mariæ de Furnesio, in qua divino mancipati estis obsequio, sub beati Petri, et nostræ protectione suscipimus, et præsentis scripti patrocinio communimus.

In primis siquidem statuentes, ut ordo monasticus, qui secundum Dei timorem, et Cisterciensium fratrum observantiam, ibi autore Domino, institutus esse dinoscitur, perpetuis ibidem temporibus inviolabiliter observetur. Præterea quas- cumque possessiones, quæcumque bona eadem ecclesia in- præsentiarum justè, et canonice possidet, aut in futurum, concessione pontificum, largitione regum vel principum, oblatione fidelium, vel aliis justis modis, præstante Domino, poterit adipisci, firma vobis, vestrisque successoribus, et illi- bata permaneant. In quibus hæc propriis duximus vocabulis exprimenda.

Ex done comitis Stephani totam forestam de Furnesio, Wagniam, cum tota venatione, Daltonam cum omni dominio ejus infra Furnesium, et omnibus pertinentiis suis. Olvestonam, totam terram Rogeri Brithwaldi eum pertinen-

tiis suis; piscarias de Lancastria; totum terram Guarini Parvi, et quicquid infra Furnesiam continetur, præter terram Michaelis Flamengi. Ex dono Roberti de Bovill, Kirksanton et Horrum, cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Willielmi nepotis nobilis viri, David regis Scottorum, Caldrum et molendinum, in eodem loco, Dermertonam, et Flolegate cum pertinentiis suis. In Staddesbutles mansionem unam, liberam et quietam, Withofhd duas salinas, piscariam de Derewent, piscariam et pasnagium de Eggre porcis vestris per totam terram Ranulfi Mustini, qui prius hæc, ecclesiæ vestræ, pia devotione, concesserat. Ex dono Godardi de Couplanda medietatem Fossæ, cum appenditiis suis. Ex dono Michaelis Flamengi Fordebotle, et ab eodem in commambium pro Berdeseia Crineltonam, et Ros cum appenditiis suis. In Mannia, ex dono nobilis viri Olavi regis insularum, terras de Carneset, usque ad monasterium sancti Leoc, cum appenditiis suis, villam Thore fil. Asser, villam Melon magni, villam sancti Melii, villam Narwe, Stamredale cum appendiciis suis, terram sancti Corebric et Fagerwl. Sane laborum vestrorum quos propriis manibus aut sumptibus colitis, sive de nutrimentis vestrorum animalium, nullus a vobis præsumat decimas exigere. Decernimus ergo ut nullus omnino hominum liceat præfatam ecclesiam temerè perturbare, &c.

NUM. XIII.

De successione Abbatum.

[Ibid. fol. 1 a.]

EST hic sciendum quod contra usum aliorum monasteriorum hujusmodi ordinis, observatur consuetudo in monasterio Furnesii solùm illos nominare et pronunciare abbates in mortuario suo qui per decennium integrum rexerunt ante decessum eorum, et postmodum obierunt abbates, et sic ibidem non nominantur abbates qui etiam post decennium abbatiatus sui cesserunt vel depositi fuerunt, seu qui ante completum decennium sui regiminis obierunt. Et sic Ewanus computatus est primus abbas Furnesii, Johannes de Cawncefeld secundus, Willielmus Niger tertius, Radulphus de Flecham quartus, Robertus de Denton quintus, Willielmus de Mydilton sextus, Hugo le Bron septimus, Johannes de Cokerham octavus, Alexander de Walton nonus, Johannes de Bolton decimus.

Ecquidem, ut suppono, usus iste, sic computandi abbates, prius inolevit ab usu illius ordinis de quo primò fundatum erat monasterium Furnesii supradictum; quod patere potest ex eo, quod Eudo et Michael de Lancaster, qui forte obierunt antequam decennium sui regiminis compleverunt; et Petrus qui cessit ut supra patet, in mortuario non ponuntur abbatum qui prioris ordinis erat, ut supra patet; et sic usus ille deducitur usque ad nos. Ewanus tamen qui multum citra decennium sui regiminis obiit, ponitur abbas primus, pro eo fortè quod ipse, cum commonachis suis de Savigneio missus, posuit sæpediti monasterii fundamentum. Ad salvandam prædictam consuetudinem ab errore, nescio rationem adnunc prætere mclioem.

NUM. XIV.

Hæ sunt filie Furnesii.

[Ib. fol. 1 b.]

MONASTERIUM de Caldra fundatum est An. Dom. m.c.xxxiiij. quarto idus Januarii.

De Swynesheved A. D. m.c.xlvij.

De Castro Dei in Hibernia, hibernicè Fermoy, Clovensis diocesis A. D. m.c.lxx.

De Insula, id est, Ynes ibidem, Dunensis diocesis, A. D. m.c.lxxxij. kalend. Junii.

De sancta Cruce ibidem, hibernicè Wethirlaghan, Casselensis diocesis, eodem anno.

De Wythneya ibidem Imelensis diocesis, A. D. m.c.lxxxviiij.

De Petra fertili, ibidem, hibernicè Corkonrouth, Ficcoborensis diocesis, Anno m.c.lxxxviiij.

De Russyn in Mannia, Sodorensis diocesis, A. D. m.cc.xxxviiij.

De Surio in Hibernia hibernicè Yneselughenught, Lismorensis diocesis, A. D. m.cc.xlix.

De prædictis filiabus abbatibus, quatuor tantum de Furnesio exierunt; videlicet: Abbatia de Caldra, de Swynesheved, de Wethneya, et de Russin. Duæ primæ fundatæ

fuerunt de ordine Tyronensi, de quo ordine domus earum materna tunc erat, et postea cum ea redditæ sunt ordini Cisterc. abbatia de castro Dei, de S. cruce. De Petra Fertili et de Surio, diu post earum foundationem datæ sunt illi in filias per abbatem Clarevallis et per capitulum generale. Certa terra in Mannia data fuit abbatia de Rievalle, ad construendam abbatiam de Russin; postea tamen data fuit abbatia de Furnesio ad construendam eam de ordine Cisterciensi, ubi modo scituata est, et sic non de Rievalle sed de Furnesio exivit. Abbatia de Wythneya primò fundata fuisset in Wiersdale. Sed ipsa foundatione retracta, radices fixit in Hibernia ubi modo constructa est, et de Furnesio exivit. Abbatia de Ynes in forma subscripta filia Furnesii effecta est, prout in registro et cronicis Ultoniæ de illius foundatione lucidius expressatur.

Igitur tertio kalend. Junii Anno Domini m.c.lxxx. et anno regni Regis Henrici secundi post conquestum Angliæ xxvj; post conquestum verò Ultoniæ anno tertio, vir illustris dominus Johannes de Curcy conquestor Ultoniæ fundavit abbatiam de Ynes in insula de Ynescuscre; sic enim tunc vocabatur; quam utique abbatiam rex quidam Ultoniæ nomine Magnellus Makenlefe prius fundavit, vj. idus Septembris anno Domini m.c.xxvij. prope fontem sancti Finiani in terra quæ dicitur Erynach, et nominavit eam abbatiam de Carrike, et erat de ordine Tyronensi et filia Savigneii; cujus primus abbas sanctus Evodius, in die obitus sui, præcepit fratribus sepelire corpus ejus in insula de Ynes, et intulit causam, dicens; 'Domus ista, fratres, inquit, funditus destruetur, et hic erit deinceps habitatio ferarum latronum. Ibi verò collegium justorum et ascensus animarum sanctarum. Hic vepres, et spinæ solum desertum operient, ibi virtutum fructus producentur et inducentur in horreum paradisi; sed nolite tristari, quia desolationem quæ fiet hic, ibi populus bonus superveniens reformabit in statum meliorem.' Post cujus abbatis transitum mansit dictum monasterium de Carryke, de ordine Savigneacensi, per tempora trium abbatum; videlicet, Odonis, Devincii, et Johannis; in cujus tempore redditum fuit ipsum monasterium ordini Cisterciensi, sub conditione, quod imperpetuum esset deinceps filia Furnesii: sed tempore conquestus Ultoniæ præfatus dominus Johannes de Curcy penitus illud destruxit, quia fortalitium fuit, et multum eum infestavit; sed in recompensationem fundavit, seu potius transtulit illud in insulam suam de Ynescuscre, et dedit domui suæ maternæ de Furnesio, ad construendum illud, easdem terras quas, in loco priori, habuit ex dono Magnelli regis antedicti; et sic dicta abbatia de Ynes effecta est filia Furnesii, sicut antea fuerat in loco priori.

Anno milleno centeno bis quadrageno

Curcy fundavit Ynes, hostes hinc superavit.

NUM. XV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

ABBATHIA DE FURNES.

ROGERUS Abbas ibm.

Com' Lancast'.

Tempalia. Valet in

SITU abbatie p'dce cu' pomariis, molend', et certis claus' eidem abbatie adjacent', et ad usu' ppriu' occupat'

2l. 0s. 0d.

Redd' et firmis diſs' grangiaru', claus', p'toz, molend', et piscariaz in man' suis existen', et ad usu' ppriu' occupat', et infra, viz. Russe, Lamberthyll, Breerhogge, Crochynne-pke cu' p'to 16l. Wheyteclosse et Bo'depke 1l. 6s. 8d. Byllenge 3l. Solorgarth 12l. 6s. 8d. Sandstalle 3l. 6s. 8d. Watefflate et Grenesyke 1l. 6s. 8d. Newpke 6l. 13s. 4d. Farfarkenynge 1l. 6s. 8d. Greynehame et Grene Terme 1l. 10s. Monsell cu' p'tin' 1l. 6s. 8d. Hagge cu' Milatwod 3l. 6s. 8d. Heham 2l. Plunton 1l. 10s. Sowerby Medowe 1l. Hagge Medow 2l. Nemora et silva circa monaster' 10l. Brotherykell 5l. 6s. 8d. Yelecott 1l. Molend' coibz annis 20l. Stañriecott et Yerlythecotte 2l. Piscar' de Lanc' 2l. Hañthew' 2l. 2s. 4d. Fynswate 1l. 6s. 8d. Ramyshed 10s. Dodyne 10s. In toto 102l. 15s. 8d.

Redd' et firmis unius teñt' voc' Southende, viz. In argent' 1l. 11s. 8d. In p'cio 4 q'rt' ordeï 1l. 16 q'rt' aven' 2l. 2s. 8d. 40 hoggast' 2l. Decem vituli annuales 1l. 10s.

40 petr' casei 1*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. 16 petr' butiri 8*s*. Et caria*g*' 20
plaust*r*' turba*z* 10*s*. 10*l*. 9*s*. 0*d*.

Redd' et firmis hamlet' de Byggar', viz. In argent' et
firma annualiu' anno*z* 1*l*. In p*ci*o 14 q*rt*' frument' 5*l*. 12*s*.
14 q*rt*' orde*i* 3*l*. 10*s*. 48 q*rt*' aven' 4*l*. 16*s*. Caria*g*' 20
plaust*r*' turba*z* 10*s*. 24 gall' 2*s*. Et 12 auc' 2*s*. In toto
15*l*. 12*s*. 0*d*.

Redd' et firmis hamlet' de Northescalle, viz. In argent'
16*s*. In p*ci*o 6 q*rt*' f*ri*i 2*l*. 6 q*rt*' orde*i* 1*l*. 10*s*. 44 q*rt*'
aven' 4*l*. 8*s*. 10 vituli annualiu' 1*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. Caria*g*' 20
plaust' turba*z* 10*s*. 24 gall' 2*s*. Et 12 auc. 2*s*. In toto
10*l*. 13*s*. 8*d*.

Redd' et firmis unius te*nt*' voc' Northend, viz. Ut in
p*ci*o 6 q*rt*' orde*i* 1*l*. 10*s*. 16 q*rt*' aven' 1*l*. 12*s*. P vitul'
annualiu' 1*l*. 10*s*. 20 hoggastr' 20*s*. Caria*g*' 20 plaust*r*'
turba*z* 10*s*. 10 petr' butir' 5*s*. 20 petr' casei 13*s*. 4*d*. In
toto 7*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*.

Redd' et firmis hamlete de Cokayne, viz. In argent' 3*l*.
6*s*. 8*d*. In p*ci*o duo*z* q*rt*' fr' 16*s*. Duo*z* q*rt*' orde*i* 10*s*.
4 q*rt*' aven' 12*s*. 4 vituli annuales 10*s*. 8*d*. 4 anc' 8*d*.
8 gallin' 8*d*. In toto 5*l*. 16*s*. 8*d*.

Redd' et firmis hamelete de Barryhede p*a*m
11*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*.

Redd' et firmis de hamlette Salthouse, viz. In argent'
2*l*. 3 q*rt*' frumenti 1*l*. 4*s*. 2 q*rt*' orde*i* 10*s*. 4 q*rt*'
aven' 13*s*. 4*d*. 4 vitul' annual' 13*s*. 4*d*. 4 gall' 4*d*. 2 auc'
4*d*. In toto 5*l*. 1*s*. 4*d*.

Redd' et firmis de Rusehowses p*a*nnu' 1*l*. 7*s*. 0*d*.

Redd' et firmis hamelete de Ruscote, viz. In argent'
1*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. 1 q*rt*' f*ri*i 8*s*. 2 q*rt*' orde*i* 10*s*. 16 q*rt*' aven'
1*l*. 12*s*. 80 p hoggastr' 4*l*. 10*s*. 24 petr' lan' 2*l*. 8*s*.
11*l*. 1*s*. 4*d*.

Redd' et firmis hamlet' de Rammysyde 8*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*.
Newton 6*l*. 10*s*. 10*d*. ob'. Sonterehouse 1*l*. 2*s*. P*k*house
1*l*. 1*s*. 7*d*. ob'. Walton Cote 1*l*. 4*s*. 1*d*. ob'. Danegyll 9*s*.
8*d*. Byrsemelbekehouse 1*l*. 4*s*. 4*d*. Bowythe 1*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*.
Ronhodde 1*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. In toto 25*l*. 5*s*. 11*d*. ob'

Redd' et firmis in villis de Hawcote et Newbariis, viz.
In argento 3*l*. 9*s*. In p*ci*o 13 q*rt*' frumenti 5*l*. 4*s*. 13 q*rt*'
2 orde*i* 3*l*. 6*s*. 3*d*. Tannaria i*bm* 1*l*. 10*s*. 80 q*rt*' aven'
10*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. 16 gall' 1*s*. 4*d*. Caria*g*' 60 plaust' turba*z*
1*l*. 10*s*. 25*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*.

Redd' et firmis grangie voc' Marsche Grange, viz. In
argent' 3*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. Et decem vituli annual' 1*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*.
In toto 5*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*.

Redd' et firmis hamelett' de Hyerlythe, viz. In argent'
2*l*. In p*ci*o 44 q*rt*' aven' 5*l*. 10*s*. 12 vitul' annual' 1*l*.
16*s*. 20 gall' 1*s*. 8*d*. In toto 9*l*. 7*s*. 8*d*.

Redd' et firmis de Yerlythe P*k*e 1*l*. 10*s*. Skalbank
M'ton 2*l*. 8*d*. Li*ba* firma i*bm* 2*s*. In toto 3*l*. 12*s*. 8*d*.

Redd' et firmis ville de Lyndall in argent' 12*l*. 3*d*.
Vitul' annual' 6*s*. 8*d*. 62 gallin' 5*s*. 2*d*. In toto
12*l*. 12*s*. 1*d*.

Redd' et firmis unius te*nt*' voc' Aliskayl p*a*nnu'
4*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*.

Redd' et firmis hamelet' de Newton, viz. In argent'
1*l*. 15*s*. 10*d*. In p*ci*o 3 q*rt*' fr' 1*l*. 14*s*. quinq' q*rt*' orde*i*
1*l*. 5*s*. 52 q*rt*' aven' 6*l*. 10*s*. 24 gall' 2*s*. 30 capon' 5*s*.
12 auc' 2*s*. Caria*g*' 20 plaust' turbar' 10*s*. In toto
11*l*. 13*s*. 10*d*.

Redd' et firmis hamlet' de Stanke, viz. In argent' 2*l*.
5*s*. 8*d*. In p*ci*o 6 q*rt*' frument' 2*l*. 8*s*. 10 q*rt*' orde*i* 2*l*.
10*s*. 48 q*rt*' aven' 6*l*. 24 gall' 2*s*. 12 auc' 2*s*.
13*l*. 7*s*. 8*d*.

Redd' et firmis in Yerlissydecote p*a*nnu' 0*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*.

Redd' et firmis infra villam de Dalton, viz. In firma
bovat' terr' i*bm* 13*l*. 5*s*. Acre mon'cho*z* 4*l*. 19*s*. 10*d*. Li*ba*
firma i*bm* 8*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. Casual' ut in p*quis*' cur' 8*l*. 1*s*. 4*d*.
In toto 1*l*. 13*s*. 6*d*.

Redd' et firmis te*nti* voc' Bolton in argent' 15*s*. 6*d*.
In p*ci*s' 4 q*rt*' frument' 1*l*. 12*s*. In toto 2*l*. 7*s*. 6*d*.

Redd' et firmis de Angarton Mosse, viz. In argent' 1*l*.
8*s*. 4*d*. Cowtergate 5*s*. 6*d*. Croughton 5*s*. Bardesey 1*l*.
3*s*. 6*d*. 3*l*. 2*s*. 4*d*.

Redd' et firmis in villa de Elvstone, viz. In firmis bur-
gag' 1*l*. 10*s*. De hered' d*ni* de Haryngton 15*s*. Molend'
i*bm* 1*l*. 10*s*. Molend' de Newland 7*s*. 6*d*. 4*l*. 2*s*. 6*d*.

Redd' et firmis hamelete de Skathewayt 2*l*. Elton et
Newland 8*l*. 2*s*. 4*d*. 10*l*. 2*s*. 4*d*.

Redd' et firmis di*vs*' grang' in Furnes Fells, viz. Gran-

gia de Colton 5*l*. 18*s*. 2*d*. Sayles 1*l*. 2*s*. 10*d*. ob'. Crake-
syde et Tollebanke 1*l*. 11*s*. 3*d*. Bowythe 3*l*. 16*s*. 7*d*. Ha-
bryge et Kyrkwyth 1*l*. 14*s*. 2*d*. ob'. Oxinpke et Banryge-
hed 2*l*. 19*s*. 1*d*. ob'. Abbotpke 2*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. Nybthewhayt
et Helpke 4*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. Nybethewhayt Towne 2*l*. 9*s*. 2*d*.
Brygeffold Stelle 1*l*. 2*s*. 6*d*. Pkeamore 1*l*. 11*s*. 11*d*. Yc-
cornewyth et Bettocar 3*l*. 14*s*. 6*d*. Ha*n*thewayt 4*l*. 16*s*. 6*d*.
Fynswbate 5*l*. 10*s*. 2*d*. Scotepke 11*s*. 3*d*. Rirseland 7*l*.
18*s*. 6*d*. Sattwyth 7*l*. 8*s*. 5*d*. Briesdall 6*l*. 3*s*. 4*d*. Dallpke
3*l*. 11*s*. 6*d*. Grathew 5*l*. 12*s*. ob'. Sawrayes in Clayse 9*l*.
18*s*. 5*d*. ob. Cotehouse 3*l*. 16*s*. 4*d*. Lonethewayt et Wraye
4*l*. 13*s*. 8*d*. Elterwaterpke 2*l*. Robtbankpke 2*l*. 13*s*. 10*d*.
Waytesydepke 2*l*. Lawson Park 1*l*. 10*s*. Pcanio 1*l*. 10*s*.
In toto 102*l*. 14*s*. 1*d*. ob'

Redd' et firmis de Hawkeshed cu' p*ti*nen' 2*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*.

Redd' et firmis di*vs*' villa*z* et hamlet' in Furnes Fells,
viz. Brathaye 2*l*. 12*s*. 8*d*. ob. Skelwyth 17*s*. 9*d*. ob. Arne-
syde et Oxenfeld 5*l*. 18*s*. Waterhed et Connystone 10*l*.
19*s*. 5*d*. ob'. Heyll et Adseyldhed 9*l*. 12*s*. 4*d*. Hawkey-
shed Feld 11*l*. 5*s*. 3*d*. Et Stotepke 1*l*. In toto
44*l*. 15*s*. 6*d*. ob'

Redd' et firmis de Beamont Grange, viz. in p*ci*o 49
q*rt*' 2 str' et di' frument' 22*l*. 3*s*. 9*d*. et in argent' 6*s*. 8*d*.
Beamontcote 2*l*. Burgag' et tent' in Bolton 17*s*. 2*d*. ob'
Bolton Holmys 6*l*. 14*s*. 8*d*. Heste 6*s*. 8*d*. Ovkellet 14*s*.
Skeryton 1*l*. 1*s*. 8*d*. Unu' burgagi*u* in Lanc' 10*s*. 7*d*. Uno
te*nt*' in Forton 10*s*. 35*l*. 5*s*. 2*d*. ob'

Redd' et firmis libor*u* tenen' in di*vs*' villis, viz. Aldyng-
h*m* 2*l*. Kyrkeby 1*l*. 3*s*. 4*d*. Pennyngh*m* 1*l*. 10*s*. Ad-
garley 5*s*. Broughton 5*s*. Lawyke 6*s*. Osmondlaw 3*s*.
In toto 13*l*. 12*s*. 4*d*.

Redd' et firmis de Stalmyne Grange, viz. in argent' 9*s*.
4*d*. Stalmyne Towne in Stamelff' 2*l*. 1*s*. 5*d*. 7*l*. 6*s*. 9*d*.

Redd' et firmis de Wynterburne Hall 6*l*. Villa de
Wynterburne 11*l*. 10*s*. 2*d*. Freerhed 8*l*. 3*s*. 4*d*. Coup*c*ote
8*l*. 10*s*. Cowhouse 8*l*. Heton Esheton Flasbye et Yarton
9*l*. 9*s*. 51*l*. 7*s*. 6*d*.

Redd' et firmis in Lonsdall, viz. Kesden 10*l*. 12*s*. 4*d*.
Thynhook et Hardacre 2*l*. 9*s*. Hesyllhawe et Greynclosse
3*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. Villa de Newby 6*l*. 5*s*. 11*d*. Newby Coote 4*l*.
1*s*. 7*d*. ob'. Clayph*m* Towne 2*l*. 7*s*. Stakhouse 5*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*.
Selfed 13*l*. 3*s*. 4*d*. Southouse 8*l*. 2*s*. 8*d*. Souterstall 13*l*.
6*s*. 8*d*. Brunt Skarre 3*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. Wynterstayll 8*l*. Ra-
neskall 2*l*. 8*d*. Camhouse 3*l*. 3*s*. 4*d*. Lynghyll et Byrk*w*'
6*l*. 19*s*. Netherlonge 3*l*. 18*s*. 8*d*. Thorns 2*l*. 10*s*. 4*d*. ob'
Beerstons et Coltepke 5*l*. 9*s*. 2*d*. et Yngman Loge 6*l*. 8*s*. 6*d*.
110*l*. 18*s*. 4*d*.

Com' Ebor'.

Tempalia.

Valet in

Redd' et firmis infra civitatem Ebo*z* 13*s*. 4*d*. Catton
juxta Ebo*z* 1*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. 2*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*.

Hib'nia.

Tempalia.

Valet in

Redd' et firmis in Hibnia p*a*nnu 10*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*.

Com' Cumb*r*'.

Tempalia.

Valet in

Redd' et firmis in Borowdall 28*l*. 10*s*. Cowpland 4*l*.
6*s*. 8*d*. In toto 32*l*. 16*s*. 8*d*.
763*l*. 6*s*. 10*d*.

Com' Lancastr'.

Sp'ualia.

Valet in

Decim' rector' eccl*ie* de Dalton, viz. orde*i* et aven' 13*l*.
18*s*. 8*d*. Agn' 3*l*. 5*s*. 8*d*. Lan' 2*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. Oblac' et
finib*z* quadragesimalib*z* 13*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. In toto 33*l*. 4*s*. 4*d*.

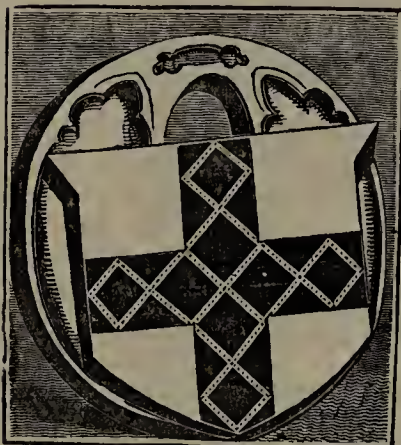
Decim' capell*e* de Hawkeshed, viz. orde*i* et aven' 2*l*. 3*s*.
4*d*. Agn' 16*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. Lan' 10*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. Oblac' et finib*z*
quadragesimalib*z* et alijs casualib*z* in Fournefells 58*l*. In
toto 87*l*. 10*s*. 0*d*.

Decim' rectori*e* eccl*ie* de Urswyke, viz. frument' 1*l*.
Odei 8*l*. Aven' 12*l*. 21*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*.

Com' Cumbr'.
 Sp'ualia.
 Valet in
 Decim' rectorie ecclie de Myllome, viz. decim' granoꝝ
 12*l.* Agn' 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Lan' 4*l.* et in finibꝫ quadragesima-
 libꝫ 8*l.* 28*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*
 Mannia.
 Sp'ualia.
 Valet in
 Decim' eccliaz ñraꝝ in Mannia p annum 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Com' Lancaster'.
 Sp'ualia.
 Valet in
 Pens' ecclie de Connyngeshed rec' de p'ore et conventu
 ibm an^u 6*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
 183*l.* 1*s.* 0*d.*
 Sñi^a oñi' tempaliū et sp'ualiū abba-
 thiaē p'dcā 846*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.*

Russin, or Ryshen Abbey, in the Isle of Man.



UR notices of Russin Abbey are few and scanty. Gibson, in his edition of Camden, says it was otherwise called Bally Salley Abbey.^a

Tanner informs us that "a religious foundation is said to have been begun here A. D. 1098, by Mac Manis, governor of the Isle; but Olave, king of Man, giving some possessions here to the abbey of Furness in Lanca-

shire,^b Ivo or Evan, abbat there, built a Cistercian abbey here, A. D. 1134, to the honor of the Blessed Virgin, and made it subordinate to Furness. A. D. 1192, the monks removed to Duffglass, or Douglass; where they continued four years, and then returned to Russin,^c and flourished there till some time after the suppression of such houses in England; the Reformation here being not so early as in England, and this being the latest dissolved monastery in these kingdoms.

William of Worcester makes the following mention of Russen in his Itinerary; as published by Nasmith, p. 312:

"Castrum monasterii de Russyn cum iij. monachis. Monasterium de Russyn scitum est in le south eest part insulæ."

In a History of the Isle of Man, 4to. Manchester, 1783, subjoined to Memoirs of the House of Stanley, are a few particulars respecting this abbey; which is said to have consisted of an abbat and twelve monks, who at first were meanly endowed, and lived mostly by their labour; but in process of time they had good revenues. It is added, that in the Records thereof it is found that John Fargher was abbat of Rushen and deputy governor; and in a piece of timber, in Kirk Arbory, which separates the church from the chancel, that Thomas Radcliffe was abbat. These abbats were barons of the island, held courts for their temporalities in their own names, might demand a prisoner from the king's court, if their own tenant, and try him by a jury of their own tenants, as the steward of the abbey lands may do at this day. The chapel was the largest place of worship in the island except the cathedral.

Russinensis Abbatia in Insula Manniæ, cella Furnesiensis coenobii.

NUM I.

[Ex chronicis de Insula Manniæ in bibl. Cottoniana sub effigie Julii, A. vii.]

ANNO Domini m.c.xij. fundata est abbatia sanctæ Mariæ Saviniensis.

Eodem anno fundata est abbatia sanctæ Mariæ de Furnes.

Anno Domini m.c.xxxiiij. fundata est abbatia sanctæ Mariæ Rievallis.

Anno Domini m.c.xxxiiiij. fundata est abbatia sanctæ Mariæ de Caldra.

Eodem anno fundata est abbatia de Russin (in Insula Manniæ.)

Anno Domini m.c.xxxix. fundata est abbatia sanctæ Mariæ de Meilros (in Scotia.)

Anno Domini m.c.xlj. fundata est abbatia sanctæ Mariæ de Holmcotran.

^a Camb. Brit. edit. 1722 p. 1448.

^b These were before given to the abbat and convent of Rievaulx, but they did not build upon it. Mon. Angl. former edit. tom. i. p. 710.

^c Thus far the testimonies of fact will be found in the excerpts from the Chronicles of the Isle of Man in the Append. Num. I. The boundaries of the lands noticed by Tanner will be found in the Append. Num. II.

^d Camb. Brit. ut. supr. pp. 1448, 1449.

^e At the end of these historical notices, Dugdale, in the former edition of the Monasticon, has printed the Constitution of the Bishoprick of Man. So far, indeed, the see appears to have been connected with Furness and Rushin, that, from the former of these abbeys the bishops of Man were wont to be chosen. It has been thought better in this edition, on account of the press of matter in the Additions to the

Anno domini m.c.xliij. obiit sanctus Bernardus primus abbas Clarevallis.

Anno Domini m.c.lxxvj. Godredus Rex Manniæ dedit in oblationem venerabili abbati Silvano partem terræ apud Mirescog, ubi mox monasterium construxit. Sed processu temporis terra tota, cum monachis concessa est abbatia sanctæ Mariæ de Russin.

Anno Domini m.c.xcij. abbatia sanctæ Mariæ de Russin translata est ad Dufglas, ibique per quatuor annos habitantes, iterum ad Russin reversi sunt.

Anno domini m.c.xxxiiij. Olavus Rex Manniæ dedit Yvoni abbati de Furnes partem terræ suæ in Mannia ad abbatiam construendam in loco qui dicitur Russin. Deditque ecclesiis insularum terras et libertates, et erat circa cultum divinum devotus, et fervidus, tam Deo quam hominibus acceptabilis.^e

Work generally, to print these Constitutions as a Note. By an act of parliament of the 33d Hen. VIII. cap. 31, the bishopricks of Chester and Man were dissevered from the province of Canterbury, and made a part of the province of York.

SYNODALES QUEDAM EPISCOPI SODORENSIS IN INSULA MANNIÆ CONSTITUTIONES PERANTIQUÆ, NUNQUAM ANTEHÆC TYPIS MANDATÆ; QUAS AB HOC INSTITUTO LICET ALIENAS, ANTIQUITATIS TAMEN GRATIA, ET VELUTI MONUMENTUM EO NOMINE SATIS INSIGNE, REIQUE ECCLESIASTICÆ STUDIOIS HAUD INGRATUM, HOC IN LOCO, POST QUANDAM SCIL. ILLIUS INSULÆ ABBATIAM, ATTEXENDAS, ET IN LUCEM EMITIENDAS DUXIMUS.

Hæc sunt Statuta Sinodalia et Constitutiones Sodorienſis Diocesis in Insula de Mann, per reverendū patrem Simonem Sodorensē

NUM. II.

Limites sive Divisiones Terrarum Monachorum de Russin a terris Regis.

[MS. Cotton. Julius A. VII. fol. 51.]

HÆC est divisa inter terram regis et monachorum de

episcopum, ibidem confecta et constituta anno Domini millesimo duccentesimo vigesimo nono.

[A Transcripto Veteri penes v. cl. Joh. Seldenum.]

De Probationibus Testamentorum.

Pro probationibus testamentorum ultra summam triginta duorum denariorum nichil penitus exigatur, sed de eadem summa partem bonorum quamlibet aliquid pauperibus subtrahatur.

De Bonis Intestatorum discedentium.

Bona intestatorum ad arbitrium episcopi diœcesani, vel ejus in absentia sui generalis vicarii ministrentur.

De Mortuariis.

In mortuariis principale animal ecclesiæ persolvatur, vacca vel bos vel equus si fuerit ad valorem sex solidorum aut minus. Et quantum ad vestes, si homo mortuarium persolverit ad arbitrium ecclesiæ stabit an vestes aut tres solidos et sex denarios habere maluerit. Et si pauper fuerit, et nullum mortuarium persolverit accipiantur vestes sicuti sunt, et quintus quique denarius ex liberis, et de Gilbogus in bonis possesso ad mortuarii valorem se extendentibus mortuarium ecclesiæ persolvatur. Quod si bona sua ad hoc minime se extendant, tunc quintus quisque denarius de liberis bonis ecclesiæ persolvatur. Et si quærat, quid est Gilbogus, dicendum est, quod Gilbogus est quis, si unius tantum noctis ætatis extiterit, et ad habendum bona ordinatus aut in bonis sessus existat, si ut dictum est obierit, ecclesia tunc suum debitum obtinebit. Item præfatus Gilbogus, licet mortuarium persolverit, ultra hoc tamen, tam presbytero et clerico, quam etiam ecclesiæ sua debita contententur. Et si nullum mortuarium persolverit, nichilominus cum eis concordet.

De debitis Clerico persolvendis.

Debita clerico persolvenda sunt hæc. Si homo mortuarium persolvat, clericus habeat ipsius hominis caligas, calceamenta ad precium sex denariorum, et capitium pileum, aut capellum precii majoris vel minoris, sicut ipse homo in die Natalis Domini ambulaverit; item camisiam, zonam ad unius denarii valorem; bursam ad unius denarii valorem, et cultellum ad unius denarii valorem.

De Aucis, Porcis, Buculis, Vitulis et Pullis.

Auca apud festum sancti Michaelis, aut post capiantur, et porci, buculi, vituli et pulli apud festum sancti Martini in liberos recipiantur, et apud Pascha erigantur, rectore ecclesiæ de prædictis porcis, pullis ac buculis in periculo persistente. Excepto quod si iconomi buculos desideraverint habere ad suas efficiendas vaccas lac præbere ipso rectore iconomum causante ad custodiendum illos ac si proprios.

De Defunctis nulla Bona habentibus.

Si vir aut mulier obierit, et nulla bona ad contentandam ecclesiam pro sua sepultura habuerit, tunc ii qui eorum bona habere voluissent, si divites extitissent, videlicet de eorum sanguine propinquiore, ecclesiæ presbytero et clerico, ad illorum humationem contentabunt.

De Lacticiniis.

Si lacticinia in ecclesiam conformiter juxta consuetudinem non portentur, de una vacca duo denarii, de quatuor capris duo denarii, et de octo ovibus octo denarii persolvantur.

De Electione et Collectione Agnorum Decimalium, Buculorum, Porcorum, et Pullorum.

Cum ad congregandos agnos decimales, buculos, porcos vel pullos procuratores pervenerint, iconomus duos, et procuratores tertium eligant.

De remonentibus Domicilia ac Bona sua ab una Parochia in alteram.

Si vir vel mulier forte ab una parochia in aliam domicilium suum permutaverit, et bona sua secum abduxerit; si vir vel præter uxorem suam, pueros, lectum, gallum, gallinam, oraticulam, et mensulam pistoralem secum asportaverit, et ibidem nisi per tres noctes perseveraverit antequam ab hac luce decesserit, in illa parochia in quam nuper accessit, debita ecclesiastica persolvantur, quamvis bonorum suorum major portio in altera parochia relinquatur.

De Granis Decimalibus.

In antiquo statuto iconomi grana decimalia, ac si propria arconizabunt, et ad sua fenilia ducebant ac custodiebant, quousque rector, vel ejus procurator ob ea commodius venire posset, forte usque festum Omnium Sanctorum: modernis vero diebus rectores grana decimalia in arconomolis accipiunt ob majorem iconomorum commoditatem.

De Cervisiæ vendentibus.

Si vir vel mulier cervisiam vendendam pandoxaverint, sive communis pandoxator, vel pandoxatrix fuerit, sive non, si duos denarios et obolum de unaquaque pandoxatione accipiat, lagunculam decimalem ecclesiæ persolvat.

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Russyn. A muro et fovea quæ est inter villam castelli et terram monachorum et circuit per antrum inter pratum monachorum et villam Macakoen, et ascendit per rivulum inter Bylozen et terram eorundem monachorum, et inclinatur usque ad Hentre; et circuit eandem terram Hentrae et Trolatofthar per murum et foveam et descendit per eundem

De Textoribus, sive Textricibus.

Si textor vel textrix tres telas a suis telariis descindat vel decimat, et pro earundem textura solutione percipiat, duos denarios ecclesiæ annuatim inde persolvat; et si centum descindat vel decimat, amplius non persolvat.

De Sumptori debitis.

Sumptor de jure antiquo et statutis veteribus, ab omnibus iconomis garbam de trium ligarum longitudine scilicet frumenti ordii et avenæ annuatim percipere debet, et ad omnem caseorum decimationem, et collectionem, unum agnum electum habere debet, et ad lanæ decimationem unum vellus electum debet obtinere.

Incipiunt constitutiones synodales Sodorensis ecclesiæ, in synodo ordinatæ, celebratæ, et statutæ in ecclesia sancti Bradani in Mannia, sexto idus Marcii anno Domini millesimo duccentesimo nonagesimo primo, cui præfuit venerabilis pater, dominus Marcus Sodorensis episcopus.

De Infirmis visitandis. Capitulum primum.

Statuimus ut singuli capellani prompti sint ad infirmos visitandos cum vocati fuerint, ne per eorum negligentiam, aliquos contigerit sine sacramentis ecclesiasticis mors. Et cum ad eos accesserint induti superpelliciis, reverenter corpus dominicum deferant, in pixide ad hoc deputata lintheo albo vel serico cooperta, et tintinnabulo præcedenti in villam ecclesiæ, vel in locos prope ecclesias constitutos. Ad loca verò remota corpus dominicum non deferatur nisi per capellanum ecclesiæ, capa clausa indutum. Et cum ad eo infirmos accesserint, moneant eos salubriter, et inducant ad veram confessionem et pœnitentiam, et testamentum ritè faciendum, nec aliquos sine candela accensa de cera communicet. Et ipsos ad fabricam parochialis ecclesiæ juxta facultates suas, ut aliquod relinquunt, diligenter moneant. Ad quæ colligenda et reservanda duo fideles parochiæ, juxta providentiam rectorum ecclesiarum deputentur.

De Indumentis Capellanorum. Cap. 2.

Statuimus ut singuli capellani capis clausis utantur, et aliis indumentis suis ordinibus convenientibus; sed mantellam capellanis omnino interdiciamus: et præcipimus quod capellani omnes, diebus festis et solemnibus, maximè, capis clausis utantur. Et etiam cum ad capitula, vel ad synodum accesserint. Quod si secus fecerint, illud aliud indumentum inhibitum quod portaverint, fabricæ ecclesiæ sancti Germani, sine aliqua redemptione applicetur.

De Honestate Sacerdotum. Cap. 3.

Præcipimus, quod omnes capellani caveant ne aliquo modo ad tabernas accedant, vel in suis domibus tabernas teneant, quo non sint ebriosi, luxuriosi, litigiosi, sed parati verbo et opere exempla bonæ vitæ, et laudabilis conversationis transmittant in subditos suos. Et quod unusquisque secundum quod sapit, de evangelio et sacra scriptura, articulos quoque fidei plebi suæ exponat; nec non diligenter moneant parochianos suos, ut pueros suos instruant Symbolum Apostolorum, et Orationem Dominicam, cum salutatione beatæ Mariæ virginis.

De Baptismo. Cap. 4.

Capellani caveant ne per negligentiam aliquis infans sine baptismo, quod absit, moriatur, et etiam sub pœna excommunicationis inhibemus, ne aliquis capellanus pro baptizandis infantibus vel infirmis visitandis aut mortuis sepeliendis præmium aut munus exigat, et quod nullus capellanus tunicas seu crismalia baptizatorum in alios usus convertat quam in usus ecclesiæ, nec mutando tunicam seu crismale unius pueri nec alterius pueri, denuo recipiat sub pœna excommunicationis.

De Castitate Sacerdotum. Cap. 5.

Statuimus quod nullus capellanus focariam et concubinariam alterius capellani vel cujuscunque adulteram in parochia sua permittat, nisi tribus monitionibus præmissis parochiam suam deserat, aut nominatim excommunicet. Quod si non fecerit, sciat se pœnæ excommunicationis subjacere.

De Pœna Transgressorum. Cap. 6.

Districtius inhibemus ne ecclesiarum rectores, vicarii, sacerdotes, vel clerici in sacris ordinibus constituti, publicè vel privatim habeant focarias, unde sinistra poterit oriri suspicio; quod si facere præsumpserint beneficia clericorum taliter viventium in nostra manu capiantur, eisque interdicatur ingressus ecclesiæ, quousque pœnituerint de commissio, et ad nos accesserint pœnitentiam canonicam accepturi. Hanc autem destructionem non tantum de capellanis parochias regentibus, sed etiam de quibuscunque aliis præcipimus inviolabiliter observari. Personæ vero ecclesiarum qui ausu temerario, vel capellani, qui in ecclesiis publicè concubinos retinent ministrantes, seu ministraturos, vel in parochiis sustinuerint, ad arbitrium nostrum puniantur.

De Ministerio Clericorum. Cap. 7.

Statuimus item, quod omnes capellani, diaconi, et cæteri ministri altaris, honestè et devotè, sine murmuratione non capuciis in capitibus, nec tinis vel piliis, aut cirothecis in manibus aut in pede calcaribus, cum tonsura et corona decenti juxta gradus sui dignitatem, ad divinum officium accedant.

murum et foveam in amnem prope Oxworth, et ascendit per eundem amnem in rivum inter Aryeuzryn et Stay-

narthai et ascendit usque ad vallem quæ vocatur Fane, et ascendit per clivum montis qui dicitur Worzefel, et descendit

De Jejuniis injungendis.

Et præcipimus quod singuli capellani in suis parochiis jejunia quatuor temporum et rogationes, apostolorum vigiliis, sanctorumque festivitates consuetas in dominicis præcedentibus rite denuntient.

De Vicariis, ut respondeant de Ornamentis Ecclesiæ.

Statuendo præcipimus, quod omnes vicarii tam de custodia vestimentorum et ornamentorum quam de omnibus aliis ecclesiæ, pro rata sua portione respondeant.

De Purificatione post Partum.

Præcipimus ut singuli capellani moneant parochianas suas, ut inducant post puerperium ad ecclesias accedere cum candelis et oblationibus tempore purificationis statutæ, ut infra quindenam minime purificentur.

De Mortuariis Discedentium.

Statuendo pronunciamus, quod de bonis cujuslibet discedentis ecclesia habeat optionem de omnibus, juxta consuetudinem vicinarum provinciarum, excepto uno, cum omnibus indumentis suis et fulcro vel culcitra. Quod si non habeat pirotum vel culcitram, vij. dentur denarii. Et cum quolibet mortuo juxta facultates fiant oblationes, tam in denariis quam in candelis in ecclesia sua parochiali. Et sub pœna excommunicationis inhibemus, ne aliquis mortuus alio loco deferatur sepeliendus, donec missa pro eo fuerit celebrata in ecclesia sua parochiali.

De Intestatis.

Item statuimus, ut cum aliquis intestatus decesserit, quod omnia bona sua sequestrentur in manu episcopi per loci rectorem vel vicarium, donec per episcopum quid debeat fieri fuerit ordinatum. Et nullus executorum bonis discedentium se ingerat, donec coram rectore, aut officiali, vel archidiacono de ultima voluntate doceantur.

De Vicariis Religiosorum.

Statuimus, ut in ecclesiis religiosorum ad proprios usus appropriatis, secundum concilium Lateranense vicarii ordinentur.

De Periculo Parvulorum.

Inhibemus sub pœna excommunicationis, ne aliqua mulier vel uxores parvulos suos in lectulis suis secum collocari permittant antequam ætatis suæ tertium compleverint. Quod statutum ad minus semel in anno, singulis sacerdotibus volumus promulgari.

De Decimis, Primiciis, et Oblationibus.

Sub pœna excommunicationis statuimus, quod omnes diœcesani nostri decimas omnium bonorum suorum, quæ eis de anno in annum renovantur, integrè, plenariè, sine deductione, diminutione aliqua solvant, sicut in Veteri et Novo Testamento præcipitur, videlicet de omni genere bladi, leguminum, procorum, et fructuum, tam in hortis quam in rure crescentium. Decima autem bladi, leguminis deferatur per parochianos ad domos vel grangias suas, et eadem diligentia eam custodiant quam suam partem, donec rectores ecclesiæ vel sui procuratores de toto decimam recipiant. Item de blado suo non decimato nihil præparent in quantum rectores ecclesiæ, vel suos procuratores scire fecerint. Item statuimus ut de qualibet domo dentur in æstate octodecim casei de melioribus, et octodecim in autumnio facti mundi, salsi, et bene preparati. Item in domibus in quibus fit butirum, detur decima butiri sine aliqua fraude, vel diminutione lactis. Si verò lac diminuatur, vel in alios usus distribuatur, fiat recompensatio de caseo vel butiro. Quod si aliis temporibus anni, caseum vel butirum contingat fieri, de hoc decima integra sine aliqua fraude persolvatur. Item statuimus de lana, agnis, hædis, vitulis, porcellis, pullis equorum, aucarum, de ovis gallinarum, de lino, canabo, fœno, decima integra persolvatur. Et ubi decem animalia decimanda sunt, habeat possessor optionem de duobus, ecclesia verò de reliquis; et ubi sunt nisi novem, detur nonum animal eodem modo sicut prius. Et si fuerint undecim detur nisi unum. Quod si fuerint unum vel duo, seu tria aut quatuor, pro singulis capitibus vitulorum et pullorum, detur denarius: pro agnis verò et hædis quadrans, pro porcellis obolus. Quod si fuerint quinque vel sex, vel citra novem, tunc quintum animal estimetur, et dividatur inter rectorem et possessorem: et in optione rectorum sit an velit redimere, aut dimidium pretii recipere. Item de uno agno vel duobus detur obolus, de tribus vel quatuor, detur denarius: si fuerint quinque vel citra novem, estimetur, prout dictum est. De sex vero, septem vel octo fiat sicut dictum est, de uno, vel duobus, vel tribus, vel quatuor. Si vero undecim vel novem, animal solvatur de porcellis. Si decem vel quinque fuerint, fiat decimatio sicut statutum est de vitulis. Quod si pauciores quinque vel citra novem, pro singulis detur obolus.

De Molendinis, Piscaturis, et aliis minutis Decimis.

Item de molendinis et piscaturis, tam aquarum dulcium quam salinarum, decima integra persolvatur. Item si contingat aliquem oves suas bis in anno tondere, bis decima solvatur. Item de agnis decimatis in sequenti anno tonsis, sine aliqua contradictione decima solvatur. Item de pellibus agnorum, hædorum, vitulorum, et aliarum bestiarum, omnium immortuarum, et interfectarum, decima integra persolvatur. Item ubi animalia alicujus pascuntur et cubant, tota decima solvatur ecclesiæ loci illius. Quod si loca communibus pasturis sint deputata, tunc decima ecclesiæ parochiali solvatur. Quod si pascant in una, et cubent in alia, decima casei et butiri dividatur. Quod si pascantur in una et cubent in alia, tunc si in aliena parochia tondeantur, [et agnos pariant, tunc inter alienam parochiam et propriam parochiam decima dividatur, tam de lana quam de agnis.

Inhibitio ne vendant Animalia ante Decimationem.

Inhibemus sub pœna excommunicationis, ne aliqui agnos, porcellos, pullos, hædos, vitulos, vel aliqua alia animalia decimanda vendant, vel eorum decimam aliquo modo in alios usus transferant, ante legitimam decimationem. Quod si ausu temerario hoc fecerint, statuimus omnes sic alienantes ad decimam teneri, et nomine pœnæ excommunicationi subjacere.

De Piscatoribus applicantibus in aliqua Parochia.

Statuimus quod si piscatores applicerint cum piscaturis in parochiam alienam, vel cimbam alterius parochiæ causa piscandi acceperint, tunc decima dividatur. Quod si duo vel tres in aliam parochiam causa piscandi accesserint, pro rata porcione eorum decima dividatur.

De Textoribus et Textricibus.

Item statuimus quod textores vel textrices, qui non solvunt decimam de aliis rebus, solvant quatuor denarios, alii vero quinque denarios, quod si plus lucrentur, conscientiæ eorum relinquatur.

De Mereatoribus et cæteris Operariis.

Statuimus quod mercatores, negociatores, et laboratores cæterique de omni lucro suo decimam solvant. Similiter et servientes qui conducti fuerint ab aliis, decimam solvant de stipendio suo.

De Diminutione Laetis.

Statuimus ut hii qui propter paucitatem animalium, nec caseum, nec butirum facere possunt, pro decima vaccæ vitulata, solvant duos denarios et obolum. Pro non vitulata, lac tunc faciente, unum denarium et obolum. Scilicet de ovibus octo tantum reputentur pro vaccæ.

De Fabris et aliis Artificibus.

Item aurifabri, fabri, fabricatores, ferrarii, falcatores, carpentarii, cementarii, de lucro suo decimam solvant, quorum solutio proprio sacramento relinquatur.

Sequitur de Oblationibus.

Ordinamus et sancimus, quod omnes parochiani et parochianæ ter in anno singuli, singulis vicibus offerant obolum, videlicet ad festum Nativitatis Domini, Paschæ, Pentecostes, vel ad festum dedicationis ecclesiæ. Et quod unusquisque habens domicilium et certa bona solvat, in quadragesima duos denarios et obolum ad luminaria ecclesiæ. Si vero morantur in aliis domibus dum tamen habeant in bonis ad valorem sex solidorum solvant duos denarios juxta consuetudinem vicinarum provinciarum.

De Excommunicatione quater per annum.

Et in singulis ecclesiis quorumcunque religiosorum seu sæularium, statuimus quater in anno, videlicet in dominicis proximis post observationem quatuor temporum, et etiam synodo, in genere excommunicentur omnes sortilegi, venefici, incendiarii ecclesiarum, factores falsarii, usurarii manifesti, impediētes testimonia legitime facta. Laici invadentes, detinentes, defraudantes, et auferentes possessiones seu quæcunque ecclesiastica, aut libertates, et omnes illi qui se in beneficio ecclesiastico intruserint, et testes scienter perjuri, unde amittitur ab aliquo hæreditas sua, aut beneficium, seu terrenum; raptores etiam publici et notorii, et omnes fures et latrones, vel eos qui manuteneant vel pro eis fidem dabunt cum dicta causa revelatur. Item omnes qui in causa matrimoniali falsum testimonium perhibent, vel falsas exceptiones opponunt malitiose, vel opponi procurant, vel in causa matrimoniali testes subornant, et omnes ipsos impediētes ordinarios, quo minus de bonis discedentium ab intestatis, secundum consuetudinem ecclesiæ Anglicanæ, et nostræ valeant ordinare excommunicationis sententiæ volumus subjacere. Item excommunicamus omnes conspiratores contra episcopos proprios vel alienos regni, seu contra tales prælatos, et omnes conspiratoribus consentientes, ita quod omnes tales, schismatici sunt et infames. Item autoritate hujus sacræ synodus nostræ excommunicamus omnes illos qui pacem regis et regni perturbant; et omnes illos, qui causa odii vel lucri aliis falsa crimina imponunt, pro quibus mors, exilium, membrorum mutilatio, exhereditatio, vel bonorum spoliatio, aut bona fama amissa sequi debeat, si judicialiter convineantur.

De Confessionibus.

Inhibemus ne aliquis religiosus infra terram vel extra venientium sine nostra licentia confessionem audiat, pueros baptizet, infirmos communicet. Item inhibemus ne aliquis parochianus extra ecclesiam suam parochialem, causa confessionis, vel alicujus alterius sacri ecclesiastici habendi, ad alienam parochiam, sive ad quemcunque alium locum secularem, vel religiosorum accedere præsumat. Et si ter monitus fuerit, excommunicetur, et quod nullus capellanus alterius parochiæ ejus confessionem audiat, vel ipsum communicet, vel sacra alia ecclesiastica ministret, nisi in articulo mortis, vel de licentia proprii capellani.

De Legatis in Testamento.

Inhibemus, ne aliquis vicarius vel capellanus in fraude ecclesiæ, vel aliquis alius legatarius aliquod legatum exigat aut recipiat, nisi prius debito ecclesiæ declarato, et soluto, quod si secus fecerint, pœnam excommunicationis incurrant. Item præcipimus, quod si aliquis adhuc in vita existens, causa donationis, vel aliqua alia ex causa, in filios, alienos, vel in alias personas, aliquid de bonis suis transferri voluerit, hoc publice in ecclesia faciat, vel saltem coram rectore ecclesiæ, vel ejus attornato, vel coram bonis testibus et fide dignis.

in rivulum qui dicitur Mouru, et ascendit de rivulo Mouro, per veterem murum, per Rozefel, et descendit per eundem

De Matrimonio.

Inhibemus ne aliquis sacerdos a Septuagesima usque ad Octavas Paschæ inter aliquos matrimonium celebrare præsumat, nisi de nostra licentia, vel officialium nostrorum, et ne aliquis sæcularis vel clericus infra illud tempus aliquod sacrum judiciale aut in diebus festivis vel solempnibus præstare, vel subire præsumat. Item quod nullus capellanus clandestinis sponsalibus interesse præsumat, vel causa destinata pro annuli benedictione aliquos contrahi permittat, sed ea secundum quod moris est tribus denuntiationibus in ecclesia, publice et solemniter ad missæ celebrationem per debita intervalla præmissum contractum faciat. Item quod capellanus inter aliquos matrimonium vel sponsalia facere non præsumat, nisi tribus denuntiationibus prius factis in ecclesia, quærendo tam ubi vir manet, quam mulier, nisi ambo in una parochia fuerint. Et si qui postea contra matrimonium taliter contractum, aliquid alicui objicere voluerint, qui tempore contractus, in eadem parochia fuerint quod ad eorum notitiam verisimile sit tales denuntiationes devenisse, nullatenus audiantur.

De Juramento cum Contractu.

Item statuimus, quod quilibet capellanus jurare faciat, non solum ipsos contrahentes, verumetiam tres vel quatuor aut quinque de senioribus et fide dignioribus utriusque parentelæ contrahentium quorum nomina redigentur in scriptis, quod inter eosdem nesciunt aliquod impedimentum, quo minus possint legitime copulari. Similiter et ab omnibus circumstantibus sub periculo animarum suarum diligenter inquirent. Et hoc ab omnibus capellanis nostræ diœcesis in matrimoniali contractu sub pœna suspensionis triennalis præcipimus observari. Et nullus de causis matrimonialibus cognoscat nisi qui jura noverit, et finem in causis matrimonialibus in scriptis proferant. Item statuimus quod secundum jura canonica omnes causæ matrimoniales et testamentariæ viduarum, pupillorum, cruce signatorum et miserabilium personarum, ad examen ecclesiæ pertineant.

De Laicis vel Clericis Arma in Ecclesia portantibus.

Inhibemus ne quis laicus vel clericus de cætero in ecclesiis nostræ diœcesis aliqua arma ferre vel aliquem tumultum seu perturbationem, maximè tempore celebrationis missæ, in eis facere præsumat. Quod si aliquis post tertiam monitionem in hujusmodi crimine incorrigibilis inventus fuerit, per censuram ecclesiasticam prout nobis videbitur, puniatur.

De Sæcularibus Placitis Festivis Diebus non tenendis.

Statuimus quod de cætero sæcularia placita in Dominicis diebus aut festivis solempnibus minimè teneantur in ecclesiis, in cimiteriis, vel aliis locis Deo dicatis, et maximè causæ sanguinum, aut criminales, per quoscunque judices sæculares locis aut temporibus prædictis. Quod si necesse fuerit edicta regalia vel aliqua ex parte principis forte coram populo proferre, non infra missarum solempnia, sed sive ante sive post ubi commodius potest fieri, extra tamen ecclesiam, ne præpediantur divina, præcipimus et permittimus.

De Testamentis condendis.

Præcipimus et statuimus quod quilibet languens in extremis agoniis cum testamentum condere voluerit, vocet capellanum ecclesiæ et clericum, et ipsis præsentibus, duobus vel tribus viris adhibitis bonis et fide dignis, testamentum suum ore suo ordinet, et ipse sacerdos substantiam suam diligenter exquiret, et si in aliquibus, creditoribus sit obnoxius vel de ære alieno oneratus. Quod si non fecerit tanquam intestatus reputatur. Quod statutum volumus ut singuli capellani in ecclesiis suis publicent. Item statuimus, ut quicumque amodo se creditorem alicujus dixerit defuncti, vel aliquem cum eo iniisse contractum, et in eadem parochia manens, vel ita prope quod de infirmitate ejus constare poterit, non in vita sua, nec hora testamenti, vel tempore infirmitatis illius, super hoc questionem moverit, vel mentionem fecerit coram viris fide dignis, post mortem defuncti nullatenus audiantur.

De Communicatione cum Excommunicato.

Inhibemus quod nulli cum publicè excommunicatis et maximè capellani communicent. In quo delicto si capellani rei inventi fuerint, ultioni gravissimæ subjacebunt.

De Campanis pulsandis.

Statuimus quod campanarii ecclesiarum, cum episcopus ad ecclesias accesserit, vel prope transierit, campanas pulsent, quod si non fecerint ad arbitrium episcopi, clerici puniuntur.

De Oleo et Crismate.

Statuimus quod quilibet capellanus crisma oleum sanctum et oleum infirmorum semel in anno recipiat in vasis mundissimis bene ceratis. Tempore receptionis singuli eorum quatuor denarios reddent.

De Visitatione Archidiaconi et Ornamentis Ecclesiæ.

Item statuimus quod archidiaconus secundum apostolum, non quæ sua sunt quærat, sed quæ Jesu Christi in sua visitatione provideat; quod canon missæ emendetur, et quod sacerdotes rite proferre sciant dicta canonis et baptisterii, et doceant laicos in qua forma baptizare debeant in articulo necessitatis, vel saltem hoc sciant facere in suo idiomate. Habeat etiam archidiaconus omnia ornamenta ecclesiarum in scriptis redacta et utensilia, earum vestes et libros, et singulis annis suo conspectui faciat præsentari, ut videat quæ adjecta fuerunt per diligentiam parochianorum, vel quæ medio tempore per negligentiam vel maliciam vicariorum deprædata, vel per injuriam eorum aliquo modo diminuta, quid per clericos, quid per laicos.

murum inter Cornama, et Totmanby, et descendit per eundem murum oblique inter Oxrayzer et Totmanby usque

De Missis celebrandis.

Districtius inhibemus, ne aliquis sacerdos missarum solempnia bis in una die celebret, exceptis diebus Paschali, et Natalium Domini, et in obsequiis mortuorum, videlicet, cum corpus alicujus defuncti eo die fuerit in ecclesia tumulandum. Et hoc si in diebus Dominicis et festivis contigerit, tunc caveat sacerdos cum ipse recinxerat manus suas et calicem cum aqua et vino post communionem, ne sumat ablutionem, sed reponat illam in vaso mundo usque ad finem alterius missæ, et tunc sumat utramque ablutionem, quia propter reverentiam sacramenti non debet aliquis celebrare nisi jejunos. Si ablutionem illam sumpsisset quæ est pura aqua, vel purum vinum, tunc jejunos non esset. Item districtius inhibemus, ne aliquis sacerdos duabus matricibus ecclesiis deservire præsumat; et provideat sacerdos quod ab inchoatione missæ usque ad finem, lucerna ceres ardeat.

Expliciunt statuta synodalia.

Hæ sunt additiones additæ per venerabilem patrem dominum Willielmum Russell Sodorensen episcopum una cum toto clero Manniæ, anno Domini millesimo tricesimo quinquagesimo, in ecclesia sancti Michaelis Archangeli, septimo kalendas Martii.

Ad pastorale spectat officium circa statum ecclesiarum et animarum salutem pastori provido commissarum curam impendere pervigilem, ut de grege sibi commissio rationem redditurus, de talento sibi credito lucrum reportare valeat indeficiens. Id est quod ex his quæ ab antiquis patribus prius statuta sunt, quædam ad præsens ad memoriam revocamus, pauca de novo ad hæc adjicientes, ne regimen commissum sub dissimulatione (quod absit) negligere videamus. Cum regimen animarum sit ars artium et sancta et salubris est operatio pro defunctis exorare: imprimis deliberato cleri nostri consilio, duximus statuendum ut quocienscunque aliquis rector, vicarius, vel capellanus ecclesiæ nostræ Manniæ vel aliqua alia honesta persona, orationumstrarum suffragiis commendata, et ad similia suffragia commendata et nobis obligata ab hoc sæculo migrare contigerit, ad locum et diem sepulturæ ejus, omnes alii superstitēs, absque quocunque figmento vel colore, convenient, et defuncto corpori congruum honorem impendant. Et si poterint singuli missas celebrare faciant cum aliis suffragiis ad hoc consuetis. Et ab ipso die sepulturæ ejus quilibet prædictorum triginta missas sine moræ dispendio, per se, seu per alium faciat celebrari, et triginta diebus proximè sequentibus, officium defunctorum cum novem lectionibus et consuetis psalmis sine dierum interruptione per quemlibet superstitem continuè decantetur, cum decenti devotione. Injungentibus nostris officialibus et decanis, ut dicta nostra ordnatione, diligenter inquirent, ne quis inveniatur negligens vel remissus in præmissis. Et de qualibet dictarumstrarum ordnatione infra sexaginta dierum spacium a die sepulturæ non persolvente pœna dimidiæ marcæ levetur absque personarum exceptione per dictos officiales nostros, et de ipsa pecunia tot missas, vel plures, si episcopus absens fuerit, in suarum animarum periculum faciant celebrari, responsuri episcopo cum ad partes venerint, singulis præmissarum.

De Capellanis qui tenentur fidem Catholicam plebi exponere.

Statuimus etiam quod omnes rectores, vicarii, seu capellani in ecclesiasticis officiis constituti populo suo omnibus dominicis diebus et festivis, verbum Dei et fidem catholicam et apostolicam, firmiter et indesinenter exponant, et suos subditos in articulis fidei diligenter instruant, et ad informandum in lingua materna symbolum apostolorum moneant ipsos, et adinducant, et suis liberis eandem fidem exponant, et articulos doceant. Item statuimus quod ecclesiastica sacra de devota reverentia celebrentur, sub certa forma a sanctis patribus in scriptis tradita, quam formam catholicam fide approbatam, nullus audeat in aliquas novitates commutare, et summopere præcaventes ne vinum cum quo celebratur sit corruptum, vel in acetum commutatum, et quod potius sit rubrum quam album. In albo tamen bene conficitur sacrum, et non de aceto, cum in aceto mutatur omnes substantiales vires vini anisit, et aqua in tam modica quantitate apponatur, ut non vinum ab aqua sed aqua a vino absorbeatur. Hostia de frumento sit rotunda, et integra et sine macula quia agnus extitit sine macula, et os non fuit conjunctum ex eo. Unde versus:

Candida triticea tenuis non magna rotunda
Expers fermenti non juxta sit hostia Christi,
Inscribatur aqua, non cocta sed igne fit assa.

Renovetur hostia infirmis danda singulis dominicis diebus, et ponatur in loco honesto, scilicet in pixide ad hoc deputato corporali cooperto, et nusquam sine corporali recondetur. Aliis autem diebus ex necessitate poterit innovari. Et quoniam conficiuntur plures hostiæ, habeat conficiens intentionem ad omnes et non ad unam solam. Et ipsis sacerdotibus firmiter injungimus ad sacrosanctum conficiendum damnabiliter non se ingerant quamdiu sentiant se in quacumque macula mortali irretitos.

De Reparatione Cancelli, et Navis Ecclesiæ.

Item statuimus ut ecclesiæ parochiales, et cimiteria earum, pro modo facultatum parochianorum per ipsos parochianos, et cancelli per rectorem in omnibus necessariis honestè construantur; et altaria de ornamentis, libris et lumine, calice argenteo velaureo, non ligneo nec vitreo nec æreo, sed de solo argento vel auro, vel necessitate urgente de puro stanno, et aliis ornamentis depositè ornentur, et postea per episcopum consecrentur. Ecclesia vero, et omnia ornamenta illius, tam in libris quam in vestibus et aliis necessariis munda et honesta, una cum fonte crismatorio, et loco in quo conditur sacramentum altaris, per vicarium ecclesiæ propriis sumptibus diligenter custodiantur. Qui quidem vicarius de omnibus quæ geruntur in ecclesia et ejus ambitu, domino episcopo et ejus ordinariis est rationem redditurus, et de lumine purificationis beatæ

ad amnem quæ vocatur Corna. Corna quidem est confinium terræ regis et monachorum ex illa parte usque vadum per quod transitur publica via, inter villam Thokel quæ alio nomine vocatur Kyrkemychel et Herynstaze, et ascendit per murum qui est confinium inter eandem villam Thorkel et Balesala, &c. et descendit oblique per eundem murum inter Crosynor Byulthan, et sic circuit Balesalaze et descendit de Balesalach per murum et foveam in amnem de Russyn sicut notum est provincialibus, et descendit per ripam annis ejusdem diversimode.

NUM. III.
COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Transcript of Roll, 33 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

	£.	s.	d.
Russhing—Firma terrarum dominicalium	11	16	10
Kirkmalew—Reddit' et firm' tenentium ad voluntatem	28	14	7
Kirkmalew—Firma unius molendini aquat' blad' vocat' Jenet Lake	0	12	4
Kirkmalew—Firma unius molendini blad' aquat' vocat' Fergher Mill	0	10	0
Kirkmalew—Firma molend' blad' aquat' vocat' Abbay Mill et Graginill cum uno crofto	2	0	0

Mariæ ubi rectores non resident; de quo lumine volumus quod ministrentur ecclesiis honestè in missis celebrandis, et fiant duo cerei ad elevationem sacramenti altaris, et cereus paschalis, quos nichilominus volumus deficere in quacunque ecclesia nostræ diocesis ad illud in festivis diebus. Et si illud ad hoc non sit sufficiens, rector apponat, ut in statutis prædecessorum nostrorum continetur. Item statuimus quod nulla ecclesia, sive oratorium sine consensu nostro in nostra diocesi construat, vel constructa sine nostra autoritate divina aliqua temeritate celebrent, quin potius secundum canones prophanantur.

De Ædificio in Solo Ecclesiæ.
Item quod quilibet parochialis ecclesiæ rector habeat mansionem prope se honestè constructam in qua episcopus, archidiaconus, et eorum ordinarii recipi valeant, et procurari. Et maximè in ecclesiis domibus exemptis, appropriatis jurisdictione ordinariorum infra annum debere fieri à die publicationis præsentium, tam in expensis rectorum quam vicariorum solventium procuraciones pro rata suarum portionum. Et ad hoc ipsi rectores et vicarii compellantur, per sequestrationes fructuum beneficiorum suorum tempore præfixo revolutò.

De Clericis extraneis, et aliunde venientibus.
Firmiter præcipiendo inhibemus sub interminatione anathematis, ut nullus sacerdos alienæ diocesis ad nostram veniens, inibi residentiam præsumat facere, vel cuiquam ad celebrandum pro vivis vel defunctis se ibidem obligare, nisi prius nobis vel nostris ordinariis in nostra absentia honestè et ritè pervenerit, ostendens nobis vel nostris deputatis instrumenta publica vel testes ydoneos de veritate suæ ordinationis et conversationis. Et quia nolumus poena istius statuti ligari ignorantes decrevimus vicarios sacerdotes ad quos tales declinaverint, eis ostendere præsens statutum, et certificare debere, ne de præmissis se ignorantia excusent. Hoc idem statuimus de questoribus aliunde venientibus, ut non admittantur sine nostris litteris specialibus et commendatitiis in quacunque parte nostræ diocesis, sub poena decem solidorum sterlingorum. Et si nostri vicarii negligentes inveniantur in ostensione nostri præsentis statuti facienda præmissis personis infra octo dies postquam ad eos pervenerint, suspendantur à divinis, quousque congruè satisfaciant de negligentia et violatione nostri mandati. His adjicientes, ut clerici maxime in sacris ordinibus constituti, nisi causa peregrinationis, vel alia urgente necessitate in tabernis non comedant aut ultra unam vicem stantes bibant, nec inter sint publicis morando potationibus aut societatibus, vel aliis jocolationibus utendis locis publicis. Quod si fecerint ab ingressu ecclesiæ et divinis extunc se noverint virtute istius constitutionis fore suspensos per tres menses sequentes, nisi nobis vel ordinariis nostris de tali transgressione reatum suum infra dictum tempus ostenderint, et congruam pœnam inde peregerint.

Pœna Absentium ab Ecclesiis Diebus Dominicis.
Item statuimus, ut in qualibet parochiali ecclesia pronuncietur parochianis, ut de qualibet domo vir vel mulier vel uterque eorum quolibet die dominico veniant ad ecclesiam audituri divina et præcepta ecclesiæ, nisi rationabiliter sint excusandi, quam excusationem, non requisiti ostendant rectori vel ejus vices gerenti, in primo suo adventu ad eandem, sicuti catholicam voluerint evitare ultionem, et nichilominus pro qualibet transgressione levetur poena trium solidorum et quatuor denariorum de quolibet qui consuetudinem sic se absenteando subtraxerit à proprio ovili ut inter existentes ibi adhibeatur omnis humanitas, prout tangitur in concilio Lugdunensi de eminitate ecclesiarum capitulo 'Dominum tua decet sanctitudo.'

Expliciunt additiones Willielmi Russell.

	£.	s.	d.
Balasala—Firma divers' cotagiorum prope et juxta monasterium	1	19	0
Glensaba—Reddit' et firm' tenentium ad voluntatem	10	19	5
Glensaba—Reddit' et firm' cotagiorum in Holmstowne	0	17	1
Soulbye—Reddit' et firm' tenentium ad voluntatem	11	4	8
Soulbye—Firma unius molendini nunc vast' et inoccupat'	0	6	0
Skynskow—Reddit' et firm' tenentium	2	15	8
Kirkeriste—Firma rector'	7	6	8
Kirkeriste—Decim' allec'	Nihil hoc anno		
Kirkeharbert, alias Sanct' Columb'—Firma rector'	4	12	0
Kirkmalewe—Exit' rector'	16	14	0
Kirke Saynton—Firma rector'	2	13	4
Kirkelewnam—Firma rector'	3	6	8

NUM. IV.
Transcript from Ministers' Accounts 33 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office, as to the Demesne Lands.

RUSSHING NUPER MONASTERIUM.
Firma Terrarum Dominicalium.
11l. 16s. 10d. de firma scitus nuper monasterij cum edificijs, graungijs, stâbulis, ortis, pomarijs infra præinctum

Confirmatio Ecclesiarum et Terrarum atque Libertatum, data concessa et facta per nobilissimum dominum Thomam comitem Derbei dominum Stanley, ac dominum Insulæ de Mann, et insularum, Huano Sodorensi episcopo suisque successoribus.
Universis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus litteras inspecturis vel audituris, Thomas Dei gratia rex Mannæ et insularum, comes Derbey et dominus Stanley, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Universitati vestræ innotescimus, quod nos pro salute animæ nostræ et animarum antecessorum nostrorum atque omnium fidelium defunctorum, concessimus et dedimus dilecto nobis in Christo, reverendo in Christo patri ac domino, domino Huano permissione divina Sodorienſi episcopo moderno, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam ad mensam suam episcopalem, omnes ecclesias, terras, decimas, ac possessiones quas antecessores nostri reges et domini Mannæ, ecclesiæ Sodorienſi et episcopatuſi ejusdem dederunt, concesserunt et confirmaverunt. Videlicet ecclesiam cathedralē sancti Germani in Holme Sodor vel Pele, vocatam, ecclesiamque sancti Patricii ibidem et locum præfatum in quo præfatæ ecclesiæ sitæ sunt, et etiam ecclesiam sancti Bradani, et ecclesias sancti Patricii de Jourby, cum ecclesia sancti Croræ cum omnibus et singulis ecclesiarum prædictarum decimis primitiis fructibus emolumentis obventionibus libertatibus commoditatibus, et pertinentiis universis, et tertiam partem decimarum de omnibus ecclesiis de Manne, confirmantes eis tercianam plenæ villæ de Kyrkby, propinquiorem ecclesiam sancti Bradani, cum terra sancti Bradani; et tertianam plenæ villæ de Kirkmarona, terras de Cullusshy de Glenfaba, de Fotysdeyn, de Balymary, de baculo sancti Patricii, et de Holme Towne, cum piscariis braciiniis, consuetudinibus, ancoragiis, et vertenariis. Tertianam de Balycem, de Knokcroker, et de Balybruste, de Jourby, de Balycane, de Brettby, et de Ramsey. Terris etiam ecclesiæ sanctæ Trinitatis in Leayre, sanctæ Mariæ de Balylagh, sancti Maghaldi et sancti Michaelis adjacentis, et unciatam terræ sancti Columbæ, quæ vocatur Here. Necnon omnimodas libertates antiquitus eidem ecclesiæ concessas, curiam suam de vita et membris, de furto, homicidio, et omnibus sceleribus: et quod habeant incarcerationem et incarcerationum evasionem, et furcas, seu patibulum super terram suam, et quod tam clerici quam laici, in prædiis et tenementis ecclesiasticis commorantes in curia domini episcopi in foro ecclesiastico agant et respondeant, et quod liberi sint ab omni servicio sæculari, exactione et demanda, ac forisfactura seu merciamento. Et si aliqua causa non ecclesiastica, inter homines nostros et homines dicti episcopi, seu successorum nostrorum, vertatur, actor forisfactus rei forum sequatur. Dedimus etiam et confirmavimus eidem episcopo et successoribus suis, omne genus le wreke, et terram ubicunque et undecunque episcopo per Mannam venientibus, una cum villa de Kyrcrest juxta Ramsey integre cum clericis et laicis braciiniis et aliis pertinentibus, sine aliquo retinemento, una cum medietate piscariæ ibidem in Mirescogh. Et quod idem episcopus, successores sui, clerici et firmarii reddituum ecclesiasticorum habeant liberam potestatem de decimis suis, et cæteris rebus clericorum et laicorum in terris ecclesiasticis commorantium, vendendis, disponendis, ubicunque viderint expedire, tam infra terram nostram de Mann quam extra, sine contradictione nostra, seu hæredum nostrorum vel successorum nostrorum, ac etiam mineram plumbi vel ferri, quam invenire poterit per totam terram suam in Mann; habenda et tenenda et possidenda prædicto Huano suisque successoribus episcopis Manniæ in perpetuum, adeo libere, quiete et honorifice sicut aliqua elemosina liberiùs et quietiùs ad quamcumque mensam episcopalem confertur et appropriatur, per reges vel dominos quoscunque, temporibus perpetuis duratura. In cujus rei testimonium præsentibus litteras sigillo nostro signatas fieri fecimus patentes. Datum apud Latham vicesimo octavo die mensis Marcii anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo quinto.

dicti nuper monasterij existen. videlicet pro firma scitus dicti nuper domus cum edific. grang. stabul. ortis, pomar. eidem pertinentibus cont. per estimac. j. acr. di. 4s. uno claus. terr. arrab. vocat. the Kreketts ac uno clauso vocato Bole Mekketts cont. per estimac. 40 acr. 20s. cum uno clauso vocato Garland Hill cont. per estimac. 24 acr. 12s. ac uno clauso vocat. Wynowehill cont. per estimac. 18 acr. 9s. cum uno clauso vocato Bouleton cont. 24 acr. pastur. arrabil. 12s. uno clauso vocato Grete close jacen. sub-tus Kirkmalewe ac. 2. parvis clausuris jacentibus juxta aquam in orientali parte earumdem continen. per estimac. 60 acr. pastur. 30s. cum uno clauso vocato Dalerache cont. per estimac. 24 acr. pastur. 12s. uno clauso vocato Grete Barleyfeld cont. per estimac. 30 acr. pastur. 15s. cum uno clauso vocato Depefold contin. per estimac. 6 acr. pastur. 3s. uno clauso vocato Littell Barlefold cont. per estimac. 4 acr. ac uno clauso vocat. the Cot cont. per estimac. 16 acr. 10s. uno clauso vocato the Brome cont. per estimac. 10 acr. 5s. uno clauso vocato Reynehullet cont. per estimac. 8 acr. 4s. uno clauso vocato the Nuttfold, et uno clauso vocato Cottersgrounde cum campo jacente sub le Broome ac the lawe Gayse Skynnershill divis. in 3 claus. cont. per estimac.

15 acr. 7s. 6d. cum uno clauso vocato Stokfeld cont. per estimac. 24 acr. pastur. 12s. uno clauso vocato the Horse Close cont. per estimac. 15 acr. 7s. 6d. uno clauso vocato Whitefeld cum una parcella vocata Symounds Grounde, cum una parcella vocata Corens Grounde cum una alia parcella de le Horse Close cont. per estimac. 7 acr. terr. arr. et pastur. 3s. 6d. ac uno clauso vocato Grete Belownde cum una parcella prati eidem pertinen. cont. in toto 26 acr. 13s. et uno clauso vocato Whinny Close cum una parva clausura cont. in toto 10 acr. 5s. ac uno clauso de Corse Medowe voc. Demysterclose cont. per estimac. 6 acr. 3s. cum uno clauso vocato Litill Bolowme cont. per estimac. 20 acr. terr. 10s. et uno clauso vocato the Lond Folds ad-jacen. Skiprig cum uno clauso vocato Calf Close ac cum uno alio clauso vocato Guley Feld ac una parcella prati adjac. cont. in toto 16 acr. 8s. ac cum uno clauso vocato Skiprig cont. per estimac. 20 acr. pastur. 10s. 2 claus. de Corse Medowe called the Grete Medowe, cont. per estimac. 20 acr. 20s. et cum uno parvo clauso jacente juxta le White Stone cont. per estimac. 2 acr. terr. 16d. in toto ut supra.

Summa 11l. 16s. 10d.

Abbey of Inys, or Iniscourcy, in the County of Downe, IN IRELAND :

A Cell to the Abbey of Furness.



THE following is the account of this Monastery given in Archdale's Monasticon Hibernicum, 4to. 1786, p. 122. The editors of the present work have no particulars to add to it.

" INISCOURCEY.

" A peninsula, opposite to Downpatrick, running into the Lough of Strangford.

Sir John de Courcey, who in his wars had demolished the abbey of Erynach, or Carrig, in order to make his peace with Heaven for that profanation, built an abbey here for monks of the Cistercian order, and dedicated it, on the 3d of June, A.D. 1180, to the Virgin Mary; he supplied this house with monks from the abbey of Furnes in Lancashire, and gave to it all the possessions which had belonged to Erynach.

" The abbot E. was a subscribing witness to Sir John de Courcey's grant to the church of St. Patrick at Down.

" 1237. G. the abbat was a subscribing witness to Hugh de Lacie's charter to the abbey of Newry.

" 1380. It was enacted by parliament that no mere Irishman should be permitted to profess himself here.

" The abbey, with half a carucate, called the Island of Inch, also a certain water called the Narrow water, a carucate or ballyboe in Ballirenald, and a ballyboe in Faghebroggye; a ballyboe in Ballymugnegall, and half a ballyboe in Jermyn; a quarter of a carucate in Erery; a carucate in Ballycany; a ballyboe in St. John's; two acres in Ballavig and Ballygilbert, and two carucates in the twogranges there, were granted to Gerald, earl of Kildare. See Lismullen in county of Meath.

" The church of the abbey was built in the form of a cross; part of it yet remains at the east end, and three large windows with Gothic arches, upwards of twenty feet high. In the north and south walls are two windows, each of two arches, and little inferior to those of the east end. On the south side of the altar of this noble building, are still to be seen the tops of the seats for the administering priest and his assistants, cut in the wall, and beautified with Gothic sculpture; on the south side was the steeple, supported by an elegant arch, some of the beads or string of which are yet visible."

Ynesensis Abbatia in Hibernia, Cella Furnesii.

Historia de Fundatione ejusdem.

[Ex prima parte Registri de Furnes. fol. 1.]

ABBATIA de Wethneya primò fundata fuisset in Wyresdale; sed, ipsa fundatione retracta, radices fixit in Hibernia, ubi modò constructa est, et de Furnesio exivit.

Abbatia de Ynes in forma subscripta filia Furnesii effecta est, prout in registro et chronicis Ultoniæ de illius fundatione lucidiùs expressatur. Igitur tertio kalendas Junii anno Domini mclxxx. anno regni regis Henrici secundi post conquestum

Angliæ xxij. post conquestum verò Ultoniæ anno tertio, vir illustris dominus Johannes de Curcy, conquestor Ultoniæ fundavit abbatiam de Ynes, in insula de Ynescurci, sic enim tunc vocabatur; quam itaque abbatiam rex quidam Ultoniæ, nomine Magnellus Makenlefe, priùs fundavit sexto idus Septembris, anno Domini m.c.xxvj. prope fontem sancti Finani, in terra quæ dicitur Erynach, et nominavit eam, abbatiam de Carryk, et erat de ordine Tironensi, et filia Savigneii, &c.

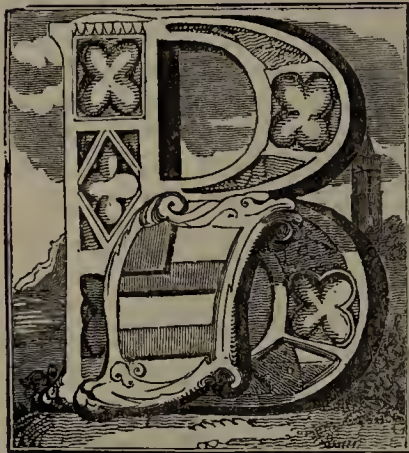
Tempore conquestus Ultoniæ præfatus dominus Jo-

hannes de Curcy penitus illud destruxit, scilicet, monasterium de Carryk, quia fortalicium fuit, et multum ei infestavit: sed in recompensam, fundavit, seu potius transtulit illud in insulam suam de Ynescuscre, et dedit domui suæ maternæ de Furnesio, ad construendum illud easdem terras, quas in

loco priori habuit ex dono Magnelli regis antedicti. Et sic dicta abbatia de Ynes effecta est filia Furnesii, sicut ante fuerat in loco priori.

Anno milleno centeno bis quadrageno
Curcy fundavit Ynes, hostes hinc superavit.

Abbey of Nethe, or Neath, in Glamorganshire.



ISHOP Tanner's is probably the best account which can now be given of the abbey of Nethe. He says, Richard de Grainville, and Constance his wife, gave their chapel in the castle at Nethe, the tithes belonging to it, a large tract of waste land, and other possessions, in the time of Henry the First, to the Abbat and Convent of Savigny, near Lyons in France, that they might build an abbey here.^a And a very fair abbey, dedicated to the Holy Trinity,^b was built accordingly, on the west side of the river, a little below the town,^c for monks of the order of Savigny, or Fratres Grisei, who soon after became Cistercians.^d

Notwithstanding the original donation to Savigny, Tanner says, he did not find that this house was ever subject to that foreign abbey, or accounted as alien. Being an Abbey, it could not be a Cell, as Stevens, vol. ii. p. 257. It seems rather to have been a daughter house to Savigny.^e

The founder's charter to the monastery of Savigny will be found in the Appendix;^f with two charters of confirmation from King John.^g

A manuscript in the library of Benet College Cambridge, which has been already frequently quoted, says there were eight monks in this abbey about the time of the dissolution.

The following are the entries relating to Nethe in the Taxation of 1291:

Temporalia.

"Dioc. Bathon. In Exford, 2*l.* 15*s.*

"Dioc. Meneven. Abbas de Neth habet grang. de Lozerne et Villam Walteri. Quatuor carucat. terr. cum redd. et pastur. et aliis commoditatibus, 3*l.* 17*s.* 8*d.*

"Item habet grang. de Pampond in feudo de Cnoyl, et in feudo de Cistremons apud Swanese unam caruc. terr. cum duobus molend. et reddit. 4*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.*

"Exitus animalium. Abbas habet viginti vaccas exitus, 1*l.* Item sexaginta nonaginta tres oves exitus, 10*l.* 1*s.* Summa in Dioc. Meneven. 19*l.* 1*s.*

"Dioc. Land. Abbas de Neth habet apud Grang. de Asse decem caruc. terræ. Item idem habet sexaginta et tresdecim acras terræ quas tenet de hospit. sancti Johannis Jerusalem. Item idem habet de feodo de Marescros viginti acras terræ, De prato ibidem sexaginta et undecim acras. Item idem habet curtilagium cum gardinis et tria molend. aquatica sine secta. Item idem habet apud Killecarne decem car. terræ, de prato ibidem sexaginta acras. Item curtilagium cum gar-

dino et tria molend. Item idem habet apud Skarram quatuor caruc. terræ. De prato ibidem viginti acras. Item idem habet apud Marc duas carucatas terræ. De prato ibidem viginti acras. Item idem habet curtilagium ibidem. Item idem habet apud capellam quatuor carucatas terræ. De prato ibidem duodecim acras. Item habet curtilagium ibidem. Item idem habet apud Tetteberne quinque carucatas terræ. De prato ibidem sexaginta acras. Item habet ibidem curtilagium. Item idem habet apud Kenensefhon quindecim acras pasturæ. Item idem habet apud Clendaf unum molendinum. De prato ibidem quadraginta acras. Item idem habet de redd. assis. septem libr. et per manum comitis Glouc. quater viginti et duodecim libras. Item apud Kaerdif de annuo redd. novem solidos et de placitis et perquis. sexaginta solid. et de pannag. tres solidos. Item idem habet de prato in Montanis viginti quatuor acras. Item idem habet septem gurgites. Item idem habet de mobilibus ducentas vaccas. De multonibus et hogastris duo millia novem cent. et octo: et de ovibus matricibus mill. ducent. quater viginti et sexdecim. Item idem habet viginti quatuor jumenta in equitio et extra equit. octo. Item idem habet quindecim capras.

"Summæ istæ taxantur ad 209*l.* 5*s.*

"Spiritualia.

"Dioc. Land. Ecclesia S. Mariæ de Kyrtikan appropriata 1*l.* Ecclesia de Caddolkeston appropriata 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*"^h

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the gross revenue of this house amounted to 150*l.* 4*s.* 9*d.*: the clear income to 132*l.* 7*s.* 7½*d.*

The site was granted in the 33d Hen. VIII. to Sir Richard Williams, alias Crumwell, in exchange.

A Register of this abbey, in Dugdale's time, was in the possession of Sir Edward Stradling, Knt.

Certain possessions of this abbey, within the bounds of the king's forests in Somersetshire, are enumerated in Adam of Domesday, p. 193; and a note of three marks ten shillings yearly belonging to this House from the manor of Exford occurs in Dr. Archer's Account of Religious Houses, printed at the end of Hearne's Hemingford, p. 638.

Tanner refers to "Analecta ex Registro," in MS. Ashmole, 844, and in the Harl. MS. 2273, fol. 154. He likewise notices Cart. 10 Hen. III. n. 42. See also the Plac. de Quo Waranto, p. 682.

The COMMON SEAL of this abbey represented the Blessed Virgin crowned, standing, holding in her right hand a lily, in the left the infant Jesus: in base, a shield, with the arms of Grainville, the founder; viz. three clarions. Legend, SIGILLVM . COMVNE . MONASTER' . BEATE . MARIE . DE . NETH. A very imperfect impression of this seal is in

^a Grainville, Tanner says, was one of Fitz Haimon's knights, who came, about A.D. 1090, to assist Æncon and Jestin against Rhese, prince of South Wales, as Camden, in Glamorganshire: and in his grant, he saith, "Hæc omnia damus, Henrici regis Anglorum patrocinio et consensu," which shows that his gift to Savigny must have been in this king's time; but how long after that the abbey was built, or even by whom it was built, I cannot yet learn; but if it was built when Robert, earl of Gloucester, made his donation, it must have been before A.D. 1147, because he died that year, as in the present work, vol. ii. p. 61. Fuller, in his Worthies, p. 258, saith, that Sir Richard Grainville was of Biddeford in Devonshire; that he settled all his military acquests on this monastery, and then returned to Biddesford, where he lived in

great repute A.D. 1100. But what authority he hath for this, is not said.

^b St. Mary, in Ant. Wood's Fasti, tom. i. col. 19.

^c See Lel. Itin. vol. iv. p. 50. in vol. v. p. 14. he says, "NETH Abbey of white monks, a mile above Neth town, standing also in the ripe of Neth. It semid to me the fairest abbay in all Wales."

^d In the ancient catalogue of religious houses published in Stevens's Contin. tom. i. p. 38. "Abbatia de Neath in dioc. Landaff. monachi albi."

^e See the present work, tom. i. p. 700.

^f Num. I.

^g Numm. II. III.

^h Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. pp. 205 b, 277 b, 279 b, 282.

the Augmentation Office; a more perfect one is in the possession of Matthew Gregson, Esq. They were both appendant to conventual leases of the reign of Henry the Eighth.

In Moore's Monastic Remains it is observed, in a passage which has been already quoted from Leland, that Neath

was once the fairest abbey in all Wales; and, by the ruins still remaining, much credit may be given to this description. The west end in 1788, excepting the great arch, was tolerably perfect; the east end, and principal part of the nave, demolished; but the lateral aisles remained covered with ivy: also several apartments of the abbey were standing on the south side of the church.

Cartae ad Nethensem Abbatiam in agro Glamorganensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Foundationis per Ricardum de Grainvilla.

[Ex Regist. de Nethe penes Edwardum Stradling, equit. aur.]

NOTUS sit omnibus, tam præsentibus quam futuris, quod ego Ricardus de Grainvilla, et Constantia uxor mea, pro salute animæ Roberti comitis de Glocestria, et Mabilæ uxoris suæ comitissæ, et Williemi filii sui, et pro salute animarum nostrarum et antecessorum nostrorum, damus Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Trinitatis de Savigneio, totum vastum quod est infra has quatuor aquas; videlicet, Neth, Thavy, Cloeda, Poncanum. Et capellam nostri castelli de Nethe, cum omni decima procurationis nostræ domus, in annona, et cæteris rebus, et cum omni decima hominum nostrorum illius provincie, videlicet, Francorum et Anglorum, et dimidiam partem totius nostri piscis de Nethe, et molendinum de Cloada, et prata omnia quæ sunt à supradicto molendino usque ad fossatum novæ villæ, fossata usque in aquam de Nethe; et omnia illa quæ habemus in villa Laissa in feodo, quam teneo de eo in Devenesira, quinque denarios; videlicet, Bediseg, et Crinchentona, et viginti solidos in villa de Lytheham: et terram quam ego teneo de Mauricio, salvo redditu ipsius Mauriti; id est, decem solidos ad festum sancti Michaelis, et molendinum de Pandelia, cum multura hominum in illo feodo manentium, quem teneo de Ricardo sancti Quintini, et domum molendinarii, cum duabus acris terræ: et hæc concesserunt Mauricius at Ricardus ante comitem et comitissam, et ante Willielmum filium suum. Hæc omnia damus liberè, et quietè, et absque ulla seculari exactione, et Henrici regis Anglorum patrocinio, et concessione, et Roberticonsulis Glocestrensis, et Mabilæ uxoris suæ comitissæ, et Williemi filii sui voluntate. Eo tenore quod abbas Savigneiensis ecclesiæ, et conventus ejusdem, in eadem elemosina conventum monachorum perhenniter inibi sub abbate permansurum instituent. Hujus donationis sunt testes, Gardinus capellanus, et Torbertus capellanus, et Picotus, Robertus dapifer, Odo filius suus, Robertus filius Ber, Mauricius, Ricardus de sancto Quintino, Robertus de Umfranvilla, Paganus de Torbivilla, Willielmus pincerna, Robertus filius Acelinæ, Thomas de Estona, Rogerus de Newtona, Girolt de Bosco, Herbertus, Robertus de Grainvilla, Willielmus de Reivilla, et ego Robertus Glocestriæ comes has omnes res in meo patrocinio, custodia, et defensione suscipio, et abbas ibidem canonicè constituitur.

NUM. II.

Donationum Confirmatio per Regem Johannem.

[Cart. 9 Jo. m. 7, n. 76.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia, &c. Sciatis nos dedisse et concessisse et præsenti carta nostra confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ Sanctæ Trinitatis de Neth et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus locum ubi castellum Ricardi de Granavill quondam fuit cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et totam terram quam idem Ricardus habuit inter Thawy, et Neth, in bosco et plano cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; habenda et tenenda in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam, quietam ab omni servicio sicut prædictus Ricardus ea illis prius dedit et carta sua confirmavit. Salvis tenementis burgensium nostrorum de Neth. Ita quod prædicti monachi eos sine iudicio amovere non possint sed tantum homagium et redditum illorum habeant. Salvis etiam tenementis Walensium nostrorum de prædicta terra. Ita quod dicti monachi eos sine iudicio

amovere non possint sed tantum homagium et redditum illorum habeant, et nos habeamus servicium quod nobis debent. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum W. de Gray cancellarii nostri, apud Wudestok v. die Augusti anno regni nostri ix.

NUM. III.

Carta alia R. Johannis.

[Ibid. m. 4, n. 30. Vide etiam Cart. 10 E. III. n. 42.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia, &c. Sciatis nos pro Dei amore et salute animæ nostræ et animarum omnium antecessorum et hæredum nostrorum, concessisse et præsenti carta nostra confirmasse Deo et abbatæ de Neth et monachis de ordine de Sauvenneie ibidem Deo servientibus, omnes terras et ecclesias molendina et forestas et omnes tenurassuas quas habent de dono vel emptione vel commutatione sibi cartis suis confirmatas. Ex dono Ricardi de Grenvill totum vastum in bosco et plano inter has quatuor aquas; videlicet Thawi, et Clendach, et Neth, et Pulkanan, cum terra quæ est inter rivulum crucis Constanciæ et Clendach: capellam quoque castelli de Neth cum omni decima procurationis domus suæ in annona cæterisque rebus et cum omni decima hominum terræ illius Francorum, Anglorum et Walensium, et dimidiam partem totius piscis qui eidem castello pertinet. Totum etiam feudum de Aissa cum ecclesia et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et molendinum de Pendelin cum xxij. acris terræ et mansura molendinarii, et moltura Adæ et hominum suorum. Villam quoque de Littheham cum omnibus appendiciis ejus quam dederant Sansoni de Allweia, in excambium pro terra sua de Kilticar, concessu Willicmi comitis Gloucestriæ, et Williemi filii Henrici, et Johannis Sori, quod excambium postea inter abbatem de Neth et Willielmum filium prædicti Sanson coram H. rege patre nostro determinatum fuit; et ipsum feudum de Kilticar cum ecclesia et omnibus pertinentiis suis supradictis monachis ab eodem rege patre nostro in perpetuum confirmatum. Ex dono Roberti comitis Glouc. terram de Ponte cum ecclesia quam tenuit Radulfus heremita in elemosinam. Ex dono ejusdem comitis et Williemi comitis filii ejus terram de Blakeskarra.

Ex dono Williemi prædicti comitis Gloucestriæ totum wreccum terræ ipsorum. Ex dono.....mansionem unam in villa de Kaerdif. Ex dono Williemi Moion concessu filiorum suorum Exefordam et Cubehiete cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Henrici de Viliers, concessu domini sui Henrici de Warewich grangiam de Lochor cum capella sancti Michaelis et cum terra quæ ad eandem grangiam pertinet. Ex dono Mauricii de Londonia concessu filiorum suorum partem terræ suæ juxta Aissam. Ex dono Gilberti de Turbervill exclusagium molendini de Kiltekar. Ex dono Resi filii Justini, concedentibus filiis suis Joverd et Oern et Hoel. terram de Saint Ilith cum ecclesia et omnibus pertinentiis suis.

Concedimus et confirmamus eisdem monachis ex dono nostro primo dum essemus comes Moretonii, Huntingeshill cum pertinentiis, et c. acras de mariscis proximas terræ eorum de Brigeton. Et præterea Turgehill cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Lisanti fil. Morgan totam terram quam idem Morgan eis dedit in perpetuam elemosinam inter Avene et Neth; videlicet Portwer, et inde usque ad Mariet. Sexaginta quoque acras terræ arabilis proximas domibus suis; et insuper totam insulam illam quæ est intra Magnam

Pullam, et totam terram quæ est extra Valdam, et etiam communionem pascuarii, et totam terram ipsius inter Avene et Thawi. Ex dono Walterii fil. Gileberti et fratrum suorum terram de Barnotesdone cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Thomæ de Cornhely x. acras terræ arabilis in feudo suo de Cornhely. Ex dono Galteri Burdun decem acras terræ in feudo de Nova-villa. Ex dono Thomæ de Saunford quitanciam ij. solidorum quos debebant ei reddere pro l. acris terræ et una acra et dimidia supra mare apud Blakeschen. Ex dono Galfridi Thalebot totam terram suam de Niveland cum pratis et pascuis et omnibus aliis aisiamentis ad eandem terram pertinentibus. Ex concessione et confirmatione Willielmi de Staner donum quod frater suus Gervasius eis dedit; videlicet totam terram quam pater suus tenuit de feudo Radulfi fil. Willielmi inter ecclesiam sancti Decumani et Kanesford. Ex dono Willielmi de Barri xxx. acras terræ de feudo suo in Guer. Ex dono Johannis de la Mare totam terram quæ fuit Osmundi Grossi quam mater sua tenuit in dotem. Ex dono Tham. Blancaquiel xl. acras terræ arabilis juxta Portenmayn, et insuper aisiamenta terræ suæ in aquis et viis, et semitis, et communione pasturæ suæ.

Ex dono Rogeri et Kenewrec filiorum Wian totam terram quam pater eorum tenuit de Morgano filio Karadoci in marisco de Avene. Ex dono eorundem communionem pascuarii totius terræ eorum in bosco et plano, et aisiamenta in aquis et viis et cæteris necessariis. Ex dono Wgan Droyn viij. acras terræ arabilis de terra quæ vocatur Lamped in Cumtioch. Ex venditione Johannis de Grenehill, et Alienoræ sponsæ suæ terram suam apud sanctum Augustinum, et cum domo lapidea quæ in ea fundata est.

Volumus etiam sicut prædictum est et firmiter præcipimus quod prædicta abbatia de Neth et monachi ejusdem loci et omnes possessiones eorum sint in manu et custodia et protectione nostra, et quod nulla eis injuria vel contumelia inferatur; sed si quis eis in aliquo forisfecerit plenaria eis sine dilatione justicia fiat. Et prohibemus ne ipsi de aliquo dominico suo ponantur in placitum unde habeant cartam nostram nisi coram nobis vel coram justiciariis nostris capitalibus. Volumus etiam et præcipimus quod equi et homines et omnes res eorum quas homines sui poterunt affidare suas esse proprias sint quietæ de theloneo et passagio et pontagio et omni consuetudine per totam terram nostram, et prohibemus super forisfactum x. l. ne quis eos inde injustè disturbet. Hæc omnia eis concessimus et confirmavimus sicut cartæ et literæ patentes regis H. patris nostri et cartæ aliorum omnium tam donatorum quam confirmatorum vel venditorum quas inde habent rationabiliter testantur. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per nianum H. de Well. arch. de Well. apud Burbeche vj. die Januarii anno regni nostri ix.

NUM. IV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits' Office.]

ABBAS ET MONAST' IUM B'TE MARIE VIRG'IS DE NETHE.

Unacu' Valore v̄o ejusde' monastij.

Grange of Curtsart 4l. Etburn 3l. Curtbedhowse 2l. Molend' 4l. 2 Werys 16s. Reddit' assi' int' Neth et Tawy 13l. 6s. 8d. Grange of Sker 6l. 12s. Grange of Kyllyn-garn 13l. 10s. 10d. The ferme of Tukcard 4l. 4s. Temple Land 1l. In the fee of the Nashe Mareros and Monketowne 5l. Of the maner of Llanblethian, Ruthin, Tyr, Suard, and Talavan 10l. Of the towne of Cowbrige 7l. Of the towne of Llantwytt 17l. Of the towne of Kardiff 10l. Of the towne of Nethe 2l. 13s. 4d. Of the towne of Karelion 6l.

In the Dioc' of Saynt David in Gower.

The Grange of Panylond 15s. Too Werys w'in the water of Tawey 1s. Grange of Co'te Carney 15s. Walterstone 3l. 2s. Kellylybyan 4l. Glylynynnewre 6l.

Spirituall̄ ther.

Tethyng of Co'te Carney 2l. Llandylo Talapont 5l. 6s. 8d.

In the Dioc' of Llandaff.

Spiriallit̄.

Tethyng barne of Saynt Maryhyll 10s. Whete at Monkenashe 4l. Whete of Saynt Donett̄ 15s.

In the Dioc' of Bathe and Wells.

Redditus assi'.

Exford yerely 9l. 7s. 3d. Reddit' in Bristowe 1l. S̄m̄^a to^{lis} . . . 150l. 4s. 9d.

The annual porc'ons pensions going owte of the Monastery of Neth yerely in fees to staward̄, auditors, bayllyff̄, and almes deed̄.

Maister George Herbert, steward 4l. Hen' Hopkyn, stewarde 13s. 4d. Richard Melyn, baylyff 13s. 4d. Edmund To'no' recevo' 1l. Th̄ abbate of Tewxbury 3s. 4d. John Righⁿ audito' and recorder 15s.

Annuall rents paide owte.

To the lord of Gladmorgan for White Marshe 1l. 11s. To the forsaid lorde for Huntinghyll Keven, Sayson, et Co't Sart' 10s. For the Sker to the forsaid lorde 3s. 4d. To the heyres of the barrs 13s. 4d. For the Sker 13s. 4d. To the heires of the Turbylls 13s. To the abbate of M^rgan.

To the vicar of Saynt Donett̄ a pensyon 13s. 4d. To Llandaff 8s.

To the lorde of Saynt Fagan and the lorde Coydtyff 13s. 4d.

To the lorde of Penlyne 1s. 1½d. To the p'or of Dunsker 3s. 4d.

To th' abbate of Glyve 1s. 2d. To the Bysshope of Saynt David 3s. 4d.

To the archedecon of Kar̄m̄thyn 3s. 4d. My lorde of Llādaff 13s. 4d.

To the bysshop and archedecon for sinodalls 1s. 9d. For visytaçōn of the bysshop every thyrd yere 10s. To the arch' for p̄xis 5s. Cadokstone 4s. Kellygarne 5s. Cadokstone 5d. Kellygarne 1s. 10d.

In almes and for o' fownder S^r Richard Grynfelde 3l. and Lady Constance, his wyffe for 4 obytt̄ 4l. The abytt of M^r Sydman 1l. M^r Harry Starling his obytt 1l.

Ow' Ladyes Loffe of half a bochell whete wekely by the yere.

130l. 3s. 0½d.

Abbas ibm Wysone Thomas

S̄m̄ ^a deduct' sup ^a dict' . . .	{	17l. 17s. 1½d.
		20l. 1s. 8½d.
Et rem' clare . . .	{	132l. 7s. 7½d.
		67l. 1s. 11½d.
Decima inde . . .	{	13l. 4s. 9d.
		15l. 1s. 2d.

NUM. V.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 31 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NETHE NUPER MONASTERIUM INFRA EPISCOPATUM LAN-
DAVENSIS.

Com' Glam'	£	s.	d.
Nethe—Scitus cum terris domini- calibus	5	11	2
Neth—Redditus per indenturam	29	7	5 ob'
Cadiston—Reddit' terr' et tene- mentorum	4	4	10
Nashe—Grangia sic vocata . .	0	7	7 ob'
Gower—Reddit' terrarum et tene- mentorum	21	13	8
Com' Somers'			
Bristol—Unum mesuagium . .	1	11	8
Llantwite—Reddit' et firm' . .	12	0	0
Kerlyon—Reddit' terrarum et te- nementorum	6	0	0
Kerdiff—Reddit' terrarum et te- nementorum	10	10	0
Cowbridge—Reddit' terrarum et tenementorum	7	0	0
Llanblethe—Reddit' terrarum et tenementorum	10	0	0

Com' Somer'	£	s.	d.
Skyre—Reddit' terrarum et tene- mentorum	6	4	4
Marcrosse—Reddit' terrarum et tenementorum	3	13	4
Com' Somer'			
Exford—Manerium	10	5	0
Com' Glam'			
Nashe et Kelligam—Reddit' mo- bil'	0	6	6
Cadockston—Rectoria	8	0	0
Nashe—Decimæ	0	8	4
Llandilotalapont—Firma ecclesiæ	7	6	8
Llandilotalapont—Perquis' cur' .	0	5	2
Kelligrave—Dominium	20	12	0

NUM. VI.

Transcript of Ministers' Accompt 33 Hen. VIII. Augm.
Office as to the Demesne Lands.

NETHE NUPER MONASTERIUM.

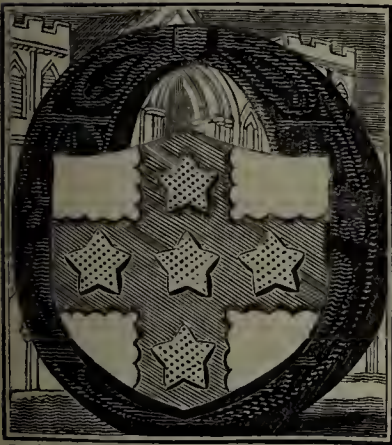
Computus Willielmi Hopkyns Ballivi et Collectoris Reddi-
tuum ibidem, &c.

Et de 13s. 4d. de redditu scitus monasterij prædicti

cum pomarijs gardinis et uno prato vocato Priors Orchard modo in manibus Ricardi Crumwell militis per indenturam sigillo curiæ augmentationum revencionum coronæ do-
mini regis sigillatam solvend. ad festa Annunciationis beatæ Mariæ Virginis et sancti Michaelis Archangeli equaliter. Et de 20s. de redditu unius putei carbonum nuper in manibus Leysan Thomas nuper abbatis ibidem et modo in tenuta prædicti Ricardi Crumwell per indenturam ut supra solvend. dictis terminis. Et de 24s. 6d. de redditu unius grangiæ vocatæ Bethouse Graunge, continentis 16 acr. terræ arrabilis et prati nuper in manibus prædicti abbatis et modo in tenuta prædicti Ricardi Crumwell per indenturam ut supra solvend. dictis terminis. Et de 13s. 4d. de redditu unius clausi vocati a Parke cum uno orreo continente per estimationem 20 acras nuper in manibus prædicti abbatis ultra tres par-
cellas terræ dimiss. diversis personis per copiam curiæ ibidem et modo in tenuta prædicti Ricardi Crumwell militis per in-
denturam ut supra solvend. terminis prædictis. Et de 40s. de redditu unius grangiæ vocatæ Etberne Court cum una domo et diversis alijs terris arrabilibus et pasturis ac certis alijs terris vastis, contin. per estimationem, 16 acr. nuper in manibus prædicti abbatis et modo in tenuta prædicti Ricardi Crumwell per indenturam ut supra solvend. dictis terminis.

Summa 5l. 11s. 2d.

Abbey of Basingwerk, in Flintshire.



F Basingwerk Abbey our information is more scanty than of most of the Cister-
cian Houses. There is even a difference of opinion as to who was the founder.

Ranulph, or Ralph, Earl of Chester, according to the Chronicle of St. Wer-
burgh, founded this mo-
nastery in the year 1131. The Annals of Parcolude say in 1132.

Leland, however, in his Collectanea considers King Henry the Second as the founder;^a and he is followed in the assertion by Bishop Fleetwood, in his Notes upon St. Winefrede's Life, who speaks of Earl Ranulph as the chief benefactor only.^b

Tanner is of opinion that it was begun by the earl about the time abovementioned; but that it was probably im-
proved and made an abbey of Cistercians by King Henry the Second, about A.D. 1159.^c

Leland, in another part of his Collectanea, speaks of this monastery as founded by King Henry the Second when he began his wars with the Welsh, and after he had fortified Rhudland Castle; that is after A.D. 1156. "Rex Henricus secundus duxit primo exercitum in Walliam, et firmavit castellum de Rudlande, et fundavit monasterium de Basingwerke."^d

Tanner says, in a manuscript of Bishop Humfrys, it is said that King Henry the First originally founded at Ba-
singwerk a Cell of Templars; and that it was not made a house of Cistercian monks till A.D. 1312. The same story in part occurs in the additions made by Bishop Gibson to Camden's Account of Flintshire: but as Tanner very justly observes, Earl Ranulph's death took place in 1153; and the

monks must have been here before 1240, as they are men-
tioned in both Lewelline and his son David's charters, the latter of which is dated in that year.

Dugdale has printed a charter of confirmation to this house by Henry the Second; but Bishop Fleetwood clearly proves it to be Henry the Third's charter.^e It confirms to the monks here, lands to the value of ten pounds at Lon-
genedale; that is Glossope, with the church there, and the lands which had been William Peverel's: and also confirms the tenements which Ralph, Earl of Chester, and other barons had bestowed upon them in Haliwell and Fulibroch, with the chapel of Basingwerk in which they were first set-
tled; certain mills and other appurtenances. It appears from this charter also, that they had land at Kethlenedei, Holes, Lecche, and Calders.^f

Two other charters of confirmation are likewise printed by Dugdale from Llewelin, Prince of North Wales, and David his son: the latter dated from Coleshull.^g

The following are the entries relating to Basingwerk in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas, A.D. 1291.

<i>Temporalia.</i>			
<i>Dioc. Coventr. et Lich. in Archid. Cestr.</i>			
"Taxatio bonorum temporal. Abbatis de Basyngwerk de Dioc. Assav.			
	£	s.	d.
Abbas de Basingwerk habet apud Caldeye in Dec. de Wyrhale quinque caruc. terr. et valet caruc. per annum	0	13	0
De profic. stauri per annum	2	0	0
Apud Wyrhale quod dicitur Neubolt unam caruc. terr. et valet per annum	0	10	0
Ibidem de profic. stauri per annum	0	15	0
Apud Weston unam caruc. terr. et val. per annum	0	10	0

^a "Henricus II. fundator originalis." Lel. Collectan. tom. i. p. 101.

^b "Life and Miracles of St. Wenefrede, 8^o Lond. 1713. "Pref. to the devout Pilgrims," p. 24.

^c So Bromton, he adds, in Decem Script. col. 1048. expressly.

^d Lel. Collect. tom. ii. p. 375. See also Decem Script. col. ii.

^e Speaking of Halywell, in Flintshire, ut supr. p. 24. he says, "The word Haly-well is evidently Saxon, and the first time it appears to me, is in the charter of confirmation made to God, St. Mary, and the

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monks of Basingwerk by King Henry III. though it has hitherto been thought to be Henry II.; but since the king then gives the lands which once belonged to W. Peverell, in the time of King Henry his grand-
father, and it is certain that King Henry II. took away those lands from W. Peverell because he was found to have poisoned Rundle, the second Earl of Chester, in or about the year 1154, therefore 'tis plain that Henry here named must have been Henry III., whose grandfather Henry II. was."

^f See the Append. Num. I.

^g Ibid. Numm. II. III.

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	£	s.	d.
Ibidem de profic. stauri per annum . . .	0	6	8
Apud Lyre in Dec. Cestr. duas caruc. terr.			
et val. caruc. per annum	0	15	0
Ibidem de profic. stauri per annum . . .	2	0	0
Ibidem de placitis et perquis. per annum	1	0	0
In villa Cestr. de redd. assis.	1	7	0
In Wyco de redd. assis.	0	4	0
Apud Layrton in Dec. de Wyrhale de			
redd. assis.	1	7	0
Apud Neweton in eodem Dec. de redd.			
assis.	0	3	0
Summa	14	17	8
<i>Dioc. Coventr. et Lichf. in Archid. Salop.</i>			
Abbas de Basyngwerk habet apud Glos-			
sop. in dec. de Alto Pecco unam caruc. terr. et			
valet per annum	0	16	0
Ibidem de redd. assis. per annum . . .	3	0	0
Ibidem unum molendinum quod val. per			
annum	1	0	0
De profic. stauri ibidem per annum . . .	0	6	8
De vendicione bosci per annum . . .	0	6	8
Summa	6	19	4
<i>Dioc. Assavan.</i>			
Abbas habet apud Basyng tria molendina	2	0	0
In villa de Holywell redd. cum molend.	5	0	0
Grang. de Baggeburch cum ij. caruc. . .	1	0	0
Grang. de Fulbroke cum Grang. superior.			
septem caruc. cum aliis commod.	3	8	0
Item Grang. de Kellyngg cum Penlyn qua-			
tuor caruc. et dim. cum redd. et aliis commod.	2	10	0
<i>Exitus Animalium.</i>			
Abbas habet quinquaginta tres vaccas			
exitus	2	13	0
Item duomillia ovium exitus, salva custod.	30	0	0
Summa bonorum	46	11	0" ^a

In the 26th of Henry the Eighth the gross income of this monastery amounted to 157*l.* 15*s.* 2*d.* the clear receipt to 150*l.* 7*s.* 3*d.*^b

The Site was granted, in the 32d of Henry the Eighth, to Henry ap Harry.

The following articles concerning Basingwerk abbey occur in the Harleian collection of manuscripts:

MS. Harl. 139, fol. 226. Placitum inter abbatem de Basingwerke, super advocacione ecclesiæ de Westkirkby, tent. A.D. 1286.

MS. Harl. 433, art. 338. Abstract of a privy seal to the abbat and convent of Basingwerke of ten marks yearly for the sustentation and salary of a priest at the chapel of St. Winifred.

MS. Harl. 2060, fol. 26. Extracts from deeds princi-

pally to the abbey of Basingwerke, and family of Montealto or Montalt; taken from the collections of the second Randal Holme.

MS. Harl. 2072, fol. 18. Note of a law suit between the abbats of Chester and Basingwerk for the advowson of the church of West Kirkeby.

MS. Harl. 2079, fol. 72, a, b, d. Abstracts of deeds whereby the family of Montalt conferred many benefactions upon the abbey of Basingwerke.

These references to public records concerning this abbey occur in Tanner:

“ Cart. antiq. S. n. 10.

“ Claus. 13 Hen. III. m. 4. de decimis in Blakbrok. Escaet. in com. Nottingham. et Derby, 35 Hen. III. n. 57. de bosco de Langdon, &c. Cart. 30 Hen. III. m. 11.

“ Cart. 3 Edw. I. n. 81. Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 11. Rot. Walliæ, 6, 7, 8, 9 Edw. I. m. 5. Cart. 13 Edw. I. part. alt. n. 91. pro minera argenti in Basingwerk. Rot. Walliæ, 13 Edw. I. m. 2. Cart. 18 Edw. I. n. 4. Cart. 20 Edw. I. n. 14. pro mercat. et feria apud Haliwell com. Flint. et pro lib. war. in Grethly, Menegrange, Ouregrage, Beggerburgh, et Haliwell, Flint. Escaet. Derby. 21 Edw. I. de terris in Chatsworth, Simondsby, &c.

“ Pat. 2 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 10. pro terris in Chauclesworth, &c.

“ Cart. 2 Edw. III. n. 90. pro mercat. et feria apud Chenelesworth Derby. Cart. 3 Edw. III. n. 54. Pat. 3 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 2 vel 3. Pat. 14 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 39. pro maner. de West Kirkby. Pat. 34 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 21. pro maner. de Chissuworth. Ibid. m. 39. pro maner. de West Kirkby.

“ Pat. 15 Rich. II. p. 1, m. 4. pro eccl. de Haliwell approprianda. Cart. 15 Ric. II. n. 7. Pat. 21 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 40. pro mess. et cc.lxxx. acris terræ in Glossope.

“ Pat. 10 Hen. V. m. 6. recit. per Inspex. donationem maner. de Haliwelle per Robertum de Pierpoint consensu Ranulfi com. Cestriæ.”

See also the Placita de Quo Waranto, p. 155: and Ayloffie’s Calend. Rot. Wall. pp. 68, 72, 75, 82.

Moore in his Monastic Remains gives a view of this abbey as it then stood [1791]; he observes respecting it, among other things, that it is situated on a flat near the water, one mile from Holywell, that the remains are very considerable, but show it to have been of a length disproportionate to its width, the refectory seems most entire, wherein are three windows with pointed arches, but the doors are circular; at one end of the church are two doors, and adjoining to the refectory are six windows, inwardly rather of a circular form, none of them ornamented, except a small double one; at the extremity of this building are three arches, almost circular, and supported by pillars, which appear to be still very solid, and without being much ornamented, seem elegant from the simplicity of their construction.

The architecture of the abbey is in part Norman; having round arches and short columns in some places, and in others, the narrow pointed Gothic windows.

No Conventual Seal of Basingwerk has yet been found.

Cartae ad Basingwerkensem Abbatiam in agro Flint-

ensi spectantes,^c fundatam A. D. Mccxxi.

NUM. I.

Confirmatio Donationum per Regem Henricum secundum.^d

[Cart. de ann. 15, 16, 17, R. II. n. 7. per Inspex.]

H. REX Angliæ et dux Normanniæ et Aquitaniæ et comes

^a Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 259 b, 262 b, 289.

^b See the Append. Num. IV.

^c Chronica S. Werburgæ Cestriæ in bibl. Cotton.

Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, episcopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et concessisse et præsentî carta confirmasse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Basingwerk, in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam decem libratas terræ, in Longedenedale, scilicet Glossope cum ecclesia quæ ibi est, cum omnibus

^d This chapter has been already shown in the preceding page really to belong to King Henry the Third.

terris et rebus ad eam pertinentibus sicut Willielmus Peve-
rell eam plenius habuit tempore regis Henrici avi mei. Et
præterea concedo eis et confirmo omnia tenementa sua quæ
Ranulphus comes Cestriæ et alii barones eis dederunt et
cartis suis confirmaverunt, scilicet Haliwelle et Fulibroch, et
capellam de Basingwerk in qua primitus manserunt, cum
molendinis et omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et Kethlenedei ex
dono Roberti Banistre. Et Holes et medietatem Lecche et
centum solidos de redditu Cestr. quos comes Ranulphus eis
dedit. Et Calders cum hominibus et rebus et terris et om-
nibus pertinentiis suis, et quicquid eis rationabiliter datum
est. Quare volo, &c. Testibus Thoma Canc. Ricardo
Humest. constabulario, et R. de Dunstanvill, Jocelino de
Bailoil, et Willelmo filio Hamonis, apud Cestriam.

NUM. II.

Carta Lewelini Principis Northwalliæ.

[Ibid.]

LEWELINUS Princeps Northwalliæ omnibus sanctæ ma-
tris ecclesiæ filiis tam præsentibus quam futuris, in Christo
salutem. Noverit præsens viventium ætas et universa futu-
rorum posteritas, quod ego Lewelinus concedo et confirmo
Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monasterio de Basingwerk, mona-
chisque ibidem Deo servientibus omnes donationes quas an-
tecessores mei præfato monasterio pro suis animabus contu-
lerunt, liberas et quietas ab omniservicio terreno et exactione
seculari; scilicet locum illum in quo abbatia illorum fundata
est cum molendino quod ante portam habent; terram quæ
ante fores eorum jacet, quam Ranulphus et frater ejus Eneas
prædictis monachis dederunt; terram etiam quam Meredith
Wawer in Haliwell et in campo ejusdem villæ habuit; et
Fulebroc cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et communitatem
pasturæ montium cum cæteris; et Hanot de le Wecch, et
Creisgraft, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in terris, et aquis,
et pasturis, et omnibus cæteris aisiamentis. Ne igitur ali-
quis contra hanc nostram paginam temerè venire audeat,
sigilli mei impressione et testibus eam communio. Hii au-
tem sunt testes, Ricardus filius Kadwalad, Horm filius Ulf,
Meiler filius Kadugan, Hitel filius Kenred, Griffinus filius
Wskenen, Kenwreech filius Meredit, Willielmus filius Jer-
werth.

NUM. III.

Carta Davidis filii ejusdem Lewelini Principis Northwalliæ.

[Ibid.]

DAVID filius Lewelini princeps Northwalliæ omnibus
sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, tam præsentibus quam futuris,
in Christo salutem. Noverit universitas vestra quod ego
David filius Lewelini, pro amore Dei, et pro salute animæ
meæ, et pro animabus patris mei domini Lewelini et matris
meæ dominæ Johannæ, et pro animabus omnium hæredum
meorum, concedo, et præsentī carta confirmo Deo, et sanctæ
Mariæ, et monasterio de Basingwerk, monachisque ibidem
Deo servientibus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, omnes
donationes et libertates quas pater meus dominus Lewelinus
et alii antecessores mei præfato monasterio pro suis animabus
contulerunt; tenendas imperpetuum, et habendas liberas et
quietas ab omni terreno servicio et exactione seculari, sicut
aliqua elemosina liberiùs et pleniùs possideri potest, cum
omnibus pertinentiis suis, de quibus in præsentī scripto
quædam placet exprimere et nominare; scilicet, locum illum
in quo abbatia illorum fundata est cum molendinis quæ
juxta portam abbatiae habent. Terram quæ ante fores eo-
rum jacet quam Ranulphus et Eneas frater ejus prædictis
monachis dederunt. Terram etiam quam Meredit Wawor
in villa de Haliwell et extra villam habuit, et terram quam
Huttredus frater ejus secum excambiavit in ipsa villa pro
sua parte terræ in Quitfordia, et grangiam illorum quæ ap-
pellatur Feilebroc, cum omnibus pertinentiis et aisiamentis
suis, et communitatem pasturæ montium cum cæteris. Ec-
clesiam quoque de Haliwelle cum capella de Colsul, et cum
omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis, ut eas habeant in proprios
usus imperpetuum integrè possidendas. Terram etiam et
pasturam de Gethli quam habent ex donatione patris mei
cum omnibus pertinentiis et aisiamentis suis per metas et
divisas quæ in carta quam inde habent plenius continentur.

Insuper quietum clamavi eis imperpetuum tholnetum
totius terræ meæ possessæ et possidendæ, marisque possessi
et possidendi in omnibus rebus vendendis et emendis ad
opus ibidem Deo servientium. Præterea concessi eis et con-
firmavi duas partes decimæ piscium qui in piscariis de
Rothelan capiuntur, cum illa decima piscium meæ partis
quos homines capiunt in aqua. Item ex dono Howen de
Porkentona totum Wenhewm. cum omnibus hominibus ejus-
dem villæ et cum pertinentiis. Confirmationem quoque He-
lyso super eadem donatione. Ex donatione verò domini
Lewelini patris mei terras et pasturas in Penthlin per metas
et divisas quæ nominantur in carta patris mei, quam inde
habent. Et ego David et hæredes mei hæc omnia præfata
tenementa ipsis monachis contra omnes homines imperpe-
tuum warantizabimus; unde ut hæc mea concessio et con-
firmatio stabiles et inconcussæ permaneant præsens scriptum
sigilli mei appositione roboravi. Hiis testibus, Hugone epis-
copo de sancto Asaph, Edeneweth Vakan, magistro David
tunc cancellario, Evino Vakan, Wronon filio Kenwrit, Hey-
lin filio Kenrith, Philippo filio Ywor, Madoco Purewen,
Wronon filio Seisel, et multis aliis. Dat. apud Coleshul
anno Domini mccxl. in die sancti Jacobi Apostoli, &c.

NUM. IV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits' Office.]

MONAST' IUM sive ABB'IA DE BASYNGWERK, in Decanat' de
Tygyngel, in Com' Flynt'.

Valet in
Temporal'.
Com' Flynt'.

D'nium de Holywell, Fulbroke, et Grenefeld.

Valet in
Reddit' et firm' diſs' terr' et teñt' ibm' p an^m
8l. 1s. 8d.
Firma duor' molendinor' granaticor' ibm' p an^m
40l. 6s. 8d.
Firm' duor' molend' fullonic' ibm' p annu'
3l. 6s. 8d.
Terr' dñical' vocat' Le Abbey Graunge 4l. 6s. 8d. Le
Middell Graunge 1l. 6s. 8d. Le Ener Graunge 3l. Et le
graunge vocat' Le Geile 2l. . . . 10l. 13s. 4d.
Pquis' cur' ibm' n^l
32l. 8s. 4d.

Vill' de Whitford et Wacko.

Valet in
Reddit' diſs' terr' et teñtor' ibm' p annu' 4l. 14s. 4d.
Com' Cestr'.

Villa de Newbolde.

Valet in
Reddit' diſs' terr' et teñtor' ibm' p annu' . 3l. 3s. 4d.
Firma moſi ventritici ibm' p annu' . . 2l. 0s. 0d.
5l. 3s. 4d.

Dñiu' de Westkyrby

val' in
Reddit' diſs' terr' et teñtor' ibm' p annu' 40l. 6s. 2d.
Firma molend' ventritici ibm' p annu' 2l. 0s. 0d.
64 bȝ fři de mensura ci' Cestr' de reddit' diſs' terr' et
teñtor' ibm' p annu' p̄c' le bȝ 1s. 8d. . 5l. 6s. 8d.
68 bȝ ordeī de mensura p̄dict' p̄c' le bȝ 1s. de reddu
diſs' terr' et teñtor' ibm' p annu' . . 2l. 8s. 0d.
48 bȝ pisar' de mensura p̄dict' p̄c' le bȝ 10d. de reddit'
diſs' terr' et teñtor' ibm' p annu' . . 2l. 0s. 0d.
Pquis' cur' ibm' n^l
22l. 0s. 10d.

Villa de Northwico

val' in
8 cronocks salis p̄c' le cronocke 4s. de reddit' diſs'
terr' et teñtor' ibm' p annu' . . 1l. 12s. 0d.

Ci' Cestr'.			Feod' Thome Barrowe recept' supradict' terr' in com'		
Civit' Cestr' et Libtat' ejusdm			Cestr' et Derb'		
val' in			5l. 12s. 8d.		
Reddit' et firm' diſs' terr' et teñtor' in civitate p̃dict' p annu'			Sþualibz.		
Firm' diſs' terr' vocat' Le Lache infra libtat' ci' p̃dict' p annu'			Procurac' annual' solut' eþo Assaven' p annu'		
8l. 13s. 4d.			0l. 17s. 8d.		
Com' Derb'.			Lactual' an ^{ti} dco eþo solut' p annu'		
Dñiu' de Glassop Dale ac Rector' ibm			Procurac' visitacion' quolt t̃cio anno 17s. 8d. juxta rat'		
val' in			p annu'		
Fir' p annu' sic dimiss' comiti Salopp' 1l. 0s. 0d.			1l. 15s. 3d.		
Com' M'ion'.			7l. 7s. 11d.		
Comot' de Penllyn			Et valet clare		
val' in			150l. 7s. 3d.		
Firm' diſs' terr' et teñtor' ibm p annu' sic dimiss' Robt' ap Res			Viz. d'		
126l. 8s. 10d.			Temporalibz		
Sþualibz.			Sþualibz		
Com' Flynt'.			Inde p decima pte domini regis 15l. 0s. 9d.		
Rector' de Holywell in Decanat' de Tegyng.			NUM. V.		
Dec' gran' et al' in vill' de Brymford sic dim' ad firmam p annu'			COMPUT' MINISTORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.		
Decim' gran' et alior' in villat' de Colshull sic dimitt' ad firmam p annu'			[Abstract of Roll 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]		
Decim' gran' in villat' de Magna Bakeley sic dim' ad firmam p annu'			BASINGWERKE NUPER MONASTERIUM.		
Decimis gran' in villa de P̃va Bakeley sic dim' ad firmam p annu'			Com' Flint'		
Decimis gran' de Kelleston sic dim' ad fir' p annu' 1l. 0s. 0d.			Basyngwerke—Firma terrarum domicalium		
Decim' gran' in Calcote p annu' sic dimiss' ad firmam p annu'			Hollywell, Fulbroke, et Grenfeld—Reddit' terrarum ad voluntatem		
Decim' agn' 1l. 6s. 8d. lan' 1l. hemp et flax 5s. et aliis minut' decimis cõibz annis 4s. 8d.			Hollywell—Firma duorum molendinorum granaticorum		
Decimis lactual' et oblacionibz 4 ^{or} tempibz anni 1l. 10s. 0d.			Hollywell—Reddit' tenentium tam per indenturam quam ad volunt' cum duobus molendinis fullonicis		
Oblacoe ad Scam Wenefredam cõibz annis 10l. 0s. 0d.			Whitlonde et Walke—Reddit' tenentium tam per indentur' quam ad voluntatem		
157l. 15s. 2d.			Newboll—Reddit' tenentium per indenturam cum molend' ibidem		
Inde			Westkyrby—Reddit' tenentium per indentur' et ad voluntatem		
In Rep's' videlt d'			Westkyrby—Reddit' unius molendini ventritici		
Tempal'.			Com' Cestr'		
Reddit' resolut' Sco Bewnoni p annu' ex ^a dñiu' de Holywell			Norwiche—Reddit' tenentium per indenturam		
Feod' Edwardi Pen ^{ant} sen ^{li} dci dñii de Holywell sup ^a dict' 13s. 4d. p annu', et feod' Joñinis ap Thomas bañi ibm p annu'			Civit' Cestr'—Reddit' tenentium per indenturam		
Reddit' resolut' dño regi p sup ^a dict' terr' in Whitforde, &c.			Com' Derb'		
Feod' Wifmi Stanley milit' senesc' 1l. et Thome Coventre ballivi de Newbold et Kyrby sup ^a dict' 13s. 4d. p annu' 1l. 13s. 4d.			Glossopdale—Reddit' tenentium per indenturam		
			Wall'		
			Comotus de Penllyn—Reddit' trium tenementorum		
			Hollywell—Firma rector'		
			Capell' Sanctæ Wenefrid'—Reddit' oblationum et aliorum proficuum ibidem		



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Merton Abbey, Monks' Church

Abbey of Tintern, in Monmouthshire.



INTERN abbey, dedicated to St. Mary, was founded in 1131 by Walter de Clare, the grandson of Walter Fitz-osbert, earl of Ew.

The details of the first endowment of this Monastery, as well as of various later benefactions to the 7th year of Henry the Third, will be found in the Appendix, in a charter of confirmation from William Marshall the younger, earl of

Pembroke, grandson of Walter.^a Another charter of confirmation, from Roger Bigod, earl of Norfolk, in 1301, will also be found there.^b

The following are the entries relating to the possessions of Tintern in the Taxation of 1291.

“Spiritualia.

Dioc. Heref.

	£	s.	d.
Porcio in ecclesia de Tudeham . . .	3	6	8

Temporalia.

Dioc. Landav.

Abbas de Tinterne habet Grang. de As-			
sarto ubi sunt tres caruc. terr. prec. cujuslibet . . .	1	0	0
De prato ibidem quatuor acr. prec. cu-			
juslibet	0	0	6
De silva cedua per annum	0	5	0
De redd. assis.	1	2	0
De placitis et perquisitis	0	6	8
De gurgite et piscar. in Weyt	1	16	0
De pastura vasti	0	4	2
Item idem habet apud Rogenston qua-			
tuor caruc. terræ prec. cujuslibet	1	0	0
De prato ibidem quindecim acr. prec.			
cujuslibet	0	0	6
De gardino et curtilag.	0	1	6
De molend. per annum	0	15	0
De pastura de vasto	0	10	0
Apud Marthog'm duas caruc. terr. et			
dimid. et novemdecim acr. prec. cujuslibet car.	1	0	0
Et prec. cujuslibet acr. de prædictis no-			
vemdecim acris	0	0	3
In parochia sanctæ Brigidæ triginta acr.			
terr. prec. cujuslibet	0	0	3
De redd. assis. ibidem	0	5	0
In parochia de Magor de redd.	0	3	0
In parochia de Wundy	0	13	4
Et in eadem parochia novemdecim acr.			
terræ precium cujuslibet	0	0	2
Et ibidem quatuordecim acr. prati præ-			
cium cujuslibet	0	0	6
Apud Motam duas caruc. terr. prec. cu-			
juslibet	1	10	0
De prato ibidem quinquagint. acr. prec.			
cujuslibet	0	0	6
In la Bredemedewe in paroch. de Magor			
quinquaginta et duas acr. prati prec. cujuslibet	0	0	6
Ibidem de redd. assis.	0	10	6
Apud Penthleng tres caruc. terr. prec.			
cujuslibet	0	6	8
Apud Trellek sex caruc. terr. prec. cu-			
juslibet	0	6	8

	£	s.	d.
Apud Platelande tres caruc. terr. prec.			
cujuslibet	0	6	8
Apud Hardstrete unam caruc. terr. prec.	1	4	0
Ibidem viginti quatuor acr. terr. prec.			
omnium	0	6	0
In villa de Sturggyl de redd. assis.	0	4	5
Apud Triket unum molend. foler. prec.	0	6	8
Ibidem de redd. assis.	0	12	0
De molend.	1	10	0
De una gurgite et dimid. per annum	2	0	0
De sub bosco vend.	0	13	4
De pannag.	0	6	8
De perquis. cur.	0	13	4
De melle vend.	0	5	0
De tanneria	2	0	0
Apud Penbo sexdecim acr. terræ prec.			
cujuslibet	0	0	6
De redd. assis. apud Uskam	0	1	4
De Williemo de Hereford pro quadam			
grang. de redd. assis.	0	0	6
De Johanne de Stonsou'we pro quadam			
grang.	0	1	8
In Landavenio triginta acr. pastur. prec.			
cujuslibet	0	0	3
Summa	38	5	0

Abbas de Tynterne habet cent. vacc.			
prec. omnium	7	10	0
De multon. duo mill. ducent. et sexa-			
ginta quatuor exitus omnium	37	14	8
De ovibus matricibus mill. exitus omnium	25	0	0
Summa	70	4	8 ^c

Herein, says Tanner, were thirteen Religious about the time of the Dissolution, when the estates belonging to this monastery were rated at 25*l.* 11*s.* 6*d.* in the gross, and 19*l.* 1*s.* 4½*d.* per annum clear income.^d

The site was granted in the 28th Hen. VIII. to Henry earl of Worcester. It is still the property of his descendant, the duke of Beaufort.

Leland, mentioning Tintern abbey in his Collectanea, says, “There was a sanctuary graunted to Tinterne; but it hath not be used many a day.

“Monaster. de Eleemosyna paternalis domus de Tinterne. } Filiales domus de
“Tinterne in Hibernia, }
“Kingeswodde in Glocestreshire, } Tinterne.”^e

Tanner’s references to public records concerning Tintern are the following:

“Pat. 8 Edw. I. m. 1 vel 8. Cart. 30 Edw. I. n. 5, de excambio maner. de Platteland cum maner. Rog. Bygod de Aluredeston; et n. 8, confirm. concess. manerii de Acle, com Norf. per Rog. Bigod com. Norfolciæ. Pat. 30 Edw. I. m. . bis. Fin. Norf. 31 Edw. I. n. 38, pro maner. et advoc. eccl. de Acle. Cart. 35 Edw. I. n. 3, 14, 21, et 23.
“Pat. 13 Edw. II. m. 7. Cart. 18 Edw. II. n. 10 vel 11, pro libertat. in Acle, Norfolc. Pat. 20 Edw. II. m. 8, de medietate gurgitis de Bythekes.
“Rec. in Scacc. 3 Edw. III. Pasch. rot. . . . Claus. 4 Edw. III. m. 41, pro redd. in Hawoldesfield. Rec. in Scacc. 6 Edw. III. rot. . pro maner. de Acle, Norf. Pat. 19 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 7, de serviciis tenentium in Acle. Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 4, pro eisdem, et quod tenentes ibidem

^a Compare the Appendix, Num. I. ^b Num. II.
^c Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 161 b, 282 b, 284 b.
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^d See the Appendix, Num. VII.
^e Lel. Collect. tom. i. p. 104.

sunt villani prioris. Pat. 50 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 7, pro eccl. de Kinwith, Hibern.

"Claus. 8 Ric. II. m. 3 dorso, pro eccl. de Magor, Wall. ad feodi firm. de abbate et conv. de Gloria Dei in partibus Italiae.

"Rec. in Scacc. 3 Hen. IV. Pasch. rot. 26, pro maner. de Ocle, Norf. et advoc. eccl. de Halvergate. Pat. 12 Hen. IV. m. 17, pro ten. in Acle.

"Pat. 20 Hen. VI. p. 3, m. 27.

"Claus. 3 Edw. IV. m. 20.

"Rec. in Scacc. 22 Hen. VII. Hill. rot. 24, de inquis. de sufficientia maner. de Acle."

The "Itinerarium Willelmi de Worcestre" has these entries relating to Tintern.

"De obitibus fundatorum et de genere propinquo eorum, ecclesiae sanctae Mariae Tynterniae, ut in antiquo kalendario inveni registratum.

Comes Gilbertus sexto die Januarii obiit.

Comes Robertus Attrabatensis obiit die octavo Februarii.

Isabella Comitissa Pembroc obiit die nono Martii.

Ricardus Rex Angliae primus obiit xxvii. die Martii.

Matilda Comitissa Warennae obiit xxix. die Martii.

Walterus fundator ecclesiae sanctae Mariae Tynterniae obiit die x. Martii.

Richardus comes marescallus obiit die xv. Aprilis.

Richardus comes obiit die xx. Aprilis.

Sibilla comitissa mater Willielmi comitis de Penbroke die iij^{to}. Junii.

Galfredus marescallus comes de Penbroke obiit die xxvij. Junii.

Margareta comitissa Blesensis obiit die xij. Julii.

Radufus Bloeth junior obiit xij^o. die Julii.

Johannes rex Franciae obiit die sexto Novembris.

Elizabet comitissa V. xix. die Novembris obiit.

Blanchia Regina Franciae obiit die xxvij. Novembris.

Margareta comitissa Flandriae obiit die iv. Decembris.

Berengerus et comitissa soror ejus obiit xxij. die Decembris.

Anselmus marescallus obiit xxiv. die Decembris.

Matilda de Clare comitissa Gloucestriae et Herefordiae obiit die xxix. Decembris.

Rogerus Bygod comes marescallus, qui aedificavit ecclesiam Tynterniae obiit die vij^o. Decembris super litteram E, ut in kalendario religiosorum Tynterniae.

Thomas de Brotherton marescallus Angliae die xxiv. Augusti obiit.

Memorandum quod anno xxx. regis Edwardi primi Angliae, id est anno Christi.....Rogerus Bygot comes Norfolciae dedit ecclesiae de Tyntern dominium de eccl. ac ecclesiam S. Edwardi de Halberyate cum omnibus eorum pertinentiis."

"LONGITUDO ecclesiae sanctae Mariae Tynterniae continet lxxv. virgas.

Latitudo corporis ecclesiae continet xiii. virgas et dimidiam.

Latitudo elae ex parte boreali continet vj. virgas.

Latitudo elae ex parte meridionali vj. virgas.

Item in dicta ecclesia sunt ex parte australi x. archus, et inter quamlibet columpnam sunt v. virgae longitudinis cujuslibet dictarum x. arcuum.

Item sunt in parte inferiori dictae ecclesiae ex parte australi decem fenestrae magnae longitudinis. Item in le ovyrhystorie sunt x. fenestrae de consimili operatione.

Et x. fenestrae principales ex parte boreali ecclesiae, et quaelibet fenestra continet duas magnas panellas fenestratas.

Item in le ovyrhystorie sunt consimiliter x. fenestrae principales; et quaelibet fenestra continet duas panas vitratas secundum proportionem quamvis non secundum quantitatem fenestrarum totius ecclesiae Westmonasterii prope London.

Latitudo orientalis fenestrae ante magnum altare continet viij. pannas glasatas cum armis Rogeri Bygot fundatoris.

Et in orientali parte duarum elarum orientalium, in

earum duabus fenestris, quaelibet fenestra constat ex tribus panis vitreatis sine armis.

Item longitudo chori constat ex iiij. arcubus ultra quantitatem areae quadratae campanilis principalis in medio chori, quae continet.....virgas.

Sic in toto longitudo chori cum area campanili continetvirgas.

Item altitudo voltae totius ecclesiae, ab area ecclesiae, continet xi. Anglice Vetheyms, et quolibet vethym constat ex.....pedibus seu.....virgis.

Longitudo de le Crosse-yle, id est brachiorum ecclesiarum, tam ex parte meridionali quam boreali continet quinquaginta virgas, id est cl. pedes.

Item quadratura spatia areae campanilis in medio chori ecclesiae scitae continet in longitudine xij. virgas.

Item dicta quadratura campanilis continet in latitudine xii. virgas.

Item fenestra principalis meridionalis atque septentrionalis vitreata continet vj. panas glasatas magnae altitudinis."^a

Again,

"Ecclesia de Tyntern.

Memorandum, the cloyster is thirty-seven virgae in longitudine et in latitudine thirty-three virgae.

Item tota ecclesia continet fourteen archus in una parte et fourteen archus in altera parte.

Item pars fenestrae borealis principalis xiv. panellas glasatas.

Item latitudo dictae fenestrae tam ex boreali quam oppositae fenestrae ex parte meridionali continet tres virgas.

Item the fermaye Cayrch continet in longitudine xxxiv. virgas, id est lx. steppys meos, et in latitudine viij. virgas.

Item le fermay continet lx. steppys meos et in latitudine viij. virgas.

Item capitulum in longitudine continet xvij. virgas; in latitudine ix. virgas.

Memorandum quod xxiv. steppys sive gressus mei faciunt xii. virgas.

Item l. virgae faciunt lxxxv. gradus sive steppys meos."^b

And in a third place,

"MCCLXXXVII. Conventus ecclesiae beatae Mariae de Tynterna intravit dictam ecclesiam ad celebrandum in nova ecclesia.

Et quinto nonas Octobris in anno sequenti conventus intravit in choro, et prima missa celebrata fuit ad magnum altare."^c

"Dedicatio ecclesiae Tynterniae xxvij. die Julii."^d

No other abbey-ruin in the kingdom has probably attracted half the attention that has been bestowed on Tintern: it is altogether the most picturesque remain of a monastic edifice with which we are acquainted. It is moreover placed in a beautiful country, upon the bank of a fine river, and is, for miles, surrounded by romantic scenery.

The best account of the Ruins is probably that inserted in Coxe's Historical Tour in Monmouthshire, published in 1801; very little change, indeed, has taken place in its condition since that time. He says,

"We disembarked about half a mile above the village of Tintern, and followed the sinuous course of the Wy. As we advanced to the village, we passed some picturesque ruins hanging over the edge of the water, which are supposed to have formed part of the abbat's villa, and other buildings occupied by the monks; some of these remains are converted into dwellings and cottages, others are interspersed among the iron founderies and habitations.

"The first appearance of the celebrated remains of the abbey church did not equal my expectations, as they are half concealed by mean buildings, and the triangular shape of the gable ends has a formal appearance.

"After passing a miserable row of cottages, and forcing our way through a crowd of importunate beggars, we stopped to examine the rich architecture of the west front: but the door being suddenly opened, the inside perspective of the

^a Itin. Will. de Worcestre, ed. Nasmith, pp. 77, 78, 79.

^b Ibid. p. 83.

^c Ibid. p. 132.

^d Ibid. p. 133.

church called forth an instantaneous burst of admiration, and filled me with delight, such as I scarcely ever before experienced on a similar occasion. The eye passes rapidly along a range of elegant Gothic pillars, and glancing under the sublime arches which supported the tower, fixes itself on the splendid relics of the eastern window, the grand termination of the choir.

“From the length of the nave, the height of the walls, the aspiring form of the pointed arches, and the size of the east window, which closes the perspective, the first impressions are those of grandeur and sublimity. But as those emotions subside, and we descend from the contemplation of the whole to the examination of the parts, we are no less struck with the regularity of the plan, the lightness of the architecture, and the delicacy of the ornaments; we feel that elegance is its characteristic no less than grandeur, and that the whole is a combination of the beautiful and the sublime.

“This church was constructed in the shape of a cathedral, and is an excellent specimen of Gothic architecture in its greatest purity. The roof is fallen in, and the whole ruin open to the sky, but the shell is entire; all the pillars are standing except those which divided the nave from the northern aisle, and their situation is marked by the remains of the bases. The four lofty arches which supported the tower, spring high in the air, reduced to narrow rims of stone, yet still preserving their original form. The arches and pillars of the choir and transept are complete; the shapes of all the windows may be still discriminated, and the frame of the west window is in perfect preservation; the design of the tracery is extremely elegant, and when decorated with painted glass, must have produced a fine effect. Critics who censure this window as too broad for its height, do not consider that it was intended for a particular object, but to harmonise with the *general* plan; and had the architect diminished the breadth in proportion to the height, the grand effect of the perspective would have been considerably lessened.

“The general form of the east window is entire, but the frame is much dilapidated; it occupies the whole breadth of the choir, and is divided into two large and equal compartments,^a by a slender shaft not less than fifty feet in height, which has an appearance of singular lightness, and in particular points of view seems suspended in the air.

“Nature has added her ornaments to the decorations

of art; some of the windows are wholly obscured; others partially shaded with tufts of ivy, or edged with lighter foliage; the tendrils creep along the walls, wind round the pillars, wreath the capitals, or hanging down in clusters obscure the space beneath.

“Instead of dilapidated fragments overspread with weeds and choked with brambles, the floor is covered with a smooth turf, which by keeping the original level of the church, exhibits the beauty of its proportions, heightens the effect of the gray stone, gives a relief to the clustered pillars, and affords an easy access to every part. Ornamented fragments of the roof, remains of cornices and columns, rich pieces of sculpture, sepulchral stones, and mutilated figures^b of monks and heroes, whose ashes repose within these walls, are scattered on the green sward, and contrast present desolation with former splendour.

“Although the exterior appearance of the ruins is not equal to the inside view, yet in some positions, particularly to the east, they present themselves with considerable effect. While Sir Richard Hoare was employed in sketching the north-western side, I crossed the ferry, and walked down the stream about half a mile. From this point the ruins, assuming a new character, seem to occupy a gentle eminence and impend over the river, without the intervention of a single cottage to obstruct the view. The grand east window, wholly covered with shrubs and half mantled with ivy, rises like the portal of a majestic edifice embowered in wood. Through this opening and along the vista of the church, the clusters of ivy, which twine round the pillars or hang suspended from the arches, resemble tufts of trees, while the thick mantle of foliage, seen through the tracery of the west window, forms a continuation of the perspective, and appears like an interminable forest.”

The Common Seal of this monastery is appendant to an instrument dated in the 6th Hen. VIII. whereby the abbat and convent appoint Charles, earl of Worcester, and Henry Somerset, Lord Herbert, his son and heir apparent, chief stewards of their manor of Acle in Norfolk.^c The subject of this seal, of which only a mutilated impression on red wax remains, was the Virgin Mary and child, seated under an ornamented arch, in a niche underneath an abbat, with his crozier on his knees praying: nearly the whole of the legend is gone, the only part remaining being
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Cartae ad Tinternensem Abbatiam in Wallia spectantes,^d Filiam Elemosinae; fundatam anno Mccxxi.

NUM. I.

*Carta Willielmi comitis Marescalli junioris de Confirmatione
foundationis Abbatiae de Tynterne.*

[Ex codice MS. in bibl. Arundelia. Vide etiam Cart. 33 E. I. n. 3, et n. 14, 15, et 21. per inspex.]

WILLIELMUS marescallus Angliæ, comes Penbrochiæ, universis hominibus suis Francis et Anglicis Walensibus Hibernicis et omnibus amicis ballivis et fidelibus suis salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra nos intuitu Dei et pro salute animæ meæ et pro animabus bonæ memoriæ Walteri filii Ricardi filii Gilberti Strongbowe avi mei, et Willielmi Marescalli patris mei, et Ysabellæ matris meæ, et animarum antecessorum hæredum et successorum nostrorum, concessisse et præsentī carta mea confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Tynterna abbati et monachis et eorum

successoribus ibidem Deo servientibus, in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosynam, omnes terras et possessiones, et libertates, et liberas consuetudines subscriptas quas habent ex donis antecessorum nostrorum et aliorum fundatorum seu donatorum sive ex dono nostro; videlicet totam hayam de Porthcassek, et aquam quæ vocatur Angidy, et de Angidy per Wayam usque ad nemus de feodo Porthskywet, et ex altera parte coopertum nemoris usque ad vallem quæ descendit ad terram de Pentir, et sic de valle per montem usque ad fontem Achur, et sic ad Angidy. Et piscariam de Walwere, Halfwere, Badingwere cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et totum dominium de Wlaveston cum advocacione ecclesiæ et cum omnibus libertatibus et pertinentiis suis, in domibus, virgultis, boscis, planis, pascuis, pratis, pasturis, vivariis, piscariis, gliseriis, aquis, wreccis, weyf, stagnis, molendinis, et quicquid habent in feodo de Tude-

^a William of Worcester describes it as divided into eight compartments, and ornamented with the arms of Roger de Bigod. The height of the window is sixty feet, and the breadth twenty-seven. The height of the east, west, north, and south windows, and of the four centre arches which supported the tower, from the ground to the point of the arch, is sixty-seven feet.

^b Among other sepulchral figures is the mutilated effigies of a man in a coat of mail, with his shield on his left arm, which is erroneously

supposed to represent Richard Strongbow, earl of Pembroke, and great nephew of Walter de Clare, the founder of the abbey, who, according to Leland, was buried in the chapter-house of Gloucester. According to Grose his right hand has five fingers and a thumb, but the sculpture is so rude, that I could not ascertain whether it has four or five fingers.

^c See Appendix, Num. VI.

^d Annal. S. Werburgæ Cestriæ in bibl. Cotton.

ham de piscariis terris boscis aquis tenentibus et redditibus in villa de Tudeham; et libere piscari in toto dominio meo in Sabrina; et gurgites facere contra terram dictorum abbatis et monachorum de terra de Averdeston usque ad Waldingespull, et omnes tenentes sui in chacia nostra, pasturam animalium suorum et rusticorum ad ardendum de Ascaurewe usque ad Brawere sine aliquo impedimento vel calumpnia nostri hæredum seu assignatorum nostrorum imperpetuum.

Et totam terram de Modesgat cum omnibus suis pertinentiis, et pasturam omnium animalium suorum ubique in chacia nostra de Tudiham, et de terra in dicta chacia ad terram dictorum monachorum marlandam sive meliorandam, et de subbosco in dicta chacia quicquid eis necessarium fuerit ad ardendum et ad haicias claudendas et plantandas et alia necessaria grangiæ perficienda. Et Kibeham cum una pulla de Londemere usque ad Lynwere. Et Brocwere cum omnibus libertatibus suis, pratis, pasturis, et aliis aisiamentis in chacia nostra, et quicquid habent in Lanchant, et unam pullam quæ vocatur Wayfhers cum prato ex una parte, et piscariam de Badyngwere, Halfwere, Walwere, Astandwere, Plumwere, et medietatem de Aswere cum omnibus libertatibus et pertinentiis et pullis, et quicquid prædictis piscariis necessarium fuerit ad ardendum et ad ædificandum in chacia nostra. Et liceat eis de omnibus piscariis suis facere et ordinare prout ad commodum suum viderint expedire, sine aliqua calumpnia nostri hæredum seu assignatorum nostrorum, vel ballivorum qui pro tempore fuerint. Et grangiam de assarto cum villa de Porcassek, et omnibus boscis tenementis et tenentibus et pertinentiis suis. Et passagium de Betesleye quietum sibi et famulis suis et pecudibus eorum.

Et in mora de Magor totam terram sicut per fossas dividitur, et per circuitum terræ fossare, et in dicta fossa quicquid voluerint facere, et cursus aquæ ubicumque interiùs vel exteriùs ordinare ad commodum suum sicut viderint melius expedire, sine aliqua calumpnia nostri hæredum vel assignatorum nostrorum vel aliorum quorumcumque in perpetuum. Et omnes terras et possessiones quas habent in eadem mora in dominio meo cum tenementis, tenentibus, et redditibus suis in Magor, et Pulla, Woudy, et Rodewey, et omnes tenentes sui liberam molturam ubicumque voluerint ire, sine aliqua calumpnia, cum consensu abbatis, et conventus. Et omnia prata et tenementa in dominio meo, cum libero ingressu et egressu et cum omnibus libertatibus suis, et libere piscari in Sabrina, et gurgites facere ubicumque voluerint eligere, et plenariam pasturam quorumcumque animalium suorum in la Grenemore, et alibi in dominio nostro sine aliquo impedimento, et Marthirgerin et quicquid ad Marthirgerye pertinet in ecclesia in bosco, plano, et cum terris tenementis tenentibus redditibus et omnibus libertatibus suis. Et in Scinioc quaterviginti acras prati in mora, et pratum quod Robertus de sancta Brigida tenuit in mora de Magor. Et quicquid habent in Pentiry, et duas areas in orto meo de Magor, scilicet extremas versus occidentem. Et totam molturam meam et hominum meorum de Pentiry, et Porcassek, et Tinterna, et Landirogods ad molendinum suum de Angidy. Et quicquid voluerint de aqua illa facere et ordinare ad commodum illorum. Et grangiam de Rogereston cum terris tenementis et omnibus libertatibus suis. Et quicquid habent in Landreston, sancto Wormeto, Howyk, sancto Arunno, cum Cophill, Bernardeswode, Bennetties pertinentiis suis. Et quicquid habent infra burgum Strugull, Trillek et Usk in domibus, redditibus, tenementis, tenentibus, cum omnibus libertatibus suis; Pencreck, et Hennefoth cum omnibus boscis terris et pertinentiis suis.

Concedimus et confirmavimus pro nobis et hæredibus et assignatis nostris prædictis abbati et monachis et eorum successoribus omnimodam forisfacturam, redemptiones, fines, et amerciamenta priorum hominum tenentium et servientium suorum, nos et hæredes seu assignatos nostros tangentia in curiis nostris, hundredis, shiris, halemotis, et wodespeches, infra burgum et extra, quotienscumque et qualitercumque evenerint, quacunque occasione emergerint, quocumque etiam nomine censeantur. Et quod prædicta abbatia de Tinterna cum omnibus boscis terris et tenementis suis sint extra forestam, et omnino sine rewardo forestariæ, et sint ipsi abbas et monachi et eorum successores et omnes tenentes sui liberi et quieti ab omni vexatione et penitus extra omnium ballivorum et forestario-

rum et servientum terræ de pastu et de Kylyw, et omnibus aliis exactionibus quas forestarii et alii ballivi seu servientes terræ solent exigere; et sint quieti de omnibus querelis, occasionibus, consuetudinibus, et omni servili opere et seculari exactione. Et sint ipsi abbas et monachi et eorum successores, res, homines, servientes, et possessiones eorum quieti de theoloneo, et de quibuslibet rebus aliis unde theoloneum exigi poterit, infra burgum et extra in omnibus locis, et de sectis curiarum, hundredorum, assisarum, et schirarum, et summonitionibus, et omnibus auxiliis, placitis, querelis, et ad omnia comitatus, et de muragio, pontagio, pannagio, pavagio, passagio, cariagio, tallagio, picagio, et de blodewyte, fitwyte, hengwyt, flemenewyte, et de murthero, et de latrociniiis.

Concedimus insuper et confirmamus pro nobis et hæredibus et assignatis nostris prædictis abbati et monachis et eorum successoribus, quod habeant et teneant omnes prædictas terras et boscos, piscarias, tenementa, et omnes libertates et liberas consuetudines suas, ecclesias, capellas cum omnibus suis pertinentiis, cum soke et sake, thol et theam, infangenethef et quicquid aliud antecessores nostri seu quicumque alii fundatores et donatores eis pia devotione contulerunt, seu ipsimet acquisierunt, bene et in pace, liberè quietè plenariè integrè, in boscis, planis, pratis, pasturis, aquis, molendinis, wreccis, stagnis, vivariis, weyfe, mariscis, piscariis, gliseriis, grangiis, virgultis, chaciis, viis, semitis, infra burgum et extra, ubicumque in dominio nostro, sine aliquo retinemento, seu impedimento nostri hæredum vel assignatorum nostrorum, in puram et perpetuam elemosynam imperpetuum, et per omnes forestas meas Walliæ de Waya usque ad Usk, pasturam omnium animalium suorum habeant quietam, et pannagium et quicquid ad ardendum et ad ædificandum abbatie grangiis vel tenementis habuerint necessarium, et quararium ad ædificandum, sine visu forestariorum, vel impedimento, vel calumpnia nostri hæredum, seu assignatorum nostrorum; vel ballivorum nostrorum, qui pro tempore fuerint. Et liceat abbati, monachis, et eorum successoribus de omnibus boscis suis propriis dare, vendere, assartare, seminare, fossare, includere contra omnia animalia, et de pannagio, herbagio, et omnibus aliis eorum exitibus commodum suum facere et ordinare, et malefactores in dictis boscis et tenementis attachiare, et in curiis suis amerciare, et de omnimodis placitis, querelis sine aliqua calumpnia placitare. Nec calumpnientur abbas, monachi, et eorum successores de recettamento si aliquis de familia eorundem in venatione nostra delinquat.

Item pro animabus bonæ memoriæ Willielmi Marschalli patris mei, et Ysabellæ matris meæ, et Gilberti et Ricardi Strongbowe, et pro salute animæ nostræ, animarum antecessorum et hæredum nostrorum, dedimus, concessimus, et hac præsentis carta nostra confirmavimus Deo, et ecclesiæ de Tynterna, abbati, et monachis, et eorum successoribus ibidem Deo servientibus, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, totam landam et terram de Trillek quas dicti monachi habuerunt de donis dicti Gilberti Strongbowe et Ricardi avi mei, per bundas subscriptas, videlicet, de via quæ ducit de Monimutta per Spintam ex una parte, et veterem capellam ex altera directe versus Strugull usque Nantxlinat sub denigro rivulo directe ascendendo ad summitatem montis, et sic per summitatem montis, et circuitum inter Wenhalt et Kylwechyn, et sic per circuitum Kilwechyn directe descendendo usque ad rivulum qui vocatur Angedy, et sic per Angedy et vivarium ascendendo per terras hominum Walensium ex una parte Angedy ad vallem quæ vocatur Cover-pantegoylin, et de fonte usque ad summitatem montis, et sic per summitatem montis usque ad viam quæ ducit versus Uskam juxta ecclesiam sancti Dionisii Lannissan, et sic descendendo per caput Sāpant usque ad fontem qui vocatur caput Angedy, et sic per Angedy usque ad rivulum qui vocatur Acanelth, sive Assees, et sic per rivulum usque ad caput Frinunkayrvernby sive Blaenaranelth, et sic per terras hominum de Trillek usque ad viam quæ ducit ad Monimutta versus Strugull. Et infra bundas prædictas vivaria facere, et molendina levare et ordinare, et molturam habere et recipere sine aliquo impedimento vel calumpnia, et quicquid in dicta landa et terra possent, ad commodum suum facere et ordinare. Et per omnes forestas landas et vesturas meas, pasturam plenariam omnium animalium suorum, et ubique in toto dominio meo vias rectas

et latas ad commodum suum facere sine aliqua calumpnia nostri, vel hæredum seu assignatorum nostrorum, vel ballivorum, qui pro tempore fuerint.

Volumus etiam et concedimus, pro nobis, et hæredibus et assignatis nostris, quod dicti abbas, et monachi, et eorum successores habeant et teneant prædictam landam, terras, tenentes, et tenementa prædicta, cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus supradictis, sine aliquo retenemento nostri, vel hæredum seu assignatorum nostrorum, adeo liberè et quietè sicut nos et antecessores nostri prædictam landam, cum pertinentiis suis, aliquo tempore, liberius, plenius, seu melius, habuimus vel tenuimus in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Item pro salute animæ meæ, et animabus bonæ memoriæ Willielmi Mareschalli patris mei, et Ysabellæ matris meæ, dedimus, et concessimus, et hac præsentī carta nostra confirmavimus, Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Tynterna, abbati, et monachis, et eorum successoribus, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, totam terram cum bosco de Pochlenny, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis infra bundas subscriptas; videlicet, per rivulum qui vocatur Aberwim ex una parte, et ita per circuitum usque ad Horston, et sic directe usque ad Fovemhen, et ita usque ad aquam de Usk, et sic per aquam de Usk, et in Usk usque ad terram hominum Walensium, et sic ascendendo contra torrentem per nigrum fagum directe per terras hominum Walensium usque ad aquam de Aberthin. Et in tota aqua de Uska cum diversis instrumentis et retibus piscari, et medietatem unius gurgitis ubicumque eligere voluerint ædificare, et pullas facere et quicquid viderint ad commodum suum esse ordinare contra dictorum terram abbatis et monachorum, et infra bundas de terris, boscis, aquis, pasturis, cum omnibus libertatibus et pertinentiis suis ad commodum suum facere et ordinare, sine aliqua calumpnia et impedimento nostri hæredum seu assignatorum nostrorum vel ballivorum qui pro tempore fuerint sine aliquo retenemento imperpetuum.

Volumus etiam, et concedimus, et confirmamus, pro nobis, et hæredibus et assignatis nostris, quod prædicti abbas, monachi, et eorum successores habeant et teneant omnes prædictas terras et tenementa prædicta, cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus supradictis, sine aliquo retenemento nostri, hæredum seu assignatorum nostrorum, adeo liberè et quietè sicut nos et antecessores nostri prædictas libertates aliquo tempore liberius, plenius, seu melius habuimus vel tenuimus, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, et sicut aliqua elemosina liberius dari poterit vel teneri omnino extra dangerium nostrum hæredum vel assignatorum nostrorum, ballivorum, vel ministrorum imperpetuum, tantummodo Hontfongenethief mihi retento. Si quis vero in præsentī vel in futurum quicquam de hiis quæ dictæ abbatiae dedi, concessi, et confirmavi calumpniatus fuerit, non tenebuntur monachi inde respondere, sed ad me et hæredes meos pertinebit calumpniatoribus eorum excambio vel alio rationabili modo satisfacere, monachisque quicquid eis concessi warrantizare, et integrum conservare. Districtè ergo prohibeo super forisfacturam meam, videlicet viginti marcarum, ne quis eos vel homines, servientes, res, possessiones, aut libertates eorum malitiose vexet, aut gravet, vel in aliqua re disturbet; quod si quis facere præsumperit in Dei maledictionem et meam, similiter et forisfacturam præmonstratam se noverit incidisse.

Quicumque verò locum ipsum et elemosinam nostram et prædecessorum meorum eidem assignatam promoverint sive manutenerint, cum Dei benedictione et mea remunerationem æternam invenient. Et sub hac forma omnia supradicta pro nobis, hæredibus, et assignatis nostris prædictis, abbati, monachis, et eorum successoribus, warrantizabimus, acquietabimus, et defendemus contra omnes homines imperpetuum. In ejus rei testimonium hanc præsentem cartam et confirmationem nostram sigilli nostri impressione fecimus roborari. Hiis testibus, domino Willielmo Grosso primogenito, domino Hamone Grosso, domino Radulfo filio Ricardi, domino Roberto de Mora, domino Philippo Deneband, Nicholao de sancta Brigida, domino Roberto filio Pagani, domino Willielmo de Derneford, magistro Willielmo de Christi ecclesia tunc seneschallo inferioris Wentiae, et militibus aliis. Datum apud Strugull vicesimo secundo die Martii, anno regni regis Henrici filii regis Johannis septimo.

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NUM. II.

Carta Rogeri le Bigod Norfolciæ Comitis.

[Ibid.]

ROGERUS le Bigod, comes Norfolciæ et marescallus Angliæ, salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra me intuitu Dei, et pro salute animæ nostræ, et animarum antecessorum et hæredum nostrorum, concessisse et confirmasse Deo, et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Tynterna, abbati, et monachis, et eorum successoribus ibidem Deo servientibus, in liberam, puram et perpetuam elemosinam, omnes terras et possessiones, libertates, et liberas consuetudines subscriptas quas habent ex donis antecessorum nostrorum et aliorum fundatorum seu donatorum, sive ex dono nostro; videlicet, totam hayam de Porcassek, et ex altera parte coopertorium nemoris cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in bosco et plano, et quicquid habent in Pentirk de tenementis, terris redditibus, boscis, et planis, cum aliis libertatibus suis, et totam terram de Modisgat cum omnibus suis pertinentiis; videlicet, cum pastura ovium et aliorum animalium suorum ubique in chacia nostra de Tudenham, et de subbosco in dicta chacia quicquid eis necessarium fuerit ad ardendum et ad hayas claudendas, &c. Hiis testibus, domino Johanne le Bygod fratre meo, domino Johanne le Bygod de Stocton, Nicholao de Kingeston militibus, Elya de Aylbreton tunc seneschallo meo de Strugull, Philippo de Mora, Rogero de sancto Mauro, Willielmo de Dynam, Andrea de Bellocampo, et aliis. Datum apud Modesgat quarto die Augusti anno Domini m.cccj.

NUM. III.

Genealogia Fundatoris.

[Ex MS. codice in bibl. Cottoniana, sub effigie Vitellii F. 4. fol. 7.]

GUNNORA comitissa Normanniæ duas habuit sorores, una Turulpho de Ponte-Adomaro conjuncta erat in matrimonio; et procreavit Humfridum de Vetulis qui fuit pater Rogeri de Bellomonte, ex quo comites de Warwike et Leicestriæ processerunt.

Turketillus fuit frater istius Turulphi, cujus filius Hasculfus de Harecurt aliam sororem prædictæ comitissæ Gunnoræ con erat duos procreavit filios; scilicet Walterum de Giffard primogenitum, qui alium Walterum procreavit, et dictus fuit Walterius Giffard secundus. Rohesia una sororum Walteri (duas plures enim habuit) conjuncta in matrimonio Ricardo filio comitis Gisleberti, qui in re militari, tempore Conquestoris omnes sui temporis magnates præcessit. Prædicta Rohesia supervixit et renupta Eudoni, dapifero Regis Normanniæ, qui construxit castrum Colecestriæ, cum cœnobio, in honore sancti Johannis, ubi sepultus fuit, cum conjuge sua, tempore Henrici primi. Margareta filia eorum nupta fuit Willielmo de Mandevill, et fuit mater Gaufridi filii comitis Essexiæ et jure matris, Normanniæ dapifer. Prædictus Ricardus apud sanctum Neotum jacet sepultus. Huic rex Willielmus concessit baroniam de Clare, villam verò cum castello de Tunbridge, de archiepiscopo Cantuariensi, pro aliis terris in Normannia, perquisivit in excambium. Baldwinus frater istius Ricardi, Willielmum, Robertum, et Ricardum cum tribus sororibus genuit. Ex prædicta Rohesia hanc sobolem procreavit Ricardus, Rogerus natu secundus terras patris sui in Normannia adeptus est. Walterus dominium Wenciæ inferioris, in Wallia, qui construxit abbatiam de Tintern anno Domini m.c.xxxj. obiit sine prole.

NUM. IV.

In Chronicis Abbatiae de Tynterne in Wallia reperitur sic.

[MS. in biblioth. Cottoniana, sub effig. Cleopatæ c. 3. fol. 303 b.]

ANNO Domini m.lxvj. obiit sanctus Edwardus rex Angliæ apud London et sepultus fuit apud Westmonasterium, et ibidem postea fuit honorifice translatus. Et eodem anno Willielmus qui fuit dux Normanniæ et conquestor Angliæ eam adquisivit, fretus auxilio regis Franciæ et magnatum Normanniæ, inter quos unus præcipuorum fuit Willielmus filius Osberti comitis de Ogi.

Prædictus conquestor dedit manerium de Wolleston et manerium de Tudenham in parte, et similiter dedit ei licen-

tiam conquerendi super Wallenses postea. Et dedit ei similiter licentiam acquisitionem suam adeo liberè tenere sicut ipsemet potuit tenuisse, cum regalitate ut ita loquar. Cui successit in hæreditatem Richardus filius ejus et fuit comes de Ogi per successionem hæreditariam, et similiter de Wollaston et de Tudenham. Et similiter dictus conquestor contulit ei licentiam eandem quam dedit patri suo, videlicet conquerendi super Wallenses eodem modo et in eadem forma quo vel qua contulit patri suo prædicto. Et postea genuit filium quem nominari fecit Walterum, et ideo vocabatur Walterus filius Richardi, fundator ecclesiæ de Tynterna in Wallia futurus, et postea idem Richardus obiit in senectute bona. Cui successit in hæreditatem prædictus Walterus filius Richardi tam in transmarinis quam in cismarinis, et similiter contulit licentiam eandem quam fecerat patri suo, videlicet conquerendi super Wallenses eodem modo et eadem forma quo vel qua dederat patri suo et avo similiter. Et postquam antecessores sui et ipsemet adquisiverunt universam Nether-Wentiam et medietatem de Grun, tunc fundavit abbatiam de Tintern in Wallia anno Domini millesimo centesimo tricesimo primo. Et postea idem Walterus filius Richardi obiit sine hærede de corpore suo, cujus animæ propitiatur Deus, Amen.

Cui successit in hæreditatem Gilbertus Strongbowe filius patris sui, qui incontinenti factus fuit primus comes Penbrochiæ. Et idem Gilbertus dominium de Strughulle et totius Nether-Wenciæ cum prædictis terris habuit et tenuit per decennium; qui quidem Gilbertus genuit filium et imposuit sibi nomen Richardus, et in anno Domini millesimo centesimo quadragesimo octavo obiit et sepultus est apud Tynternam. Cui successit in hæreditatem Ricardus Strongbowe filius ejus, et similiter factus est comes Penbrochiæ. Et postea potenter ad instantiam Mocmorwy reguli Lageniæ totam Lageniam in Hibernia sibi subjugavit; videlicet quartam partem Hiberniæ. Et postea dictus regulus prædictam Lageniam in maritagium cum Eva filia sua sibi dedit. Et postea idem Richardus obiit anno Domini millesimo centesimo septuagesimo octavo, et sic remansit prædicta Isabella in custodia regis Henrici secundi usque ad obitum ejusdem regis.

Cui quidem Ricardo successit in hæreditatem prædicta Isabella filia et hæres ejusdem, quæ remansit in custodia regis Henrici secundi ut prædicatur usque ad obitum ejusdem regis. Et primo anno regis Ricardi primi qui coronatus fuit anno m.c.lxxxix. prædictus rex dedit filiam Ricardi Strongbowe, Will. Marescallo qui dictus est vetus Marescallus, qui genuit ex ea quinque filios et totidem filias, et anno Domini m.cc.xix. obiit idem Willielmus et sepultus est apud London apud novum Templum. Vocabantur autem filii prædicti Willielmi Marescalli comitis Penbrochiæ, Willihelmus, Richardus, Gilbertus, Walterus, et Ancellimus, quorum quilibet post alium fuit comes Pembrochiæ, et singuli eorum obierunt sine hærede.

Quorum exitu deficiente, successerunt eis in hæreditatem quinque sorores sive filiæ prædicti Willielmi Marescalli. Quarum prima vocabatur Matilda, secunda Johanna, tertia Isabella. Matilda prima filia supradicti Willihelmi Marescalli desponsata fuit Hugoni le Bigod comiti Norfolk et Suffolke, de quibus Hugo Bigod primus filius, comes Norfolk et Suffolke, et Rogerus sive Radulfus secundus filius.

De Hugone Bigod filio Hugonis supradicti, Rogerus le Bigod comes Norffolke et Suffolke et marescallus Angliæ, &c.

Supradicta Matilda prima filia Willihelmi Marescalli post mortem prædicti Hugonis le Bigod viri sui nupta fuit iterum Johanni de Garrene comiti de Surrey, de quibus Johannes de Garren comes de Garren et Isabella de Aubeni soror ejus et comitissa de Arundell.

NUM. V.

Titulus illorum de Verdon et de Genevill ad Terras et Tenementa de Lacyes.

ROGERUS sive Radulphus Bigod, secundus filius Hugonis le Bigod com. Norfolk et Suffolke et Matildæ primæ filiæ Willihelmi Marescalli, &c. et frater Hugonis Bygod com. Norfolk et Suffolce. Iste Rogerus sive Radulphus desponsavit Bertam de Fornivale de quo Johannes Bigod,

et Isabella soror Johannis, quæ primum desponsata fuit Gilberto de Lacy. De quibus,

Walterus de Lacy (qui juvenis obiit) et Margeria et Matilda ut filiæ et cohæredes ipsius Gilberti de Lacy. Inter quas tota hæreditas ipsius Gilberti patris eorum partita fuit.

Margeria Lacy prima filia et una hæredum Gilberti de Lacy nupta fuit Johanni de Verdon, unde tota pars hæreditatis suæ descendebat

Nicholao Verdon ut filio suo et hæredi, qui obiit sine exitu. Post cujus obitum hæreditas descendebat

Johanni Verdon fratri suo, et de ipso Johanne quia obiit sine hærede de se, descendebat jus hæreditatis cuidam Theobaldo Verdon ut fratri suo et hæredi. Et de ipso jus descendebat

Johanni Verdon ut filio suo et hæredi, et de ipso Johanne quia obiit sine hærede de se, hæreditas descendebat cuidam

Theobaldo Verdon ut fratri suo et hæredi, qui duxit in uxorem Matildam filiam domini Edmondi de Mortuo Mari. De quibus

Johannes et Willielmus, et iii. filiæ, videlicet Johanna, Elizabetha, et Margeria.

Post mortem Matildæ dictus Theobaldus de Verdon disposavit Elizabetham de Burgo, nuper uxorem Johannis de Burgo filii comitis Ultoniæ, sororem Gilberti de Clare comitis Gloucestriæ. De qua Elizabetha procreatæ fuerunt duæ filiæ Isabella et Katherina.

Johannes de Verdon filius et hæres Theob. de Verdon obiit in hæreditate sine exitu de se. Post cujus mortem hæreditas descendebat

Willielmo de Verdon fratri suo qui obiit sine hærede de se. Post cujus mortem tota hæreditas (quia dicta Katherina mortua fuit sine hærede de se) divisa fuit inter quatuor filias dicti Theobaldi de Verdon.

Johanna prima filia nupta fuit Thomæ de Fornyvale, &c.

Elizabetha ii. filia nupta fuit cuidam domino Bartholomæo de Borowas sive Burghershe, &c.

Margareta iii. filia nupta fuit Hussy. Quo defuncto, nupta fuit iterum domino Willihelmo Blunt. Quo defuncto sine hærede de se, desponsata fuit tertio, domino Johanni Crop-hulle militi, et habuit exitum Thomam Crop-hulle qui disposavit Sibillam filiam domini Johannis de la Beere, de quibus Agnes nupta domino Waltero Deveros militi. De quibus Walterus, Johannes, Richardus, Thomas, Elizabetha, et Margareta. Quo quidem domino Waltero Deveros defuncto, dicta Agnes nupta fuit iterum Johanni Parr domino de Kyrkeby in Kendall. De quibus Thomas Parr, et Elizab. soror ejus sine hærede de se defuncta.

Isabella quarta filia Theobaldi de Verdon nupta fuit domino Henrico de Ferrers, &c.

Gilbertus de Lacy habuit filium Hugonem, qui habuit filium Walterum, qui habuit filium Gilbertum de Lacy, qui disposavit Isabellam Bygod sororem Johannis Bigod. De quibus Walterus de Lacy qui obiit juvenis sine exitu, et duæ filiæ sui hæredes, videlicet Margeria, et Matilda,

Matilda Lacy nupta fuit Gaufrido de Genyvyle. Et de ipsa Matilda descendebat jus cuidam

Gaufrido Genevyle ut filio suo et hæredi, qui obiit sine hærede de se, et tunc jus descendebat

Petro de Genyvile ut fratri suo, qui disposavit Johannam filiam comitis Marchiæ de partibus transmarinis et habuerunt exitum Joannam, Matildam, et Beatricem, quæ dimiserunt se in ordinem monialium apud Acornbury, in quo ordine professæ fuere, per quam dimissionem obiere sine hæredibus de se, &c. Jus partibus illarum descendit Johannæ, ut sorori et hæredi.

Johanna Genyvill hæres unica Petri de Genyvill nupta fuit Rogero de Mortuomari primo comiti Marchiæ, de quibus

Edmondus de Mortuomari et plures alii filii et filiæ. Qui Edmondus disposavit Elizabetham filiam et unam hæredum domini Bartholomæi de Badelesmer, de quibus Rogerus de Mortuomari comes etiam Marchiæ maritus Philippæ filiæ domini Willielmi Montague comitis Sarum, de quibus

Edmondus bonus de Mortuomari comes Marchiæ et etiam Ultoniæ maritus Philippæ filiæ et unius hæredum

domini Leonelli ducis Clarentii filii regis Edwardi tercii, de quibus

Rogerus de Mortimer comes Marchiæ et Ultoniæ maritus Elianoræ filiæ domini Thomæ Holland comitis Canciæ, de quibus

Edmondus, Rogerus, Anna, et Elianora.

Edmondus comes Marchiæ et Ultoniæ obiit sine hærede de se.

Rogerus frater Edmondi, sine hærede de se.

Anna soror et hæres Edmondi comitis Marchiæ, &c. dispensata fuit domino Richardo de Conesburgh comiti Cantabrigiæ, fratri Edwardi ducis Eboracensis. De quibus Richardus et Anna.

Richardus Plantagenet comes Marchiæ et Ultoniæ, &c. ex parte dictæ Annæ matris. Et ex parte dicti Richardi patris sui dux Eborum. Qui quidem Richardus pater fuit frater Edwardi ducis Eborum, sine hærede de se, filius Edmondi tercii. Qui quidem Edmondus dispensavit Isabellam filiam Petri regis Hispaniæ. Qui quidem Richardus dux Eborum comes Marchiæ, &c. dispensavit Ceciliam.

Elianora soror Annæ et filia Rogeri de Mortuomari comitis Marchiæ et Ultoniæ dispensata fuit.....Courteney primogeniti.....Courteney comitis Devonæ, quæ obiit sine hærede de se.

Isabella Bygod soror Johannis Bygod uxor Gilberti de Lacy post mortem dicti Gilberti de Lacy iterum dispensata fuit Johanni Fitz-Geffrey. De quo habuit tres filios et quatuor filias.

Richardus le Fitz John, Johannes et Willielmus. Matilda uxor Guidonis comitis Warwici.

..... secunda filia nupta fuit comiti Ultoniæ.

..... tertia filia ad le Botyler Hiberniæ.

..... quarta filia nupta fuit domino de Westmerland. De quibus

Duæ filiæ Idonia et Isabella. De quibus una dispensata fuit Rogero de Clifford. De quibus Robertus de Clifford, &c.

Memorandum quod Walterus de Lacy construxit monasterium religiosorum à fundamentis in civitate Hereford, qui habuit filium nomine Hugonem, qui per assignationem dicti Walteri patris sui primi a Conquestu dedit monachis Gloucestriæ ecclesiam sancti Petri Hereford. Et Walterus frater supradicti Walteri in egregio cœnobio S. Petri Gloucestriæ sub patris imperio aliquamdiu in monachica professione militavit, ubi postea abbas effectus, nepos ejus Gilbertus miles probatissimus sub habitu Templariorum post multos certaminum et bellorum triumphos, pro servicio regis Christi agonizare non cessavit.

Secunda filia antedicti Willihelmi Marescalli vocabatur Johanna, nupta Warino de Montecaniso, de qua habuit exitum Johannem de Montecaniso qui obiit sine hærede de se, et Johannam sororem ejus nuptam domino Willihelmo de Valentia.

Tercia filia antedicti Willihelmi Marescalli vocabatur Isabella et nupta fuit domino Gilberto de Clare comiti Glovernæ, et habuere exitum Ricardum, et Amiciam quæ fuit comitissa de.....de qua comitissa de Aubermarla et Isabella soror ejus quæ fuit uxor Roberti de Bruys et mater comitis de Carrigs.

Richardus de Clare comes Glovernæ qui dispensavit sororem comitis Marchiæ et habuit exitum

Gilbertum de Clare comitem, qui dispensavit Johannam filiam regis Edwardi primi, et habuere exitum

Gilbertum de Clare, et Alianoram, Margaretam, et Elizabetham.

Gilbertus de Clare dispensavit Matildam filiam comitis Ultoniæ, et obiit sine hærede de corpore suo.

Alianora soror et una hæredum prædicti Gilberti de Clare dispensata Hugoni le Dispenser juniore, quo defuncto, nupta fuit domino Willielmo la Zouche domino de Glamorgan et de Morgannok.

Margareta secunda soror et una hæredum prædicti Gilberti de Clare dispensata Hugoni Daudeley.

Elizabetha tertia soror et tertia hæres dicti Gilberti de Clare dispensata Johanni de Burgo comiti Ultoniæ et Hertford. De quibus

Willielmus de Burgo comes Ultoniæ et Hertford maritus Matildæ filiæ tertiæ Henrici comitis Lancastriæ fratris et hæredis comitis Lancastriæ apud Pontefractum decollati tempore regis Edwardi filii regis Edwardi, (qui fuere filii

Edmondi comitis Lancastriæ) et qui quidem Henricus fuit pater Henrici ducis Lancastriæ, de quibus Willielmus de Burgo et Matilda uxor ejus, unica fuit filia et hæres.....Elizabetham nupta primuni Rogero D'ammori, quo sine hærede defuncto, postea nupta fuit secundo Lyonello duci Clarentiæ filio regis Edwardi tercii. De quibus procreata fuit

Philippa unica filia et hæres, dispensata illustrissimo domino domino Edmundo de Mortuomari sic nuncupato, bono, comiti Marchiæ et de jure uxoris suæ comiti Ultoniæ, de quibus Rogerus comes, de quo Edmondus comes sine hærede de se. Qua de causa tota ejus hæreditas descendebat Annæ sorori suæ et unicæ hæredi matri Ricardi ducis Eborum et comitis Marchiæ.

Quarta filia dicti Willielmi Marescalli, vocabatur Sibilla, et nupta fuit Willielmo de Ferrers comiti Derbiæ, de qua procreata fuere septem filiæ. Quarum prima vocabatur Agnes, secunda Isabella, tertia Matilda, quarta Sibilla, quinta Johanna, sexta Alianora, septima Agatha.

Agnes prima filia nupta fuit Willielmo de Vescy de qua Johannes de Vescy sine hærede de se, et Willielmus de Vescy qui habuit exitum Johannem de Vescy qui obiit ante patrem suum, et postea dictus Willihelmus Vescy pater sine hærede de se.

Isabella Basset, secunda filia nupta Reginaldo de Monteminiore de quibus Willihelmus de Monte-minore, de quo Willihelmus de Monte sine hærede de se de iisdem Isabella et Reginaldo filiam nomine Alianoram nuptam Johanni filio Nicholai de Carrew, et Margareta soror ejus sine hærede de se, et Maria soror ejus nupta Johanni Meriot, qui obiit sine hærede de se.

Matylda de Kyme, tertia filia, nupta Almarico de Rupe-Edwardi, de quibus Johanna de Vynon, Cecilia de Bello-campo, Sibilla nupta Almarico de Archiaks in Piganra.

Sibilla de Bohun, quarta filia, de qua Johannes Bohun de Midhurst. De ipso Johanne, Johannes.

Johanna quinta filia nupta Johanni de Mohun, de quibus Johannes de Mohun, de quo Johannes, de eo Johannes.

Alianora, sexta filia, fuit comitissa de Wintonia, et obiit sine hærede de se.

Agatha septima filia nupta fuit Hugoni de Mortuomari domino de Chelmershe, qui fuit filius Rodulphi de Mortuomari domini de Wigmore, de quibus Hugo et Agatha, Johannes de Mortemer qui obiit sine hærede de se, et Henricus Mortymer, de quo Hugo, de quo Henricus de Mortymer qui dispensavit Elisabetham filiam. De quibus

Willielmus	} qui omnes obierunt sine hærede de se.
Hugo	
Jacobus	
Edmundus	
Thomas	
Rogerus	

Et Johanna et Margareta.

Quæ quidem Johanna fuit mater Matildis matris Johannis de Cressi senioris, consanguinei et hæredis propinquioris Hugonis fratris Willihelmi supradicti. Qui quidem Hugo frater Willihelmi ut supponitur interfectus fuit in bello regis Henrici quarti apud Salop. Et quia prædictus Hugo frater Willihelmi et cæteri omnes supradicti obierunt sine hærede masculo de se, manerium de Chelmershe revertere debet Richardo duci Eborum comiti Marchiæ et Ultoniæ et domino de Wigmore, ut consanguineo et hæredi supradicti Radulphi de Mortimer, videlicet filio et hæredi Annæ sororis et unicæ hæredis Edmondi comitis Marchiæ et Ultoniæ filii Rogeri filii Edmondi, filii Rogeri, filii Edmondi, filii Rogeri, filii Edmondi, filii Rogeri, filii Radulphi qui dedit, &c.

Quinta filia antedicti Willielmi Marescalli vocabatur Eva, quæ nupta fuit Willielmo de Brewes quarto antedicto cum dominio de Breknok. De quibus tres filiæ, videlicet Matilda, Alianora, et Eva.

Matilda primogenita prædicti Willihelmi et Evæ consortis suæ nupta fuit domino Rogero de Mortuomari domino de Wigmore, de quibus Edmondus pater Rogeri. Pater Edmondi pater Rogeri. Pater Edmondi pater Rogeri. Pater Edmondi frater Annæ, matris Richardi ducis Eboraci et comitis Marchiæ et Ultoniæ, &c.

Alianora secunda filia nupta fuit Humfrido de Bohun vj. de quibus Humfridus de Bohun Herefordiæ comes, &c. et de eo Humfridus de Bohun, &c.

Eva tertia filia nūpta fuit Willielmo de Cantilupo, de quibus Georgius sine hærede de se, et Johanna nupta Henrico de Hastings et Milisannt de Monte-alto quæ fuit uxor Ivonis de la Zouch.

NUM. VI.

[Cart. Antiq. Off. Augment. K. 28.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Thomas abbas monasterii beatae Mariæ Virginis de Tynterna in Marchia Walliæ et ejusdem loci conventus salutem in Domino sempiternam. Sciatis nos præfat. abbatem et conventum unanimi assensu et consensu tocus nostri capituli ordinavimus et constituimus dilectos nobis in Christo nobilissimum virum Carolum comitem Wigorn. ac Henricum Somerset dominum Herbert filium et hæredem apparantem ipsius comitis pro bona memoria sua et voluntate nobis et monasterio nostro ante hoc tempus impensis et imposterum impendendis ac tuitione et defensione nostri et monasterii nostri, ac libertatum et franchisesiarum omnium dominiorum, maneriorum, terrarum et tenementorum, ac tenencium nostrorum in eisdem commorancium tam in Anglia quam in Wallia capitalem senescallum domini sive manerii nostri ac Acle in comitatu Norfolc. cum omnibus suis pertinentiis habendum, tenendum et occupandum officium prædictum præfat. Carolo et Henrico per se vel per sufficientem deputatum suum sive sufficientes deputatos suos vel eorum alterius pro termino vitæ eorum et eorum alterius diucius viventis capiend. et annuatim percipiend. pro occupatione officii prædicti quadraginta solidos sterlingorum annuatim solvend. semel in anno, videlicet ad festum Annunciationis beatae Mariæ Virginis tam de exitibus firm. et revencion. domini sive manerii nostri prædicti per manus receptorum, ballivorum, firmariorum sive aliorum occupatorum eorumdem pro tempore existencium, cum omnibus aliis proficiis advantagiis et commoditatibus eidem officio ab antiquo debitis et consuetis in tam amplis modo et forma prout aliquis alius sive aliqui alii temporibus præteritis habuerunt et perceperunt in eodem. Volumus eciam et concedimus pro nobis et successoribus nostris per præsentis quod si contingat prædictos quadraginta solidos aretro fore in parte vel in toto insolutos per spacium unius mensis post festum prædict. quo solvi debeat quod tunc bene licebit præfatis Carolo et Henrico aut suo certo attornato sive alicujus eorum certo attornato ibidem intrare distringere et districciones sic captas capere, effugare, asportare, ac penes se retinere quousque de prædictis quadraginta solidis et qualibet inde parcella cum arreragiis si quæ fuerint nobis plenarie fuerint satisfacti et persoluti. In cujus rei testimonium has litteras nostras sub sigillo nostro communi fieri fecimus patentis. Data apud Tynternam prædictam in domo nostra capituli vicesimo octavo die mensis Julii anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo quartodecimo et anno regni regis Henrici octavi post conquestum Angliæ sexto.

NUM. VII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits' Office.]

MONASTERIUM DE TINTERNA.

VALOR seu status oīm annual' recep' de singlis dōinii mānis, grang', terr', teñt', reddit', possession' et decim' n'non de ceter' fruct' et proven' quibuscūq' tā tempal' qā spūalibz monasterio de Tinterna in M'chia Wallie sp'ctan' capt' p compm Riçi Wyche abbis ibidm p'imo die Septēbr' anno r^s Henrici octavi 27°.

Recep' Annual' Dñior' Grang' Mañior' et Firm'.

In primis p'dcūs computat se añuatim recepis de exit' terr' dōinii et māni de Acle in cōitat' Norfolk' Norwic' dioc' t'adit' ad firm' . . . 50l. 0s. 0d.
Et in añual' recep' blad' pven' de grang' de Wolaston Herford' dioc' tradit' ad firm' . . . 22l. 0s. 0d.
Et in añual' recep' blad' pven' de grang' de Rogeston Land' dioc' ad usu' ppiū resvat' . . . 7l. 0s. 0d.
Et in añual' recep' blad' pven' de grang' de Ruddyng Land' dioc' tradit' ad firm' . . . 7l. 0s. 0d.
Et in añual' recep' blad' pven' de grang' de Mora Land' dioc' in usu' ppiū resvat' . . . 6l. 0s. 0d.

Et in añual' recep' pven' de grang' de Trelleck Land' dioc' tradit' in man' diṽsor' tenen' . . . 8l. 16s. 10½d.
Et in añual' recep' pven' de grang' de Modesgate Herford' dioc' tradit' in man' firmar' . . . 6l. 0s. 0d.
Et in añual' recep' blad' pven' de grang' de Martirgeryn Land' dioc' t'adit' ad firm' . . . 6l. 0s. 0d.
Et in añual' recep' pven' de grang' de Brockwer Herford' dioc' t'adit' in man' diṽs' tenen' . . . 5l. 16s. 8d.
Et in añual' recep' pven' de grang' de Pethlenny Land' dioc' tradit' ad firm' . . . 2l. 13s. 4d.
Et in añual' recep' pven' de grag' vocat' Seculer Firmary Land' dioc' tradit' ad firm' . . . 0l. 13s. 4d.
Et in añual' recep' pven' de mañio de Alṽdeston Herford' dioc' tradit' ad firm' . . . 3l. 10s. 0d.
Et in añual' recep' proven' de terr' dñical' ppe mo^{riu} p'dcū tradit' diṽs' tenen' . . . 3l. 6s. 8d.
Et in añual' recep' pven' de firm' ppe mo^{riu} p'dc' vocat' Le Tanhouse t'adit' ad firm' . . . 2l. 13s. 4d.
S̄m^a . . . 131l. 10s. 1½d.

Reddit' assign' et Pquisic' Cur'.

In añual' recep' reddit' assign' et pquisic' cur' ap^d Wolaston, Alṽdeston et Halishall, ut patet p cōpm ballivor' et receptōr' p rentale ibidm . . . 25l. 12s. 8d.

Et in añual' recep' reddit' assign' et pquisic' cur' ap^d Magor ut patet per cōpm ballivor' et receptor' ibidm . . . 24l. 14s. 4d.

Et in añual' recep' reddit' assign' et pquisic' cur' ap^d Portasseck ut patz p cōpm ball' et recept' ibm . . . 9l. 0s. 0d.

Et in añual' recep' reddit' assign' et pquisic' cur' ap^d Strugl' ut patz p cōpm ball' receptor' ibm . . . 1l. 0s. 0d.

Et in añual' recep' reddit' assign' apud Hewell Felde Herford' dioc' . . . 3l. 10s. 0d.

Et in añual' recep' reddit' assign' apud villam de Bristol' . . . 0l. 10s. 0d.

Et in añual' recep' reddit' assign' de mo^{rio} de Flaxley . . . 0l. 10s. 0d.

S̄m^a . . . 64l. 17s. 0d.

Vend' Bosc'.

In recept' de bosc' mo^{rio} p'dcō spectan' cōibus annis ad usū ppiū vend' . . . 5l. 0s. 0d.

S̄m^a . . . 5l. 0s. 0d.

Blad' Decim' et Oblac'.

In recep' blad' decim' apud Lydde Cantuar' dioc' cōibus annis dimiss' ad firm' . . . 29l. 6s. 8d.

Et in consili recep' blad' decim' apud Magor et Redd-wike . . . 14l. 10s. 0d.

Et in consili recep' blad' decim' apud Wolaston et Alwynton . . . 7l. 6s. 8d.

Et in recep' p'ivat' decim' in festo Pasche ap^d mo^{riu} p'dcū cōibz annis . . . 2l. 0s. 0d.

Et in recep' minoral' et pdial' decim' vocat' Lamas Tethys, cū singlis oblac' et fruct' spūalibz apud mo^{riu} p'dc' cōibz annis . . . 2l. 0s. 0d.

S̄m^a . . . 55l. 4s. 4d.

S̄m^a total' om' reception' . . . 256l. 11s. 6½d.

Deduction' in Allocat' p'dcō Monasterio de Tintarna ut inferius patz.

Liber' Reddit' Capítal' Dñis añuati' resolut'.

In p'mis p'dcūs abbas petit alloc' pro libero reddit' añuati' resolut' dño regi p quarrar' infra Wieswode . . . 0l. 2s. 0d.

Et in cōsili liber' reddit' eidm dño regi p teñt' infra burg' de Telleck . . . 0l. 2s. 6d.

Et in añual' reddit' liber' añuati resolut' dño de Strugull p piscar' inf^a Wayam . . . 2l. 12s. 0d.

Et in consili liber' reddit' eidm dño p terr' apud Hallishall . . . 0l. 9s. 0d.

Et in consili liber' reddit' eidm dño pro terr' vocat' Le Rods . . . 0l. 10s. 0d.

Et in consili liber' reddit' eidm dño pro terr' apud Morā de Mago^r . . . 0l. 2s. 0d.

Et in añual' resolut' liber' reddit' mo ^{rio} de Malmesbury p terr' vocat' Modes Galessponne, &c.	1l.	6s.	8d.
Et in añual' resoluc' liber' reddit' hered' Walteri Herbert milit'	0l.	2s.	0d.
Et in añual' resoluc' liber' reddit' hered' Willmi Herbert de Troy milit'	0l.	2s.	0d.
Et in añual' resoluc' Willmo Phelpot de liber' reddit' p prat' vocat' Le Pantrymeds	1l.	0s.	0d.
Et in añual' resolut' liber' reddit' hered' Joñinis Worwode	0l.	1s.	3d.
Et in añual' resolut' liber' reddit' hered' Mauricii Lenny	0l.	0s.	1d.
S ^m a	6l.	9s.	6d.

Feod' Annual'.

In resoluc' añual' feod' dno coiti Wigornie senescallo apud Acle	2l.	0s.	0d.
Et in consili feod' añuati' resolut' Thome Clere armigero ballio ibidm	3l.	0s.	0d.
Et in consili feod' añuati' resolut' Edmūdo Turn' auditor' ibidm	2l.	0s.	0d.
Et in consili feod' Joñini Maryck receptor' ibidm et apud Lydde	6l.	10s.	0d.
Et in consili feod' Carolo Herbert arigero senescallo apd mo ^{riu} pdcū	3l.	0s.	0d.
Et in consili feod' Hugoni ap Thomas ballio ibidm	3l.	0s.	0d.
Et in consili feod' Riço Goldesmyth auditor' ibidm	2l.	0s.	0d.
Et in consili feod' Thome Sodbury gñali receptor' ap ^d mo ^{riu} pdcū	3l.	0s.	0d.
Et in consili feod' Joñini Goughe ballio apud Wolaston	1l.	6s.	8d.
Et in consili feod' Joñini Hentland ballio ap ^d Aldvston et Hallishall	1l.	6s.	8d.
Et in cōsili feod' Davyd Blethyn ballio apud Magor	1l.	13s.	4d.
Et in consili feod' Thome Williams ballio apud Pethlenny	0l.	13s.	4d.
Et in consili feod' Willmo Kyrpe ballio ap' Hewelsfelde	0l.	13s.	4d.
Et in consili feod' Lawrencio ap Glin ballio ap ^d grāg' de Trelleck	0l.	13s.	4d.
Et in consili feod' Thome Richards ballio apud Strugull	0l.	6s.	8d.
Et in consili feod' Thome Herbert coronator' ap ^d mo ^{riu} pdcū consuet' ex original' fundacione	1l.	6s.	8d.
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S ^m a	31l.	3s.	8d.

Pension' Ppetual'.

In ppetual' pension' añuatim resolut' vicario de Wolaston	2l.	0s.	0d.
Et in consili pension' vicario de Magor	2l.	0s.	0d.
Et in consili pension' vicario de Halvgate	2l.	0s.	0d.
Et in añual' pension' p'ori de Lantony p decim' capelle de Alwynton	2l.	2s.	0d.
Et in consili pension' p'orisse de Carewe p decim' ecclie de Halvgate	1l.	10s.	0d.
Et in consili pension' p'ori de Shene pro decim' ecclie de Tudenhame	1l.	0s.	0d.
Et in consili pension' p'ori de Golde Clyffe p decim' ecclie de Pořton	0l.	5s.	0d.
S ^m a	10l.	17s.	0d.

Corrod' ex origial' Fundac'.

In añual' corrod' portar' mo ^{riu} pdc' cōsuet' ex origial' fundac'	5l.	0s.	0d.
Et in cōsili corrod' lotor' vestimētor' mo ^{riu} ex cōsuetud' ořgial' fūdac'	4l.	0s.	0d.
Et in cōsili corrod' clico ecclie mo ^{riu} pdc' consuet' ex origial' fūdacon'	4l.	10s.	0d.
Et in consili corrod' custodi passagii apud mo ^{riu} pdcū consuet' ex original' fundacion'	4l.	0s.	0d.
S ^m a	17l.	10s.	0d.
disallo' p statut' inde.			

Elemosine annual' cōsuet' ex origial' Fundaciōe.

In elemosin' blad' dist'but' apud mo ^{riu} pdict' añuati' cōsuet' ex origial' fūdac'	2l.	6s.	8d.
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Et in consili blad' añuati' distribut' ap ^d Wolaston consuet' ex origial' fūdac'	2l.	13s.	4d.
Et in cōsili blad' añuati' dist'but' ap ^d Acle consuet' ex origial' fūdacione	2l.	6s.	8d.
Et in consili blad' añuati' dist'but' apud Lydde cōsuet' ex origial' fūdac'	2l.	6s.	8d.
Et in elemosin' añuati' dist'but' in cena Dñi apud mo ^{riu} pdcū ex origial' fūdacionis consuetudine	1l.	10s.	0d.

Et in elemosin' quinquies añuati' dist'but' apud mo ^{riu} pdcū p aia Rogeri le Bygod cōit' Norfolk' et p aīabus añcessor' suor' fūdator' pdc' mo ^{riu} scz in fest' Nat' Xpi Purificaciōis Bte Marie dñic' in ramis palmar' Assūptiōis Bte Me et Omi' Sctor'	4l.	3s.	4d.
Et in elemosin' añuati' dist'but' ap ^d mo ^{riu} pdcū in die Ssti Nicholai pro annivsar' dict' coit' Norfolk' scz Rogeri le Bygod	1l.	0s.	0d.

S ^m a	15l.	6s.	8d.
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Stipend' Añual'.

In añual' resolut' stipend' p vestur' monachor'	28l.	0s.	0d.
Et in cōsili pro 6 švien' abbi dict' mo ^{riu}	12l.	0s.	0d.
Et in stipend' švien' in piscina dict' mo ^{riu}	6l.	0s.	0d.
Et in stipend' švien' in coquā mo ^{riu} pdict'	4l.	0s.	0d.
Et in stipend' scissor' vestiar'	1l.	6s.	8d.
Et in stipend' barbetonsor'	1l.	6s.	8d.
Et in stipend' custod' equor'	1l.	6s.	8d.
Et in stipend' ligniscissor'	1l.	6s.	8d.
S ^m a	54l.	6s.	8d.

Pcuracion' Añual'.

In pcuracion' ēpo Hereford' añuati' p visitac'	1l.	4s.	5½d.
Et in consili ēpo Land' pro visitac'	0l.	3s.	4d.
Et in pcurac' añual' p ecclia de Lydde	0l.	13s.	4d.
In pane vino cera et oleo ad usu' ecclie dict' mo ^{riu} cōibz annis	8l.	0s.	0d.
S ^m a	10l.	1s.	1½d.
S ^m a	0l.	13s.	4d.

S ^m a total' om' deduction'	64l.	10s.	2d.
	145l.	7s.	7½d.

Et sic videtur reman' suppluasag' adhuc de recept'	110l.	3s.	11d.
Et rem' clar'	192l.	1s.	4½d.
Decima inde	19l.	4s.	1¼d.
S ^m a to ^{lis} clar' val' dec' pdict'	258l.	5s.	10½d.
Decima inde	25l.	16s.	6¾d.

NUM. VIII.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE TYNTERNE.

Com'	Norf'	£	s.	d.
	Acle—Firma reddit' maner', cum terr', prat'; pascuis et pasturis, &c.	55	0	0
Com'	Kanc'			
	Leedes—Firma rector'	33	6	8
Com'	Monm'			
	Tynterne—Scit' monaster'			
	Tynterne, Wolwaston, Rogeston, Rundynge, Morra, Trelege, Mo-			
	desgate, Matigri, Brokwere, Pol-			
	thelnay, Seculery, Fermer, Wol-			
	laston, Alverston, Hallesall, Ma-			
	gor, Purtasset, Strugull, et Huel-			
	feld—Maneria sive grangia			
	Plumwere, Asshewere, Ithelswere,			
	Walwayer—Gurgites in aqua de			
	Wye			
	Angedymyll—Molend' cum firma			
	de le Tan House			
	Magor, Redwyke, Wollaston, Hal-			
	ston, et Alwyngton—Rectoria			

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Concess' Henrico comiti Wigorniaë, adeo plene et integre ac in tam amplis modo et forma prout Ricardus Wiche nuper abbas dictæ abbathiæ de Tynterne in jure abbathiæ illius, &c. habuit, tenuit vel gavisus fuit, &c. habend' et te-

nend' præfato comiti Wigorniaë et hæredibus de corpore suo legitime procreatis tenend' in capite per servitium militare videlicet per decimam partem unius feodi militis, &c.

Rieball, Riber, or Ribaulx Abbey, in Yorkshire.



IEVALL was the first abbey of the Cistercian order founded in Yorkshire, A.D. 1131, by Walter Espec; who allotted to certain of the monks who had been sent to England in 1128 by St. Bernard of Clarevall, a solitary place in Blakemore, near Hame-lac, now Helmesley, surrounded by steep hills, and covered with wood and ling, near the angles of three different vales, with each a rivulet running through them, that passing where the abbey was built being called Rie, whence this vale took its name, and this religious house was thence called the Abbey of Rievall. Here William, the first abbat, began the building of the monastery; dedicating it to the Virgin Mary.

Pope Alexander the Third, by his bull dated A.D. 1160, took this monastery into his immediate protection; enjoining that the Cistercian order should there continue for ever; confirming to the monks all their possessions, many of which are specified; exempting them from the payment of tithes; forbidding all persons to detain any of the brethren of the house; charging all bishops not to interdict them, unless for some notorious offence; allowing them to perform divine offices in private, although the county might happen to be under an interdict; declaring any person excommunicate who should presume to steal any thing out of their lands, or to take any man thence, and confirming all the immunities granted to them by King Henry the First or King Henry the Second.^a

Pope Alexander the Fourth, sometime before 1261, confirmed their exemption from tithes; explaining that this exemption extended also to the tithes of such newly cultivated ground as they might occupy, or be at the expense of improving.^b

Burton, who had access to many charters which the editors of this work have not been able to obtain a sight of, has given an enumeration of the possessions of Rievall in alphabetical order; whence it appears that

Robert de Samford, minister of the knights templars in England, with the advice and consent of the chapter of London, granted to the monks a carriage-way beyond Greenhill in the territory of *Alverstain*, or *Allerstan*.^c Torphin de Alverstain, Alan his son, and Maud his wife, gave pasture for five hundred sheep in this territory, where other cattle fed, with three acres of land here in Morthou, for a sheep-fold. They also gave two acres and a half in Wandaile, with one acre of meadow of their demesne in the south of Hella.^d The said Torphin de Alverstain also gave one carucate of land here, which was confirmed by Pope Alexander the Third.^e

By Fin. Ebor. 52 Hen. III. n. 5, the monks of Rievall had half a carucate of land in *Angeram*.

John son of John the vintner gave a house and land in Flemmingate in the town of *Beverley*.^f Robert de Scrylage, also, gave land of sixty feet in length and thirty broad in this territory.^g

Helyas son of Robert de Bellerby confirmed pasture to the monks in *Bellerby*, or *Belgherby*, for four hundred and ninety sheep, and for thirty ewes, with their lambs; with land to build shepherds' houses, &c. He likewise granted them twelve acres of meadow, and free passage through his territory in that place for themselves, their carriages, &c.^h Helyas de Belgherby gave two acres of meadow here, with all his meadow abutting in length upon the water of Ter-vine.ⁱ

Ralph son of Huctred de Bergheby gave twelve acres of meadow in *Bergheby*.^k

Walter Espec, the founder, gave *Bilesdale*.^l

Robert abbat of Thorenton confirmed the land in *Bolum* which Thomas de Bilton had given them.^m

Odo de Boltby gave lands in *Boltby*.ⁿ

Jordan de Buscy gave half a carucate of land in *Bol-ton*.^o Copsi de Tunstal gave a house with a toft in the same place.^p Acharius de Tunstal, A.D. 1172, 18 Hen. II. with the consent of Roger, Richard, and . . . rri his sons, gave a grange there, viz. twenty-one acres and a half of land.^q Alan Buscy gave one carucate in this territory in as free a manner as Walter Espec, his uncle, had done.^r

Alan de Surdevalle confirmed the grant of Robert his brother, of common pasture for three hundred sheep in the territory of *Bothlum*.^s

Jordan Paen gave a grange in *Brocton*, now Little Broughton.^t John de Ever also released the monks from doing homage to him for lands in *Brocton Parva*.^u

Gaufrid de Toreng gave an annuity of 1l. 10s. out of six oxgangs of land in *Brocton-Magna*, with the homage and service of those who held the said lands. He also gave the homage and service of Thomas Eyre, and his heirs, for one carucate and three tofts in demesnes here, together with one oxgang of land in *Brocton Parva*.^x By the Fin. Ebor. 8 Edw. III. n. 165, the monks of Rievall had tofts here. King Henry the Third granted them free-warren here.^y

Gaufrid Bret de Karleton gave one culture of land in the territory of *Buskeby-Magna*, now Bussby, called *Sted-flat*.^z Stephen son of John de Ponthou gave an annuity of eight shillings out of two oxgangs and a half of land in the same territory.^a

By the Fin. Ebor. 14 Edw. I. n. 36, it appears that the monks had fourteen oxgangs of land in *Buskeby* or *Baskeby Parva*.

By Fin. Ebor. 8 Edw. III. n. 165, and Pat. 14 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 33, it appears that the monks had several mes-suages, eight tofts, and other lands in *Bulford*.

William son of Henry de Caiton confirmed two parts of the mill, with the suit thereof, and five oxgangs of land in the territory of *Caiton*.^b Robert de Ross confirmed the eight oxgangs of land in this place which were given by Alan his uncle.^c

^a See the Append. Num. IX.

^c Burton, Monast. Ebor. p. 359.

^e Append. Num. V.

^f Ibid.

^h Burton, ut supr. p. 359.

^k Ibid.

^l See the Append. of Instrum. Num. IV.

^m Burton, ut supr.

^b Num. XV.

^d Ibid.

^g Ibid.

ⁱ Ibid.

ⁿ See the Append. Num. IX.

^o Ibid. Num. V.

^q Ibid.

^r Lib. Rieval. pp. 62, 89. Collect. MSS. Johnston, v. K. 1, p. 80.

^s Burton, ut supr.

^t Burton, ut supr.

^u Cart. 53 Hen. III. n. 14.

^v Burton, ut supr.

^w Lib. Rieval. Johnston's MSS. v. K. 1, p. 79.

^p Ibid.

^q Append. Num. V.

^r Burton, ut supr.

^s Ibid.

^t Ibid.



Robert de Scutterscelf confirmed four oxgangs which John de Langeberghe gave of his fee in *Carleton*.^a

Hugh bishop of Durham gave the vill of *Cotum*.^b

Peter de Brus confirmed what the monks held in *Crancemore*:^c the abbat also had a grant of free warren here.^d

G. bishop of Durham confirmed *Crosseby* to the monks; and gave the third part of his mill here,^e which William de St. Barbara bishop of Durham had given A.D. 1151.^f

King Henry the Second gave the land of *Culverthesmerc*.^g

Adam son of Robert de Cuthewrde gave five acres of arable land and one of meadow in *Cuthewrdhe*.^h

Peter de Trese gave pasture in *Erdene*, or *Arden*.ⁱ

Robert de Scutterscelf gave two oxgangs in *Faceby*.^k

Adam son of Peter gave a place called *Faveddre* in Rumblesmore, with an essart of land in Stainburgh called Aughtewart "ad favercas faciend." and all the iron mines of the same town, with wood necessary to make charcoal; but they were not to have any other "faverca" there.^l

Walter son of Gilbert le Scroope confirmed the grant of Symon le Scroop, of fifty acres and one rood upon Walddik in *Flottemanby*, now Floddenby; with all the turbary in the marsh under How. He also gave one acre of cultivated land between this turbary and How; with all his meadow in Hok and Horseholm, with half an acre of cultivated land in Oustholm.^m

Ralph Fitzwalter gave half a carucate of land in *Folke-ton*, with a culture of land called Ravensdale, and pasture for a thousand sheep and cattle.ⁿ Richard, son of Richard de Lasey, also confirmed to the monks all the lands, meadows, &c. which his ancestors had given in this township, viz. the abovesaid half carucate of land, &c. He also gave eight acres and a half of meadow called Ovenham-Eng, with a culture here called Cochou, and pasture for certain horses, beasts, &c. in a pasture called Le Fryth. He also confirmed ten acres of land under Langcamp, which Walter de Folketon gave: as also that portion of land in Balde-wyndale given by Walter, son of Walter de Folketon. Moreover, he confirmed two tofts, and various acres of arable land in the wolds of the town, given by the prior and convent of Kirkham, with the culture of Adam Hou, called Langcamp, another called Wandayles, a third called Hundehou, with two others upon Aldfelt; all which he granted, with others held by them of his fee, to be exempt from all terrene service, suits of court, or secular exaction.^o Robert Fitz-Thomas, baron of Graystock, confirmed to the monks eight acres and three roods of land and meadow in this territory, given by Ranulph, son of Walter de Folketon, and a culture of land called Cotehill, containing thirty acres, given by William, son of Roger, son of Malger de Hundemanby.^p Walter, son of Ivo, gave half a carucate here.^q William, son of Theobald, gave sixteen acres in the field of Folketon in the time of Silvan the abbat.^r

William, son of Walter de Percy, of Kildale, confirmed the manor of *Foxton in Cleveland*, given to the monks by William de Grey, saving his free warren here.^s

Hubert de Camnevil gave his mill in Friton, called Poker, near the hall of Slingsby, with the multure and suit thereof.^t

According to the Placita Assis. Ebor. 15 Hen. III rot. 16. the monks had five carucates of land in *Gilleston*.

Walter Espec, the founder, gave four carucates of land in *Grift*, as specified by the boundaries.^u Hugh Malebisse gave pasture for the cattle tilling their land in Grift subter Scalton.^x

John de Eyvile quitclaimed three carucates and two oxgangs of land of his fee in *Halton*: and also gave five oxgangs more, with tofts which Dionysia, his mother, bought of William Fitz-William.^y

Sir William de Harum, knight, confirmed the meadow called *Gocelyng-enge*, which his ancestors had given to the monks, free from all service and suits of court, with free egress and regress for all carriages, &c. through all the territory of Harum, except over corn and meadow.^z

Walter Espec gave the manor of *Helmesley*, with wood and pannage for their hogs out of his forest of Hamelac.^a Everard, son of Robert de Ros, also gave an essart here, with his wood on the west side of the town.^b

Robert de Vileyri gave all his land in the common field of Helewykc, and in the field of Fahedes, with common pasture in the township of Helwyk, as specified by the boundaries.^c

Ralph, son of William, son of Gosceline, gave sixteen acres of land in *Herlesay Magna*.^d He also gave twenty acres of land there, together with the capital messuage of the place, and an half acre of meadow, which were confirmed by Thomas le Mercer and Alice his wife.^e Robert de Lascels, lord of Bordley, confirmed two oxgangs of land in Herlesay Magna,^f twenty acres of cultivated land, another culture of thirteen acres,^g and one oxgang of land.^h Peter de Brus, the third, confirmed what the monks held of his fee here, and in some other places.ⁱ William, son of Andrew de Lasceles, gave all his lands here as specified in his charter,^k with four other acres here.^l Robert de Lasceles also confirmed three oxgangs here, with a toft, croft, and half an acre of meadow.^m

Sir Thomas de Heslarton, knight, gave four oxgangs and four tofts in *Heslarton East*.ⁿ Sir Adam de Everingham, knight, confirmed the same, and exempted them from all services and suits of court,^o as did Sir William Preston, knight.^p John Ingram, lord of Dale, gave a carriage way from the south end of this vill, as described at large in his deed.^q Robert, son of James de Est-Heslarton gave two oxgangs of land here:^r and Walter Engelram thirty acres of land with pasture for a thousand sheep.^s

Odo de Bolthebi, before A.D. 1145, gave *Hastelscait* or *Hayesthathe* to William, abbat of Rieval, where King Henry the Third granted the monks free warren.^t

Marmaduke Darel gave certain lands in *Holme*, with a road over his moor to Coldic; the monks to keep the bridge in repair.^u

Ralph Beler gave *Hoveton* or *Hotavin-Ridale*, in 1151.^x Roger de Mowbrai afterwards confirmed this town. Robert de Stuteville gave other lands here.^y

Gilbert de Gant, in the time of Ailred the abbat, gave *Hundemandby Grange*, which his daughter the countess confirmed, with pasture for five hundred sheep and for other draught animals. She also confirmed what earl Symon her husband gave; and what Ralph de Neville and Ralph Fitz-Walter gave in Folketone.^z

John de Ever exempted the monks here from doing homage to him for what they had in the territory of *Kirkby in Cliveland*.^a

By Pat. 43 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 33. the monks of Rievall had liberties in the manor of *Kirkmareys* in the forest of Pickeringe, which were renewed by a Patent 14 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 35.

Torphin de Alverstain, with the consent of his sons Torphin and Odo, gave twelve perches of land near the east side of their grange at *Latun*, with ten perches of meadow.^b

William, son of Henry de Caiton, confirmed all of his

^a Burton ut supr.

^c Ibid.

^e Lib. Rieval. p. 129.

^g Compare Num. IX.

ⁱ Append. Num. V.

^l See Num. V.

ⁿ Ibid.

^p Ibid.

^r Burton, ut supr.

^t Ibid.

^u Lib. Rieval. p. 46. Johnston's MSS. v. K. 1. p. 79.

^y Burton, ut supr. p. 36.

^a Append. Num. IV.

^c Ibid.

^b Append. Num. V.

^d Cart. 53 Hen. III. n. 14.

^f See Num. V.

^h Burton, ut supr.

^k Burton, ut supr.

^m Burton, ut supr.

^o Ibid.

^q Append. Num. V.

^s Ibid.

^u See Append. Num. IV.

^y Ibid. p. 361.

^a Burton, ut supr.

^c Ibid.

^e Ibid.

^g Ibid.

ⁱ Ibid.

^l Ibid.

ⁿ Ibid.

^p Ibid.

^r Ibid.

^t Ibid.

^u Compare Numm. V. IX. See also Cart. 53 Hen. III. n. 4.

^x Burton, ut supr.

^y Append. Num. V.

^z Lib. de Rieval. pp. 38, 33. Johnston's MSS. v. K. 1. pp. 79, 80.

^a Dodesa. B. 142. Johnston's MSS. v. K. 1. p. 73.

^c Compare Num. XIII.

^b See the Append. Num. V.

^f Ibid.

^h Ibid.

^k Ibid.

^m Ibid.

^o Ibid.

^q Ibid.

^s Append. Num. V.

fee that Robert de Ros had given to the monks in *Ledbriston*.^a Alice, relict of William, son of Robert de Aton, in A.D. 1245, 29 Hen. III. quitclaimed to the monks all her right of dower in six oxgangs of land in *Ledbriston*.^b

According to Kirkby's Inquest the abbat of Rieval was lord of Malton cum Bedelom.

Bernard Tiliol gave three acres and three roods of land in *Middleton*.^c

William de Stulta-villa gave land in *Morton* between the high-road of Hestescheit and the boundary of Boltheby.^d Robert Lasceles also, with the consent of Maud his wife, and Gerard, his heir, gave one carucate in this village.^e Odo de Bolteby gave lands here;^f as did Robert of Herlesay;^g and King Henry the Third granted the monks free warren in this territory.^h

William, son of William, Peter Rabbas, and Julian de Sutton, heirs of Robert de Surdervale, their uncle, confirmed the grants of the said Robert, of lands in *Nagolton*, alias *Nalton*. He also gave common pasture of three carucates here, as described by the boundaries, for three hundred sheep; and also common of pasture in Bothlum, with free egress and regress, from their sheep-fold of Schirpnum to the said pasture, as far as their land continued.ⁱ John, son of Roger de Valoines de Nalton, confirmed five oxgangs of and, with a capital messuage, and with tofts and crofts which Roger his father had given.^k

Bernard de Bailol gave the fishery at *Neuhase*, or *Newhouse*.^l

Walter, son of Henry de Alverton and Agnes his wife, gave twelve acres of arable land in the territory of *Neusom upon Teyse*.^m Robert, son and heir of Ralph, son of Gille de Neusum, gave two oxgangs and fifteen acres of land in Neusom field, with tofts and crofts.ⁿ Henry le Scroope gave one messuage with tofts, a sheep-fold, and fourteen acres of land in this territory in exchange for other lands.^o Thomas son of Gille de Neuhusum, gave seven acres of arable land in the territory of Neuhusum.^p Constantia, daughter of Thomas, son of Gille de Neusum, gave twelve acres and one perch of arable land here.^q

Albreda, daughter of Richard de Sproxton, gave two oxgangs of land in *Newton-west*, which King Henry the Third confirmed, and also granted free warren here.^r

Richard Loftus, with the consent of Roger and Ernald his sons, gave one oxgang of fifteen acres of land, at twenty perches the acre, in *Normanby*.^s Richard, son of Thurstin, Robert, his son, and Richard Lofthus, gave the fisheries here, and forty-three acres of land, with pasture for a hundred sheep, and eight horses or oxen.^t Adam de Brus confirmed the fishery here, with eight acres of land.^u Robert, son of Richard de Normaneby, also gave some land here.^v

Gilbert de Malteby gave three oxgangs of land in *Nunnington-west*, with tofts and crofts; which the king confirmed.^w

Walter, son of Alice, relict of Henry, son of Walter de Folketon, confirmed all the meadow in *Osgoteby* that the said Alice had given.^x

Hugh de Mallebisse gave *Oswaldeshenges*, now *Oswalds-Ings*.^a

Thomas de Bote de Newton, and Constance his wife, gave all their part of the wood and moor in the cliff above *Oswaldkirke*, as specified by the boundaries.^b

King Henry the Second, in the fourth year of his reign, A.D. 1158, gave two carucates called *Kilverd-mersch*, with the fisheries, and all the pasture in the waste of *Pickering*, in exchange for *Steinton*, which Gilbert de Gant had given

to the monks to build an abbey there.^c Asketin, son of Thorald de Pickering, gave a toft in this town near the castle.^d

Everard de Ros gave common in *Pokeley*.^e

King Henry the Third granted the monks free warren in *Rachesdale*.^f

Odo de Bolteby gave lands in *Ravensthorp*.^g

Peter de Brus, the third, granted the monks liberty to buy fish at *Redker*, and carry it through the ways in all his lordships.^h

Ralph de Nevil, A.D. 1186, 32 Hen. II. gave one carucate of land in *Riccun*.ⁱ

Gervasius Sneit, and Benedict his son, and Hugh del Fuit, gave meadow lands in *Rokesbergh*.^k

Roger de Mowbray gave Midel-hovet, &c. *Salton in Farndale*, where Edmund the hermit lived, with the other *Salton* called *Du Vanthave*.^l

King Stephen confirmed the grange of *Sandburn*, which the monks held of the canons of St. Peter at York, with common pasture from Sandburn to the woods.^m

William Fairfax, and John Fairfax, then rector of Gilling in Ridale, gave for an annual pittance 4*l.* out of their manors of *Scalton*, or *Scawton*.ⁿ

King Henry the Third granted the monks free warren in *Seipum*.^o

Adam Fitz-Peter gave fifteen acres of land "ad faver-cas faciendas," in a place called Blakehill, with the iron ore in *Scitlington* and Flockton, with all the dead wood; and Roger Fitz-Peter gave other fifteen acres in the same township.^p

Oliver de Buscy gave all his meadow in the territory of *Silton*, in the place called the Ker, containing seven acres, with a free passage over his land in this township.^q

Robert de Sproxton, and Simon his son, gave land in *Sproxton*, with pasture for two hundred sheep.^r

Adam Fitz-Peter gave his new assart in *Stainberg*, as specified by the boundaries.^s

Richard Cumin gave a carucate and a half of land in *Staincroft*, which Hextild, countess of Ethehetela, his relict, confirmed.^t

Roger, son of Thurstin de Calveton, gave two acres of meadow in *Staingreve*, lying between Grenete and the arable ground.^u

Stephen de Meinil, with the consent of Sibil his wife, and Richard and Henry his sons, gave the vill of *Staintun*, in the parish of Kirkdale, near Kirkby, moor-side, with all its appurtenances; and Hugh de Malebisse did the same;^x for which King Henry the Second gave in exchange the waste of Pickering as abovementioned.

Godfrid, son of Richard Purcel de Stitnam, with the consent of William Gner, his lord, gave two oxgangs of land in *Stittenham*, with tofts and crofts.^y

Gilbert de Gant gave all his pasture in *Swaledale*; which the king confirmed.^z

Bernard de Bailol gave land in *Teysdale*, with pasture for sixty mares and their foals of two years old, and six score cattle, and for twelve cows and two bulls.^a

By a patent of the 3d Edw. I. m. 12. the monks appear to have had common of pasture in *Thormstebby*.

Asketin, son of Thorald de Pickering, gave a toft in *Thorneton* in Pickering-lythe, with six acres of land in the same township in Lange-wandell, and in the superior part of Horewell.^b

William de Eton gave nine acres and a perch of meadow in *Thorp*, near York.^c

^a Burton, ut supr. p. 361.

^c Ibid.

^e See Append. Numm. V. IX.

^g Ibid.

ⁱ Burton, ut supr.

^k Append. Num. V.

^m Ibid.

^p Ibid.

^r Cart. 35 Hen. III. Dodesw. e. 15. Johnston's MSS. v. K. 1.

p. 78.

^s Burton, ut supr.

^u See Num. XII.

^w Cart. 35 Hen. III. &c. ut supr.

^x See Num. V.

^y See Num. V.

^b Ibid.

^d Ibid.

^f Ibid.

^h Cart. 54 Hen. III. n. 14.

^j Ibid.

^l Burton, ut supr.

ⁿ Ibid.

^o Ibid.

^q Ibid.

^t Compare Num. V.

^v Burton, ut supr.

^x See Num. XIV.

^y Burton, ut supr.

^z Burton, ut supr.

^c Cart. 53 Hen. III. n. 14.

^e Compare Num. IX.

^g See Num. V.

ⁱ Lib. Rieval. p. 38. Johnston's MSS. v. K. 1. p. 79.

^k Burton, ut supr.

^m Dat. fest. S. Marg. 43 Edw. III. A.D. 1369. Johnston's MSS. v. K. 1. p. 79.

^o Cart. 53 Hen. III. n. 14.

^q Burton, ut supr.

^s Burton, ut supr.

^u Burton, ut supr.

^w Burton, ut supr.

^y Cart. 35 Hen. III. m. 6. Dodesw. c. 15. Johnston's MSS. v. K. 1. p. 79.

^a See Num. V.

^f Ibid.

^h Burton, ut supr.

^j Ibid.

^l See Num. V.

ⁿ See Num. V.

^p See Numm. V. XI.

^r See Num. X.

^b Burton, ut supr.

^c See Num. V.

Walter Espec gave five carucates of land in *Tilbeston*, as specified by the boundaries.^a

William de Amundeville gave one acre of land in the field of *Treford*, near the fishery of Neus.^b

Odo de Ness gave the meadow of *Walterholme*.^c

Roger de Molbray, or Mowbray, gave the town of *Welleberge*, A.D. 1153, 18th Stephen.^d Bertram de Bulmer gave one carucate of land in this place.^e Walter Engelram gave five oxgangs here,^f which William his son confirmed;^g and also gave pasture for five hundred sheep, ten cows, with their calves, and one bull; which was confirmed by Adam de Brus.^h

Bertram de Bulmer gave one carucate of land in *Welburne*. Roger de Moubay gave all *Welburne*.ⁱ King Henry the Third granted the monks free warren here.^k

Bernard de Bailol gave land in *Westdale*, with pasture for six score sheep.^l

Henry de Willardby, A.D. 1152, 17th Stephen, with the consent of Adelard and Henry his sons, gave ten acres and a half in the field of *Willardby*, with pasture for three hundred sheep in the pasture there, which S. the abbat and convent of Rievall, gave to the priory of Bridlington, A.D. 1175.^m

Robert de Vado, with the consent of Robert his son, gave five acres of land in *Wimbleton*, near the grange of Shipnum.ⁿ John, son of Theodoric de Hamel, confirmed half a carucate of land in this place, which John de Middleton and Alice his wife had given.^o Roger de Mowbray confirmed ten acres of land here, given by Benedict son of Gervais, with common pasture in the village.^p

Gilbert Hansard gave a fishery in the Teyse within the manor of *Wirksale*.^q

John Malherb, and Maud his wife, daughter of Adam Fitz-Swaine, gave two acres of land in *Wirkesburc* juxta Barnesley, upon the banks of the river Derne, opposite to their houses at Stainburg, which Adam Fitz-Peter had given to them in 5 Ric. II. A.D. 1382.^r

Robert de Bilton, and Thomas de Redeness of York, chaplains, restored six mesuages and one curtilage in *York*, lying between Layrthorpe bridge and a mesuage belonging to the abbey of Rievall extending from the street to Foss.^s

ABBATS of RIEVALL.

WILLIAM occurs in 1136. He died A.D. 1146.^t

MAURICE.^u

ÆLREDUS occurs about A.D. 1160.^x

ROGER occurs A.D. 1175.^y

BERNARD occurs A.D. 1180.^z

SYLVAN died A.D. 1189.^a

GODFREY.^b

ERNALDUS occurs A.D. 1199.^c He resigned.

WILLIAM PUNCHARD died A.D. 1203.^d

GUARINUS died about A.D. 1211.^e

HELYAS resigned.^f

HENRY abbat of Wardon. He died in 1216 at Ruchford, and was there buried.^g

WILLIAM abbat of Melros. He died in 1223.^h

^a Compare Num. IX.

^c See Num. IX.

^e Ibid.

^g Burton, ut supr.

ⁱ Lib. Rieval. p. 37. Johnston's MSS.

^k See Num. IX.

^m Burton, ut supr.

^o Lib. Rieval. p. 37. Johnston's MSS.

^p Cart. 53 Hen. III. n. 14.

^r Burton, ut supr.

^t See the Append. Num. V.

^u Burton, from Chron. Mailros. p. 167.

^y Willis, Mit. Ab. tom. ii. p. 282. Lib. Rieval. p. 83.

^z Ibid. ^a Chron. Mailr. p. 178. He was buried at Byland.

^b Willis, ut supr.

^d Ibid.

^f Chron. Mailr. pp. 183, 194.

^g Burton, from Chron. Mailros. p. 191.

ⁱ Ibid. p. 200.

^k Ibid. p. 204.

^l Reg. Roman.

^p Reg. sed. vac. Corbr.

^q MS. Harl. ut supr. p. 11. ^e Reg. sed. vac. Corbr.

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^b Num. V.

^d See Num. V.

^f Ibid.

^h Ibid.

^j K. p. 79.

^l Cart. 53 Hen. III. n. 14.

ⁿ Compare Numm. V. IX.

^p ut supr.

^r Reg. de Bridlington, fol. 87.

^t Ibid.

^x Ibid.

^z Ibid.

^a Chron. Mailr. p. 181.

^c Chron. Mailr. p. 181.

^e Burton, ut supr.

^h Ibid.

^j Ibid.

^l Reg. Giffard archiep. Ebor.

^p Reg. Corbrig. See MS. Harl. 6972. p. 6.

ROGER abbat of Wardon.ⁱ

LEONIAS DE DUNDRAYNON, a monk of Melros. He died in 1240.^k

ADAM DE TILLETAI succeeded A.D. 1240.^l

WILLIAM professed obedience as abbat, on the 12 kal. Aug. 1275.^m

THOMAS did the same 4 non. Feb. 1286.ⁿ

ROBERT made his obedience 4 non. Feb. 1301.^o

PETER professed obedience on the Sunday after the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, A.D. 1307.^p

JOHN:^q upon whose death

THOMAS GRISTHWAYT received the benediction as abbat at Cawode 12 kal. Feb. 1312.^r

WILLIAM became abbat in the month of July 1318.^s

WILLIAM DE LANGETON received the archiepiscopal benediction in 1334.^t

RICHARD professed obedience as abbat in 1349.^u

WILLIAM was elected in 1361.^x Either this or another

WILLIAM occurs in 1409.^y He was probably the same with WILLIAM BRYMLEY: upon whose resignation,

HENRY BURTON, a monk of Salley, was made abbat 10 Nov. 1423.^z

WILLIAM SPENSER occurs, according to Burton, from Reg. Kemp. Ebor. in 1443: but, according to the Patent Rolls, he did not become abbat till the 28th Hen. VI.^a

JOHN INKELEY, or INGELAY, was made abbat, upon Spenser's resignation, 4 April, 1449.^b

WILLIAM was elected abbat in the month of June, 1463.^c

JOHN BURTON received the archbishop's benediction 29 Jan. 1489.^d

WILLIAM HELMESLEY made his obedience as abbat 18 Nov. 1513.^e

RICHARD BLYTON was the last abbat.^f

In Pope Nicholas's Taxation, the value of the temporalities of this abbey in 1291 amounted to 241*l.* 10*s.* per annum.

The valuation of this monastery in the 26th of Henry VIII. amounted to the gross income of 351*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.* The clear revenue was 278*l.* 10*s.* 2*d.* per annum.^g

The site was granted, in exchange for other lands, in the 30th Hen. VIII. A.D. 1538, to Thomas earl of Rutland, a descendant of Walter Espec, the founder of the abbey; and by Catherine, daughter and heiress of Roger earl of Rutland, became the property of her husband, George Villiers duke of Buckingham, whose son, the second duke of Buckingham, sold it to Sir Charles Duncombe, knight. Thomas Duncombe, Esq. the grandson of Sir Charles, was the owner of the site in 1758. It is still in the possession of the Duncombes.

Of the REGISTERS and other DOCUMENTS of this priory, Tanner mentions one as in the possession of William Lite of Wilburgham in Cambridgeshire. There is a second Register among the Cottonian manuscripts marked Julius D. I. a volume very regularly and beautifully written: a small square quarto.^h

^r Ibid.

^s Reg. Melton, archiep. Ebor.

^t Reg. Melton, archiep. Ebor. MS. Harl. ut supr. p. 15.

^u Ibid. MS. Harl. ut supr. p. 18.

^x Reg. Thoreby archiep. Ebor.

^y Reg. Sudb. episc. Lond. MS. Harl. 6955, p. 10.

^z Reg. sede vac. per mort. Bowet. MS. Harl. 6972, p. 25. Burton, after Willis, places JOHN here, whose right time is after 1307, and before 1312.

^a Pat. 28 Hen. VI. p. 1, 6 Nov. See MS. Harl. 6963, p. 83.

^b MS. Harl. 6972, fol. 29 b.

^c Ibid. p. 33, a Reg. Boothe.

^d Reg. Rotheram archiep. Ebor. MS. Harl. ut supr. fol. 37.

^e Reg. Baynbr. p. 46. Harl. MS. ut supr. fol. 44.

^f Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 283. Rym. Fœd. tom. xiv. p. 622.

^g The Return to the Parliamentary Valor 26 Hen. VIII. for the deanery of Ridall being no longer extant in its proper repository, the office of First Fruits, the only entry to be found of it in that office is as follows:

"Monasterium de Rivall valet clare in spiritualibus et temporalibus per annum 278*l.* 10*s.* 2*d.*"

^h Some extracts from this manuscript will be found in the Appendix. See Numm. IV. V. VI. VII. VIII. IX.

The following is the Calendar of this Chartersary:

Tanner adds, "*Vide* cartas quamplurimas de terris in maner. de Welburn et Hoveton spectantibus ad hoc mona-

sterium, penes Joannem Gibson arm. de Welborn, et comun. cler. civit. Lond. 1716.

1. Carta Walteri Espec de Rievalle.
2. Carta Roberti de Ros de Rievalle.
3. Carta Everardi de Ros de Sarto.
4. Carta Everardi de Ros de Rievalle.
5. Carta Hugonis Dunelm. episcopi de Crossebi.
6. Carta episcopi Dunelm. confirmans pactum inter nos et ecclesiam de Lec.
7. Carta episcopi Dun. de acquietatione de Crossebi contra Gaufrid. et ejus hæredes.
8. Carta Willielmi Dunelmensis episcopi de Cotum.
9. Carta Hugonis Dunelmensis episcopi de Cotum.
10. Carta Hug. Dunelm. episcopi de decimis de Cotum.
11. *Vacat.*
12. Carta Gundredæ de Skipenum.
13. Carta Gundredæ de Cholemere.
14. Carta Rogeri de Molbrai de Wellebr. et ejus divisio.
15. Carta Rogeri de Molbrai de Erderne.
16. Carta Walteri filii Asketilli de Grimestona de ealumpnia in Wellebr.
17. Carta Rogeri de Molbrai de Wellebr. et ejus divisio a iij^{or} partibus.
18. Carta ejusdem de Mora ante Buleford.
19. Carta ejusdem de Farnedale.
20. Carta ejusdem de Wimbeltun de dono Benedicti.
21. Carta ejusdem de rusticis de Welleburn.
22. Carta Nigelli de Molbrai de Welleburn.
23. Carta Rogeri de Molbrai de Hovetun et quibusdam ejus divisio et de duabus M. Roberti Beler et ejus hæredibus.
24. Carta ejusdem de Hovetun et de Sampsons Cornuwale.
25. Carta Nigelli de Molbrai de Hoveton et de Sampsons Cornuwale.
26. Carta Benedicti de Wimbelt. prima.
27. *Deest.*
28. Carta Rogeri de Molbrai de Steintuna.
29. Item carta Rogeri de Molbrai de Steintun.
30. Carta Stephani de Mainil de Steintona pro una marcha.
31. Carta Hugonis Malebestia de Steintun.
32. Carta Hugonis Malebestia de Oswaldesengas.
33. Carta Hugonis Malebestia de Brokesholes.
34. Carta Odonis de Hesteschei.
35. Carta Adæ de Boltebi de Guthalgillesiche.
36. Carta Gilleberti de Gant de Hundemanebi.
37. Carta comitis Gilleberti de Gant.
38. Carta comitis Symonis de Hundemanebi.
39. Carta Rad. de Novavilla de Rihtun.
40. Carta Rannulfi de terra in Folketun.
41. Carta Rannulfi filii Walteri de H. quod concedit liberis hominibus suis dimittere nobis terram ad termin.
42. Carta Willielmi fil. Theobaldi de Folketune.
43. Carta Walteri Engelram de Heseleretuna.
44. Carta capituli sancti Petri de donatione Torphini de Alvestein de una carrucata terræ confirmata in hoc sigillo quia ipse sigillo carebat.
45. Carta Roberti de Laceles de una carrucata terræ in Mortun.
46. Carta Gaufridi de Laceles de una carrucata terræ in eadem.
47. Carta Willielmi de Stutavilla.
48. Carta Walteri Engelram et Holdcard de Welleberie.
49. Carta Adæ filii Petri de Samburgh.
50. Carta Adæ filii Petri quod non recolligent alicujus religionis homines in terra in quibus nos habemus terras vel pasturas.
51. Carta Adæ filii Petri de xxx. aeris terræ in Siclintun.
52. Carta ejusdem de Rumblesmor et Stainburgh.
53. Carta ejusdem de Siclint. et Floctun.
54. Carta Rogeri fil. Petri de eisdem.
55. Confirmatio Adæ fil. Petri de donatione Rogeri fratris sui.
56. Confirmatio Henrici de Laei de Hogawaith.
57. Carta Adæ fil. Petri de mortuo bosco quatuor villarum.
58. Carta Mathei filii Saxi de Faverea.
59. Carta Hugonis del Tuit de prato Rocherbergæ et de Edestun.
60. Carta Jordani de Bussei de dimid. carrucata terræ in Boeltun.
61. Carta Bertranni de Bulemer de una carrucata terræ in Welleburna.
62. Carta Asceriæ de una carrucata terræ in eadem.
63. Carta Roberti de Stutavilla de prato Rokasb.
64. Carta Johannis Malherbe.
65. Carta Willielmi filii Godrici.
66. Carta Roberti filii Willielmi de duabus aeris in territorio in Wirkesburg.
67. Carta Henrici filii Suani.
68. Carta Adam filii Orm de Pilleia.
69. Cyrographum inter nos et Adam de Bolthebi.
70. Carta Adæ de Bolthebi.
71. Carta Bernardi de Baiol de pisearia in Neuhusum.
72. Carta ejusdem de Tesedale et Westerdale.
73. Carta Ricardi filii Turstini de Normanebi.
74. Carta Roberti fil. Ricardi.
75. Carta Ricardi Losth.
76. Confirmatio Adæ de Brus.
77. Carta Willielmi Engelram de Welleberga.
78. Confirmatio Adæ de Brus de eadem.
79. Carta Willielmi Engelram de Heseleretona.
80. Carta Jordani Paen de Broctun.
81. Carta Alani Barn de Broctun.
82. Confirmatio Henrici de Mainil de Broctun.
83. Carta Willielmi de Mundavilla.
84. Carta Roberti de Sproxtona.
85. Carta Symonis de Sproxtona.
86. Carta Radulphi de Vada.
87. Carta Roberti de Snrdeval.
88. Confirmatio Roberti de Stuttevilla de Welleburn.
89. Carta Alani de Ridale.
90. Carta prioris de Bredlinton de lite terminata inter monachos et Alanum de Ridale.
91. Carta Alani de Ridale de dono Benedicti in Wimbeltun.
92. Carta Johannis filii Johannis vinitoris de Beverlaco.
93. Carta Benedicti de Sculetotes.
94. Carta Widonis de Valuerth.
95. Carta Thorphini de Alvestain.
96. Carta Acharii de Tunstal de xxv. aeris terræ in territorio de Bodeltun.
97. Carta Acharii de Tunstal.
98. Item carta Acharii de Tunstal.
99. Confirmatio Radulfi filii Rogeri de donatione Acharii de Tunstal.
100. Carta Willielmi filii Unfridi de vij^{tem} aeris terræ in campo de Bodelton.
101. Carta ejusdem de viij^{to} aeris et tribus perticatis in campo de Bodelton.
102. Carta Dolfini de Bodeltun.
103. Carta Roberti de Scyrlage.
104. Carta Alardi de Willardebi.
105. Carta Rannulfi filii Walteri de terra Willielmi in Folketuna.
106. Cyrographum inter nos et Kirkeham.
107. Carta Stephani Mangevilam de vasto.
108. Carta Rogeri Mangevilam de vasto.
109. Carta Roberti de Vado.
110. Carta Rogeri de Molbrai de sedata controversia inter nos et Alanum de Ridale.
111. Carta Roberti de Molbrai de decimis.
112. Carta Rogeri de Molbrai de divisio inter Wellebr. et Rob. de Damill.
113. Carta ejusdem de Oswaldesengas.
114. Carta Nigelli de Molbrai de Hovetun.
115. Carta comitis Symonis et uxoris illius.
116. Carta Aelizæ de Gant.
117. Item carta Aelizæ de Gant.
118. Carta Rannulfi filii Walteri.
119. Carta Beatricis de Folketun.
120. Carta Rogeri de Clera de wasto et de fossato inter nos et Wiltun.
121. Carta Stephani de Mainil de boso in territorio de Grenehou.
122. Carta Willielmi de Mandavill comitis Essexiæ de vasto et de fossato inter nos et Thoronetona.
123. Carta Roberti de Ros de Theokemara.
124. Carta Joecelini de Areti.
125. Carta Petri de Surdevall et Willielmi fratris ejus de Theokemara.
126. Carta Willielmi filii Leuoeh de vasto.
127. Carta Walteri Bardolf de vasto.
128. Carta Willielmi comitis de Albemare de vasto.
129. Carta Asketini de Tornetun de vasto.
130. Carta Alani forestarii de Tornetun de vasto.
131. Carta Hugonis Brun de vasto.
132. Carta Thorphini d'Alvestain et Gaufridi nepotis ejus de juratoribus vasti.
133. Carta Willielmi de Vesci de vasto.
134. Carta Stephani Mangevilam et Rogeri filii ejus de vasto.
135. Confirmatio regis de conventionem inter nos et canonicos de Malton facta.
136. Testimonium Symonis episcopi Muresensis et Ricardi abbatis Mortuimaris de causa quæ vertebatur inter nos et canonicos de Maltona.
137. Henricus rex senior de Rievalle.
138. Carta regis Henrici senioris de passagio.
- * 138. Carta regis Henrici senioris de daneg. et temantale pro Rievall.
139. Carta regis Henrici de foresto.
140. De protectione abbatis Silvani.
141. Carta regis Henrici de protectione Rievall.
142. Privilegium de Rievalle.
143. Carta regis Henrici de passagio.
144. Carta regis Henrici de Cotum.
145. Carta regis Henrici de Kilverdemerse de wasto subtus Pike-ringa.
146. Carta regis Angl. de recognitione vasti.
147. Carta regis Angl. de bercharis vasti.
148. Jussum regis de vasto.
149. Carta regis Angl. de berecharis et fossatis vasti.
150. Carta regis Angl. de Theokemara.
151. Confirmatio regis de sarto Everardi de Ros.
152. Privilegium regis Henrici secundi.
153. Confirmatio regis de Tesedale et Westerdale.
154. Carta Bernardi de Balliolo de Thesdal. et Westredal.

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"Apographa cartarum ad hanc abbatiam spectantium ineditarum inter collect. v. cl. Rog. Dodsworth in bibl. Bodl. vol. vii. plus minus octoginta, foll. 5, 51, 52, 61, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 105, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 133, 135, 154, 172, 175, 188, 230, 324. vol. viii. foll. 88, 89, 117, 146, 254, 261. vol. ix. foll. 92, 93, 95, 96, 97, 101, 102, 106, 107, 112, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 128, 134, 159, &c. vol. lxxxv. fol. 71. vol. cxxi. fol. 118. Ex cartulario Rievall."

Peck in his Supplement to the Monasticon, MS. Donat. Brit. Mus. 4937. (Tom. iv.) p. 11. gives

"Litera Johannis abbatis de Fontibus, causa cujusdam Henrici Semryn monachi Cysterciensis Italici in patriam reversuri scripta, piorum omnium in succursu ejus itineris exorans contributiones." E codice MS. penes amicum Leicester. Feb. 22, 1732. The letter is dated Feb. 3, 1459, 37 Hen. VI.

In the same volume, p. 50, we have

"Carta Roberti de Ros senioris confirmans donationem Walteri Espec avunculi sui; divisas Cænobii exhibens; ad densque ligna, pascua, et pannagia in foresta de Helmerlac. Ex ipsa originali."

Ibid. p. 53, we have

"Cartarum Ryevallensium intitulationes, secundum quas jacent in Armariolo, ut facilius inveniri poterint cum necesse fuerit, ordine alphabetico distributas. Quicumque autem earum aliquam a suo titulo alienaverit anathema sit." E codice MS. pergam. penes nobiliss. ducem de Rutland, 1730.

They are under the titles of

I. Cartæ regum.

II. Brocton. sc. Barn Brocton com. Linc.

III. Buskeby, Magna et Parva.

IV. Karleton.

The following are Tanner's references to public records:

"Cart. 2 Joan. m. 3, n. 57, 58. Fin. Ebor. 2 Joan. n. 14. de divisis inter Halunby et Laneschales. Fin. Ebor. 2 Joan. n. . pro maner. de Staunton. Fin. Ebor. 4 Joan. n. . de terris in Helmeslay. Pat. 10 Joan. n. 13.

"Fin. Ebor. 10 Hen. III. n. 141. de commun. pastur. in Grif. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 15 Hen. III. rot. 15. de commun. pastur. in Arden. Ibid. rot. 16. de iv. carucat. terræ in Grif, et v. carucat. terræ in Gilleston et privilegiis in foresta de Hamelak. Fin. Ebor. 16 Hen. III. n. 126. de eisd. ix. carucatis deafforestandis, et pro communia herbagii ibidem. Fin. Ebor. 24 Hen. III. n. 159. de ii. toftis in West Newton. Fin. Ebor. 26 Hen. III. n. . de terris in

West Newton. Cart 35 Hen. III. m. 6. Fin. Ebor. 35 Hen. III. n. . de terris in Morton, Hereleshay, &c. Cart. 36 Hen. III. m. 7. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 52 Hen. III. rot. 32. de iii. bovatis in Keyton. Fin. Ebor. 52 Hen. III. n. 5. de medietat. l. carucat. terræ in Angerum.

"Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 12. de commun. pastur. in Thurmodeby. Ibid. m. 28. de commun. pastur. in Hamelak Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 8 Edw. I. rot. 13 d. de commun. pastur. in Pykering. Fin. Ebor. 8 Edw. I. n. 192. pro dimid. carucat. in Welleburn. Pat. 13 Edw. I. m. Fin. Ebor. 14 Edw. I. n. 36. de mess. et xiv. bovatis terræ in Baskeby Parva, Cliveland. Plac. de quo war. apud Ebor. 21 Edw. I. rot. 13 d. allocat. libertat. in Crosseby, Rythesdale, &c.

"Pat. 8 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 27. de mess. et terris in Newson super Teste Dunelm.

"Pat. 1 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 7. pro terra de Welborn et Hoveton. Cart. 1 Edw. III. n. 30. Pat. 6 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 23. Pat. 7 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 27. Fin. Ebor. 8 Edw. III. n. 165. de mess. viii. toftis, &c. in Bulford. Rec. in Scacc. 33 Edw. III. Pasch. rot. 2. pro terris in Cayton et Osgotby. Pat. 43 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 33. pro libertat. in maner. de Kekmareys, &c. in foresta de Pikinging.

"Pat. 3 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 4. et m. 20. pro mess. in Ebor. Pat. 4 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 35. de libertat. in maner. de Kirkmaries, Lound, &c. Pat. 14 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 33. de mess. et terris in Bulford. Rec. in Scacc. 22 Ric. II. Trin. rot. 9.

"Claus. 17 Edw. IV. m. 15. de grangia de West Newton et ann. reddit. xx^{li}."

See also Rot. Hundred. vol. i. pp. 106, 107, 115, 117, 120, 123, 131. Plac. de Quo Waranto, p. 207. Plac. Abbrev. p. 198.

There is an imperfect impression on red wax of the COMMON SEAL of this Abbey, attached to a conventual lease temp. Hen. VIII. in the Augmentation Office. It represents an abbat, with his crozier, standing between two figures, of whom little more remains than their feet; scarcely any part of the legend remains. There is a counter seal, the subject of which is a man on horseback, destroying a dragon.

Peck has given a drawing from an impression of this seal in his volume above quoted, p. 52. Whence it appears that the form of the seal was oval: above the abbat is the figure of the Virgin with our Saviour in her arms, seated. The inscription SI . ABBATIS . ET . CONVENTVS . SANCTE . MARIE . RIEVALLIS. Peck's impression was appended to a deed of the 46th Edw. III. A.D. 1372.

202. Cyrographum inter Cistercienses et Semplinghamenses.

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214. Privilegium Alexandri papæ iij. de Rievall.

215. Privilegium de confirmatione pacti quarundam decimarum.

216. Privilegium de Jordano de Bussci et Adam filio Petri et quorundam aliorum dono.

217. Privilegium de injusta terrarum evictione.

218. Privilegium Rogero Eboracensi archiepiscopo et Hug. Dunelm. episcopo.

219. Privilegium de possessionibus et pasturis Rievall.

220. Privilegium ad Rogerum archiepiscopum de Rievall.

221. Litteræ domini papæ directæ Rogero archiepiscopo de decimis ecclesiæ de Wellebr.

222. Litteræ domini papæ episcopo Dunelm. et priori directæ.

223. De eis qui manus in monachos vel conversos injiciunt.

224. De confirmatione pacti quarundam decimarum.

225. De monachis vel conversis fugitivis.

226. De justitia facienda pro injuriis Rievallensibus illatis.

227. Rogero Ebor. archiepiscopo de decimis monachorum non petendis.

228. Rogero Ebor. archiepiscopo de Cisterciensis Ordinis privilegiorum firmitate.

229. Ebor. archiepiscopo et episcopo Dunelm. ut sibi subditos a monachorum decimis ecclesiastice coerceant.

230. Confirmatio Alex. papæ de piscaria et aliis possessionibus Rievall. perpetuo collatis.

231. Episcopo Dunelm. et abbati S. Mariæ Ebor. ut canonicos de Maltun et de Kirkeham et alios præsumptores terrarum et possessionum Rievallensium ecclesiastice coerceant.

232. Archiepiscopo Ebor. et ejus archidiaconis et aliis prælatis ut juramentum non exigantur a Rievallensibus.

233. Episcopis Scotiæ ut in irritum ducant statuta Vivian. cardin. et eorum legati contra Ordinem Cisterciens. facta.

234. Archiepiscopo Ebor. et Dunelmensi episcopo de decimarum libertate contra quorundam privilegiorum interpretationem perversam.

235. Libertas Alex. papæ contra impugnatores Rievall. fraudulentos.

173. Carta Turstini archiepiscopi de iij. carrucatis terræ in Grif et v. in Tillestona.

174. Carta Henrici archiepiscopi de Rievall.

175. De protectione Rogeri archiepiscopi de Rievall.

176. Confirmatio Rogeri archiepiscopi de decimis de Crosseby et Lete.

177. Carta Rogeri archiepiscopi de confirmatione de Cotum.

178. Carta Rogeri archiepiscopi de Welleburn.

179. Carta Rogeri archiepiscopi de Hovet.

180. Carta Rogeri archiepiscopi de Scaltuna.

181. Carta Rad. baronis de Scaltuna.

182. Testimonium capituli sancti Petri Ebor. de Rievall. de Grif et Tillestona.

183. Testimonium capituli S. Petri Ebor. de Grif et Huctredo.

184. Capitulum Eboraci de Wellebr.

185. Carta capituli de Rad. Beler de Hovetun.

186. Capitulum sancti Petri de Petro de Hovetun.

187. Capitulum sancti Petri de Samson Cornuwal.

188. Capitulum sancti Petri Ebor. de Rann. de Folketun.

189. Carta de Kirkeham de decimis prima.

190. Carta de Kirkeham de decimis secunda.

191. Capitulum Dunelm. de decimis de Cotum.

192. Confirmatio Rogeri archiepiscopi de donatione Willielmi de Vesey.

193. Confirmatio Rogeri archiepiscopi de donatione Bernardi de Baiol de Tesedale et Westerdale.

194. Attestatio Engelranni decani et capituli de Ridale de quietatione terræ quam tenuit Sunnive uxor Lambert in Hovetun.

195. Vacat.

196. Carta capituli sancti Cuthberti Dunelmensis.

197. Confirmatio Cisterciensis abbatis, et Clarevallensis de pace reformata inter nos et fratres nostros de Fontibus.

198. Confirmatio abbatis et capituli de Begland de decimis de Scaltun.

199. Cyrographum pacis inter nos et Bellandenses.

200. Carta de fossato subtus Eskeberch.

201. Adhortatio abbatum Cisterciensis et Clarevall. ad nos et ad Bellandenses directa.

The Cottonian manuscript Titus D. xii. fol. 936. has the following tetrastick prophesying the destruction of the abbey, with a comment. The former, said to have been written before the Dissolution.

“Twoe men came riding over Hackney way,
The one of a blacke horse the other on a gray;
The one unto the other did say,
Loo yonder stood Reves that faire abbay.”

“Henry Cawton, a monke, som time of Reves abbey

in Yorkshire, affirmed that he had often read this in a MS. belonging to that abbay containing many prophesies, and was extant there before the Dissolution. But when he or any other of his fellowes redde it, they used to throwe the book away in anger as thinking it impossible ever to come to passe.” E. B.

The Ruins of Rievall Abbey which remain a short distance from Helmesley in Yorkshire, still rank among the most beautiful in that part of the country: they are as rich in architectural as in picturesque beauty.

Cartae ad Rieballense Coenobium, in agro Eboracensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

[MS. de origine monasterii de Fontibus in bibl. Arundeliana, p. 1.]

REGNANTE in Anglia illustri rege Henrico filio Willielmi cognomento Bastard, &c. monasterio construuntur, et sopitis praeliis, sancta ubique religio dilatatur. Floruit per idem tempus foelicis recordationis beatus Bernardus, abbas Clarevallensis, vir magnificus, et in Dei rebus strenue agens, &c. Multorum siquidem monachorum pater, monasteria non pauca construxerat, et missis expeditionis suae militibus jam finitimas occupaverat regiones, &c. Hic instinctu divino de nobili sua Clarevallensi vinea quandam bonae spei plantationem ad Anglicanas partes direxerat, quaerens fructum in gente illa, sicut ubique terrarum, &c. Suscepti cum honore à rege et regno, in provincia Eboracensi nova jaciunt fundamenta, constituentes abbatiam quae Rievallis nominatur, et hæc prima plantatio ordinis Cisterciensis in territorio Eboracensi, &c.

[A.D. 1132, Lel. collectan. vol. 2. p. 310.]

ANNO Domini M.C.XXXij. Gualterus Espec vir magnus, et potens in conspectu regis et totius regni, monachos Cisterciensis observantiae directos à Barnardo abbate Clarevallis recepit, et posuit in solitudine Blachomour secus aquam Rie, à qua coenobium eorum Rievallis dicitur, cum quibus missus est Gulielmus primus abbas eorum, vir consummatae virtutis et excellentis memoriae.

NUM. II.

Fundationis et Fundatorum Historia.

[Ex MS. in bibl. Cotton. sub effigie Vitellii F. 4.]

DOMINUS Walterus Especke miles strenuus et decorus in ætate juvenili uxorem duxit quandam, nomine Adelinam, quae concepit, et peperit ei unum filium, nomine Walterum, similem patri suo. Qui formosus factus adolescens, multum delectabatur in equis velocibus equitare. Contigit ut quadam die, cum equum velocem ascendisset, et ipsum ad currendum, ultra vires urgeret, apud parvam petrinam crucem, versus^a Frithby, equus suus graviter cespitavit: et ille subito de equo cadens, collo suo fracto, vitam finivit temporalem. Quod cum rumor infortunii ad patrem suum pervenisset, consternatus dolore nimio, deliberavit de hæredibus sibi disponendis. Licet præcipue quando vir conquestus erat, et armorum actibus, quicquid habuit, acquisivit. Invocata igitur Spiritus Sancti gratia, amicos suos consuluit, præsertim Willielmum Gartonensem rectorem, et avunculum suum cujus consilio plurimum acquievit. Qui igitur consuluit ut de parte terrarum suarum Christum faceret hæredem, quod ad finem usque perduxit, fundans tria monasteria. Et primò monasterium de Kirkham viij. kal. Marcii feria quarta anno Domini M.C.XXij. anno regni regis H. primi xxij. et præsulatus Thurstani Ebor. archiep. anno quinto. Et idem præsul primum priorem, Willielmum videlicet supradictum tunc canonicum, instructum in domo sancti Oswaldi ordinavit et constituit in pastorem, adjuncto sibi uno socio de eadem domo; qui quidem Willielmus prior rexit prioratum in

domo de Kirkeham per unum annum menses tres et duos dies, et sic quinto nonas Julii ab hac luce subtractus est, et ad vitam migravit æternam foeliciter regnaturus. Et ad sustentationem ejusdem domus et onus hospitalitatis supportandum, idem Walterus dedit jus patronatus septem ecclesiarum per ipsum appropriandarum eisdem, in proprios usus habendum, et terras redditus ac possessiones ad summam mille et centum marcarum in comitatibus Eboraci et Northumbriæ.

Postea fundavit monasterium Rievallis A.D. M.C.XXXj. Et postea fundavit monasterium de Wardon A.D. M.C.XXXvj. Vixit autem idem Walterus, postquam fundavit monasterium de Kirkham, triginta annis, miles strenuus et circumspectus. Tandem dictus dominus Walterus, senio confractus, armis militaribus valedfecit, Willielmum hæredem habens de corpore suo legitimè procreatum: residuum verò terrarum suarum divisit inter tres sorores suas, sibi jure hæreditario successuras, quarum nomina hæc sunt: Hauwisa, Albreda, Adelina. Primam duxit in uxorem Willielmus Buscye, secundam Nicholaus de Traylye, et tertiam Petrus de Roos; sed Adelinae sorori suae inter cætera dedit specialiter advocationem de Kirkham, et Rievallis, et postea sumens habitum monachilem apud Rievallem, ibidem inter monachos per biennium conversans vitam finivit temporalem, jacens ibidem in sua ecclesia humatus vij. Idus Marcii Anno Domini M.C.liij. cujus animæ propitiatur Deus, Amen.

Pro reorum venia Kirkham domus bona,
Rievallis deinceps, et hæc tria, Wardona
Est fundata primitus à dicta persona,
Pro quorum meritis datur illi trina corona.

NUM. III.

Successio Dominorum de Roos post Maritagium Petri Domini de Roos Adelinæ sorori Walteri Especke.

[Ibid.]

PETRUS de Roos duxit Adelinam Especk, et genuit ex ea quandam Robertum de Roos, qui quidem Petrus sepultus est in monasterio abbatiae Rievallensis; qui Robertus duxit Sibillam de Valoniis in uxorem, et genuit ex ea Everardum de Roos, qui Everardus duxit quandam Rosam, et genuit ex ea Robertum de Roos dictum Fursan; qui Robertus duxit in uxorem Isabellam filiam regis Scotiæ, et genuit ex ea Willielmum de Roos et Robertum. Dictus vero Robertus Fursan levavit castra de Helmsley et de Warke, et Templariis dedit Ribstane;^b et postea divisit terras suas, et dedit Willielmo filio suo et hæredi castrum de Hemmisley cum pertinentiis suis, et advocationem monasteriorum de Kirkham, Rievalle, et de Wardona; et Roberto filio suo dedit castrum de Warke cum pertinentiis suis, et cum baronia in Scotia ad tenendum de Willielmo fratre suo et hæredibus suis per servitium militare; et postea dictus Robertus Fursan factus est Templarius, et Londini est sepultus. Willielmus de Roos duxit in uxorem Luciam, et genuit ex ea quandam Robertum de Roos, qui quidem Willielmus sepultus est in monasterio de Kirkham in medio coram summo altare. Robertus filius ejus duxit in uxorem Isabellam hæredem D'Al-

^a Juxta prioratum de Kirkham in com. Ebor.

^b Præceptoria de Ribstane, in com. Ebor.

bany, et genuit ex ea Willielmum de Roos, et sepultus est apud Kirkham in tumba marmorea ex parte australi. Willielmus filius ejus duxit in uxorem Matildam de Vaus hæredem medietatis terrarum Johannis de Vaus, et genuit ex ea Willielmum de Roos, et sepultus est in eodem monasterio de Kirkham in tumba marmorea ex parte boreali.

Willielmus de Roos filius ejus duxit in uxorem Margeriam de Badilesmere, et genuit ex ea Willielmum, Thomam, Margaretam, et Matildem, et sepultus est apud Kirkham in mausoleo lapideo juxta magnum altare ex parte australi. Willielmus filius ejus duxit in uxorem Margaretam filiam domini Radulphi de Nevill, qui moriebatur in terra sancta sine hærede, ibique sepelitur; cui successit Thomas frater ejus, qui quidem Thomas duxit in uxorem Beatricem filiam Radulphi comitis Staffordiæ, et genuit ex ea Johannem, Willielmum, Thomam, et Robertum, Elizabetham et Margaretam; qui quidem Thomas de Roos obiit apud Uffington versus terram sanctam, et sepultus est in monasterio Ryevallis in medio chori; qui quidem Johannes filius ejus duxit in uxorem Mariam de Orebe comitis Northumbriæ, qui decessit sine hærede masculo apud Cypresse peregrinans versus terram sanctam, et sepultus est apud Ryevallem in australi parte chori juxta magnum altare. Cui successit Willielmus frater ejus qui duxit in uxorem Margaretam filiam domini Johannis de Arundell, et genuit ex ea Johannem, Willielmum, Thomam, Robertum, et Ricardum, Beatricem, Aliciam, Margaretam, et Elizabetham; qui Willielmus obiit apud Belverum primo die Septembris anno Domini mcccxiij. et sepultus est in medio chori prioratus ibidem. Cui successit Johannes primogenitus, et hæres ejusdem Willielmi, qui duxit in uxorem Margeriam filiam et hæredem Philippi de Spencer, qui Johannes obiit in Francia sine hærede de corpore suo, cum quo obiit Willielmus frater suus in vigilia Paschæ anno Domini mccccxxj. qui Johannes sepultus est apud Belverum ex parte boreali chori ibidem juxta patrem suum. Cui successit Thomas frater ejus, qui duxit in uxorem Elianoram filiam domini Ricardi de Bellocampo de Warwick, ex qua genuit Thomam qui natus est nono die mensis Septembris anno Domini mccccxxvij. et anno regni regis Henrici sexti post conquestum Angliæ sexto; qui Thomas duxit in uxorem Philippam primam filiam domini de Tiptoft, unam de hæredibus ejusdem, et sororem comitis de Worcester, qui obiit apud Novum Castrum anno Domini mccccxlj. Qui Thomas genuit Edmundum, Alianoram, Isabellam, Margaretam, et Johannem, qui Edmundus obiit sine prole apud Enefeild anno Domini mdviiij. xxij. die mensis Octobris, et sepultus est in ecclesiâ parochiali ejusdem.

Alianora prima filia domini de Roos fuit nupta Roberto Manners militi; de qua idem Robertus genuit Georgium, Edwardum, Elizabetham, et Ceceliam. Qui Georgius duxit in uxorem Annam filiam Annæ ducissæ alias dictæ Excestriæ et Thomæ Sellengeri militis; quæ Anna ducissa fuit soror regis Edwardi quarti. Et Georgius genuit ex Anna uxore sua Thomam, Oliverum, Anthonium, Ricardum, Johannem, Elizabetham, Catherinam, Elianoram, Ceceliam, Margaretam, &c. et cum illustrissimo rege Henrico octavo fuit ad Franciam, et tempore guerræ gravem corporis accepit infirmitatem, et in redeundo obiit in mense Octobris anno Domini mdxiiij. et sepultus Londini in ecclesia monialium de Haliwell.

NUM. IV.

Carta Walteri Espec de Fundatione Abbatiae Rievallis.

[Ex Registro Abbatiae de Rievaulx in bibl. Cottoniana, sub effigie Julii D. i. fol. 24 a. Vide Cart. 1 Edw. III. n. 30; et Pat. 6 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 23.]

IN nomine sanctæ et individuae Trinitatis, Walterus Espec universis sanctæ catholicæ matris ecclesiæ filiis salutem. Notum sit omnibus vobis, me dedisse, et concessisse, concessu Henrici regis Anglorum, et consilio Aalinæ uxoris meæ, Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Rievalle, in manu Willielmi abbatis, et fratribus ibi Deo servientibus, et pro Dei amore, et salute animæ regis Willielmi Anglorum, et pro salute Henrici regis Anglorum, et omnium parentum suorum, et pro salute animæ patris mei et matris meæ, et pro anima Hugonis de Wildecher, et pro anima patris et

matris, uxoris meæ, et omnium parentum et antecessorum nostrorum, novem carucatas terræ; scilicet, terram de Grift, ubi sunt quatuor carucatæ, et terram de Tillestona, ubi sunt quatuor carucatæ cum omnibus appenditiis, et rebus eisdem terris pertinentibus, in bosco et plano, in pastura, et pratis, et aquis, et omnibus aliis locis, bene et in pace, et honorifice, et libere, et quiete de omnibus consuetudinibus, et auxiliis, et assisis, et occasionibus, et placitis, et querelis, et omni terreno servitio imperpetuum tenere; his divisis, scilicet ab eo loco ubi Sperragata venit ad Riam, omnem aquam usque ad Fangadala, et inde per Fangdala, sicut divisæ sunt inter me, et Steintone, usque ad magnam viam, quæ venit de Wildheris, et inde supra clivum montis, quantum meæ divisæ tenduntur versus Cliveland, et subtus clivum montis a monte qui vocatur Traneshof, per vallem quæ dicitur Landesmere, usque ad aquam quæ currit per Bildesdala. Hæ sunt divisæ a parte occidentis; ex parte vero orientis, a supradicta Sparagata per eam, usque ad illam viam, qua itur de Grif, ad molendinum de Sproxton, et inde per viam qua itur inter duas haias, scilicet illam de Grif, et mediam haiam usque ad sartam, et inde totam vallem usque ad parvam haiam de Thillestone. Inde inter planum de Thileston, et oram nemoris usque ad quandam fossam è contra, ubi Depadala, et Lithlebec conveniunt; et inde totam vallem Lithlebec usque ad Raudepade, et inde per magnam viam usque ad furcam viarum, et inde per viam à dextra super Sundhesdala usque ad acervum lapidum qui vocatur Bachely, et inde recto ductu super Thriplesdala usque ad magnam viam quæ venit de Thurchilesti, et per illam viam, quantum meæ divisæ tenduntur versus Cliveland super clivum montis, et subtus clivum, per rivulum qui vocatur Willesmesbec, et est divisa inter me et Johannem de Engelram, usque ad supradictam aquam quæ currit per Bildesdale. Et præter hæc concedo eis omnia aisiamenta sua in manerio et foresta mea de Helmeslac, scilicet materiem, et ligna ad suos proprios usus, et pascua, et pannagia ob omni consuetudine quietam, in omnibus boscis meis de Helmeslac, sicut ego ipse liberiùs et quietiùs habeo ad meum proprium opus. Hiis testibus, Thoma præposito de Beverlaco, Arnaldo sacerdote de Beverlaco, Godefrido capellano, Henrico de Munford, Waltero capellano, Eustachio filio Johannis, Roberto capellano, Walteri Espec, Galfrido clerico de Wartra, Ivone, Pagano, Hugone, Willielmo, Clemente fratribus ejus. Testimonio etiam et concessu nepotum meorum, scilicet, Willielmi de Busei et Jordani, et Rogeri, qui sunt filii sororis meæ Haawisiæ, primogenitæ patris et matris meæ, et nepotum meorum Gaufridi de Trali, et Willielmi, et Gilberti, et Nicholai filiorum mediæ sororis meæ Albreæ; et nepotum meorum Everardi, et Roberti^a filii sororis meæ Adelinae postgenitæ. Testimonio quoque et consilio meorum hominum; scilicet, Willielmi de Steingrif, Roberti Lenveiset, Drogonis de Hiram, Roberti de Sproxton, Petri de Surdevals, Willielmi Luvelle, Johannis Elgelram, Willielmi filii Amfrei, Willielmi de Surdevalle, Rogeri de Flameville, Hugonis Camin. Testibus etiam vicinis meis; scilicet, Henrico de Munfort, Stephano de Meinill, Gervasio de Sneit, et Benedicto filio ejus, Rogero de Hiltune, Auschetino filio Willielmi filii Achelini; et multis aliis meis vicinis, et amicis. Hanc abbatiam Rievallis fundavi ego Walterus Espec, consilio et concessu Turstini archiepiscopi Eboracensis, concessu etiam, et consilio Henrici regis Anglorum, domino Papa Innocentio, auctoritate apostolica hæc omnia confirmante.

NUM. V.

Istæ sunt possessiones Rievallis perennes, quæ sic collatæ sunt nobis.

[Ibid. fol. 15 a. A.D. 1131.]

IN principio datæ sunt ix. carrucatæ terræ beato Bernardo abbati Clarevallensi, scilicet Grif et Tillestona ad construendam ibi abbatiam anno Domini mcccc. primo.

Deinde post aliquot annos dedit Odo de Bolthebi domino Willielmo abbati, Hestelscrait cum pertinentiis suis.

Anno Domini mxcxlv. dedit nobis Walterus Espec Bildesdale cum pertinentiis suis.

Stephanus de Mainil dedit nobis Steintun cum pertinentiis suis.

^a De Ros.

Item pratum de Rokesbergh dederunt nobis Gervasius et Benedictus filius ejus, et Hugo del Tuit.

Pratum de Waterholm dedit nobis Odo de Nes.

Tempore domini Ailredi abbatis, dedit nobis Gilbertus de Gant grangiam de Hundemanebi cum pertinentiis suis.

Anno Domini mclj. dedit nobis Willielmus episcopus Dunelmensis grangiam de Crossebi cum pertinentiis suis.

Postea dedit nobis Hugo episcopus Dunelmensis Cotun cum pertinentiis suis.

Anno post hæc secundo dedit nobis Rogerus de Molbrai Welleburnam cum pertinentiis suis.

Bertrannus de Bulemer dedit nobis unam carrucam terræ in Welleburna cum pertinentiis.

Radulfus Beler dedit nobis totam Hovetonam, præter dimidiam.

Anno ab incarnatione Domini mclviij. dedit nobis rex Henricus secundus vastum subtus Pikaring, in escambium pro Steintona quam nobis dedit Walterus de Gant ad abbatiam construendam ibi.

Robertus de Laceles dedit nobis unam carrucam terræ in Mortun cum pertinentiis suis.

Walterus Engelram dedit nobis v. bovatas terræ in Welleberga cum pertinentiis suis.

Walterus filius Yvonis dedit nobis dimidiam carrucam in Fulketune cum pertinentiis suis.

Torphinus de Alvestain dedit nobis unam carrucam terræ in Alvestain cum pertinentiis suis.

Walterus Engelram dedit nobis in Heselertona xxx. acras terræ et pasturam ad m. oves.

Petrus de Tresc dedit nobis pasturam de Ervens.

Hugo Malebestie dedit nobis Oswaldesengas.

Jordanus de Bussai dedit nobis dimidiam carrucam terræ in Boeltun.

Richardus Cumin dedit nobis unam carrucam terræ et dimidiam in Staincroft.

Adam filius Petri dedit nobis Rumblesmor et favercas de Stainburg, et de Scitlintuna.

Copsi de Tunstal dedit nobis domum unam in Booltun cum tofto.

Radulfus de Novavilla dedit unam carrucam terræ in Riccun.

Tempore domini Silvani abbatis dedit nobis Willielmus filius Theobaldi xvj. acras terræ in campo de Folketun.

Henricus Willardebi et Alardus filius ejus dederunt nobis quatuor acras prati et dimidiam.

Torphinus de Alvestain dedit nobis xij. perticatas terræ arabilis et x. perticatas prati in Latum.

Decem bovatae adquietatae sunt nobis in Hovetun et v. acrae.

Sanctimoniales de Welleburna dederunt nobis duas bovatas terræ.

Apud Favercas nostras datae sunt nobis lxx. acrae et dimidia.

Archarius de Tunstal dedit nobis grangiam de Boeltun cum pertinentiis suis.

Everardus de Ros dedit nobis sartum de Helmesley et communam de Pokeley.

Robertus de Sproxton et Symon filius ejus dederunt nobis terram et pasturam ad cc. oves in campo de Sproxton.

Willielmus de Amundavilla dedit nobis unam acram terræ in campo de Treford juxta piscariam de Neus.

Terram de Tesedale cum pertinentiis suis, et pasturam ad lx. equas cum pullis suis duorum annorum, et ad sexies xx. animalia et ad xij. vaccas et duos tauros cum nutrimento suo, et terram de Westdale cum pertinentiis suis, et pasturam ad sexies xx. animalia, et piscariam de Neuhus. Hæc omnia dedit nobis Bernardus de Baiol.

Grangiam de Broctun cum pertinentiis suis dederunt nobis Jordanus Paen et cæteri liberi homines ejusdem villæ.

Piscarias de Normanebi et xliij. acras terræ et pasturam ad centum oves et ad viij. equos vel boves et ad sumarios qui necessarii fuerint dederunt nobis Ricardus filius Turstini, et Robertus filius ejus, et Richardus Losth.

Domum et terram de Beverlacho in Flammangaria dedit nobis Johannes filius Johannis vinitoris.

Robertus de Scyrlage dedit nobis terram in gardino Willielmi filii Leverici in Beverlacho lx. pedum in longum et xxx. in latum ad faciendam ibi unam domum.

Willielmus de Etun dedit nobis ix. acras prati et unam perticatam in Torp juxta Eboracum.

NUM. VI.

Tot carrucatas terræ habet Rievallis.

De dono Walteri Especk ix. carrucatas terræ.

De dono Stephani de Mainil ij. carrucatas terræ.

De donatione episcoporum Dunelmensium vj. carrucatas.

De donatione Gilberti de Gant duas bovatas.

De donatione Radulfi de Novavilla unam carrucam.

De donatione Rannulfi filii Walteri dimidiam carrucam.

De donatione Thorphini de Alvestain unam carrucam.

De donatione regis xij. carrucatas.

De donatione Rogeri de Molbrai viij. carrucatas in Welleburna et iiij. in Hovetun.

De donatione Bertrani de Bulemer unam carrucam.

De donatione Acharii de Tunstal duas carrucatas.

De donatione Bernardi de Baiol dimidiam carrucam.

De donatione Roberti de Laceles unam carrucam.

De donatione Walteri Engelram v. bovatas.

Summa L.

NUM. VII.

Carta Rogeri de Clera.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, Rogerus de Clera salutem. Sciatis me dedisse, et præsentî carta confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Rievallis, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro anima patris mei, et matris meæ, et pro salute animæ meæ, et omnium parentum et hæredum meorum, in liberam, puram et perpetuam elemosinam, fossatum quod idem monachi fecerunt, inter vastum de Pickering, et villam meam Wiltonam et totam terram quæ est inter ipsum fossatum, et vastum prædictum, et quicquid juris habui in præfato vasto, de me et hæredibus meis, in perpetuam elemosinam, per metas, et divisas quæ continentur in carta regis, quam habent prædicti monachi de eodem vasto. Hæc omnia dedi eis, et confirmavi coram justitiariis domini regis apud Donecastriam, ubi tunc temporis tenebantur assisæ; scilicet, Ranulpho de Glanvill, Godefrido de Luci, Johanne Cumin, Hugone de Gaherst, Alano de Furneaus, Willielmo de Bendenge. His testibus, Rogero de Molbrai, Willielmo de Vesci, Rogero de Stuteville, Willielmo de Stuteville, Radulpho de Albineio, Willielmo Fossard, Gaufrido Trusbut, Everardo de Ros, Willielmo de Luvelot, Willielmo Paenell, Radulpho de Valoines, Alano filio Roaldi, Henrico filio Hervei, Torfino filio Roberti, Reinero Dapifero Ranulfi de Glanvile, Ada filio Petri, Stephano de Meinill, Simone de Steingrif, Roberto de Surdeville, Willielmo de Heirun, Simone de Sproxton, Willielmo de Atune, Radulpho de Bolebec, Galfrido de Alvestin, Rogero Mangevilam, Waltero Bardolf, Gocelino de Aresci, Ingelramo de Monceaus, Alano Malekak, Willielmo de Swinetune, Willielmo Boie, Alano Bucel.

NUM. VIII.

Cirographum inter nos et Kirkeham.

[Ibid. fol. 96 b.]

HÆC sunt illa quæ concessimus et donavimus monachis de Rievalls de possessionibus nostris, pro amore Dei et salute animarum nostrarum, et pro communi societate statuenda inter nos et ipsos, pro pace et honore prioris nostri, et pro voluntate et desiderio advocati nostri; videlicet, Kirkeham cum ecclesia et ædificiis nostris, et cum gardinis, et ortis, et molendinis nostris, et omnibus in eodem loco consistentibus, præter unum horreum quod inde transferemus, et Hwite-wella, et Wiveston, et quatuor carrucatae terræ in Sextendala quas advocatus noster adhuc tenet in manu sua; et de nostro instauramento una carruca et c. oves, tali conditione, quod advocatus noster dabit nobis totam Lintoniam et Hwerflestorp cum omnibus ejusdem villæ pertinentibus, et ipse eas nobis adquietabit ex omni calumpnia, et liberas faciet ex omni servicio. Et prior noster et sui auxiliarii ædificabunt nobis ecclesiam, capitulum, dormitorium, refectorium de Spuor, sufficienti magnitudine, et alias quascumque domos necessarias de alia materie; scilicet infirmitorium, cellarium, hospicium, pistrinum, stabulum, granarium, horreum, et ibi nobis firmabunt bonum molendinum si fieri potest sine ni-

miis expensis; ecclesiam cooperient de scindula, et regulares officinas claustrum de Ros. Cartas autem et confirmationes Lintoniæ et omnium possessionum nostrarum adquirent nobis. Privilegium etiam domini Papæ nobis impetrabunt sine nostro labore vel expensa ad tenorem illius privilegii quod nobis magis placuerit et sit canonicum in hac diocesi.

Sciendum etiam quod in manu nostra cum ecclesia parochiali in Wiveston unam carucatam terræ retinemus quæ ad præfatam ecclesiam pertinet, et in qua ipsa ecclesia stat; id est in mora. Decimas etiam suas nobis dabunt monachi ubicumque terras excoluerint in ipsa parochia, et in Hwite-wella, et in dominiis advocati nostri; videlicet, de omnibus rebus unde decima dari solet, nisi rationabili consideratione et ex nostro consensu eas adquietare voluerint. Omnia mobilia nostra nobiscum discedentes à Kirkaham auferemus, id est, cruces, et calices, libros, et vestes, et omnia quæ ad ornatum ecclesiæ pertinent, necnon et fenestras vitreas coloratas nobis retinemus, pro quibus illis albas faciemus. Tintinabulum unum eis remanebit quale voluerimus. Vasa etiam et utensilia et instrumenta domui necessaria quæcumque inventa fuerint sive in Kirkeham, sive in Hwite-wella nobis licebit pro nostra voluntate transferre. Hoc quoque sciendum est, quod nec à loco nostro volumus discedere, nec priorem nostrum amittere donec ea quæ inter nos constituta sunt, ad prædictum finem perducta fuerint. Et si fortè infra annum locum mutaverimus, res et redditus ecclesiæ nostræ sicut modò sunt per annum integrum in manu et potestate nostra erunt ad debita nostra adquietanda. Similiter etiam res et redditus Lintoniæ in manu monachorum ad construenda ædificia nostra. Hæc omnia prout inter nos constitutum est, ipsi ad finem debitum perducere satagent, salvo eorum conventionibus quos in terris nostris supradictis invenerint. Sciendum quoque quod omnes canonici et fratres de Kirkeham qui in præsentem vivunt, tantum habebunt in capitulo et ordine Cisterciensi, quantum ejusdem ordinis monachus.

NUM. IX.

Privilegium Alexandri Papæ III. de Rievalle.

[Ibid. fol. 157 a.]

ALEXANDER episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis Aelredo abbati monasterii sanctæ Mariæ de Rievalle, ejusque fratribus, tam præsentibus quam futuris, monasticam vitam professis imperpetuum. Religiosis votis annuere et ea operis exhibitione complere, officium nos invitat suscepti regiminis, et ordo videtur exigere rationis. Ea propter dilecti in Domino filii vestri justis postulationibus clementer annuimus, et præfatam ecclesiam sanctæ Mariæ de Rievalle in qua divino mancipati estis obsequio, sub beati Petri et nostra protectione suscipimus, et præsentis scripti privilegio communimus. In primis siquidem statuentes, ut ordo monasticus qui in ecclesia vestra secundum Dei timorem et beati Benedicti regulationem et institutionem Cisterciensis ordinis noscitur institutus, perpetuis ibidem temporibus inviolabiliter observetur. Præterea quascumque possessiones quæcumque bona idem monasterium in præsentiarum justè et canonicè possidet aut in futurum concessione pontificum, largitione regum vel principum, oblatione fidelium seu aliis justis modis Deo propicio poterit adipisci, firma vobis vestrisque successoribus et illibata permaneant. In quibus, hæc propriis duximus exprimenda vocabulis. Monasterium ipsum beatæ Mariæ Rievalis cum omnibus possessionibus et appendiciis suis secundum fines et terminos earundem terrarum et possessionum a Galtero Espec fundatore loci vestri ita constitutos. Ex parte orientis à via dicta Speragata quæ ducit ad Riam usque ad viam qua itur ad Grif, ad molendinum de Sproxtona; et à valle quæ ducit ad parvam haiam de Tilestuna usque ad foveam quæ est ex adverso, ubi duo rivuli, Depedale videlicet et Litlebec conflunt; et à Rauthepeche usque ad acervum lapidum qui vocatur Bachelor, et inde usque ad viam quæ venit de Turchilsti ex parte austri et occidentis sicut Ria fluvius usque ad divisas de Antona fluit, et inde sunt termini usque ad Fangadala, et ex inde usque ad viam quæ venit de Wideris, ex parte septentrionis, à monte qui dicitur Transhoved per vallem Landesmara et rivulum qui dicitur Willelmesbech ubi sunt divisæ Johannis Engelram. Terram de Grif, terram de Tilestuna, terram quæ dicitur Bildesdala cum omnibus appendiciis suis. In foresta de Helmeslac omnia ad usus vestros necessaria in lignis, in pascuis et in pannagiis. Ex

dono filii nostri Henrici, videlicet junioris regis Angliæ, terram quæ dicitur Culverthesmersch cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et cum tota pastura de wasto de subtus Lichering, sicut ipse carta sua confirmavit, et avus ejus rex Henricus in dominio suo tenuit. Ex dono episcopi Dunelmensis, Cotun, et Crossebi cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, sicut ipse episcopus vobis concessit et carta sua confirmavit. Ex dono canonicorum Eboracensium Sanburn cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Rogeri de Molbrai Welleburnam et Hovetunam cum omnibus pertinentiis suis sicut ipse Rogerus vobis concessit et carta propria confirmavit. Præterea ex dono ipsius, Steintunam cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Gilberti de Gant grangiam de Hundemanebi et duas bovatas terræ in eadem villa cum omni communi pastura ejusdem villæ. Ex dono Bertranni de Bulemer illam carrucatam terræ quam habuit in Welleburn cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Radulfi de Novavilla unam carrucatam terræ in Riccun cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Odonis de Bolthebi wastinam de Hestescheith, cum terris et pascuis adjacentium villarum, Bolthebi scilicet et Ravenestorp, et Mortun, sicut ipse Odo vobis concessit et carta sua confirmavit. Et augmentum quod fecit vobis Adam filius ejusdem Odonis. Ex dono Roberti de Herlese, Mortun cum omnibus pertinentiis suis secundum formam cartæ ipsius. Ex dono Adam filii Petri, in Rumblesmora locum qui vocatur Faueddre cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et in villa quæ vocatur Stainburch sartum illud quod vocatur Oggedwaith, et totam mineram ferri de prædicta villa, et in bosco ipsius villæ materiam et ligna ad carbonem, et alia quæ necessaria fuerint, et communem pasturam ipsius villæ et cætera secundum formam cartæ ipsius. Ex dono Torphini et Alani filii ejus unam carrucatam terræ in Alvestein sicut in cirographo illorum continetur. Ex dono fratrum hospitalis sancti Petri de Eboraco illam partem terræ quam habuerunt in Bolthebi sicut in carta et cyrographo eorum continetur. Ex dono Gervasii et Benedicti filii ejus pratum quod dederunt vobis in Rocheberch. Ex dono Odonis de Nes pratum quod dedit vobis in Walterholm. Ex dono Hugonis del Tuith pratum quod dedit vobis in Rochesberch. Ex dono Hugonis Malebestie pratum quod dicitur Oswaldeshenges. Ex dono fratrum hospitalis de Witebi duas bovatas terræ in Hovetun secundum formam cartæ illorum. Ex dono Ricardi Cumin unam carrucatam et dimidiam in Stainchroft sicut ipse Ricardus vobis concessit et carta sua confirmavit. Sane laborum vestrorum quos propriis manibus et sumptibus colitis sive de nutrimentis vestrorum animalium nullus omnino à vobis decimas exigere præsumat. Addentes etiam auctoritate apostolica prohibemus, ne quis fratres vestros, clericos videlicet sive laicos post factam in monasterio vestro professionem, absque licentia vestra suscipere audeat vel retinere. Sancimus etiam ne quis archiepiscopus vel episcopus sive cujuslibet ordinis persona locum vestrum à divinis interdicit officiis nisi abbatis vel fratrum ipsius loci evidens et manifesta culpa extiterit. Liceat autem vobis cum commune interdictum terræ fuerit, clausis januis, et exclusis excommunicatis et interdictis, divina officia celebrare. Paci quoque et tranquillitati vestra paterna sollicitudine providentes, auctoritate apostolica prohibemus, ut nullus infra clausuram locorum sive grangiarum vestrarum violentiam vel rapinam vel furtum facere vel hominem capere audeat, et si quis hoc temerario ausu præsumperit, tanquam sacrilegus judicetur, et excommunicationis ultione plectatur. Præterea omnes libertates seu etiam immunitates ac regias consuetudines à karissimo filio nostro Henrico rege Anglorum vobis et ecclesiæ vestræ indultas et scripti sui pagina roboratas auctoritate apostolica confirmamus et illibatas statumus perpetuo permanere, prohibentes ne quispiam hominum vos aut ecclesiam vestram de omni temanatala, denegeldis, omnibus assisis, consuetudinibus, auxiliis, placitis, et de omni terreno servicio quod alicui seculari personæ pertinebat, audeat infestare, sed liberi et quieti ab hujusmodi exactionibus maneatis quemadmodum prædictus filius noster Rex Henricus sive avus ejus senior Henricus scriptis suis vobis rationabiliter confirmaverunt. Præterea dilecte in domino fili A. abbas, religionem in monasteriis quibus præesse dinosceris stabilitam in Domino proficere cupientes, statuimus, ut in omnibus monasteriis quæ de monasterio cui præsides sunt egressa, et in his quæ de egressis ab eodem monasterio prodierunt, tam de ipsis personis quam de rebus monasteriorum juxta Cisterciensium

fratrum institutionem, disponendi et ordinandi liberam habeas facultatem. Præsenti quoque decreto sancimus, ut episcopi in quorum episcopatibus monasteria vestra consistunt, nec regularem et canonicam electionem abbatis vestri umquam impedian, nec de removendo ac deponendo eo qui pro tempore fuerit contra statuta Cisterciensis ordinis et auctoritatem privilegiorum suorum se nullatenus intromittant. Decernimus ergo ut nulli omnino hominum liceat præfatum monasterium temerè perturbare, &c.

Data Anagninæ per manum Hermanni sanctæ Romanæ ecclesiæ subdiaconi et notarii, xij. kal. Decembris, indictione ix. incarnationis Dominicæ anno m.c.lx. Pontificatus verò domini Alexandri Papæ tertii anno secundo.

NUM. X.

Carta Stephani de Mainill, de Stainton.

[Ex autog. in turri beatæ Mariæ Ebor.]

STEPHANUS de Mainil, omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, salutem. Notum sit vobis me dedisse, et concessisse in elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ, et uxoris meæ et filiorum meorum, fratribus sanctæ Mariæ Rievallis totam terram de Steintune cum omnibus appendiciis suis, in nemore in plano et in aquis, concessu filiorum meorum Roberti et Henrici, et uxoris meæ Sibillæ, in feudo pro una marca per singulos annos, liberam et solutam ab omni alio terreno servitio, et consuetudine inperpetuum; porro in nemore, materiem ad proprios usus, cum opus fuerit, licebit mihi accipere. His testibus, Gaufrido capellano, Hugone de Rudebi, Eadmundo Constabulario, Willielmo de Carletune, Rogero filio ejus, Waltero filio Rogeri, Waltero filio Radulfi.

NUM. XI.

Carta Hextildis Comitissæ de Ethehetela.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis tam præsentibus quam futuris Hextildis comitissa de Ethlithetela salutem. Sciatis me dedisse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Rievall. et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro animabus patris, et matris meæ, et pro anima mea, et pro anima domini mei Richardi Cumin, et omnium parentum, et hæredum meorum, in liberam, et perpetuam elemosinam, totam illam donationem quam idem Richardus Cumin, dominus meus, donavit eis in vita sua, per gratum et concessum meum in Staincroft, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ita libere, solutè et quietè, in omnibus et per omnia, sicut in carta domini mei, præfati Richardi Cumin, et mea, quas inde habent continetur. Hanc donationem et confirmationem feci eis, concessi, et affidavi, manu mea, in manu Willielmi capellani de Wardun, servandam, manutendam, et warrantizandam, contra omnes homines inperpetuum. Hæc autem carta facta est ad festum sancti Martini, proximum postquam rex Angliæ Henricus secundus dedit mihi maritagium meum apud Carleolum. Testibus hiis, Johanne priore et capitulo Hagustaldensi, Philippo de Valloniis, Willielmo de Haultona, Gileberto Mautalent, Simone de Halchtun, Samsone de Corneweile, Benedicto et Willielmo capellanis, Roberto Bertram, Laurencio clerico, Huctredo de Erintun, Reginaldo de Wardun, Edmundo dapifero, Rogero Blavet, Roberto serviente regis, Helia de cellario, Gregorio Hamel, domino Richardo Malregard heremita.

NUM. XII.

Carta Adæ de Brus de Piscaria de Normanby Monachis de Rievall concessa.

[Autog. penes Tho. Strangways Robinson, in com. Ebor. armig.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis Adam de Brus salutem. Sciatis me concessisse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse, Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Rievall, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, piscariam de Normaneby, et octo acras terræ quas dimisit eis Rogerus Host, tenendas liberè et quietè ab omni terreno servicio et exactione seculari in viis, et semitis, et omnibus aliis rebus, per omnia sicut in carta ejusdem Rogeri continetur et hæredum ejus. His testibus, Roberto clerico de Mortona, Willielmo Ingelram, Stephano Kosel, Willielmo Heriz, Simone Coleby, Willielmo de Tamet et Ricardo filio ejus, Stephano de Piket, Hugone Luncle, Rainaldo de Tunestal, Rogero genero Rogeri

Host et Willielmo fratre ejus, Alexandro camerario, Roberto de Hoc, Stephano pincerna, Willielmo de Malteby, Rogero filio Baldrici de Martona, Thoma pistore.

In sigillo eques armatus, circumscriptio exesa.

NUM. XIII.

Carta Johannis de Euer de Putura Forestarum quam remittit Abbati et Conventui Rievallis, in agro Eboracensi.

[Penes Radulphum Thoresby de Leedes, in com. Ebor. armig.]

Hoc scriptum cyrographatum testatur quod Johannes de Euer concessit, remisit, et quietum clamavit abbati et conventui Rievallis et eorum successoribus, pro se et hæredibus suis, totum jus et clamium quod habuit vel habere potuit in putura forestarum, vel servientibus ejusdem forestarum; quam puturam dominus Johannes aliquando exigebat de dictis abbate et conventu, ratione terrarum et tenementorum, cum pertinentiis, quæ dicti abbas et conventus habuerunt in Westerdale die confectionis hujus scripti. Concessit etiam idem Johannes quod dictus abbas et successores sui in perpetuum quieti sint de homagio faciendo, eidem Johanni, et hæredibus vel assignatis suis, pro terris et tenementis omnibus, cum suis pertinentiis, quæ dicti abbas et conventus tenuerunt die confectionis præsentium in Parva Brocton et in Kyrkeby, in Cliveland, salvis tamen eisdem Johanni et hæredibus suis fidelitate dicti abbatis et successorum suorum, et aliis servitiis de dictis terris et tenementis suis debitis et consuetis, excepto dicto homagio tamen. Ita tamen quod si dictæ terræ seu tenementa in parte vel in toto ad manum secularem in posterum deveniant, tenenda in feodo et hæreditate tunc dicti tenentes tam homagium quam alia servitia inde debita et consueta, dicto Johanni et hæredibus suis facient et facere teneantur, non obstante præsentī scripto, seu concessione prædicta. In cujus rei testimonium præsentī scripto ad modum cyrographi confecto prædictus Johannes, pro se et hæredibus suis vel assignatis; et præfatus abbas, pro se et successoribus suis, sigilla sua alternatim apposuerunt. Hiis testibus, domino Ernaldo de Percy, Nicholao de Menil, Alexandro de Cave, Roberto Euer, milite, Willielmo de Moubray, Johanne de Middleton, Willielmo Euer, Ricardo de Fenton, Johanne de Kirkeby, Bret, et aliis. Datum apud Ryevallem in octava sancti Johannis Baptistæ, anno gratiæ millesimo trecentesimo secundo.

NUM. XIV.

Carta Walteri filii Aliciæ de Terris in Territorio de Osgoteby Monachis de Ryevall concessis.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus, præsentibus et futuris, Walterus filius Aliciæ quondam uxoris Henrici filii Walteri de Folketon salutem. Noveritis me concessisse ei hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse Deo, et beatæ Mariæ, et ecclesiæ et monachis Ryevall, et eorum successoribus ibidem Deo servientibus, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, totum pratum cum pertinentiis in territorio de Osgoteby, quod habuerunt ex donatione dictæ Aliciæ sicut in carta ejusdem Aliciæ quam inde habent, plenius continetur. Ita quod nec ego, nec hæredes mei, nec aliquis per nos unquam jus vel clamium in prædicto prato cum pertinentiis poterimus exigere, vel inde contra dictum abbatem et monachos de cætero calumpniam movere. Et ego et hæredes mei warrantizabimus, acquietabimus, et defendemus dictis abbati, et monachis, et eorum successoribus prædictum pratum cum pertinentiis, ut liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, sicut prædictum est, contra omnes homines Christianos et Judæos in perpetuum. In cujus rei testimonium præsentī scripto sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus, Willielmo de Acton, Thoma de Wilakeby, de Folketon, Thoma de Helm, Willielmo Cresacre, Willielmo de Morpath, Thoma de, Willielmo filio Roberti filio, et aliis.

Carta lacera et deleta, et absque sigillo.

NUM. XV.

Privilegium Alexandri Quarti Papæ Monachis de Rievall de non solvendis Decimis.

[Regist. Abbatæ de Melsa penes Rev. D. Stubbs, archid. sancti Albani.]

ALEXANDER episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venera-

bilibus fratribus Eboracensi archiepiscopo, apostolicæ sedis legato, et Dunelmensi episcopo, et dilectis filiis clericis in eorum episcopatibus constitutis salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Audivimus et audientes admirati sumus, quod cum fratribus Rievallis sicut aliis omnibus Cisterciensis Ordinis a patribus et prædecessoribus nostris concessum sit, et a nobis ipsis postmodum confirmatum, ne de laboribus quos propriis manibus aut sumptibus excolunt nemini decimasolvere teneantur; quidam ex eis nicholominus contra indulgentiam sedis apostolicæ decimas exigere et extorquere præsumunt, et sinistra interpretatione apostolicorum privilegiorum captum pervertentes asserunt de novalibus deberi intelligi ubi de laboribus est insertum. Quoniam igitur manifestum est omnibus qui recte sapiunt, interpretationem hujusmodi, perversam esse, et intellectui sano contrariam, cum secundum captum illorum a solutione decimarum tam de terris illis quas deduxerunt vel deducunt ad cultum, quam etiam de terris cultis quas propriis manibus vel sumptibus excolunt sint penitus absoluti, ne ullus contra eos materiam habeat malignandi, vel quomodolibet in posterum justitiam molestandi, per apostolica scripta vobis præcipiendo mandamus quatenus omnibus qui vestræ sunt potestatis auctoritate nostra prohibere curetis, ne a memoratis fratribus de Rievall, vel a fratribus aliorum monasteriorum Cisterciensis Ordinis, qui in episcopatibus vestris consistunt de novalibus vel de aliis terris, quas propriis manibus vel sumptibus excolunt, vel de nutrimentis animalium decimas præsumunt quomodolibet extorquere. Nam si de novalibus voluissimus tantum intelligi, ubi ponimus de laboribus de novalibus poneremus; sicut in privilegiis quorundam apponimus aliorum. Quia vero non est conveniens ut constra instituta sedis apostolicæ temere veniatur quæ obtinere debent inviolabilem firmitatem per apostolica scripta vobis præcipiendo mandamus, ut si qui canonici, monachi, vel laici, contra privilegia sedis apostolicæ prædictos fratres de decimarum exactione gravaverint, laicos excommunicationis sententia percellatis, reliquos ab officio suo appellatione remota suspendatis, et tam excommunicationis sententiam quam suspensionis faciatis usque ad dignam satisfactionem observari. Ad hæc præsentium vobis auctoritate præcipiendo mandamus quatinus si qui in fratres præscriptorum monasteriorum manus violentas injecerint, appellatione et dilatione remota, eos accensis candelis excommunicatos districtius evitari donec congrue satisfaciant prædictis fratribus, et cum literis diocesanæ episcopi rei veritatem continentibus apostolico se conspectui representent. Dat. Lateran. kal. Maii.

Ego frater S. dictus abbas Rievallis testimonium perhibeo hanc libertatem a domino papa nobis indultam, et in eodem rescripto etiam aliis monasteriis ordinis nostri in Eboracensi et Dunelmensi episcopatibus constitutis, unde et præsentis scripto ad fidem faciendam sigillum meum apposui; cui testimonio nostro si fide adhibita acquiescere nolueritis, originalis copia rescripti cum necesse fuerit, non deerit nobis et aliis ordinis nostri.

NUM. XVI.

[From a Pension Book, temp. Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

RYVALS NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Roulendus Blyton nuper abbas ibidem	c marc.		
Thomas Jackson alias Richmond	v ^{li} .	xij ^s	iiij ^d .
Willielmus Steynson alias Yeresley	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .
Robertus Smyth alias Stanethop	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .
Robertus Wardale alias Pykeringe	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .
Willielmus Storere			
Ricardus Blith alias Scarborough	vj ^{li} .		
Thomas Poulson alias Yarome	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .
Ricardus Lynge alias Allertone	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .
Willielmus Brodleye alias Fayrlington	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .
Rogerus Watson alias Whitbye	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .
Ricardus Jenkynson alias Ripon	vj ^{li} .		
Willielmus Stapleton alias Bedall	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .
Ricardus Halle alias Gyllynge	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .
Henricus Cawlton alias Thrysk	vj ^{li} .		
Willielmus Wordale	v ^{li} .		
Jacobus Fayreweder alias Guisburghe	v ^{li} .		
Christopherus Symondson alias			
Holmsleye	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .

Olyverus Watson alias Broghton.	v ^{li} .
Matheus Tort alias Ampleford	v ^{li} .
Johannes Altame	v ^{li} .
Thomas Caprone alias Skegbye	iiij ^{li} .

NUM. XVII.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 31 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

RIVALLS NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Com' Ebor'	£	s.	d.
Rivalls—Firma terrarum dominicalium	10	11	10
Newlathes—Firma grangiæ	6	15	6
Crosseby—Firma grangiæ	12	0	0
Cothame—Firma grangiæ	10	0	0
Newton—Firma grangiæ	22	0	0
Billesdale cum Raysdale—Firma diversorum tenementorum	88	6	10
Sproxtton—Firma grangiæ	3	10	0
Skyplome—Firma tenementorum	12	16	0
Hesketh—Firma grangiæ sive manerii	4	13	4
Estharchesay—Firma grangiæ	13	10	0
Mountgrace—Lib' reddit' de scitu	0	1	6
Angrame—Firma grangiæ	6	0	0
Heslerton—Reddit' unius tenementi	1	16	0
Campe—Reddit' unius tenementi	2	4	4
Twyllynge—Reddit' unius tenementi	1	6	8
Righton—Reddit' unius tenementi	1	12	0
Leverston—Reddit' unius tenementi	2	0	0
Caton—Reddit' capital' messuagii	5	5	10
Caton—Firma molend' aquat'	1	0	0
Skarbrugh—Firma terrarum	0	7	0
Thorton—Redd' unius tenementi	0	3	0
Malton—Reddit' cotagii et granarii	0	11	0
Nunnyngton—Lib' reddit'	1	13	4
Stitnam—Firma terrarum	1	10	8
Caweton—Firma terrarum et lib' reddit'	0	16	4
Oswaldkyrke—Reddit' unius tenementi	0	13	4
Harom Engs—Firma prati	1	1	8
Skerton Croft et Orlyounce—Firma crofti	1	0	0
Welborne cum Sinlow—Reddit' et firm'	39	18	5 ob'
Southfelde—Firma terr' et prat'	3	6	8
Welborne—Firma unius mol' aquat	2	13	4
Roughbargh Engs—Reddit' prati	0	9	0
Silton Engs—Reddit' prati	0	14	0
Brandsdaill—Reddit' diversorum tenementorum	8	15	4
Budlome—Reddit' diversorum tenementorum	2	8	8
Newtondale—Reddit' diversorum tenementorum	1	19	4
Womylton—Reddit' unius tenementi	0	4	0
Westerdaill—Reddit' duorum tenementorum	2	0	0
Lownde in le Marres cum membris—Firma diversorum tenementorum	88	3	4
Lownde—Perquis' cur'	0	1	0
Ayresdale cum Arden—Firma diversorum tenementorum	15	15	4
Fawdre—Firma messuagii cum terris pratis et pasturis	4	13	4
Ebor' Civ'—Firma divers' terr' et tenementorum	2	0	0
Thruske—Redd' unius cotagii	0	2	0
Swaldale cum membris—Reddit' terrarum et tenementorum	16	0	0

Com' Ebor'	£	s.	d.	Com' Ebor'	£	s.	d.
Oxhoppe—Reddit' terrarum et tene- mentorum	5	6	8	Carleton—Reddit' diversorum te- nementorum	1	16	0
Thwate—Reddit' terrarum et te- nementorum	9	6	8	Newton—Lib' reddit'	0	1	6
Angrame—Reddit' terrarum et te- nementorum	5	6	8	Pynchyngthorpe—Reddit' unius tenementi	0	11	0
Kelde—Reddit' terrarum et tene- mentorum	6	13	4	Busseby Parva—Reddit' unius te- nementi	6	0	0
Birkedale—Reddit' divers' prato- rum, &c.	4	0	0	Faceby—Reddit' diversorum tene- mentorum	1	16	0
Keisdon—Reddit' divers' prato- rum, &c.	2	0	0	Stanesby—Reddit' terrarum	0	13	4
Swaldale—Perquis' cur'	0	5	2	Redcarre—Reddit' terr' et tene- menti	0	6	8
Broughton Magna—Reddit' et firm'	16	4	6	Thornaby—Reddit' terr' et tene- menti	2	15	4
Yarome—Reddit' unius tene- menti	0	4	0	Com' Dunelm'			
Kirkeby—Reddit' diversorum te- nementorum	1	10	4	Newschame—Firma terr' et piscar'	20	13	4
				Tyesdale cum Middilton—Firma terrarum, &c.	11	9	8
				Tyesdale—Perquis' cur'	0	5	6

Fountains Abbey, near Ripon, in Yorkshire.



HIRTEEN Benedictine monks of St. Mary's near York, says Tanner, left their house A.D. 1132,^a with design to observe a more strict and reformed rule; where-upon Thurston archbishop of York gave them a place then called Skeldale, not far from Ripon, thereupon to found an abbey of the Cistercian Order, to the honour of the blessed Virgin.

The details of this removal and foundation are given by Dugdale at considerable length from the Narration of one Hugh, a monk of Kirkstall, formerly in the Arundel library, but now in that of the Royal Society.^b Burton also has given an abridged translation of these details.^c

Hugh dean of York, and Serlo and Tosti two canons of that cathedral, rank among the earliest benefactors to this house: soon after which Robert de Sartis and his wife Raganilda bestowed upon the monks the town of Harleshows, with the adjacent fields, and the forest of Warkesall: Serlo de Pembroke gave the village of Caiton: and the abbat soon after obtained the grange of Aldeburgh.^d These possessions formed a sort of nucleus, which, in time, increasing, rendered Fountains one of the most important abbies of the north.

There are a few historical details relating to this monastery:

William archbishop of York, it appears, being deposed A.D. 1140, 5 Steph. the soldiers who favoured him came to Fountains to seize Henry the abbat, whom they considered to have been the cause of William's deposition: but

not finding him there, they burnt the monastery, and half of the oratory.^e

John de Eboraco, abbat of Fountains, began the fabric of the church anew soon after 1204, laying the foundations, and raising some of the pillars.

John Pherd, the next abbat, afterwards bishop of Ely, carried on the work with the utmost expedition; and John de Cantia, his successor, finished the structure, instituting therein nine altars. This abbat also built the cloister, infirmary, and the apartment for the entertainment of the poor, in the entrance of the first area of the abbey toward the south. He also added to the new work of the chancel an ornamented pavement. At this time, likewise, it appears that there were nine altars in the transverse aisle of the most eastern part of the church, where there were many columns of black marble interspersed with white spots. In the chapter-house and refectory there were other large pillars of the same sort.^f

This last abbat John died in the 29th of Henry the Third, A.D. 1245; whence it appears, says Burton, that this fabric was erected in less than the space of forty years.

The prosperity of the convent, however, did not quite keep pace with the grandeur of the buildings; since, in 1294, John le Romaine, archbishop of York, wrote to those monks of Clareval who were sent as visitors of the religious places of the Cistercian Order in England, informing them of the injured state of Fountains abbey, and of the great necessity which the monks were in, partly, as it appears, from misconduct and extravagance.^g

The Monks of Fountains were likewise great sufferers by the invasions of the Scots, who, at one or two times burnt many of their houses, and destroyed the produce of their lands. On this account, in the 13th of Edward II. A. D. 1319, the king granted them an exemption from the payment of taxes.^h By an inquisition taken in 1363, the

^a The Chronicle of Barth. Cotton places the foundation of this house in 1127.

^b See the Append. Num. I. to XI.

^c Monasticon Eboracense, p. 141.

^d Compare the Append.

^e "Lis maxima orta ex depositione Gul. archiepiscopi Ebor. Milites qui favebant Gulielmi partibus, armata manu Fontes veniunt, Henricum abbatem Fontensem, tanquam defectionis Gul. autorem disquirunt, sed non invento eo monasterium Fontense incendunt et diripiunt, relicto oratorio tantum semiustulato." Lel. Collectan. tom. iii. p. 108.

^f "Johannes de Eboraco factus abbas Fontium, mortuo Radulpho, aggressus est pro magnitudine animi opus magnum inchoare, novam scilicet fabricam ecclesie Fontensis, opus inusitatum et admirandum; feliciter inchoatum, sed felicius consummatum.

"Successit Joanni alter Johannes, qui inceptam fabricam provexit. Hic postea factus est episcopus Eliensis.

"Successit in Abbatia Fontium Joannes de Cantia, qui novam basilicam consummavit, et altaria novem instituit. Addidit et novo operi pictum pavementum. Claustrum novum construxit infirmitorium. Porro xenodocheum pauperum, sicut hactenus cernitur, venustissime fabricavit in introitu primae areae versus austrum. Praefuit Fontibus xxviii. annis. Novem altaria in transversa insula orientalissimae partis ecclesiae, ubi multae columnae ex nigro marmore albis maculis et magnis intersperso. Erant et in capitulo Fontium et in refectorio magnae columnae ejusdem marmoris." Ibid. pp. 108, 109.

^g Monasticon Eborac. p. 143. e Regist. Jo. de Romaine Aa. p. 98.

^h Compare Rym. Foed. tom. iii. p. 802. Claus. 13 Edw. II. m. 13.



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granges of the monks at Aldeburgh, Slensingford, Sutton, Couton, Cayton, Bramley, Bradley, Kilnesay, and Thorp, are represented to have become so ruinous that they could not repair them: but whether from the same cause is not distinctly stated.^a Subsequent to this time we read no more of their distresses.

The different charters of privilege and confirmation granted to the Monks of Fountains, papal, regal, and archiepiscopal, are enumerated in the following order by Burton: who first observes, that their exemption from the payment of tithes for all such ground as they kept in their own hands, or occupied at their own expense, was the common privilege of all houses of the Cistercian Order.

Pope Innocent the Fourth, on the 6th kal. Feb. 1241, granted them a bull, in which, to the exemption just mentioned, a further one was added from the payment of the tithes of wool, lamb, and milk, in whatsoever parish their sheep should be fed:^b and Pope Alexander the Fourth, who was elected in 1254, by a bull dated prid. Id. Aug. in the fourth year of his pontificate, granted that such lands belonging to them, whether cultivated or uncultivated, as had not paid tithes, although afterwards they should be let to others to cultivate, should yet be exempt from payment of tithes.^c

King Henry the First granted that the monks of Fountains, their horses, men, and effects should be exempt from payment of tolls, for passage and pontage, and be duty free wheresoever they went by land or by water; and especially to and from Boroughbridge.^d

King Stephen confirmed all the grants made to the monks here by Thurston, archbishop of York, Henry, his successor in that see, Alan, Earl of Bretagne, and others, and exempted their lands from all secular service.^e

King Henry the Second confirmed their possessions to them, with sac, soc, team, and infangetheof; and exempted them from themanelith, and danegeld, and from assize, and aid of the county or hundred.^f

Richard the First confirmed his father King Henry the Second's grants, together with those of their possessions therein specified, dated 16th of September, in the first year of his reign, A.D. 1189. His charter was renewed on the ninth of November in the tenth year of his reign.^g

King Henry the Third also confirmed their possessions.^h

King Edward the First, on the 18th of September, in the eighth year of his reign A.D. 1280, granted to the monks here free warren in their demesnes in Morkar, Somewith, Aldeburgh, Slensingford, and Sutton, provided those lands were not in the king's forests: and by other letters patent, dated Oct. 16th, in the 20th year of his reign, he confirmed to them free warren in their demesnes in Balderby, Marton super Moram, Thorp sub bosco, Kilnesy in Craven, Bordelby in Craven, and Bradeley.ⁱ

King Richard the Second, by letters patent dated the 9th of November, in the tenth year of his reign, A.D. 1387, confirmed to them all their possessions, and granted them sac, soc, toll, team, and infangenetheof, with the courts of all their tenants, and the cognizance of all transgressions on their lands, with the assize of bread and ale; and to have the nomination or removal of their own bailiffs and servants, with all fines and forfeitures within the said premises; and with the same liberties as the church of St. Peter at York enjoyed. He also exempted them from the assize of the county, riding, and wapentakes, from danegeld, aids, scutage, pontage, pedage, carriage, tolls for repairing castles, clearing fosses, stallage and taillage: forbidding every man from arresting any person within their premises, without the abbat and convent's licence.^k

King Henry the Sixth, by the consent of the lords spiritual and temporal in parliament, confirmed the same privileges in the first year of his reign, A.D. 1422.^l

Thurston, archbishop of York, who sat from 1114 to 1143, who gave the monks their first land, gave to them part of his wood de Herleso, with the land near the wood, which Wallef, son of Archil, the archbishop's man, gave to them.^m

Henry Murdoc, his immediate successor, who sat from 1147 to 1153, confirmed what Thurston and others had given, viz. the church of Fountains, Sutton-grange, Herleshou, the grange of Warthsal, and other lands.ⁿ

Roger of Bishop-bridge, archbishop of York, who sat from 1154 to 1181, confirmed the same;^o as did Roger the dean and the chapter of York.^p

Burton has given a most elaborate detail of the possessions of Fountains, down to the smallest parcels of land. The greater estates lay at *Abulay-grange*, in the chapelry of Eland in Halifax; *Ainderby*, the whole town of which was given them by John, earl of Richmond, son of the duke of Bretagne; *Aldeburgh*, the chief part of which had been given by Roger de Mowbray;^q *Aldewark*, *Arneforde*, *Askrigg*, *Balderby*, *Birkon*, *Balderby*, *Bradeley*,^r *Brembem*, *Caiton*, where Eustace Fitz John gave two carucates;^s *Calton*, where the monks had two carucates of the gift of Alan de Calton; *Caldwell*, *North Couton*, with the grange, *Crosthwait* in Allerdale,^t *Dakre* of the gift of Roger de Mowbray,^u *Disceford*, *Dromundby*, *Eland*, *Estun*, *Fountains*, *Gulghagh*, *Grafton*, where Ralph Mauleverer gave a carucate, *Grenebergh*, *Grewelthorpe* or *Thorp* in Kirkebyshire, *Herleshou*, where Robert de Sartis and Raganild his wife gave three carucates,^x *Heaton* alias *Kirk-heaton*, *East Holme* in Allerdale, *Jarnwyk* or *Yarnwyk*, *Kilnesay* in Craven, *Kyrkby Wysk*, *Kirkby Useburn*, *Little Hage*, *Litton*, *Malghum* or *Malham*, *Melmorby*, *Merkingfeld*, *Merston* or *Marston*, *Multon*, *Neusom*, *Pikehall* or *Rokesby Pikehall*, *Queldrick* or *Wheldrake*, *Quixley* or *Whixley*, *Raynington* now *Rainton*, *Rigton* or *Ryghton*, *Ripley*, *Ripon*, *Rumore*, *Slensingford*, *Staynburn*, *Sutton*, where archbishop Thurston gave two carucates; *Swetton*, *Tanfild*, *Thresfeld* or *Threshfield*; *Walton*, where Robert de Cramavilla gave a carucate; *Withintun*, where Pope Innocent the Third confirmed to them one carucate; *Wygglesworth*, one of their largest estates; *Wymbelton*, *Wynkeslay*, and in different parts of the city of York. The smaller portions of land, rights of pasture, toll, and other privileges, were in *Acastre*, *Aistenby*, *Alvescage*, *Alverstain*, *Applethwaite* in Allerdale, *Appletrewyk*, *Arneclive*, *Armunderby*, *Awndelay*, *Awstwyk*, *Azerlay*,^y *Ayrton*, *Bothelstane*, *Baystenbrek*, *Beverley*, *Blakhou*, *Blatenkar*, *Bourthwayth*, *Bramley*,^z *Brunton*, *Brathwayth* in Allerdale, *Brathwayth* in Kirkebyshire, *Brynsal*, the *Buskebys*, *Caldelove* in Allerdale, *Caldestanes*, *Calf-house*, *Castelay*,² *Carthal parva*, *Catton* upon Swale, *Clifton*, *Clotherum*, *Coningston*, *Cotum*, *Cockermouth* in Allerdale, *Dalagh*, *Dernebroke*, *Doncaster*, *Dunesford*, *Eccleshay*, *Elleslak*, *Ellingstringge*, *Edlingthorpe*, *Eseby*, *Elreston*, *Eveston*, *Furnam*, *Ferry-bridge*, *Fixby*, *Flatwith*, *Folyfait*, *Gawton*, *Gevendale*, *Gawthorp*, *Guonp*, *Grantlay*, *Grene Hammerton*, *Grymesby*, *Gressington* alias *Gersington*, *Gristhorpe*, *Guayth*, *Hagulyth* or *Hainelithe* in Stainclif wapentake, *Haukeswyk*, *Hebden* in Stainclif wapentake, *Helghfeld* alias *Hellifeld*, *Hertlington*, *Hertlepool*, *Hewic*, *Holm-House*, *Hopperton*, *Horton*, *Hoton Coigners*, *Huby*, *Jarum* or *Yarum*, *Iketon*, *Ingrethorp*, *Karlesmore*, *Karlton* or *Carleton* in Cleveland, *East Kesewyk*, *Kettetwel*, *Killum*, *Kirkeby-Malesart*, *Kirkby-Mulghedale*, *Kirklyngton*, *Langelay*, *Langestrohe* in Allerdale, *Laverton*, *Linton*, *Liversegge*, *Liverton* in Whitby-Strand, *Lofthouse*, *Lonesdale*, *Lyway*, or *Lindelay*, *Magneby*, *Marton*, *Masham*,^b *Merkington*, *Midelton*, *Middlesmore*, *Miton*, *Mildeby*, *Moor-Monkton*, *Morker*,^c *East Morton* in the parish of Bingley, *West Morton*, *Neuby* super Swale, *Wisk Neuby*, *Neuton* super Swale, *Norton Moor*, *Nunwyke*, *Nutwyth*,^d *Osmundesby*, *Ottelay*, *Otterburn*, *Pouil-holme* in Castley, *Pot*, *Preston*

^a See Burton, Monast. Ebor. ut supr.

^b Ibid. p. 147.

^d Ibid.

^e Ibid.

^f Ibid. See the Charter in the Append. Num. LXXVI.

^h Burton, ut supr. p. 148.

^k Ibid.

^m Burton, ut supr.

^o Burton, ut supr. e Chartul. de Fontibus.

^c Ibid.

^e Ibid.

ⁱ Ibid.

^l Ibid. ex rot. Pat. 30 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 2.

ⁿ See the Append. Num. LXVIII.

^p Burton, ut supr.

^q Of Aldeburgh, see the charters in the Append. Numm. LI. LII. LXXI.

^r See the Append. Num. LX.

^t Ibid. Num. LXXV.

^x Ibid. Numm. XX. LXVII. LXVIII.

^y See the Append. Num. LXXIII.

^z Append. Numm. LIII. LV.

^b Num. LI.

^d Numm. LVI. LVII.

^o Append. Num. XXI.

ⁿ Ibid. Numm. LXI. LXII.

² See Num. LXIII.

^c Numm. XX. LXVI.

in Craven, Redker, Redley, Redmire, Rilleston, Riplingham, Risewarde, Rouuel, Sallay, Sand-Hoton, Santon, Scaddewell or Staddewell, Scardeburgh, Scorton, Scothorp, Scotton, Sinderby, Skelton, Skipton, Skyrn, Smithuswat, Somerwith, North Stainley, South Stainley, Stapleton, Stodelay, Stokesley, Sutton Howgrave, Swale, Swanley, Synithorpe, Syxsford, Thornbergh, Thornton Episcopi, Thornton in Mora, Thornton Rust juxta Joreval, Thornton, Thorpe juxta Brereton, Thorpe Under wood, Thorpe juxta Brinvale, Thwaithouse, Thresk or Thrisk, Uckerby, Ulcotes, Upsalade, Wainford, Wardhill, Warshall,^a Welle, and Windflat. They had also passage from Boroughbridge to York free of toll given them by Edmund earl of Cornwall, and a fishery in the river Lon, or Lun, called Chil; and they performed divine service, and received the oblations, in St. Michael's chapel de Monte.^b

ABBATS of FOUNTAINS.

RICHARD was created abbat by Thurston archbishop of York 15 Dec. A.D. 1132. He died at Rome April 30th 1339.^c Another

RICHARD succeeded in 1339.^d

HENRY MURDOC was made abbat Oct. 12, 1143: three years after which he was elected archbishop of York. He had been previously abbat of Vauclere.^e

MAURICE succeeded in 1146, but resigned three months after his election.^f

THOROLD was the successor of Maurice in the same year.^g

RICHARD succeeded upon Thorold's resignation.^h

ROBERT abbat of Pipewell succeeded, according to Burton, in 1170. He died in 1179.ⁱ

WILLIAM became abbat in the same year.^k

RALPH HAGET, or HAGATH, succeeded in 1190.^l

JOHN became abbat in 1203.^m He died July 14th, 1209.ⁿ

JOHN PHERD was made abbat in 1209.^o Upon his death,

JOHN DE CANTIA was elected abbat in 1220.^p He died Nov. 25th, 1246, and was buried in the chapter-house of the abbey.^q

STEPHEN DE ESTON was elected in 1246. He died Sept. 6, 1252, and was also buried in the chapter-house.^r

WILLIAM DE ALLERTON succeeded in 1252. He died Dec. 1st, 1258.^s

ADAM, who was next elected, died April 30th, 1259.^t

ALEXANDER succeeded in 1259. He died Oct. 11th, 1265.^u

REGINALD succeeded immediately afterward. He died Oct. 25th, 1274.^x

PETER ALING was elected early in 1275.^y He died Aug. 11th, 1282.^z

NICHOLAS was created abbat July 8th, 1279, 7 Edw. I. He died December 26th in the same year.^a

ADAM was created abbat on the octaves of St. John Baptist anno 8 Edw. I. 1280. He died May 16th, 1284.^b

HENRY DE OTTELEY was created abbat on the feast of St. Barnabas A.D. 1284. He died Dec. 24th, 1290.^c

ROBERT BISHOPTON was made abbat A.D. 1290. He died March 16th, 1310: being interred in the chapter-house.^d

WILLIAM RYGTON succeeded A.D. 1311. He died May 31st, 1316.^e

WALTER DE COKEWOLD received the benediction as abbat on the 7th of the ides of June, 1316.^f He resigned A.D. 1336, 10th Edw. III.: and dying May 8th, 1338, was buried in the chapter-house.^g

ROBERT COPPEG . . . YRIE is the next abbat named by Burton. He succeeded May 27, 1336. He died March 14th, 1346:^h in which year, on the 19th of April,

ROBERT MOULTON, or MONKTON, succeeded.ⁱ He received the benediction April 30th, 1346.^k He died October 28th, 1369.^l

WILLIAM GOWER, or DE GOWER, received the benediction Nov. 25th, 1369.^m He resigned in 1383. Burton says he died, A.D. 1390.ⁿ

ROBERT BURLEY was created abbat on the same day that his predecessor resigned.^o He died May 13th, 1410.^p

ROGER FRAUNK was elected July 30, 1410.^q After much expense, says Burton, he was expelled.^r In the Harleian manuscript 6972, p. 124, we have the following abstract of the Pat. 1 Hen. V. p. 4: "Controversia inter Rog. Frank prætendentem se Abbatem de Fontibus et Joh. de Rypon prætendentem se Abbatem de Fontibus post mortem Roberti ultimi abbatis ejusdem. Rex cepit custodiam dictæ abbatiae in manus suas, 14 Dec."

JOHN RIPON was the next abbat.^s He died, says Burton, March 12, 1434, at Thorp-Underwood, and was buried in the nave of the church, before the entrance into the choir.^t

THOMAS PASSELEW made his profession of obedience as abbat in the same month in which his predecessor died; that is, in 1434-5.^u Being seized with the palsy, he resigned Sept. 9th, 1442, and died Oct. 23d, 1443.^x He was buried in the nave of the church, between the altars of St. Mary and St. Bernard.^y

JOHN MARTYN made his profession of obedience Sept. 14th, 1442.^z He died on October 26th following, and was likewise buried in the nave of the abbey church.^a

JOHN GRENEWELL made his profession of obedience Jan. 17th, 1444.^b His election could not have taken place, as Burton has it, in 1442. Burton calls him S. T. P. He says he was elected abbat of Vaudei, or Valle Dei, in Lincolnshire, but would not accept the office; choosing rather to study at Oxford. He was also chosen abbat of Waverley, and reigned there two years; and being elected abbat of Fountains, he there first professed, and governed the house twenty-nine years with great reputation.^c The date of 1444, however, for his election, will give the space of his rule as twenty-seven years only.

THOMAS WYNSTON, or SWYNTON, received the benediction Sept. 6th, 1471.^d Upon his resignation,

JOHN DARNETON was elected February 5th, 1478.^e

MARMADUKE HUBY received the benediction as abbat Jan. 15th, 1494.^f

WILLIAM THIRSK received the benediction Oct. 22, 1526.^g He was executed at Tyburn, for denying the king's supremacy, A.D. 1537, 29 Hen. VIII.^h

MARMADUKE BRODELEY, or BRADLEY, suffragan bishop of Hull, was the last abbat. He surrendered his abbey to the king A.D. 1540, 32 Hen. VIII.ⁱ

Although this abbey was so richly adorned, says Bur-

^a See Numm. XX. LXVIII.

^b Burton, ut supr. p. 198.

^c See Burton, p. 210. Compare the Append. Num. IX.

^d Compare Num. XXIV.

^e Compare the Append. Numm. XXVII. XXX. XXXVII.

^f See Num. XXXVIII.

^g See Num. XXXIX.

^h See an account of him, Num. XL.

ⁱ See Num. XLIV.

^k Compare Num. XLV.

^l See the account of him, Num. XLVI.

^m Burton, p. 210.

ⁿ Compare the Append. Num. L.

^o Burton, ut supr.

^p Pat. 4 Hen. III. m. 7, 24 Jan.

^q Burton, ut supr.

^r Burton. Monast. Ebor. p. 211.

^s Ibid.

^t Ibid.

^u Ibid.

^x Ibid.

^y Ibid.

^z Ibid.

^a Ibid.

^b Ibid.

^c Ibid.

^d Ibid.

^e Ibid.

^f Ibid. e Registr. vacat. archiepisc. Ebor. ab. A.D. 1297 ad ann. 1554.

^g Burton, ut supr.

^h Ibid.

ⁱ Ibid.

^k Ibid.

^l Ibid.

^m Ibid. e Regist. Thoresb. p. 294. MS. Harl. 6972, p. 21.

ⁿ Burton, ut supr.

^o Ibid.

^p Ibid.

^q MS. Harl. 6972, p. 24.

^r Burton, ut supr. p. 211.

^s Ibid.

^t Ibid.

^u Harl. MS. 6972, p. 29.

^x Burton, ut supr.

^y Ibid.

^z Harl. MS. 6972, p. 26.

^a Burton, ut supr.

^b MS. Harl. 6972, p. 29.

^c Burton, p. 211. Among the Excerpts from the Patent Rolls, MS. Harl. 6963, p. 31, we find Pat. 12 Hen. VI. p. 1. Joh. ab. de Font. miss. ad gen. concil. lic. carr. 1000 marc. 13 May.

^d Harl. MS. ut supr. p. 35.

^e Ibid. p. 36 b.

^f Ibid. p. 38.

^g Ibid. p. 46.

^h Burton, ut supr.

ⁱ The Pension List, dated 28th Nov. 31 Hen. VIII. will be found in the Appendix, Num. LXXVIII.

ton, it had only the patronage of one church given to it, viz. Kirkby-Useburne, which the abbat and monks afterwards sold; and it was appropriated to the precentorship of York. They had, indeed, the chapels of Raynington, alias Rainton; of St. Michael on the Mount,^a and Staynburne.^b

The entries in Pope Nicholas's Taxation concerning Fountains, in 1291, are three only. They appear at that time to have had but one spirituality, and that in the diocese of Worcester: "Porcio in ecclesia de Rochmerton 3s."

In temporalities the monks here appear to have had a revenue of 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* in the diocese of Lincoln, from possessions in the deaneries of Hoyland and Manak: and a revenue from their possessions in the archdeaconry of Richmond in their own diocese and neighbourhood of 343*l.*: making a total of income in 1291 of 356*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.*^c

At the Dissolution, the clear revenue of Fountains amounted to 998*l.* 6*s.* 8½*d.*: the gross income to 1173*l.* 0*s.* 7½*d.*

The site was granted in the 32d Hen. VIII. to Sir Richard Gresham.^d

Tanner has given references to various REGISTERS of the abbey of Fountains.

1. "Registrum abbatiae, MS. in bibl. Cotton. Tiberius C. XII." This volume, which was slightly injured in the fire at Westminster in 1731, contains the Instruments relating to their possessions, the names of which come under the first four letters of the alphabet. It consists of three hundred and twenty-seven leaves of vellum. On a blank page at the beginning is the following memorandum:

"Mem. The volume containing the estates of this monastery, from the letter D. to the letter I. inclusive, is at Ripley in Yorkshire; and another volume, from the letter I. to the end of the alphabet, is at Studley in the same county. JOHN INGILBY. Feb. 13th, 1784."

2. "Registrum omnium terrarum, tenementorum, &c. ad abbatiam de Fontibus spectantium, in 4to. MS. in bibl. Coll. Univ. Oxon." This is the same Register which Tanner subsequently mentions as "penes V. R. Hugonem Todd." Doctor Todd presented it to the library of University college.^e

3. "Chartularium penes dom. Johannem Trevor."

4. "Registrum penes Carolum Fairfax de Merston."

5. "Registrum penes Ric. Chiswell bibliopolam, 1692."

6. "Registrum in bibliotheca Harleyana, 1734." This is a mistake: at least, no Register of Fountains abbey now exists in the Harleian collection.

7. "Registrum penes decanum et capitulum Ebor."

8. "Registrum terrarum, feodorum, et possessionum ad monasterium S. Mariae de Fontibus pertinentium, quod rescribi fecit Marmaducus abbas A.D. 1509. MS. penes honoratiss. com. Denbigh apud Newnham Padox in com. War. in fol. amplior. pergam."

9. "Apographum cartularii hujus abbatiae, A. D. 1672, penes Ricardum Richardson de Bierley arm."

Beside these, Tanner refers to various original charters and instruments relating to this abbey, detached in the library of University College, Oxford, J. IV.: as well as to others in the possession of William Aislabie, Esq. of Studley, in Yorkshire.

He adds,

Vide "Inter collectanea Francisci Thynni penes Joannem Anstis arm. Garter, excerpta ex libro de Fontibus ei mutuo dato, a Will. dom. Howard, A.D. 1590.

"Inter collect. v. cl. Rog. Dodsworth in bibl. Bodl. Oxon. vol. vii. foll. 27, 31, 163, 171, 202. vol. viii. foll. 18, 22. vol. ix. inter foll. 196 et 208. cartas quamplurimas hujus abbatiae ineditas. vol. xxvi. fol. 8. Letter from Dr. Layton and Lee to Cromwell against the abbat of Fountains. Ibid. a fol. 157 ad fol. 192. de origine hujus monasterii. vol. lxii. fol. 52. e Cartulario de Fontibus in turre S. Mariae Ebor. 1037. vol. lxxvi. fol. 116. cartam originalem de manerio de Cveldryk. vol. lxxix. fol. 148. ex Cartulario

de Fontibus inter archivos archiepisc. Ebor. vol. cviii. fol. 33. vol. cxiii. foll. 8, 39, 57. vol. clvi. fol. 120. ex Cartulario de Fontibus penes dom. Rob. Cotton. 1625. vol. cxvi. fol. 47. et fol. 120. vol. clvi. fol. 113. ex libro de Fontibus in custodia dominae honorae relictæ Steph. Proctor mil. 1620. et in turre B. Mariae Ebor. 1630. Ibid. fol. 49. out of a coucher book of Fountains' Abbey, in the custody of Sir William Ingelby. vol. cxxix. fol. 37. ex Registro de Fontibus in custodia Hen. Savile mil. vol. cxxx. fol. 22.

"In Registro Johannis Romani archiepisc. Ebor. fol. 98. Epistolam archiepisc. Ebor. monachis de Clarevall ordinis Cisterc. visitoribus per Angliam deputatis de malo statu domus de Fontibus, A.D. 1294. In registro Grenfeld, par. ii. fol. 85. compositionem inter rectorem de Arncliffe et abbatem et conventum de Fontibus, A.D. 1315. In registro J. Thoresby confirmationem compositionis de decimis maner. de Thorp Underwood in parochia de Useton sive Useburn Parva, A.D. 1366.

"Cart. 1 Joh. p. 1, n. 86. Cart. 2 Joh. p. 1, m. 8, n. 19. Cart. 7 Joh. n. 19. Claus. 7 Joh. m. 3. Fin. 10 Joh. n. . de terris in Esseby. Plac. apud Westm. 15 Joh. Trin. rot. 23. de piscatione in mara de Codric.

"Fin. Ebor. 3 Hen. III. n. 29, 44, 65. pro ii. bovatis terræ in Coudric. Fin. Ebor. 8 Hen. III. n. 59, 75, 77. de terris in Andewerk. Fin. Ebor. 10 Hen. III. n. 32. de carucat. et dimid. terræ in Swinton. Fin. Ebor. 14 Hen. III. n. 42. de ii. bovatis terræ in Boxhale et Queldric. Fin. Ebor. 21 Hen. III. n. . de xv. bovatis terræ in Auderberry. Cart. 23 Hen. III. m. 2. Fin. Ebor. 24 Hen. III. n. 8. de bovata terræ in Merston. Cart. 33 Hen. III. m. 7. pro mess. in S. Botulpho. Fin. Ebor. 35 Hen. III. n. 23, 145, 148. pro maner. de Birnebern. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 52 Hen. III. n. 40. de ii. bovatis terræ in Neweton in Craven.

"Cart. 8 Edw. I. n. 27. pro lib. war. in Morker, Somerwith, Aldburgh, Steningford, et Sutton. Plac. apud Ebor. 14 Edw. I. rot. 27, 58. de c^l. reddit. in Luton. Plac. apud Carliol. 20 Edw. I. rot. 29, 30. de mess. et terris in Bastingthwaite. Cart. 20 Edw. I. n. 6. pro lib. war. in Balderby, Marton super Moram, Thorp sub bosco, Kilvesay, et Bordley in Craven, Bradley, Westmorl. Pat. 28 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 35 Edw. I. m. 15, vel 16.

"Pat. 1 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 6. in cedula. Cart. 5 Edw. II. n. 21. Pat. 5 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 18, vel 20. Pat. 12 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 15, d. pro deafforestatione de Stanburn et Ruggeton in foresta de Knaresburgh. Ibid. p. 2, m. 10, vel 11. de mess. in Ebor. Pat. 16 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 4 et 7. de reddit. et terris in Scothorp, Kirkby, Malsarty, et Asterlagh.

"Esch. Ebor. 1 Edw. III. post mort. Jo. Moubray, de bosco et chacea de Nidderdale. Pat. 1 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 5. Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 23, vel 24. Pat. 3 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 4. quod abbas non tenetur reparare pontem de Bradley.^f Ibid. m. 13. Pat. 12 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 8. pro eccl. de Merlaw Parva. Pat. 14 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 39. de commun. pastur. et estoveriis in vasto de Queldryke. Fin. Ebor. 17 Edw. III. rot. 30. pro maner. de Aldefeld. Pat. 18 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 10. Cart. 23 Edw. III. n. 5. Pat. 27 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 15. Pat. 30 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 16. pro maner. de Aldefeld. Pat. 36 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 17. Cart. 39 Edw. III. n. 8.

"Pat. 3 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 20, et m. 22, pro ten. in Queldrek. Pat. 4 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 39. pro ten. in Aldefeld, Litton, et Malgham. Pat. 15 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 14. pro mess. in Rippon. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. . m. 4, vel 5.

"Pat. 3 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 18, pro mess. in le North strete Ebor.

"Pat. 1 Hen. V. p. 4, m. . de custodia abbatiae in manus R. captæ durante lite in curia Romana inter Rogerum Frank et Johannem Ryppon.

"Pat. 3 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 2.

"Pat. 16 Edw. IV. p. 1, m. 4. pro eccl. de Thornton in Craven approprianda."

^a See before, p. 233.

^b Burton, p. 211. But according to Burn and Nicholson's Cumberland, vol. ii. p. 87, they had the impropriate rectory of Crosthwaite in that county: and the references to Registers and Records which will hereafter be given from Tanner point to the possession of one or two other churches. Though it is probable that Burton found the mention of no more than he has specified in the Chartularies of Fountains.

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^c See the Taxat. Eccles. P. Nieh. IV. pp. 72 b, 220 b, 309 b, 329.

^d Rep. Orig. MS. Brit. Mus. vol. iii. foll. 165 b, 193.

^e See Ballard's MS. Letters in the Bodleian library. Some Excerpts from this Register occur in the Harleian MS. 6978.

^f A copy of this patent is preserved MS. Lansd. Brit. Mus. 291, p.

Prynne in the third volume of his Records, p. 185 gives Claus. 4 Edw. I. m. 3. de lanis venditis mercatoribus Florentinis p. 450. Pat. 19 Edw. I. m. 13. de custodia abbatiæ commissa Johanni de Berewyk ad exonerationem debitorum.

See also, among the volumes printed by order of the Commissioners upon the public Records, Abbrev. Plac.

^a Burton has printed the following "INVENTORY OF SUCH THINGS AS WERE KEPT IN THE CHURCH OF FOUNTAINS," with their value, taken at the Dissolution.

	£	s.	d.
A chalice with a pateyn, well gilt, weight twenty-six ounces, at 4s. 4d. per ounce	5	12	8
A chalice with a pateyn, weight thirty-one ounces one half, and eight penny weights	6	16	0
A chalice with a pateyn, well gilt, weight twenty-seven ounces three quarters, at 4s. 4d.	5	0	0
A chalice with a pateyn, well gilt, weight thirty-six ounces one half, at 4s. 4d. per ounce	7	12	6
A chalice with a pateyn, well gilt, weight twenty-four ounces, at ibid	5	0	0
A chalice with a pateyn, gilt, weight twenty-four ounces one quarter, at ibid	5	5	1
A chalice with a pateyn, gilt, weight twenty-four ounces one half, at ibid	5	10	6
A chalice with a pateyn, well gilt, weight . . . at ibid	6	3	6
A chalice with a pateyn, well gilt, weight twenty-six ounces, at ibid	5	12	8
A chalice with a pateyn, well gilt, weight twenty-six ounces one quarter, at ibid	5	13	1
A chalice with the pateyn, gilt, weight twenty-eight ounces, at ibid	6	1	4
A chalice with the pateyn, gilt, weight twenty-seven ounces, at ibid	5	17	0
A chalice with a pateyn, gilt, weight twenty-two ounces, at ibid	4	15	4
A chalice with a pateyn, gilt, weight twenty-five ounces one half, at ibid	5	10	6
A chalice with a pateyn, gilt, weight twenty-three ounces one half, at ibid	5	1	10
A chalice with a pateyn, gilt, weight twenty-four ounces one quarter, at ibid	5	4	0
A chalice with a pateyn, gilt, weight twenty ounces, &c. at ibid	4	6	8
A chalice with a pateyn, gilt, weight twenty-four ounces, at ibid	5	5	1
A chalice with a pateyn, gilt, weight twenty-five ounces, at ibid	5	8	8
Two crewets, gilt, weight fifteen ounces one half, at ibid	3	7	2
Two white crewets, weight twelve ounces one half, at 3s. 2d. per ounce	2	10	2
One ewer for the high-altar, gilt, weight twelve ounces one half, at 3s. 2d. per ounce	2	10	2
A little chalice, without pateyn, gilt, weight five ounces one quarter, at 4s. 4d. per ounce	1	2	9
A little chalice, without pateyn, gilt on the inside of the shell, weight five ounces, at 3s. 6d. per ounce	0	18	4
One basin for the high altar, parcel, gilt, weight twenty-six ounces one half, at 3s. 8d. per ounce	4	17	2
One schipe for incense, of silver, and gilt, with a spoon gilt, weight twenty-five ounces, at 4s. 4d.	4	11	0
Two candlesticks gilt for the high altar, weight sixty-six ounces, at ibid	12	2	8
One pair of censures, gilt, weight forty-two ounces, at ibid	9	2	0
One cross-head, silvered and gilt, with an image, weight thirty-two ounces, at ibid	6	18	8
One cruche-head, gilt, weight forty-six ounces, at ibid	9	19	4
One staff of silver, ungilt, for the same cruche-head, weight thirty-eight ounces one half, at 3s. 2d. per ounce	6	1	11
One piece of St. Anne's scalpe, set in silver, ungilt, weight of the last, two ounces and half, at 3s. 2d. per ounce	0	7	11
One pair of beads, silvered and gilt, weight two ounces one half, at 4s. 4d. per ounce	0	10	10
One mitre, having the edges of silver, and gilt, and set with round pieces of silver, white like pearl, and flowered of silver, and gilt in midward, weight twelve ounces, at ibid	2	12	0
One manse, with a rib of St. Lawrence, of silver, gilt, weight forty-four ounces, at ibid	9	10	8
One . . . manse for Corpus Christi day, silver, and gilt, weight one hundred and six ounces, at ibid	22	19	4
One holy-water fatt, with a strinkil of silver, ungilt, weight fifty-three ounces, at 3s. 2d. per ounce	8	7	10
One mitre of silver, gilt, and set with pearl and stone, weight seventy ounces, at 4s. 4d. per ounce	15	3	4
A ring and buckle, silvered and gilt, set with pearls and stones, weight four ounces, at ibid	17	4	0
One image of St. James, of silver, and gilt, weight sixty-four ounces, at ibid	13	17	4
One . . . cross, silvered and gilt, weight one ounce	0	4	4
One grype-schill, with a covering, gilt, weight twenty-seven ounces, at 3s. 3d. per ounce	6	15	3
One cross of gold, set with stones, wherein is part of the holy cross, weight fourteen ounces, at 2l. 3s. per ounce	30	2	0

pp. 45, 90, 129, 134, 230, 318. Plac. de Quo War. p. 187. Rot. Hundr. vol. i. pp. 105, 111, 115, 116, 121, 122, 124, 135.

The Harleian MS. 433. contains an entry of a licence to the abbat and convent to dispose of a certain ground lying within the township of Kettlewell, part of the lordship of Middehamme, an. 1 Ric. III.^a

	£	s.	d.
One jewel of silver, and gilt, with a byrel, weight nine ounces one half, at 4s. 4d. per ounce	2	1	2
One cross, with a stone of silver, and gilt, weight twenty ounces one half, at ibid	4	8	10
One jewel, with a byrel of silver, and gilt, weight six ounces one half, at ibid	1	8	2
One foot of a cross, silvered and gilt, weight nine ounces one half, at ibid	2	1	2
One jewel, with a byrrel and relict of silver, and gilt, weight five ounces, at ibid	1	1	8
One box of silver, gilt within, beads gilt, two ounces one half, at ibid	0	10	10
One image of our Lady, in a case of silver, and gilt, weight four ounces one half, at ibid	0	19	6
Two small jewels, bound with bands of silver, the silver weight three ounces, at 3s. 2d. per ounce	0	9	6
A little cross of silver, and gilt, weight five ounces one half, at 4s. 4d. per ounce	1	3	10
One bruchie of silver, gilt, weight three ounces three quarters, at 4s. 4d. per ounce	0	15	2
Two pots of white, silvered, . . . weight six ounces, at 3s. 2d. per ounce	0	19	0
Two great chrystal stones.			
Two crewets of silver, gilt, weight sixteen ounces and a half, at 4s. 6d. per ounce	3	11	6
One silver chalice, well gilt, weight twenty-nine ounces, at ibid	6	10	4
One pateyn for the said chalice of silver, gilt, weight nine ounces and a half, at ibid	2	1	4
One pair of selors of silver, gilt, weight a hundred and eight ounces, at ibid	23	8	0
One image of our Lady of silver, gilt, weight a hundred and four ounces, at ibid	22	10	6
One silver cross, gilt, set with stones, weight a hundred and twenty ounces, at ibid	26	0	0
One head of a cruche of silver, gilt, weight a hundred ounces, at ibid	23	13	4
The staff of the cruche, gilt, weight seventy ounces, at ibid	15	3	0
Two corporas cap of cloth of gold.			
One table for the high altar on principal days, with three images of silver, gilt, with beads and plate of silver, and some parts of gold, set with stones, valued at 90l. or 94l.	90	0	0
Total	519	15	5

In the Custody of the Lord Abbot.

One basin of silver, with a flower, gilt in the front, weight fifty-three ounces and a half, at 3s. 5d. per ounce	9	12	1
One basin of silver, with a front gilt in the bottom, weight fifty-four ounces one quarter, at ibid	9	5	4½
One pot parcel gilt, weight fifty-four ounces, at 3s. 6d. per ounce	9	9	0
One silver ewer, weight twenty-five ounces and a half, at 3s. 4d. per ounce	4	5	0
Another of the same weight and value	4	5	0
One silver ewer, gilt about the edges, weight twenty-five ounces, at	4	4	2
One standing piece and cover, gilt, weight thirty-three ounces, at 4s. and 4s. 4d. per ounce	7	3	0
One standing piece and cover, gilt, weight thirty-five ounces, at ibid	7	11	4
One standing piece and cover, gilt, weight thirty-five ounces and a quarter at ibid	7	12	9
One standing piece and cover, gilt, weight thirty-one ounces and three quarters, at ibid	6	17	7
One standing piece and cover, gilt, weight thirty-one ounces, at ibid	6	14	4
One standing piece and cover, gilt, weight twenty ounces one quarter, at ibid	4	7	9
One standing piece and cover, gilt, weight thirty-six ounces, at ibid	7	16	0
One standing piece and cover, gilt, weight fifty-six ounces and a quarter, at ibid	12	3	9
One flat piece with a covering gilt, weight forty ounces, at ibid	8	13	4
One flat piece with a cover gilt, weight twenty-four ounces, at ibid	5	4	0
One flat piece with a cover gilt, seventeen ounces one half, at ibid	3	11	10
One flat piece with a cover gilt, weight twenty ounces, at ibid	4	6	8
One goblet covered and gilt, weight nineteen ounces, at ibid	4	2	4

Burton has engraved several Seals of this abbey, viz.

- 1. An oval Seal of an abbat, whose figure with a crozier is represented in the area. SIGILLVM..... T is all that remains of the inscription.
- 2. A small round seal, bearing the figures of the Virgin

	£	s.	d.
One cover of a piece gilt, weight twelve ounces, at ibid	2	12	0
One flat piece and cover not gilt, weight forty-eight ounces, at 3s. 5d.	8	4	0
One flat piece, the edges and front gilt, weight sixteen ounces and half, at 3s. 6d. per ounce	2	17	9
One flat piece skargells, gilt on the front and edges, weight sixteen ounces, at 3s. 6d. per ounce	2	16	0
Four gilt spoons, weight seven ounces, at 4s. 4d. per ounce	1	10	4
One serpent tongue set in silver, weight one ounce three quart. at 3s. 5d. per ounce	0	5	11¼
One flat piece not gilt, weight eight ounces, at 3s. 5d. per ounce	1	7	4
One flat piece, weight three ounces one quarter, ibid.	0	11	1¼
One little mass band and front, gilt, weight five ounces, at 4s. 4d. per ounce	1	1	8
One chalice with the pateyn of silver and gilt, weight twenty-nine ounces, at ibid	6	5	8
Two crewets of silver gilt, weight eleven ounces, at ibid	2	7	8
Total	147	13	7¾

In the Buttery.

One standing nott, with a cover gilt, weight twenty-four ounces, at 4s. 4d. per ounce	5	4	0
One black nott gilt, weight thirteen ounces, at ibid.	2	16	4
One great mass band gilt, weight thirteen ounces, at ibid.	2	16	4
One little mass band gilt, weight three ounces, at ibid	0	13	0
Another, ibid. weight three ounces one half, at ibid.	0	15	2
A little standing mass gilt, weight eight ounces, at ibid.	1	14	8
Sixteen silver spoons all gilt, weight twenty-seven ounces, at 3s. 8d. per ounce	4	19	0
Fourteen silver spoons not gilt, weight sixteen ounces one half, at 3s. 2d. per ounce	2	12	3
Two salts, with a cover, gilt, weight forty-four ounces, one half, at 4s. per ounce	8	18	0
Total	30	8	7

In the Frater.

Fifteen silver spoons, weight twenty ounces, at 3s. 2d. per ounce	3	3	4
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The Plate at Brimbem.

One chalice of silver, weight eleven ounces, at 3s. 4d. per ounce	1	16	8
One goblet with a covering of silver and gilt, weight eleven ounces, at 4s. 4d. per ounce	2	0	10
One silver salt, weight eight ounces, at 3s. 4d. per ounce	1	7	6
Seven silver spoons, weight nine ounces one quarter, at ibid.	1	10	10
	7	4	10

The sum of all the plate, &c. amounts to 708 5 9¾

The Stores (stauri) of the Monastery of Fountains. N. B. The cattle are in the original estimated by the long hundred, or six score to the hundred; but I have reckoned only five score to the hundred.

Bulls	49
Oxen	536
Cows	738
Heffers	151
Bovets, or young steers	151
Bovicule, or young why's	142
St.... kett	242
Calves	347

Total of horned cattle 2356

State of the Sheep.

Hurt	50
Multones, or weathers	421
Oves, or ewes	535
Hogs, or sheep of one year old	320
Total	1326

Horses.

Emiss	5
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and Child, with the words CVRIA . B . MARIE . DE . FONTIBVS.

- 3. Another small round seal, with the bust of a tonsured person with a crozier and the letter h.
- 4. A small round seal of the arms of the abbey, dif-

Equi ad stabul. domini abbatis	6
Equi ad bigam	6
Equæ	37
Equi unius anni et dimid	4
Fillies unius anni et dimid.	11
Pulli, or colts	17
Total	86

Swine.

Boars	5
Swine	9
Porc....	18
Porcul. or young swine, or porklings	18
Porcel, or sucking pigs	30
Total	79

Of the Demains of the Monastery.

Wheat.

	Quart.
At Morkar	36
At Haddokstaynes	35
At Swanlay	10
At Sutton.	36
Total of wheat	117

In Rye.

At Brymbem	9
At Sutton	3
Total of rye	12

In Oats.

At Morkar	30
At Haddokstaynes	24
At Swanlay	20
At Sutton	40
At Brymbem	20
Total of oats	134

In Hay.

	Loads.
At Morkar	60
At Haddokstaynes	40
At Swanlay	12
At Sutton	20
At the monastery in the park	160
At Brymbem	100
Total of the loads of hay	392

In the Graneries.

	Quart.
In Wheat	18
Rye	18
Barley, Malt	90
Oates	2
Total in the granery	128

	£	s.	d.
Annua firmæ ad collect. cellarii assign. anno	627	0	6
Annua firmæ ad collect. bursii assign.	356	5	4½
Annua firmæ ad collect. fratris Lawrence. Smith assign.	31	3	11
Annua firmæ ad coquinum assignat.	44	16	6
Et de quar. grangiis cum logiis in manibus suis occupat. cum averiis, &c. monaster. pertinentibus	180	0	0
Total	1239	6	3½

Allocation, in the Exchequer.

Unde pt. alloc. pro firm. vel serv. forinsec. solut. in anno	107	13	11
Item pt. alloc. in defalcac. firmar.	15	14	2½
Total	123	8	1½
Remains clear	1115	18	2

Signed by

EDWARDUS abbas de Rieval.
BRIAN HIGDEN.

fering from the coat in Tanner. It bears upon a chevron five crosses paté between three horse-shoes.

5. Another seal of the arms of the abbey, differing again, viz. on a chevron three horse-shoes. These Arms, according to Burton, were visible in his time upon the tower of the church.

The Abbey of Fountains, with all its offices and appendages, occupied, within an enclosure, near twelve acres of ground. Burton has engraved a ground plan of the whole. Its present Ruins are believed to occupy near two acres. The length of the *Church* is three hundred and fifty-one feet; that of the transept a hundred and eighty-six feet. The great tower, twenty-four feet square, at the north end of the transept, is rather more than a hundred and sixty-six feet high. The nave of the church is sixty-five feet in width. The *Chapter House* is eighty-four feet in length and forty-two in breadth. The *Refectory* is a hundred and eight feet long, and forty-five in breadth. The *Cloister* was, till of late, three hundred feet in length by forty-two in breadth: near to one end of which the lavatory is remaining. Du-

ring a storm on the night of Oct. 5, 1822, ten or twelve yards of the cloister fell down. The *Dormitory* was above the cloister. The *Kitchen* is in part remaining; and there are the ruins of the abbats' apartments. Fountains forms another of the richest remnants of our ancient monastic edifices. It is the property of Mrs. Lawrence, and the remains are carefully preserved.

Fountains Hall, about two hundred yards west of the abbey, was built out of its ruins by Sir Stephen Proctor, into whose hands the site came in the time of James the First.

At the gate of the monastery, says Tanner, there was an HOSPITAL for the relief of the poor in the neighbourhood, and for travellers, as early as the reign of King Richard the First, which had several particular benefactions to it. He adds, "*Vide* in Registro de Fontibus penes honoratiss. com. Oxon. fol. 155, 284, 310, 411. et in MS. Dodsworth, vol. lxxiv. fol. 161. cartam Heliae fil. Radulphi de Thornton, donantis infirmatorio pauperum de Fontibus Willielmum fil. Waldef. nativum, cum tota sequela sua, teste Eustachio abbate Joreval."

Cartae ad Fontanense Coenobium, in agro Eboracensi, (Cellam de Clareballi)^a fundatum An. Dom. Mccxxxj.

NUM. I.

Incipit præfatio opusculi sequentis de origine Monasterii de Fontibus, &c.

[Ex MS. de orig. monasterii de Fontibus in bibl. Arundeliana.]

REVERENDO patri ac domino Johanni abbati de Fontibus, frater H. monachus de Kirkestall salutem quæ nunc est et æternam.

Placuit excellentiæ vestræ pater venerabilis, ut succincta brevitate in acta redigerem quo auctore vel ordine illa mater nostra, scilicet sancta Funtanensis ecclesia (cui Deo disponente in præsentiarum præsidetis) suæ foundationis sumpserit originem, qualiter illa vinea Domini benedicta in loco horroris et vastæ solitudinis sic creverit, sic dilatata fuerit, extendens palmites suas ad mare et propagines suas ad extremas nationes. Monuisti etiam ad majorem evidentiam ut à seniori nostro Serlone sua super his sensa requirerem, qui in dubiis eo certiolem faceret fidem, quo et ipse rebus gestis ex parte interfuit, et veritatem à majoribus suis ex ordine audivit. Conveni senem super his quæ venerunt in dubio, contestans hominem ne qua nobis incomperta suggereret, parceretque ab incognitis, reticeret ambigua, et ea sola proponeret quæ vel præsens ipse vidisset, vel majorum relatione fideliter accepisset. Tunc ille, sicut est in dicendo serius, sexagesimus, inquit, et nonus annus iste est conversionis meæ, et eram tunc ut memini incipiens quasi annorum triginta, cum me primo Fontes contuli, sacro illi conventui sociandus. Quæ tunc ibi gerebantur ignorare non potui. Egressionem monachorum de cœnobio Eboracensi ipse interfui, egredientes et facie et nomine à pueritia cognovi, in territorio eorum natus, apud eos enutritus, quorum nonnullis secundum carnem propinquus fui. Et licet sum (ut ipse vides) ætate provectior, magnas tamen gratias habeo senectuti meæ quod memoria mihi constat illæsa, eorum maximè tenax quæ à primis annis servanda recepit. Igitur de origine Fontanensis monasterii, illa ut jubes evolvam quæ vel oculis ipse vidi, vel à majoribus meis indubitata fide accepi. Scripsi igitur ex ordine quæ ex ore senis audivi, rem supra vires aggressus, curam tamen adhibens ut rerum series servetur, imposterum donec veniet qui materiæ dignitatem cultiore stylo adæquet. Me igitur excipiente, senior suæ narrationis seriem ita exorsus est.

NUM. II.

De Monasterio Rievallis.

REGNANTE in Anglia illustri rege Henrico, filio Guli-

elmi, cognomento Bastard, siluit terra à facie ejus eriguntur passim ecclesiæ, monasteria construuntur, et sopitis præliis sancta ubique religio dilatatur. Floruit eodem tempore fœlicis memoriæ beatus Bernardus abbas Clarevallensis, vir magnificus et in Dei rebus strenuè se habens, sanctitate præcipuus, doctrina præcellens, miraculis clarus. Summa illi cura de cultu divino, de salute animarum, ampliare gentem suam, dare gloriam Deo à labiis suis, et in nomine ejus gloriari. Multorum siquidem monachorum pater non pauca monasteria construxerat. Et missis expeditionis suæ militibus jam finitimas occupaverat regiones, claros agens de hoste antiquo triumphos, eripiens prædam et restituens regi suo. Hic instinctu divino, de nobili sua Clarevallensi vinea quandam bonæ spei plantationem ad Anglicanas partes direxerat, fructum in gente illa quærens sicut ubique terrarum. Extat adhuc eadem epistola quam pro eis ad regem scripserat, asserens, teneri prædam domini sui in terra illius, misisset de militia sua viros strenuos qui eam requirant recuperent et reducant. Suadet regi uti nuntiis assistat et in hoc ne deserat feodum suum. Quod et factum est. Suscepti cum honore à rege et regno, in provincia Eboracensi jaciunt nova fundamenta, constituentes abbatiam quæ Rievallis nominatur. Et hæc prima plantatio ordinis Cisterciensis in territorio Eboracensi. Erant autem qui missi fuerunt viri sancti et religiosi gloriantes in paupertate, sanctam pacem habentes cum omnibus nisi cum corpore proprio et hoste antiquo: præferebant siquidem illam suæ Clarevallis unde advenerant disciplinam, et quasi de domo aromatum recenter egressi matris suæ unguenta in moribus redolebant. Fama undique increbuit, advenisse homines de terra longinqua sanctitatis eximiæ, religionis consummatæ qui angelicam in terra habentes conversationem monachorum nomen meritis adæquarunt. Æmulatio illorum provocavit multos, et adjunxerunt se illis quorum tetigerat corda Deus, et brevi facta sunt gens innumerosa.

NUM. III.

De Monasterio Eboracensi et primis patribus ejus. Cap. 2.

ERANT tunc temporis in cœnobio Eboracensi quod monasterium sanctæ Mariæ dicitur, viri religiosi ambulantes in viis patrum suorum, incedentes sine querela in institutionibus quas à suis majoribus acceperunt. Vivebant pro more et consuetudine traditionum paternarum, honestè quidem, sub regula et abbate, longè tamen citra præceptum regulæ, citra votum professionis suæ, longè citra perfectionem Cisterciensis

^a Annal. de Waverle, et chro. Petroburg. in bibl. Cotton.

disciplinæ. Horum autem nonnulli, audita ordinis puritate, pia quadam æmulatione adducti sunt (accusantibus nimirum eos conscientiis, quod minus professionem suam implevisent; et ex aliorum perfectione suam metientes imperfectionem) cœpit eos teporis sui tædere, erubescere, imperfectionem damnare, delicias et consuetas fastidire.

Pudet eos citra perfectionem subsistere, consedissetamdiu in finibus Moab et trans Jordanem accepisse hæreditatem. Tædet eos seculi tumultus et strepitus civitatis: tota aviditate suspiratur ad eremum, ad laborem manuum, et ollas prophetarum. Fit conjuratione valida spiritus adversus carnem, bellum intestinum: licet jam sacco indui, cilicio involvi, et remissioris vitæ delicias severiori castigare censura. Horum primi et præcipui fuerunt Ricardus Sacrificus, Ranulphus, Gamellus, Gregorius, Hanno, Thomas, atque Walterus. Hi sunt quos elegit sibi Dominus in semen, quorum opera et exhortatione reliqui moventur ad cursum, trahuntur ad consensum. Conceperunt cum propheta à timore tuo, Domine, et pepererunt spiritum bonum; sicut rei probavit eventus; fœdus ineunt, firmant propositum. Et erat verbum istud adhuc absconditum à priore, verebantur siquidem hominem ne forte eis adversaretur, et opus inceptum dissiparet, sed frustra. Jam verò ipse, simili præventus gratia, in similes transformatur affectus, eundem parturiens spiritum quem et ipsi conceperant; pudebat enim monachi titulum in vanum accepisse, et perfectione professa perfectionem minus studuisse. Quid plura? Audit vota fratrum, præbet assensum, et gratias Deo agens se illis socium gratanter adjungit. Erat autem et ipse vir religiosus et timens Deum, prudens in exterioribus, potentium amicus, fuit enim ob reverentiam religionis omnibus et honori et amori, familiariter notus pontifici qui tunc metropoli Eboracensi præsidebat, nomen illi erat Richardus. Jam itaque familiarius conveniunt, fideliter colloquuntur, et mutuo sese cohortantes etiam alios attrahunt. Facti jam tresdecim numero quorum erat cor unum et anima una, placet omnibus Cisterciensis ordinis sancta simplicitas, illius inseri olivæ pinguedini, paupertates experiri, et sacratis illis gregibus sociari. Tractant mutuo de egressione sua, de modo egressionis, non paupertatem veriti, non hyemis asperitatem, solum id cogitantes, quomodo salva fratrum pace sine scandalo res ad effectum possit produci. Sed id factu difficile, jam enim palam factum est verbum istud, jam sermo exiit inter fratres, priorem et complices ejus levitatis spiritu incitatos discessionem à populo suo docere, moliri etiam quædam nova quæ non licent, et in contemptum ordinis, in dedecus domus suæ, ad scandalum et confusionem totius congregationis arguunt homines inconstantiae, causantur indiscretionem, transgressionis obtendunt reatum, et reclamantibus fere omnibus factus erat tumultus magnus in domo. Errorem commissum videtur pro incertis certa relinquere, affluentiam pro paupertate, non curare de pace fraterna, de scandalo pusillorum, de facta olim inibi professione. Periculosa res patrum statuta contemnere, et fraternæ dulcedinis rescindere unitatem. Res defertur ad abbatem qui tunc præerat, et ipse vir grandævus et senio pene confectus, Galfridus nomine. Consternatur homo ad rei novitatem, suæ tribuens calamitati, quod in senecta, tanta ei evenissent incommoda, domus infamia, destitutio ordinis, filiorum subversiones. Monet eos ab inceptis desistere, mutare in melius quod nimis licenter præsumptum est, meminisse professionis olim factæ, non se sui juris esse, nec licere infringere fœdus quod tam sollenniter contraxerant. Intendat disciplinam ordinis, pœnæ severitatem, et quoniam exitus haberent incertos, manifestos docet ab initio transgressores. Instat modis omnibus eorum mutare propositum, revocare intensionem, extinguere spiritum quem jam parturiebant. Sed non est consilium contra Dominum, stat immota sententia, propositum immutabile, et quo eis dissuadere insistit, eo magis ferventioris fidei facibus inardescunt.

NUM. IV.

De Archiepiscopo Eboracensi Turstino.

PRÆFUIT in illo tempore Eboracensi ecclesiæ piæ memoriæ archiepiscopus Turstinus, homo magnarum rerum et totius religionis amator. Nactus occasionem prior Richardus accedit ad eum, sanctum illi revelat propositum, inquit consilium, et auxilium reverenter implorat. Ostendit contradictionem fratrum, abbatis prohibitionem, ordinis disci-

plinam. Ostendit ei pondus professionis, vivendi remissionem, conscientiaestimulum, proficiendi desiderium, nec posse rem ad effectum produci nisi episcopalis auctoritas interveniat. Advertit sanctus episcopus opus Dei esse non hominis, et spirituali congratulatus desiderio suum præbet assensum et adjutorium promittit. De communi igitur die statuit quo sanctus episcopus ad monasterium fratres visitaturus accedat. Abbas loci hoc mandatum suspectum habuit, veritus ne et archiepiscopus parti faveret adversæ et in præjudicium domus suæ aliquid præsumeret inauditum. Missis itaque nunciis per Angliam ad monasteria, viros convocat litteratos, et convenit multitudo monachorum non modica in adventu domini Eboracensis. Et hoc totum factum est, ut eorum auxiliis et episcopo resisteret et fratrum insolentiam cohiberet. Instante die adest sanctus episcopus in spiritu lenitatis et pacis, habens in comitiva sua, uti decebat, viros graves, discretos clericos, canonicos, et alios quamplurimos religiosos. Occurrit ei abbas in egressu capituli et una monachorum turba, interdicens ingressum, asserens non licere ei cum tanta frequentia ad eos ingredi nec secularium quemquam capituli interesse secretis. Dimittat se turba, solus si velit ingrediatur, ne clericorum insolentiâ turbetur ordinis disciplina. Molestè tulit episcopus suos à se amoveri, dicens, non decere se solum in tanto auditorio sine consiliariis residere, maximè cum et ipsi ex remotis partibus plures ibi monachos admisissent. Tumultuante itaque conventu et clero, pervalida dissensio facta est in clauastro, propellentibus aliis, aliis vero volentibus introire. Tunc sanctus episcopus indicto silentio.

‘Vos (inquit ille) debitam nobis hodie subtrahitis obedientiam. Nos vero authore Deo quod à nobis habetis subtrahentes, ecclesiam hanc interdicimus, et monachos in ea commorantes auctoritate qua fungimur à sacris suspendimus.’ His dictis, recedens se cum suis in ecclesiam recepit, eumque sacer ejus conventus est sequutus, separatus ab aliis sicut adeps à carne.

NUM. V.

De Egressione Monachorum.

EGRESSI sunt cum archiepiscopo Turstino è cœnobio Eboracensi monachi tresdecim de rebus monasterii nihil secum ferentes præter simplicem habitum. Et hæc sunt nomina eorum, Richardus Sacrificus, Ranulphus, Thomas, Gamellus, Hanno, Robertus de Suella, Galfridus, Walterus, atque Gregorius, Jervasius, Radulphus et Alexander. Adjunxit se eciam illis monachus quidam de Witheby nomine Robertus, sanctus et timens Deum, abbas postea et fundator Novi-Monasterii, de quo suis in locis plenius dicendum. Hi sunt viri sancti quos elegit sibi Dominus in semen, radix generationis nostræ, plantatio Domini ad ipsum glorificandum. Egressi de domo opulenta, de affluentia bonorum temporalium nunc primum sibi videntur seculum renunciasse, nil secum de mundi rebus habentes. Sed Dominus providit eis. Venerabilis siquidem episcopus satis episcopalter agens, recepit eos in domum suam, prospiciens eis in omnibus quæ ad curam corporis pertinerent.

NUM. VI.

De Persecutione Abbatis.

ANNO ab Incarnatione Domini millesimo centesimo tricesimo secundo, pridie nonas Octobris, egressi sunt monachi de cœnobio Eboracensi qui ecclesiam Fontanensem ædificaverunt, sacerdotes duodecim et unus levita. Abbas interim non segniter agens pro parte sua, nuncios ad regem dirigit, causam ex integro exponit, episcopi præsumptionem, monachorum pertinaciam, subversionem ordinis, et sanctæ religionis confusionem; rem profecto absurdam professionis formam infringere, majorum immutare statuta, jus sibi monachorum dicere, et transferre terminos quos patres præfixerunt. Scribit etiam in odium novitatis episcopis abbatibus viris religiosis necnon et vicinis circumquaque monasteriis, et communem religionis totius in hoc casu causatur læsionem. Advertit hoc venerabilis archiepiscopus, et adversæ partis cupiens prævenire malitiam, domino Gulielmo Cantuariensi archiepiscopo apostolicæ sedis legato, processum scribit negotii, egressionis eorum causam et ordinem diligenter declarans. Extat ejusdem epistola, quam utique

ad maiorem veritatis evidentiam hac narratione censuimus inserendam.

NUM. VII.

Epistola archiepiscopi Turstini ad Willielmum archiepiscopum Cantuariensem, pro Monachorum egressione.

REVERENDISSIMO et in Christiana charitate domino Willielmo Dei gratia Cantuariensi archiepiscopo apostolicæ sedis legato, Turstinus eadem gratia archiepiscopus Eboracensis, in Christo proficere et nunquam deficere exoptat.

Ecclesiasticæ dignitatis summus honor est cum filiis et optimatibus ecclesiarum inter difficilimos eventus summa communicare consilia; unde paternitati vestræ rem insolitam quæ inter nos Eboraci nuper contigit indicare decrevimus, domine venerabilis et egregie pater. Siquidem notum satis ac certum est multis, quanta bonitate ac fama enituit virtutis in auribus omnium insigne cœnobium sanctæ Mariæ Eboracensis, infra paucos namque annos et rebus plurimum excrevit et numero et religione fratrum laudabiliter abundavit. Verum quia cum opibus virtutes minus vigere, minus consistere haud dubium est, aliqui ex fratribus ejusdem cœnobii ante dimidium ferme annum divino (ni fallor) instinctu permoti, cœperunt de modo ac statu conversationis suæ vehementer agitari, et remordenti conscientia (sicut ipsi testantur) multis angoribus æstare, nempe falli se pene metuebant si tantum votum executio digna minimè sequeretur, unde inæstimabili horrore dicti fratres Eboracenses percussi, eo quod professionis suæ votum in nullis vel saltem minimis in rebus adimplere viderentur, metuentes sane ne in vacuum currerent aut cucurrissent, si voti reos tantæ inobedientiæ pœnalis ultio non reprobaret; facinus namque vel potius insaniam videri credebant, se portare regulam beati Benedicti, non ad profectum salutis, sed ad iudicium mortis. His igitur permoti prædicti fratres, priori suo, Richardo nomine, mentis suæ difficiles æstus innotescere studuerunt, prætendentesque de transgressione formidinem, ex voti correctione patrocinium supplicabant, ac ne prosperitatis alicujus respectu vel adversitatis timeret auxiliari, per Spiritum Dei et Christi nomen adjurabant. Expavit ipse de novitate rei; ac licet inter suos dulcis fortunæ summa facultate vigeret, audito tamen rumore melioris vitæ, perpendit velut intentione censoria dubios casus labentis fortunæ. Interimque brevi, uti res erat, interne virtutis usus consilio, inter hoc et illud illico discevit, decrevitque, pollicetur non modo auxilium verum etiam ejusdem voti fore se socium. Quid multa? paulo post numerus eorum ad tresdecim pene convaluit, qui de corrigendo statu vitæ suæ juxta regulam beati Benedicti immo veritatem Evangelii contendere proponebat. In vigiliis igitur apostolorum Petri et Pauli dilectus frater noster Richardus prior in quo tota pene monasterii cura pendebat, sumpto secum subpriori suo Jervasio inter suos concœnobiales nominato ac religioso, rem uti agitabatur domino abbati suo familiariter exponere curavit. Itaque dominus abbas, vir utique pro sensu et ingenio suo honestus ac bonus, nimis autem simplex et illiteratus, novi rumoris miraculum exhorruit, antiquos ritus et solitas consuetudines quas pene toto orbe generalis multitudo obtinuit posse se in locello suo mutare negavit. At vero dominus prior utpote bene literatus, 'Nil rude,' inquit, 'O pater, aut novum inducere contendimus, veram et antiquam religionem beati patris nostri Benedicti, immo etiam antiquissimum evangelium Christi, quod omnes religiones et regulas antecedit, assumere et totis viribus cum gratia observare debemus; cæterorum monachorum nullos detrahimus, institutionibus eorum non invidemus, scimus quod in omni loco uni Domino servitur, uni regi militatur, et in foro, et in claustris gratia Dei eadem valet, Job etiam fortior extitit in sterquilinio quam Adam in paradiso; denique quicquid beatus Benedictus instituit, ita totum Spiritus Sancti providentia destinatum est, ut nihil utilius, nihil sanctius, nihil felicius excogitari possit; cumque sciret ac prædicaret, quod socordia inimica sit animæ, certa quidem tempora ordinavit lectionis et orationis instantiæ, certa quoque tempora labori et industriæ, quatenus in altero salubriter exerceat animam, in altero carnem, in utroque vero tolleretur fastidium.' Hæc quoque super adducit, 'Scurrilitates aut verba otiosa et risum moventia æterna clausura in omnibus locis damnamus, et ad tale eloquium discipulum aperire os non permittimus.' Et alibi quoque ait, 'Omni tempore

debent studere monachi maximè tamen nocturnis horis. Hoc decretum quam diligenter observatum neminem latet qui nostras consuetudines nosse potuit. Euntibus namque aliis ad ecclesiam, post collationem alii recedunt vicissim ad nugas et inutiles garrulasque confabulationes, quasi non sufficiat diei malicia sua nisi et superaddatur nocti et sua.' Multa addidit præterea de ciborum insolentia, de dulci et solenni vicissitudine potationum, de pretiosa subtilitate pannorum. 'Non ita sapuit non ita docuit beatus pater noster Benedictus, ab eo quippe non color vestium, sed calor attenditur, non sapor pulmentariorum exquiritur, sed parcitate ciborum necessitas fallitur. Non agnoscit suos beatus Benedictus nisi sub regula et abbate in cœnobiis degentes. Porro si libet, ô pater venerabilis, recurramus ad evangelicam puritatem, ad evangelicam perfectionem et pacem, et intueamur quam nihilum vel parum reluceat in moribus vel artibus nostris quod docuit Christus. Concupiscimus omnia, irascimur, rixamus, rapimus aliena, repetimus nostra cum lite, fraudes et mendacia defensamus, carnem et affectus ejus sequimur, nobis vivimus, nobis placemus, vinci formidamus, vicisse gloriamur, cæteros opprimimus, opprimi devitamus, cæteris invidemus, de nostris profectibus gloriamur et jocamur et ex alienis sudoribus impinguamur, et totus mundus non sufficit malitiæ nostræ. Et si videatur evangelium emortuum et impossibile in nobis, intueamur monachos Saviniacenses et Clarevallenses, qui nuper venerunt ad nos, quam clarè reluxit evangelium in illis, ut si dici fas est, utilius sit eos imitari quàm evangelium recitare; cum verò videtur sancta conversatio eorum, quasi reviviscere judicatur evangelium in illis; soli sua non repetunt, soli nihil possident unde se proximis anteferre contendunt; soli sunt qui proximorum damnum non appetunt, modica cultura terræ et usu pecorum contenti sunt, ea verò non habere appetunt nisi quam diu Deus vult, quia cum vult Deus ea auferri, non licita appeterent. Eis ni fallor competit dicere, 'Nobis mundus crucifixus est et nos mundo.' Eis competit dicere, 'Dimitte nobis debita nostra sicut et nos dimittimus debitoribus nostris,' qui debitorem neminem habent à quo quicquam exigere velint. Fœlix hominum genus, quorum habitus, victus, totusque modus conversationis eorundem sapit evangelium, illorum portio solus est Deus. Illi plenè quantum humanæ facultatis est charitatem Dei et proximi implere dignoscuntur, quia soli Deo cohærentes, temporalia cuncta præter modicum et contemptibilem habitum ita planè deseruerunt, ut nihil concupiscant unde proximus sibi dignetur irasci. Non igitur, ô pater, unquam possibile videatur tenere regulam beati Benedicti, quandoquidem talia Deus nobis ministravit exemplaria qui sanctis virtutibus præcesserunt nos ut sequamur illos. Si verò propter viciniam et strepitum populorum non omnino valeamus sequi eorum puritatem, saltem modum vitæ et professionis juxta regulam nostram advertamus, propterea quod non monachi sed mortui sumus.'

In hunc modum locutus est dominus prior Richardus cum domino Galfrido abbate suo de correctione monasterii sui. Quæ verba dominus abbas non satis jucundè accepit, quia difficile est diuturnos usus amovere. Verumtamen cum se fateretur minùs perspicacem, et illiteratum, rogavit uti scripto plenius innotesceret, qualiter in loco suo talia actitari potuissent. Quod libenter amplectens non segniori studio susceptum implevit imperium. Scripsit igitur, ut non aliis colloctionibus nec pannis nec cibariis uterentur quam regula permittere videretur. Situm quoque et ordinem monasterii tam diligenter expressit, ut vix melius in eremo quàm in urbe regula teneri putaretur; possessiones verò, sicut in rebus secularibus edoctus, ita fideliter ordinavit, quatenus ut in illis evangelicam justitiam vix in nullo excessisse crederetur, de redditibus siquidem ecclesiarum vel decimarum (de quarum investitura monachi magis reprehensibiles haberi solent) omnia suscipi et fieri legitima et canonica, consideratione episcoporum, et non nisi in usus pauperum peregrinorum hospitumve debere expendi, at verò ex legitima cultura terræ et usu pecorum monachos victitare decrevit. Quæ cum omnia cæpissent inter alios rumore notari, furor subitus multitudinis cæterorum in tantam prorupit invidiam, ut tali homini familiaribusque suis nil præter exilium deputarent vel distractam custodiam.

Tamen post multas et amicas altercationes hinc inde habitas, dominus abbas difficiliter se posse mutare referebat quod antecessores sui tenuisse videbantur, et velle super hac

re bonis uti consiliis, plenam responsionem usque post natiuitatem beatæ Mariæ protelavit. Interea cæteri fratres frustra metuentes se plus solito regulari districtione coartari, cœperunt in invidiam prioris cæterorumque Pharisaico pene more grassari, et nisi quorundam benignitate intercessisset dilatio, intestinæ persecutionis modum impetus excessisset. Interea rumor seditionis internæ inter exteriores turbas volitabat. Audiebamus sane strepitum vulgi, rei tamen ipsa veritas latebat. Cum ecce Richardus prior conjunctis secum subpriori et secretario monasterii sui totam rem uti erat nobis indicare curavit, postulabant quidem clementiam beati Petri ac nostram quatenus ad observandum quod voverant benignam opem non negarem deferre, jamjamque necessitatem imminere proclamabant, præsertim quia jam conspiraverant fratres, ut si quis eorum de professione sua quicquam mussitaret, extra communionem fieret. De sociis etiam prioris vel timore vel amore vel vanitate conterritis jam ibant retro, non aliter pace restituta nisi culpam fatendo quod de servanda professione sua quicquam murmurassent. Ego igitur Turstinus Dei gratia Eboracensis dictus archiepiscopus, audiens Christi servos juxta præceptum beati Benedicti nil amoris Christi velle præponere, verebar in iis Christi gratiam offendere, si justæ petitioni eorum non curam episcopali pietate subvenire, quippe cujus officii summa est, et de monachorum religiosa quiete providere, et oppressis in necessitate condolare. Ac proinde religiosarum personarum usus consilio, dominum Galfridum abbatem et Richardum priorem cum subpriori suo ad opportuniorem locum evocavi, quatenus religiosis personis et fratrum petitionem et abbatis responsionem in bona pace consummarem. Ipsi nihil aliud quam ut prius cum multis lachrymis expe-tebant uti pauperem Christum in voluntaria paupertate sequerentur, et Christi crucem in corpora sua portarent, itemque evangelicam pacem regulamque beati patris Benedicti plenè observare non impedirentur. Ad hæc sanè domini abbatis licentiam opemque paternam flagitabant. At vero dominus abbas eorum operam longè fore necessariam sibi lachrimosè fatebatur, promittens quod eorum votum quia sanctum erat non impediret, opem vero quam expetebant nesciente capitulo suo promittere nullam auderet. Itaque dominus abbas cum monachis suis revertitur domum, data interim pace ac die constituta qua capitulum eorum advenire, ac religiosis adventantibus personis rem cum abbate pertractarem. Interea reliqui fratres in eorum invidiam insurgere tanto crudeliùs enitebantur, quanto ipsi votum suum explere manifestiùs appetebant. Advocantur interim fratres Majoris Monasterii et Cluniacenses monachi, qui in vicinia nostra demorantur, quatenus eis præsentibus et acclamantibus, eos velut communis ordinis desertores et violatores ab omni dignitate et cura monasterii sui reprobarent. Post abbatem namque in eorum manus summa monasterii cura fuerat delegata. Sed hæc interim. Ego igitur die statuta summo mane ad capitulum monachorum venire parabam, et jam ostii limen pene calcaveram, venientibus una viris sapientibus atque religiosis quorum nomina sunt hæc: Hugo decanus, Willielmus prior clericorum regularium de Gisburne, Willielmus thesaurarius, Hugo archidiaconus, Serlo canonicus, Aufredus capellanus meus, et canonicus, Robertus sacerdos de hospitali. Foris intra portam remanserunt equi nostri cum paucis hominibus. Denique introeuntibus nobis, ut dictum est, ostium capituli, occurrit nobis dominus abbas in ipso ostio cum monachis quibus capitulum plenissimum erat, et nisi partem clericorum qui mecum veniebant amoverem, intrare prohibuit. Vix ego respondere potui, quod cum clericis meis qui viri boni et sapientes et eorum amici erant, ad tantum negotium intrare non deberem, cum ecce totum capitulum tanto strepitu, tanto horrore personuit, ut magis seditiosus ebriorum et debacchantium hominum fremitus, quam monachorum humilitas quæ ibi nulla erat, videretur. Insurgunt plurimi et exertis brachiis velut ad luctandum advolabant, clamabant se exituros si ego intrarem. Tum ego, ‘Testis inquam mihi sit Deus, quod sicut pater adveniebam, nec quicquam mali vobis inferre putaram, pacem tantum inter vos cupiens et Christianam fraternitatem: jam vero quia mihi quod episcopalis autoritatis et officii est auferre conamini, et ego quod vestræ necessitatis est itidem vobis tollo, cesset igitur ecclesia vestra.’ Tum unus eorum nomine Simeon, ‘Maluimus,’ inquit, ‘centum annis ecclesiam nostram cessare;’ cui omnes assentientes, voce phreneticâ: ‘capite,’ inquit, ‘capite.’ Apprehenden-

tesque priorem sociosque ejus, jam trahere incipiebant, volentes eos, sicut inter se consilium fuerat, aut in carcerem impingere aut in exilium agere. Ipsi vero, aliam qua manus eorum evaderent spem non habentes, me totis ulnis complectuntur, pacem beati Petri et nostram expetentes. Et ita vix in ecclesiam reversi sumus, illis usque in ecclesiam frementibus et proclamantibus: ‘capite rebelles, apprehendite proditores.’ Assedimus itaque in ecclesia et abbas cum reliquis monachis suis revertitur in capitulum suum. Interea homines abbatiae, foribus clausis et ostiis, aditus astare et velut in insidiis excubare. Tum nos (ut vera fatear) monachorum impetus metuentes, ostium ecclesiae, per quod itur in claustrum, intus observandum curavimus. Interea rumor evolat, occurrit populus. Nil tamen foris, aut dictum, aut actum est mali. Cum ergo inter monachos nulla concordia fieri potuisset, domum revertimus, abducentes nobiscum prædictos numero xij. presbyteros et subdiaconum unum, è quibus plures bene literati, omnes plenam observationem regulæ ac professionis suæ et evangelium pariter expetentes. Itaque in domo beati Petri et nostra hospitantur, nulla violentiæ adversitate à proposito deterrendi. Fratres autem abbatiae nihilominus in eorum ordine debacchantur. Abbas nescio quid acturus iter arripuit. Quocirca paternitatem vestram per Christum obsecramus, eorum partem qui ad severiora et arctiora transire cupiunt, auctoritate vestra defensare velitis. Si verò abbas eorum ad vos venerit, pro vestra a Deo data facultate et sapientia, in pacem illum reducat, et ne ejus filiorum sanctum propositum impediat admoneatis. Quod si prævenerit et recessit, rogamus ut per præsentem nuncium literas illi exhortatorias dirigatis, ne pertinaciter adversetur illis immo potius opem conferat et opportunitatem qui Christi evangelio et regulæ beati Benedicti in veritate cupiunt obedire. Debet saltem abbas et monachi sui in hac re Ægyptios et Babylonios imitari, qui filios Israel in terram promissionis permiserunt utiliter repedare. Laban quoque Jacob ob ejus obstinationem clanculum fugientem, post crudelem persecutionem ad patrem redire permisit; neque vero desertores sed provisores censi sunt, qui locum ubi peccandi libertas major est relinquunt, tutius Deo famulari desiderant; nempe Christus ipse deterrire eos debet, qui Phariseos redarguit, eo quod nec ipsi intrent nec alios intrare sinant. Notum siquidem omnibus est, quod regula beati Benedicti toto pene et communi, ut ita dicam, orbe monachorum modum suum in omnibus prorsus amiserit et statum, adeo ut nemo satis mirari potest, quod quis audiet coram Deo et sanctis ejus, quod tanta solemnitate ipse vel quotidie negligit, sive, ut verius dicam, compellitur non observare. Cadit profecto in eos quod ait propheta, ‘Populus hic labiis me honorat, cor autem eorum longe est a me.’ Ut apostolus ait, ‘Voce confitentur se noscere Deum, factis autem negant.’ Verum fortassis, quia multi ita faciunt, frequens usus confert audaciam. Verum, quod dolens enuntio, fallitur, plane fallitur, audacia monachorum, quia multitudo peccantium non facit impunitatem scelerum. Unde non impediendi sed prote-gendi sunt qui regulam professionis suæ cupiunt observare, neque reprehendendi qui idcirco festinant locum mutare; neque enim Deus ex loco sed locus eligitur ex Deo. Beatus quoque Benedictus liquido contestatur, quod in omni loco uni Domino Deo servitur, uni regi militatur. In collationibus patrum, Joseph heremita sufficienter edisserit, quod ille fidem suæ professionis rectius servat, qui se ad eum locum contulerit quo dominica fidei præcepta plenius adimplere potuerit. Et quidam, Juvat nos sanctam opportunitatem appetere qui adjutor est in importunitatibus, in tribulatione. Illi verò (ni fallor) Pharisei vel hæretici judicandi sunt qui nec timent nec alios timere sinunt, quod veritas ait, ‘Nisi abundaverit justitia vestra plus quam Scribarum aut Phariseorum non intrabitis in regnum cœlorum: si enim angelus de cœlo evangelizaverit aliter quam evangelizatum est, anathema sit.’ Aliter enim evangelizat quam Christus evangelizavit, qui angelicam pacem et regulam suæ professionis observare cupientes impedire festinat. Quicumque vero ille sit refellendus vero summopere est, cum veritas dicat, ‘Si oculus tuus dexter scandalizat, erue eum et proice abs te.’ Nil quippe molestius læditur vel cautius observatur in corpore quam oculus. Attamen cum impedit, spiritualiter est eruendus, hoc est enim prudentem esse sicut serpentem, caput totum id est mentem subducere ab omni fallacia quæ lædit animam. Verumtamen propter scandalum infirmorum

qui minus sapiunt veritatem, rogamus sanctitatem vestram et omnium qui audire voluerint hanc petitionem nostram, quatenus inter abbatem Eboracensem et sæpeditos fratres studeatis restituere pacem. Postremo meminisse debemus, quod Molismensium monachorum similis egressus Cisterciensis vitæ perfectissimam normam (quam tota pene miratur ecclesia) imprimis instituit ac fundavit, quorum puritatis ingenium venerabilis memoriæ dominus Hugo, Lugdunensis archiepiscopus Christiana pietate laudavit, sanctæ regulæ renovatione, in probatissimam integritatem fideliter adaptavit. Atque demum cum ad apostolicam notitiam æmulorum quærimonia perveniret, domino Urbano papa secundo præsidente, mandatum decretale porrigitur, quatenus solo abbate reportato ad regimen abbatiæ suæ qui pariter exierat, nemo cæterorum qui in plena observatione regulæ perseverare voluisset, impedimentum aut molestiam aliquam pateretur. Luce vero clarius est, quantum in eorum excellentissima conversatione totius evangelii veritas elucescit. Prolixo et pene fastidioso sermone usi sumus, quia status monachorum cæterorum fortassis haud placebit iudicio sane designandus esse videatur, ne secus quam contigit æmulorum divulgaretur iudicio. Valeat in Christo sanctitas vestra.

Explicit epistola archiepiscopi Turstini ad Willielmum Cantuariensem archiepiscopum conscripta.

Instabat adhuc abbas sollicitare servos Dei, agens per internuncios, nunc minis, nunc monitis, si quo modo vocaret abeuntes et monasterio restitueret. Manent illi omnino immobiles, surdi ad incantationem, et volubiliū instar rotarum non revertebantur cum ambularent. Obfirmant faciem suam sicut euntes Jerusalem, fœdus ineunt, firmant propositum, et ambulantes coram facie sua obturant aures ne audiant sibilos incantantis. Morabantur interim cum sancto episcopo in episcopio suo feriatī ab opere sed minimè otiosi in sua feriatiōne, vigiliis siquidem et orationibus vacantes, jejunia solitudinis prælibantes in civitate. Sed heu nil tutum à temptatione quamdiu vivitur in hac vita.

NUM. VIII.

De duobus Monachis retro respicientibus.

ADEST temptator qui eorum profectibus invidebat, et expetita licentia duos ex fratribus, Gervasium scilicet, et Radulphum aggreditur ad temptandum; instillat eis consilia venenosa, cogitationes infideles, horrorem solitudinis, corporis austeritatem ordinis, consuetudinem vitæ prioris. Proponit eis ascensum difficilem, lapsum gravem, statum periculis obnoxium, nova semper fore suspecta. Suadet eis ad priora reverti, reconciliari fratribus, sufficere mediocritatem pristinam, tutum semper esse in medio, 'Nec,' inquit, 'meliores estis quam patres vestri,' res profecto ardua in eremo victitare, assueta relinquere, urgere hominem ultra humanam naturam et carnis suæ cruciatibus non moveri. Quid plura? Succumbunt in temptatione, redeunt ad ollas pristinas, et abeuntes retrorsum facti sunt amicis in scandalum, æmulis in derisum. Sed Gervasius resumptis viribus redit ad castra, associatur fratribus, et apostaciæ maculam morum conversione detergit. Radulphus in remissione se vitam recepit, non adjiciens ut resurgat, init fœdus cum carne, et agglutinator est in terra venter ejus.

NUM. IX.

De Monasterii Assignmente et Abbatis Electione.

INTEREA instat dies Natalis Domini, et venerabilis archiepiscopus tantæ solempnitatis festa celebraturus cum suo conventu Ripponam ascendit. Ibiq̃ue inter ipsa solempnia in patrimonio beati Petri habitationis ejus sedem assignat locum a cunctis retro seculis non habitatum, spinis consitum, et inter convexa montium et scopulos hinc inde prominentes, ferarum latebris quam humanis usibus magis accommodatum, et nomen loci Skeldale, hoc est, vallis rivuli ibidem defluentis. Adjecit etiam vir beatus archiepiscopus vicum unum cum agris adjacentibus, Suttona nomine: et hoc initium matris quæ nunc Fontes nominatur. Loco igitur, ut decebat, solempniter confirmato, tractant secum de

eligendo sibi abbate qui possit ingredi coram Domino quasi pater et pastor animarum suarum. Adest sanctus archiepiscopus et electioni regulariter præsidens, pari omnium voto et voluntate, Richardum priorem sibi eligunt in abbatem. Archiepiscopus in electum consentit, electionem confirmat, benedicit hominem, et hic primus abbas de Fontibus.* Sed quid facturus est homo Dei? Monachos habet sed mansionem non habet, non est ubi se recipiat, non est ubi caput reclinet, non est ubi aeris declinet inclementiam, imbrium injuriam, et hiems erat. Agit tamen pro officio juncto quod potest, et jactans super Dominum curam suam, contra paupertatis incommodum plenitudine fidei se armat, confidit de adjutorio Domini, et accepta benedictione pontificis cum sacro suo collegio ad solitudinis secreta secedit. Erat autem plenum pietatis spectaculum videre homines tantæ fidei tantique fervoris, ut non hiemis asperitas, non solitudinis horror, non bonorum omnium indigentia, eos a proposito deflecteret, tardaret ab inceptis. Non est pecunia in sacculis, non annona in horreis, nihil iis ad victum quotidianum, nisi quod episcopalis liberalitas interim eis procurabat, non est domus ad habitandum, non umbraculum ad declinandum, nullum sibi solatium contra hiemis inclementiam, nisi quantum prominentes hinc inde rupes præstiterint.

NUM. X.

Quomodo sub Ulmo dormiebant et manducabant.

ULMUS erat vallis in medio, lignum frondosum, sicut est illud arboris genus, quæ cubantibus subter bestiis algorem in hyeme, in æstate fervorem frondium beneficio temperabat. Huic se conferunt viri sancti, sub umbra ejus hospitium quæsitura. Stat arbor in medio, ipsi circum excubantes, stramentis et stipulis superjectis, maliciam hyemis utcumque declinant. Erat adhuc ulmus illæsa virens foliis et fronde condensa, factura fidem posteris illa mater nostra Fontanensis ecclesia quanta ex humilitate foundationis suæ habuit originem. Nulla ibi ligna dolata, nulla saxa complanata, sed inops tugurium et pastorum quasi tabernaculum humili desuper cespite contextum. Res profecto digna memoria, videre Christi milites tirocinii sui tempore tam fiducialiter se habentes, hiemem agentes sub pellibus, in ipsum mundum mundique principem fidei constantia triumphantes. Omnes una sub ulmo discumbunt, pauper conventus sed potens in Domino, sacerdotes duodecim et unus levita. Panem illis sanctus episcopus, potum vero præterfluens rivulus pro tempore ministrabat. Nocte de more surgitur ad vigilias, psallitur secundum regulæ institutionem, orationi intentius incumbunt, et divinis se laudibus advocant invicem exhortantes. Per diem se operi accingunt, alii multas plectentes, alii de vicinia silva virgas cedentes unde oratorium construatur; quidam verò qui prudentiores fuerunt excolendis hortulis intendunt. Nec erat ibi panem sumere otiosum, nec quieti indulgere nisi labore fatigatum. Famelici accedunt ad mensam, fatigati ad lectum, satiiati nunquam, sine murmure tamen. Non erat ibi videre signum tristitiæ, non murmuris audire vocem, sed cum omni alacritate benedicebant Dominum, rebus pauperes, sed fide potentes.

NUM. XI.

Uti se subdiiderint Ordini Cisterciensi et Domui Clarevallensi.

HIEME jam acta sub pellibus, tractant de statu suo, de modo vivendi, de observatione regulæ et forma disciplinæ. Neque enim integrum arbitrantur suum sequi spiritum, suo se committere sensui, ne fortè eis a spiritu erroris illudatur. Placet omnibus Cisterciensis ordinis sancta simplicitas et salutaris vitæ perfectio. Igitur de communi consilio dirigunt nuncios ad sanctum abbatem Bernardum, significantes se Claramvallem in matrem, ipsum vero in patrem elegisse, suis in omnibus monitis obsequi, præceptis parituros. Tamen ut ab eo accipiant vivendi formam et sanctæ religionis disciplinam scribunt ei de cœnobio Eboracensi egrediendi modum, et causam, conscientia stimulus, conversandi propositum, persecutionem abbatis, episcopi liberalitatem. Scribit etiam pro eis sanctus episcopus causam declarans et personas

* Richardus primus abbas de Fontibus.

commendans. Suscipit nuncios vir beatus cum devotione multa, et audito plenius negotio gavisus est, gratias agit Deo. Præsentit siquidem in spiritu vir altioris consilii opus Dei esse non hominis quod tanto non potuit conamine dissipari. Petitioni igitur eorum nihil cunctatus assentit, commendans propositum et exhortans ad bravium, scribens eis epistolam consolatoriam in verba hæc.

NUM. XII.

Epistola Sancti Bernardi ad Abbatem Ricardum Fontanensem et Socios ejus.

FRATRIBUS charissimis et desideratissimis Ricardo abbatu et his qui cum eo sunt, frater Bernardus abbas Clarevallis salutem.

Quanta audivimus et cognovimus lætitia ea quæ fratres nostri G. et W. narraverunt nobis, quemadmodum noverit recaluitis igne Dei, convaluistis ab infirmitate, refluistis in novitate sancta! Digitus Dei est iste, subtiliter operans, salubriter immutans, non quidem ex malis bonos, sed ex bonis faciens meliores. Quis dabit mihi ut transeam et visionem videam hanc maximam. Neque enim minus mira minusque jucunda ista promotio est, quam illa mutatio, nisi quod facilius reperies multos seculares converti ad bonum quam quempiam à religiosis transire ad melius. Rarissima avis in terris, ut quis de gradu quem forte in religione semel attigerit, vel parum ascendit. Vestrum proinde, dilectissimi, tam insigne quam salubre factum, non solum nos qui servi vestræ sanctitatis esse percipimus, sed et universam lætificat civitatem Dei, quippe quo rarius eo et charius. Erat autem ad cautelam vel necessarium, proximam defectui transcendere mediocritatem, et declinare teporem qui vomitum Dei provocat. Sed et sic oportebat propter conscientiam; professis siquidem sanctam regulam, an citra puritatem ejus sistere gradum tutum sit ipsi sensistis. Dolens doleo quod urgente diei malitia et nuncio festinante plenum affectum exili cogor designare stylo, et brevi carta comprehendere. Sed quod deest frater G. viva voce supplebit.

Explicit epistola sancti Bernardi.

NUM. XIII.

Scribit Beatus Bernardus Epistolam Turstino Eboracensi Archiepiscopo, more suo mellifluam, commendans et justitiæ zelum, vigorem sacerdotalem, religionis amorem, pauperum defensionem, officium charitatis. Et hic tenor epistolæ.

PATRI charissimo et domino reverendo Turstino Dei gratia Eboracensi archiepiscopo, frater Bernardus abbas Clarevallis salutem plurimam dicit.

Splendor operis et opinionis odor bonæ, ut comperi, in gloria vestra convenerunt. Opinionem opus probat nec falsam fuisse nec vanam, cum quod ante sparserat ubique volans fama, ubique res ipsa facit manifestum, quomodo nunc maximè claruit zelus justitiæ, vivit et invaluit sacerdotalis vigor in defensione pauperum, et pauperum quibus non erat adjutor. Olim quidem opera misericordiæ et elemosinas vestras enarrabat omnis ecclesia sanctorum, sed hoc vobis commune cum pluribus, quippe quod a cunctis substantiam hujus mundi habentibus exigitur; verum hoc opus episcopale hoc paternæ pietatis tam egregium specimen, hic vero divinus fervor quo pro tuendis suis pauperibus ille proculdubio zelum vestrum accendit qui facit angelos suos spiritus, et ministros suos ignem urentem, hoc totum, inquam, accessit vestræ dignitatis decus insigne, officii ornamentum, corona. Aliud est reficere ventrem esurientis, et aliud sanctam zelare paupertatem, ibi enim servitur naturæ, hic gratiæ. Visitabis, inquit, speciem tuam et non peccabis. Ergo qui alienam carnem fovet, facit ne peccet: qui alienam sanctitatem honorat, fructificat sibi. Ideo ait: Detine elemosinam in manu tua donec invenias justum cui des. Quo fructu? Quoniam qui recipit justum in nomine justī mercedem justī accipiet. Solvamus proinde naturæ debitum ne peccemus: simus gratiæ coadjutores, ut et participes fieri mereamur. Sane utrumque ita in vobis admiramur, ut utrumque datum vobis desuper fateamur, quatinus divinis laudibus æternaliter misceatur quicquid a vobis temporaliter in necessitatibus nostris impenditur, merito reverende et omni amoris sinceritate colende atque amplectende pater.

NUM. XIV.

Epistola beati Bernardi ad abbatem Ebor.

VIRO venerabili domino G. abbati ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Eboraci, frater Bernardus dictus abbas Clarevallis salutem in Domino.

Placuit reverentiæ vestræ literas parvitati meæ dirigere, in quibus me super rebus dubiis consulere voluistis. Verum de his et his similibus certum quid respondere pertimescimus, quanto minus divinæ voluntatis beneplacitum tenemus. Sicut homines propius aliorum animos intuentes, si quidquam aliud quam volunt edicimus offendere dubitamus. Quod sane illis potissimum accidit quorum conscientia quasi fastidiosæ mentis angore confunditur, difficiles et angulosas impuritatis suæ contumacias affectare conatur: sed ipsa cum cæcitatibus suæ vindex est, quia dum quasi sibi adulari nititur in eo quod egit, illico recurrenti veritatis aculeo repungitur et remordetur in eo quod meminit. Cujus nimirum difficultatis ærumnam psalmista deplorans orat et dicit, 'Educ Domine de carcere animam meam ad confitendum nomini tuo.' Non me igitur (vir bone) quasi simulatæ calliditatis arguas, si minus quam velis inquisitionibus tuis respondere sufficiam, vel si quid valeam, totum tamen explicare non audeam. Literarum siquidem tuarum prima series a querimoniis sumpsit exordium, quod videlicet senectuti tuæ grave infortunium sit, quod monachorum tuorum aliqua pars ad arctiorem et severiorem conversionis modum transire præsumsit, quia jure potius reformidare habes quod tristitia hujus seculi mortem operatur nempe si in humanis opinionibus ratio vigeat, dolendum non est, si homo creatoris sui legibus quandoque rectius inhærere præsumat. Nempe et nos quidem non satis pie paternis sollicitudinibus invigilamus si filiorum profectibus invidemus. Quocirca si consiliarium unum ex mille habere me vis, immò (ni fallor) maximè vis, consulto opus est, quatenus filiis tuis in mediocritate tecum remanentibus ne deficient attendas, cæteris vero citra professionis suæ puritatem remanere metuentibus propter conscientiam, ac de bono quod aggressi sunt semel religionis proposito ad altiorem gradum transire nitentibus, juxta prophetam cum panibus accurras, illis, maximam curam impendas ne insolescant ad ruinam, et cæteris ante benevolentiam auferas ne proficiant ad coronam. Nempe qui ascensiones in corde suo disponunt, qui de virtute eunt, Deum Deorum in Sion eo felicius videre merentur in retributione, quo summo bono familiariter adhærere studuerunt purioris conversationis ordine. Denique de duobus monachis Gervasio scilicet atque Radulpho, qui simul cum aliis domino Turstino archiepiscopo paterne et episcopaliter satagente egressi sunt, et sicut ipse testaris, te absolvente. Quando sunt dimissi certus sum si infra puritatis gradum quam ascenderunt permansissent, non perperam sed laudabiliter peregissent. Certus quoque nihilominus sum, si velint resumere puritatis gradum, a quo tamen corruerunt, ex virtutis gratia laudabiliores erunt quam solent milites fieri post fugam ignavia, qui tanto sunt gloriosiores quanto post ignominiam in spem victoriæ ad pugnam redeunt alacriores. Et credo (ni fallor) quod absolutio quæ facta est potest interim obediri, sed apud omnipotentis Dei judicium nequit evacuari. Postremo vitam istam confiteris quidem esse sanctiorem, illos tamen propter carnis fragilitatem vel propinquitatis affectionem non posse (dicis) sustinere hujus angustiarum difficultatem. Ad hæc vero addis, eorum præsentiam tibi fore necessariam, et ideo vehementius inquiris, utrum sine culpa queant remanere in loco unde non sine scandalo sunt egressi. De qualitate inquam scandalorum discernenda, de carnis affectione propter Christum penitus amputanda, de commodis temporalibus propter animæ salutem summopere fugiendis tonat evangelium, clamat ubique tota scripturarum series, adeo ut ignorare non tam malum quam pene hæreticum sit: at verò non certus sum an eorum talis reditus absque pœnali culpa debeat aestimari. Periculosum quippe valde et gravi ruinæ proximum, præsumere de Dei misericordia contra Dei justitiam et illam velle defendere contra istam. Denique scriptura ait 'Ne adicias peccatum super peccatum et dicas, miseratio Dei magna est.' Nam et in aliis discretionis modus est cum præponderant minora majoribus sive deteriora melioribus comparantur.

Tum demum post vehementer expostulas, cur merito apostatæ debent appellari si ad cœnobium suum revertentes cum bonis consuetudinibus adimplere studeant suam pro-

fessionem. Ego (inquam) eos damnare non debeo, novit Dominus qui sunt ejus, et unusquisque onus suum portabit, quem enim tenebræ non comprehendunt cognoscetur Domino judicia faciente, in operibus manuum suarum comprehendatur peccator. De se quippe quod sibi bonum est unusquisque sentiat, ego de me dicam quod sentio. Ego Bernardus si de bonis ad meliora, vel de periculosis ad securiora voto et opere liberè pertransissem, et illicita voluntate ad ea quæ mutavi denuo redire præsumpsissem, non solum apostata, verum etiam non idoneus fieri pertimescerem. Hoc et beatus Gregorius ait. Quisquis (inquit) majus bonum subire proposuit, minus bonum quod licitum fuit sibi illicitum fecit, scriptum est enim, nemo mittens manum ad aratrum, &c. qui igitur fortiori studio intenderat, retrospicere convincitur si relictis bonis amplioribus ad minora retorqueatur.

Quod autem de excommunicatione interserere voluisti, ut mihi videtur, nec tua interfuit investigare, nec mea quicquam interest judicare, nec enim lex quemquam judicat nisi priùs audiatur, nec in absentem judicium temerè pronunciatur. Vale.

NUM. XV.

De Galfrido monacho quem misit sanctus Bernardus ad abbatem Richardum et conventum ut eos formam ordinis doceret.

HIS ita peractis, reversi sunt nuntii, qui Claramvallem missi fuerant, habentes in comitatu monachum quendam de monasterio Clarevallensi, Galfridum nomine, virum sanctum et religiosum; nec dubitamus de ejus perfectione qui tanti habitus est apud beatum Bernardum, destinatus a latere ejus ut primos patres doceret modum videndi secundum Cisterciensis ordinis disciplinam. Vidi hominem ætate grandævum, gravitatis modestæ, virum industrium in divinis et humanis rebus, multorum siquidem monasteriorum ordinatorem et institutorem fuerat, et qui consilio sancti Bernardi perfectioris vitæ causa mutato habitu Clarevallensi se monasterio subdiderat. De quo licet digressionem faciam, quod subit interim non silebo. Erat monasterium (cujus nomen excidit) ordinandum de novo et instituendum; fratres siquidem mutato habitu pro majore puritate ad sanctæ Clarevallensis se contulerant disciplinam, et directis nunciis mitti sibi postulant monachum ad salutaris vitæ informationem. Annuit sanctus abbas, et vocato domino Galfrido, Vade (inquit) cum viris istis et doce eos uti scis. Suscipit homo jubentis imperium, molestè tamen, asserens se annis jam gravem et ætate confectum, instare tempus resolutionis suæ, optare apud Claramvallem sortiri sepulturam. At sanctus, Vade, inquit, secure, ne metuas, ego te sepeliā hoc in loco, et factum est ita; consummato negotio Claramvallem revertitur, reversus infirmatur, et ingravescente morbo, omnibus circa eum rite peractis, sub manu sancti abbatis appositus est ad patres suos. Hic Galfridus, ut diximus, Fontes veniens susceptus est a fratribus honore condigno, et consolati sunt, ad mandatum sancti abbatis disciplinæ Cisterciensi se submittentes. Audiunt verbum ex ore senis et custodiunt illud, ad ejus consilium casas erigunt, ordinant officinas, cantantes et psallentes sicut senior eos docebat. Amplectuntur cum reverentia sanctum mandatum, et quasi cera sigillo impressa calidior suscipiunt formam institutionis sanctæ. Miratur homo Burgundiensis tantam in Anglis parcimoniam, tam celerem obedientiam, frugalitatem in victu, in moribus gravitatem. Invenit eos fortes in fide, fundatos in charitate, spe longanimes, patientissimos in paupertate. Auctus est interim numerus eorum et adjuncti sunt eis clerici et laici x. recepti in novitios secundum ordinis disciplinam. Nulla tamen adhuc aucta est possessio et nulli agri collati, nullum fuit sustentationis solatium nisi quod à sancto episcopo acceperunt.

NUM. XVI.

De inopia quam passi sunt et quomodo folia arborum et herbas agrestes coxerunt pro pulmento.

ET factum est post dies aliquot ut invaluit fames in finibus illis, et coarctati sunt viri sancti vehementer. Non sunt panes ad vescendum, not sunt sumptus ad emendum, nulla in horreis annona, et confluebat ad eos turba pauperum copiosa. Circuit abbas per loca vicina quærens fratribus

victum, et non fuit qui daret eis, nec ipse quippiam habuit unde compararet. Angustiæ sunt undique et consilium in incerto. Loco cedere triste nimis: sedere in solitudine sine alimentis omnino impossibile. Ad extremam tandem adacti inopiam, de arboribus avellunt folia, herbas colligunt agrestes, et injecto salis modico coquunt pulmenta filiis prophetarum ulnus sub mentum, mors in olla erat, sed farina injecta amaritudinem coctionis utcumque temperabat. Sic victitabant viri sancti, olim deliciis assueti, edentes panem in pondere, et pulmentum in mensura, ipsumque amarum valde. Hi sunt patres nostri primitivi qui in sudore vultus sui plantaverunt vineam nostram, et in sanguine suo hanc hodiernam nobis sufficientiam consignaverunt. Se siquidem non sibi sed posteris vivere arbitantes, omnem illam indigentiam sobolis nascituræ solatio compensabant, certum nobis facturi documentum quanta sunt paupertatis merita quæ sic meruit exaltari.

NUM. XVII.

De pane pauperi dato et de recompensatione.

PER idem tempus die quadam peregrinus pulsabat ad januam, clamitans et petens pro Christi nomine benedictionem. Portarius verò panem se non habere respondet. Instat pauper importune prætendens et victus inopiam et vitæ discrimen. Egenus, ut videbatur, et fame confectus, negat abscedere nisi accepta benedictione, contestatus et supplicans pro Christi nomine panem sibi dari. Adjuratus portarius adit sanctum abbatem, dicens peregrinum stare præ foribus et fame confectum, petentem elemosinam, non habere se quod porrigat postulanti. Motus abbas ad clamorem pauperis, vocat fratrem qui panibus præerat ut petenti tribuat benedictionem. Ille se ad totius familiæ victum nihil habere respondet nisi tantum duos panes et dimidium, et hos carpentariis apponendos qui in instanti erant commessuri. Et tu (ait abbas) panem unum da pauperi, quod reliquum est operariis reserva, nobis autem provideat Dominus sicut vult. Tulit ille panem et abiit. Et ecce duo viri de castro vicino (cui nomen Knaresborough) astiterunt præ foribus trahentes redam onustam panibus ex simila munda. Audierat enim nobilis vir Eustachius filius Johannis, de fratribus, quod laborarent inopia, et misit eis de mensa sua benedictionem. Vere bonus Dominus et munificus in retribuendo, qui panem cibarium tot similaginibus compensavit. Nunciatum est abbati et fratribus, agnitum est Dei donum et benedixerunt Domino qui dat escam timentibus se. Sic Deo procurante et vicinis ministrantibus, æstatem transigunt in paupertate multa et patientia, tempore novorum instante fruges colligunt et comportant in horreum: modicum nimis ad monasterii sustentationem, neque enim multum erat metere ubi modicum seminabatur.

NUM. XVIII.

De solatio eis facto per Hugonem decanum Eboracensem.

LABORABANT fratres per biennium sub gravi paupertate, nec jam spes ulla solatii, nisi quod Dominus deficere nescit sperantibus in se. Abbas jam pene desperans dominum Clarevallensem adit, paupertatis prætendens discrimen et loci incommoditatem, postulans se cum suis recipi in partibus illis qui in sede propria fructificandi jam spem nullam haberent. Movetur super his sanctus Bernardus ad compassionem, et consilio cum suis inito, grangiam quandam domus suæ cum agris adjacentibus eis assignare disposuit, ubi se interim reciperent donec eis commodiùs provideret. Dominus autem meliùs procuravit, dispensans pietate mirabili ut suum Clarevalli servaretur prædium, et Clarevallensibus compassio cederet ad meritum, et indigentibus solatium aliunde proveniret. Abbate siquidem in transmarinis agente, contigit infirmari virum nobilem Hugonem, decanum Eboraci, hominem magnarum rerum et multis opibus ampliaturum. Et misit Dominus in cor ejus consilium bonum, ut se cum suis omnibus monasterio de Fontibus conferret. Et factum est ita; erat autem homo dives non solum in pecunia numerata et possessione mobilium, sed et in libris scripturarum sanctarum quos Domino procurante multis sibi sumptibus et studio comparaverat, et hic primus qui armariolum de Fontibus felici auspicio suscitavit. Confortati sunt fratres in his quæ acciderant, et donum Dei intelligentes, apportatam pecuniam prudenter dispensabant. Pauperum usibus pars

prima dedicatur, et pars altera fabricæ deputatur, residuum monasterio in sanctorum usibus reservatur. Revertens abbas invenit rem meliuscule se habentem, fratres pro tempore commodiùs agentes, et universum domus statum in melius commutatum.

NUM. XIX.

De Serlone Canonico Eboracensi.

Et addidit Dominus ut benediceret eis. Clericus quidam, Serlo nomine, Eboracensis ecclesiæ canonicus infirmatus est usque ad mortem: erat autem dives in possessione auri et argenti. Non multo post concanonicus ejus, Tosti nomine, se cum omni substantia sua sacro illi conventui sociavit. Receptus in numerum, secundum ordinis disciplinam vixit ibi per annos aliquot, homo jucundus et sociabilis in conversatione, et cursu consummato quievit in senectute bona.

NUM. XX.

Quis contulit eis grangiam de Mortar et forestariam quæ dicitur Warkesale.

Post dies aliquot miles quidam ex vicinia, Robertus nomine, cognomento de Sartis, mulierem quandam, Rachevillam nomine, in uxorem sibi desponsavit cum quibusdam terris quæ ei de jure contingebant. Ambo pariter divinitus inspirati, villam suam, Harleshows nomine, cum agris adjacentibus, et forestariam quæ Warkesale dicitur, donatione solenni monasterio de Fontibus contulerunt. Sepulti sunt inibi sepultura justorum; et memoria eorum apud nos in benedictione.

NUM. XXI.

Quis dedit grangiam de Caiton.

Fuit in tempore illo juvenis quidam ex domo regis, dictus Serlo de Pembroke, habens in vicinia nostra villam quandam Caiton nomine, quam ex dono regis habebat. Infirmatus vocat dominum abbatem de Fontibus, et in extremis agens, villam quam ex dono regis tenuit monasterio de Fontibus contulit in perpetuum possidendam. Confirmat rex donationem, et redacta est villa in grangiam perutilem usque hodie ad monasterii sustentationem. Mortuus est idem Serlo apud Fontes, et inter sanctos sortitus est sepulturam. Non multo post tempore adeptus est abbas Aldebroughe cum pertinentiis suis grangiam utilem et frugibus valde accommodam. A die illo et deinceps benedixit Deus vallibus nostris benedictione cæli desuper et abyssi subjacentis, multiplicans fratres, adjiciens possessiones, dilatans vineam et dans ei pluvias benedictionis. Misit igitur, secundum prophetam, radicem deorsum, et fecit fructum sursum, consurgens indies et ex seipsa semper robustior facta, brevi in vineam grandem, et Dominus erat illi pro muro à dextris et à sinistris, non permisit hominem nocere eis, et jumenta eorum non moriuntur, operibus manuum earum benedixit, possessio eorum crevit in terra, et confluerunt ad eos viri quorum tetigerat corda Deus, et veterem depouentes hominem in novam renascuntur creaturam. Et aucta est domus exterius in possessione, interiùs vero personis. Per idem tempus ego Serlo valedicens seculo Fontes me contuli sanctæ religionis habitum suscepturus. Deus bone, quanta tunc apud Fontes vitæ perfectio! Quanta virtutis æmulatio! Quis fervor ordinis! Quæ forma disciplinæ! Egressi enim patres nostri primitivi de domo opulenta, omnem temporalium affluentiam virtutis plenitudine adæquarunt. Spectaculum siquidem facti angelis et hominibus, illam sanctæ religionis formam suis posteris impresserunt quæ authore Domino usque hodiè in modernis illæsa perdurat.

NUM. XXII.

De foundatione Novi Monasterii.

Anno quinto foundationis monasterii de Fontibus, vir nobilis Ranulphus de Merlay Fontes visurus accessit. Videns fratrum conversationem compungitur homo, et inspirante Domino, pro redemptione animæ suæ locum quandam in patrimonio suo ad monasterium construendum assignat. Suscipit oblationem sanctus abbas, et ædificiis inibi de more

dispositis abbatiam construxit, quam Novum monasterium nominavit. Et hæc prima filia Fontanensis ecclesiæ, unica adhuc matri suæ. Anno quinto foundationis suæ, mense primo, quinto nonas Januarii, emittitur conventus de domo Fontium ad Novum monasterium, cum abbate Roberto, viro sancto et religioso, monacho quondam de Witheby, qui de cœnobio Eboracensi egredientibus se sociavit. Multa de hoc viro audivimus digna relatu proprium de se habitura tractatum, erat autem modestus in gestu, mitis in convictu, misericors in judiciis, singularis in sancta conversatione, multis annis præfuit et profuit pater pius et pastor egregius, et conversationem sanctam sanctiori fine complevit. Beatus Godricus (sicut in vita ipsius legitur) nocte quadam inter orandum hujus sancti animam carne solutam angelorum manibus in cœlestia videt deferri. Sic se habuit Novi monasterii initium. Et hic primus palmes qui de vinea nostra processit. Semen sanctum solo coaluit, et quasi fertilis terræ gremio susceptum, continuo excrevit in culmum, et de granis paucis surrexit seges copiosa. Matris enim suæ fœcunditatem æmulata concepit et peperit tres filias, Pipewellam, Saleiam, et Rupem. Et adjicit Dominus dilatare vineam in territorio Lincolnensi. Homo quidam nobilis, Hugo nomine, filius Eudonis cœnobium ordinis Cisterciensium se voverat constructurum. Vocat abbatem de Fontibus, et ejus consilio hæreditatem suam cum Domino dividens locum quandam opportunum cui nomen Kirkesteade divinis usibus consecravit.

NUM. XXIII.

De Parco-lude.

Eodem tempore Alexander bonæ memoriæ Lincolnensis episcopus locum quandam Haverholme nomine, ad abbatiam nostri ordinis construendam in manus ejusdem abbatis de Fontibus consignavit. Suscipit abbas offerentium munera, et de divino præsumens adjutorio, missis fratribus ad utrumque locum, ædificia construxit, erigit officinas anno vij. foundationis domus de Fontibus. Rebus pro tempore convenienter dispositis, una die quarto scilicet nonas Februarii, emissi sunt duo monachorum conventus, alter sub abbate Roberto de Snella, ad monasterium de Kirkesteade, alter apud Haverholme sub abbate Gervasio, et hi ambo de primis patribus erant, qui de cœnobio Eboracensi egressi in sudore vultus sui hanc vineam plantaverunt. Displicuit fratribus qui apud Haverholme missi fuerant de sede habitationis suæ, et commutatione facta locum alterum quem Parcum-lude nominant, de manu episcopi receperunt. Cecidit semen in terram bonam, et surrexit in messem copiosam, et facti sunt in gentem magnam.

NUM. XXIV.

De Alberico Hostiensi episcopo, apostolicæ sedis legato.

Et factum est in diebus illis ut Albericus, Hostiensis episcopus, à latere domini papæ ad Anglicanas partes legatus accederet. Occurritur ei a rege et regno, et inter ceteros abbas Fontanensis vocatus accedit. Suscepit eum legatus cum honore condigno, et advertens hominem literatum et prudentem, familiarem admodum habuit, et injuncti officii adiutorem, invenit hominem in consiliis providum, in judiciis discretum, sollicitum in his quæ Dei sunt, et in scripturis sacris non mediocriter eruditum. Et visum est Romanis tantum virum innotescere, assistere domino papæ, non debere lucernam talem sub modio latere. Denique peracta legatione renitentem trahit ad curiam, volens eum ad majoris administrationis officium promoveri. Sed Dominus melius providit ei, et fidelis servi sudores remunerans, transtulit eum ex peregrinatione ad patriam, à Romanorum obsequio ad requiem diu desideratam. Romam veniens febre corripitur, et in via obedientiæ votum terminans peracto cursu in pace consummatur.

Hæc sunt quæ ex ore senis accepi de origine Fontanensis ecclesiæ, annotatis ex ordine rebus gestis usque ad dormitionem venerabilis Richardi primi abbatis. Quæ sequuntur sequens libellus explicabit.

Digestis ex ordine quæ accepi de egressione patrum nostrorum è cœnobio Eboracensi, de paupertate foundationis suæ tempore perpressa, sive quæ sub domino Richardo primo abbate gesta sunt, senior suam narrationem ita prosequitur.

Nunciatum est, quod venerabilis abbas Richardus in Domino quievit, contristati sunt fratres de tanti patris casu,

sed molestiam mœstitudinis majoris fide moderantur. Solvunt homini humanitatis debitum et revertentem ad patriam pietatis obsequiis prosequuntur. Tractant exhinc de successione et de successore substituendo qui secundum legem suscitaret semen fratris defuncti. Dirigunt nuncios ad abbatem Clarevallensem, et de ejus consilio et assensu, invocato Spiritu Sancto, communi omnium voto virum venerabilem Richardum priorem eligunt in abbatem. Hic est ille Richardus, Eboracensis cœnobii quondam sacrificus, homo simplex et rectus et timens Deum, cujus exhortatione sacer ille conventus, relictis ollis pristinis, ad solitudinis secreta conscendit. Erat autem gratosus coram hominibus, spiritu fervens, et totius religionis ardentissimus æmulator. Virtus animi in vultu radiabat, et ipse homo exterior interioris imaginem præ se ferebat.

NUM. XXV.

De gratia quam habuit in confessionibus recipiendis.

INTER cætera dona quæ à Deo acceperat homo sanctus, singularem habuit gratiam in confessionibus recipiendis conscientiarum scrutator mirabilis et spiritualium vulnerum curator. Et hæc erat causa quædam præcipua quæ omnium in se trahebat affectus, devotionem excitabat; nihil ita occultum quod non ipse suadendo eliceret; nihil ita induratum quod non ipso loquente liquesceret. Nemo tam frigidus qui non ad ejus incalesceret exhortationem. Deum testor, non inveni tantam in quovis gratiam, ad mœstum consolandum, ad lapsum relevandum, et ad læsæ conscientiæ latentes causas cognoscendum. Sæpe dum ad pedes ejus de conscientia loquuturus accessi, prævenit me in his quæ dicturus eram, et quasi mentis meæ faciem descriptam videret, sic animi mei statum me stupente ad liquidum depinxit. Electus in abbatem onus illud invitus accepit, spiritualibus siquidem deliciis deditus occupationes molestè admisit, ægrè ferens post delicatos Rachel amplexus lippientis fœminæ faciem intueri. Durum illi valde videtur in exteriora descendi, et in cordis sanctuarium suscipere curas alienas. Agit tamen pro injuncto officio, et inter duo divisus in alteram partem propensius cedebat. Partes Marthæ pro necessitate exequitur, ad Mariæ otium ex animo suspirabat. Vacabat interiùs quantum licuit, et Dominus exterius pro eo vigilabat, dirigens virum in omnibus viis suis. Et aucta est domus in diebus suis numero fratrum et incrementis possessionum. Sæpe suam causabatur hebitudinem et imperitiam accusabat, minus se sufficientem judicans et propter meritorum inopiam et quia minus sibi eloquens videretur, erat enim linguæ impeditioris quoties in concione loquebatur; sed hanc illi tarditatem non sermonis imperitia sed verecundia naturalis effecit. Quatuor annos agebat in officio pastoralis gemens sub sarcina quam invitus gestabat, et cœpit eum tædere occupationum suarum, statuens secum et deliberans ne ulterius villicaret. Adit sanctum patrem Bernardum semel secundò et tertiò, rogans dimitti in pace, absolvi ab administratione, licere sibi in Clarevalli suæ vocationis diem præstolari. Monet eum sanctus ab incœptis desistere, non se sui juris esse, tenere gradum vocationis suæ et commissis ovibus pastorem sollicitudinem exhibere. Instat ille attentius, supplicans se ab hoc onere relaxari, non posse ulterius in hoc gradu ministrare. Victus tandem petentis importunitate pater sanctus annuit eum absolvi, si tamen cum assensu fratrum id fieri possit. Scribitur itaque sub certa forma se ad petentis instantiam, si tamen conventus concederet abbatem ab officio pastoralis relaxare, alioqui nil in conventus præjudicium, nil præter monachorum consensum super hoc statui vel concedi. Redit cum his literis abbas Ricardus, sperans de facili fratrum animos pro voto inclinare, et insperantibus nobis in vigilia Pentecostis monasterium de Fontibus ingressus est. Gavisi sumus ex adventu ipsius, et Spiritus Sancti solennia cum spirituali transegimus jucunditate. Ipse cuncta dissimulat, cuncta suppressit, usque in quartum diem, veritus ne audito negotio, illa tanta festivitas minus festivè ageretur. Post quartum, literas profert in medium, ostendit desiderium, requirit assensum. Contristati sumus super hoc mandato, et mutata facie tota hæc nostra exultatio clauditur in mœrore. Tunc vox omnium unà clamantium, nunquam se præbituros assensum, gratias agentes sancto abbati Bernardo super adjecta in literis conditione. Unus autem ex fratribus Hugo de Mathon surgit in medium, et petita venia dominum abbatem

his verbis appellavit: 'Domus ista quam donante Deo regendam suscepistis, à fundatione sua ea semper pace floruisse dignoscitur, ut internam ejus tranquillitatem nulla unquam turbaret tempestas, nulla hostis antiqui invidia fascinaret. Nescit scismatum incommoda, nescit dissensionis zizania; terra sancta est et scandalorum spineta non gignit. Sic sibi hactenus in unitate Spiritus caput et corpus cohæserunt, ut divisionis gladium non sentiant quæ tantæ necessitudinis nodo copulantur. Miramur proinde super hac novitate profana, quæ caput à membris molitur disjungere, et nostræ si quæ est religionis lucernam conatur extinguere. Denique quis non scandalizetur audiens abbatem de Fontibus suos deseruisse professos, patrem filios, pastorem oves sibi commissas; alius in nos culpam inobedientiæ refundet, alius levitatis et inconstantiae notam impinget. Præterea, si paupertatis urgeret incommodum possit forsitan hæc nota deleri. Nunc verò quod negari non potest, aucta est domus in diebus tuis et numero fratrum et incrementis possessionum. Viget intus fervor ordinis, et forma disciplinæ, foris pax et securitas à Domino ministratur, res autem periculi est ad tantam gratiam ingratum inveniri. Quod si te occupationis cura molestat, nos quieti tuæ providebimus; vaca tibi interiùs prout placet, nos, authore Deo, de exterioribus curam geremus. Sile, sile, et sanctifica Sabatha tua, tamen ne nos deseras quos sine scandalo deserere non potes. Monachi tui sumus, alium nescimus abbatem, alium quoad tu vixeris non admittemus. Stat immota sententia, propositum immutabile, nullâ te à nobis ratione patiemur avelli.' His dictis, abbas modicum secum deliberans, 'Putavi,' inquit 'aliam apud vos gratiam invenisse; jam verò ulterius super hæc negotia vos non conveniam; sed hoc vobis fidenter denuncio, quod hoc anno ab hac ministratione absolvar.' Et ita factum est ipso anno. Redeunte tempore, ad caput generale iturus, ascendit, Claramvallem veniens, infirmatur, et ingravescente morbo, sub manu sancti abbatis Bernardi exuens hominem appositus est ad patres suos, et adimpletus est sermo quem dixit. Quoniam oportet hoc anno Ricardum absolvi.

NUM. XXVI.

Expleta Narratione de Abbate Ricardo Secundo, haud abs re videtur alia quædam annectere quæ sub his acciderunt.

MORTUO rege Henrico filio Willielmi cognomento Bastard, anno incarnationis Dominicæ mccccvj. turbatum est regnum, commota est terra, et surgentibus aliis in alios facta est confusio magna in populo, nec fuit qui cohiberet. Et serrexit Stephanus Blesensis, comes Moretoniæ, nepos regis Henrici ex sorore sua, et multo stipatus milite imposuit sibi diadema. Adjuvabat partes illius frater ejus Henricus, Wintoniensis episcopus, apostolicæ sedis legatus, homo magni nominis juxta nomen eorum qui sunt in terra. Pars magna populi Stephanum sequebatur, pars autem altera Matildem imperatricem filiam regis Henrici, et facta est grandis concertatio propter regnum. Mortuus est in tempore illo piæ recordationis dominus Turstinus, Eboracensis archiepiscopus, et dissidente clero facta est contentio non modica de alio substituendo. Convenientibus siquidem clericis ad electionem faciendam, pars major numero Willielmum thesaurarium in archiepiscopum elegit, pars verò sanior appellatione interposita reclamavit. Fuerunt autem qui reclamaverunt viri graves et religiosi abbates, priores, archidiaconi, et decani, quorum unus erat Ricardus abbas Fontanensis. Ipse tamen Willielmus ad tempus obtinuit, amicitia functus potentum, fretus regia potestate, favente episcopo Wintoniensi Henrico, qui ei manus imposuit et in episcopum consecravit, pallium tamen, procurante adversa parte, impetrare non potuit. Erat autem homo alti sanguinis, multis virtutibus adornatus, dignus omnino qui cathedra præsideret, si magis canonica fuisset ipsius electio. Scripsit contra eum beatus Bernardus ad papam Innocentium, qui tunc rerum summam regebat, cujus adhuc extant epistolæ. Et facta est dissensio magna in ecclesia Eboracensi diebus multis.

NUM. XXVII.

De Abbate Henrico Clarevallensi.

DEFUNCTO interim apud Clarevallem abbate de Fontibus, Ricardo secundo, tractat secum sanctus abbas Bernardus de pastore substituendo qui præsit ovibus destitutis. Inito consilio cum suis Clarevallensibus, virum venerabilem

dominum Henricum de Valleclare, abbatem ad Anglicanas partes transmittit, vices suas tam in ordinatione quam in exequenda visitatione illi committens. Scribit etiam domino Alexandro priori, et conventui de Fontibus consolatoriam epistolam sub his verbis.

NUM. XXVIII.

Epistola consolatoria ad Conventum de Fontibus.

DILECTISSIMIS in Christo fratribus, Alexandro priori, et conventui de Fontibus, frater Bernardus, Clarevallis abbas salutem et matris qualiscumque orationes.

Venerabilis pater vester cursum consummavit et obdormivit in Domino. Ego verò licet omni tempore paterna pro vobis charitate tanquam pro visceribus sollicitus, nunc tanto pro vobis majorem sollicitudinem gero, quanto major incumbit necessitas. Unde et jamdudum misissem ad vos, nisi quod expectabam donec id opportuniùs commodiùsque facere possem, eo quod venerabilis abbas Henricus citiùs ad vos venire non potest, quibusdam negotiis occupatus, quem præcipuè destinare proposueram ab initio, eo quod ipse utilior et huic negotio magis idoneus videretur. Hunc igitur fratres dilectissimi cum eo honore et amore suscipite quo dignus est, et sic eum audite in omnibus sicut meipsum; immò tanto amplius quanto ille meritis et prudentia antecellit. Ei siquidem et in facienda electione et in omnibus quæcumque in monasterio illo, vel in cæteris quæ ex eo exierunt, ordinanda fuerunt, omnino vicem nostram commisi. Misi autem cum eo fratrem nostrum Gualterum, qui est filius noster dilectissimus. Et nunc obsecro vos tanquam filios charissimos ut in electione vestra id ipsum sapiatis, et non sint in vobis scismata, sed unanimes uno ore glorificetis Dominum qui non est dissensionis Dominus sed pacis, et in pace factus est locus ejus. Et dicit, qui non diligit dispergit. Absit enim ab his qui in schola Christi degunt sub magisterio Spiritus Sancti, ut gaudeat inimicus de eis et eorum dissensione gloriatur, quod et ipsorum animæ periclitentur, et frustra depereat tantus pœnitentiæ labor et foetere faciat odorem bonum ordinis boni, et per eos nomen Christi blasphemetur per quos maximè fuerat glorificandus. Imò verò sic bene de vobis confidimus sicut decet sanctos, sicut oportet servos Christi: unanimiter obsecro eligite idoneum pastorem animarum vestrarum una cum abbatibus de Rievallie et de Valleclare, quorum consilio volo vos in omnibus acquiescere tanquam nostro.

Explicit epistola.

NUM. XXIX.

Incipit alia ejusdem ad Abbatem Henricum de eodem Negotio.

DILECTISSIMO fratri et coabbati suo Henrico frater Bernardus abbas Clarevallis salutem et orationes. Præcipio tibi frater Henrice, ut si in te convenerit electio fratrum nostrorum de Fontibus, cum consilio venerabilis abbatis Rievallis non refutes sed obedias in charitate, quod quidem invitatus facio, sciens mihi ex tua absentia magnum consilium deperire; sed convenientibus in unum contradicere timeo, credens à divino exiisse sermone istum in quo tota religiosorum vota concordant, cum legerim in evangelio, ‘Ubi duo vel tres congregati sunt in nomine meo, in medio eorum sum dicit Dominus.’ Age igitur charissime, et suscipe professiones eorum, et de cætero curam eorum habe tanquam pastor animarum, et ne timeas pro ea domo quam regendam suscepisti, ego enim Deo volente utilem ei providebo dispensatorem, illa mihi namque vicinior est; sed neque pro episcopo dubites obedire, super me illud dimitte.

Explicit epistola.

NUM. XXX.

De Creatione Abbatis Henrici de Valleclare in Abbatem Fontanensem.

VENIENTES igitur qui missi fuerunt à sancto abbate Bernardo apud Fontes, suscepti sunt honore condigno. Literæ domini Clarevallensis proferuntur in medium, conventus reverenter obedit, et invocato Spiritu Sancto prædictum Henricum de communi omnium assensu sibi eligunt in abbatem. Hic est ille Henricus qui de abbate in archi-

episcopum postmodum electus Eboracensi metropoli non minus utiliter quam laudabiliter præsidebat. Homo magnanimus et in causa injustitiæ omnino invincibilis, eligens magis pro justitia periclitari, quam ut justitia se præsentī periclitetur. Curam igitur suscepti regiminis magnificè administravit, evellens et destruens quicquid in agro dominico inventum est alienæ plantationis, succidit lucos, excelsa destruit, fodet parietes, et scrutatus Jerusalem est in lucernis. Erant siquidem adhuc ipso veniente, levitatis quædam idola in tabernaculo Jacob de domo Laban latenter asportata. Et inventæ sunt res quædam peculiares præter licitum penes quosdam ex fratribus secundum consuetudinem quam à prima matre traxissent. Sed ubi sanctus veritatem domum, investigat abscondita, et conflavit in unum quicquid manus avaritiæ contra formam ordinis in partes distraxerat. Hic primus Fontanenses nostros ad perfectam ordinis puritatem redegit, et erasa rubigine vitæ prioris, secundum Clarevallis consuetudines salutaris instituit formam disciplinæ. Ab illo die deinceps æmulata est filia matris perfectionem in regularibus exercitiis et religiosa conversatione. Et aucta est domus in diebus illis intus et extra. Et adjunctæ sunt grangiæ tres Catona, Kilnesaia, et Martona.

NUM. XXXI.

Quando et per quem fundata sit Domus de Woburne.

ET adjecit Dominus ampliare gentem suam et dilatare terminos possessionis ejus. Erat vir quidam, dictus Hugo de Bolebecke, homo potens et magnarum rerum, inspiratus à Domino ut monasterium construeret ordinis Cirterciensis. Venit Fontes, et consilio domini Henrici abbatis viculum quendam, Woburniam nomine, in Lincolniensi diœcesi cum agris adjacentibus divinis usibus consecravit. Suscepit abbas munus de manu divitis, et ædificiis de more constructis ad locum ipsum fratres regulares destinavit. Anno mxcxlv. Incarnationis Domini, foundationis monasterii Fontanensis xiii. divisus est monachorum conventus sub abbate Alano ad locum qui nunc Woburne nominatur.

NUM. XXXII.

Quando et per quem fundata est Domus de Lisa.

ET factum est post dies alios ut episcopus Bergensis de Norwagia ad Anglicanas partes accederet, venit Fontes, et ignota religionis formæ permotus, magna precum instantia supplicans, ad eum monachorum conventum transmitti postulavit. Annuit abbas, et inito consilio conventum monachorum sub abbate Ranulpho cum episcopo Norwagiæ transmittit. Annus ab Incarnatione Domini mxcxlvj. hic erat, foundationis vero monasterii de Fontibus xiii. quando conventus Norwagiam ad monasterium cui nomen Lisa, vi. idus Julii directus est. Hic Ranulphus ex primis patribus fuit, homo verendus et plenus dilectione. Monasterium illud per dies multos regebat, et gentem barbaram docuit mansuescere sub jugo Christi. Dimissus tamen per licentiam domini Fontanensis revertitur ad suos, et consummato feliciter cursu vitæ, grandævus et plenus dierum quievit in pace. Multa de eo dicuntur digna memoria, quod fuerat sanctitatis eximiæ, consolationis immensæ, habens gratiam revelationis et spiritum prophetiæ. Angelum etiam dicitur habuisse sibi deputatum, cujus visitationibus crebro consolatus, etiam si somno forsitan per noctem diutius indulgeret, excitari solebat.

NUM. XXXIII.

De Foundatione de Kirkestall.

ANNO mxcxlvij. Incarnationis Dominicæ, homo quidam nobilis, Henricus de Laceio nomine, in territorio Eboracensi monasterium ordinis nostri suscipit construendum, assignat locum, erigit officinas, et mittitur ad eum monachorum conventus sub abbate Alexandro. Iste Alexander unus erat ex primis patribus nostris, frater uterinus domini Richardi abbatis de Fontibus, qui apud Clarevallem ut dictum est, quievit in pace. Inter hos monachos ego Serlo emissus sum, homo jam decrepitus, ut ipse vides, et ætate confectus. Locus habitationis nostræ primo Barnolswet dicebatur, quem nos mutato nomine Montem Sanctæ Mariæ fecimus nominari. Mansimus ibi per aliquot annos,

multa perpassi incommoda famis et frigoris, tum quia turbato regno bona nostra multoties diriperent grassatores, tum propter aeris inclementiam et imbrium importunitatem, quæ in finibus illis (ut nosti) et fruges destruunt et habitatores reddunt egenos. Displicuit proinde nobis locus habitationis nostræ, et abbatia in grangia redacta, ex assensu et consilio Henrici fundatoris nostri, ad alterum locum migravimus qui nunc Kirkestall nominatur. Anno xv. foundationis monasterii de Fontibus, xiv. cal. Junii emissi sumus sub abbate Alexandro, xii. monachi et x. conversi.

NUM. XXXIV.

De Valle Dei.

ANNO Incarnationis Dominicæ mclxlvij. in territorio Lincolniensi fundata est Bitham, quæ mutato in melius nomine nunc Vallis Dei vocatur. Domus incluta et secundum nomen suum plena benedictione. Fundator ejus fuit Willielmus, comes Albemariæ, qui postmodum Melsam fundavit: vir magni nominis et clarissimus in generatione sua. Anno xv. foundationis monasterii de Fontibus missus est conventus monachorum sub abbate Warino ad locum qui nunc Vallis Dei nominatur x. cal. Junii ipso anno foundationis nostræ.

NUM. XXXV.

De Foundatione Domus Melsæ.

ANNO Incarnationis Domini mcl. in territorio Eboracensi fundata est abbatia quæ Melsa vocatur. Domus opulenta frugibus, et exuberans in his quæ nascuntur aquis, in omnibus accommoda nisi quod in hyeme difficilis est accessus. Fundator ejus erat Willielmus, comes Albemariæ. Anno xix. foundationis monasterii Fontanensis, quinto cal. Januarii missus est Melsam conventus monachorum sub abbate Ada. Et hæc novissima filiarum quas genuit mater nostra, et cessavit iterum parere. Hæ sunt cognationes papæ nostri, hæc soboles sanctæ matris nostræ. Septem genuit filias, quinque nepotes suscepit ex eis, videns filias filiarum suarum quartam usque generationem.

NUM. XXXVI.

De Electione Archiepiscopi Willielmi et contradictione.

LABORABAT per idem tempus Eboracensis ecclesia dissensione gravi, nec erat qui finem rebus imponeret: pars magna cleri archiepiscopum Willielmum sequebatur, pars altera nitebatur in contrarium. Ipse tamen cathedræ præsidebat usus regia potestate in eos qui resistebant. Innocentius papa rebus interim humanis exuitur, et substitutus est pro eo papa Celestinus; quo brevi è medio sublato, Eugenius, Claravallensis cœnobii quondam monachus, summus pontifex creatus est. Eugenio igitur rerum summa tenente, insurrexerunt in archiepiscopum qui eum accusabant abbates priores et viri religiosi cum archidiaconis et clero, quorum unus erat abbas Fontium, Henricus, præsumentes in favore summi pontificis, trahunt hominem ad curiam. Ubi etiam auditis hinc inde propositis, judicante papa Eugenio, è cathedra Eboracensi amotus est. Indignati sunt super dejectione sua qui Willielmi partes fovebant, et confusionem suam ferre non valentes, nefandos sibi ausus assumunt. Conglobati siquidem milites qui de ipsius cognatione erant in manu copiosa, in abbatem de Fontibus, Henricum, quasi in suæ dejectionis authorem, conjuratione facta, strictis gladiis insurgunt. Et invaluit eo usque scelerosa præsumptio, quod in ipsius odium monasterium cui præfuit evertere non reverentur. Veniunt Fontes in manu armata, et effractis foribus ingrediuntur sanctuarium cum superbia, irruunt per officinas, diripiunt spolia, et non invento quem quærebant abbate, sancta illa ædificia grandi labore constructa subjectis ignibus redigunt in favillam. Non defertur altari. Stat prope sacer ille conventus, et ædificia sudore suo constructa, non sine cordis dolore videt flammis involvi, cineres mox futura. Solum illis in tanto discrimine oratorium cum officinis contiguis, orationis, ut creditur, usibus reservatur, ipsumque semiustum sicut torris raptus ex incendio. Abbas sanctus ante basim altaris prostratus orationi incumbit. Non videtur ab aliquo, non læditur ab aliquo, manus enim Domini protexit eum. Cedunt

milites scelere peracto, portantes secum spolia; parum quidem pecuniæ sed plurimum damnationis. Sed, ne diu super impietate sua gauderent facinorosi, aggravata est manus Domini super eos, plaga namque inimici percussit illos, castigatione crudeli, et mortui sunt in peccatis suis, alii tabe consumpti, alii aquis suffocati, alii versi in amentiam, alii cladibus diversis extincti, omnes ferè irreconciliati. Abbas vero et monachi confortati in Domino quasi resumptis viribus post naufragium navigationem instaurant, lapsa reparant, ruinosa reformant, et sicut scriptum est, 'lateres ceciderunt, sed quadris lapidibus reædificabant.' Adjuvabant eos ex vicinia viri fideles. Et consurgit fabrica longè festivior quam ante fuit.

NUM. XXXVII.

De Creatione Henrici Murdacke in Archiepiscopum Eboracensem.

AMOTO (ut dictum est) a sede Eboracensi Willielmo, venerabilis abbas de Fontibus, Henricus, ex assensu sanioris partis in archiepiscopum electus est. Claramvallem ascendit visurus sanctum abbatem Bernardum, è cujus consilio totus ipse pendebat. Inde profectus papam Eugenium Treveris invenit, a quo et honorificè susceptus est. Consentit dominus papa in electum, cujus manu consecratur in archiepiscopum, et accepto pallio, cum favore sedis Romanæ infultus ad propria redit. Multas tamen molestias et difficultates passus in initio pontificatus sui; regis indignationem, bonorum distractionem, adversantium insidias, civium contradictionem. Cives enim Eboraci, vulgus semper ignobile, oderunt eum, et conjuratione facta, interdixerunt ei ingressum civitatis. Venit ad suos, et sicut de Judæis scriptum est, sui domum non recipiunt. Divertit ergo Rippon, dans locum iræ donec deferviret regis indignatio. Vicit itaque sapientia maliciam, mansuetudine furorem, et indignationem regiam patientia fregit.

NUM. XXXVIII.

De Abbate Mauritio.

VACABAT interim domus Fontanensis. Sed venerabilis archiepiscopus accedens, monachus quendam Rievallensem, Mauricium nomine, creavit in abbatem. Hic Mauricius non tres pene menses apud Fontes moram faciens resignata cura in manus archiepiscopi, redit ad locum unde assumptus est.

NUM. XXXIX.

De Abbate Thoroldo.

SUCCESSIT Mauricio abbas Thoroldus, de monasterio Rievallensi æquè assumptus. Homo in scripturis sacris non mediocriter eruditus et in liberalibus artibus sufficienter edoctus, duobus annis præfuit monasterio Fontanensi, multa pro potestate agens, quædam etiam contra consilium et voluntatem archiepiscopi venerabilis præsumens, unde etiam orta inter eos simultate, de mandato sancti patris Bernardi, resignato officio, Rievallem reversus est.

NUM. XL.

De creatione Abbatis Richardi.

CEDENTE itaque ab administratione abbate Thoroldo, vacabat iterum ecclesia Fontanensis destituta pastore. Convenientes igitur in unum quorum interfuit de electione tractare, de communi consilio dirigunt nuncios ad sanctum patrem Bernardum, omnem curam ordinationis projicientes in eum, ut quem ipse, authore Deo, ordinare decreverit, sit eis in patrem et pastorem animarum suarum. Erat autem tunc temporis in monasterio Clarevallensi præcentor, Richardus nomine, abbas quondam Vallis-claræ, natione Anglicus, in civitate Eboracensi oriundus, vir vitæ venerabilis et consummatæ religionis, familiaris admodum sancto abbati Bernardo et archiepiscopo Henrico. Hic Richardus, procurante archiepiscopo, creatus est in abbatem, et Fontes veniens susceptus est cum honore condigno. Curam igitur subiens pastorem pastoris officium operibus adimplevit. Studiosè vigilans super gregem sibi commissum, semper habens præ oculis futuram discussionem pecoris et pastoris, omnis ejus sollicitudo de salute animarum, de boni gregis

augmento, de observantia regulari et ordinis disciplina. Multa strenuè gessit in administratione suscepta, æmulator ordinis, et severissimus castigator corporis sui, exemplis potiùs quam verbere agens, ad salutaris vitæ informationem; formator siquidem factus gregis, viam vivendo monstravit, operam adhibens ut doctrinam facta præcederent, et opus verbo conveniret. Assistebat ei per omnia sanctus episcopus, procurans pacem ecclesiæ et ordinis puritatem. Et aucta est domus in diebus ejus et possessionibus et pietate religionis.

NUM. XLI.

De morte Eugenii Papæ, Abbatis Bernardi, et Archiepiscopi Henrici.

EA tempestate contigit papam Eugenium, vocante Domino, carne resolvi. Et beatus Bernardus abbas Clarevallensis sub his diebus migravit ad Dominum. Archiepiscopus etiam Henricus hominem exuens sequutus est quos amavit. Dilexerunt se invicem in vita sua, in morte quoque non separati, duces gregis Dominici, columnæ domus Dei, luminaria mundi.

NUM. XLII.

De restitutione Archiepiscopi Willielmi.

DEFUNCTO Eboracensi archiepiscopo Henrico, succedit ei venerabilis archiepiscopus Willielmus restitutus in cathedram unde priùs fuerat amotus; in ipsa tamen restitutione, (jubente papa Anastacio qui Eugenio successit) spocondit se ecclesiæ Fontanensi per omnia satisfactorum de injuriis et damnis quæ per se vel sui causa monachis fuerant illata, et quod locum ipsum et habituros ejus pastoralis sollicitudine protegeret, et paterna pietate confoveret. Fecissetque satis nisi eum mors immatura sustulisset. Fontes siquidem humiliter veniens satisfactionem promisit, suscipiens in osculo pacis omnes, omnes eis ad integrum possessiones confirmans quæ à suis prædecessoribus fuerant collatæ. Inde Eboracum divertens, prima sessione dum sacris altaribus astaret, inter offerendum (hausto ut dicitur, in calice veneno) extinctus est.

NUM. XLIII.

De scismate inter Abbatem et Monachos de Fontibus.

FLORUIT per idem tempus domus Fontanensis foris et intus, spiritualibus pariter ac temporalibus bonis aucta; nec erat qui pacem illius turbaret. Videns hoc inimicus pacis, hostis noster antiquus, invidet tantæ paci, tanto iratoque fratrum profectu, et expetita permissione, aggressus est eos ad tentandum. Protulit subitò vasa iræ suæ, tollit pacem, castra turbavit, effundens inter cives contentionem, discordiam inter fratres, superseminans zizania tritico, dissensionem in conventu sacro. Et ecce subitò cœperunt spinæ quædam scandalorum succrescere, amaritudinis germina pullulare, murmurationis venena diffundi, volitare passim jacula detractiois. Mutuo sese impetunt, mutuo sese concidunt, Ephraim Manassem, et Manasses Ephraim simul et ipsi contra Judam. In abbatem tota conflatur indignatio, seditio concitatur, et insurgunt filii in patrem, oves in pastorem, ecclesiæ in scandalum, adversariis in derisum. Advertit abbas difficultatem eventus, diaboli machinationem, et attendens multitudinis insolentiam suis viribus comprimere non posse, elegit ad tempus cedere donec procella deferbeat et silcatur fluctus ejus. Cedit igitur ab injuncto sibi officio rogans Deum pro grege inquieto; et Dominus exaudivit eum. Reversi enim in se, confunduntur super temeritate præsumpta, et pœnitentiam agentes, mutato consilio abbatem Richardum in gradum pristinum sua restituunt autoritate. Sed non defuit tantæ præsumptioni condigna coercitio, temerarios ausus severiori censura castigans; emissis siquidem qui authores schismatis erant, reddita est autoritas ordini, reverentia patri, pax domui, peccantibus disciplina. Ab illa die et deinceps nil tale præsumitur, nil à conventu sacro contra formam ordinis temerè attentatur. Vixit posthæc annis pluribus Richardus, erudiens plebem suam in timore Dei, et benedixit Dominus novissimis ejus magis quam principio. Rebus siquidem pacificatis pro voto foris et intus, videt filios suos fructificantes in gratia, ambulantes in dilectione. Ipse verdò in senectute bona, sanctorum vallatus frequentia, plenus dierum et dives meritis migravit ad Dominum.

NUM. XLIV.

De Abbate Roberto.

DEFUNCTO abbate Richardo, successit venerabilis Robertus abbas de Pipwella, translatus de sinu filiæ ut matrem gubernaret. Assumptus ad officium rem officii strenuè administravit: vir omnium virtutum probatissimus, dignus omnino qui ad tanti regiminis apicem eligeretur. Nec meminisse hominem quem suum magis deceret officium, qui subditorum curam commodius exequeretur, adeo illi cum injuncta administratione convenit. Magna illi cura in pauperibus confovendis, in peregrinis suscipiendis, congruis hospitibus exhibere honorem, infirmis solatia, fratribus etiam secundum formam ordinis solitò diligentius necessaria procurare. Multa strenue gessit dispensator fidelis et prudens, providus in consiliis, in judiciis discretus, misericors in pauperes, liberalis ad omnes; liberalitate enim et honore præcedebat omnes qui fuerunt ante illum, civilitate multa regens subjectos, memor semper illius sententiæ, Qui sequitur avaritiam conturbat domum suam. Approbatas consuetudines servari præcepit, minùs aptas mutando correxit, et totius statum monasterii apud Deum et homines in melius reformavit. Honoravit ministerium suum vir sanctus, instaurans ecclesiæ fabricam et ædificia constituens sumptuosa. Non causatur de minori substantia, nec majorem sumptum metuit sumptuum defectu, jactat super Dominum curam suam, et non defuit manus confortans eum in omnibus operibus suis. Benedixit ei, multiplicans fratres, et adjiciens possessiones, et facta est pax et veritas in diebus suis. Annis ix. præfuit monasterio Fontium, humanum se et communem omnibus exhibens, dilectus ab omnibus et ipse diligens universos. Anno nono à generali capitulo revertens infirmatus est in itinere, et ingravescente morbo, apud Woburniam sortis munus implevit. Corpus ejus Fontes delatum, cum honore condigno reconditum est in sepulchris patrum suorum.

NUM. XLV.

De Abbate Willielmo.

VACABAT interim Fontanensis ecclesia destituta pastore, sed Dominus providebat ei. Convenientes in unum quorum interfuit elegerunt dominum Willielmum, Novi-monasterii abbatem, virum approbatum et sanctum qui curæ suæ domum pastoralis vigilantia diligenter gubernaret. Hic Willielmus canonicus primò fuit militans sub regula sancti patris Augustini inter clericos regulares apud Gisburne, regularem vitam et ipse professus. Inde vero præ amore majoris perfectionis Novum-monasterium setransferens, habitum ordinis de manu sancti abbatis Roberti suscepit. Novam igitur professus militiam, novitate sancti studuit innovari. Indixit bellum vitiis, voluptatibus conflictum, et membra mortificans carnem spiritui servire coegit, et hoc solo forsitan excedens, et quod rem virtutis nimietate fecit esse minus laudabilem. Vigiliis siquidem et abstinentiis immoderatis corpus attenuans, semetipsum reddidit minus validum minusque potentem. Annis multis præfuit Novo-monasterio et prosperata est domus in manibus ipsius. Inde translatus Fontanensis ecclesiæ causam suscepit vir grandævus admodum et ætate confectus, nihil tamen omisum est pro ætate majori de observantia ordinis vel exteriorum administratione. Erat autem homo consilii, consiliarios habens fideles, officiales strenuos, filios obediens, qui charitate filiali senectutem patris humeris suis sustentabant. In mansuetudine gubernabat subjectos, quærens bona genti suæ, et aucta est domus in manu ipsius in prædiis et pascuis et possessione copiosa. Annis x. Fontanensem rexit ecclesiam. Et consummato cursu vitæ, in senectute bona quievit in pace, relinquens posteris gratam sui memoriam in gratia et benedictione.

Huc usque senior. Narra tu (inquit) quæ de abbate Radulpho dicenda sunt, diligenter evolve. Debes illi hanc dicendi vicissitudinem, qui te et familiarem habuit, et sanctæ religionis saporem tibi infudit. Nosti hominem, quanta in divinis et humanis gratiâ enituit, quam prudenter dispensationem sibi creditam administravit.

Tum ego.

Non me debitorem diffiteor, si dicendi peritia subesset. Totum me illi debeo semperque debebo, per quem mihi, mediante gratia, et salutis datur occasio et salutaris forma disciplinæ. Nulla mihi materia gratior, nulla jucundior oratio quam quæ sancti patris nostri memoriam ingerit et

mores repræsentat. Libens igitur et gratanter evolvam quæ de viro sancto dicenda occurrunt.

NUM. XLVI.

De abbate Radulpho.

DEFUNCTO abbate Willielmo successit ei sanctæ recordationis abbas Radulphus, vir omni laude dignus. Religionis speculum, flos ordinis, forma disciplinæ. Memoria illius in compositione odoris, opus pigmentarii, illius utique qui in vase fragili tot virtutum aromata congegit. Miles ante in seculo, militiæ cingulum non solvit sed mutavit in melius, et adjunxit se castris Hebreorum, princeps postmodum futurus in populo Dei. Prognatus parentibus secundum carnem gloria præclaris, sed natalium nobilitatem vitæ merito et virtutum gratia transcendit. Religionis habitum de manu sancti abbatis Roberti accepit, annorum tunc ut putabatur xxx. viribus corporis strenuus sed virtute animi longe præstantior. Novam igitur professus militiam quantæ perfectionis puritati studuerit norunt ipsi qui probationis suæ tempore socii fuerunt. Nullus eo maturior, nullus humilior, nullus magis anxius, et sollicitus in salutaris observantia disciplinæ. Omnia ordinis instituta summa alacritate percurrit, fervens in opere, frequens in oratione, patiens ad opprobria, obedientissimus ad injuncta, hilaris semper et impiger ad officia charitatis. Morabatur intus in domo conscientiæ vacans sibi quantum licuit, et à sensualibus secedens illecebris ad expertas semper recurrebat delicias, æmulans charismata meliora et se semper in uberiores urgens profectus. Intermiserat literarum studia tempore quo in armis agebat, sed lectionis assiduitate intermissi temporis damna redimebat, legens in libro experientiæ quod alii in codice actitabant. Fuerunt ei in his diebus in monasterio Fontanensi viri graves et religiosi, opinione celebres, sanctitate præcipui, contemplatione suspensi, inter quos conversus quidam singularis gratiæ et puritatis enituit, Sunulphus nomine; homo simplex et illiteratus. Sed Dominus eruditum eum. Habebat conscientiam pro codice, Spiritum Sanctum pro eruditore, et legens in libro experientiæ crescebat quotidie in scientia sanctorum, habens etiam spiritum revelationis. Huic servo Dei familiaris admodum fuit sanctus abbas Radulphus, etiam dum adhuc in armis agebat, et multoties Fontes accessit gratia eum visitandi ut se orationibus ejus commendaret. Multa nobis narrare consuevit de hoc Sinulpho digna relatu, de sobrietate et silentio, de maturitate in gestu et morum disciplina, quam alacer in exhortando, quam efficax in consolando, quam dulcis in collatione, quanto semper cavebat studio ne otiosum unquam verbum ex illius ore proflueret. Veni (inquit) aliquando ad hominem Dei, in seculari adhuc habitu, consulens eum super his quæ me movebant de statu scilicet meo, qui mihi valde displicebat. Tædebat enim me vitæ, et conversationem pristinam abhorrens, fluctuabam in corde meo nedum spem habens quam videndi formam assumerem. Et erat grandis concertatio in animo meo. Deliberavi quandoque abjecto mundi onere sanctæ religionis habitum suscipere, sed consuetudinis catena constrictus salutis iter arripere formidabam. Effudi itaque æstus cordis mei coram viro Dei, rogans attentius ut oraret pro me sic affecto. At ille. Ego pro te libenter orabo sed et tu similiter ora, et cave ne opera tua nostras impediunt orationes. Recessi petita benedictione. Ille autem orabat et Dominus exaudivit eum. Videbatur mihi orationis ejus sentire virtutem; adeo laxabantur vincula cordis mei et computrescebat^a jugum a facie olei. Morabar in his diebus in vico quodam ubi erat basilica in honore beatæ Mariæ virginis constructa, vicina domui in qua dormiebam. Nocte quadam surrexi temporis,^b et visum est capellam ingredi, gratia orationis. Stans ante crucem effudi animam meam in conspectu Domini Dei mei, et cum lachrimis oravi ut dirigeret vias meas, sibi ad laudem et gloriam, mihi ad salutem æternam. Et ecce inter orandum vox de cruce in hæc verba emissa est, Et quare non venis? quare tam diu tardas? Corruí protinus ad hanc vocem in terram, et cum magno cordis affectu et voce lachrimosa respondi, Ecce Domine, ecce venio.

Fœdere igitur inito firmavi propositum non ulterius in seculo commorari. Necdum statueram cui me religioni subdere debuissim: ascendi igitur ad virum Dei indicans

quid de nocte audieram, et quale mihi esset propositum, paratum me illius acquiescere monitis, consiliis obedire. Consedimus soli seorsum, cum ecce, inter loquendum subito conticuit, et erumpentibus ubertim lachrimis serenata me facie intuens, Modò (inquit) revelavit mihi Dominus quid te futurum esse disponit. In monasterio de Fontibus habitum religionis accipies, et consummato vitæ cursu diem inibi claudes supremum. Quo audito, nil cunctatus accessi, et mutato habitu ad senis consilium, suavi jugo Christi collum submisi. Hæc mihi de sene Sinulpho sanctus abbas retulit, fida satis relatione, sicut rerum postea probavit eventus. Sed jam ad narrationis nostræ seriem redeamus.

NUM. XLVII.

De gratia Dei inter communicandum indulta.

ERAT dies solennis quo de more fratres communicare solebant. Inter alios ipse adhuc novitius communicaturus accessit. Cumque de manu sacerdotis salutaris hostiæ munus acciperet, tanta et tam admirabili perfusus est suavitatis dulcedine, ut pene alienatus sensibus excederet, et oblitus sui vix se ipse teneret. Quæsivi de dulcedine cujusmodi speciem saporis præ se ferret? si quid mellis haberet simile vel cibi corporalis? At ille, Nihil in omni vita mea expertus sum quod hujusmodi dulcedini possem adaptare; nihil habebat molli simile vel cibo materiali, cum illa tantum in gutture sapiatur, hæc verò dulcedo non tam cordis penetralia perfudit, quàm interiora animæ mira quadam et ineffabili, ut mihi videtur, suavitate replevit.

NUM. XLVIII.

De visione timoris Dei.

ALIUD quiddam dicturus sum quod ex ore ejus accepi, licet nonnulli forsitan huic nostræ narrationi fidem non adhibeant; nec mirum si spiritualibus viri visionibus minimè credant, qui temporalibus ejus virtutibus invidebant. Stabam (inquit) ad orationem, et ecce luce quadam interiùs perfusus (mirabile dictu) vidi timorem Domini, et ipse non timebam. Sed quis timor aut qualis ille timor? nihil hoc timore terribilius nihil horribilius audiri excogitarive potest. Vidi tamen timorem sine timore, et timoris pondus adverti, quod reprobis imminet, de quo scriptum est, videntes turbabuntur timore horribili et subitatione desperatæ salutis.

NUM. XLIX.

De Revelatione illi facta.

REM dicturus sum quam ipsum sæpiùs audivi referentem, quod quidem non sine timore refero, sed suppressendum nequaquam existimo. Die quadam dominica cùm laudibus sacer ille conventus insisteret, et ipse erat unus ex eis, psalmus qui tunc cantabatur hic erat, Confitemini Domino quoniam bonus. Cumque vir Dei in titulum psalmi diligenter attenderet, facta est manus Domini super eum, et videt visionem magnam, visionem gloriosam, ipsam scilicet Trinitatem in iii. personis apparentem. Quæsivi ab eo sub qua forma vel schemate facta fuit illa revelatio? At ille inquit, Nihil ibi formatum nihil figuratum apparuit, et tamen vidi in visione beata tres personas in unitate, vidi (inquit) et cognovi Patrem ingenitum, Filium unigenitum, Spiritum Sanctum ab utroque processum. Et duravit visio illa donec duo versus prædicti psalmi ex integro complerentur. Ab illa die et deinceps nihil triste nihil unquam tantæ adversitatis mihi advenit quod non hujus felicitis visionis recordatio temperaret. Hæc recordatio mihi et in dolore solatium, et in adversitate subsidium, gaudium meum et exultatio cordis mei, robur fidei, et spei firmamentum. Denique tanta mihi ex hac revelatione infusa est fiducia, ut nunquam de salute mea potui dubitare cui tam beatæ visionis facta est manifestatio.

Hæc de se sanctus abbas ob fidem nostram confirmandam non sine lachrymis aliquoties referebat.

Anno igitur xiiij. conversionis suæ apud Kirkestall in abbatem creatus novem annos ibi moram fecit, multa perpessus incommoda, foràs pugnas, intus timores, domesticorum insidias, rei familiaris inopiam, bonorum distractionem. Semper tamen viam regiam incedens, eodem vultu eademque constantia casus ferebat adversos, et objectu fidei novercantis

^a Ita MS.

^b Ita MS.

fortunæ biformes conatus elusit. Anno tertio creationis ejus in abbatem, ego valedicens seculo, de sacra manu illius hunc nostrum institutionis habitum recepi. Septem annos sub disciplinatu ejus vixi, felix si usque hodie sic perstissem. Magna siquidem proficiendi materia fuit, mores viri et modum vivendi inspexisse familiaris sermo ejus semper sale conditus in gratia, tum omnis gestus ejus et habitus perfectionis quandam disciplinæ formam præ se ferebat. Nullus eo in opulentia frugalior, in paupertate liberalior, in judiciis æquior, in amicitia constantior fuit. Novem annis apud Kirkestall peractis, Fontanensis ecclesiæ curam suscepit. Suscepta igitur tanti cura regiminis, cœpit pro officio satis agere, puritatem ordinis zelare propensius, et offensas castigare severius, habita tamen moderata discretionem. Domos suæ subjectionis visitabat in veritate, nil indiscussum relinquens quod sua potuit prudentiâ perscrutari. Circuibat per singula et scrutatus est Jerusalem in lucernis, succidit lucos, excelsa destruxit, infodit idola sub tus terebinthum, et immolantes in hortis acrius insequabatur. In hospitibus suscipiendis et pauperibus recreandis qualis fuerat, subjecta declarabunt. Invaluit fames sub his diebus, et erat concursus pauperum multus ad januam Fontanensem. Non fuit domus quæ eos capere possit, sed cæsis frondibus ex silva vicina fecerunt eis casas parvas quasi tabernacula pastorum, ubi se receperunt pauperes expectantes de domo Dei refectionem. Procurabat etiam eis viros industrios hujus negotii dispensatores idoneos qui pauperibus alimoniam distribuerunt. Sacerdotes etiam instituit, qui languentes et ægrotos quotidie visitarent, confessiones reciperent, viaticum præberent, et defunctis Christiano more sepulturam exhiberent. Accidit aliquando ut de capitulo generali reversus Claramvallem devenisset, infirmatus inibi multis diebus jacuit desperatus. Erat tunc temporis cum eo monachus quidam Radulphus nomine de Novo-Castello, abbas postmodum factus de Kirkestall, qui continuo assistebat ei tristis nimis et sollicitus pro patre suo quem timebat in proximo moriturum. Quem sanctus abbas consolans, ego inquit apud Claramvallem mori non habeo, apud Fontes depositionis meæ diem expecto. Frater enim Sunulphus mihi prædixit quod apud Fontes viverem et ibidem vitam finirem. Et factum est ita, convaluit ab infirmitate, et Fontes reversus ibidem per aliquot annos optata sanitate gavisus est. Ægrotavit per idem tempus vir nobilis Galfridus Hageth, frater germanus abbatis Radulphi. Vocatus est abbas ad ægrotum, è cujus consilio ipse totus pendebat; et de rebus suis disponens, villam quandam, Thorpe nomine cum pertinentiis contulit ecclesiæ de Fontibus in puram elemosinam, cum corpore suo ad sepulturam, quæ (amotis postmodum accolis) redacta est in grangiam uberem frugibus et utilem usibus monasterii. Infirmatus est postmodum sanctus abbas et ingravescente morbo resolutionis suæ diem instare perpendit; omnibus igitur circa eum ritè peractis, completis diebus peregrinationis suæ dives meritis migravit ad Dominum. Aucta est domus in diebus ejus possessionibus et prædiis exterius, intus vero virtutibus et viris religiosus. Et hac possessione quæ adjecta fuit in tempore illius, ecclesiæ Fontium, grangia de Thorpe ex dono Galfridi Hageth.

Anno xiiij. villicationis suæ apud Fontes abbas Radulphus, sicut frater Sunulphus prædixerat, quievit in pace.

NUM. L.

De Abbate Johanne.

SUBLATO è medio abbate Radulpho, cognomento Hagath, successit ei venerabilis abbas Johannes, vir liberalis et omni laude dignus, Eboracensi natione; sed de civitate sua et civium moribus nihil secum traxit nisi nomen et nasci tantum; natales siquidem suos animi ingenuitate transcendens, fastidiebat inveteratas plebis ineptias, et honestatis æmulator mediocritatem civium morum probitate compensat. Adolescens bonæ indolis in novitium apud Fontes receptus, postmodum cellerarius effectus, inde abbas de Parco Lude creatus, tandem Fontanensis ecclesiæ matris suæ curam suscepit. Nec defuit homini gratia Dei quæ ubique astitit illi quasi mater honorificata, quæ omnia opera ejus dirigebat, per quam fuit sicut de Joseph legitur, vir in cunctis prosperè agens, providus in rebus agendis, prudens in responsis, in consiliis sapiens, in judiciis discretus. Incedebat

vestigiis prædecessoris sui abbatis Radulphi, illius attentius sequens exemplum in ordinis observantia et autoritate regendi, in visitationibus agendis et rebus ordinandis, in causis discutiendis et culpis corrigendis formam sequens per omnia quæ ab ipso acceperat, mites et humiles formans et diligens: inquietos et dissolutos corripiens et castigans, semper tamen exaltans misericordiam super judicium. Erat autem dulci moralitate naturaliter præditus, communem se omnibus exhibens et humanum, liberalitate et munificentia præcedebat omnes qui ante eum Fontanensi ecclesiæ præfuerant. Dapsilis in mensa, communis in convictu, communicabilis ad hospites, beneficus in egentes, amabilis inter fratres, honoratus inter potentes. In beneficiis conferendis nullus eo liberalior, nullus præstantior fuit, nullus qui aptius aut commodius beneficia conferebat. Non differebat quod dare disposuit, sed benignitatem animi muneris celeritate monstrabat, et vultus hilaritate donum gratificabat. Nec tamen defuerunt aliqui qui ejus actus à latere diligenter observabant, et sumptuosas ejus expensas sinistrè interpretabantur, asserentes, effusiolem eum quam decebat captare favorem populi, potentium amicitias, regis etiam affectare gratiam et familiaritatem, et privatis obsequiis sub prætextu religionis ad infulas aspirare. Ille vero nequaquam ad hæc motus naturalem animi liberalitatem liberè prosequabatur, pius ad pauperes, beneficus ad petentes, officiosus ad omnes. Et benedixit Dominus hominem in omnibus operibus suis, dans ei pacem intus et foris, inter fratres charitatem et concordiam, in temporalibus bonorum omnium affluentiam, et sicut in Job legitur, 'bos concipit et non abortivit, vacca peperit et non est privata fœtu suo; greges egrediuntur per turmas, omnes gemelli fœtibus, et non est sterilis inter eos.' Sed ne deesset viro fidei tentatio ad probationem, factum est sub his diebus ut rex Johannes qui tunc regni summam tenebat, consiliis depravatus iniquis, filios ordinis exosos haberet et universas suæ potestatis domos nostri ordinis importabili exactionis onere violenter opprimeret. Nec pepercit Fontanensi ecclesiæ licet multa et magna ab ea donaria accepisset, sed mille et ducentas marcas argenti cum importuna celeritate solvendas ab ea extorsit, etiam et reliquas domus ordinis sub potestate sua adeo violenter oppressit, ut distractis ovibus et armentis, etiam vasa sacra divinis usibus consecrata et vestimenta sacerdotalia vendere cogerentur. Et erat videre miserum. Nam monachi qui sub claustralibus latebris lectioni et orationi et spiritualibus studiis antea inserviebant, jam necessitate cogente, per villas et civitates dispersi, alii apud milites, alii apud monachos, alii in castris, alii in viculis apud seculares utcumque sustentabantur. Hujusmodi mali fomes et incensor erat Richardus de Marisco, homo excepte actionis, de quo multa dicenda sunt tempore suo, cujus memoria non delebitur quamdiu ecclesia Cisterciensis durabit in seculo. Videns igitur abbas Johannes malitiam temporis, regis sævitiam, ordinis oppressionem, deliberavit quid ageret, vel quomodo pro tempore oppressis subveniret. Et inito cum suis consilio, faciens de necessitate virtutem, projecit pecuniam ut emeret sibi pacem, dissimulans pro tempore quod non potuit evitare. Et conciliata sibi gratia regis aperuit horrea et apothecas, et dona Dei dispensator fidelis in populum Dei diligenter distribuebat. Sed non defecit manus Domini confortans eum, nam sicut legitur de Sareptina, quod non defecit in hydria aqua nec oleum in lychno: sic Domino benedicente et abbate dispensante, non defecit annona in horreis nec abundantia in cellariis, non est panis imminutus, nec potus alteratus, nullus ibi defectus apparuit in victu, vel in vestitu, vel in his quæ secundum ordinem competebant ad pauperum recreationem, ad hospitem susceptionem, ad totius domus Fontanensis sustentationem. Et floruit per idem tempus ecclesia illa sicut vinea quam plantaverat manus Domini, dans odorem suavitatis et sanctitatis, et confluebant ad eam multi à finibus terræ, et facta est congregatio monachorum numerosior quam solebat, nam et altaria pauciora ad celebrandum, et chorus humilior et obscurior et minus capax tantæ multitudinis. Et visum est homini Dei contra hujusmodi incommoda providere. Et aggressus est pro magnitudine animi opus magnum inchoare, novam scilicet ecclesiæ fabricam Fontanensis, opus inusitatum et admirandum, feliciter inchoatum, sed felicius consummatum. Mirabantur multi ausus hominis et animositatem, quod tali tempore tale opus aggredi præsumeret tam insolitum et tam sumptuosum. Ille vero confidens in adjutorio Dei, et po-

nens in Domino spem suam, fundamentum fabricæ posuit, columnas quasdam erexit, fecissetque voto satis nisi fati conditio intervenisset; anno siquidem octavo post creationem suam in abbatem de Fontibus, gravi ægritudine correptus, vocationis suæ tempus imminere præsentit, et disponens domui suæ, omnibus circa eum ritè peractis, in spe bona constitutus, feliciter migravit ad Dominum. Nec defuit qui opus inchoatum instantè exequeretur. Surrexerunt enim post eum viri strenui successores sui qui defuncto fratri semen suscitaverunt, et factum est inusitatum quiddam in hac parte quod tres sibi Johannes successivè Fontanensi ecclesiæ præfuerunt, quorum unus fabricam inchoavit, secundus inchoatam viriliter provexit, tercius provectam gloriosè consummavit. Primus erat Johannes natione Eboracensis; secundus Johannes episcopus; tercius, qui adhuc superest et præest Johannes de Cancia oriundus.

Explicit.

NUM. LI.

Carta Comitis Alani de Aldeburg.

[Ex registro de Fontibus, fol. 20 a.]

ALANUS comes Britanniae et Angliæ, dapifero suo et constabulario suo et camerario suo, baronibusque suis omnibus et hominibus, Francis et Anglis, salutem. Sciatis me pro anima patris mei et matris meæ et pro meipso et comitissa Berta uxore mea et pro hæredibus meis, monachis de Fontibus ad ædificandam abbatiam quandam ejusdem ordinis, cum ipsis concessisse in elemosinam, et in perpetuo beneficio dedisse, totum nemus quod pertinet ad Marsam, quod est ex illa parte aquæ Jor qua Burtun consistit. Ex alia autem parte prædicta versus Marsam prædictis monachis concedo et dono Rumoram et Bramlei ad opus prædictæ abbatiae, nomine Aldeburne. Testibus, Ricardo filio Eustacii filii Johannis, Scollando dapifero, Rualdo constabulario, Guarino filio Guimeri, Hugone filio Jarnagoti.

NUM. LII.

Carta Rogeri de Mubrai de Aldeburg.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris Rogerus de Mubrai salutem. Sciatis me pro salute animæ meæ, et uxoris meæ, ac liberorum meorum, et patris mei et matris meæ omniumque parentum meorum, dedisse in elemosinam monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Fontanis Aldeburgam, in grangiam, solutam et quietam ab omnibus servitiis et quicquid ad eam pertinet ex illa parte Jori fluminis, in bosco et plano, et campis et pratis et aquis, sicut pater meus de Albinio dedit eam antiquitus monachis Pontiniacensibus, et communem pasturam ex altera parte aquæ in Suintun, et in Rumor, et in Nutewith. Et ex eadem parte firmamentum stagni sui ad molendinum faciendum. Hii sunt testes, Samson de Albinio, Mathias de Rampamne, Radulphus de Belun, Gualterus de la Rivere.

NUM. LIII.

Carta Suani de Tornetum de Bramleia.

[Ibid. fol. 22 a.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris Suanus de Tornetun salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et hac mea carta confirmasse Deo et monachis ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus in liberam et puram et perpetuam elemosinam, totam Bramleiam quæ est de mercato meo, cum omnibus pertinentiis et aisiamentis suis, in bosco et plano, in prato et pastura, et aquis, et in omnibus locis et rebus ad eandem terram pertinentibus, per easdem metas et divisas per quas dominus meus Rogerus de Mubrai, qui eam mihi vendidit, eisdem monachis confirmavit, et in carta sua nominavit. Hanc terram dedi eis in perpetuum solutam quietam et liberam ab omni servicio et consuetudine et ab omni re quæ mihi vel hæredibus meis pertinet, dando annuatim tantummodo duas marcas argenti Rogero de Mubrai vel hæredibus suis, pro omni re et consuetudine et servicio quæ ad terram pertinent, sine omni retinimento mei vel hæredum meorum. Hii sunt testes, Rogerus de Mubrai; Radulfus filius Aldelini, Rogerus filius Gaufridi.

NUM. LIV.

Confirmatio Rogeri de Mubrai, de Bramleia.

[Ibid. fol. 23 a.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris Rogerus de Mubrai salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et hac mea carta confirmasse Deo et monachis ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus totam Bramleiam, in bosco, in plano, in prato et pastura, et mora, et aquis, et in omnibus locis et rebus quæ infra has divisas continentur; scilicet à fossato eorum quod incipit à Musebec, et vadit usque ad grossam quercum quæ est sub cilio collis qui est sub sepi de Bramleia, et inde transversus boscum sub cilio prædicti collis usque ad sursum cujusdam sichet juxta viam quæ vadit de Bramleia ad Malesart; et per illud sichet deorsum usque ad Kesebec; et per Kesebec sursum usque ad moram, et transversus moram usque ad divisas Johannis de Wattun; et inde sicut divisæ Johannis vadunt usque ad Syendhou; et inde deorsum usque ad Musekelde, et inde usque ad prænominatum fossatum monachorum quod est divisa inter eos et Torp, et Malesart.

Totam hanc terram cum omnibus rebus et aisiamentis quæ infra prædictas divisas continentur habebunt monachi in perpetuum, solutam, quietam, et liberam ab omni servicio et consuetudine et ab omni re ad terram pertinente, tantummodo pro duabus marcis per annum, dimidia infra octavas Pentecostes, et dimidia infra octavas sancti Martini. Et ego Rogerus et hæredes mei omnia prædicta eis guarentizabimus et acquietabimus ab omni re et servicio quod ad terram pertinet, pro prædicta firma, sine omni retinimento mei vel hæredum meorum in perpetuum. Hiis testibus, Guilielmo de Vesci, Galtero de Bolebec, Radulfo de Belvair.

NUM. LV.

Compositio de terminis inter Monachos de Fontibus et Jorevalle.

[Ibid. fol. 23 b.]

OMNIBUS has litteras legentibus et audientibus, notum sit et manifestum hanc esse pactionem et confirmationem pacis inter monachos de Fontibus et monachos Jorevallenses; scilicet quod infra metas monachorum de Fontibus apud grangiam suam Aldeburg, ab orientali parte aquæ Jor, erunt Tyrnum Watlous, et Cliftun. Ab occidentali parte aquæ sicut Prosbec protenditur et cadit in Brunne, et ultra Brunne sicut Aigrif et Ring simul veniunt; et sic ultra, donec perveniatur ad Suttun, et de Suttun usque ad Jor, cum omnibus appenditiis locorum horum et prædictarum villarum. De Prosbec usque Grimesdalebec, et per Grimesdalebec usque ad Potsbec, et inde usque dum cadit in Brunne habebunt monachi Jorevallenses grossam materiem tantum ad ædificia communiter cum monachis de Fontibus et nichil aliud, nec prata nec pasturam nec pastionem infra has divisas vel cæteras divisas prædictas aliquid aliquo modo accipient vel habebunt, nec procedent supra vel infra metas in aliquo nisi per licentiam monachorum de Fontibus, nec ipsi supra has divisas se extendent nisi per licentiam fratrum Jorevallensium, nisi secundum ordinem et usus Cistercienses.

Hæc concessit capitulum Jorevallense monachis de Fontibus; et capitulum de Fontibus, hac compositione, concessit, ut abbatiam suam removerent usque ad locum ex utraque parte provisum, juxta grangiam de Kelegrunh. Igitur ut hæc pacis confirmatio ex utraque parte firmiter teneatur in perpetuum, ego Ricardus abbas cum assensu capituli de Fontibus, et ego Johannes abbas cum assensu capituli Jorevallensis, præsentem cyrographo et sigillis nostris signantes, confirmavimus, et volumus ut ratum et inconcussum inter utramque domum hoc maneat in perpetuum. Hujus compositionis testes sunt hii quorum sigilla hic apposita sunt. Philippus de Elemosina abbas. Abbas Johannes de Fornes, abbas Gillebertus de Hoyle, abbas Ricardus de Beeland, Radulphus abbas de Parco.

NUM. LVI.

Carta Rogeri de Mubrai, quam dedit Ricardo de Heedun supra terra de Nutewith.

[Ibid.]

ROGERUS de Mubrai omnibus hominibus suis et amicis Francis et Anglis clericis et laicis præsentibus et futuris sa-

lutem. Sciatis me dedisse et hac carta mea confirmasse Ricardo de Hedona sexaginta aeras terræ in Nutewith iuxta viam quæ vadit ad Torp apud Masham versus le Casteler, usque ad divisas Aldredi, et usque duetum de Musebec, illi et hæredibus suis, tenendum de me et hæredibus meis in feudo et hæreditate, liberè et quietè et honorificè per servieium quantum pertinet sexaginta acris, unde duodecim earueatæ terræ faciunt servieium unius militis. His testibus, Roberto de Mubrai, Philippo de Muntpincer, Warino filio Symonis.

NUM. LVII.

Carta Ricardi de Hedune dantis eandem terram Ecclesie de Fontibus.

[Ibid. fol. 23 b.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris, Riardus de Heduna salutem. Seiatis me dedisse et hac mea carta confirmasse Deo et monachis ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus totam terram quam habui in Nutewith vel circa ex donatione domini mei Rogeri de Mubrai, pro servieio et homagio meo, integrè et absque omni diminutione, in boso et plano, in pratis et paseuis, et aquis, et in omnibus locis et rebus et aisiamentis et libertatibus ad liberam terram pertinentibus, sicut præfatus dominus meus Rogerus de Mubrai eam mihi dedit et carta sua confirmavit, videlicet per has divisas, sicut Musebec descendit in Museeloh usque in Jor, et sic sursum Jor usque ad divisas monachorum, et sic per divisas de Rig usque in Museeloh. Hæc omnia dedi Deo et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus, et totum jus quod inde habui, quietum elamavi, et me et omnia mea super altare de Fontibus optuli tam adquisita quam acquirenda, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, solutam quietam et liberam de me et eunetis hæredibus meis, finaliter, pro salute animæ meæ et dominorum meorum et omnium antecessorum meorum, et amicorum. His testibus, domino Rogero de Mubrai, Rogero de Albinio, Rogero filio Gaufridi.

NUM. LVIII.

Carta Rogeri de Mubrai de Birnebem.

[Ibid. fol. 88 a.]

EBORACENSI archiepiscopo et capitulo sancti Petri Eboraci, et omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Rogerus de Mubrai salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et præsentī carta confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus totam terram de Birneham, eum omnibus pertinentiis suis in bosco et plano, pratis, et aquis, et pasturis, in viis et semitis, per reetas divisas plenarias; seilicet de Felebriggebec usque ad metas de Rippelei, sicut unquam meliùs et liberiùs tenui. Hanc donationem per directas divisas feci prædictæ ecclesiæ in perpetuam elemosinam, et ita in liberam et propriam possessionem et ad sartandum et donandum et vendendum, ita quod terra ubi nemus est eum tota alia terra de Birnebem imperpetuum ecclesiæ prædictæ de Fontibus remanebit, et quod nihil ibi mihi retineam præter eervum et cervam, aprum et capreolam et aves quæ alias capiunt. Sed et forestarii mei non habebunt ibi potestatem, nec de aliqua re se intromittent nisi de prædictis feris et avibus eustodiendis. Et si aliqua calumpnia super prædicta terra aliquando evenerit, ego et hæredes mei prædictam terram cum omnibus pertinentiis suis monachis garentizabimus et acquietabimus ab omnibus serviciis et consuetudinibus quæ ad terram pertinent, et defendemus contra omnes homines, ita ut liberè et in pace omnia teneant.

Hæc omnia concessimus et confirmavimus in præsentia capituli ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Eboraci ego et Nigellus filius meus, et Robertus filius meus, in præsentia Clementis abbatis, et in præsentia Roberti decani et capituli Eboraci. His testibus, Rogero abbate de Beelanda, Landrico monacho ejus, Philippo priore sanctæ Trinitatis, magistro Swano de Hospitali, Roberto capellano Rogeri, Rogero de Kaove, Willielmo de Muntpincer, Thoma filio Vivet, Roberto de Daivilla, Hugone Malebisse, Turgis filio Maugeri, Radulfo de Bauveir, Hamundo Beler, Helia de Ferlington, Rogero de Bavent, Willielmo Daivilla, Roberto de Busei, Thoma de Colevilla, Henrico de Lubbaham, Roberto de Bauuer, Rogero filio Aiæ, Ricardo de Insula, Willielmo de Rainevilla, Ranulpho de Glaumvilla tunc viccomite Eboraci,

Radulpho de Mundavilla, Thoma Darel, Gaufrido de Neovilla, Adam filio Normanni, Bertram Haget, Adam Luvel, Radulfo de Eboraeo, Stephano de Killum, et de comitatu Eboraci alii multi.

NUM. LIX.

Cyrogaphum Rogeri de Mubrai de Birnebem.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, hanc esse conventionem inter monachos de Fontibus et dominum Rogerum de Molbrai et filios suos Nigellum et Robertum, quod Rogerus et filii sui concesserunt, et dederunt, et carta sua confirmaverunt Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus, in perpetuam elemosinam, totam terram de Birnebem, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in boso et plano, pratis, et aquis, et pasturis, in viis et semitis, per rectas divisas suas plenarias, seilicet de Felebriggebee usque ad metas de Rippeleia, sicut unquam meliùs et liberiùs illam terram tenuerunt. Et hanc terram eum pertinentiis suis in perpetuum habebunt monachi solutam quietam ab omni servieio et consuetudine, et ita in liberam et propriam possessionem, et ad sartandum, et donandum, et vendendum, ita quod terra ubi nemus est eum tota alia terra de Birnebem imperpetuum prædictæ ecclesiæ de Fontibus remanebit, et quod nihil Rogerus et filii sui ibi retinuerunt præter eervum et cervam, aprum et capreolam, et aves quæ alias capiunt. Sed et forestarii mei non habebunt ibi potestatem nec de aliqua re se intromittent nisi de prædictis feris et avibus custodiendis. Hoc etiam statutum est inter nos, quod serviētes de Birnebem securitatem facient fide vel juramento fratribus ejusdem loci quod de feris non capient ejusdem forestæ, neque de avibus quas in carta sua Rogerus et filii sui sibi retinuerunt. Et si aliquis de serviētibz monachorum deprehensus fuerit, monachi de eo reatum facient prout capitulum Eboraci deereverit. Et propter hanc conventionem Rogerus de Mubrai accepit à monachis eel. marcas argenti. Ad hoc tenendum et garentizandum et defendendum monachis in perpetuum contra omnes homines et contra omnes fœminas, Rogerus de Mubrai et filii ejus, Nigellus et Robertus, fidem affidaverunt, et Robertus de Daivilla, Radulfus de Bauveir, Hugo Malebisse, Turgis filius Malgeri, Robertus Busei. Et pro concessione et confirmatione hujus conventionis Nigellus filius Rogeri de Mubrai v. marcas à monachis recepit. Testes capitulum ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Eboraci, Philippus prior sanctæ Trinitatis, magister Suanus.

NUM. LX.

Carta Rogeri de Laci, Constabularii Cestriæ, de Bradleia.

[Ibid. fol. 110 b.]

ROGERUS de Lasci, constabularius Cestriæ, omnibus videtibus vel audientibus hanc eartam, salutem. Seiatis me dedisse, concessisse, et hæc præsentī carta mea confirmasse Deo et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus totam villam de Bradeleia, cum omnibus pertinentiis, libertatibus, et aisiamentis suis, ut habeant ex dono meo quicquid habuerunt in Bradlei et in pertinentiis suis ex dono Radulfi filii Nieolai, et quicquid habuerunt ex dono Adæ de Crideling filii ejus, sicut cartæ eorum testantur et purportant, et totum residuum prædictæ villæ de Bradeleia quod idem Adam de Crideling mihi et hæredibus meis in curia mea de Pontefraeto dedit, resignavit, et quietum elamavit de se et hæredibus suis, excepta terra et servieio Jordani de Rie et hæredum suorum quæ ego in manu mea retinui. Dedi etiam eisdem monachis et quietum elamavi de me et de hæredibus totum forinsecum servieium prædictæ villæ de Braddeleia; seilicet quantum pertinet ad duas earueatas terræ unde xiiij. carueatæ faciunt feudum unius militis. Hæc omnia dedi ego prædictis monachis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam, quietam, et solutam ab omni servieio et ab omni re ad terram pertinente, ita quod faciant de his omnibus quicquid voluerint sicut de propria et perpetua possessione sua. Et ego et hæredes mei omnia prænominata præfatis monachis warrantizabimus, acquietabimus, et defendemus contra omnes in perpetuum sicut puram et perpetuam elemosinam nostram. Testibus his, Willielmo filio Willielmi, Adam de Novo Mercato, et Henrico fratre ejus.

NUM. LXI.

Carta Bertranni Haget de Dacra.

[Ibid. fol. 140 a.]

NOTUM sit omnibus, præsentibus et futuris, quod ego Bertrannus Haget concessi monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus in elemosinam totam terram de Dacra, et in bosco, et in plano, et in pratis, et in aquis, et in omnibus aliis rebus justè ad ipsum locum pertinentibus, et prædictæ ecclesiæ monachi dabunt mihi per annum pro recognitione duas marcas argenti quamdiu eas recipere voluero. Hujus autem donationis testes sunt quorum nomina subscribuntur: Eustachius filius Johannis, Hugo filius Jarnagoti, et Petrus monachus de Fontibus.

NUM. LXII.

Confirmatio Willielmi Haget de Dacra.

[Ibid.]

EBORACENSI archiepiscopo et omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis Willielmus Haget salutem. Sciatis me concessisse, et ex parte mea obtulisse super altare de Fontibus illam donationem quam fecit pater meus Bertram monachis ejusdem ecclesiæ, scilicet totum jus suum quod habuit in Dacra, in perpetuam elemosinam, solutam, quietam, et liberam ob omni servicio. Super hoc quietam clamavi prædictis monachis de me et hæredibus meis in perpetuum, calumpniam cujusdam recognitionis quam facere solebant patri meo in vita sua pro Dacra. Et pro hac quietâ clamatione monachi dederunt mihi xxv. marcas et unum palefridum. Et ego et hæredes mei guarentizabimus eis prædictam terram sicut liberam elemosinam patris mei et nostram quantum ad me et ad meos pertinet. Hii sunt testes, Rogerus abbas de Bellanda; Landricus, Radulfus, monachi de Bellanda; Thomas filius Wulhet; Gilebertus de Archis; Rollant Haget.

NUM. LXIII.

Carta Willielmi de Casteleia.

[Ibid. fol. 145 b.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Willielmus de Castelei salutem. Sciatis me quietum clamasse et in comitatu Eboraci coram Rogero de Bavent tunc vicecomite abjurasse totum jus et clamium quod ego et prædecessores mei unquam habuimus in terra de Dacra quam clamavi tenere de Gaufrido Haget, et quam ecclesia de Fontibus tenet, ita quod nec ego nec alius qui per me vel hæredes meos aliquod clamium in illa terra habere possit, aliquam calumpniam amodo prædictæ ecclesiæ movebimus, sed totam de nobis quietam eam sicut suam propriam possessionem tenebit. Et hoc feci pro serviciis et beneficiis quæ prædicta ecclesia sæpe fecit mihi et meis. His testibus, Gaufrido Haget, Ricardo Malebisse, Nigello de Plumton, Willielmo de Atona.

NUM. LXIV.

[Carta Roberti de Sarz de Terra inter Gillemora et Felebriggebec.

[Ibid. fol. 126 a.]

NOTUM sit omnibus legentibus et audientibus litteras has, quod ego Robertus de Sarz, cum consilio et bona voluntate uxoris meæ, concessi et dedi ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in feudo et hæreditate, quicquid est in bosco et in plano quod pertinet ad villam meam Thornatunam inter Gillemora et Felebriggebec, et inter divisam de Salleia et Haithabec, quæ est divisa inter eandem Tornetunam et Bernebeam, quod totum scilicet est del North et West de Gillemora; et in ipsa Gillemora unum angulum partim nemorosum et partim planum sicut ego perambulavi, et prohi viri qui mecum erant ad exitum pecuniæ eorum, quia locus ille nimis artus videbatur eis et propter timorem latronum. Sciendum igitur quod iidem monachi de Fontibus unoquoque anno pro ista tenura dabunt mihi et hæredibus meis dimidiam marcam argenti pro omni servicio, dimidia ad Pentecostem et dimidia ad festum sancti Martini. Ubi concessi et saisiavi prædictos

monachos de ista tenura fuerunt isti, Gillebertus canonicus sancti Wilfridi de Ripun, et cæteri multi. Et ad recordationem hujus conventionis fuerunt isti, Robertus de Pinchenni, Symon canonicus, Ricardus Pes latronis, et alii multi. Omnes hii interfuerunt quando ego et uxor mea concessimus hanc conventionem ante ostium ecclesiæ sancti Wilfridi de Ripun.

NUM. LXV.

Confirmatio Thurstini Archiepiscopi de donatione Roberti de Sarz. Hoc invenietur in teca Regum et Archiepiscoporum.

[Ibid.]

TURSTINUS Dei gratia Eboracensis archiepiscopus, omnibus successoribus suis et universis ecclesiæ filiis salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et præsentis cartulæ testimonio confirmasse, donationem quam Robertus de Sarz et Raganildis uxor ejus dederunt monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus, scilicet quicquid est in bosco et in plano quod pertinet ad Tornetunam quæ est de feudo meo inter Gillemora et Felebriggebec; et quicquid est inter divisam de Sallaia et Heithebec. Et in ipsa Gillemora unum angulum partim nemorosum et partim planum, sicut perambulaverunt ipse Robertus et alii prohi qui cum ipso erant, perpetuo jure a prædictis monachis possidenda, libere et quiete ab omni servicio, pro dimidia marca argenti per annum, sicut continetur in carta quam ipse Robertus et prædicta uxor ejus inde eis tradiderunt sigillata sigillo sancti Wilfridi. Et pro concessu et donatione ipsius Roberti et uxoris suæ perpetuo tenenda dederunt prædicti monachi ipsi Roberto marcam unam argenti et uxori ejus iij. solidos. Hii testibus, Willielmo decano Eboraci, Willielmo thesaurario, et multis aliis.

NUM. LXVI.

Carta Roberti de Sarz, de Morker.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit omnibus legentibus et audientibus litteras quod ego Robertus de Sarz cum consilio et bona voluntate uxoris meæ Ragnildæ, concessi et dedi ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in puram elemosinam, terram quam habui extra sepem eorum nomine Morker, et aliam terram eidem conjunctam pertinentem usque ad Frankildakeld, et usque ad divisas de Merkilfeld. Concessi igitur et dedi eis in liberam et puram elemosinam terram de Wardsale, et dimidiam marcam argenti quam pro eadem terra unoquoque anno mihi dare solebant quietam illis clamavi, et ab omni calumpnia hæredum et posterorum meorum liberam et solutam. Et hæc quidem illis concessi et dedi pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ Ragnildæ omniumque parentum meorum viventium vel defunctorum. Hii testibus, Willielmo Martino, et Cliberto canonico, et multis aliis.

NUM. LXVII.

Carta Henrici Archiepiscopi, de Herleshou.

[Ibid. fol. 126 b.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia Eboracensis archiepiscopus universis filiis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ ad quos litteræ istæ pervenerint, salutem in Domino. Quoniam sine veræ cultu religionis nec caritatis unitas potest subsistere, nec Deo gratum exhiberi servicium, ecclesiarum prælatis convenit religiosas personas diligere et earum necessitatibus paterna sollicitudine providere. Eapropter donationem quam Robertus de Sartis et uxor illius Ragnilda, filia Ligulfi, fecerunt abbatiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus; totam videlicet villam de Herleshowia, id est tres carucas terræ per ipsas divisas per quas præfatus Robertus et uxor ejus unquam melius tenuerunt, nos ratam habentes concedimus et præsentis scripti pagina confirmando communimus, statuantes quatinus hanc donationem ab omni terreno servicio liberam et quietam in perpetuam elemosinam possideant. Hujus rei testes sunt magister Robertus Butevillanus Eboracensis ecclesiæ archidiaconus, magister Laurencius, Thomas Socavager, et alii satis.

NUM. LXVIII.

Carta Henrici Archiepiscopi, de universis.

[Ibid.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia Eboracensis archiepiscopus dilectis filiis R. abbati monasterii sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus ejusque fratribus tam præsentibus quam futuris regularem vitam professis inperpetuum, salutem et Dei benedictionem. Pontificali auctoritati competit religiosas personas diligere et earum quieti Deo auxiliante prospicere. Eapropter dilecti filii in Domino vestris justis postulationibus clementer annuentes, præfatam Dei genitricis ac semper Virginis Mariæ ecclesiam in qua divino mancipati estis obsequio, totumque habitationis vestræ locum cum universis terris, silvis, aquis, pratis, pascuis de feudo sancti Petri et nostro quibuslibet justis modis adquisitis, vobis et successoribus vestris in puram et perpetuam elemosinam concedimus et præsentis scripti pagina confirmando communimus. In quibus hæc propriis duximus exprimenda vocabulis. Ecclesiam de Fontibus cum sibi adjacentibus. Grangiam Suttonæ per plenarias et antiquas divisas, cum terris adquisitis à Thorfino filio Gospatric, et à Godwino de Cludr. Herleshowiam per suas divisas plenarias per quas Robertus de Sartis et uxor ejus Ragnilda filia Ligulfi melius unquam tenuerunt. Grangiam de Warthsala sicut præfatus Robertus et uxor ejus Ragnilda eam dederunt. Terram igitur quæ erat in calumpnia inter Herleshowiam et Bertrannum et Bulemer quam ipse quietam clamavit, et xx. acras terræ quas Ricardus Pedelarrum pro anima filii sui vobis dedit: sed et alias xx. acras quas Normannus filius Huctredi dedit vobis. Terram nichilominus quæ erat in calumpnia inter Caitonam et Merchintonam sicut vobis quieta clamata fuit. Hujus rei testes sunt, Osbertus archidiaconus, Hugo thesaurarius, et multi alii.

NUM. LXIX.

Carta Rogeri de Mubrai de Recompensatione de Niderdala.

[Ibid. fol. 143 b.]

EBORACENSI archiepiscopo et decano et capitulo sancti Petri Eboraci et omnibus sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris Rogerus de Mubrai salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et hac mea carta confirmasse Deo et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus quicquid continetur infra has divisas. Scilicet, totum Niterdala ex illa parte aquæ deversus le est. De Iwdenebec sursum in longum Nid usque ad Beckermote; et inde sursum usque ad moram, et sic usque ad Frostildehou, et de Frostildehou usque ad Hameldun, et inde usque ad Dalhagha, et totum Dalhagha deorsum ex utraque parte quantum durat; et inde transversum moram deversus Scheldene usque ad divisas archiepiscopi, et inde deversus le west usque ad Iwdenebcc; et præterea totum Loftushum cum pertinentiis suis. Hæc omnia dedi eis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam et recompensationem illius terræ et illius bosci quod dedi eis el suth de Dacra, quod perdiderunt. Et ego et hæredes mei omnia prædicta eis garantizabimus in perpetuum, et defendemus adversus omnes calumpniatores, ita quod ipsi facient de omnibus his prædictis quicquid voluerint sicut de sua libera et propria et perpetua possessione, soluta, quieta, et libera ab omni servicio consuetudine et ab omni re quæ ad terram pertinet. Sciendum est etiam quod quandocumque ego Rogerus de Mubrai vel hæredes mei, liberè et quietè deliberaverimus eis hoc quod perdiderunt el suth de Dacra quod tenuerunt de me, hoc quod dedi eis in recompensationem propter hoc, quietum ab eis mihi vel hæredibus meis remanebit. Teste, Roberto decano et capitulo Eboraci, Philippo priore sanctæ Trinitatis, Roberto de Mubrai, Willielmo de Tikehill, Roberto de Daivilla.

NUM. LXX.

Carta Rogeri de Mubrai de Patleiatgate et Iwdene.

[Ibid.]

ROGERUS de Mubrai omnibus hominibus suis et omnibus audientibus has literas salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et hac mea carta confirmasse Deo et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus quicquid continetur inter Patleiatgate et Iwdene. Hoc dedi eis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberum et quietum ab omni servicio et ab omni re quæ ad terram pertinet, et quietum de me et omnibus hæredibus meis in

perpetuum, sine excambio illis dando si fortè aliqua occasione quicquid de eo perdiderint. Et tamen pro omni posse nostro illud eis garantizabimus sicut proprium nostrum, quod eis in perpetuum dedimus sine omni retinemento nostri vel hæredum nostrorum. Teste, Roberto de Mubrai, Roberto de Auuill, Hugone Malebisse, Radulfo de Belvaco.

NUM. LXXI.

Confirmatio Nigelli de Mubrai de omnibus.

[Ibid. fol. 144 a.]

EBORACENSI archiepiscopo et capitulo sancti Petri Eboraci et omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Nigellus de Mubrai salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et præsentem carta confirmasse, in perpetuam elemosinam, Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, omnes donationes quas pater meus Rogerus de Mubrai fecit eis et cartis suis confirmavit in perpetuam elemosinam; scilicet Aldeburgam in grangiam solutam et quietam ab omnibus serviciis, et quicquid ad illam pertinet ex illa parte Jori fluminis, in bosco, et plano, et campis, et pratis, et aquis, sicut avus meus Nigellus de Albenio dedit eam antiquitus monachis Pontiniacensibus, et communem pasturam ex altera parte aquæ, et ex ipsa eadem parte firmamentum stagni ad molendinum faciendum.

Confirmavi etiam illis illam donationem quam Turgisius filius Malgeri fecit eis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Et confirmationem quam Gualterus de Butri de eadem terra monachis fecit, scilicet de Smithuswat usque ad Gretgata, et sicut Gretgata tenditur usque in Elrebec, et exinde inferiùs sicut Elrebec cadit in Jor. Confirmavi etiam monachis mortuum boscum in foresta mea de stante et jacente quicquid folium non portat ubicumque capere voluerint, ad carbonem faciendum ad forgiam suam de Aldeburg. Item confirmavi eis quicquid patris mei fuit inter terram de Suttuna et quendam rivulum meantem infra Redleiam juxta fontem quem adaquandis pecoribus suis illis dedit, et ab eodem rivulo recta linea præcedente in flexionem ejusdem rivuli, versus aquilonem usque ad tres spinas sitas in quodam monte petroso, et inde usque ad quendam magnum salicem sub margine silvæ quæ vocatur Litlehage, et inde usque ad quandam viam quæ jacet in fundo vicinæ vallis, et per eandem viam quantum terra illorum durat.

Et præterea confirmo donationem quam Aaliz de Gant mater mea illis dedit per medium Litlehage à Barra usque ad viam petrosam sicut divisio facta est. Et post ultra viam petrosam usque ad Walescroft, et de Walescroft ultra Cumbedene usque ad siccum salicem juxta Pirwintes, et sic rectè usque ad fontem. Item confirmavi eis ad grangiam suam de Suttuna communem pasturam de Aserlagh et de Wincheslai per totum, præter de blado et de prato omnibus bobus illius grangiæ et xxv. vaccis, et quando non sunt in labore in foresta mea ibunt ad pascendum diebus et noctibus, et ad utendum his pasturis villarum, scilicet et forestæ, habebunt vias ubi eis opportunum fuerit in cujuscumque manus prædictæ villæ devenerint. Et ut deficient et estupent unam viam quæ vadit per mediam culturam de Suttuna quia eis nocebat. Dedi etiam eis et confirmavi in perpetuam elemosinam xx. carucas fœni in prato de Wacaldesheng solutè et quietè de omnibus serviciis. Et quando prædictum fœnum falcare voluerint monstrabunt ballivo de Malesart, et ipse ballivus de Malesart monstrabit eis ubi falcare debeant. Item confirmavi eis donationem terræ illius quam Aldelin de Aldefeld et Radulfus filius ejus donaverunt et cæteri filii ejus concesserunt prædictis monachis in perpetuam elemosinam; scilicet de Suanlei usque ad vadum de Wainefford, et quinque pedes de terra arabili ad fossatum faciendum. Item confirmavi eis totam terram de Birnebem, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in bosco et plano, pratis, et aquis, et pasturis, in viis et semitis, per rectas divisas plenarias, scilicet de Felebriggebec usque ad metas de Rippelei, sicut unquam meliùs et liberiùs illam terram pater meus tenuit.

Hanc donationem et confirmationem per prædictas divisas feci monachis in perpetuam elemosinam, et ita in liberam et propriam possessionem, et ad sartandum, et ad donandum et vendendum, ita quod terra ubi nemus est cum tota alia terra de Birnebem in perpetuum ecclesiæ de Fontibus remanebit, et quod nihil ibi mihi retincam præter cervum et cervam, aprum, et capreolam, et aves quæ alias capiunt. Sed et forestarii mei non habebunt ibi potestatem

nec de aliqua re se intromittent nisi de prædictis feris et avibus custodiendis. Et si aliqua calumpnia super prædicta terra evenerit, ego et hæredes mei prædictam terram cum omnibus pertinentiis monachis guarentizabimus et acquietabimus ab omnibus serviciis et consuetudinibus quæ ad terram pertinent, et defendemus contra omnes homines, ita ut liberè et in pace omnia teneant. Super hæc omnia dedi et confirmavi ecclesiæ de Fontibus grangiam de Dacra cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in bosco in plano et omnibus aliis rebus et locis et libertatibus sicut in cartis patris mei continetur.

Præterea dedi eis et confirmavi ad incrementum sicut rivus in Beverlai cadit in Nid, ubi vetus capella fuit, et inde sicut Nid venit usque Hiherfeldebec, et inde sicut Hiherfeldebec pertingit usque ad divisas de Cravena. Hanc donationem per plenarias prædictas divisas feci monachis de Fontibus solutam et quietam in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, et ita in liberam et propriam possessionem quod nihil mihi vel hæredibus meis ibi retineam præter cervum et cervam aprum et capreolam et aves quæ alias capiunt. Sed et forestarii mei nullam potestatem ibi habebunt nec de re aliqua se intromittent nisi de prædictis feris et avibus custodiendis. Et ego et hæredes mei hæc omnia guarentizabimus eis in bosco et plano et acquietabimus de omnibus serviciis et consuetudinibus inperpetuum.

Confirmavi etiam eis terram de Kedlei quam Radulfus de Beellun eis in elemosinam dedit, scilicet à barra ipsius Redlei inferius sicut fossatum vadit usque ad caput calcedæ versus Asarlagh, in bosco et plano. Hæc omnia supradicta dedit et confirmavit pater meus Rogerus de Mubrai per cartas suas. Et ego Nigellus filius et hæres ejus dedi et confirmavi per hanc cartam meam. Et sciendum quod pro donatione et confirmatione mea, monachi de Fontibus dederunt mihi quinquaginta marcas. Testes, capitulum sancti Petri Eboraci, Philippus prior sanctæ Trinitatis Eboraci, Gualterus de Templo.

NUM. LXXII.

Carta Aaliz de Gant de Terra ad construendam Abbatiam de Fontibus.

[Ex autographo nuper in turri beatæ Mariæ Eboracensis.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis notum sit, quod ego Aaliz de Gant dedi et concessi ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus terram, sicut divisa incipit apud calcetum de Vedlaia, usque ad barram, et à barra usque ad viam petrosam et inde usque ad Walescroft, et de Walescroft usque ad rogum usque quercum et sic recte usque ad Stainlai, quantum mea terra durat. Hanc terram dedi primum ad ipsam ecclesiam construendam, deinde in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ, et domini mei, et patris, et matris meæ, et filiorum meorum. Teste Roberto filio meo, qui hanc donationem concessit, et super altare obtulit, et Richardo clerico, Uctredo filio Walefridi, Radulpho filio Adelini, et Hamelino fratre suo, Noel, Richardo nepote Samsonis de Albinio, Ketello filio Siwardi, Gaufrido filio Siwini, Pagano homine Noel, Gamel de Stodlai, Radulpho parmentario Eborum, Willielmo cursore meo, Uctredo filio Noel, Alano sagittario, Adelino filio Uctredi de Stodlei.

NUM. LXXIII.

Carta Aliciæ de Gaunt, de Birnebem et omnibus aliis quæ pertinent ad honorem de Malesart.

[Ibid. Item ex registro de Fontibus, fol. 91 a.]

EBORACENSI archiepiscopo, et omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis Alicia de Gaunt, uxor Rogeri de Mubray salutem. Sciatis me de mea bona et libera voluntate, et sine omni exactione alicujus hominis, concessisse, et hac carta mea confirmasse in perpetuam elemosinam, Deo, et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus, quicquid habent de dote mea, in bosco, et plano, pratis, et aquis, pasturis, essartis, et terris cultis, quæ pertinent ad honorem de Mallesart, et ad Nidderdale, et ad villam de Asserlac, et præterea totam Birnebem, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et aisiamentis, in bosco, et in omnibus aliis locis, et rebus ad eam pertinentibus, ita quietè, liberè, et integrè, et plenariè sicut inde continetur in cartis prænominati domini mei Rogeri de Mubray, et in cartis filiorum meorum Nigelli, et Roberti. Et sciendum

quod ecclesia de Fontibus recepit me in omnibus orationibus, et beneficiis suis, et faciet post decessum meum, pro me plenarium servitium in missis, et psalteriis, sicut pro monacho ejusdem domus fieri solet. Hanc concessionem et confirmationem feci prædictæ ecclesiæ post Pascha, scilicet iiij. idus Aprilis, anno incarnationis m.c.lxxvj. eo anno, quo oppida de Trex, et de Malesart prosternebantur. Et in testimonium et in rememorationem dederunt mihi prædicti monachi unum annulum aureum.

NUM. LXXIV.

Carta Radulfi filii Ribaldi Domini de Midelham.

[Adhue ex registro de Fontibus.]

NOTUM sit omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, quod ego Radulfus filius Ribaldi concessione filii mei Rodberti dedi monachis ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus terram illam, pro qua inter nos contentio fuit aliquando inter Aldeburgh, et Welle, pro anima mea, patris et matris et uxoris meæ et omnium parentum meorum, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Super hoc etiam concedo eis communem pasturam de Welle, et Snapa, et villarum quæ ad Welle pertinent, decem annis à festività sancti Martini quæ prima evenerit post mortem Willielmi Eboracensis archiepiscopi. Testibus, Roberto filio meo, Ribaldo filio meo, Henrico filio Ribaldi, Johanne presbytero de Welle, Radulfo de Torneton, Alano filio Richardi, Abrahamo de Crucehale, Osberto filio Copsi de Ridemera, Richardo filio Abrahami, Radulfo filio meo.

NUM. LXXV.

Carta Aliciæ de Rumeli.

[Adhue ex registro de Fontibus.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris, Alicia de Rumelli, filia Willielmi, filii Dunecani salutem. Noverit universitas vestra, me, in libera potestate mea, et viduitate, concessisse, et dedisse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse in puram et perpetuam elemosinam Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ, et monachis de Fontibus totam medietatem villæ et molendini de Crostwayt cum pertinentiis, illam scilicet, quam Rogerius clericus tenuit, et unum toftum in villa de Cockermouth cum pertinentiis, quod idem R. tenuit; habendas et tenendas de me, et hæredibus meis, prædictas terras cum omnibus libertatibus, et honoribus, et aisiamentis, prædictis terris pertinentibus, solutas et quietas ab omni sæculari servitio, sicut aliqua elemosina liberius datur, et conceditur. Ut autem hæc donatio mea rata sit et stabilis, eam, sigilli mei appositione, confirmavi. Ego verò et hæredes mei warantizabimus, et defendemus prædictas terras, prædictis monachis, contra omnes homines. His testibus, Willielmo de Boivill, Drocone capellano, Johanne Alem. Willielmo de Perci, Richardo de Alneburc, Rogero de Burneben, Richardo clerico, de Millum, Willielmo Harper, Willielmo de Camera, et multis aliis.

Confirmatio terrarum et donationum. { Pat. 5 E. II. part. 2. m. 18. et 20.

NUM. LXXVI.

Confirmatio Donationum per regem Ricardum primum.

[Pat. 9 R. II. part 2, m. 25, per Inspex.]

RICARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dux Normanniæ, Aquitanniæ, et comes Andegaviæ archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos pro anima patris nostri, et pro salute nostra, et matris nostræ, et fratris nostri J. et omnium antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, concessisse, et hac carta nostra confirmasse Deo et beatæ Mariæ et ecclesiæ de Fontibus et monachis ordinis Cisterciensis ibidem Deo servientibus et servituris imperpetuum ipsam suam de Fontibus abbatiam et locum in quo eadem abbacia sita est et fundata per bonæ memoriæ Thurstinum quondam archiepiscopum Eborum, cum omnibus terris, et tenementis, nemoribus, aquis et aliis quibuscumque rebus et locis suis de Morker, Herleshowe, Haddokstanes, Morkerfall, Waynford, Swanlay, et Warsall, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et grangias suas de Sutton, Sleningford, Galghagh, Aldeburgh cum Nuttewith, Flattewith et Tanfeldridding, Bramlay, Kilnesay, Cayton, cum le Gollescroft et stagno vivarii sui

ibidem Thorpundirwodde, Marton, cum Caldewell, Balderbi, Buskeby, Arneford, Nethirbordelay, Overbordelay, Conton, Grenebergh, Merston, Kirkebywisk, Bradelay, Malghom, Brinbem, cum libertate ferarum et avium forestæ suæ, ibidem Dacre cum toto Niderdale sicut Rogerus de Moubray illud contulit eisdem, cum toto incremento et excambio quæ idem Rogerus similiter eisdem dedit ibidem, et cum logiis suis ibidem de Beverlay, Bouchwayt, Sixford, Dalagh, Losthours, Trope, et Caldestanes cum omnibus materiis et mineris et omnibus aliis logiis et locis suis in eodem Niderdale, cum omnibus ad prædictam abbatiam, grangias, et logias, et loca pertinentibus quoquomodo. Villas eciam de Malghum, cum toto Malghmore, et Malghwatre, Litton cum toto Littondale et cum omnibus logiis et locis suis ibidem et cum tota foresta sua de Gnoupe et Dernebroke et libertate omnium ferarum et avium ibidem simul cum omnibus logiis et locis suis in eadem foresta: Crosthwayt, cum ecclesia ejusdem villæ, et cum logiis suis de Wattendlane, de Staynthwayt, et cum toto Langestroth et insula de Hestholm, et Estpenese, Nensom, Melmurby, Staynburn, Ayn Derby, Aldefeld, Queldrik, cum Almarre, Horton, Hebden, et Wiglesworth cum omnibus terris, tenementis, redditibus, homagiis, et serviciis tam liberorum quàm natorum, ac cum ipsis nativis suis et eorum catallis et sequelis et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis ad prædictas villas et loca aliquo modo spectantibus, cum suis libertatibus universis. Item manerium de Potte cum pertinentiis suis per plenarias divisas suas. Omnia eciam terras, et tenementa, redditus, et servicia, prata, nemora, pascuas, et pasturas, quæ vel donatione vel venditione vel aliqua alia justa acquisitione habent in Eborum, Ripon, Donecastre, Bothelstan, Grymesby, Scardeburgh, Hertipole, Yarum, Dromondby, Buskeby, Stokeslay, Redeker, Cotom, Linton, Siadwell, Eston, Ganton, Qwherlton, Blatonker, Carleton, Northcoton, Midelton, Ukerby, Scorton, Multon, Stapilton, Redmire, Qwhinholm, Wyntringham, Santon, Queldrik, tam de feodo Ricardi Malbisse, quàm de feodo Williemi Darell, et Williemi de Percy ibidem, Wartre, Elvington, Acastre, Clifton, Monketon super moram, Hessayridding, Merston, Kirkehamerton, Grenhamerton, Cattedhall, Kirkeby, Usburn, Parva-Usburne, Elingwik, Wythington, Quixlay, Feribrigge, Brothirton, Brampton, Eland, Heton, Dalton, Lyversegg, Helme, Aghenlay, Schagh, Hagh, Brigrode, Somerode, Prikkestikrode, Wolronwell, Morton in Ayredale, Ilkelay, Castelay, Huby, Huneslote, Riggton, Ripplay, Godcwynscales, Aldewerk, Grafton, Wymbleton, Estmorton, Westmorton, Losthous, Aistenby, Askerik, Anndelay, Ganthrop, Sandehoton, Hoton, Conyers, Thornton in mora, Neubywisk, Neuby super Swale, Maghenby, Rokeby, Pokall, Holm, Ravington, Disseford, Hewyk, Genendale, Thornebergh, Thresk, Melsauby, Mildeby, Skipton super Swale, cum passagio ejusdem aquæ et libero batellagio ibidem. Catton super Swale, Synderby, Rouwell, Yarnewyk, Skelton, Dunesford, Kyrteyngton, Eseyby, Evesby, Estkeswyk, Asmonderby, Elingthorp, Southstanlay, Northstaynlay, Otteley, Oterburn, Folifaith, Scotton, Wallerhwayt, Merkyngton, Merkyngfeld, Ingerthorp, Thornton juxta Brerton, Thorneton episcopi, Thorneton, Rust, Scabbidenenton, Elingstring, Thorp juxta Nuttewyth, Hedonridding, Tanfeld, Ilketon, Swetton, Swynton, Wardonmersk, Carlesmore, Kirkeby, Malasart, Azerlagh, Grantlay, Birkehowe, Wynkeslay, Lanerton, Brathwayt, Mikelhagh, Littelhagh, Redelay, Walton, Aldefeld, Northous, Longelay, Nethirstodelay, Overstodelay, Sallay, Hundegate, Gowkebusk, Eston, Sutton, Holgrave, Sinithop, Eneston, Hoperton, Warthill, Cockermouth, Parva-Crosthwayt, Brathwayt, Thirlekeld, Appelthwayt, Allerdale, Lonesdale, Ribblesdale, Querfdale, Ayredale, Niderdale, Anstewyk, Appeltrewyk, Arnecliff, Arnecliffcote, Linton, Brinsall, Lonnethwayt, Thorp juxta Brinsall, Coningeston, Grosseestbacre, Landesmcre, Gersyngton, Bighou, Sebergh, Grissethorp, Haghulich, Hankseswyk, Helghfeld, Heton, Hertlington, Holmknottes, Ketelwell, Preston in Craven, Calton, Scothorp, Ayrton, Thresfeld, Oulecotes, Lothenrigge, Waltrebergh, et Neuton in Craven cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et præter hæc quicquid alicubi habent de donis vel feoffamentis aut feodis supradicti Thurstini archiepiscopi Eborum fundatoris sui et successorum suorum Aliciæ de Romlay, Aliciæ filiæ suæ, Williemi de Fortibus, Baldewini de Beton, comitum Albe-marlæ, Alani comitis Britannicæ, Ricardi vel Williemi de

Percy, Rogeri de Moubray, G. Rugemond, P. de Bruz, P. de Lassell, W. de Stotevill vel aliorum quorumcumque feoffatorum suorum, sicut cartæ, scripta et munimenta quæ inde habent rationabiliter testantur, ita omnia et singula supradicta ipsis monachis et successoribus suis imperpetuum concedimus et confirmamus, et volumus ut dictæ abbatie et monachis imperpetuum remaneant illibata, eorum pro quorum gubernatione et sustentatione concessa sunt usibus omnimodis profutura. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum nostram apud Claryndon vicesimo sexto die Junii, anno regni nostri.....

NUM. LXXVII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits' Office.]

Com' Ebor'.

ABBATHIA DE FONTIBZ IN COM' EBOR'.

WILL'M's Abbas ibm.

Tempalia.

Valet in

SIRU abbatie cum gardinis pomariis claus' pco et molendino eidem annexat' et in man' suis occupat' per annū

26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Redd' at firmis diſs' grangiar' logiar' in man' suis rent' viz grangia de Haddokstone 16*l.* Morker 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Sutton 10*l.* Swalbey 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Aldburgh 10*l.* Logia Breymbem 11*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Bramley 6*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Haysthay 10*l.* Daker 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Nuttweth 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Syxfurth 5*l.* Est Holmehouse 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* West Holmehouse 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Lofthouse 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Calfal House 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Sykē 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Bowrthwayth 10*l.* Pott 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Bollershaw 2*l.* North Pasto' House 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Warshall 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* In to^{ro} 156*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Dñiis, mañiis, villis, burgagiis, terr' et teñt' subscript', viz villa de Grewelthrope 8*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.* Kyrkby Malsett 1*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* Wynkesley 4*l.* 0*s.* 4*d.* Uno teñto voc' Wodehouse 4*s.* Villa de Eveston 1*l.* 10*s.* Hundgaite 10*s.* Salhey 3*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* Lutterstanis 4*l.* 15*s.* Dalaght 4*l.* 15*s.* Galhay 20*l.* Selemyngefurth 14*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.* Ripon 11*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.* Northstanlay 14*s.* Azerley 10*s.* Thorpe 4*l.* Layrton 14*s.* Villa de Thorpe jux^a Ripon 3*l.* Aldfeld 25*l.* 16*s.* 2*d.* Pathlaybrig 1*l.* 9*s.* 5*d.* Beſley in Buschopsyd 16*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* Logia de Newhouse in Nederdalle 3*l.* Brangerhouse 3*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Calstaynefald 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Villa de Stodeley Roger 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Claus' voc' Conyngarth 18*s.* Harcastell 2*l.* Teñt' in Ebor. 1*l.* 1*s.* Tenement' in Thornton 6*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.* Villa de Wheldrake 104*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.* Mañio de Thorpe Underwod 111*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Anderby 18*l.* 3*s.* 11½*d.* Awnley 1*l.* 15*s.* 10*d.* Balderby 44*l.* 8*s.* 10½*d.* Blaton Kerr' 1*l.* 10*s.* Bradlay 16*l.* Catton 15*s.* 6*d.* Couton cum Grenbery 6*l.* 12*s.* Northcowton 3*l.* 13*s.* 11½*d.* Ferybryg 7*s.* Dichefurth 25*l.* 2*s.* 2½*d.* Dromonby cum Buskby 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Gevendale 9*s.* Heswyke ad Pontem 2*l.* Holme 14*s.* Helme et Heton 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Yarkwyk 3*s.* 4*d.* Yarome 10*s.* Ylkley 1*l.* 10*s.* Kyrkbywysk 12*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.* Marton 25*l.* 0*s.* 6*d.* Mermorby 9*l.* 15*s.* 0½*d.* Newby sup Wysk 8*s.* Newsome 5*l.* 16*s.* Raynton 19*l.* 15*s.* 3*d.* Ronwell 1*l.* Rokesby 3*l.* 0*s.* 2*d.* Redkar 10*s.* Rigton 7*l.* 18*s.* 5½*d.* Sandehoton 13*s.* 4*d.* Scabydnewto' 18*s.* Stokesley 10*s.* Sancton 6*s.* Scarburgh 16*s.* Skypton 1*l.* 10*s.* Thorneton sup Morā 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Synderby 14*s.* Thryske 1*s.* Wymbylton 13*s.* 4*d.* Milby 1*l.* 4*s.* Stanburn 24*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.* Knapton 10*l.* 6*s.* Caxton 21*l.* Mortonbank^s 13*s.* 4*d.* Walberwhaytt 1*l.* 2*s.* 2*d.* Markyngton 1*l.* 13*s.* 2*d.* Ingerthorp 1*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.* Dñiū de Hertwith 18*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.* Dñiū de Wyndesley 12*l.* 15*s.* 1*d.* Felbekhouse 1*l.* Coloo 1*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.* Mañio de Thawithouse 4*l.* Mañiis de Northhouse in Nedderdalle 3*l.* Sweton 2*l.* 6*s.* Carlesmo^r 2*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.* Wardermarske 14*s.* Swynton 5*l.* 6*s.* Ylketon 2*l.* 5*s.* 2*d.* Craven villa de Malham 16*l.* 18*s.* 10*d.* Preston 16*s.* 4*d.* Holmeknott^s 2*l.* Arnefurth 8*l.* Wygellesworth 1*l.* 0*s.* 8*d.* Westsidehouse 2*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Copmanhow 2*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Fernagilhouse 2*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* Malwaithouse 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Tranhoushall 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Midlowhos 1*l.* Langerhouse 2*l.* Graugia Wederborlay cum ptinen' 8*l.* Knolbank^s 2*l.* Rughclosse 1*l.* Cogilcote 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Villa de Ayrton 1*l.* 4*s.* Newhouse 1*l.* 10*s.* Over-

berlay 6*l.* 0*s.* 6*d.* Threffeld 2*l.* 18*s.* 10*d.* Lynton 9*s.*
 Brynsall 2*s.* 4*d.* Coñyston 14*s.* Hebden 8*s.* Cogilhouse
 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Kylnsay 14*l.* 17*s.* 1*d.* Scarthcoit 2*l.* 2*s.* Cha-
 pell House 4*l.* 3*s.* 4½*d.* Dernbruke 3*l.* 6*s.* 9½*d.* Lynton
 7*l.* 19*s.* Nederhessylden 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Ulcott 3*s.* Oñhessyl-
 den 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Halton Gyll 12*l.* Foxoñe 8*l.* Greyn-
 feldcotte 3*l.* Northcotte 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Arncllyfcotte 5*l.* 3*s.*
 4*d.* Horton 4*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.* Kettylwell 1*l.* 1*s.* Traynhouse
 1*l.* 7*s.*

864*l.* 12*s.* 9½*d.*

Com' Cumbr'.

Tempalia.

Valet in

Redd' et firmis in diñs' villis subscript' viz Crosthwait
 13*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.* Borowdayll 18*l.* In tot' 31*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.*

Com' Lincoln'.

Tempalia.

Valet in

Redd' et firmis diñs' teñt' in villa de Bostone per annũ
 2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Casualia ibm accid' viz in vend' bosc' et nemor' 5*l.*
 plumbi 10*l.* et pfic' cur' 10*s.* . . . 15*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*

1097*l.* 7*s.* 3½*d.*

Com' Fbor'.

Sp'ualia.

Valet in

Decim' granor' ecclie de Crosthwaytt put dim' ad firmã
 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Decim' granor' ecclie de Topclyffe, Balderby, Marton
 et Raynton 49*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

75*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Sĩm^a oĩm tempaliũ et sp'ualiũ abbathe pñdict'

1173*l.* 0*s.* 7½*d.*

Repris'.

Resolut' Redd' viz in

Redd' resolut' an^{ti} dño archiepo p villa de Ripon Thorpe
 Coloo et Slemyngrfurth p annũ 2*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.* Dño comit'
 Northũbr' p terr' in Arncllyffe 3*l.* 12*s.* 10*d.* Magistro hos-
 pitalis Sñi Johis in Monte 4*d.* Fabric' ecclie Eboz p terr'
 in Raynton 1*s.* Castro Richemond' p terr' in Cowton 10*s.*
 Castro Richemond' p terr' in Raynton 2*d.* Castro Riche-
 mond' p terr' in Kirkby sup aquã de Wyske 3*s.* 4*d.* Castro
 Richemond' p terr' in Swynton 3*s.* 4*d.* Ecclie collegiat' de
 Ripon p terr' in Aldefeld 9*s.* Hospital' Bñe Marie Magda-
 lene in Ripon 10*d.* Joñi Constable p terr' in Stodeley Ro-
 ger 5*s.* Mañro de Ribston p terr' in Grenwelthorpe 3*s.*
 Hospit' Sñi Johis in Monte p terr' in Brymbome 10*s.* Ar-
 thuro Preston p terr' in Eboston 2*s.* Ecclie Bñe Marie juxta
 Muros Eboz p terr' in Knapton 10*s.* Priorisse de Synnyng-
 waitt p terr' in Wyttyngton et Elnwyk 8*l.* Priorisse de
 Mounketon 1*l.* Hospital' Sñi Leoñdi infra Eboz p terr' in
 Wheldrayk p composic' 10*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Priori Sñe Trinitat'
 Eboz p terr' in Weldrayk 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Priori de Kirkham
 p terr' in Weldrayk pñdñe 2*l.* Pñori de Warter p terr' ibm
 p composic' 7*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Ecclie Sñi Petri Eboz p terr' in
 Slemyngrfurth 1*l.* 10*s.* Cantar' Sñi Johis Solber 1*s.* Pñen-
 dar' de Thorpe et Haddakstaneys in ecclia collegiat' de Ri-
 pon 1*l.* 10*s.* Pñend' de Nunwyk et Sutton in ecclia colle-
 giat' de Ripon 1*l.* 10*s.* Pñend' de Morker 2*s.* 8*d.* Riçõ
 Pñivall p Swanley 2*s.* Sect' cur' dño archiep'o Eboz 3*s.*
 8*d.* Comit' Northumbr' 2*s.* Wiffmo Middleton p Spofforth
 6*s.* 9*d.* Castro Richemond' 2*s.* 4*d.* Dño Regi pro blaunch
 ferme 13*s.* 4*d.* Wapent' dñi Regis de Yowcrosse 6*s.* 8*d.*
 Dño Regi p gabilonag' in Skarbrugh 2*s.* Wapentag' dñi
 Reg' de Wyndbank 4*d.* Castro Richemond' et Halykeld
 11*s.* 11*d.* Dño archiepo p 6 burgagijs in Ripon pro resp'
 homagij 3*s.* In toto 50*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.*
 50*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.*

Pens' viz in

Pens' solut' ecclie cathedral' Eboz p ecclia de Top-
 clyffe 48*l.* Ecclie de Birnsall p x^{mis} de Klynsey 13*s.* 4*d.*
 Ecclie de Arncllyffe p decimis de Arncllyfcote 1*l.* Pñori de
 Newburgh p Cadwell 2*l.* 2*s.* 9*d.* Ecclie Bñe Marie jux^a

Muro Eboz pro x^{mis} de Cowton 1*l.* 15*s.* Capñto de Fery-
 bryg p compassissionem 2*l.* In tot' . . . 55*l.* 11*s.* 1*d.*
 105*l.* 15*s.* 7*d.*
 106*l.* 2*s.* 3*d.*

Elemos' viz in

Elemos' distribut' oñibz paupibz supvenientibz ad mo-
 nasteriũ in cena Dñi cõibz annis ut in pñcio decem quarterioz
 frument' pñij q^{rt} 8*s.* Sex quart' silig' pñij q^{rt} 6*s.* 8½*d.*
 Pistant' in panibz ad valorem 6*l.* X^{cem} q^{rt} brac' ordeac'
 et aven' pñij q^{rt} 6*s.* Ad valorem 3*l.* Tres barell' allec'
 albis 2*l.* 5*s.* 10*d.* Mayses allic' rub distribut' dñis paupibz
 ant' 3*l.* In tot' 14*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.*

Consili elemos' distribut' paupibz in quinqz vigiliis Dñi
 quinqz vigiliis Bñe Marie ex instituc' et confirmac' per capi-
 tulũ geñal' ant' ut in panibz eñt' 4*l.* In pecunijs distribut'
 in cena Dñi et in die Sñi Thome Appostuli cuilibet Hermite
 4*d.* Et cuilibet scolar' 1*d.* Ad 2*l.* per annũ 6*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Feod' viz in

Feod' dñi Darcy senⁱ terr' p Radulphũ Pulleyn depu-
 tat' suũ 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Rado Pulleyn senⁱ cur' 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
 Thome Bradfurth receptor' 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Joñi Melsynby au-
 ditor' 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Vic' Eboz pro feod' suo 1*l.* 10*s.* Abñie
 Combland bañtio de Slemyngrfurth et Galhay 2*l.* Riçõ Ba-
 nester bañtio de Craven 1*l.* Marmaduco Bayn bañtio de Ne-
 derdalle 2*l.* Raðo Lealome bañtio de Stanburn 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*
 Thome Klynsey 1*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.* Wiffmo Haxby bañtio de
 Wheldrake 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Riçõ Haxby bañtio de Hartwith 1*l.*
 Marmaduco Abbott bañtio de Granteley et Dalaghy 1*l.*
 Joñi Wrok bañtio infra termĩos monasterii 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Riçõ
 Bekweth bañtio de Aldburgh 1*l.* Thome Smythson rec' de
 Couton et Greynbury 10*s.* Petro man' rec' dñij de Thorpon-
 derwod 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Joñi Bowell rec' firmaz de Wheldrak 1*l.*
 Joñi Danke sen^o cur' in Craven 13*s.* 4*d.* Riçõ Hobson
 bañtio de Knapton 6*s.* 8*d.* Joñi Wilson bañtio de Marton 2*l.*
 Simoni Waytt bañt de Balderby 6*s.* 8*d.* Antonio Huckerby
 rec' firmaz in Ripon 2*l.* Joñi Fowler bañtio de Rightõ 1*l.*
 Cristofero Bekwath rec' redd' et firmaz in Seweton cum aliis
 villis annexat' 10*s.* Gawino Ratclyff rec' firmaz in Cros-
 waitt et Borowdayll 2*l.* Marmaduco Yowdayll bañtio ibm
 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Xpof' Stranger sen^o cur' ibm 13*s.* 4*d.* Miloni
 Harcastell bañtio de Wyndesley Brynebem et Warshall 1*l.*
 6*s.* 8*d.* Lawrenc' Smyth rec' firmaz de Brymben pñdca 2*l.*
 Wiffmo Smyth bañtio de Boston 6*s.* 8*d.*

In tot' 48*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

51*l.* 14*s.* 0*d.*

71*l.* 19*s.* 0*d.*

68*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.*

Sĩm^a repris' abbathe pñdce { 174*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*
 { 178*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.*

Et valet clare { 998*l.* 6*s.* 7½*d.*
 { 994*l.* 19*s.* 4½*d.*

X^{ma} ps inde 99*l.* 16*s.* 8½*d.*

NUM. LXXVIII.

[From a Pension Book, temp. Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

FOUNTAUNCE NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Archidiaconatus Richemond.

PENSIONES assignatæ nuper abbati et conventui ibidem
 super dissolutionem dicti nuper monasterii per commissiona-
 rios domini regis 28^o die inensis Novembris anno regni
 prædicti domini regis Henrici octavi 31^{mo}.

Pensiones.

	£	s.	d.
Marmaduco Bradley nuper abbati ibi-			
dem	100	0	0
Thomæ Kydde nuper priori ibidem	8	0	0
Laurencio Benne presbiter'	6	13	4
Richardo Norreys presbiter'	6	13	4
Richardo Hebden presbiter'	6	13	4
Thomæ Smekergill presbiter'	6	0	0
Roberto Clyffton presbiter'	6	0	0
Roberto Brodebelte presbiter'	6	0	0

	£	s.	d.
Johanni Tewisdaye presbiter'	6	0	0
Johanni Melsonbye presbiter'	6	0	0
Gawino Byrtletsone presbiter'	6	0	0
Willielmo Dunewell presbiter'	6	0	0
Thomæ Tutylle presbiter'	6	0	0
Thomæ Grenewod presbiter'	6	0	0
Willielmo Garforde presbiter'	6	0	0
Willielmo Hobson presbiter'	5	6	8
Thomæ Dykenson presbiter'	5	6	8
Johanni Hooton presbiter'	5	6	8
Johanni Yong presbiter'	5	6	8
Cristofero Jeynkynson presbiter'	5	6	8
Marmaduco Jeynkynson presbiter'	5	6	8
Cristofero Lighton presbiter'	6	0	0
Thomæ Browne presbiter'	5	6	8
Edmundo Aland presbiter'	6	0	0
Roberto Caldbeck presbiter'	5	0	0
Anthonio Kendall presbiter'	5	0	0
Gawino Storke presbiter'	5	0	0
Edmundo Lowde presbiter'	5	0	0
Matheo Morland presbiter'	5	0	0
Roberto Dodgeson presbiter'	5	0	0
Henrico Jakeson presbiter'	5	0	0
Johanni Walworth presbiter'	5	0	0
Summa	277	6	8

WALTER HENDLE.
THOMAS LEGH.
RICHARD BELASSYS.
R. WATKYNs.

NUM. LXXIX.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 33 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

FOUNTAUNCE NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Com' Ebor'	£	s.	d.
Fountaunce nuper monasterium.			
Libera firma	52	18	2
Ryppon—Officium collectoris reddituum.			
Libera firma	0	4	4
Redditus et firme	11	18	4
Balderbye.			
Firma manerii		null'	
Redditus et firme	42	4	5½
Firma pratorum dominicalium	1	13	4
Firma decimarum granorum et feni ibidem	12	0	0
Rayneton.			
Liberi redditus	0	1	6
Redditus et firme	36	2	1
Perquisiti curiarum	0	3	0
Marton.			
Redditus et firme	26	0	8
Firma decimarum granorum et feni de Marton et Dyfforth	21	0	0
Perquisiti curiarum	0	7	7
Dyfforth.			
Liberi redditus	1	0	2½
Redditus et firme	24	14	5
Perquisiti curiarum		null'	
Skypton cum diversis villatis.			
Liberi redditus in Skypton	0	6	0
Redditus et firma	1	10	0
Catton.			
Redditus et firme	0	15	6
Holme et Synderby.			
Redditus et firme	1	8	0
Sandehoton et Scabbed Newton	2	11	0
Newbye super Wyske et Mylnebye	1	14	0
Sutton Holgrave	1	14	4
Hewyk ad Pontem, Gevyndail, et Thruske	2	10	0

Com' Ebor'	£	s.	d.
Aynderby.			
Liberi redditus	0	1	8½
Redditus et firme	16	17	1
Firma pratorum dominicalium	1	6	8
Perquisiti curiarum		null'	
Rokesby Pycall.			
Liberi redditus ibidem	1	6	1½
Redditus et firme	2	19	2
Perquisiti curiarum	0	1	7
Melmorby.			
Libera firma	1	0	5½
Redditus et firme	8	15	9
Thorneton super Moram.			
Redditus et firme	5	6	8
Cowton et Grenebury cum membris.			
Libera firma	0	1	7½
Redditus et firme	15	8	9½
Dromanby et Buskby cum aliis.			
Libera firma	0	10	4
Redditus et firme in diversis villatis	7	4	4
Kirkeby Wiske.			
Redditus et firme cum aliis	9	13	6
Redditus in Newsom	6	3	8
Kyrkeby Malasart.			
Redditus et firme	1	9	6
Lareton, Aserlay, cum diversis aliis villatis	40	7	6
Perquisiti curiarum	0	3	8
Grewelthorpe cum Winkesleye.			
Libera firma in Grewelthorpe	0	4	0
Redditus et firme ibidem	9	3	2
Redditus et firme in Winkesley	6	7	0
Perquisiti curiarum	0	3	2
Aldefeld Galgagh cum Aldefelde Northouse.			
Redditus et firme in Aldefeld prædicta, ac redditus mobiles ibidem	21	5	2
Aldefeld North Howse	4	3	4
Galgagh Villata	21	11	0
Perquisiti curiarum		null'	
Stodley Roger cum diversis aliis villatis alias Netherstodley.			
Stodley Roger libera firma ibidem	0	1	1½
et 1 par Citrothecar'			
Redditus et firma tenencium ad voluntatem domini	1	13	4
Libera firma in Northe Staneleye	0	2	4
Redditus et firmæ ibidem	0	13	4
Libera firma in Ellyngstrene	0	5	0
Thorpe juxta Rypon	3	0	0
Redditus et firme in Bysshopside	1	2	9
Redditus et firme in Coloo	1	2	6
Pathlobrigg—Redditus et firme ibidem	0	16	3
Thorneton Episcopi—Libera firma ibidem	0	3	0
Redditus tenentium ad voluntatem domini ibidem	0	10	6
Stameborne—Libera firma ibidem	0	0	1
Redditus et firme ibidem	24	4	2
Libera firma in Rigton	0	11	10¾
Redditus et firme ibidem	7	6	9
Redditus liberorum tenencium in Casteley	0	10	8
Morton Banks	0	13	4
Ilkeley Villata	1	10	0
Otteley Villata	0	6	8
Hunselete Villata—Libera firma ibidem	0	5	6
Bradley Villata	16	0	0
una libra piperis			
Awndley cum Eland et Dalton	3	1	0
Helme et Heton	6	13	4
Perquisiti curiarum	0	18	7

Com' Ebor'	£	s.	d.	Com' Ebor'	£	s.	d.
Arnecliff cum diversis terris in Craven.				Wheldryke dominium — Officium collectoris redditus.			
Redditus et firme in Arnecliff predicta	4	4	0	Libera firma ibidem	0	5	6½
Arnecliff Cote			null'	Firma manerii ibidem	0	13	4
Libera firma sive annualis decima ibidem	0	7	10	Firma terrarum dominicalium	54	12	4
Ulcotes Villata	0	3	0	Weldryke, tenentes ad voluntatem	40	18	6¾
Linton Villata	0	11	0	Firma molendini	0	16	0
Byrnsall Villata	0	2	4	Firma piscarie de Darwent			null'
Thorpe juxta Birnsall.				Herbagium bosci			null'
Liberi redditus ibidem	0	6	0	Perquisiti curiarum	1	5	5
Wiglesworth.				Terræ nuper prioratus de Warter	9	12	8
Libera firma ibidem			null'	Thorpe Underwood, officium Ballivatûs.			
Holmeknotts	2	0	0	Libera firma ibidem			null'
Hebden.				Redditus et firme in Thorpe Underwood	37	10	2
Libera firma ibidem	0	8	0	Herbagium boscorum			null'
Carleton et Areton.				Vendicio bosci	10	0	0
Libera firma ibidem	1	4	0	Whythyngton	5	6	8
Anstewyke			null'	Kyrkbyehall	10	0	0
Appultrewike.				Usberne Parva — Liberi tenentes ibidem	0	14	5½
Libera firma ibidem			null'	Tenentes ad voluntatem	1	3	0
Redditus et firme in Appultrewike predicta	0	1	0	Whyxley cum Grenehamerton	9	12	6
Horton in Revesdaile.				Kyrkehamerton	4	11	0
Libera firma ibidem	0	10	1	Akaster	1	6	8
Kettilwell.				Grafton	2	0	0
Redditus et firma ibidem	1	1	0	Moremonkton	2	13	4
Treffeld.				Aldewarke	3	13	4
Redditus et firma ibidem	4	6	8	Marston—Liberi tenentes	0	4	11¼
Arneford Villata	8	0	0	Tenentes ad voluntatem in Marston	12	0	11
Preston Villata	0	16	4	Perquisiti curiarum			null'
Perquisiti curiarum			null'				
Civitas Ebor' cum Sancton, Feribrigg, et Scarbrugh.				Com' Cumbr'			
Libera firma in Civitate Ebor' una libra piperis	0	5	0	Croftswaite—Libera firma	1	2	7
Redditus et firme in Civitate Ebor' predict'	3	1	8	Eskenese			null'
Sancton	0	6	0	Libera firma de Esknese	0	4	0
Feribrigge	0	7	0	Watenlande	8	0	0
Scarrebrugh	0	18	0	Stanthwayte	8	3	0
Knapton.				Firma molendini	0	3	0
Libera firma ibidem	0	5	0	Brathwate	0	13	4
Knapton—Redditus et firme ibidem	10	1	0	Cawsey	2	6	8
Boston—Officium collectoris reddituum et firmarum ibidem.				Crosthuate—Spiritualia	14	6	8
Redditus et firme in Boston predicta	4	0	0	Pencio	13	6	8
				Perquisiti curiarum			null'

Abbey of Quarr, Quarrera, or Quarrería,
IN THE ISLE OF WIGHT.



HE Abbey of Quarr, says Sir Richard Worsley, called in some of the oldest grants Quarraria, probably obtained its name from the neighbouring stone quarries. It was among the first monasteries of the Cistercian order founded in England, and was begun by Baldwin earl of Devon, who, in the thirty-second year of Henry the First, gave the manor of Arreton to Geoffrey abbat of Savigny in Nor-

mandy for the building of this monastery, which was dedicated to St. Mary. The earliest charter to it, he adds, now remaining, is that of Engler de Bohun,^a who bestowed Hasely upon the monks, probably soon after the donation of Baldwin abovementioned. The deed appears to have been executed in Normandy, from the circumstance of its being witnessed by Serlo abbat of Savigny, successor to Geoffrey, and divers other Norman bishops and abbats. This, with many other benefactions to Quarr abbey, is confirmed by Richard the son of Baldwin, whose deed, though without date, must have been in the reign of Henry the Second;^b and from this may be collected, that the chapel of St. Nicholas, with its endowments, had been given to Quarr by the chief men of the island, who are there styled

^a See the Instrument, Num. III.

^b Num. I.

his barons. Most of the lands with which the abbey was then endowed, appear to have been given in the reign of Stephen. There is likewise a grant from Henry duke of Normandy, afterwards Henry the Second king of England, of a place called Locwelle in Normandy, for the monks of Quarr to build an abbey there;^a and a grant of confirmation from the same Henry as king of England to the Abbey.^b This liberality, Sir Richard Worsley conjectures to have been an act of gratitude in Henry to Earl Baldwin, for espousing the cause of his mother, the Empress Maud.

The Charters and other Instruments given in the Appendix to the present Account will more fully explain the endowments of Quarr.

The Annals of St. Werburg Chester call this Abbey “filia Savigniaci,” the daughter of Savigny; not certainly from any absolute dependence upon that monastery, but because the first monks of Quarr were brought from the Norman abbey.

The following are the Entries relating to the possessions of Quarr abbey in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas the Fourth :

	£	s.	d.
“Dioc. Exon. Temporal. Abbas de Quarrera habet apud Forwode	13	6	8
“Dioc. Winton. Temp. Abbas de Quarreria habet			
de redd. assis. taxat. ad	5	6	8
apud Newenham	10	0	0
apud Cumbly	10	13	4
apud Arretone	12	0	0
virga de Bykebury taxat. ad	3	0	0
apud Basselegh	12	0	0
apud Lovecombe	8	0	0
apud Stapelhurste et Cleybrok	2	0	0
apud Renebrette	2	10	0
apud Shete	5	0	0
apud Standecumbe et Cumbeton	6	13	4
apud Bamstede	2	0	0
apud Froxore	2	18	0
apud Soroup et Gueye ad	2	2	0
de duobus molend. apud Christi ecclesiam	8	0	0
de quatuor molend. in Insula Vecta	2	0	0
de proventu tannariorum	2	0	0
Summa	96	3	4” c

The following are all the names of the

ABBATS of QUARR

which the Editors of the Monasticon have been able to recover :

- P. occurs as abbat, in an exchange of land, apparently in the early part of the thirteenth century.^d
- ANDREW occurs in the 40th Hen. III. :^e and again in 1262.^f
- ADAM about the 7th Edw. I.^g
- WALTER occurs in the 1st Edw. II. :^h and again in 1323.ⁱ
- ADAM DE ARUNDEL occurs in a grant of land without date :^k as does
- HENRY.^l
- ADAM occurs A.D. 1303.^m

Tanner gives Dugdale’s valuation of this house, at the time of the Dissolution, at 134*l.* 3*s.* 11*d.* ; evidently meaning

the clear revenue : and 184*l.* 1*s.* 10*d.*, the gross revenue, from Speed. A Paper Survey in the Augmentation Office, of the time of Henry the Eighth, some extracts from which will be found in the Appendix, makes the gross income 181*l.* 15*s.* 2*d.* : the clear income 133*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.*ⁿ

In the 36th Hen. VIII. this monastery was granted, according to Tanner, to John and George Mills.^o Sir Richard Worsley says it was purchased by George Mills, a merchant of Southampton, and that the buildings were destroyed for the sake of the materials, without respect to the sepulchres of the many illustrious persons buried in its chapel.^p The son of George Mills sold it to the lord chief justice, Sir Thomas Fleming, in whose family it remained when Sir Richard Worsley wrote his History of the Isle of Wight.

- Numerous Deeds relating to Quarr abbey are printed in Madox’s *Formulare Anglicanum*, viz.
- 1. Carta canonicorum ecclesiæ Christi quod fuerunt ad divisam comitis Ricardi et audierunt quod ipse comes divisit et dedit abbatia S. M. de Quarraria xx. solidatas terræ in manerio de Wrokeshala, *t.* Hen. II. pag. 2.
 - 2. Supplicatio Hadevisæ de Riveriis ad papam, ut monachos de Quarreria in possessionem ecclesiæ de Fleota induci faciat, *t.* Hen. II. p. 3.
 - 3. Certificatio Guarini de Aula de terra in Sueia data ab Hugone de Witvilla, *t.* Joh. p. 4.
 - 4. Compositio inter rectorem de Godeshull et abbatem et conventum de Quarraria de decimis manerii de Rewe, A.D. 1262. p. 30.
 - 5. Confirmatio Roberti episcopi Bathon. super compositione facta inter monachos de Brikeneio et monachos de Quarrera super ecclesia de Hardington, circa A.D. 1140. p. 41.
 - 6. Carta Philippi Taison et Ricardi de Guavilla de una carucata terræ in Fleota, *t.* Steph. p. 42.
 - 7. Carta Thomæ archiepiscopi Cantuar. confirm. donationem terræ de Whitfield factam per Hugonem de Witvilla, circa A.D. 1160. p. 47.
 - 8. Confirmatio Walteri Mole^q de donatione terræ per Aliz amitam suam facta. p. 56.
 - 9. Excambium terrarum in Combeleia inter abbatem et conventum et Simonem filium Huberti. p. 155.
 - 10. Excambium terrarum inter abbatem et conventum et Robertum de Cosham. p. 162.
 - 11. Indentura de mesuagio, terra, molendino, &c. in Thorp, concessis priori et conventui ecclesiæ Christi per abbatem et conventum de Quarrera pro annuo redditu xi. lib. sterling. A.D. 1323. p. 164.
 - 12. Carta Walteri de Insula de terra cultibili lateris montis S. Bonifacii. p. 189.
 - 13. Finalis concordia de terris in Arton, Hasele, et Cumbele, 40 Hen. III. p. 222.
 - 14. Finalis concordia de uno mesuagio et una virgata terræ in Atherton, I Edw. II. p. 226.
 - 15. Carta Samsonis Foliot de duobus mesuagiis in Barbeflet. p. 249.
 - 16. Carta Willielmi de Orglandis de terra et tenemento de Penna. *ibid.*
 - 17. Carta Radulphi de Draitona de duabus acris terræ, p. 253.
 - 18. Carta Gaufridi de Mandevilla de ecclesia de Hardington. p. 255.
 - 19. Carta Willielmi de Caulborn de aquis de Maresfleth et Medeme cum fundo. p. 277.
 - 20. Carta abbatis de Lyra de decimis laborum et nutrimentorum. p. 292.
 - 21. Carta Radulfi Fulcherii de mansura terræ in Sueia. p. 302.

^a Num. II.
^b Printed in Sir Richard Worsley’s Appendix to his History of the Isle of Wight, num. liii.
^c Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 152, 154, 214 b.
^d Madox, *Formul. Anglic.* p. 155.
^e *Ibid.* p. 222.
^f *Ibid.* p. 162.
^g *Ibid.* p. 164.
^h *Ibid.* p. 374.
ⁱ *Ibid.* p. 160.
^j *Ibid.* p. 226.
^k *Ibid.* p. 305.
^l *Ibid.* p. 383.

ⁿ See the Append. Num. XI.
^o Notit. Monast. *Hampsh.* xxv.
^p Sir Richard Worsley says, “Among the persons of consequence known to have been buried here, are Earl Baldwin the founder, Adeliza his countess, and their son Henry. William de Vernun bequeathed three hundred pounds for the erecting a tomb here for himself and his father: the chapel also contained a monument to the Lady Cicely, second daughter of King Edward the Fourth.” *Hist. Isle of Wight*, p. 177, Note.
^q Motte. *Worsl. App.* p. cxxxi.

22. Concessio cujusdam terræ Johanni de Fonte et Matildæ uxori ejus. p. 305.

23. Carta Matildis filiæ Baldwini de Estur de annuo redditu vj. solid. ex manerio de Gatecumbe. p. 312.

24. Carta Elyæ de la Phalaise de warrantizando abbati et conventui terram quam dedit eis in manerio de Rupenore, A.D. 1365. p. 357.

25. Obligatio abbatis et conventus ad solvendam annuam pensionem x^s. episcopo Winton. pro ecclesia de Arreton impropria, A.D. 1445. p. 363.

26. Finalis concordia inter abbatem et conventum et Thomam de Niweham de xii. acris terræ in Niweham. p. 374.

27. Quæta clamatio Roberti de Helyun de secta curiæ pro terra de Lattylle. p. 376.

28. Conventio inter abbatem et conventum et Johannem Coterell de terris et tenementis in Newport et Carisbrook, A.D. 1303. p. 383.

Sir Richard Worsley has also printed several which are new, exclusive of others taken from Dugdale and Madox. These are,

1. Carta Galfridi de Insula de molendino de Schaldflete, *t.* Hen. II. App. p. cxxvii.

2. Carta Henrici de Clavill de xj. acris terræ in Wippingham. Ibid.

3. Carta Roberti de Giros de una marca argenti. App. p. cxxviii.

4. Carta Galfridi de Insula, *t.* Hen. II. Ibid.

5. Carta altera Galfridi. Ibid.

6. Carta Hugonis de Witvilla de terr. in Sueia, *t.* Hen. II. Ibid.

7. Petitio ad Parliam. an. 7 Edw. III. App. p. cxxx.

8. Carta comitis Willielmi de terr. de Welec, *t.* Hen. III. App. p. cxxxiii.

9. Carta Alwariæ de Newtona de terra in Newetona. Ibid.

10. Excambium inter abb. de Quarr. et rectorem de Arreton, 40 Hen. III. App. p. cxxxvi.

11. Indentura inter Walt. abb. Quareria et priorem et conventum Christi eccl. de Twinham de reddit. ex maner. de Ningewood et Milford, an. 17 Edw. II. App. p. cxxxvii.

Tanner says,

Vide "in cl. Anstisii Aspilogia MS. n. 243. Cartam Baldwini comitis Exon. de terris in Haleherst: n. 244. Ricardi de Redveriis pro mercata terræ in Wrokeshale: n. 340. Will. Vernun pro virgata terræ in Pidleton." The Aspilogia is now in the library of the duke of Buckingham at Stowe.

Tanner also gives the following references to Public Records:

Vide "Rot. claus. 14 Hen. III. m. 1.

"Cart. 7 Edw. I. n. 31. Cart. 12 Edw. I. n. 41, pro lib. war. in Newenham, Cumberley, Areton, Haseley, Lanecumb, La Yarde, Bykebergh, Ronnebergh, Stapelhurst, Claybrook, Sheete, Compton, Shaldcumb, et Hamstede in Insula Vectis. Pat. 31 Edw. I. m. .

"Pat. 16 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 16.

"Pat. 11 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 7 vel 8. Pat. 12 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 30. Claus. 13 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 35. Esc. 34 Edw. III. n. 58, de tenentibus manerii de Bonecumb. Pat. 35 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 30 vel 31. Claus. 35 Edw. III. m. 44, de terris dominicis manerii de Sorecumb. Pat. 39 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 23, de licentia faciendi castrum in Insula Vectis. Pat. 40 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 15.

"Pat. 17 Ric. II. p. 1, in dorso.

"Pat. 1 Hen. IV. p. 6, m. 41, pro eccl. de Arreton approprianda.

"Pat. 23 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 2.

"Pat. 6 Edw. IV. p. 3, m. 6."

In the Augmentation Office are many Deeds relating to this abbey, beside those already given from Madox.

Among the Records in the Chapter-house at Westminster, also, are,

1. Pleadings in trespass anno 7 Edw. I. between the abbat of Quarrer and Adam de Stratton, for tearing and cutting a charter of liberties granted to the abbey by Isabella de Fortibus.^a

2. A Paper Roll, intituled "the value of certain lands and manors belonging unto the abbey of Quarre in the Isle of Wight."

3. Auditors' valuations of the manor of Comeley, belonging to the said abbey, *temp.* Hen. VIII.

The COMMON SEAL of this abbey, as used in the reigns of Edward III. and Richard II. was round, and very small: it represented the Virgin, seated, with the child in her lap. Two impressions remain in the Augmentation Office to Deeds of this date. They are neither of them perfect as to the legend; of which no more can be distinguished than two words; the inscription commencing, MARIA . VIRGO.

The Site of this magnificent Abbey contained upwards of thirty acres of ground within the walls. The only part which now remains entire is the Refectory, or common hall, used as a barn: to the east of which stood the Church or Chapel. The foundations of several of the offices may be traced. Part of the site is occupied by a modern farmhouse, built with materials taken from the ruins of the abbey.

Cartae ad Quarrerensem Abbatiam in Insula Vectae, Filiam Sabiniaci, spectantes, fundatam Anno Dom. Mcccij.^b

NUM. I.

Carta Foundationis Abbatiae de Quarrera per Richardum Comitem Exoniæ.

[Ab. exemplari quodam veteri penes Johannem Langley generosum.]

QUONIAM vita mortalium in hoc mundo admodum brevi intercluditur spatio, &c. Quapropter ego Richardus comes Exoniæ, comitis Baldwini filius, concedo et confirmo elemosinam, quam pater meus, concedente Henrico venerabili Anglorum rege, dedit Deo, et sanctæ Virgini, et domino Gaufrido, abbati de Sauinneio, in Insula de Wict, terram scilicet ad ædificandum cœnobium; manerium scilicet Aretone, sicut in suo dominio habebat; et terram de Sieca, de Boecumba, et duo molendina, scilicet molendinum de Christes-

church et molendinum de Boleherst, cum multis suis, cum terra et pratis eisdem molendinis pertinentibus, cum operationibus eorundem maneriorum ad exclusagium teneundum et reficiendum, et ligna in bosco meo supradictis molendinis tenendis et reficiendis. Ego etiam Richardus comes do et concedo Deo, et sanctæ Alariæ^c de Quarrera, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, terram quam Tofti de Boleherst tenet: scilicet quinque solidatas terræ juxta molendinum de Boleherst, cum Bristunio qui eam colit; et Suein, et maisuram quam ipse tenet juxta molendinum de Christes-churche; et terram Ansketelli camerarii de Lonecumb, terram Huberti, terram de Tidlingham. Et concedo et confirmo donum Hugonis de Magnavill de terra de Lonecumb, quam ecclesiæ sanctæ Alariæ^c de Quarrera contulit;

^a See also the Abbrev. Plac. p. 196, col. 2. Pasch. 7 Edw. I.

^b Annal. S. Werbergæ Cestriæ in bibl. Cotton.

^c sc. Mariæ.

et donum Hugonis Gernon de terra Achaldeflote; et capellam sancti Nicholai castello de Caresbroc edificatam, quam pater meus dedit prædictæ ecclesiæ sanctæ Alariæ^a Quarrieriæ, et omnia quæ eidem capellæ pertinent in decimis, et terris, et oblationibus. Quam capellam, cum omnibus quæ eidem capellæ pertinent, dederunt pro . . . patris mei præfatae ecclesiæ Quarrariæ, Hugo Gernon, et Guarinus de Halla, et Brienus de Insula, et Gaufridus Jordani filius . . . , quietam et solutam ab omni exactione. Et concedo et confirmo . . . de Aschaldeflot quod Gaufridus Jordani filius eidem ecclesiæ dedit; et donationem decimæ totius salis omnium salinarum Lemintoniæ, quam pater meus eidem ecclesiæ dedit et concessit; et donum Roberti de Wituhuilla qui dedit prædictæ ecclesiæ decimam omnium salinarum suarum. Confirmo etiam donum Pagnani Trenchart qui eidem ecclesiæ unam salinam dedit in Hardella; et donum dominæ Hadewiz de Chielle, quæ dedit prædictæ ecclesiæ unum molendinum, cum terra eidem molendino pertinente in eodem manerio, et donum Hugonis Anglici, videlicet unam virgultam terræ in manerio de Cumptune, quam Robertus Luvell tenuit; et donum quod Symeon, Hugonis de Magnavilla filius, eidem ecclesiæ dedit, scilicet ecclesiam de Hardinstonia. Confirmo etiam terram Hugonis fratris Jordani in Sobeswella quam idem Hugo prædictæ ecclesiæ, consensu Gaufridi filii Jordani, dedit. Et concedo donum terræ Forwodæ quam Hubertus de Vals prædictæ ecclesiæ dedit; et donum de Eastaldecumba, cum pertinentiis suis; et ex dono Hadewisæ, sororis meæ, unam virgatam terræ in Pideltona et domos; unam tenet Reinaldus, et alteram Bristun in castello de Caresbroc. Et concedo etiam abbatiæ quam pro salute animæ suæ, et meæ, et omnium antecessorum, pater meus fundavit, omnes elemosinas, quas omnes barones mei prædictæ ecclesiæ dederint, sive in terris, sive in aliis quibuslibet beneficiis, liberas et quietas ab omni exactione auxiliorum et servitiorum possidere, sicut pater meus elemosinam suam quietam omnibus auxiliis et servitiis fecit. Item hominibus in elemosinam prædicta in ecclesia manentibus, talem libertatem concedo, ut ad nullum hundredum eant, nisi ad hundredum latrocinii; et si contigerit eos cadere in aliquod forisfactum, justitia inde sit mea, et emendatio, et catellum sit abbatis et monachorum. Eandem etiam libertatem concedo terræ Hasteleia quam Engelricus de Bohun prædictæ ecclesiæ contulit, quam ut elemosinam patris mei et meam concessi. Qui verò hanc donationem violare præsumpserit, æterna maledictione puniatur. Ego Richardus Exoniæ comes Baldwini comitis filius, hanc donationem hoc signo ✠ confirmo. Testibus hiis, Henrico de Am. Willielmo de Morevill, Gaufrido de Insula, Willielmo filio Stor, Willielmo filio Radulfi, Olivero Avenell, Roberto de Curcy, Roberto Trencard, Pagano capellano, Willielmo capellano, magistro Thoma, Gaufrido de sancto Beneficio, Willielmo filio Scone, Willielmo filio Veri, Reginaldo de Viana.

NUM. II.

Carta Henrici Normannorum Ducis, de Locwella.

[Ex ipso autographo penes Dominum Vaux.]

HENRICUS, ducis Normanniæ et comitis Andegaviæ filius, archiepiscopis, episcopis, comitibus, baronibus, vicecomitibus, justitiariis, et omnibus fidelibus, Francis et Anglis, salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et concessisse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Quadraria in Insula de Wich, in perpetuam elemosinam, Locwellam ad faciendam ibidem capitalem abbatiam, pro salute et incolumitate domini Gaufridi Normanniæ ducis et Andegaviæ comitis; necnon pro salute dominæ imperatricis matris meæ et mea, et pro statu regni Anglorum, et pro animabus Henrici regis avi mei et M. reginæ, omniumque prædecessorum meorum defunctorum. Et ideo volo et firmiter præcipio quod præmemoratæ abbatiæ monachi prædictum locum habeant liberè, et quietè, et honorificè, et plenariè, cum omnibus illis libertatibus et consuetudinibus quas domina imperatrix mater mea et ego dedimus et concessimus domino Drogoni, dominæ matris meæ camerario, sicut nos donum illud eidem Drogoni cartis nostris, quas prædicti monachi habent, testamur et confirmamus. Testibus, Roberto decano Saresberiae, magistro Matheo, Gregorio Day, Humfrido de Bohun, Huberto de Vallibus, Humfrido

filio, Odonis constabularii, Willielmo filio Hamonis, Riolfo de Sessuns, Petro Boterello, apud Divisas.

NUM. III.

Carta Engelgerii de Bohun de Haseleia.

[Ex. autogr. in Officio Armorum.]

QUONIAM vita mortalium in hoc mundo admodum brevi intercluditur spatio, et antecessores nostri corporiis indumentis exuti, verissimis hoc approbant indiciis, oportet nos eorum adhuc superstites ultimam resolutionis inclementiam, cum omni cautela prævidere, et qualiter in divinæ majestatis præsentia veniam consequamur utiliter prætractare. Sanctorum etenim patrum autoritate docemur, quod hæc activæ mortalitatis vita ad contemplativam celsitudinem sit quoddam assensionis adminiculum; et ideo bona transitoria nobis divinæ largitatis dono conceduntur, ut eterna vereque manentia Deo reddente vicissitudinem, per charitatis officium mercemur. Quapropter ego Engelgerius de Bohun in notitia omnium Christi fidelium, tam præsentium quam futurorum, do in elemosina Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Quadraria, et monachis Deo ibidem servientibus, pro salute animæ meæ et parentum meorum, terram meam de Haseleia quam in Insula de Wict à progenitoribus meis jure hæreditario possideo. Do inquam eandem terram liberam et quietam prædictæ ecclesiæ perpetuo possidendam, sicut ego liberius possedi. Sciant etiam præsentis et absentes quia ab abbate prædicti loci quinquaginta marcas argenti præ donatione accepi, ut si quis hanc donationem violare voluerit jure emticio defendatur in judicio. Qui vero hanc donationem violare præsumpserit eterna maledictione puniatur. Ego Engelgerius hanc donationem hoc signo confirmo ✠. Signum Algari episcopi Constantiensis ✠. Signum Hugonis abbatis Cerasii ✠. Signum Letri abbatis Montisburgi ✠. Signum Theoderici abbatis sancti Landi ✠. Signum Serlonis abbatis de Savegneio ✠. Signum Willielmi de Bosevilla ✠. Signum Bigot ✠. Signum Gervasii de Boservilla ✠. Signum Gaufridi Rufi ✠. Signum Heliae de Aignell ✠. Signum Balduini nepotis episcopi ✠. Signum Roberti Walensis ✠. Signum Stephani de Seon ✠. Signum Roberti de Brehal ✠.

NUM. IV.

Carta Willielmi de Vernun Devonix Comititis.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT omnes, tam præsentis quam futuri, quod ego Willielmus de Vernun, comes Devonix, pro salute animæ meæ, et patris mei comitis Baldewini, et matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum meorum, dedi et concessi Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Quarraria, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, unam parvam insulam quæ est ante piscatoriam meam de Christi ecclesia, et unam parvulam insulam quæ est subtus præfatam piscatoriam. Et novum mesuagium juxta molendinum eorum quod olim fuit vicus communis. Hanc vero donationem prædictis monachis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam ab omni servitio imperpetuum possidendam, præsentis carta confirmavi. Hiis testibus, Willielmo filio Stur, Willielmo Avenel, Roberto filio Brien, Roberto Pincerna, Paulino clerico comitis, Symone de Diva, Willielmo et Waltero filiis Pagani, Willielmo filio Walteri cementario, Willielmo Purchez, Wimundo, et multis aliis.

NUM. V.

Carta Comititis Willielmi de Donatione Terræ de Welee quæ est juxta terram de Scaudet, signata ejus novo sigillo.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ fidelibus, tam præsentibus quam futuris, Willielmus de Vernon comes Devonix et filius comitis Baldewini, salutem. Cognitum sit vobis atque certissimum, quod ego, pro salute regis Henrici et omnium antecessorum suorum et successorum, pro salute animæ meæ, et patris mei comitis Baldewini, et matris meæ Adeliciæ comitissæ, et fratris mei comitis Ricardi, et uxoris meæ Mabilix comitissæ, et omnium antecessorum et parentum meorum, dedi et concessi Deo, et beatæ Mariæ de

^a sc. Mariæ.

Quarrara, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, ducentas acras terræ in manerio meo de Welega; scilicet centum et quatuor acras de vilanagio meo in hiis culturis. In cultura quæ vocatur Cuddehella viginti et quatuor acras. In cultura quæ vocatur Saddehella duodecim acras. In cultura quæ vocatur Adelstaneswelle decem et novem acras et dimidiam. In cultura quæ vocatur Hegfurlang undecim acras et dimidiam. In cultura quæ vocatur Wigaresfurlang quindecim acras et dimidiam. In cultura quæ vocatur Estlida duodecim acras. In cultura quæ vocatur Helpstaneswelle, novem acras et dimidiam. Et de dominico meo quaterviginti et sedecim acras in hiis culturis. In cultura quæ vocatur Levegarestona viginti et quatuor acras. In cultura quæ vocatur Koffland viginti acras. In cultura quæ vocatur Stanhelle viginti et unam acram. In cultura quæ vocatur Butma quindecim acras à parte orientali de Stanhelle novem acras. In cultura quæ vocatur Adelstaneswelle septem acras. Hanc autem totam terram præfatis monachis dedi in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, pratis, aquis, et pasturis, tenendam de me et hæredibus meis liberam, et quietam, et absolutam ab omni terreno servitio, donis, et auxiliis, et consuetudinibus, et exactionibus universis quæ ad me vel hæredes meos pertinerent. Et ut hæc donatio mea rata et inconcussa permaneat, eam præsentis cartæ munimine et sigilli mei impressione confirmavi. His testibus, Mabilia comitissa, Willielmo filio Stur. et Willielmo filio ejus, Rogero de Aula, et Thoma filio ejus, Waltero de Insula tunc temporis ballivo insulæ, et Paulino clerico, qui duo ex parte comitis monachos de prædicta terra saisaverunt, Roberto filio Brien, Willielmo Avenel, Roberto de Sorewelle, Henrico Trenchard, et multis aliis.

NUM. VI.

Bulla Gregorii Papæ pro Abbate et Conventu de Quarraria, an. 12 Hen. III. A. D. 1228.

[Rym. Fæd. tom. i. p. 297, ex orig.]

GREGORIUS episcopus servus servorum Dei, dilecto filio abbati monasterii de Tychefeld, Præmonstratensis ordinis, Wintoniensis diocesis, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Sua nobis dilecti filii abbas et conventus monasterii de Quarraria, Cisterciensis ordinis, Wintoniensis diocesis, petitione monstrarunt, quod nonnulli iniquitatis filii, quos prorsus ignorant, decimas, census, redditus, et alia jura, quæ ipsi monasterio præstare tenentur, necnon possessiones, terras, prata, pascula, et quædam alia bona, ad monasterium ipsum spectantia, occultarunt maliciose, et occultè detinere præsumunt, non curantes ea dictis abbati et conventui exhibere; super quo provideri sibi et eidem monasterio humiliter postularunt. Quocirca discretionis tuæ per apostolica scripta mandamus quatinus omnes hujusmodi occultos detentores decimarum, censuum, et bonorum prædictorum publicè in ecclesiis coram populo, per te vel per alium aut alios moneas ut infra competentem terminum a te præfigendum, eisdem decimas et alia supradicta a se debita manifestent, et plenam ac debitam de hiis satisfactionem impendant; necnon possessiones et alia bona prædicta restituant abbati et conventui memoratis, alioquin extunc in eos, nisi infra alium congruum terminum peremptorium, quem ad hoc præfigas eisdem, tuæ monitioni paruerint in hac parte, generalem excommunicationis sententiam proferas, faciens eam ubi et quando necessarium videtur, usque ad satisfactionem condignam solempniter publicari. Dat. Lateran. 2 id. Febr. pontificatus nostri anno primo.

NUM. VII.

Conventiones inter Monachos de Lyra et de Quarrara.

[Ex autog. in bibl. Hatton.]

NOTUM sit omnibus hoc præsens scriptum visuris, vel auditoris, quod cum inter religiosos viros abbatem et conventum de Lyra actores ex parte una, et abbatem et conventum de Quarrara reos ex altera, super decimis de dominico suo de Arretone, Hasely, Titelingham, Lovecumbe, et Sandecumbe provenientibus, quas dicti religiosi de Lyra asserebant de jure speciali ad se pertinere; ac etiam super decimis de Cosham et circa castellum de Caresbroke, Richerigg, Richeburg infra limites parochiæ de Caresbrok, ad dictos religiosos de Lyra, ad prædictam ecclesiam de Caresbroke de jure communi spectantes, coram diversis iudicibus,

ordinariis, delegatis, et eorum commissariis, lis mota fuisset, tandem omnes lites prædictæ et controversiæ super dictis decimis motæ, communibus amicis intervenientibus de consensu partium per amicabilem compositionem conquieverunt in hunc modum. Videlicet quod renuntiatis prius hinc inde processibus, actis judicialibus, instrumentis, appellationibus, rescriptis, literis, et omnibus aliis in dictis litibus in prædictis habitis, et factis, quæ et quas partes antedictæ voluerunt de cætero vacuas esse et viribus carere.

Volunt et concedunt dicti religiosi de Lyra quod dicti religiosi de Quarrara retineant decimas omnimodas, tam majores, quam minores, undecunque provenientes maneriorum suorum et terrarum de Arretone, Hasely, Titelingham, Lovecumbe, et Sandecumbe, et decimas ad capellam sancti Nicholai in castro de Caresbroke pertinentes, et percipient prout hactenus percipere consueverunt; solvent insuper et se solvituros constituunt dicti religiosi de Quarrara prædictis religiosis de Lyra quadraginta solidos sterlingorum annuos apud Caresbroke in festo Paschali juxta formam compositionis super eisdem inter eos factam ab antiquo, pro omnibus decimis dictorum locorum. De decimis vero maneriorum suorum et terrarum de Richerigg et Richeburg, post ultimum concilium Lateranense adquisitis et sitis infra limites ecclesiæ parochialis de Caresbroke dictis religiosis de Lyra appropriatæ, quas quidem decimas iidem religiosi de Lyra dicebant nomine dictæ ecclesiæ de Caresbroke ad se pertinere debere jure communi, sic est provisum, concessum, et ordinatum, per amicabilem et realem compositionem infra scriptam; videlicet quod dicti religiosi de Quarr. volunt et concedunt nomine suo et ecclesiæ suæ quod præfati religiosi de Lira percipiant de prædictis maneriis de Richerigg et Richeburg omnimodas decimas majores de terris maneriorum prædictorum jam in culturam redactis, necnon de culturis imposterum redigendis et aliis undecunque et qualitercunque inibi provenientes, seu futuris temporibus proventuras, pacificè, integrè, sine diminutione qualibet atque fraude, sicut dicti religiosi de Lira plenius et melius in retroactis temporibus perceperunt. Et dicti religiosi de Lira concedunt nomine suo et ecclesiæ suæ de Caresbroke quod dicti religiosi de Quarrara retineant et habeant, prout etiam hactenus retinere, percipere et habere consueverunt, liberè, pacificè, et integraliter decimas minutas omnimodas de dictis terris, à tempore præsentis compositionis factæ, incultis, et etiam de terris quæ ratione meliorationis incultæ jacebunt, ita quod dictæ ecclesiæ de Carisbroke, occasione ipsius terræ incultæ, nullum damnum generetur, seu compositioni præsentis in aliquo præjudicetur. Unde pro bono pacis compositionis prædictæ de dictis decimis Richerigge et Richeburge in forma superius expressa, et ut a litibus hinc inde discedatur in futurum, dabunt et se daturos constituunt dicti religiosi de Quarrara dictis religiosis de Lyra decem solidos annuos in festo sancti Michaelis in perpetuum percipiendos. In cujus rei testimonium partes antedictæ præsentibus sigilla sua alternatim apposuerunt. Datum et actum anno Domini m.cclxxxix. in festo Gregorii papæ, videlicet quarto idus Mastii.

NUM. VIII.

Donationum Confirmatio per Regem Henricum Secundum.

[Pat. 7 R. II. part. 2, m. 37, per Inspex. Vide etiam Pat. 23 H. VI. part 2, m. 2.]

H. REX Angliæ, et dux Normanniæ et Aquitanniæ et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et in perpetuam elemosinam confirmasse Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ de Quarraria, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus omnes terras et tenuras quæ eis in elemosinam rationabiliter datæ sunt, et quas habuerunt ex dono Baldwini comitis ejusdem ecclesiæ fundatoris, et filii ejusdem, Ricardi comitis. Terram ad ædificandum cœnobium manerium scilicet Arretome sicut in suo dominio habebat, terram de Syeta in Boecumbe, molendinum de Kristeschierche, molendinum de Holeherst cum moltis suis, cum terra et pratis eisdem molendinis pertinentibus, cum operatione hominum eorundem maneriorum ad exclusagium tenendum et reficiendum, ligna in bosco suo ad opus eorundem molendinorum, terram quam Tofti de Holeherst tenuit, scilicet quinque solidatas juxta molendinum de Holeherst cum Bristinno qui eam coluit, et Swien et mansuram quam tenuit juxta molendinum Christeschierche, terram Ausketilli camerarii, terram

Huberti, terram de Tidelingham ex dono Hugonis de Magnavilla, terram de Lonecumbe ex dono Hugonis de Gernon, terram Escaldefluet ex dono comitis Baldwini et filii ejus Ricardi comitis, et Hugonis Gernon, et Garini de Halla, et Brieni de Insula, et Gaufridi filii Jordani, capellam sancti Nicholai de Castello Caresbroc, cum pertinentiis suis in decimis, et terris, et oblationibus, et omnibus rebus. Ex dono Gaufridi filii Jordani molendinum de Escaldefluet. Ex dono comitis Baldwini et filii ejus comitis Ricardi decimam omnium salinarum de Limentona. Ex dono Roberti de Witvilla et filii ejus Hugonis decimam omnium salinarum suarum. Ex dono Pagani Trenchart unum salinam in Hordella. Ex dono Hadewisæ de Chalc unum molendinum cum terra eidem molendino pertinente. Ex dono Oddonis Anglici unam virgatam terræ in manerio de Comptona quam Robertus Luvel tenuit. Ex dono Simonis filii Hugonis de Mannavilla ecclesiam de Hardinctona. Ex dono Hugonis filii Jordani terram in Sorewella. Ex dono Huberti de Vals terram de Forewode, terram de Scaldecunibe cum pertinentiis suis, terram de Hampstede quam Rogerus Pynchon tenuit. In villa Karesbroc duas mansuras quarum unam tenuit Reinaldus Laxman et alteram Bristwine. Ex dono Engelgerii de Bohun terram de Haseleta. Ex dono Baldwini de Porteseia terram de Frundstapla. Ex dono Ceceliæ et filii ejus Willielmi unam virgatam terræ de Huvestane. Ex dono Henrici de Tracy, et Oliveri filii ejus, et Arnulphi Anglici terram de Fareweia. Ex dono matris meæ imperatricis duas caretas equorum in Nova Foresta de juxta Suhantone singulis annis ad Pascha et ad festum sancti Michaelis de mortuo bosco. Quare volo, &c. T. T. Cantuar. archiepiscopo, &c. apud Wintoniam.

NUM. 1X.

Carta Isabellæ de Fortibus Comitissæ de Albemarle.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri quod ego Isabella de Fortibus comitissa de Albemarle et Devonix, ac domina Insulæ, in ligia viduitate mea, pro anima mea, et animabus domini mei Willielmi de Fortibus comitis Albemarlæ, et patris et matris meæ, puerorum meorum, et animabus omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, concessi et hac præsentis carta mea confirmavi Deo, et beatæ Mariæ de Quarrera in Insula Vecta, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, et imperpetuum servituris, totas donationes, concessiones, et confirmationes in terris, tenementis, libertatibus, et omnibus aliis ad ipsas terras, tenementa, et libertates pertinentibus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, quæ vel quas antecessores mei per cartas suas eisdem monachis dederunt et confirmaverunt absque ullo retinemento mei hæredum vel assignatorum meorum imperpetuum. Concedo verò et hac præsentis carta mea confirmo, pro me, et hæredibus meis, et assignatis, imperpetuum, abbati et monachis prædictis totum tenementum et manerium cum pertinentiis de Arretone, et terram et tenementum de Scece quæ quondam pertinebant ad manerium eorum de Lonecumbe; et duo molendina, scilicet de Christi-ecclesia et de Holhurst cum moltis et sectis suis, cum terra, tenemento pratis eisdem molendinis pertinentibus, et opera hominum et hæredum sive assignatorum de Christi-ecclesia et de Holhurst ad exclusagium dictorum molendinorum tenendum et reficiendum quotiens necesse fuerit, et ligna apta de bosco meo in Holhurst ad prædicta molendina sufficienter emendanda, sustinenda et reficienda; et totam terram et tenementum de Holherst cum pertinentiis suis juxta molendinum de Holhurst; et decimam omnium salinarum mearum de Lementone prout hæc mea et cartæ antecessorum meorum plenius proportant. Concedo etiam et confirmo prædictis monachis donum et confirmationem Hugonis de Magnavilla de terra et tenementis cum pertinentiis de Lonecumbe, et molendinum de Scardeflet juxta Wodintone cum pertinentiis suis quod Willielmus Galfridi filius ipsis monachis dederat. Concedo etiam et confirmo eisdem monachis pro me et hæredibus meis et assignatis imperpetuum totam terram et tenementum cum pertinentiis de Forwode et terram de Scandeflet cum omnibus pertinentiis, et donum terræ et tenementi cum pertinentiis de Rowebere, et donum terræ et tenementi de Sneye cum molendinis moltis et sectis suis, et donum terræ et tenementi cum pertinentiis de Hamstede, et donum terræ et tenementi

de Haseleye, et donum terræ cum tenemento et pertinentiis de Jerd, et donum de Bikeberye cum pertinentiis suis. Do etiam concedo et confirmo pro me et hæredibus meis et assignatis prædictis monachis omnes elemosinas quæ in terris, tenementis libertatibus et omnibus aliis prædictæ ecclesiæ, et monachis datæ fuerunt, vel in futurum de feudo meo quocunque modo daturæ sunt vel vendituræ, et liberum habcant ingressum per totas terras meas, et tencimenta mea, terras libertates tenementa et omnia alia ut sibi viderint expedire, emendi, vel ex dono recipiendi absque ullo impedimento aut contradictione mei vel hæredum seu assignatorum meorum. Do insuper et concedo et præsentis carta mea confirmo prædictis ecclesiæ et monachis in perpetuum pro me et hæredibus sive assignatis meis, has libertates subscriptas habendas et tenendas imperpetuum; videlicet quod nullus de hominibus dictorum monachorum, nec ipsi nec tenentes ipsorum, vel aliquis de feudo ipsorum sectam aliquam ad curiam meam vel hundredum meum, vel ad curiam sive ad hundredum hæredum meorum sive assignatorum meorum de cætero faciant, nec toltam dent, nec aliquam distractionem faciant, nec dampnum vel gravamen per me vel per ballivos meos sive hæredum vel assignatorum meorum habeant nisi indictati vel retenti fuerent de aliqua criminali causa, veluti de latrocinio homicidio et aliis quæ ultimo puniuntur supplicio. Et si contigerit gentes dictorum monachorum vel eorum tenentes aliquod forisfactum facere excluso facto criminali prædicto, justicia sit mea, amerciamantum emendatio cum catallis eorum sint ipsorum monachorum imperpetuum, absque ullo impedimento mei hæredum vel assignatorum meorum. Has verò omnes libertates cum terris et libertatibus præscriptis cum donationibus et confirmationibus antecessorum meorum et eorum pertinentiis omnibus dedi, concessi, et hac præsentis carta mea confirmavi pro me et hæredibus meis sive assignatis, Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Quarrera, habendas et tenendas in puram et perpetuam elemosinam liberè, quietè, bene et in pace sicut liberiùs vel meliùs ego vel aliqui antecessorum meorum prædicta tenementa et libertates et ad ea pertinentia habuimus et tenuimus in terra, in mari vel in litore maris, quiete ab omni exactione, et omnibus auxiliis tallagiis donis querelis et omnibus aliis demandis, &c. Hiis testibus, dominis Th. de Aula, Th. de Emery, Willielmo de Scurs, Willielmo de sancto Martino, Ricardo de Astone, Jordano de Kyngestone, Jacobo de Hantone militibus, Johanne de Insula, &c.

NUM. X.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

Dioc' Winton'.

Decanat' Insulæ Vectæ.

ABBACIA QUARRE.

Ordinis Cistercien' exempt'.

WILLMUS RIPPON modo Abbas.

VALET in firma terr' unacum aliis redditibus tam spualibz q' temporalibz prout patet per quoddam quaternum manibus commissariorum dñi reg' signat' 184l. 1s. 10d.

Repris'.

In elemosinis feodis et aliis resolutis ut patet per dictum Quaternum 49l. 17s. 11d.

Et valet ultra . . . 134l. 3s. 11d.

Decima inde . . 13l. 8s. 4d. ob' q'

NUM. XI.

[Extracts from a Paper Survey, temp. Hen. VIII. in the Augmentation Office.]

The Abbey of QUARRE of the Kyngd Fundaçon in the Ile of Wight, in the Dioc' of Wynchestre and of the Order of Cistercien.

The demaynes and the valewe of the same, w^t. the yerlie rent and revenyouse apptenyng and bclongyng to the

monastery of Quare in tle Ile of Wyght, takon be the Right Worshipfull Syr James Wurseley, Knyght, and Capiten Master William Howles, and Mast. John Wyntresyll, coñmissioners in that behalf, for the taxaçon and yerlie extent or valewe of eÿy bñfice w'yn the Ile of Wyght, and for the taxaçon of the monastery of Quarre, in man. and forme here aft. dothe appere and folowe. The yerly re-venyouse whereof of all naturs accomptyd amontethe to the sñm of . . . 187*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.*—181*l.* 15*s.* 2*d.*

That is to say,

	£.	s.	d.
Farmes of olde tyme usid to be demaynes of the monastery	51	6	8
The lordshipe of Aderton and in pische to the same	22	16	0
Farmes, tenement ^e and land ^e in dyÿse plac ^e w'yn the Ile of Wyght	38	16	4
Tenementt ^e at Newport and pyche to Carisbroke	5	0	4
Pfetts of the churche of Aderton, and other tethes in certen plac ^e w'yn the Ile	13	15	10
C'stchurche, Lemyngton, Swey, Suthwyke and Charke in Hampshire	34	5	8
The lordshipe of Forwod and Farwey in Devonshire, in the pishe of Colyngton and Suthley	21	10	4
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Sñm to' of all and singler the pmiss ^e above wryten	181	15	2
Whereof is to be req'rid,			
Allowanc ^e for fees, p ^x es, and other yerlye payment ^e yssewing owte of the Lond ^e w'yn the Ile, as pcelly dothe appere	47	2	4
Allowanc ^e for Swey, Cristechurche, Lemyngton	2	1	0
Allowanc ^e for fces and yerelic paymēt ^e yssewyng owte of the lordshipe of Forwod and Farwey in Devonshire	5	0	11
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Sñm to' allocacōis p̄dict'	54	3	11
Et sic rest' clare	133	7	3
Inde decim'	13	6	8

The name of the abbot is William Ripen, who hathe no certen porcion allowed unto hym, but is ehargid w^t. the hole maynteānce and goñnance of the monastery lieke a feythcfull administrato^r to mynyster, pvide and ordaūne eÿy thyng visit and honestly aceordyng to the religion, and the rest to kepe after his discrecōn to the use of that monastery.

The p̄sident or supp'ors name is Dan. Richard Curlewe, who hathe nothyng apoyntyd unto hym but as the covent hathe, but onelye for his tender obedienee his abbott^e rewarde.

The second p̄sident name is Dan. Richard Wodhill, and he dothe šve the pore churche of Bensted, and he hathe by the yerc 4 markes.

The monke of the bakhous name is, Dan. Rob. Sinythe,

who hathe nothyng but as other the covent have, save for his deligens and obediens his abbott^e rewarde.

And eÿy other religous man ther beyng p̄st be the yere in redy money 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

NUM. XII.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS *temp.* HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

QUARRE MONASTERIUM, SIVE ABBATIA.

	£.	s.	d.
Quarre—Reddit' assist'	0	2	6
Quarre—Reddit' custum'	6	8	6
Quarre—Manerium de Newenham, cum situ abbatiae	11	19	4
Arreton—Reddit' custum'	12	1	8
Arreton—Firma manerii cum x ^{mis}	12	16	8
Staplehurst—Firma manerii sive grangiae	3	0	0
Shute in Brixston—Firma grangiae	4	0	0
Compton—Firma pasturæ sive grangiae	1	6	8
Arreton—Perquis' cur'	0	7	5
Arreton—Firma decimarum cum portionibus decimarum	15	13	4
Haseley—Firma grangiae cum x ^{mis}	13	6	8
Shaldcombe—Firma manerii, &c.	8	0	0
Lovecombe in parochia Sancti Bonifacii—Firma mes' sive grangiae	6	0	0 et 12 quarter' frumenti
Hampstede—Firma grangiae	3	0	0
Caresbroke—Firma rector'	5	9	2
Newporte—Reddit' assis'	0	1	0
Newporte—Reddit' custum'	1	14	4
Newporte—Firma terr' et tenementorum	4	10	10
Whippingham—Reddit' assis'	0	15	4
Cleybrokes in Whippingham—Firma messuagii	2	2	8
Roughbarowe—Firma grangiae	3	3	4
Comley—Firma manerii	16	13	4
Comley—Reddit' custum'	2	0	0
Newchurch—Firma cap' mesuag' vocat' Yerde Place	4	13	4
Bydeborough—Firma mesuagii sive grangiae	2	6	8
Southwike—Unum tenementum	1	0	0
Portsmouth—Reddit' assis' unius cellarii	0	0	4
Charke in parochia de Rowner—Firma grangiae	12	2	8
Christ Church Twinham—Feodi firma molendinorum	19	0	0
Swey—Reddit' custum'	3	15	8
Milleford—Reddit' eustum'	0	10	0
Lymyngton—Deeim' salis'	1	6	8
Christ Church Twynham—Reddit' custum'	0	0	8
Forewod cum Forewey—Reddit' assis' un' lib' cerae	23	9	10
Forewod cum Forewey—Diversæ firmæ	0	2	5
Forewod cum Forewey—Perquis' cur'	0	2	5

Abbey of Combermere, in Cheshire.



OMBERMERE Abbey, situated in the parish of Dodcote cum Wilkesley, was founded by Hugh de Maubanc,^a son of the Norman grantee of the barony of Wich Malbank. Tanner dates its foundation in 1133,^b and the Annals of Crokesden and Parcolude in 1134;^c but Mr. Ormerod places it earlier, observing that the confirmation charter of Randle Gernons, earl of Chester, is

dated in 1130.

The original donations of the founder consisted of adjacent demesne lands, the manor of Wilkesley, free pasture in the moors and woods near Wich Malbank, the fourth part of that town, and Acton and Sandon churches, with their dependent chapels, beside certain privileges.* These were confirmed by William de Maubanc in a charter which added other privileges, and the donation of lands in Dycheley, and the mill of Checkley.^f

Next after these, in point of consequence, is the confirmation already mentioned of Randle Gernons, who ratified the donations and privileges granted to the monks by their founder and his son, adding an acquittance from toll for the monks, their successors, and their tenants, through the city and county of Chester, with similar acquittance from puture, suit to shires and hundreds, murage, pavage, passage, pontage, scutage, and works in parks or castles, and all kinds of liberties and exemptions whatsoever. He granted further to the monks and their successors an exemption from pleading before any one besides the earl or his chief-justice, and a prohibition of his escheator entering their manor of Wivelscle, or other lands of the same, or making distress therein, without a special warrant from the earl or his chief-justice, and being in that case accompanied by the bailiff of the monks, under a forfeiture of ten pounds.^g

Various other charters of gifts and confirmation will be found in the Appendix.^h Others will be referred to presently.

ABBATS of COMBERMERE.

WILLIAM, the first abbat, was surviving at the foundation of the abbey of Pelton, in Cheshire, in 1153, being made trustee of the lands given by Robert Pincerna for that purpose, and witnessing his donation charter along with Gemmanus, a monk of his convent. Pelton, says Mr. Ormerod, appears, in consequence, to have been peopled with monks from Combermere; and the new foundation of Dieulacres, in Staffordshire, to which the abbacy of Pelton was removed, was hence subsequently reputed a filial dependency of Combermere, as was also the abbey of Hilton in the same county, and that of Stanlaw, in Cheshire, afterwards removed to Whalley, in Lancashire.ⁱ

ROBERT was abbat in the time of John Scot, earl of Chester, and Walter abbat of St. Werburgh in that city.^k

^a "Will. de Malbedeng." Camden, Speed.

^b Notit. Monast. Chesh. viii.

^c See Lel. Collect. tom. iii. p. 73, Lib. Stanlaw.

^d See the charter in the Append. to the present Account, Num. VI.

^e See Num. I.

^f Ormerod, Hist. Chesh. vol. iii. p. 209. See the charter itself, ibid. p. 215, note.

^g Num. VI.

^h Num. VII. to XI.

ⁱ Ormerod, Hist. Chesh. vol. iii. p. 209.

^k Ibid. from Harl. MS. 280, fol. 78 b.

^m MS. Cole, Brit. Mus. vol. xl. p. 86.

ⁿ Ducarel's Excerpts from the Registers of the see of Cant. vol. i. p. 103.

^o Ormerod, ut supr. from Harl. MS. 1967, fol. 94.

^p Ibid.

^q Whitaker's Hist. of Whalley, edit. 1818, p. 131.

^r Ormerod, ut supr. p. 210.

^s Ibid. from Whitaker's Hist. Whalley.

^t Ibid.

G. occurs abbat in 1241.¹

ROBERT and SIMON occur as abbats in the time of Clementia de Filgeriis, widow of Ralph earl of Chester.^m The latter was probably the same with SIMON LE NEVE, who occurs in the time of Archbishop Pecheham, about 1284.ⁿ

ADAM occurs in a deed respecting lands in Nantwich in 1296,^o and again in another instrument somewhat earlier.^p

WILLIAM DE LEE, as abbat of Combermere, attended the dedication of the abbey of Whalley in 1306.^q

RICHARD DE RODIERD, or RODIHERD, is believed to have been the next abbat. He died in 1316, and was buried at Whalley.^r

H. is the initial of another abbat who occurs.^s

WILLIAM occurs in 1335.^t

ROBERT occurs in the 5th Ric. II. A. D. 1382, in a charter from Henry Brayne.^u

THOMAS LYMMOR occurs in the 2d Hen. IV. A. D. 1401.^x

ROGER occurs in 1453, and again in 1461, in minutes of leases.

JOHN, in 1464 and 1468.

ROBERT, from 1468 to 1483. Another

JOHN in 1498, and again in 1500.

ROGER, 1504.

JOHN, in 1516. And

CHRISTOPHER, in 1519, and again in 1525.^y

JOHN MASSY was abbat in 1535. He surrendered his monastery to the king July 27th, 30 Hen. VIII. and retired upon a pension, which continued to be paid to him in 1556.^z

The following are the entries relating to the abbey of Combermere in Pope Nicholas's Taxation.

Spiritual.

Dioc. Coventr. Archid. Staff. In ecclesia de Draycote 3s.

Ecclesia de Astanesfeld appropriata 13l. 6s. 8d.

In ecclesia de Ichefeld 2s.

Temporal.

Abbas de Cumbermere habet apud Herlede, in decanat. Stafford. quatuor caruc. terr. et valet car. per annum 15s.

Et habet profic. stauri per annum 2l. 13s. 8d.

Item habet apud Bromhale in eodem dec. duas car. terr. et valet car. per annum 10s.

Et habet ibidem de profic. stauri per annum 1l. 10s.

Item habet apud Tateham in decanat. de Alveton unam caruc. terr. et valet per annum 12s.

Et habet in prædictis maneriis de redd. assis 1l. 6s. 8d.

Et habet ibidem de proficuis stauri 1l.

Archid. Cestr. Abbas de Cumbermere habet apud Wynelestr. in dec. de Wyco Mauban. sexdecim caruc. terr. et val. caruc. per annum 10s.

Et habet ibidem de redd. assis. cum prato et pastur. per annum 5l.

¹ Ibid. from Harl. MS. 2074, fol. 232.

^m Ormerod, from Vernon's Somerford Collections, ix. 94.

ⁿ Ibid. ut supr. p. 210.

^z The following was the return of Pensions still payable in that year, 2 and 3 Phil. and Mar.:

"CUMBERMERE nuper Mon. Feod. Francisci comitis Salopiæ, capitalis senescalli omnium possessionum dicto nuper monasterio pertinentium per ann. iiij^{li}. Annuat. et Corrod. Thomæ Bickerton per ann. xij^s iiij^d. Ricardi Wilbram per ann. xl^s. Petri Orphe per ann. xx^s. Percivalli Creswell per ann. liij^s. iiij^d. Ricardi Manwaringe per ann. xl^s. Johannis Manwaringe per ann. xij^s. iv^d. Roberti Nedeame per ann. xl^s. Thomæ Okenthorpe per ann. xxvj^s. viij^d. Ricardi Hassall per ann. xx^s. Caroli Sandforthe per ann. xl^s. Philippi Houlse per ann. xxvj^s. viij^d. Galfridi et Isabellæ Ridiall per ann. iiij^{li}. Aliciæ Massey per ann. xl^s. Penc. Johannis Massey per ann. nuper abbatis ibidem l^{li}. Edmundi Dugdale per ann. iiij^{li}. Johannis Oliver per ann. c^s. Johannis Cockesey per ann. c^s. Gilberti Grene per Johannem Deane assignati per ann. c^s. Thomæ Lee per ann. c^s. Thomæ Eaton per ann. lxxvj^s. viij^d. Ranulphi Smythe per ann. c^s. Humfridi Lightefote per ann. c^s.

Item habet apud Badyleye duas caruc. terr. et valet caruc. per annum 10s.
Et habet de redd. assis. in Wyco Mauban. per annum 5*l*.
Item habet apud Wynkehull in dec. de Maclesfild duas caruc. terr. et val. car. per annum 10s.
Et habet ibidem de profic. stauri per annum 2*l*.
In Archid. Salop. Abbas de Combermere habet in villa de Drayton, in dec. Novi Burgi, de redd. 10*l*.
Et habet de redd. molendinorum apud Longeforde et Hull 3*l*.
Et habet apud Clivam duas carucat. terr. et valet caruc. per annum 10s.
Et habet ibidem et alibi per arch. de profic. stauri per annum 10*l*.
Et habet apud Chesthull et Borwhull quinque caruc. terr. et val. caruc. per annum 10s.
Et habet ibidem unum molendinum quod val. per annum 2*l*.
Et habet apud Doddecote duas caruc. terr. et val. caruc. per annum 10s.
In Archid. Derby. Abbas de Combermere habet apud Neuton, in dec. de Esseburne, quatuor caruc. terr. et val. car. per annum 12s.
Et habet ibidem unam bercariam quæ vocatur le Cotes cum quatuor acr. terr. et val. per annum 1*s*. 8*d*.
Et habet ibidem de redd. et aliis pertin. 10*l*.
Et habet ibidem de profic. stauri per annum 19*l*. 10s.^a

In the 26th of Henry the Eighth the gross income of this monastery was valued at 258*l*. 6*s*. 6*d*.; the net receipts at 225*l*. 9*s*. 7*d*.^b In the Ministers' Accompts, in the 32d of Henry the Eighth, the value was computed at 275*l*. 17*s*. 11½*d*.^c

In the 31st and 32d, and again in the 34th Hen. VIII. the site of this monastery was granted to George Cotton, Esq. and Mary his wife. The abstracts of the Originalia relating to the two first grants will be found in a note below.^d Mr. Ormerod, speaking of the last, says that the site included the church, bell-tower, lake of Combermere, and cemetery; and that in the grant the following lands were likewise comprised, viz. Dodcote, in the parish of Chilesarcoll, in com. Salop.; Cliffe, in Drayton; Hales, in the same county; Erdly Grange, in Staffordshire; Wincell Grange, co. Chester; Newton Grange, in Ashburne; and Cotes Grange, or Cote Field, in Hartinton, in Derbyshire: the value of the whole amounting to 64*l*. 18*s*. 7*d*.; to be held by them and their heirs male from the crown by the service of the tenth part of a knight's fee, and the payment of 19*l*. 6*s*. 7*d*. to the Court of Augmentation of the King's Revenue.^e
The descendants of George Cotton, Esq. afterwards Sir George Cotton, are still the owners of the site. It at present belongs to Sir Stapleton Cotton, of Combermere, Bart. created Lord Combermere in 1814.^f

Tanner, in his Notitia Monastica, referring to materials relating to the history of this house, says, "*Vide* cartas originales, rentalia, computos, &c. ad hanc abbatiam spectantia, penes dom. Rob. Sal. Cotton de Cumbermere bar."

^a Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 242 b, 243, 245, 252 b, 258, 261, 263.
^b See the Append. Num. XII.
^c viz.

Cumbermere.	£.	s.	d.
Firm. terr. d'nicaliu.	64	18	7
Ulverton, Longforde.			
Redd. assis.	0	3	10
Wrenberye. Man'iu. de Drayton, Salop.			
Firm. terr.	32	18	1
Firm. rectoriar.	69	15	0
Penc'ones	0	7	0
Nantwyche.			
Redd. assis.	0	10	10½
Firm. terr.	15	3	4
Firm. mol'i	0	3	4
Exit. casual. in vendic. bosci		null.	
P'quis. cur.		null.	
Wylkesley.			
Firm. tocius nan'ii	91	17	11
	275	17	11½

These are probably still existing among the muniments of Lord Combermere.
The following charters, referred to as formerly in the possession of Peter Le Neve, Norroy, are now preserved among the Harleian manuscripts in the British Museum, Num. 3868: viz. 1. Carta Willielmi Maubanc confirmans donationes ecclesiarum, libertatum, &c. per Hugonem patrem, fundatorem, p. 12. 2. Carta Ricardi episc. Coventr. de appropriandis eccl. de Actona, de Namptowich, de Sondona, et Alstonesfeld, p. 13. 3. Carta confirmans earundem ecclesiarum donationem per priorem et conventum Coventr. p. 14. 4. Bulla P. Alex. confirmans eccl. de Acton, cum capellis Alstaneston et Sandon.

Then follow Tanner's references to public records:
"Claus. 4 Hen. III. m. 8. Cart. 30 Hen. III. m. 11 vel 12, pro merc. et feria apud Drayton, co. Salop. Cart. 37 Hen. III. m. 11 qu.
"Assis. in com. Derby. 8 Edw. I. rot. 7, pro terris et pratis in Hartington. Pat. 11 Edw. I. m. 9. Cart. 14 Edw. I. n. 28 vel 29 d, pro clauso voc. Ruenilde Ruddings, ex concess. episc. Bath. et Well. Pat. 23 Edw. I. m. .
"Claus. 17 Edw. II. m. 27, de maner. de Erlynde, co. Staff.
"Cart. 4 Edw. III. n. 4, plures donationes in rot. quam in monast. evulgatas. Pat. 9 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 34, pro eccl. de Ercalwe approprianda. Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 2. Rec. in Scacc. 49 Edw. III. Pasch. rot. 4.^g
"Cart. 1 Hen. IV. p. 2, n. 4.
"Pat. 6 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 12 vel 13. Pat. 7 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. . Rec. in Scacc. 33 Hen. VI. Mich. rot. 26.
"Pat. 18 Edw. IV. m. 33 vel 34."

The Lansdowne MS. 305, p. 37, supplies the following reference:
"Pat. 6 Hen. VI. m. 14, perampla confirmatio maneriorum, terrarum, ac libertatum pro abbate de Cumbermere, in qua sunt limites manerii de Chesthull, ac de xvj., xxx., et l. chart. Hen. III. Quæ quidem abbatia fundata fuit per Hugonem Malbank: *vide* j. chart. Hen. IV."
The Harleian manuscript 1967 contains various ancient rentals of the Nantwich estates of this abbey, and other particulars of like nature.
See also Abbrev. Plac. pp. 132, 307, 308, and the Plac. de Quo Waranto, pp. 675, 683.
Mr. Ormerod, in his Hist. of Cheshire, has given a wood-cut of a mutilated impression from the SEAL of Combermere abbey appended to the Surrender, still remaining in the Augmentation Office. It is of a small size, round, and indistinct, as there given; but, on referring to the impression on red wax, the subject appears to be an abbat with his crozier, having on each side of him three heads couped at the neck, together with two fleurs de lis, one on each side, and over the sinister one a mullet pierced. The legend is, SIG . CO'E . S . MAR . DE . COMB'EMERE.

The ARMS of the abbey, given in the initial letter to the present Account, were those of the founder, Hugh de Malbanc, (quarterly, *Or* and *Gules*, a bendlet *Sa*.) debruised by a crozier in pale *Or*, the head turned sinister-ways.

^a Orig. 31 Hen. VIII. p. 1. Cestr. Derby. Salop. "Rex xxiiij^{to}. die Augusti concessit Georgio Cotton et Mariæ ux. ejus scitum monasterii de Combermere in com. Cestr. necnon omnia mesuagia, &c. in Wrenbury, Awdelem, et Presbury, in dicto com. Cestr. necnon manerium de Wylkesley in dicto com. Cestr. ac terr. &c. in Chyles Arkoll, et Drayton in Hales, in com. Salop. ac terr. &c. in Stafford, necnon terr. &c. in Assheborne et Hartonton in com. Derby. habend. eis et hæredibus masculis de corpore suo legitime procreatis." ro cxij^{mo}.
^b Orig. 32 Hen. VIII. p. 2. Cestr. "Rex tertio die Febr. concessit Georgio Cotton et Mariæ ux. ejus domum et scitum nupcr monasterii de Combermere et al. habend. eis et hæredibus ipsius Georgii imperpetuum." ro lxxiiij.
^c Ormerod, ut supr. p. 210.
^d Ibid.
^e In the Lord Treasurer's Remembr. Office. "Cumbermere. De carta abbatis de Cumbermere de libertatibus in com. Salop. et Cestr." Pasch. Rec. 49 Edw. III. rot. 4.

The situation of this abbey was in one of the most romantic spots which the Cheshire domains of its founder could offer, on the banks of a natural lake.

After the Dissolution, a part of the conventual build-

ings are said to have been perceived in the mansion which the Cottons erected here; among which was the refectory, supposed to exist in the present library, and which was probably approached by a large flight of external steps, as at Vale Royal and Norton.^a

Cartae ad Cumbermerense Coenobium, in agro Cestrensi (fundatum Anno Mxxxiiij)^b spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Foundationis.

[Ab exemplari quodam in Biblioth. Cottoniana, Faustina B. viii.]

IN nomine sanctæ et individuae Trinitatis, Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti, ego Hugo Malbanc ex una parte Domini applaudens promissionem qua dicit electis suis, 'Quod uni ex minimis meis fecistis mihi fecistis, intrate in regnum cœlorum vobis à mundi primordio paratum:' ex altera ejusdem expavescens comminationem qua reprobis dicit, 'Quod uni ex minimis meis non fecistis nec mihi fecistis, propterea discedite à me maledicti in ignem æternum.' Propterea revolvens in mente mea frequenter illud Domini præceptum in quo dicit, 'Facite vobis amicos de mamona iniquitatis, ut et ipsi vos recipiant in æterna tabernacula. Hæc alia verba Domini Salvatoris sæpius in animo meo pertractans, mutabilitatem rerum temporalium, miseriam, atque brevitatem vitæ humanæ considerans, disposui in corde meo firmiter pro cœlestibus bonis mutare seu cambire terrestria atque caduca, pro veris umbracula, et hominibus illis, qui propter Dei amorem omnia mundana et vanitates hujus seculi contempserunt, et propter æternæ vitæ desiderium divino servicio seipsos totaliter mancipaverunt, hanc donationem facere decrevi. In principio igitur conditori meo maximo bonæ voluntatis affectu, et ex consilio et assensu domini mei Ranulfi comitis Cestrensis, et domini Rogeri Cestrensis episcopi viri sanctissimi, et Willielmi filii mei et hæredis, do et concedo pro salute et incolumitate mea, et Petronillæ uxoris meæ et liberorum meorum, et omnium amicorum meorum et omnino pro redemptione animarum nostrarum; do inquam humiliter et devotè Domino Deo nostro omnipotenti locum et situm qui vocatur Cumbermere, ad fundandum et construendum quandam abbatiam monachorum secundum regulam sancti Benedicti in honore beatissimæ et gloriosissimæ Virginis Mariæ, et genetricis ipsius Dei et Domini nostri Jesu Christi, et sancti Michaelis archangeli, et boscum, et planum, et aquas, et aquarum cursus, et piscarias, et prata, et pascua, cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis et cum omnibus aliis commoditatibus et rebus quæ ibi sunt vel quæ ibi fieri poterint tam subtus terram quam super imperpetuum, infra has divisas videlicet ab exitu de Haremos qui est inter Marburiam, et Bromkelawann, et sic sequendo et descendendo per rivulum usque ad boscum de Ruhale, et medietatem dicti bosci, et sic ascendendo de dicto rivulo per orientem bosci versus aquam de Cumbermere usque ad verticem montis, et sic sequendo verticem montis per medium bosci de Ruhale versus austrum usque ad inferiorem partem dicti montis, et sic à dicta inferiore parte dicti montis directè ex transverso usque ad quandam sichetum versus austrum juxta inferius caput de le Nonepolle; et inde usque ad inferius caput cujusdam terræ quæ vocatur Sycheleya, et sic usque ad quandam viam quæ ducit versus villam de Wyke, et sic sequendo dictam viam versus occidentem directè usque ad boscum qui vocatur Greenefordeley, et sic sequendo semper Grenefordeley et dimittendo dictum boscum à manu sinistra, usque ad bundas et divisas inter terram Willielmi de Warrenna et terram meam, et semper sequendo dictas bundas et divisas usque ad antedictum exitum de le Haremos.

Do etiam dictæ abbatiae et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus manerium meum de Winkasle, et villam de Ruhall et Lodmore, et illam terram adjacentem quæ vocatur Bur-

ley, et villam de Dodecott cum bosco dictæ villæ, et molendinum de Chelley cum toto stagno et piscaria qualitercunque ex utraque parte, et centum pedes ultra stagnum terræ meæ de Cheuhall, ad reparandum stagnum prædictum, et molendinum, quotiescunque et quandocunque viderint expediri, sine calumpnia vel contradictione mea vel hæredum meorum seu assignatorum meorum quorumcunque; et etiam boscum qui vocatur Brendewood, et boscum qui vocatur Lightbirchwood, et boscum qui vocatur Buterlhey integraliter, cum omnibus pertinentiis et commoditatibus suis, ut in boscis et vastis, planis, in viis, semitis, in aquis, in aquarum cursibus, et in piscariis, in pratis, in pasturis, in mariscis, in moris, et in omnibus aliis rebus quæ ibi sunt vel quæ ibi poterunt fieri tam subtus terram quam supra imperpetuum infra has divisas; videlicet ab illo loco ubi rivulus de Burleya descendit in quam de Weever, et sic sequendo dictum rivulum ascendendo usque ad illam terram quæ vocatur Burleya; et sic sequendo semper divisas inter Burleyam et boscum qui vocatur Greenefordesley usque ad boscum qui vocatur Esshewood, et inde sequendo semper borealem partem bosci usque ad le Trepewood. Et sic sequendo quandam sichetum qui currit inter boscum de Dodecote et antedictum boscum de Trepewode usque ad boscum qui vocatur Morehey, et inde usque ad le Spartishie, et inde usque ad bundas et divisas de Schavinton, et sequendo sic quandam sichetum usque ad quandam aquam quæ vocatur Doulebrooke usque ad illum locum ubi cadit in aquam de Weever, et ascendendo per aquam de Weever usque ad molendinum de Checkley; et sic semper ascendendo et sequendo dictam aquam de Weever usque ad illum locum ubi antedictus rivulus de Burleya cadit in dictam aquam de Weever. Omnes verò istas bundas et divisas tam supra dicto loco de Cumbermere quam de dicto manerio de Wynclesle, ego Hugo Maubanc cum Petronilla uxore mea, et Willielmo filio meo cum pluribus aliis hominibus perambulavi, et circumivi et dictæ abbatiae de Cumbermere et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus et eorum successoribus omnia infra supradictas bundas et divisas existentia cum omnibus suis pertinentiis liberè dedi sine retenemento alicujus rei temporalis mihi vel hæredibus meis seu assignatis imperpetuum. Et faciant de bosco et de plano ubique quicquid voluerint; videlicet ad includendum, et assartandum, et assidendum quandocunque eis placuerit. Do etiam eisdem monachis communem pasturam ad omnimoda animalia sua in omnibus boscis et pasturis meis Cestrescire, et quod poterint capere boscum ad ardendum, et maeremium ad edificandum tam extra abbatiam illam, quam infra pro voluntate ipsorum in omnibus boscis ita liberè sicut usibus meis propriis excepta foresta mea de Couhull. Et etiam concedo eisdem monachis quartam partem villæ de Wyco, et decimam salis mei, et salinarum mearum et aliorum quorumcunque existentium, et denariorum meorum et salem beatæ Mariæ Virginis, et salem in die Veneris, et salem ad mensam abbatis, ita liberè sicut ego habeo ad mensam meam. Et habeant curiam suam in seperali à burgensibus suis, seu de tenentibus suis, et assisam panis et cervisiæ et omnimodam mensuram, et theloneum, et blodwit, et amerciamenta et omnimoda emenda de omnimodis transgressionibus de omnibus tenentibus vel hominibus eorum, ita liberè sicut ego habui usibus meis propriis: similiter concedo eisdem monachis et omnibus burgensibus seu tenentibus dictæ villæ communem pasturam in omnibus boscis et pasturis, pratis

^a Compare Ormerod, ut supr. p. 211.

^b Annales de Croksden in Bibl. Cotton.

et moris, mariscis, brueriis, et campis dictæ villæ pertinentibus, et per totum Ravenesmore, et boscum de Creche, sine impedimento alicujus. Et si contingat quod aliquis de burgensibus tenentibus vel hominibus eorum implacitetur in curia mea de aliqua transgressione, volo et concedo pro me et hæredibus meis vel meis assignatis quod prædicti monachi mei habeant amerciamenta, et emendas sine contradictione vel impedimento mei vel hæredum seu assignatorum meorum quorumcunque. Do etiam eisdem monachis unam carucatam terræ in villa de Acton cum ecclesia ejusdem villæ, et capellam de Wyche-Malbanc cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et unam carucatam terræ in Sandon et medietatem villæ de Alstanesfeld cum ecclesia ibidem, et ecclesiam de Sandon et communem pasturam cum omnibus averiis meis in foresta mea de Sandon. Concedo etiam eisdem monachis, et eorum successoribus liberum chiminum per omnes terras meas ubique, cum libero introitu et exitu ad capiendum omnia necessaria sua quendocunque et quotiescunque voluerint. Et habeant omnia et singula supradicta in liberam, et puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, ita liberè, et absolute ab omni seculari exactione et terreno servicio sicut aliqua elemosina liberiùs et quietiùs habere potest, et nihil vindicare vel exigere poterimus imperpetuum nisi beneficia spiritualia et orationum suffragia tantum. Propterea, ex bona voluntate mea, concedo liberaliter quod dominus meus Ranulfus comes Cestrensis sit principalis fundator et defensor dictæ ecclesiæ et monachorum ibidem Deo servientium, et hæredes ipsius post ipsum sint participes omnium bonorum quæ ibi fient in æternum. Testes hujus ordinationis et concessionis sunt ipse dominus meus Ranulfus comes Cestrensis, Rogerus episcopus Cestrensis, Adelia mater mea, Petronilla uxor mea, et Willielmus filius meus, Willielmus abbas Cestrensis, Robertus et Odo capellani, Willielmus filius Radulfi, et Archebaldus et multi alii qui audierunt et viderunt. Et ego Rogerus episcopus Cestrensis ad piam supplicationem domini Hugonis de Maubanc, et aliorum nobilium, ad perpetuam rei memoriam, et ut præsens donatio et concessio robor obtineat imperpetuum, in præsentia Ranulfi comitis Cestrensis et aliorum nobilium apud Cestriam sigillum episcopatus apponi fecimus. Et ideo si quis elemosinam istam, donationem et concessionem in aliquo violaverit vel diminuerit, aut scienter impenderit, maledictionem Dei et beatæ Virginis, et sancti Michaelis archangeli quibus hæc omnia specialiter donantur et meam finaliter incurrat, nisi ad emendationem congruam venerit. Fiat, Fiat. Amen.

NUM. II.

Donationem Confirmatio per Regem Henricum tertium.

[Cart. 4 E III. n. 4, per Inspex.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, dux Normanniæ et Aquitanniæ, comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopus, episcopus, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse, et hac præsentis carta nostra confirmasse, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, dilectis nobis in Christo abbati et monachis monasterii de Combermere, et eorum successoribus, donationem et concessionem quam Richardus de Chesthull eis fecit de manerio de Chesthull, et de tota terra illa quæ vocatur Hulle, cum homagiis, servitiis, libertatibus, et omnibus pertinentiis suis, sicut carta ipsius Richardi quam dicti monachi inde habent infra has divisas; videlicet de vado de Stratforde sequendo viam regiam, usque ad viam quæ dicitur Grymbaldeswey; et sequendo Grymbaldeswey, usque ad le Bromhock, et sic inde sequendo, et descendendo usque ad bundas de Burnhull: et sic sequendo bundas de Burnhull, usque ad bundas et divisas de Haselsewe; et sic sequendo et descendendo bundas et divisas de Haselsewe, usque ad vadum de Wolverton inter aquam de Teirne: et sic semper sequendo aquam de Tirne usque ad Bulebrock, et sic ascendendo semper et sequendo Bulebrock usque ad Redehull, et sic de le Redehull, directè usque ad le Longeford, et sic de le Longeford, ascendendo et sequendo altam viam versus Stafford, usque ad vadum prædictum de Stratford. Quare volumus, &c. Datum per manus venerabilis prioris R. Cicestrensis episcopi cancellarii nostri apud Westmonasterium sexto die Maii, anno regni nostri sexto decimo.

NUM. III.

Alia Carta ejusdem Regis.

[Ibid.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse et hac præsentis carta nostra confirmasse, dilectis nobis in Christo, abbati et monachis nostris de Combermare omnes terras et tenuras, quæ eidem ecclesiæ rationabiliter sunt donatæ et concessæ, sicut cartæ donatorum plenius testantur. Quæ donationes et concessionem in eisdem certis nominibus exprimuntur; videlicet ipsum locum de Combermare, ubi dicta ecclesia sita est, et manerium de Winelesele, et quicquid pertinet eidem manerio, et habeant omnes commoditates quæ in dictis locis sunt, aut quæ in eisdem fieri possunt, tam subtus terram, quam super terram imperpetuum; et etiam ecclesias de Actona, de Sandona, et Alstanesfeld cum capellis de Wiko-malbano cum quarta parte ejusdem villæ, et communem pasturam, per totum boscum de Creche et Ravenesmore, in pratis, moris et mariciis, et in omnibus aliis locis dictæ villæ pertinentibus, eisdem monachis seu burgensibus in eadem villa manentibus, ex concessione Hugonis Malbanc et Willielmi filii sui, et cum omnibus terris et tenementis, et omnibus aliis rebus dictis ecclesiis pertinentibus, et molendinum de Chelylegh, cum stagno, et centum pedes ultra stagnum versus Couhul cum suis piscariis ex utraque parte aquæ, et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis, et totum terram illam quæ vocatur Gatham, et duas bovatas terræ in eadem villa, et communem pasturam de Alstanesfeld, et pasturam de foresta ad equas suas, et omnia quæ Hugo Malbanc et Willielmus filius ejus eisdem monachis rationabiliter dederunt, et carta sua confirmaverunt; et unam bovatom terræ cum communione bosci in Munchulf cum toto jure patronatus capellæ ejusdem villæ, et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis, ex dono Michaelis domini de Munchulf, et ex concessione Adæ filii sui, et capellam de Wrenneburge, cum tota illa terra quæ vocatur Smetheton cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et duos solidos de molendino de Smetheton ex dono Nicholai de Welerston et unam naviculam piscatoriam in villa Cestriæ ex dono comitis Ranulphi, et unam mansuram terræ in eadem villa ex dono Radulphi de Aldeford, et Neutonam et le Cotes cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ex dono comitis Roberti de Ferrariis, et Willielmi filii sui; et Doddecotam in Feld, cum suis pertinentiis, et illam terram et brueriam quæ est inter Tiverton, et Hulam, et illud pratium adjacens juxta aquam de Mees ex dono Willielmi filii Alani cum communione bosci de Herkall, et Bromhale et Spipford, et Clivam ex dono Yvonis Pantulph et Bricii filii sui, et totam illam terram cum bosco quæ vocatur de Trepwode, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis ex dono Rogeri de Ychfeld, et manerium de Erlide juxta Stafford, cum omnibus libertatibus et pertinentiis suis ex dono Roberti de Baskervill, et manerium de Chesthull, cum suis libertatibus et pertinentiis suis ex dono Richardi de Chesthull, et manerium de Magna Drayton in Hales ex concessione abbatis et conventus de sancto Ebrulpho, cum omnibus libertatibus et pertinentiis suis: et omnes donationes et concessionem elemosinas et libertates, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, libere et quiete possidendas, quæ eisdem monachis nostris in terrâ comitis Ranulphi quondam comitis Cestrensis rationabiliter donatæ sunt, et concessæ, scilicet ex dono et concessione comitis Ranulphi avi sui, et comitis Hugonis patris sui, et ex donis aliorum donatorum sicut cartæ prædecessorum ejusdem Ranulphi, et cartæ ipsorum monachorum, ac etiam aliorum donatorum rationabiliter et plenius testantur. Quare volumus, &c. Data per manum nostram apud Havering, quarto die Aprilis, anno regni nostri quinquagesimo.

NUM. IV.

Carta Wyoni filii Jonæ.

[Ibid.]

WYON filius Jonæ, omnibus filiis S. ecclesiæ, præsentibus et futuris, Francis, Walensibus, et Anglicis, salutem. Sciatis quod ego cum bona voluntate et concessione fratrum meorum, concessione et consilio uxoris meæ Margeriæ filiæ Madoci, dedi et concessi Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, et sancto Michaeli, et ejus monachis de Combermare, pro salute

animæ meæ, et patris mei Jonæ, et pro anima Madoci, et omnium parentum et amicorum meorum, decimam totius piscis et piscariæ de gurgitibus tam de retibus vel ingeniis qualitercunque evenientem sive contingentem qui capitur per totam aquam de De, ubique propc et longè per totum dominium meum de Overton, ex utraque parte per totum; et decimam totius tholneii de molendino meo de Overtone cum omni incremento tholneorum vel molendinorum quæ quomodocunque vel ubicunque super aquam supradictam ædificari contigerint, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, sicut rem quæ datur Deo Domino nostro; et habebunt monachi prædicti hoc sine fine de me et hæredibus meis, liberè, quietè, honorificè, sine omni servicio, vel mercede vel exactione sæculari; et quicunque fuerit ibi molendinarius meus, vel hæredum meorum et custos piscariæ, dabit fidem suam et juramentum fideliter et legitimè se decimaturum sicut Deus piscem miserit et sicut venerit, ne ego perdam elemosinam meam, et parentes mei, et monachi aliquod dampnum habeant, et quemcunque monachi ibi posuerint vel habuerint in loco suo, recipiet decimam de pisce sicut captus fuerit, et de aqua venerit, ut fideliter et statim monachis mittatur. Et quicunque hanc elemosinam bene et legitimè post meos dies et meorum fratrum servaverit, et persolverit, Dei benedictionem et sanctæ Mariæ sanctique Michaelis, et omnium sanctorum habeat, et omnis cognatio ejus: et quicunque retinuerit, vel abstulerit, vel diminuerit, vindictam sancti Michaelis inveniat super corpus suum, et non possit unquam de hac subtractione gaudere, quia nos pro vero intelligimus quod quicquid in bono et in elemosina præfatis monachis donatur, Dominus cœli ad grates suscipit. Testes, Johannes abbas de Cumbermare, et Godfridus supprior, Simon Johannes cantor, et Lucas frater ejus; Henricus sacrista, et Robertus infirmarius; Lever presbiter de Overton, et domina Margeria filia Madoci; David frater meus; magister Gilbertus cementarius, et Petrus cementarius, et multi alii satis.

NUM. V,

Carta Owyni filii Griffini de Bromfeld.

[Ibid.]

OWYNUS filius Griffini de Bromfeld, omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, tam præsentibus, quam futuris salutem. Sciatis me dedisse, concessisse, et præsentem cartam meam confirmasse, Deo et beatæ Mariæ, sanctoque Michaeli, et monachis de Cumbermare, et eorum successoribus, pro salute animæ meæ, et antecessorum et successorum meorum, decimam totius piscis et piscariæ de gurgitibus tam de retibus vel ingeniis qualitercunque evenientem sive contingentem qui capitur per totam aquam de De, ubique propè et longè per totum dominium meum de Overtone et Bumfeld ex utraque parte aquæ per totum, et decimam totius tholonei de molendino meo de Overtone, cum omni incremento tholneorum vel molendinorum quomodocunque vel ubicunque, super aquam prædictam ædificari contigerint; nam antecessores mei hæc illis dederunt: et si animalia eorum, vel hominum eorum furata fuerint, vel ullo modo capta vel perditæ, licentiam meam habeant, et plenam potestatem, liberè ea capiendi, ubicunque super terram meam reperta fuerint. Igitur quicunque hæredum meorum, et hominum pccum meam bene illis tenuerit et eis benefecerit benedictionem Dei omnipotentis habeat et omnium sanctorum in cœlo et in terra. Quicunque fuerit molendinarius meus, vel hæredum meorum, et custos piscariæ, dabit fidem suam et juramentum monachis, super bonas reliquias fideliter se decimaturum, sicut Deus piscem miserit, et sicut venerit, ne ego perdam elemosinam meam et monachi aliquod dampnum habeant. Quemcunque etiam monachi ibi posuerint vel habuerint in loco suo, recipiet decimam de pisce, et totius tholonei, de molendino et de piscariis, sicut captus fuerit piscis, ut fideliter et statim monachis mittatur, sicut illis placuerit. Omnes verò qui hanc meam elemosinam bene et legitimè post meos dies et meorum fratrum servaverint, et persolverint, Dei benedictionem et sanctæ Mariæ, et Omnium Sanctorum, et sancti Michaelis habeant, et omnes eorum cognationes. Qui autem retinuerit, vel abstulerit, vel diminuerit, vindicta sancti Michaelis veniat super eum in capite suo, Amen. Volo etiam ex toto corde, et in

animo, ut in pace bona elemosinam meam recipiant, ut Deo retributionem in cœlis suscipiam. Testes hujus donationis sunt isti Sharverd dapifer curiæ Elevanth, Madoc filius Bleioun, Seisil filius Heylen nepos Kadrouth, Matheus filius, Seysil, Pibin Robertus filius Simonis, Keve Wreich filius Ewcn, prcn Powes, &c. et tota curia Domini, et alii satis qui hæc viderunt, anno Domini mxcv. littera Domini-cali A. prima die post festum sancti Benedicti.

NUM. VI.

Carta Ranulphi Comitis Cestriæ.

[Ibid.]

Ego Ranulphus comes Cestriæ, pro redemptione et salvatione animæ meæ, et animarum omnium liberorum meorum, et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, concessi libere et confirmo omnes terras et tenuras ac etiam libertates cum omnibus pertinentiis suis quæ et quas dictus Hugo Malbanck, et Willielmus filius ejus eis dederunt, et per cartam eorum eis confirmaverunt infra dominium meum Cestersire. Et nominatim locum illum qui vocatur Cumbermare ubi dicta abbatia constructa est, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis per bundas et divisas, sicut cartâ Hugonis plenius continetur, et etiam manerium de Winelestele, cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus et pertinentiis suis, et ecclesias de Actona cum capellis suis, videlicet Wiko-Malbano et Wrennebury et Munchulf, cum communionem bosci, et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et habeant et teneant omnia prædicta in omnibus et singulis rebus per bundas et divisas liberè et quietè, et ab omni sæculari exactione, sicut in cartis prædicti Hugonis et Willielmi Malbanck, quas dicti monachi inde habent, plenius testatur. Concedo etiam dictis monachis et eorum successoribus, quod habeant liberam curiam et tholneum, et assisam panis et serviçiæ, et uthesium, et blodwit, et catalla felonum, forisfacturas et felonias, et omnes mensuras, et omnimoda emerciamenta et emendas de omnimodis transgressionibus hominum et tenentium ipsorum vel aliorum quorumcunque existentium infra terras vel limites seu bundas ipsorum monachorum nostrorum infra dominium meum Cestresire, et habeant in prædicto manerio furcas et infangentheof, et utfangentheof, in manerio prædicto in perpetuum. Concedo etiam et confirmo pro me et hæredibus meis, dictis monachis, et eorum successoribus, et hominibus, ac tenentibus ipsorum, tam infra villam Cestriæ quam extra infra dominium meum Cestresire quietantiam de omni tholneo, et de servientibus meis pascendis, et secta comitatus, et hundred, placitis et querelis, muragiis, et pavagiis, passagiis, et pontagiis, et de omni tholneo, operationibus, et de scutagiis, et de opere parci et custodia castelli, et de omni opere, et genere serviçi, cum omnibus libertatibus suis in hominibus et terris, in bosco et plano, in pratis et pascuis, in viis et semitis, in burgis, in aquis, in molendinis, piscariis, et in omnibus locis, cum libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus suis. Et prohibeo pro me et hæredibus meis, quod dicti monachi mei, vel eorum successores, aut homines seu tenentes ipsorum ponantur in placito de ulla re extra curiam dictorum monachorum, nisi tantum coram me, aut capitali justiciario meo. Similiter concedo pro me et hæredibus meis, eisdem monachis et eorum successoribus, quod nullus escaetor vel vicecomes, nec aliquis ballivus seu minister Cestresire, ingrediatur manerium ipsorum de Winclesde vel alias terras, infra limites seu bundas dictorum monachorum aliquo modo ad vexandum causa vacationis monasterii, vel ad distringendum seu ad gravandum ipsos monachos meos, aut homines seu tenentes ipsorum, sine speciali warranto meo, vel capitalis justiciarii mei, et hoc facient cum ballivo prædictorum monachorum meorum super forisfacturam meam decem librarum ad levandam nobis et hæredibus nostris quotiescunque fecerint in contrarium; quia volo ex corde et animo, quod monachi mei et eorum successores habeant et teneant cuncta prædicta, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, æternaliter. Hiis testibus, Willielmo constabulario, Roberto dapifero, Philippo de Horreby, Thoma dispensatore, Thoma filio ejus, et multis, qui hoc audierunt et viderunt. Apud Cestriam anno Domini millesimo ducentesimo et tricesimo.

NUM. VII.

Carta Huberti de Burgo Justiciarii Angliæ.

OMNIBUS ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, Hubertus de Burgo comes Kanciæ justiciarius Angliæ salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse, et hac præsentī carta nostra confirmasse abbati et monachis de Cumbermere, totam terram illam de Chesthulle et de Hulle, cum pertinentiis, quam habent ex dono Richardi de Chesthulle, habenham et tenendam dictis abbati et monachis, cum homagiis, serviis, releviis, libertatibus, et omnibus pertinentiis suis, liberè et quietè, et pacificè, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam imperpetuum. Concessimus etiam prædicto abbati et monachis, quod quieti sint de warda, quam prædictus Richardus facere solebat annuatim ad castrum nostrum de Mongomeri pro prædicta terra de Chesthulle et de Hulle, pro me et hæredibus meis, vel meis assignatis, seu aliquo nomine nostro imposterum. Sed sint liberi et quieti ab omni terreno servicio et seculari exactione, consuetudine et demanda, quantum ad me pertinet et hæredes meos. Ita quod nunquam de cætero, per me, neque per hæredes meos, neque per ballivos nostros, vel per homines nostros, aliquo modo vexabuntur, neque distringentur pro aliquo defectu wardæ, relevii, scutagii, muragii, vel alicujus alterius terreni serviis, quod ad me, vel ad hæredes, seu assignatos meos pertinet, vel aliquo modo pertinere poterit in futurum imperpetuum. Ego verò dictus Hubertus de Burgo et hæredes mei, dictis monachis et eorum successoribus omnia prædicta sine diminutione contra omnes homines warrantizabimus, acquietabimus, et imperpetuum defendemus. Et ut hæc nostra confirmatio, donatio, et concessio, rata et stabilis permaneat, huic præsentī chartæ sigillum nostrum fecimus apponi. Hiis testibus, Roberto de Cokefeld, Waltero de Burgo, Radulpho de Gatele, &c.

NUM. VIII.

Carta Willielmi filii Ranulfi, de certis Terris et Boscis Cænobio de Cumbermere concessis, per Metas descriptis.

[Ex ipso autogr. penes Cotton de Cumbermere, in com. Cestriæ arm.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis, tam præsentibus quam futuris, Willielmus filius Ranulfi salutem. Notum sit vobis me dedisse, et in elemosinam perpetuam concessisse, Deo et S. Michaeli, et monachis de Cumbermere, pro animabus patris et matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum meorum; et pro salute mea, et uxoris meæ et filiorum meorum, et Reinaldi de Warrene, de bosco meo et plano meo, de divisâ meâ et divisâ Willielmi Malbene, sub Bronchelau; et inde usque ad superius caput de Blakepulle, cum redundatione aquæ, et octodecem pedes ultra refulum aquæ, pro voluntate dictorum monachorum: et inde usque ad Lefdi-ac; et inde usque ad pontem de Hortalebroc, et inde usque ad Havecthesmos, et inde rectè ad Hevetthelbeche, quod est iterum in divisâ inter me et Willielmum Malbene, sicut signa facta sunt, et hæc nomina designata sine occasione et ingenio, sicut supradicti termini devisant, usque in Cumburnere, et usque in Dintesmere, liberam et quietam ab omni terreno servicio ut quietam me clamavi de totâ calumpniâ, quam adversum me habebant, et nominatim de Cholestune et Leviethelcote. Hujus donationis sunt testes Adam filius Rogeri, Willielmus de Withcheshale, Wion filius Landef, Philippus de Erdintone, Willielmus clericus, &c.

NUM. IX.

Carta Rogeri de Ichtefeld, de Medietate Ecclesiæ de Ichtefeld.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, tam præsentibus quam futuris, Rogerus de Ichtefeld salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et concessisse Deo et S. Mariæ et monachis de Combremara, medietatem ecclesiæ de Ichtefeld, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et medietatem unius feorwendel terræ de meo dominio in eadem villâ; et alteram medietatem unius feorwendel, quam Augerus tenet, ut hæc habeant et teneant liberè, quietè, cum omnibus aisiamentis et com-

muniis ejusdem villæ, in bosco et plano, propè et longè. Et hanc donationem eis feci pro animâ meâ et uxoris meæ, et omnium parentum et amicorum meorum, ut eam habeant liberè et quietè ab omni terreno servicio, et seculari exactione, quantum ad me et hæredes meos, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Hujus donationis sunt testes, Owinus et Wil. diaconi; Adam et Petrus clerici, Radulfus filius Amonis, Reinaldus de Wlavestone, Matthæus de Scavintone, Aldredus de Dottecote, Osbertus de Esshe, Rogerus de Elfstanefeld, et multi alii.

NUM. X.

Carta ejusdem Rogeri de Parte Nemoris sui de Wivelesde, dicta Threpwode.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS hominibus, præsentibus et futuris, Rogerus dominus de Ichtefeld salutem. Sciatis omnes, quod, cum controversia mota esset inter me et inter abbatem de Cumbermere de quadam parte nemoris sui de Wiveslede, quæ dicitur Threpwode, quam claviavi pertinere ad liberum tementum meum de Ichtefeld; tandem, per consilium amicorum nostrorum, ex utraque parte in hac formâ concordati sumus; scil. quod ego Rogerus dominus de Ichtefeld remisi et omnino quietum clamavi, de me, et hæredibus meis sive assignatis, imperpetuum, antedicto abbati et conventui de Cumbermare, totum jus quod habui vel habere potui in jam dicto nemore de Wivelesde; ita quod nec ego, nec hæredes mei, nec aliquis per nos, aliquid nobis de cætero poterimus vindicare in illo nemore. Et sciendum est, quod per has divisas, et per hos terminos distinguitur nemus illud, scil. de Oxefotemor usque in caput de Grenehul, et sic de Grenehul usque in Spritlewithimle, et inde usque Risewithbroc. Pro hac autem remissione, et quietâ clamantia, idem abbas et conventus de Cumbermare dederunt mihi duas marcas argenti. Et ad majorem hujus quietæ clamantiæ nostræ securitatem, cartam meam præsentem sigilli mei testimonio roboravi. Hiis testibus, Normanno de Verdoun, Reinaldo de Wilvastone, Hugone de Draicote, Maltheo de Scavintone, Osberto de Esshe, et multis aliis.

NUM. XI.

Confirmatio Huberti Cantuariensis Archiepiscopi, de Ecclesiis de Acton, Namptwiche, Sandone, et Alfstonesfeld.

[Ibid.]

HUBERTUS Dei gratiâ Cantuariensis archiepiscopus, totius Angliæ primas, omnibus sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis ad quos præsentis literæ pervenerint salutem in Domino. Ad universitatis vestræ notitiam pervenire volumus, quod nos scriptum confirmationis Baldwini bonæ memoriæ, prædecessoris nostri, et manibus tractavimus, et sub hac formâ intuitu corporali inspeximus. 'Universis Christi fidelibus ad quos literæ istæ pervenerint Baldwinus Dei gratiâ Cantuar. archiepiscopus, totius Angliæ primas, æternam in Domino salutem. Ut ea, quæ à fratribus et co-episcopis nostris, ad quietem, et securitatem virorum religiosorum ordinata sunt, in statu debitæ tranquillitatis perseverent, eorum gestis autoritatis nostræ robore duximus accomodare; ea propter, ad universitatis vestræ notitiam volumus pervenire, nobis ex inspectione authentici scripti Ricardi bonæ memoriæ, Conventensis episcopi, innotuisse ipsum episcopum, ex donatione et concessione Willielmi Walbanc, abbati et conventui de Cumbermara, ecclesias de Actona, de Rametwico, de Sandona, et de Alfstonesfeld, cum capellis, terris, decimis, obventionibus, et libertatibus ad easdem ecclesias pertinentibus, contulisse et confirmasse; unde et nos, quod à prædicto episcopo memoratis fratribus piâ devotione concessum est, ratum habentes et acceptum, literas confirmationis et concessionis ipsius episcopi, sicut rationabiliter facta est, autoritate, quâ fungimur confirmamus, et sigilli nostri appositione communimus. Nos igitur prænominati prædecessoris nostri vestigia dignè imitanda esse censentes, confirmationi ipsius in hac parte, sicut rationabiliter et piè prænominatis monachis de Cumbermare super suprascriptis ecclesiis, et earum pertinentiis facta est, et scripto ipsius authentico confirmata, nostræ auctoritatis assensum et robur accomodamus: eamque tam præsentī scripto nostro, quam sigilli

nostri testimonio confirmamus et communimus, præcipientes et volentes, omnia, sicut idem sanctus prædecessor noster statuit, perpetua permanere. Hiis testibus, Galfrido Bocland, magistro Simone de Siwell, magistro Willielmo de Sumercotes, &c et aliis.'

NUM. XII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONASTERIUM DE CUMBERMEYRE.

Joh'ES Abbas iſm.

Valet in

Temporal'.

Vidz in

Com' Cestr'.

REDDIT' et proficuu' an^u pvenient', videlt, Cumbermere in tr' dnical' iſm et in manu abbt' exist' p an^m 12l. 4d. et p pficuo vendit' coibz annis 10s. Graung' de Dedcott p an^m 4l. 6s. 8d. Graung' de Hayfyld p an^m 3l. 6s. 8d. Wylkesley p an^m 84l. 2s. 9d. Wicus Malbus p an^m 14l. 14s. 5d. Cestr' 10s. 8d. Graung' de Wyncull 2l. 13s. 4d. 122l. 4s. 10d.

Com' Salop'.

Reddit' et pfic' an^u crescent' et pvenient', videlt, Shipforde Gr'unge 16s. 8d. Drayton p an^m 24l. 18s. 4d. Chesthull 8l. 10s. 4d. Tirnhull 9l. 8s. 10d. Dodcote p an^m 2l. 6s. 8d. 46l. 0s. 10d.

Com' Derb'.

Redd' Gr'ung' de Newton in com' p'd' p an^m 6l. 13s. 4d.

Com' Staff'.

Reddit' crescent' an^u iſm p an^m 6l. 0s. 0d.

Com' Salop'.

Reddit' molend' de Ulvton p an^m 3s. 4d. et de Longford libe p an^m 6d. 0l. 3s. 10d. 181l. 2s. 10d.

Tempal' in

Mynshul.

In garb' decimal' iſm an^u crescent' coibz annis 4l. 0s. 0d.

Cestr' Com'.

Wrenbury.

Valet in

Garb' dec' iſm coibz annis 8l. 6s. 8d.

Acton.

Valet in

Garb' dec' de Acton, Cholmeston, Wici Malbi, Badyngton, et Leghton coibz annis 22l. 6s. 8d. Rotulo Paschali Wici Malbi 8l. 6s. 8d. 30l. 13s. 4d. 43l. 0s. 0d.

Com' Salop'.

Arcall Pva.

Valet in

Terr' glebat' p an^m de Arcall Pva 1l. 9s. 4d. Quad'm pens' de abbt'e de Dieuleucres 18s. Pens' de rc're de Draicot p an^m 3s. Et in garb' dec' iſm 4l. 6l. 10s. 4d. patz

Staff' Com'.

Sondon.

Valet in

Garb' dec' et fen' dec' iſm coibz annis 4l. 13s. 4d.

Alstonfeld.

Valet in

Garb' dec' lan' et agn' coibz annis de Alstonfeld 23l. 0s. 0d. patz 77l. 3s. 8d. 258l. 6s. 6d.

Repris' videlt in

Tempal'.

Valet in

Reddit, resolut' dno regi p libtatibz de Wyncull 13s. 4d. et p libtatibz de Drayton p an^m 13s. 4d. Ri'co Maynwaryng milit' 1l. 13s. Eidm Ri'co p tr' in Blakhurst et Drayton an^u 18s. 1d. Her' Harper p tr' in Drayton an^u 2s. Hered' de Buerton p tr' in Dodcot an^u 2l. 5l. 19s. 9d.

Comit' Salop' se^{lo} illius monasterii p feod' suo p an^m 4l. Willmo Clayn auditor' iſm p an^m 4l. Robto Manley baffio de Wilkesley 2l. Thome Bayle baffio de Drayton p an^m 1l. 6s. 8d. Robto Bagenhall baffio Wici Malbi p an^m 1l. 13s. 4d. Thome Smythe baffio de Alstonfyld et Newton 13s. 4d. 13l. 13s. 4d.

Sþual'.

Valet in

Annuat' in cena Dni rac'one fundac'ois illi' monasterii et ad portas monasterii di'vs' dier' an^u jux^a tenorem et eff'cm fundac'ois p'dce 12l. 13s. 4d. Procurac' et sinod' an^u sol' archino Cestr' p ecclia de Acton cu' capella 0l. 10s. 6d. 32l. 16s. 11d.

Et rem' clare 225l. 9s. 7d.

X^{ma} inde 22l. 10s. 11½d.

NUM. XIII.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

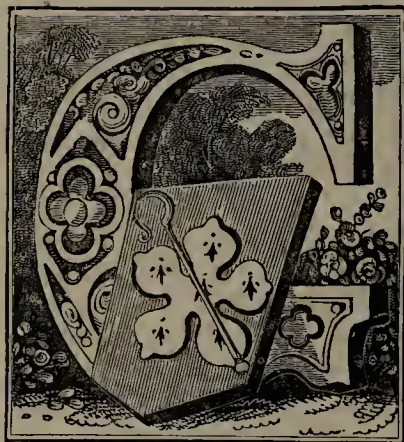
[Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office, as to the Demesnes.]

NUPER ABBATIA DE CUMBERMERE.

Terræ Dominicales.

	£	s.	d.
SCITUS nuper monasterii, cum pomariis, aquis, et piscatione earundem, ac gardin' infra parochiam de Wrenbery	1	0	0
Sex acrae terræ arrabil' in Dycheley Magna	0	6	0
Unum clausum vocatum The Lees, continens per estimationem quindecim acras	0	15	0
Una pastura vocata Mosseney, continens 20 acras	1	6	8
Unum clausum vocatum le Holmes, continens per estimationem quinque acras	0	6	8
Unum pratum vocatum Blakedych-medowe, continens per estimationem decem acras	1	10	0
Duo clausa vocata Wyndmyllfelds, continentia per estimationem 17 acras	0	17	0
Unum clausum vocatum le Ryddyngge, continens 10 acras	0	10	0
Unum clausum vocatum Parva Ryddyngge, continens 4 ^{or} acras	0	4	0
Unum clausum vocatum Rysingfeld, continens 24 ^{or} acras	1	11	8
Unum clausum vocatum Pereorcheyarde, continens 10 ^{cem} acras	0	10	0
Unum clausum vocatum Conyger, continens quinque acras	0	2	0
Unum clausum vocatum Bakhowsse, continens 3 acras	0	3	4
Unum clausum vocatum Wytmylle Polefeld, continens 10 ^{cem} acras	0	10	5
Unum clausum vocatum Farreburres Medowe, continens duas acras	0	8	4
Unum clausum vocatum le Newemedowe, continens acras	0	8	0
Unum clausum vocatum Branchehillane, continens 15 acras	1	1	0
Unum croftum vocatum Deyhowsse-crofte, continens tres acras	0	4	0
Necnon firma duorum molendinorum, quorum unum aquaticum, et alterum ventriticum valde ruinos' et maxime in decasu	0	0	0

Abbey of Garendon, in Leicestershire.



ARENDON, says Mr. Nichols, called also in old deeds Gerondon, Gerouldon, Gerwedon, Geraldon, Garradon, and Garendedon, is two miles distant from Loughborough; and, in the ecclesiastical division of Leicestershire, is within the deanry of Akeley.

At this place Robert de Bossu, the good earl of Leicester, who became a monk here, and gave the town of Stockton as his admission

"pro sustentatione sua," 5 kal. Nov. 1133,^a founded an abbey, under the patronage of the Virgin Mary, for Cistercian monks. This monastery was a daughter, or derivative from the abbey of Waverley.^b

The founder of Garendon abbey gave the monks there five carucates and three yardlands in Garendon, two carucates in Ringlethorp, certain lands in Dishley and Ravenston, and the wood of Shepeshed, containing a mile and a half in length, and a mile in breadth; and Michelholm, in the lordship of Lockington, for a fishery in the Trent. He gave them also a burgess in the town of Leicester.^c

Nearly coeval with the founder's gift was the benefaction of Ernald de Bosco, his steward, who, with the full consent of Earl Robert de Bossu, gave the whole vill of Bittlesdon, in Buckinghamshire, to the monks of Garendon, to the intent that an abbey of the same Order might be there founded. He gave them also the manor of Staunton under Bardon.^d

For the purpose of further benefitting the monks of Garendon, the earl of Leicester obtained from Ranulph earl of Chester a perpetual grant of the castle and vill of Mountsorell, and also the lordship of Charley, a considerable portion of Charnwood Forest, with Aldermanhawe and Haliwell hawe, all which were formally conveyed to King Henry the Third, and by him reconveyed to Earl Robert de Bossu. This Ranulph gave them also common of pasture for all their cattle in Barrow.^e

Among their other early benefactors were John de Lacy, earl of Lincoln and constable of Chester;^f with Robert de Ferrariis, earl of Derby, and his son William.^g William de Ferrariis, the grandson, also, not only confirmed the inclosed ground at Hethcote, and pasture for three hundred sheep there, five cows, one bull, and six oxen, given by his father, but added another piece of inclosure thereto, with pasturage for three hundred more, at six score to the hundred, and for seven more cows. The first William confirmed the grant of Harald de Lecha and Alan his son;^h and Margaret de Ferrariis, countess of Derby, his widow, gave fifteen shillings yearly rent in Anstey.ⁱ

Roger earl of Warwick, who died in 1153, gave to Garendon the town of Badsley Endsor, in the county of Warwick, which was afterwards given up by the monks to Earl William, the son and successor of Earl Roger; in consideration whereof he gave them ten marks of silver, and released to them the service of a knight's fee due from Geoffrey de Clinton and Robert de Burton for a part of Ibstock.^k

Margaret de Quency, countess of Winchester, gave to the monks all Henley, three yardlands in Weston, and a

mill there; and her son, Roger de Quency, earl of Winchester, gave five yardlands in Belgrave, and five virgates and a mill in Weston, Hathern, and Thorpe.^l

Hawise countess of Albemarle, in 1212, during her widowhood, after the death of Baldwin de Betun, her third husband, gave four ploughlands in Eastwell.^m William de Fortibus, earl of Albemarle, her son, confirmed this grant,ⁿ as did afterwards William de Mandevile, earl of Essex, who had married an heiress of the Albemarles.

Gundreda de Moubray and Roger her son gave the monks of Garendon Ringlethorpe Grange and lands at Burton.^o

Robert Pakeman, of Kirby by Glenfield, bestowed divers lands upon them in 1235;^a and, about the same time, Robert de Tateshall gave them a grant of thirty acres of land in the wold of Holwell, and of free passage for their carts there.^r

Henry Lord Beaumont, earl of Boughan and constable of Scotland, and Alice his countess, daughter of Alexander Comyn, earl of Boughan, were also benefactors to this abbey.^s

In 1283 the abbat and convent were allowed to possess ten messuages and a virgate of land with the appurtenances in Worthington.^t

In 1286 Henry le Waleis was permitted to give two messuages and two virgates of land at Ravenston.^u

In 1305, it appeared that Ralph Boson had enfeoffed the abbat of Garendon of one messuage in Worthington in pure alms; and that the abbat had purchased a messuage and half a virgate of land in Swanington.^x

In 1339 William de Herle and Robert his son were allowed to exchange with the abbat and convent of Garendon five messuages, eight acres and one virgate of land, and one halfpenny rent, with the appurtenances, in Alton and Ravenston, in lieu of forty shillings rent in Kereby and four virgates of land in Alton.^y

An exemplification of the numerous possessions of the abbey, as they stood in 1340, will be found in the Appendix.^z

By indenture, dated on the Nativity, 1347, the Lady Mary de St. Pol, countess of Pembroke, granted to the abbat and convent two tenements which she possessed; one in the suburbs of London, in Fleet-Street, of the gift of William de Hales, Esq.; the other within the city, in Sherebourne-lane, which she had from Gilbert de Palmer. In return, the abbat and convent were to maintain one monk in a hermitage near Cripplegate, to pray for the soul of Aymer de Valence, late earl of Pembroke, for the good estate of the said countess so long as she should live, and for her soul after death; the said monk to be presented for approbation to the countess during her life, and afterwards to the mayor of London for ever; and the rents of the said tenements to be applied solely to the maintenance of the monk and upholding the hermitage.^a

Sir Ralph Shirley, Knight, by his last will, dated in 1513, was a liberal benefactor to this abbey.^b

A legacy was received by the abbat and convent in 1296 from the executors of Hugh de Vienna, rector of Raundes, in Northamptonshire, amounting, in money and in divers useful articles of provision, to the sum of 120*l.* 13*s.* 10½*d.*:^c and from Hugh Bayley and Alice his wife they had a legacy of a murrhine cup.^d

^a Knighton erroneously dates the foundation in 1169.

^b Nichols, Hist. Leic. vol. iii. pt. ii. p. 786.

^c Compare the Appendix of Instrum. Num. II.

^d See the charter in Nichols, ut supr. p. 815.

^e Ibid. pp. 792, 809, 822, 830. ^f Ibid. pp. 787, 811.

^g Ibid. ^h Ibid. pp. 787, 794, 795, 809, 812.

ⁱ Ibid. p. 791.

^k Ibid. pp. 787, 805, 825.

^l Ibid. pp. 788, 791.

^m Mr. Nichols, p. 788, has given a translation of this charter.

ⁿ Nichols, p. 788.

^o Hist. Leic. vol. ii. Append. p. 134.

^p Ibid. vol. iii. pt. ii. p. 810.

^q Ibid. and MS. Peck, vol. iv. p. 13.

^r Peck, *ibid.*

^s Nich. vol. iii. ut supr. pp. 789, 834, 835.

^t Ibid. p. 789. Inq. ad quod damnum, 12 Edw. I. n. 50.

^u Inq. ad quod damnum, 14 Edw. I. n. 50. Leic.

^x Nich. ut supr. p. 789. Esch. 34 Edw. I. n. 109. Leic.

^y Ibid. p. 790. Inquis. ad quod damnum, 13 Edw. III. n. 57.

Leic.

^z See Num. II. A translation of this charter is given in Nichols's Leic. vol. iii. pt. ii. p. 791-795.

^a Nichols, Hist. Leic. ut supr. p. 795.

^b Ibid. p. 796. Peck, Contin. Monast. ex autogr. pen. Amb. Philipps arm. A.D. 1730.

^c Nich. ut supr. p. 797, from the Chartul. of Garendon.

^d Ibid.

In the Taxation of 1291 the following are the entries relating to Garendon:

Spiritual.

In Dioc. Ebor. Archid. Nott. Abbas de Geroldon habet in Cortelingstok et Rempisten 4*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.*

Temporal.

Dioc. Norw. In Norwico 1*l.* 3*s.* 9*d.*

Dioc. Line. In archid. Leycestr. 118*l.* 9*s.* 5*d.*

Apud Hethcote unam caruc. terr. et dimid. et valet per annum 1*l.* 10*s.*; et habet ibidem de profic. stauri per annum 4*l.* 15*s.*^a

Of the advowson of Garendon abbey a few particulars are recorded, which will be best placed together:

In 1220 the earl of Winton was patron of Garendon.^b Roger de Quency, earl of Winton, subsequently, by a deed without date, assigned all his right to the advowson of this abbey to Simon de Montfort, earl of Leicester.^c The earl of Winton, however, who died in 1270, is said to have been then seised of this advowson; which, under him, was held by Ernald de Bois. The inquisition adds, that his heirs, Margaret, wife of William de Ferrariis, earl of Derby, Elizabeth, wife of Alexander Comyn, earl of Boughan, and Ela, relict of Alan de la Zouch, were owners of the advowson.^d In 1297, Edmund earl of Lancaster, the king's brother, was, at his death, patron of the advowson.^e In 1313 Alan la Zouch was possessed of the advowson, then worth 20*l.*^f In 1328 it was held by Sir Robert Holland, at his death, as of the right and inheritance of Maud his wife, one of the daughters and coheirs of Alan la Zouch.^g From the "Comperta Compertorum" of Doctors Legh and Layton, the visitors of this abbey appointed in 1535, we learn that at that time Elizabeth countess of Oxford, wife of John de Vere, the fifteenth earl, was the patroness for life by grant from the crown.^h

The abbat of Garendon was regularly summoned to parliament from 1295 to 1391.ⁱ

ABBATS of GARENDON.

THURSTAN occurs abbat in 1176.^k He died in 1189.^l

WILLIAM succeeded in that year;^m and was succeeded by another

WILLIAM, abbat of Miravalle, in 1195.ⁿ

REGINALD abbat of Garendon was murdered in 1196 by a Jewish convert who had been placed in his monastery upon a corrody.^o

ADAM succeeded in 1219.^p His successor was the third

WILLIAM. Upon whose resignation, in 1226,

REGINALD, prior of the house, was chosen abbat.^a Upon his cession,

ANDREW, who had also been prior, was elected. He is said to have been the eleventh abbat.^r

SIMON, occurs in the reign of Henry the Third.^s

ROBERT DE THORP occurs in 1274.^t

THURSTAN.^u

ROGER occurs in 1281.^x

EUSTACE was his successor.^y

JOHN, abbat of Garendon received the benediction 8 kal. Jun. 1295.^z

JOHN DE SUTTON was abbat in 1320.^a

WILLIAM DE SANCTA CRUCE, abbat of Garendon, was made the first abbat of St. Mary Graces London in 1350.^b

THOMAS occurs in the 38th of Edward III.^c

THOMAS SYESTON, *alias* SHEPYSHEP, was abbat in 1510, and held that office till the dissolution of the monastery in 1536.

In the 26th of Henry the Eighth the abbey of Garendon was valued, in the gross receipts, at 186*l.* 15*s.* 2½*d.*; in clear income, at 159*l.* 19*s.* 10½*d.*^d

The site, with the demesne lands, valued at 21*l.* 2*s.* 5*d.* were passed under lease, dated 1534, to Richard Hall and Margaret his wife.^e In the 32d of Henry the Eighth, both, with various other lands and possessions in the counties of Leicester, Nottingham, and Derby, were granted in fee to Thomas earl of Rutland.^f

The descent of the property of the site of Garendon abbey will be found in Mr. Nichols's History, whose indefatigable researches, wherever he directs them, leave but little new matter to be gleaned by others. On the death of Francis earl of Rutland, in 1632, the lordship and site of the monastery of Garendon became the property of Catherine duchess dowager of Buckingham, by whose son, in 1683, they were sold to Ambrose Phillipps, Esq. an eminent barrister of the Middle Temple, in whose lineal descendant they are still vested.

There is a REGISTER of the CHARTERS of this monastery among the Lansdown manuscripts in the British Museum, Num. 415, in folio. The following occurs in the handwriting of Dr. Ducarel upon two leaves of writing-paper at the beginning:

"Chartulary of the Abbey of Gerondon, in the county of Leicester.

"This fine Chartulary, containing thirty-eight folios, belonged to the duke of Buckingham in 1680, and is now (1763) in the library of James West, Esq. It is very fair. I believe the beginning is as old as the time of Henry the

^a Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 67, 109, 264, 312 b.

^b Nich. Hist. Leic. vol. iii. pt. ii. p. 788.

^c Ibid. pp. 789, 827, 834.

^d Ibid. p. 789. Esch. 55 Hen. III. n. 36, Leic.

^e Esch. 25 Edw. I. n. 51. ^f Esch. 7 Edw. II. n. 36, Leic.

^g Nich. ut supr. p. 790. Esch. 2 Edw. III. n. 54 Leic.

^h Nich. ut supra, p. 796.

ⁱ Ibid. p. 789. Stevens's Supplem. to Monast. vol. ii. Append. p. 13.

^k Nichols, Hist. Leic. ut. supr. p. 821, from Reg. Gerond. Lansd. fol. 19 a.

^l Annal. Waverl.

^m Ibid.

ⁿ Ibid.

^o Ibid. and Annal. Margan. Two instruments for corrodiess in behalf of Jewish converts sent to Garendon abbey, are given at length in Latin by Mr. Nichols, ut supr. p. 789.

^p Annal. Waverl.

^q Ibid.

^r Ibid.

^s MS. E. R. Mores.

^t MS. Wood, x. in bibl. Bodl.

^u MS. E. R. Mores.

^x Ibid.

^y Ibid.

^z Reg. Oliv. Sutton episc. Linc.

^a Nich. ut supr. pp. 789, 830.

^b Stevens, Contin. Monast. vol. ii. p. 48.

^c Pat. 38 Edw. III. p. 2. Rex pardon. Tho. ab. de Gerondon eo quod depredavit domum de la Bruere, et imprisonavit Johannem de Dunster abbatem ejusdem domus, 20 Jul.

^d See the Append. Num. V. In the "Comperta Compertorum" already mentioned, in 1535, we read,

"Richardus Barbor, Richardus Torreworth, Jacobus Houghborough, petunt dimitti a jugo religionis.

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Fundatrix nunc comitissa Oxford, durante vita sua, ex concessu domini regis; postea dominus rex.

Redditus annuus cclx. marcæ.

Debet domus centum marcas.

Mr. Nichols, pp. 797, 798, has given a large enumeration of the goods of this abbey as they remained unsold in 1535, with the prices of the different articles, but too long for introduction here.

^e Nichols, ut supr.

^f The following is the notice of this grant in the Abstracts of the Originalia so often quoted.

Orig. 32 Hen. VIII. p. 3. Leic. Nott. Derb. "Rex viij. die Martii concessit Thomæ comiti Rotelond totum domum et scitum nuper monasterii de Garodon, ac maneria de Garodon, Dyxley, Wyneswoldc, Sheppeshed, Weston, Swytheland, Burton, Undershawe, Worthington Mountsorell, Thorp Hawker, Leicestre, et Courtlyngstocke, in com. Leic. ac rectorias, &c. de Garodon et Dyxley, ac etiam manerium de Sutton et Bolington in com. Nott. ac etiam manerium de Ramston in com. Leic. et Derb. ac mesuagia, &c. in Garodon, Dixley, Wineswell, Weston, Worthington, Mountsorell, Thorpe Hawker, Curtlingstock, Swythelonde, Burton, Undershawe, Leicestr, Ravinston, Alton, Ashby De la Zouche, Godby, Newbolde, Hotherne, Burton Woldes, Belgrave, Thurmaston, Corsyngton, Wykham, Statforde, Growby, Ratby, Ansty, Cropston, Swynfen, Ivestocke, Sextonby, Melton Moobry, Eston, Stanton, Wolby, Sutton, Bolington, Leke Magna, Notyngham, Krykby, Woodhouse, Rempston, et Bonington, in dictis com. habend. ei et hæred. suis imperpetuum." ro. liij.

The grant itself is printed at length by Mr. Nichols, pp. 838, 839.

First, though the latter part is no older than the time of Edward the Third.

"Fol. 1. Original grant of Rob. Bossu, earl of Leicester, the founder.

"Account of lands in

Ybestocha, foll. 1, 15, 16, 17, 19.

Cortestocha, foll. 2, 12, 24, 25.

Burtona, foll. 4, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 27, 28.

Goutebi, fol. 6.

Ringoldetorp, fol. 7.

Alebi, foll. 7 b, 28 b, 29.

"Bulls of the Popes Lucius, Anastasius, and Alexander; and Chartæ of Henry II. and of Robertus comes Senionis; foll. 9, 10, 11, 18, 19.

"Lands in Stanton, foll. 11 b, 24.

"King's writs, &c. foll. 19, 20, 21 a.

"Revenues of this monastery, foll. 21 b, 30.

"Lands in Halliwellehag, foll. 22, 30.

"Lands in Suinefen, fol. 23.

"Lands in Rampestena, fol. 26.

"King's writs, and various instruments, fol. 31 to 38.

"In the last folio a memorandum of pestilences, A.D. 1348, 1360, 1368, and 1374.

"Examined by Dr. Ducarel, April 20, 1763."

Mr. Nichols has given a copy of the whole of this Chartulary in his History of Leicestershire; partly in the Appendix to his account of Garendon abbey, and partly under other places where particular lands were concerned.^a

There is another Chartulary of Garendon in the possession of Craven Ord, Esq. of Greenstead Hall, in Essex, which, it is conjectured, must have been compiled for the use of the abbey granges at Alton, Swinfen, Ravenston, Staunton, and Swanington; but as Mr. Nichols has been equally copious in his abstract and analysis of this Register also,^b no further account of it will be needed here.

Several charters relating to this abbey occur in the Harleian collection in the British Museum, Cart. Harl. antiq. 84 H. 18, 44 H. 47, 53 A. 23, 44 A. 31, and 44 F. 19; but Mr. Nichols has printed them all, together with several other deeds of donation from Carte's manuscripts.^c

Peck, in his manuscript collections in continuation of the Monasticon, tom. iv. p. 12 to 42, now preserved in the Donation manuscript in the British Museum, Num. 4937, has given transcripts of various deeds, &c. relating to this abbey.

1. Some account of divers lands, &c. at Thorpe Harker, co. Leic. given thereto, fol. 12.

2. Confirmatio R. Henrici III. de diversis terris de donatione Roberti Pakeman de Kereby, co. Leic. Cart. 19 Hen. III. n. 15, fol. 13.

3. De patrono, 7 Edw. III. A.D. 1313, fol. 14.

4. Carta Joh. de Sutton ab. de Gerendon de viij. section. terræ in Stanford super Sore, ex chart. orig. pen. Ambr. Philipps arm. A.D. 1730, fol. 15.

5. De advocato, 2 Edw. III. A.D. 1328, p. 16.

6. De excambio terrarum inter abbatem et Willielmum de Herle, A.D. 1338, fol. 17.

7. De eodem, fol. 18.

8. Confirmatio regis Edw. III. ex orig. scheda magna magno Angliæ sigillo munita, pen. Amb. Philipps, A.D. 1730; fol. 19.

9. Lease from abbat Thomas Syeston to the marq. of Dorset, Sept. 12, 11 Hen. VIII. A.D. 1519, already mentioned, from the orig. in the hands of Ambr. Philipps, Esq. fol. 21.

10. Liberty of common to the inhabitants of Shepshed, in Leic. dat. Oct. 1, 14 Hen. VIII. A.D. 1522, from the same muniments, fol. 23.

11. Carta regis Henrici VIII. de concessione abbatiae de Gerendon, necnon terrarum omnium et possessionum ejusdem conventus honorabili D.D. Thomæ Maners comiti Rutlandiæ, dat. 8 Mart. 32 Hen. VIII. A.D. 1541, fol. 25.

12. De patrono, 55 Hen. III. Esch. 55 Hen. III. n. 36, Leic. fol. 30.

13. De terris abbatis et conventus ex dono Henrici le Waleis apud Ravenston in com. Leic. 14 Edw. I. A.D. 1286, fol. 32.

14. De terris abbatis et conventus ex dono Simonis Glyde apud Thurneston in com. Leic. 16 Edw. I. A.D. 1288, fol. 33.

15. De patrono, 25 Edw. I. Esch. 25 Edw. I. n. 51, Leic. fol. 34.

16. De terris abb. et conv. apud Worthington in com. Leic. ex dono Radulphi Boson, et apud Swanington in eodem com. ex acquisit. abbatis. Esch. 34 Edw. I. n. 109, Leic. fol. 35.

17. Caroli regis I. literæ criminum condonantes Roberto Pye militi et Thomæ Fotherby arm. ratione diversarum terrarum, &c. dissoluti nuper monasterii de Garrowden in com. Leicestriæ, ac etiam dissoluti nuper prioratus de Novo Loco juxta Stanfordiam in com. Linc. iis a Katerina ducissa Buckinghamiæ emptarum, licentia regia in ea parte minime petita, dat. Jan. 26, 10 Car. I. A.D. 1635, ex ipsa orig. pen. Ambr. Philipps, fol. 36.

18. Carta Asketilli de Berges de tribus carucatis terræ in Burtunia, et de octo acris terræ circa grangiam abbatis, ex autogr. pen. Ambr. Phil. fol. 37.

19. Carta Willielmi filii Rogeri de Cortingstoca, de diversis terris in Cortingstoc et Rampeston in com. Nottingh. ex ipsa orig. penes . . . Fisher de Grantham, A.D. 1730, fol. 38.

20. Carta Gaufr. filii Radulphi de Lucteburg (*sc.* Loughborough) de communa in bosco de Thorp Harker et Gerondon ex concessione comitis de Winton; et de clausis suis in Halliwellhaghe ab omni calumpnia liberis habendis, ex orig. pen. Ambr. Phil. fol. 39.

21. Carta Rogeri de Colston de quietâ clamatione cujusdam bosci et soli ejusdem, ex autogr. penes Ambr. Phil. fol. 40.

22. Carta Roberti de Tatishale de triginta acris prati in wolda de Holewelle in com. Leic. ac etiam de libero transitu cum carris ibidem, ex orig. pen. Ambr. Phil. fol. 41.

The whole of these are likewise printed by Mr. Nichols.

In the Chartulary of Sandford Preceptory, MS. Wood, x. in bibl. Bodl. are copies of three deeds of grant from the abbat and convent of Garendon, to the brethren of Sandford, of certain messuages, &c. in the neighbouring village of Littlemore, about A.D. 1274.

The abbat and convent of St. Mary de Pratis at Leicester entered, at different times, into several compositions with the monks of Garendon, as appears by two extracts given by Mr. Nichols from their "Rentale."^d

Tanner's references to public records are,

"Rot. cart. 19 Hen. III. m. 15. Fin. div. com. 36 Hen. III. n. 60, de piscaria in aqua de Sore, et commun. pastur. in Dixely. Cart. 52 Hen. III. m. 5.

"Pat. 2 Edw. I. m. 20 dorso. Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 7 et 35 dorso. Pat. 13 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 17 Edw. I. m. .

"Brev. 9 Edw. II. Pasch. rot. 18.

"Escact. Nottingh. 2 Edw. III. n. 76. Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 23 vel 24. Cart. 4 Edw. III. n. 17. Pat. 12 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . Pat. 13 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 15 vel 16. Cart. 14 Edw. III. p. . Pat. 15 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . Pat. 17 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 18 vel 19.

"Pat. 5 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 26, de heremitagio S. Jacobi juxta Crepilgate London. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 8, de mess. et terris in Thorphanker at Shepished."

Compare also Rot. Hundred. vol. i, pp. 59, 238, 239, 473; vol. ii. pp. 28, 723. Abbrev. Plac. pp. 201, 230.

Among the ancient charters in the British Museum is one, marked L. F. C. xv. 14, a grant from Philip de Cortingstoke to Garendon abbey of all his lands in Lekefield at a place called Chanoyne's hokes, of the 13th century.

Peck, in his manuscripts already referred to,^e has given a drawing of the SEAL of Garendon abbey. Its form was oval. In its area was represented the full length figure of the Virgin Mary crowned, bearing the infant Jesus in her

^a See the Hist. Leic. vol. III. pt. ii. p. 805-830, with other references there mentioned.

^b Ibid. p. 834-838.

^d Ibid. pp. 895, 796,

^c Ibid. pp. 831, 832, 833.

^e Contin. of Monast. vol. iv. fol. 24.

arms. In a small niche below, the half-figure of a priest in a devotional attitude. The legend, SIGGILLVM ABBATIS ET CONVENTVS BEATE MARIE DE GARENDONA. Mr. Nichols has engraved this seal.

The ARMS of this abbey were the same as those of its founder; viz. *Gu.* a cinquefoil erm. pierced of the field; with a crozier added, to distinguish them from St. Mary de Pratis at Leicester.

The CHURCH was demolished soon after the suppression of the abbey, but part of the ruins remained at the time of the purchase by Sir Ambrose Phillipps, under whose direction the foundation was dug up, when several stone coffins were discovered.^a

The present mansion-house of Garendon was built on the site of the monastery, and, when Mr. Nichols wrote, was in the possession of Thomas March Phillipps, Esq.

Cartae ad Gerondonensem Abbatiam in agro Leicestrensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

[Annales de Peterborough in bibl. Cotton. Hist. MS. Henr. Knighton in bibl. Cotton.]

ANNO MCXXXij. fundata est abbatia de Gerondon, filia de Waverle.

Decimo quinto anno (scilicet regis H. II.) Robertus comes Leycestrensis fundavit monasterium de Gerondon de monachis^b Leycestrensibus.

NUM. II.

Donationum Confirmatio per Regem.

[Cart. 14. E. III. n. 17, per Inspex.]

REX, &c. Donationem et concessionem, quas Robertus quondam comes Leicestriæ, per cartam suam fecit Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Geroldonia et monachis ibidem degentibus, de quinque carucatis, et tribus virgatis terræ cum pertinentiis in Geroldonia, cum omnibus pratis et pascuis eidem terræ pertinentibus.

Concessionem etiam, et donationem quam idem comes per eandem cartam fecit eisdem monachis de omnibus quæ habebat in Disseleye, excepta terra Rogeri fratris Osberti capellani.

Donationem verò quam idem comes per eandem cartam fecit eisdem monachis de duabus carucatis terræ cum pertinentiis in Ryngolthorp.

Donationem insuper et confirmationem quas idem comes per cartam suam fecit ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Geroldonia, et monachis prædictis, de tota terra quam Rabellus de Seignevilla tenuit in Dixeleya, et de bosco de Shepehed continente unam leucatam in latitudine, et unam leucatam et dimidiam in longitudine.

Donationem etiam et confirmationem quas Margareta dudum comitissa Wyntonæ, soror Roberti comitis Leycestriæ, per cartam suam fecit eisdem ecclesiæ et monachis de tota Henleya, ad colendum, fossandum, claudendum et ad quemlibet fructum inde percipiendum.

Concessionem verò et confirmationem quas eadem comitissa per eandem cartam fecit eisdem ecclesiæ et monachis de omnibus terris, et tenementis quæ ipsi habent, ex donationibus antecessorum suorum, cum pratis, pascuis, et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis.

Donationem insuper et confirmationem quas eadem comitissa, per cartam suam fecit ecclesiæ et monachis prædictis de una virgata terræ cum pertinentiis in Westan, quam Walterus et Godewinus filii Rippyngi tenuerunt, una cum toftis et croftis, pratis et pascuis, et omnibus pertinentiis suis et de tota sequela hominum prædictorum.

Donationem etiam et concessionem quas eadem comitissa per cartam suam fecit eisdem ecclesiæ et monachis, de uno molendino et sede ejusdem molendini, cum stagno et sequela sua, et cum omnibus cæteris pertinentiis, libertatibus et aisiamenis, et de duabus virgatis terræ in eadem

villa, scilicet illam virgatam terræ quam Radulphus ad Brock quondam tenuit, et eundem Radulphum cum sequela sua, et unam bovata[m] terræ quam Hugo de Colcvill quondam tenuit, et eundem Hugonem cum sequela sua, et unam bovata[m] terræ quam Radulphus de la Grene quondam tenuit, et eundem Radulphum cum sequela sua, tenendum et habendum imperpetuū, cum toftis, croftis, pratis, pascuis, et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, libertatibus et aisiamenis, et de pastura ad centum oves cum agnis eaque in eadem villa.

Donationem verò concessionem et confirmationem quas Margareta de Ferrariis quondam comitissa Derby per cartam suam fecit Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ Geroldon et abbati et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, de quindecim solidatis redditus cum pertinentiis in Ansty.

Donationem insuper concessionem et confirmationem quas Willielmus de Dixel filius Roberti Bars de Dixel per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de uno messuagio, et tribus virgatis terræ cum pertinentiis in Dixel.

Donationem etiam, concessionem, et confirmationem quas Rogerus de Quincy, quondam comes Wintonæ et constabularius Scotiæ per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis, de tota Sauuagina et omnibus bestiis sylvestribus, cujuscunque generis forent, quas dicti abbas et monachi, et eorum successores, tunc habuerunt vel ex tunc habere possent, vel vellent, vel quæ inventæ forent in clauso de Kitt, ad bersandum, venandum, capiendum, vel quicquid inde, per se vel per homines suos, vel per alios eorum nomine et licentia vellent, faciendum.

Concessionem verò, et confirmationem quas idem comes per eandem cartam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de toto bosco ipsorum abbatis et monachorum, cum solo et omnibus pertinentiis suis quibuscunque.

Donationem insuper et confirmationem quas idem comes per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de quinque virgatis terræ cum pertinentiis in Belgrave quas Radulphus de Gouteby, Gilbertus serviens Swein, Willielmus in Lane, Johannes Niger, Galfridus filius Siward, et Walterus Sahere tenuerunt, cum prædictis hominibus, et tota sequela eorundem.

Concessionem insuper et confirmationem quas idem comes per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de uno molendino et uno situ molendini, quinque virgatis terræ, et una placca prati cum pertinentiis in Westan, Hawethorn et Thorp juxta Geraudon, et de hominibus dictas terras tenentibus, cum tota sequela eorundem.

Remissionem verò et quietam clamantiam, quas idem comes per eandem cartam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de visu franciplegii, et omnimoda secta curiæ ipsius comitis, et omni forinseco servitio, quæ de prædictis terris, seu de hominibus eas tenentibus aliquo modo exigere poterint.

Remissionem insuper et quietam clamantiam quas idem

^a Nich. Hist. Leic. ut supr. p. 798.

The heart and bowels of Saher de Quency, who died at Acon, were, by his own direction, first burnt to ashes, and then brought to Garendon abbey for interment.

Margaret de Quency, countess of Winton, his relict, was buried here, "ad introitum ecclesiæ."

Roger de Quency, earl of Winton, was buried here in 1264.

Mr. Nichols mentions two or three other persons of distinction who were also buried here, but who were not so immediately connected with the abbey.

^b *lege* canonicis.

comes per eandem cartam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de visu franciplegii, et omni secta curiæ ipsius comitis, de omni forinseco servicio quinque virgatarum terræ cum pertinentiis in Belgrave quas habent de dono prædicti comitis, cum hominibus dictas terras tenentibus, et eorum sequela, &c.

Concessionem insuper, donationem et concessionem quas Ranulphus quondam comes Cestriæ, per scriptum suum fecit eisdem abbati et monachis, de communa pasturæ, ad omnimoda pecora cum pertinentiis in Baroua, excepto parco de Barwe.

Concessionem etiam et confirmationem quas idem comes per idem scriptum fecit eisdem abbati et monachis, de donationibus quas Robertus de Torz, Willielmus de Torz, et Thomas Dispensarius fecerunt prædictis monachis in feudo ipsius comitis de Haliwellhawe.

Donationem verò, et confirmationem quas Thomas filius Rogeri de Haltone, per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de uno molendino cum pertinentiis in Thorp, &c.

Concessionem insuper et confirmationem quas Asketillus de Berges per cartam fecit eisdem monachis, de donatione Thomæ Dispensatoris de decem bovatis terræ cum pertinentiis, de feodo suo in Burton.

Concessionem verò et confirmationem quas Hugo de Berges, per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de omnibus terris, tenementis et possessionibus, cum pertinentiis quæ tenent et habent de feodo suo in eadem villa.

Concessionem verò et confirmationem quas Rogerus de Molbray, per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de donatione elemosinæ de feodo suo in eadem villa. Ita quod prædicta elemosina sit soluta et libera ab omni forinseco servicio, et omni seculari exactione, &c.

Donationem verò et confirmationem quas Gilbertus de Colevilla per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de quatuor carucatis terræ, et dimidia cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Donationem etiam et confirmationem quas Hugo dispensator, per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis, de duobus messuagiis, et tribus virgatis terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa, cum hominibus prædicta messuagia et terram tenentibus, cum catallis, et sequelis eorum.

Donationem verò et concessionem quas Henricus Putrel per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de una carucata terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Concessionem insuper et confirmationem quas Robertus Putrellus per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de illa carucata terræ in eadem villa quam habent ex dono Henrici Putrel avi sui, &c.

Donationem verò et confirmationem quas Gaufridus Haget per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de quatuor carucatis terræ cum pertinentiis in Aleby. Concessionem insuper et confirmationem quas Nigellus filius Rogeri de Moubray per scriptum suum fecit eisdem monachis de donatione Galfridi Haget, scilicet quatuor carucatis terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa, &c.

Concessionem etiam et confirmationem quas Robertus de Bruys filius Isabellæ de Bruys, per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de omnibus terris et tenementis quæ habent de feodo suo de Huntendone cum pertinentiis in Aleby, Sixtenby, et Stanlefore.

Concessionem etiam quam Willielmus de Harecurt, per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de tota terra Stantunye cum omnibus appendiciis, in pratis et pascuis, et cæteris necessariis ad terram illam pertinentibus.

Donationem verò, remissionem et quietam clamantiam quas Richardus de Harecurt per scriptum suum fecit eisdem monachis de una marcata redditus cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Donationem insuper, concessionem et confirmationem quas Reginaldus filius Ingenulfi de Ybestoka, per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de toto loco in quo grangia sua de Ybestoka sita est, et tota clausura et curia ejusdem grangiæ, et bercheriarum suarum ibidem constructarum, et de quatuor carucatis, et tredecim acris terræ cum pertinentiis in Ybestoka.

Concessionem etiam et confirmationem, quas Henricus filius Richardi de Burtone, per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis, de elemosinis et donationibus Reginaldi filii Yngenulphi, et Reginaldi filii ipsius Reginaldi, videlicet de

tota grangia sua de Ybestoka, et de toto loco in quo eadem grangia sita est, tota clausura et curia ejusdem grangiæ, et bercheriarum suarum ibidem constructarum, et quatuor carucatis et decem et septem acris terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa, &c.

Donationem insuper, concessionem et confirmationem quas Willielmus filius Roberti de Roppesle per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de tota terra sua in Neubold quam habuit ex dono Simonis de Roppesle avunculi sui.

Concessionem etiam, et confirmationem quas Teobaldus de Verdone quondam constabularius Hiberniæ, per scriptum suum fecit eisdem abbati et monachis, de una virgata et quinque bovatis terræ cum pertinentiis in Worthintthone.

Concessionem verò et remissionem, et quietam clamantiam quas Robertus filius Petri Deryng de Worthington, per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de toto jure et clameo, quod habuit vel habere potuit in omnibus terris, redditibus, et tenementis quæ habuit ex donatione patris sui in Wurthingtone.

Donationem insuper, concessionem et confirmationem quas Radulphus Bohun de Claxetone, et Lora uxor sua per cartam suam fecerunt eisdem abbati et monachis de toto bosco suo de Wurthlyntone, cum toto solo eidem adjacente, et cum communa pasturæ, et minera carbonum et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis.

Donationem etiam concessionem et confirmationem quas iidem Radulphus et Lora per eandem cartam fecerunt eisdem abbati et monachis de una bovata terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa quam Richardus Breyd de eo tenuit, cum eodem Richardo et omnibus catallis suis, et cum tota sequela sua, et de triginta solidatis redditus, et redditu unius libræ piperis cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Concessionem verò et confirmationem quas iidem Radulphus et Lora per eandem cartam suam fecerunt eisdem abbati et monachis de duabus virgatis terræ in eadem villa, cum toftis et croftis, et etiam aliis earum pertinentiis; ita quod iidem abbas et monachi, et eorum successores omnino quieti sunt et soluti erga ipsum et hæredes suos de omnibus terrenis serviciis et consuetudinibus, et demandis, quæ de prædictis duabus virgatis terræ exigi poterunt vel extorqueri: relaxationem insuper et quietam clamantiam quas iidem Radulphus et Lora per eandem cartam fecerunt eisdem abbati et monachis de redditu medietatis unius libræ cumini, et unius paris albarum cirotecarum quæ prædicti abbas et monachi eis quondam facere consueverunt.

Donationem insuper, concessionem et confirmationem quas Johannes filius Johannis de Gateston militis, per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de duabus acris terræ cum pertinentiis in Kirkeby.

Concessionem etiam donationem et confirmationem quas Gaufridus de Estune, et Agnes filia Walteri de Parys uxor sua, per cartam suam fecerunt eisdem abbati et monachis de toto jure et clameo quod unquam habuerunt, vel habere potuerunt in uno messuagio cum pertinentiis in Norwico.

Donationem etiam concessionem et confirmationem quas Zezilia relictæ Nicholai de Dranefeud in Cosyntone per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de uno messuagio cum domibus in eodem constructis in Cosyntone.

Donationem verò, concessionem, et confirmationem quas Walterus Fisher de Mountsorell per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de uno tofto cum pertinentiis in Mountsorell.

Donationem insuper et confirmationem quas Robertus Phis de Mountsorell per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de uno messuagio cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Donationem etiam et confirmationem quas Hugo filius Roberti Phis de Mountsorell, per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de duabus denaratis redditus cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Donationem verò et confirmationem quas idem Hugo per eandem cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de una denarata redditus cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Donationem insuper et confirmationem quas Richardus filius Richardi Crispi de Mountsorell, per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de uno messuagio cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Donationem etiam quam Stephanus scriba de Kettleby, per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de una acra terræ in eadem villa, cum uno tofto ad illam aeram pertinente.

Concessionum etiam et confirmationem quas Rogerus Godebert filius et hæres Rogeri Godebert de Swanyngton per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de quadam placea vocata le Smallheth cum pertinentiis in Swanyngtone.

Concessionem insuper et confirmationem quas idem Rogerus per eandem cartam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de omnibus terris, et tenementis quæ tenent de feodo suo in eadem villa.

Donationem etiam, concessionem et confirmationem quas idem Rogerus per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de toto bosco suo in eadem villa, cum tota terra, et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis.

Donationem verò, concessionem et confirmationem quas idem Rogerus per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis, de tota parte brueræ suæ, quantum pertinet ad quinque virgatas terræ, cum decem selionibus in eadem villa.

Donationem insuper, remissionem et quietam clamantiam quas Rogerus filius Rogeri Godebert de Swanyngton per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de quinque solidatis redditus cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Donationem verò, concessionem et confirmationem quas Rogerus Godebert de Swanyngtone per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de toto assarto suo in eadem villa cum octo selionibus, et cum tota quarrera, et toto bosco adjacente et prato cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in eadem villa.

Donationem etiam et confirmationem quas Thomas de Stokes per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de una virgata terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Concessionem etiam, remissionem, et quietam clamantiam quas Willielmus, filius et hæres Richardi Wareyn de Swanyngton per scriptum suum fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de duodecim denaratis redditus cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Concessionem verò et remissionem quas idem Willielmus per idem scriptum fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de toto jure et clameo quod habuit vel habere potuit in quadam portiuncula prati vocata Pepesike cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Concessionem insuper et confirmationem quas præfatus Willielmus per idem scriptum, fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de eo quod ipsi appuare se possent de toto bosco suo, et omnibus vastis suis quæ habuerunt ex dono et concessione Rogeri filii Rogeri Godebert de Swanyngtone.

Donationem insuper, concessionem et confirmationem quas Richardus Wareyn de Swanyngtone per eandem suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis, de toto jure et clameo quod habuit, vel habere potuit in tota terra, quantum pertinet ad duas virgatas terræ de feodo suo in eadem villa, et in omnibus brueris et locis in eadem villa quæ aliquando excoli possent vel frussari.

Donationem verò, concessionem et confirmationem, quas Rogerus filius Briani de Wathaton per scriptum suum fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de redditu unius libræ cum mini cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Concessionem etiam quam idem Rogerus per scriptum suum fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de una virgata terræ cum wardis, releviis, homagiis, escaetis, et omnibus aliis forinsecis serviciis.

Donationem verò, concessionem et confirmationem quas idem Rogerus per idem scriptum fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de sexdecim denaratis redditus cum pertinentiis in Dixeworth.

Donationem insuper, concessionem et confirmationem quas Rogerus carpentarius de Swanyngtone, et Agnes uxor ejus per cartam suam fecerunt eisdem abbati et monachis de toto vasto suo quod habuerunt in tribus locis in Longemor, quantum pertinet ad unam bovata terræ in eadem villa.

Donationem etiam concessionem et confirmationem quas Willielmus, filius Willielmi de Wllarston per scriptum suum fecit eisdem abbati et monachis, de una bovata terræ, et una placea, cum omnibus domibus in eadem placea constructis cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Donationem verò, concessionem, et confirmationem quas idem Willielmus per idem scriptum suum fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de una bovata terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Donationem insuper et confirmationem quas Richardus de Prestwold per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de una bovata terræ cum pertinentiis in Overtona, &c.

Donationem insuper et confirmationem quas Rogerus de Croft per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis, de duabus virgatis, et quinque acris terræ, et pastura ad trecentas oves cum agnis earum cum pertinentiis in Alton.

Concessionem etiam et confirmationem quas Rogerus la Zouch per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de omnibus terris et tenementis quæ habent in eadem villa, in feodo suo.

Donationem verò, concessionem et confirmationem quas Hugo de Herdeberewe filius Rogeri de Herdebere par cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de tota terra sua cum pertinentiis in eadem villa, quam habuit ex hæreditate Isabellæ matris suæ.

Donationem insuper et concessionem quas idem Hugo per eandem cartam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis, de homagiis, et serviciis omnium liberorum hominum suorum cum pertinentiis in Ravenston, &c.

Donationem verò, concessionem et confirmationem quas Willielmus de Bones filius Willielmi de Bones de Cortyngstoke per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de quatuor bovatis terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Concessionem etiam et confirmationem quas idem Willielmus per eandem cartam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de duabus bovatis terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Concessionem insuper et confirmationem, quas Robertus de Cheverecourt de Wyvordeby per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de omnibus terris et tenementis quæ habent de feodo suo in dictis villis de Rempeston et Cortelyngstoke.

Concessionem etiam et confirmationem quas Richardus filius et hæres Roberti Rosel de Rempestone per scriptum suum fecit eisdem abbati et monachis, de omnibus terris et tenementis, cum pertinentiis suis, quæ habent cum donatione sua et omni antecessorum suorum, in dicta villa de Rempestone, &c.

Donationem insuper et confirmationem quas Hugo filius Galfridi de Rempestone, per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de quinque bovatis terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Concessionem etiam et confirmationem quas idem Hugo per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de omnibus terris et tenementis quæ habent de feodo suo in eadem villa.

Concessionem et confirmationem quas Philippus filius Willielmi de Cortynstoke per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de omnibus terris et tenementis quæ habent de feodo suo in elemosinam, ex donationibus et concessionibus antecessorum suorum in dictis villis de Cortynstoke et Rampeston, &c.

Concessionem verò et confirmationem quas Willielmus Briware per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis, de donationibus, concessionibus, et confirmationibus quas Philippus filius Willielmi de Cortyngstoke, et Ranulphus de Cortyngstoke, et Hugo filius ejus fecerunt eis de omnibus terris et tenementis cum pertinentiis quæ habent et tenent de feodo suo in dictis villis de Cortyngstoke et Rempeston.

Concessionem etiam et donationem quas Willielmus Peverellus per eandem suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de tota terra sua quam habuit de dominio suo cum pertinentiis in Cortyngstoke.

Concessionem insuper et confirmationem quas Sampson de Stretleya per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de tredecim bovatis terræ, cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Concessionem etiam et confirmationem quas Willielmus Peverellus per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de tredecim bovatis terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Concessionem verò quam Ascelinus quondam prior ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Blida et conventus ejusdem per cartam suam fecerunt eisdem abbati et monachis de tota

terra quæ fuit eorumdem prioris et conventus in eadem villa.

Concessionem verò et confirmationem quas Willielmus quondam abbas sanctæ Trinitatis de Monte Rothomagi et conventus ejusdem per cartam suam fecerunt eisdem abbati et monachis de conventionem quæ facta fuit inter ecclesiam de Blida et ecclesiam de Geroldonia; videlicet quod monachi de Geroldonia totam terram suam tenebunt cum appendiciis suis quæ habuerunt monachi de Blida in Cor-tyngestok in feodo et hæreditate.

Concessionem verò et confirmationem quas Johannes filius Radulphi de Constatyn per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de decem bovatis terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Concessionem verò et confirmationem quas Johannes quondam constabularius per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de decem bovatis terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa quas tenent de monachis de Blida, una cum toftis et croftis et aliis pertinentiis suis.

Donationem etiam et concessionem quas Nigellus de Luvetoft per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de centum acris terræ cum pertinentiis in Wishou.

Donationem verò quam idem Nigellus et Margareta uxor ejus per eandem cartam fecerunt eisdem monachis de viginti acris terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Donationem insuper et confirmationem quas idem Nigellus per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de tribus solidatis redditus cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Redditionem etiam remissionem, et quietam clamanciam quas Nigellus filius Nigelli de Lovetot, per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de viginti denaratis redditus cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Donationem verò et confirmationem quas Elias de Amundevill nepos Nigelli de Lovetot per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de quatuor acris prati et dimidia cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Concessionem insuper, et remissionem quas idem Elias per eandem cartam fecit eisdem monachis de toto jure et clameo quæ habuit, vel habere potuit in toto prato, quod Nigellus avunculus suus dedit eisdem abbati et conventui in eadem villa, &c.

Concessionem verò et confirmationem quas Adam de Herthull filius et hæres Richardi de Herthull militis, per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de toto situ loci qui vocatur Revestanes, cum pertinentiis.

Concessionem etiam et confirmationem quas idem Adam per eandem cartam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis, de omnibus terris, et tenementis et feodis quæ iidem abbas et monachi habent in villa de Balideyne, et de omnibus aliis terris libertatibus et tenementis quæ tenent in feodo suo ubicunque fuerint.

Donationem insuper, concessionem et confirmationem quas idem Adam per eandem cartam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de communi pastura ad omniimoda averia cum pertinentiis in dictis villis de Baleden et Revestanes, et in mora de Baliden.

Concessionem etiam quam idem Adam, per eandem cartam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de libero ingressu et egressu cum omniimodis averiis suis ad communem pasturam depascendam.

Donationem verò, concessionem et confirmationem quas idem Adam per eandem cartam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de una marcata redditus cum pertinentiis in eisdem villis.

Concessionem etiam et confirmationem quas Robertus de Ferrariis, quondam comes Derby, per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de omnibus terris et tenementis quæ habent ex donis antecessorum suorum in Hethkote.

Concessionem verò et confirmationem quas idem comes per eandem cartam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de uno messuagio, viginti acris terræ, et dimidia cum pertinentiis in Nova-Byggyng, et Wolstoncote, et Hertynghdone, et de quodam prato vocato Gotheboldesike, in dicta villa de Hertynghdone, et de medietate cujusdam prati vocati Overmedewe in Lee, et de uno prato quod vocatur Heye in Bradeborne, et de uno prato vocato Swetedoies.

Concessionem insuper et confirmationem quas idem comes per eandem cartam fecit eisdem abbati et mona-

chis, de sex acris terræ et dimidia cum pertinentiis in Penerwyk.

Concessionem etiam et confirmationem quas idem comes per eandem cartam fecit eisdem abbati ei monachis de quatuor bovatis terræ cum pertinentiis in Neubold, una cum toftis, et croftis.

Donationem verò et confirmationem quas Rogerus filius Eve per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de tota terra sua in Derby juxta mercatum cum domibus et orto, et omnibus appendiciis et aisiamentis ad terram illam pertinentibus.

Donationem insuper et confirmationem quas Aldeburga de Haia, per cartam suam fecit eisdem monachis de tribus toftis, cum pertinentiis in eadem villa.

Donationem etiam, concessionem et confirmationem quas Radulphus filius Gilberti le Especer de Notyngham per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de tota terra sua cum domibus ibidem ædificatis in foro cotidiano de Notyngham.

Donationem etiam, concessionem et confirmationem quas Stephanus Dewe de Grymesby per cartam suam fecit eisdem abbati et monachis de uno messuagio cum pertinentiis in Grymesby, &c. ratas habentes et gratas, &c. confirmamus, &c. Datum per manum Edwardi ducis Cornubiæ, et comitis Cestriensis filii nostri charissimi custodis Angliæ. Apud Westmonasterium duodecimo secundo die Julii.

NUM. III.

Carta Hawisiæ Comitissæ de Albamarle.

[Ex autogr. in bibl. Hatton.]

HAWISIA comitissa Albamarlæ, omnibus hominibus et amicis suis Francis et Anglis clericis et laicis, præsentibus et futuris, salutem. Sciatis me in legitima potestate mea constitutam post mortem domini mei Baldewini de Betunia, et postquam finem feci de jure et hæreditate mea cum domino rege, concessisse, et hac carta mea confirmasse in puram et perpetuam elemosinam Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Geroudon et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute animæ meæ, et domini mei Willielmi de Mandevill comitis Essex, et hæredum, et antecessorum meorum, quatuor carucatas terræ in Estwell, cum omnibus pertinentiis liberas et quietas ab omni servicio quod ad comitem Albemarle patrem meum pertinuit, et quod ad me et hæredes meos pertinet, et ab omni terreno servicio; videlicet illas quatuor carucatas quas monachi habuerunt ex donatione Radulphi Pincernæ postquam idem Radulfus dirationaverat terram illam in curia domini regis; et ex confirmatione Willielmi de Evermue, et confirmatione Willielmi comitis Albemarle patris mei, de cujus feodo terra illa est: et prohibeo ne aliquis eos inde gravet, nec inquietet, neque molestiam faciat, quia omnibus hæredibus terræ quæ de feodo patris mei est in Eytone et Estwell; et omnibus qui terram illam tenuerunt vel tenebunt quietum clamavi à me et hæredibus meis forense servicium, et omne servicium quod ad comitem Albemarle patrem meum pertinuit et quod ad me et hæredes meos pertinet de terra monachorum. Et ego hæredes mei adquietabimus terram illam imperpetuum de omni seculari servicio, et hac omnia prædictis monachis warrantizabimus. Hiis testibus, Hugone abbate de Melsa, Jordano abbate de Thorneton, Adam capellano, Ranulfo vicecom. Henrico de Engeramo de Albemarle, Johanne Mauveisin, Aliza de Fontibus, Richeuda, Clementia puellis meis.^a

NUM. IV.

Carta Willielmi Comitis Albamarle.

WILLIELMUS comes de Albamare filius Hawisæ comitissæ de Albamare omnibus hominibus et amicis suis Francis et Anglis clericis et laicis præsentibus et futuris, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et hac carta confirmasse in liberam et puram et perpetuam elemosinam Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Geroudon et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum, quatuor carucatas terræ de feodo meo in Estwelle cum omnibus pertinentiis suis liberas

^a See a transl. of this Instrument, in Nichols's Hist. Leic. vol. III. part ii. p. 788.

et quietas ab omni seculari servicio quod ad comitem de Albamare avum meum, et ad Hawisam matrem meam comitissam de Albamare pertinuit, et quod ad me et hæredes meos pertinet, et ab omni terreno servicio; videlicet illas quatuor carrucatas terræ quas prædicti monachi habuerunt ex donatione Radulphi Pincernæ de Eytona postquam idem Radulfus dirationaverat terram illam in curia domini regis, et ex confirmatione Willielmi comitis de Albamare avi mei, et ex confirmatione prædictæ Hawisæ matris meæ comitissæ de Albamare de cuius feodo terra illa est. Et prohibeo ne aliquis prædictos monachos inde gravet neque inquietet, neque molestiam faciat imperpetuum, quia omnibus hæredibus terræ quæ de feodo matris meæ est in Eytona et Estwelle, et omnibus qui terram illam tenuerunt vel tenebunt quietum clamavi à me et hæredibus meis imperpetuum forense servicium, et omne servicium quod ad comitem de Albamare avum meum, et ad Hawisam matrem meam comitissam de Albamare pertinuit, et quod ad me et ad hæredes meos pertinet de terra monachorum: et ego et hæredes adquietabimus imperpetuum terram illam de omni seculari servicio: et hæc omnia prædictis monachis warrantizabimus. Testibus hiis, domino Henrico de Aldetheleighe, Waltero de Deyvill, Stephano de Segrave, Fulcone de Oyri, Gaufrido Dispensario, Hugone de Foresta, Roberto de Burton, Johanne de Folevill, Roberto de Withine, Hugone de Streteghe, et multis aliis.

NUM. V.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONASTERIUM DE GARRADON.

Doñña, Mañria, Terr', Teñt', et al' Possess', t'm sþual' q'm tempal', Monaster' de Garradon' ptin', THOME Siston Abbat', vidz

Valet in
Sþual'.
Com' Leic'.

PROFIC' provemen de rectoria de Dixley in com' iþm put patet p declaraçõem inde fact' coram cõmissionar' ðni reg' in hac pte examiat' et pbat' : . 4l. 0s. 0d.
Profic' provenien' de abbac' coram imagin' s'te Cruc' inf' monastiu iþm coibz an' . . . 10l. 0s. 0d.
14l. 0s. 0d.

Tempal'.
Com' Leic'.

Scit' monastii p'dict', cum curtilag', gardin', ac diþs' dom' infra p'inct' scit' scituat', necnon terr' ðnic' in man' dict' abbat' existen' p 12^{com} probos legal' homines assessat', cu' x^{mis} eazdem terr' ðnic', ut in d'ca declaraçõe plenius apparet' 44l. 7s. 8d.

Reddit' et Firm' diþs' Tenenc' in diþs' Ðniis, Mañiis, Villis, Grang', et Hamlett', in Com' iþm videt',

Thorpe Hawker 10l. 17s. 4d. Shepished 4l. 19s. 6d.
In Hathern 2l. 13s. In Burton de Wold' 7l. 19s. 4d. In Wymysholde 16s. 5½d. In Welbye 3l. In Gandby 2l. 6s. 8d. In Rynglethorpe 3l. In Estewell 3l. 10s. In Scalford 10s 2d. In Sixtonby 3l. 6s. 8d. In Cosyngton 5s. In Mountesorell 3s. 4d. In Turmaston 1l. 4s. In Belg'ave 2l. 8s. In Leicester 1s. 2d. In Wheston 1l. 10s. In Groby 16s. In Rotby 12s. In Ansty 14s. In Cropiston 4s. In Swithland 6s. In Grange de Stanton 12l. Swynfyn Grange 7l. Swanyngton Grange 3l. 7d. Alton Grange 6l. 13s. 4d. In Worthyngton 1l. 16s. Et in Newebold 18s. Ut in declaraçõe plenius cont' 82l. 10s. 6½d.

Profic' provenien' de plit' et pquis' cur', cum añc' infra p'dict' ðnia, terr', et tenemen' coibus annis put' in dict' declaraçõe plenius cont' 0l. 6s. 8d.

Com' Nott'.

Reddit' et Firm' Tenen' in diþs' Ðniis, Mañiis, Villis, Grang', et Hamlett', in Com' iþm videt',

In villa Notyngh^m 5s. In Kirkeby Woodhowese 5s.

In Cortlyngstoke 15l. 1s. In Sutton sup' Bonyngton 8l. 8s. 4d. In Rempton 3l. Et in Leke Magn' 16s. Ut patz p declaraçõnem p'dict' 27l. 15s. 4d.

Com' Derby.

Reddit' et Firm' Tenenc' in diþs' Ðniis, Mañiis, Villis, Grangiis, et Hamlett', in Com' iþm, videt',

In villa Derby 3l. 10s. In Reviston 1l. 6s. 8d. Et in Raunston 1l. Ut in dict' declaraçõe plen⁹ cont' 5l. 16s. 8d.

Com' Midd'.

Redd' et firm' diþs' terr' et tenement' in civitate London' in com' iþm, ut p declaraçõe p'dict' plenius apparet 11l. 13s. 4d.

Com' Norff.

Reddit' unius' gardin' in civitat' Norwichie in tenur' Thome Godsave p annu', ut in d'ca declaraçõe plenius cont' 0l. 5s. 0d.
172l. 15s. 2½d.
186l. 15s. 2½d.

D' quibz in

Deduccion' jux^a Formam Instrucc' inde edit' et pvis' videt' in
Sþual'.
Sinod' et Pcur'.

Denar' solut' archidiacono Leic' pro sinodal' et procur' ecc'lie de Dixley, ut patz p declaraçõnem p'dcam 0l. 1s. 0d.

Pension'.

Denar' añuati' solut' p Pencionibz, videt',
Eþo Lincoln' 3s. Abbati Leicestr' 2l. 6s. 8d. Rectori de Hathern 4s. Rectori de Corthyngstoke 16s. 8d. Prior' de Blithe 8s. Rectori de Clifton 6s. 8d. P'ori de Repyngdon 6s. Et rector' de Sutton 13s. 4d. Ut in dict' declar' plen⁹ cont' 5l. 4s. 4d.

Elemos'.

Denar' annuati' solut' et distribut' diþs' Paupibz, semel in anno, videt',

In die cene Ðni p añabz Robti de Bossue original' fundat', et al' bñfact' huj^a monaster', in pecuniis et panibz, ut patz p declar' p'dcam 5l. 0s. 0d.
10l. 5s. 4d.

Tempal'.

Resolut' Redd'.

Reddit' Resolut' diþs' Pson' subscript', videt',
Johi Willoughby milit' 6d. Escaet' ðni r^s 3s. 6d. Cõmisse Oxon' 2s. 1d. Hered' Johis Savage milit' 9d. Ðni de Barkeley 1l. 4s. 8d. Honor' Winton' 1s. Honor' Leic' 1s. Ðno marchion' Dors' 4s. Ðno de Cosswrth 1s. Ðno de Naiston 1s. Ðno Wisower 2s. Vic' Nott' 2s. Comit' Salop' 2s. Hered' Stirley 5s. Honor' Lancastr' 3s. Ðno regi 13s. 10d. Hered' de Gresley 2s. Ecc'lie cathedr' Sar' 8s. Et eþo Eliens' 16s. Ut in dict' declar' plen⁹ apparet' 4l. 13s. 4d.

Feod'.

Feod' diþs' Pson' subscript', videt'.

Johi Villers milit', capit' senesc' 2l. Johi Crosby geñal recept' 2l. Thome Siston ball' com' Leic' 2l. Wiffmo Grene balliv' com' Derby 1l. Johi Smyth balliv' com' Nott' 2l. Riço Watson balliv' de London' et Norwic' 1l. Et Petro Ithell auditor' terr' p'dict' 1l. 16s. 8d. Ut in dict' declarac' plen⁹ cont' 11l. 16s. 8d.
16l. 10s 0d.
26l. 15s. 4d.

Et remanet clare p annu' . 159l 19s. 10½d.
X^{ma} inde 16l. 0s. 0d.

NUM. VI.
COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]
NUPER MONASTERIUM DE GARRODON.

Com' Leic'	£.	s.	d.
Wynsewold et al' loc'—Lib' red- dit'	0	11	10 ob'
Alton sive Halton—Reddit' un' claus'	0	13	4
Godby—Reddit' grangiæ . . .	2	6	8
Thorphawker—Reddit' terr' et al' al'	9	0	6
Cortlyngstoke—Reddit' terr' et al'	14	15	0
Worthyngton—Reddit' mes' et terr'	1	16	0
Newbold—Redd' un' cotag' . .	0	18	0
Hatherne—Redd' terr', &c. . .	3	1	4
Wymsewold—Un' mesuag' . . .	0	16	0
Burton Wolds—Redd' terr', &c.	5	9	2
Shepished—Redd' terr', &c. .	1	3	4
Belgrave—Un' mesuag' . . .	0	8	0
Thurmaston—Uh' mesuag' . .	1	4	0
Cosyngton—Un cotag'	0	5	0
Mountsorell—Redd' terr', &c. .	0	3	0
Weston—Mesuag' et molend' .	1	10	0
Salford—Redd' terr', &c. . . .	0	11	6
Growby—Un' cotag'	0	18	6
Ratby—Redd' quatuor cotag' .	0	18	0
Anstey—Redd' inesuag', &c. .	0	18	0
Cropston—Un' cotag' et pomar'	0	4	6
Ashby de la Zouch—Grangia .	6	13	4
Swanyngton—Grangia	3	6	8
Swynfen—Grangia	7	0	0
Burton—Grangia	4	0	0
Sextonby—Grangia	3	6	8
Estwell—Terr', teñt', &c. . .	3	13	4
Stanton—Grangia	12	0	0
Rynglesthorpe—Grangia . . .	3	0	0
Oldeby—Mesuag', terr', &c. .	4	6	8
Rampston—Firma terr', &c. .	1	0	0
Hathern—Terr' vocat' Colond .	0	3	0

Com' Leic'	£.	s.	d.
Belgrave—Firma capital' mesuag'	2	6	8
Cortlyngstoke—Firma terr' . .	3	0	0
Cortlyngstoke—Firma duorum mesuag'	6	0	0
Garrodon—Pastur' voc' Hally- well Hagh	5	0	0
Garrodon—Prat' voc' Pools . .	0	5	0
Dyxley—Un' molend' aquat' .	5	0	0
Garrodon—Mesuag' subtus ca- pellam vocat' le Rood House .	1	13	4
Garrodon—Prat' voc' Mantell Meadow	0	6	8
Garrodon—Herbag' quatuor vac- car'	0	4	0
Garrodon—Situs cum terris dos minicalibus	21	2	4
Charnewod—Herbag' in foresta	5	0	0
Dyxley—Rectoria	4	0	0
Dyxley—Grangia	33	19	4
Shepeshed—Pastur' voc' Oxley .	5	0	0
Garrodon—Oblac' in quadam ca- pella vocat' le Rode Chappell.	10	0	0
Charnewode—Bosc' et subbosc' in foresta ibidem	10	5	0
Byggyns—Grangia sic vocata .	3	0	0
Com' Derby			
Bradeborne—Grangia	1	6	8
Derby—Un' mesuag'	1	10	0
Derby—Firma terr' sive le Ley .	0	1	6
Sutton in Bolyngton—Lib' reddit'	0	8	4
Sutton in Bolyngton—Mesuag' et cotag'	2	1	0
Leyke Magna—Prat'	0	16	0
Com' Nott'			
Nottingham—Un' cotag'	0	5	0
Kirkby Woodhouse—Redd' terr'	0	5	0
Sutton in Bolyngton—Molend' voc' Sotts Mills	6	13	4
Normanton—Firma terr' . . .	0	1	0
Com' Midd'			
London—Reddit'	1	10	0
London—Tenementa	11	11	8

Abbey of Swineshed, in Lincolnshire.



WINESHED abbey was founded by Robert de Greslei,^a according to the Annals of Peterborough and Parco Lude, in 1134. The Book of Furnes places the foundation in 1148. Gervase Holles, in one of his MS. volumes, says, from a MS. of Leland, "Swinished coenobium Bernardinorum a Latimerio temporibus Stephani regis inchoatum."^b King Henry the Second's confirmation charter enumerates the different donations which formed the endowment of this house;^c to which, from another instrument, it appears, not only that he, but that his son, Richard the First, were also benefactors.^d

According to the Taxation of Pope Nicholas the Fourth, in 1291, the revenues of this monastery amounted

at that time to 12*l.* 16*s.* 1*d.* in temporalities only. The following are the entries:

	£.	s.	d.
Dioc. Linc. in decanat. Rotel. temp.			
abbatis de Swyneshed	3	6	8
In decanatibus de Gosecote . . .	17	19	0
Frameland	28	3	4
Akele	53	4	4
Sparkenhou	11	6	4
Gudlakston	7	16	5
	118	9	5" ^e

Of the
ABBATS of SWINESHED,
the following are the only names which have occurred.
GILBERT DE HOYLAND, A. D. 1200.^f
ROBERT DENTON, A. D. 1203.^g
LAMBERT, A. D. 1298, 26 Edw. I.^h

^a Lel. Collect. tom. i. p. 92, says, "Robert. Gretlet fundator primus; Albertus Gresley ejus filius donationem confirmavit lxxx. annui redditus."
^b MS. Lansd. Brit. Mus. 207 E. p. 588.
^c See the Append. Num. I.
^d Ibid. Num. II.
^e Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 66 b, 68.
^f MS. Cole, Brit. Mus. vol. xxvi. fol. 210 b.
^g Ibid.
^h Pat. 26 Edw. I. MS. Harl. 6958, p. 128.

JOHN HADDYNGHAM was abbat in the 26th Hen. VIII.:^a in which year the valuation of this monastery amounted, in its gross revenue, to 175*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.*; in clear income, to 167*l.* 15*s.* 3*d.*^b The site was granted in the 5th Edw. VI. to Edward Lord Clinton.

After noticing MS. Dodsw. bibl. Bodl. vol. lxxxix. fol. 42, de terris in Hall, ex Rot. Hund. in com. Linc. an. 3 Edw. I. Tanner gives the following references to public records relating to this house :

“ Cart. 2 Joan. n. 67, de protectione.

“ Rot. Pat. 13 Hen. III. m. 8, de molendino in Suwell.

“ Plac. in com. Linc. 9 Edw. I. quo war. rot. 2, de terris in Hekynton, Burton, Halep, &c. Cart. 26 Edw. I. n. 11, pro feria apud capellam S. Salvatoris in Swinshed.

“ Pat. 10 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 16, 17, 18, 19; et p. 2, m. 15. Rec. in Scacc. 18 Edw. II. Trin. rot. Nottingham.

“ Clau. 1 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 24. Plac. in com. Nottingham. 3 Edw. III. quo war. rot. 3. Cart. Edw. III. n. 13, de libertatibus.

“ Pat. 1 Hen. IV. p. 7, m. 28 vel 29.”

See also the Rot. Hundred. vol. i. pp. 242, 244, 245, 386, 387; vol. ii. pp. 53, 319. Plac. de Quo Waranto, pp. 391, 398. Inquis. ad quod damnum, pp. 244, 250, 287, 345.

No SEAL of Swineshed abbey has yet been met with.

Swineshed is rendered famous for having been the first resting-place of King John, after he lost the whole of his baggage and narrowly escaped with his life, when crossing the marshes in his military progress from Lynn to Sleaford. It has been asserted that the king's death, which followed soon after, was caused by poison, administered to him by a monk of Swineshed; but for this there seems to have been no foundation.^c

No vestiges of the BUILDINGS of this abbey are left, a mansion having been erected out of its ruins by one of the family of Lockton, the former possessors of its site, one of whom, Sir John Lockton, has a monument in the spacious parish-church: he died in the year 1610.

Cartae ad Swineshebedensem Abbatiam in agro Lincolnensi spectantes: fundatam Anno Mccxxiiij.^d

NUM. I.

Donationum Confirmatio per Regem Henricum Secundum.

[Cart. 10 Edw. II. n. 47. Vide Pat. 10 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 15, 16, et 17.]

H. DEI gratia rex Angliæ, &c. Sciatis me concessisse et præsentī carta confirmasse Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Swynesheved, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, locum infra salices in marisco de Swynesheved in quo abbatia fundata est, cum tota cultura de prato, et quartam partem de marisco ibidem, et duas piscarias, et molendinum de Burtoft, et molendinum de Sudwella, et molendinum de Maincestria, et molendinum de Caldecot, et molendinum de Casterton, et terram Tolom, et Hensgroft, et lxxx. acras de Haye, et totam terram Roberti Gresle quam habuit in Cotegrava, et medietatem ecclesiæ ejusdem villæ, et unam bovatom terræ in Hinton, et unam bovatom in Blochesham. Et in territorio Casterton xv. acras, ex donatione Willielmi Herm. Et Bachestaneswang, ex dono Hugonis. Et unam carucatam terræ in Cotegrave, ex donatione Roberti de Archis. Et quicquid Robertus Greslei prædictæ abbatie et Albertus filius ejus fundatores eisdem dederunt et cartis suis confirmaverunt. Et vaccariam quam habuit in marisco juxta abbatiam ex donatione Stephani comitis Britanniae, et quicquid ipse et hæredes ejus eisdem dederunt et cartis suis confirmaverunt. Et Blakemanns Thofth, et Guthevothescroft, ex donatione Hugonis de Wichestoft. Et unam salinam in Duintun, ex donatione Engelranni Peissun. Et unam bovatom terræ et dimidiam in Buctonia, ex donatione Alani de Creun. Et xiiij. acras in Cotegrava, ex donatione Roberti Rosel. Et omnem excambitionem quam Rogerus de Burun fecit eisdem monachis et homines sui. Et in territorio de Neubold, ex donatione Willielmi de Vilers et Pagani filii sui duas carucas terræ et duas bovatas et dimidiam, et Keteleswang, et Holeholdeswang, et xvij. acras terræ apud Cranemere, et iiij. toftas cum croftis et totam brusum quæ ad Neubold pertinet; et in eodem territorio xij. bovatas, ex donatione Helie de Franencurth, cum toftis et croftis suis. Et in territorio de Chaschinthorp

vj. bovatas terræ, ex donatione Thomæ filii Alfgarii. Et iiij. bovatas, ex donatione Edæ uxoris Vitalis de Bergeby, cum concessu hæredum suorum. Et xvj. acras et ij. seliunculas, ex donatione Roberti filii Willielmi. Et unam bovatom et molendinum de Chaschinthorp, et terram quæ ad molendinum pertinet, ex donatione Willielmi filii Roberti. Et iiij. seliuncas infra curtem grangiae, ex donatione Walteri filii Hugonis. Et vj. acras, ex donatione Gunnildæ uxoris prædicti Willielmi, et Amauri filii sui, in campo de Chaschinthorp. Et in Steinwath unam carucatam terræ, et x. acras et iiij. acras prati, ex donatione Hugonis filii Asketilli et Roberti filii ejus. Et ex donatione Simonis comitis, totum ortum Rogeri ortolani de Gerewic, et toftum ejus, et xij. acras terræ in forcatura ubi aqua de Linc. et aqua de Gerewic conveniunt in marisco de Hekintun. Et pasturam xx. vaccis et totidem vitulis unius anni in marisco de Hekintun et Hal, et liberum ingressum et egressum. Et ex donatione Willielmi de Amundvile, unam toftam et unam bovatom terræ, et v. seliuncas ubi molendinum ad ventum situm fuerat. Et ex donatione Rogeri de Rundestain, v. seliuncas in Havercroft, et unum quadrarium in campo de Heidure. Et ex donatione Roberti filii Girz de Biera, unam toftam juxta pontem, et quartam partem prati in Hasfordhirne, et ij. seliuncas in Rieholm, et unam culturam juxta Wiketoft quæ vocatur Neucroft. Et ex donatione Stephani de Hoilandia, clausum ubi Lofwinus mansit in extrema parte de Swynesheved; et omnia infra villas et extra in pratis, et pascuis, et viis, et semitis, in stagnis, et in aquis, in boscis, et campis, et mariscis, cum communis et omnibus pertinentiis quæ donatores eorum eisdem monachis dederunt et cartis suis confirmaverunt.

Præterea omnium fidelium dona præfatae ecclesiæ rationabiliter concessa et imperpetuum possidenda, cum communis et libertatibus quas eorum cartæ et cyrographa testantur de cujuscumque feodo sint, eidem ecclesiæ, in puram atque perpetuam elemosinam, confirmo et corroboro. Quare volo, &c. Hæc omnia eis concessi pro anima avi mei Henrici regis, et pro anima patris mei, et pro salute animæ meæ

^a See the Append. Num. III.

^b Ibid.

^c The following is Matthew Paris's account of the king's death.

“ Rex tamen cum excreitu suo vix elapsus, nocte sequenti apud ABBATIAM quæ SWYNESHEVED dicitur, pernoctavit. Ubi, ut putabatur, de rebus à fluctibus devoratis tantam mentis incurrit tristitiam, quod acutis correptus febribus, cœpit graviter infirmari. Auxit autem ægritudinis molestiam perniciose ejus ingluviæ, qui nocte illa de fructu persicorum et novi ciceris potatione nimis repletus, febrilem in se calorem acuit fortiter et accendit. Veruntamen summo inde diluculo licet cum labore recedens; ad castellum de Lafort hospitaturus perrexit. Ubi

maxima corporis prævagatus molestia, in crastino vix ad castellum de Newere equo vehente pervenit. Quo in loco invalescente morbo, ab abbate de Croestuna consilium confessionis et Eucharistiam suscepit. Et his ita gestis, sciscitatus est ab eo abbas de Croestuna, si ipsum mori contingeret, ubi vellet eligere sepulturam. Cui rex respondens, dixit: Deo et sancto Vlstanio corpus et animam meam commendo. Qui postea in nocte quæ diem sancti Lucæ Evangelistæ proxime sequuta est, ex hac vita migravit. Cujus corpus regis schemate ornatum, ad Wigorniam delatum est; et in ecclesia cathedrali ab episcopo loci honorifice tumulatum.” Mat. Par. Hist. edit. 1684, p. 242.

^d Annales de Peterborough in bibl. Cottoniana.

et matris meæ imperatricis, et pro salute reginæ, et filiorum et fratrum meorum omniumque fidelium. Testibus, Rogero archiepisc. Eboracensi, Gilleberto episcopo London. Willielmo comite de Mandevilla, Richardo de Luci, Reginaldo de Curtenai, Willielmo filio Radulphi, apud Windeleshores, &c.

NUM. II.

Plac. de Quo War. coram W. de Herle et Sociis suis, Justic. Domini Regis itinerant. apud Nottingh. die Lunæ prox. post Festum S. Martini, anno r. r. Edw. III. tertio.

[Ex orig. in Domo Capitul. Westmon. asservato.]

ABBAS de Swyneshed summon. fuit ad respondend. domino regi de placito quo waranto clam. quod ipse homines et equi et omnes res abbathiæ de Swyneshed et monachorum ibidem Deo servientium sint quieti de tolneto, et passagio, et omni consuetudine ubicumque in tota terra Angl. venerint, et etiam esse quietus de omnibus auxiliis et geldis, et wapentachiis, et hundredis, et shiris, et danegeldo, et assis. et murdris, et omni terreno servitio, et placitis et querelis, et scutagiis, et omnibus occasionibus, et omni seculari exactione quæ ad regem vel ad successores suos pertinent.

Et abbas, per Bartholomeum de Cotegrave attornatum suum, venit, et quoad hoc quod ipse summonitus est ad respondendum, &c. quo waranto clamat esse quietus de omnibus auxiliis, geldis, wapentachiis, hundredis, danegeldo, et aliis articul. subsequent. &c. dicit quod dominus Henricus quondam rex Angliæ, pater regis Ricardi, consanguinei domini regis nunc, concessit et carta sua confirmavit abbathiæ de Swyneshed omnes possessiones suas, et omnes res suas, et quietanc. de omnibus auxiliis et geldis, et wapentachiis, et hundredis, et danegeldo, et assis. et murdris, et omni terreno servitio, et placitis, et querelis, et scutagiis, et omnibus occasionibus, et omnibus consuetudinibus. Et profert prædictam cartam sub nomine ipsius Henrici regis quæ præmissa testatur in forma prædicta, &c. et eo waranto clam. esse quietus de articulis prædictis, &c. Et quoad hoc quod ipse summonitus est ad respondend. &c. quo waranto ipse, homines, et equi, et omnes res abbathiæ de Swyneshed et monachorum Deo servientium sint quieti de tolneto, et passagio, et pontagio, et omni consuetudine ubicumque in tota terra Angl. venerint dic. quod prædictus Ricardus quondam rex Angliæ, &c. per cartam suam concessit cuidam abbati de Swyneshed, prædecessori istius abbatis, quod homines, et equi, et omnes res abbathiæ de Swyneshed et monachorum ibidem Deo servientium sint quieti de tolneto, et passagio, et pontagio, et omni consuetudine ubicumque in tota terra regis quæ testatur quod idem rex per cartam suam præcepit quod homines, et equi, et omnes res abbathiæ prædictæ, &c. et monachorum sint quieti de eisdem articulis, et similiter quæ testatur quod idem rex prohibuit ne quis eis injuriam inde vel contumeliam faceret vel disturbaret super decem libris forisfacturæ, et eo waranto clam. quod ipse et homines, &c. sint quieti de articulis supradictis, &c. Et quo ad hoc quod ipse summonitus est ad respondendum, &c. quo waranto clam. esse quietus de shiris dicit quod prædictus Henricus rex, pater regis Ricardi, &c. per cartam suam confirmavit Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Swyneshed, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus et servituris imperpetuum diversas possessiones eis ab ipso et aliis hominibus collatas, tenend. in puram atque perpetuam elemosinam, et concessit per cartam prædictam quod ipsi monachi, tam præsentibus quam futuri, sint quieti de shiris et omni terreno servitio quod ad ipsum regem et successores suos pertinent. Et profert prædictam cartam sub nomine ipsius H. regis quæ præmissa testatur in forma prædicta, &c. et eo waranto clam. esse quietus de shiris, &c. Dicit etiam quod dominus rex nunc inspexit cartam prædicti domini H. quondam regis quam idem H. rex fecit abbathiæ de Swyneshed de quietantia de omnibus auxiliis, et geldis, et wapentachiis, hundredis, et aliis quietantiis in eadem carta contentis prout supra continetur, et etiam inspexit prædictam cartam prædicti Ricardi regis in qua continetur quod idem Ricardus rex præcepit quod homines, et equi, et omnes res abbathiæ de Swyneshed et monachorum ibidem Deo servientium sint quieti de tolneto, passagio, pontagio, et omni consuetudine ubicumque, &c. quas quidem quietanc. necnon et alia in eisdem cartis contenta idem dominus rex nunc per

cartam suam concessit et confirmavit abbati de Swyneshed qui nunc est et ejus successoribus quantum in ipso rege et hæredibus suis est, sicut cartæ prædictæ rationabiliter testantur. Et profert prædictam cartam domini regis nunc quæ præmissa testatur in forma prædicta cujus dat. est apud Kenylworth decimo septimo die Novembris anno regni sui tertio.

Et Willielmus de Denum, qui sequitur pro domino rege, petit quod inquiratur pro domino rege si prædictus abbas et omnes prædecessores sui habuerunt prædictas quietantias necne. Et si sic tunc qualiter et a quo tempore. Ideo inquiratur pro domino rege, &c. xij. jur. dicunt super sacramentum suum quod prædictus abbas et omnes prædecessores sui semper fuerunt hucusque quieti de tolneto et passagio, et similiter de pontagio, si intelligatur per hoc verbum pontagium quietantia aliquid solvendi pro transitu pontium cum hominibus, equis, bobus, carris et carrectis, et aliis sumagiis. Dicit etiam quo ad omnes alias quietantias superius in prædicto brevi contentas, exceptis placitis, querelis, et occasionibus, in quibus ipse et prædecessores sui fuerunt partes versus alios, vel alii versus eos, quod nesciunt quod idem abbas vel aliquis prædecessorum suorum a tempore confectionis cartarum prædictarum inquietatus fuit, vel inquietati fuerunt in aliquo articulo quietantiarum supradictarum. Ideo idem abbas ad præsens inde sine die salvo jure regis, &c.

NUM. III.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits' Office.]

MONAST'IUM B'TE MARIE DE SWYNESHED DECANAT' DE HOLLAND'.

JOH'E HADDYNGH' AM Abbe ibm.

Valet in

Tempal'.

FIRMIS scit' monastii cu' 12 acr' pasture ppe adjacen' monastio p'dco p annum 1l. 16s. ac aliar' terrar' dñical' tam arrabil' q'am prati et pasture v3 145 acr' di' t're arrabil' p ann^m 19l. 14s. 150 acr' prat' p annu' 20l. ac 73 acr' in marisco voc' Hollond' Fen p a^m 4l. 17s. 4d. in man' dñi abbis et convent' monastii p'dict' p annu' in toto ut p3 declarac' inde fact' et exaia' 46l. 7s. 4d.

Reddit' ass' cu' reddit' et firmis di'vsor' tenenc' in di'vs' villis, pochiis, et hamelett' ibm, v3 in Swyneshed et Holflete 13l. 8s. 3½d. et di' li' pipis' Fenhouse p annu' 8l. 17s. 9d. Un' caponem et cent' ova Esthardewyke cu' quod' prat' voc' Joguler Toft p a^m 1l. 14s. Wygtoft p a^m 1l. 8s. 4½d. Endwerd Foft p a^m 7s. 3d. Sutton p annu' 4l. 1 li' pipis' Alderkerk p a^m 11s. 10d. Frampton p a^m 5s. 6d. Kyrton p annu' 4l. 19s. 4½d. Butfwyke p a^m 1s. 9d. Surflete et Gosberton p a^m 8l. 1s. 10d. Quadryng p a^m 7s. 3½d. Donyngton p a^m 2s. De reddit' molendini in Byker p a^m 2l. Boston p a^m 4l. 17s. 6d. Holbechfflete et Sutton p a^m 1l. 10s. In toto ut p3 eandem declaracōem inde

53l. 16s. 10½d. cu' 3s. de p'c' 1 lib' di' pipis' 4d. de p'c' un' capon' et 10d. de p'c' 100 ovor'.

S'pual'.

Valet in

Oblacionibz capelle S'ce Trinitat' dco monastio p'tin' videlt 8s. 9½d. tolnet' ibm cōibz annis 3s. 4d. In toto

0l. 12s. 1½d.

Adhuc Tempal'.

Com' Lincoln' in P'tibz de Kesteven.

Valet in

Reddit' et firmis di'vsor' tenenc' in di'vs' villis et pochiis ibm, v3 Grantham 7s. 6d. Grangea de Casthorpe decanat' de Griff'e p a^m 7l. 13s. 4d. Stamford p a^m 8s. Mañiu' de Hole, Hekyngton, Burton, Roseby, cu' pquis' cur' ibm, ut modo dimittit' Joh'e Bothe p tio annor' 15l. Lincoln' civitat' Lincoln' p a^m 5s. Canwyke decanat' de Flaxwell p a^m 3s. 4d. D' p'ore de Thyxell p a^m 8s. ut ultius p3 p eadem declaracōem

Tempal' 160l. 14s. 4½d.



Adhuc Tempal'.

Com' Notingh^m Decanat' de Lincoln' Dios'.

Valet in

Reddit' ass' cu' reddit' et firmis tenenc' in diſs' villis et hamelett' ibm, v3 in Cotegrave p a^m 26l. 17s. 8d. Kynalton decanat' de p a^m 2l. 15s. 8d. Grangea de Harteswell 37l. 5s. 0d.

Tā spual' q^m tempal' 175l. 19s. 10d.

Decanat' de p a^m 6l. Broughto' decanat' de p annu' 1l. Notingh^m decanat' de p a^m 3s. Manchester decanat' de p a^m 2s. Bryggescatton com' Rutland' p a^m 6s. 8d. P'ut modo dimittit' in toto 15l. 5s. 5½d.

Spual'.

Com' Notingh^m Lincoln' Dios'.

Valet in

Rcōria de Cotegrave cu' oñib3 decimis oblaçōib3 et aliis pficuis rcōria pdict' pven' et dco monastio ptin' put p3 eandem declaracōem inde ostens' . . . 14l. 13s. 4d.

Resolut' reddit' annuatim exeunt' diſs' psonis videlt voc' Lincoln' p auxilio s' 1s. Duci Richemond' 9s. 6½d. Dño Laware p ward' castr' 10s. P'ori de Havli^m 4s. In toto 1l. 4s. 6½d.

Feod' an' solut' diſs' baſtis, v3 Riçō Atkynson baſto de Swyneshed cu' membris s' 1l. 6s. 8d. Riçō Townrow baſto in Gosbton, Surflete, et Quadryng in Hollond 6s. 8d. 1l. 13s. 4d.

Rep's in

Feod' an' solut' videlt Joñi Bothe baſto in Kesteven p tris ibm 1l. 1l. 0s. 0d.

Spual' 10l. 5s. 5½d.

Feod' an' solut' Joñi Archer baſto p tris in com' Notingh^m p annu' 1l. 6s. 8d.

Feod' capitali senescall' an' solut', v3 dño Joñi Husee milit' caſlo senesc' in Swyneshed 13s. 4d. Thome Hollond armiço subsenesc' ibm 13s. 4d. Jervasio Ingoldesby subsenesc' ptib3 de Kesteven 6s. 8d. In toto 1l. 13s. 4d.

Rep's in Spualia.

Quadam pcncōe annuatim solut' abbi de Sawtre ut p3 eandem declarac' coram coñiss' ostens' 1l. 6s. 8d.

Rep's 8l. 4s. 6½d.

Et remanet clare 167l. 15s. 3½d.

Inde p x^{ma} 16l. 15s. 6½d.

P ANTONIU' IRBY.

P Riçm OGLE.

NUM. IV.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

SWYNNESHED NUPER MONASTERIUM.

	£	s.	d.
Swynneshed—Redditus assis'	6	4	10 q'
Swynneshed—Reddit' ad voluntatem	9	8	0
Swynneshed et alibi—Firma terrarum de anno in annum et per indenturam dimiss'	29	1	5
Swynneshed—Firma terrarum dominicalium	50	3	2
Swynneshed—Oblationes capell' Scæ Trinit' ibidem			null'
Swynneshed—Venditio bosci	0	5	8
Gosbertowne et Quadryng—Reddit' assis'	0	14	5 ob'
Gosbertowne et alibi—Firma terrarum	8	2	9
Hale Parva et Hale Magna, cum membris—Reddit' assis'	2	18	4 ob' q'
Hale et alibi—Firma terrarum	23	1	2
Cottgrave—Reddit' assis'	0	5	0
Cottgrave—Firma terrarum	37	19	4
Cottgrave—Rectoria	10	0	0
Hardewyke—Pastur' vocat' le Rakkis	4	0	0
Hardewyke—Vaccaria	1	13	4
Tofte—Grangia	1	0	0

Calder Abbey, in Cumberland.



ALDER Abbey, dedicated to the Virgin Mary, is situated in the parish of St. Bride or St. Bridget in Cumberland, about ten miles from Whitehaven, in the vale and upon the banks of the Calder. It was founded by Ranulph de Meschines, second earl of Chester and Cumberland, in 1134.^a

Dugdale, in the former edition of this Work, has ascribed the first charter in the Appendix to this monastery to King Henry the Second; but, from the names of the witnesses, the charter must have been granted by King Henry the Third. The following are the endowments of Calder abbey which it confirms: from Ranulph de Meschines, the ground on which the abbey was placed, Bemerton and Holgate, with their ap-

purtenances, a house in Egremont, two salt-works at Witham, a fishery in Derwent, another in Eyre, pasture for the cattle of the monks in Ranulph's forest, with all necessities for their salt-works, and fisheries, and building of their houses, and liberty of feeding for their hogs without the payment of pannage: from John the son of Adam, and Matthew his brother, the land of Stevenage, with its appurtenances: from Robert Bonekill, various lands in Gilcruce: from Roger son of William, lands in Ikelinton and Brachampton, with part of the mill of Brachampton: from Richard de Lucy, a moiety of the mill of Ikelinton, with its appurtenances: from Beatrice de Molle, five bovates of land in Lesser Gilcruce, and a fourth part of the mill of Greater Gilcruce: from Thomas son of Gospatric, a toft in Wirkin-ton: and from Thomas de Multon, a moiety of the vill of Dereham, and the advowson of the church there.^b

From two Instruments which follow the charter of confirmation, dated in 1262, it appears that the monks of Calder were also possessed of the advowsons of the churches of Bechermet and St. Michael of Arlokedene in Coupland.^c

^a So the Annals of St. Werburgh and of Parcolude. Dugdale, in his Baronage, vol. i. p. 38, speaks of it as founded by Ranulph the first earl; but he died in 1129.

^b See the charter, Num. I.

^c Compare Numm. II. III.

According to Pope Nicholas the Fourth's Taxation, the temporalities of Calder abbey were rated in 1291 at 32*l.* per annum: by a re-assessment, however, in the 8th Edw. II. they were returned at 5*l.* only.^a

ABBATS of CALDER.

RALPH, and NICHOLAS, are both mentioned as having professed obedience, as abbats of Calder, to Walter archbishop of York, but without date.^b

JOLLANUS is mentioned as occurring in the 26th Hen. III. A.D. 1241.^c

JOHN in the 30th Hen. III.^d and

WALTER in the 40th Hen. III.^e

ELIAS became abbat 3 id. Dec. 1298.^f

RICHARD, 2 id. Dec. 1322.^g

NICHOLAS DE BRETTEBY became abbat about 1367.^h

ROBERT DE WILUGHBY is probably entitled, as abbat, to a place here.ⁱ

JOHN received benediction as abbat in the month of September, 1462.^k

JOHN WHALLEY professed obedience June 17th, 1464.^l

JOHN BETHOM, or BOTHOME, received benediction May 13th, 1501.^m

LAURENCE MARRE received the benediction as abbat Feb. 3d, 1503.ⁿ

JOHN PARKE received the benediction April 12th, 1516.^o

RICHARD PONSONBY received the benediction Sept. 23, 1525.^p

In the 26th of Henry VIII. Calder abbey was valued in gross revenue at 64*l.* 3*s.* 9*d.* Its clear income was no more than 50*l.* 9*s.* 3½*d.*^q

In the 30th Henry VIII. the site, with the manor of Calder, &c. was granted to Thomas Leigh, LL.D. whose grandson, Ferdinando, sold this estate to Sir Richard Fletcher, Bart. Barbara, daughter of Sir Richard, brought it in marriage to Mr. John Patrickson, whose son sold it to Mr. John Tiffin of Cockermouth. John Senhouse, Esq. grandson of Mr. Tiffin, became possessed of it by gift. In

1816 it was the property of Mrs. Mary Senhouse, his elder grand-daughter.^r It is now the residence and property of H. Senhouse, Esq.

Tanner says,

Vide "Cartas quasdam originales penes Ric. Patrickson de eadem arm." These, it is probable, are still remaining at Calder. He likewise gives the following references to Public Records: "Plac. in com. Cumbr. 6 Edw. I. rot. 2, pro meremio ex bosco de Rutholm. Pat. 28 Edw. I. m. Pat. 37 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 29. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 24, pro sex mess. cxlviii. acr. terræ, cclx. acr. pasturæ in Gilhous, Seton, Bolton, Gosford, &c."

See also Cal. Inquis. post mortem, vol. iii. p. 169. Plac. de Quo War. pp. 116, 606.

The Common Seal of this abbey has not yet been met with; but the Privy Seal of the abbat has been found attached to an ancient Deed, without date, in the Office of the Duchy of Lancaster. The impression is of red wax, representing the front figure of an abbat, having a book in his right hand, and a crosier in his left. Legend, SIGILL. ABBATIS. DE. CALDRA.

The ruins of the church of Calder abbey form all that is now remaining of the monastery: they consist of a great portion of the tower, resting upon four pillars, with the pillars and pointed arches of the nave and transepts. Various fragments of sepulchral monuments are also to be seen against the walls. Close to the ruins is the mansion of the Senhouses.

Buck has given a view of this abbey as it stood in 1739.

SELLA Park, in this neighbourhood, is said to have been formerly a Cell belonging to Calder abbey, where the monks had a deer-park. That it was really so, however, may be doubted. This place was granted by the crown to the Curwen family. Lysons says, it was purchased of Mr. and Mrs. Curwen by the late Mr. Stanley of Ponsonby Hall, whose son, Edward Stanley, Esq. still possesses it.^s

Cartae ad Caldraensem Abbatiam in agro Cumbrensi spectantes: fundatam Anno Mccxxiiij.^t

NUM. I.

Confirmatio Donationum, per Regem Henricum tertium.

[Cart. 15 H. III. m. 9. Vide Pat. 37 E. III. part 2, m. 29.]

H. REX, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos intuitu Dei et pro salute animæ nostræ et animarum antecessorum et hæredum nostrorum concessisse et hac carta nostra confirmasse abbati et monachis de Kaldra omnes terras et tenementa subscripta; videlicet ex dono Ranulphi Meschin terram de Kaldra cum pertinentiis suis in qua abbatia de Kaldra fundata est, et Bemertone, et Holegate cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et unam mansuram in burgo de Egremunt, et duas salinas de Withane, et piscariam de Derewent, et piscariam de Egre, et pascua ad omnia animalia eorum in foresta ipsius Ranulphi quantum eis opus fuerit, et ea quæ

necessaria fuerint salinis et piscariis suis, et edificiis domorum suarum, et porcis suis sine pasnagio per totam terram prædicti Ranulphi sicut suis propriis. Ex dono Johannis filii Adæ et Mathei fratris ejus totam terram de Stavenerge cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Roberti Bonekill unam carucatam terræ in Parvo Gillecruz quam Radulfus clericus de Karl. tenuit, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et xii. acras et unam perticatam terræ in Minori-Gillecruz; et unam acram prati quod est inter Minorem-Gillecruz et Majorem-Gillecruz, et pasturam ad xx. boves et xii. vaccas, et vi. equos cum sequela eorum unius anni. Ex dono Rogeri filii Willielmi totam terram quam habent in Ikelinton et Brachamton, et totam partem quam habent in molendino de Brachamton. Ex dono Ricardi de Lucy medietatem molendini de Ikelinton cum tota sequela ad ipsam medietatem

^a Taxat. P. Nich. IV. p. 329.

^b Harl. MS. 6972, fol. 49.

^c Hutchinson, Hist. Cumb. vol. i. p. 594, from the Denton MSS.

^d Ibid. ^e Ibid.

^f MS. Harl. 6970, p. 110.

^g MS. Harl. 6972, fol. 16.

^h Ibid. fol. 21.

ⁱ A slab in the ruins of Calder abbey bears this inscription: "Hic jacet dompnus Robertus de Wilughby abbas de Caldre, cujus animæ propicietur Deus."

^k MS. Harl. 6972, fol. 31.

^l Ibid.

^m Ibid. fol. 42.

ⁿ Ibid. fol. 44.

^o Ibid. fol. 45.

^p Ibid. fol. 46.

^q The following entries occur relating to the site, among the abstracts of the Originalia:

Orig. 30 Hen. VIII. Cumbr. "Rex xxvj^{to}. die Julii concessit Thomæ Leigh legum doctori domum et scitum nuper abbatie sive monasterii de Calder, ac omnia mesuagia, &c. in Calder, habend. et tenend. ei et hæred. suis imperpetuum." ro. xxxix^{mo}.

Orig. 7 Edw. VI. p. 2. Cumbr. "De Domo et scitu nuper monasterii de Calder Ricardo Wye et Wyatto Wylde gen. et hæred. ipsius Ricardi alienand." ro. i.

^r Lysons's Cumberl. p. 38.

^s Lysons, ut supr.

^t Chron. S. Werburgæ Cestriæ.

tem molendini pertinente. Ex dono Beatricis de Molle quinque bovatas terræ cum pertinentiis suis in Minori Gillecruch et quartam partem molendini de Majori-Gillecruch. Ex dono Thomæ filii Gospatricii unum toftum sex perticarum et quartæ partis unius perticatæ in longitudine, et quatuor in latitudine in Wirkintone; et xx. salmones annuatim ad festum sancti Johannis Baptistæ; et unum rete in Derewent inter pontem et mare. Ex dono Thomæ de Moleton medietatem villæ de Dereham in Alredale cum ad-vocatione ecclesiæ ejusdem villæ, et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis. Quare volo, &c. quod prædicti abbas et monachi et eorum successores habeant et teneant omnes terras et tenementa prædicta bene et in pace, liberè et integre, cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus ad prædictas terras et tenementa pertinentibus sicut cartæ prædictorum donatorum quas inde habent rationabiliter testantur. Hiis testibus, H. de Burgo, S. de Seagrave, Philippo de Albin, Radulfo filio Nicholai, Godefrido de Craucumbe, G. Dispensatore, H. de Capella, et aliis. Dat. apud Westmonasterium xix. die Aprilis.

NUM. II.

Concessio Abbatis et Conventus de Caldra quod Archiepisc. ordinet de Ecclesiis de Bekermet et Arlokedene.

[Ex Registro Godefridi Eborac. archiep. part. 2, fol. 100.]

REVERENDO in Christo patri Godefrido Eboracensi archiepiscopo Angliæ primati devoti obedientiæ filii Willielmus Dei patientia abbas de Caldra, et ejusdem loci conventus, salutem, reverentiam, et honorem. Licet in ecclesiis sancti Johannis Baptistæ de Bechermet, et sancti Michaelis de Arlokedene in Coupland jus habeamus patronatus, cum exinde nullus, vel rarus fructus provenit, cum propter preces magnatum, provisiones, et alia varia quæ obsistunt, nobis cum vacaverint, libera facultas non suppetat præsentandi. Immo dum quorundam precibus annuimus, et inviti, aliorum frequenter multorum indignationem incurrimus, et magnorum: ideoque paternitati vestræ reverendæ devotè supplicamus, quatinus de prædictis ecclesiis ordinationem facere velitis perpetuo duraturam, per quam commodum monasterio nostro accrescat, et archidiaconatui Richemundiæ, ad quem institutiones sequestra ecclesiarum vacantium pertinent, et collatio posset ex causis variis pertinere. Nos autem ordinationem quam feceritis de prædictis ecclesiis gratam habebimus, et acceptam, et imperpetuum observabimus, et scripti nostri munimine confirmabimus, et faciemus futuris temporibus inviolabiliter observari. In cujus rei testimonium præsentī scripto sigillum nostrum duximus apponendum. Datum mense Novembris anno Domini mclxij.

NUM. III.

Ordinatio Archiepiscopi super Ecclesiis prædictis.

[Ibid. part. 3, fol. 1.]

UNIVERSIS præsentēs literas inspecturis G. Dei gratia Eboracensis archiepiscopus, Angliæ primas, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Dilecti filii abbas de Caldra, et ejusdem loci conventus Cisterciensis ordinis, ecclesias sancti Johannis Baptistæ de Bechirmet, et sancti Michaelis de Arlokedene in Coupland archidiaconatu Richemundiæ, nostra diœcesi, commiserunt nostræ ordinationi perpetuo duraturæ, in quibus licet jus obtineant patronatus, rarus tamen, vel modicus eis exinde fructus pervenit, cum eis non suppetat præsentandi libera facultas, propter preces potentum, provisiones, et alia varia quæ obsistunt. Nos igitur eorum votis annuentes, de prædictis ecclesiis taliter ordinamus; videlicet quod ecclesia sancti Johannis de Bechirmet, quæ domui de Caldra propinqua et parochiæ sanctæ Bridgittæ quam habent contigua, ipsis assignavimus post decessum vel cessionem Willielmi nunc rectoris, in usus proprios convertendam, et perpetuo retinendam, ut per hoc elemosina domus augeatur, et conventus sustentatio ampliatur. Et quia per hoc in sequestris, institutionibus, et collationibus, quæ variis accidere possent, non detrahatur juri archidiaconi Richemundiæ: in recompensationem horum, ecclesiam de Arlokedene, post decessum, vel cessionem Alani, qui eam

nunc tenet, ordinamus archidiaconatui fore perpetuò annexam, et in usus archidiaconi convertendam, qui nullum in Coupland habet receptaculum, cum ipsum oporteat et suos officiales ad partes illas, per loca sabulosa, et aquarum inundationes, et varias tempestates accedere pro causis discutiendis et excessibus cognoscendis, et corrigendis, ut habens receptaculum proprium liberius et plenius exerceat ea quæ ad curam pertinent animarum, quæ in transitu fieri commodè non valerent. Et ut hæc nostra ordinatio rata et stabilis imperpetuum perseveret eam sigilli nostri munimine duximus roborandam. Actum apud Cawode xiiij. kalendas Januarii anno Domini mclxij.

NUM. IV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits' Office.]

ABBATHIA DE CAUDER.

Riçus Abbas ibm.

Com' Cumbr'.

Templia.

Valet in

SITU abbathe p̄dçe, cum gardinis, pomar', p̄vis claus', et molend' infra p̄cint' ejusdm abbathe p annu'

3l. 0s. 0d.

Diŕsis terr' et teñt villis et villat' subscript', viz. dnii de Cauder 13l. Villa de Ponsaby 13s. 4d. Brashaw 18s. Bekarment 1l. 6s. 8d. Pycheyng 10s. Egremund 3s. 6d. Buttyll et Mellom 4l. Villa de Drege 3l. 13s. 4d. Villa de Deram 8l. 3s. 6d. Villa de Gylcrouse 8l. 6s. 8d. Yk-lyngton 5l. In toto . . . 45l. 15s. 0d.

48l. 15s 0d.

Com' Cumbr'.

S̄pualia.

Valet in

Decim' capelle s̄ci Brigide, viz. in aven', ordeo, et silig' 2l. Lan' 1l. 6s. 8d. Agn' 14s. Auc' et gall' 10s. Oblac' tribz diebz principalibz 6s. Minut' et privat' decim' ut in Libro Paschali. 2l. In toto . . . 6l. 16s. 8d.

Decim' ecclie s̄ci Joñis, viz. aven', ordii, et siliginis 1l. 6s. 8d. Agn' 8s. Lan' 14s. 4d. Oblac' tribz diebz principal' 5s. Auc' et gallin' 3s. 8d. Minut' et privat' decim' ut in Libro Paschal' 1l. 10s. In toto . . . 4l. 7s. 8d.

Decim' ecclie de Cleter, viz. aven', orde, et siliginis 1l. 19s. Lan' 9s. 8d. Agn' 6s. Auc' et gallin' 3s. 9d. Oblac' tribz diebz principalibz 4s. Minut' et privat' decim' ut in Libro Paschal' 1l. In toto . . . 4l. 4s. 5d.

15l. 8s. 9d.

S̄m̄a oñi' tempaliu' et s̄pualiu' abbathe p̄dçe

64l. 3s. 9d.

Repris'.

Liŕa Firma, viz. in

Liŕa firm^a dno R^s baŕlo de Gilcrowsse et Deram 6s. 8d. Abbat' de Holme p̄ liŕa firma de Calder p annu' 6s. 8d. 0l. 13s. 4d.

Pens' et Sinod', viz. in

Pens' solut' vicar' de Gylcrowsse per composs' 2l. 13s. 4d. Sinod' et procurac' pro ecclis predic' 11s. 1½d. In toto 3l. 4s. 5½d.

Feod', viz. in

Feod' Thome Lamplew sen^{li} terr' 1l. 6s. 8d. Thome Dachaund sen^{li} cur' 13s. 4d. Willi Ponsonby baŕli monaster' 3l. 6s. 8d. Joñis Dawson baŕli de Deram 1l. Joñis Adason baŕli de Gylcrowse 1l. In toto 7l. 6s. 8d. 11l. 4s. 5½d.

Elemos', viz. in

Elemos' dat' quatuor paupibz senio et infirmitate gra-

nat' diatim existent' infra abbathiam ex fundac' fund' singli eor' capiēt ad vict' et vestitū 1*l*. In toto 4*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*.

Consili elemos' dat' et distribut' paupibz in festo s̄ci Luce Evangeliste p̄ añabz fundat' ex antiqua fundac', ut in precio uni⁹ bovis 13*s*. 4*d*. Et in cena Dñi paupibz, ut in p̄cio panis et allic' rubeis et albis, et in argent' pueris, ex antiqua fund' fundat' 1*l*. 16*s*. 8*d*. 2*l*. 10*s*. 0*d*.

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			{ 17 <i>l</i> . 14 <i>s</i> . 5½ <i>d</i> .
Et valet clāre	.	.	{ 50 <i>l</i> . 9 <i>s</i> . 3½ <i>d</i> .
			{ 46 <i>l</i> . 9 <i>s</i> . 3½ <i>d</i> .
X ^{ma} ps inde	.	.	5 <i>l</i> . 0 <i>s</i> . 11¼ <i>d</i> .

NUM. V.

Paper Surveys temp. Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.

CALDER NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Rentale de Terris Dominicis, et Grangiis ibidem renovatum anno regni Regis Henrici Octavi vicesimo nono.

Comitat. Cumbriæ.

Terræ Dominicales.

	£	s.	d.
De firma scitus manerii ibidem, cum gardinis et pomariis ibidem, continen. 4 ^{or} acras terræ, et valent per annum	0	4	0
De firma unius clausuræ ibidem vocat. Oystergarth ibidem, continen. 7 acras terræ, per annum	0	7	0
De firma unius clausuræ ibidem vocat. Horseclose, continen. 4 ^{or} acras terræ, et valent per annum	0	4	0
De firma alterius clausuræ ibidem juxta crucem extra portas monasterii prædicti, continen. 9 acras terræ, et valent per annum	0	4	6
De firma unius clausuræ ibidem vocat. Milnez Cloose, continen. 7 acras, et valent per annum	0	4	6
De firma unius clausuræ vocat. Dubhouse Cloosc, continen. 7 acras pasturæ ibidem, per annum	0	11	0
De firma unius clausuræ vocat. Morecloose, continen. 4 acras pasturæ ibidem, per annum	0	2	0
De firma unius clausuræ vocat. Whynny			

	£	s.	d.
Cloose, continen. cum una acra prati adjacen. 19 ^{cem} acras ibidem per annum	0	8	6
De firma alterius clausuræ ibidem vocat. Oxecloose, continen. quinque acras pasturæ, per annum	0	2	6
De firma unius clausuræ vocat. Lawflatte ibidem, continen. 37 acras terræ arrabilis, cum tribus acris prati ibidem, per annum	0	19	0
De firma unius clausi ibidem vocat. Colman How, continen. 30 acras malæ pasturæ, per annum	0	15	0
De firma unius clausuræ ibidem vocat. Wodflate, continen. 60 acras pasturæ, et valent per annum	1	10	0
Summa	5	12	0

Graungia.

De firma unius graungia ibidem vocat. Symonkeld Graunge, cum una clausura prati ibidem, una clausura pasturæ vocat. Syde, una clausura vocat. Horseclose, una clausura vocat. Calfeclose, cum communa pasturæ super Cowplaudfells, et valent per annum	1	13	4
De firma unius graungia ibidem vocat. Mougheton Graunge, cum uno clauso vocato Thynne Medoo, uno clauso vocato Cowhowsecloose, uno clauso vocato Rankemcdoo, et uno clauso vocato Moughton Parke, cum communa pasturæ ibidem, et valent per annum	1	10	0
De firma unius graungia vocat. Skeldreskugh Daryhous, cum uno clauso prati et uno clauso pasturæ, ac uno clauso vocato Calfecloose, et communa pasturæ ibidem	0	15	0
De firma alterius graungia ibidem, cum uno clauso ibidem, uno clauso ibidem vocato Flascoo, uno clauso vocato Storiez, uno clauso vocato Halgatefell, cum tribus acris terræ arrabilis ibidem, et communa pastur. de Cowplaudfells, per annum	4	0	0
De firma piscariae super Sabul. Marin. ibidem juxta Ravynsglas vocat. Monkegarth, ultra 6 <i>d</i> . sol. honori de Cokermouth per annum, et ultra reprisas	nihil		
Item est quidam boscus quercuum ibidem, continen. 10 acras, cujus herbagium vallet per annum	nihil		
Summa	7	18	4



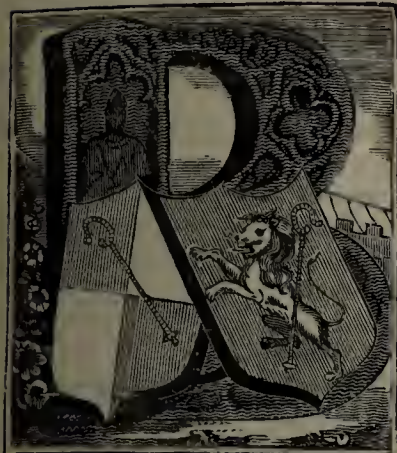
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St. Mary's Priory.

Abbey of Byland, de Bella-landa, Begelanda, or Bechland,

In the Deanry of Bulmer and Archdeaconry of Clebeland,
IN YORKSHIRE.



BYLAND abbey was founded by Roger de Mowbray at the instance of his mother Gundreda, A.D. 1143. The History of the Foundation is here abridged from the Account of it drawn up by Philip the third abbat.^a

Gerold the abbat, with twelve monks, from Furnes in Lancashire,^b having been disturbed by the incursions of the Scots, fled to York, where they were graciously received, and charitably en-

tertained for some time, by Archbishop Thurstan, who afterwards recommended them to Roger de Mowbray, son of Nigel de Albini; but he being a minor in King Stephen's custody, his mother Gundreda entertained them at her castle of Thresk for a little time, and then sent them, A.D. 1138, 3 Steph. to Robert de Alneto, a native of Normandy, her near relation, who had been a monk at Whitby, but then lived an eremetical life at Hode; where she supplied them with necessaries till her son came to age. But the sending them provisions to Hode being attended with many inconveniences, Roger de Mowbray, at the request of Gundreda his mother and Thurstan archbishop of York, A.D. 1140, 5 Steph. gave them his vaccary or cow-pasture of Cambe, and all the land of Wildon, and Scakilden, and Erghum, for their support.

Being thus in some way of subsisting, the abbat went to Savigny in Normandy, to procure an exemption from their former subjection to Furness;^c and having obtained this at a general chapter of the Order, held at that place A.D. 1142, 7 Steph. he returned to York; where dying on the 25th of February, he was buried at Hode, and Roger the sub-cellarer, who had left Furness, was chosen abbat in his place.

The new abbat and monks remained at Hode till A.D. 1143, increasing in number as well as in possessions: but finding that place was too much confined for founding an abbey there, Roger the abbat applied again to their original benefactress, to solicit her son Roger de Mowbray to give them a larger space of ground, which he readily complied with; assigning them the church and town of Biland, or Bellalanda super Moram, called Old Byland, near the river Rie, almost opposite to the abbey of Rieval, part of the said Gundreda's dower.

But this place being so near the abbey of Rieval that each abbey could hear the sound of the bells of the other; and being, on many other accounts, inconvenient for the habitation of these religious, in A.D. 1147, 12 Steph. they removed to Stocking, near Cukewald, under Blakhow-hill, where Roger de Mowbray gave them two carucates of waste land to build their monastery upon. The town of Byland being reduced to a grange the preceding year, the monks had built a chapel at Scalton, within the parish of Byland, by the consent of Henry Murdo carchbishop of York.

At this new place the monks repaired and built a small stone church, a cloister, and other houses, where they remained thirty years; during which time many donations were made to them. But yet they did not enjoy an uninterrupted peace; for even during that era they were involved in lawsuits:^d for in A.D. 1150, 15 Steph. the abbats of Calder and Furness again renewed their claim to the jurisdiction over the abbey, notwithstanding the exemption these monks had obtained in 1142: but it was determined in favour of Byland by Aldred abbat of Rieval, appointed judge by the abbat of Savigni; and in A.D. 1155, 1 Hen. II. Roger of Bishopbridge, archbishop of York, took this abbey into his immediate protection.^e

The monks having cleared a large tract of woodland, and drained the marshes, removed again on the eve of All Saints, A.D. 1177, 23 Hen. II. a little more to the eastward, near to Burtoft and Bersclive, between Whitaker and the foot of Cambe-hill;^f where this abbey, dedicated to the blessed Virgin Mary, at length was settled, having a noble church and monastery, which continued in a flourishing state till the Dissolution.

This abbey had privileges granted to it by Pope Adrian the Fourth, in the time of Henry II. confirming all the grants they then had, as described by the boundaries;^g and his successor did the same.

Pope Alexander the Third, A.D. 1163, 9 Hen. II. confirmed what the king of England and others had granted; and exempted the monks from paying tithes for such lands as they occupied, or paid for; as also tithe for feeding their cattle. He also, by another bull, confirmed this, and the agreement between these monks and the canons of Newburg; and also between these and Thomas de Colville, forbidding any persons from collecting tithes or first-fruits from them, dated A.D. 1171. The same pope, also, by another bull, dated in 1175, in the 17th year of his pontificate, confirmed, beside the abovementioned, the convention between them and Walter Fitz-William, concerning lands in Ampleford.^h

Pope Innocent the Third, Pope Honorius the Third, and Pope Alexander the Fourth, granted other bulls of confirmation and exemption.ⁱ

Pope Gregory the Ninth exempted them from payment of tithes for their mines or turbaries when in their own hands.^k

Other bulls of confirmation were also granted by other popes.^l

King Henry the Second took this abbey into his protection, and granted the monks and their men the privilege of being free in all cities, boroughs, markets, fairs, bridges, and ports, throughout England and Normandy, and exempted them from tolls, pontage, &c. and from paying any sort of glds, scutage, hidage, or any other duty of the county, wapentake, or riding, or belonging to the high-sheriff or his bailiffs; and from all aids or rewards, and secular service: he also granted them liberty of holding courts for their own tenants, with soc, sac, thol, theam, infangen-theof and utfangen-theof; and all forfeitures from them-

^a Given in the Appendix of Instrum. Num. VII. Tanner says, the Chronicle of Crokesden makes Byland abbey to have been founded A.D. 1134; which must refer to the time the convent went out of Furnes. Other historians and chronicles date the foundation in the year 1138; by which can only be meant the time of this convent's coming and settling in Yorkshire.

^b Their names were Robert de Insula, Toekra de Loneasto, John de Kynstan, Theodoric de Dalton, Hormi de Dalton, Peter de Pieta-viis, Ulfus de Rieomonte, Bertram de London, Roger sub-cellarius, Alan de Wyreewyk, Wydo de Bolton, and William de Bolton.

^c Compare Neustria Pia, p. 683. Burton, Eecl. Hist. Yorksh. p. 328.

^d Burton, ut supr. from the Register of Byland, fol. 12.

^e Burton, ut supr.

^f Ibid. See also Append. Num. VII.

^g Burton, ut supr. à Reg. Byland, fol. 65.

^h Burton, p. 329.

ⁱ Ibid.

^k Ibid.

^l Ibid.

selves, their lands, or men, wheresoever indicted, either in his own or any other court; strictly forbidding any person from suing them, except before himself or his chief justice; and if they sued them elsewhere, they were exempt from answering. And no person was to molest them under the king's forfeiture.^a

King Henry the Third, in the 31st year of his reign, A.D. 1246, granted the abbats and monks of this abbey free-warren in all their demesne lands, out of the boundaries of the king's forests, forbidding every person from entering into their premises without their consent, under the penalty of ten pounds.^b And by another charter, dated Feb. 20th, in the 31st year of his reign, he confirmed all the above privileges; and also granted that the monks should be free from payment of ward-penny, over-penny, thething-penny, hengwith, flemwith, blodewite, leirwith, flemefrith, grith-breth, forestal, hamsokne, heinfare, and all service or secular exaction: he also gave them liberty of trying causes at their manors of Sutton and Clifton in Yorkshire, and at their manor of Wardecop in Westmoreland; and in the 56th year of his reign, A.D. 1271, he again confirmed the same.^c

By a charter granted in the 1st Hen. VI. A.D. 1423, the abbat of Byland had a grant of all waifs, strays, and forfeitures of felons, within his lands.^d

Burton has arranged the property of this abbey alphabetically. The following appear to have been the larger possessions:

In *Ampleford* one carucate of land given by William the son of Huicte, with other lands there given by William de Surdeval, Roger the son of William de Surdeval, and Ralph de Surdeval:

In *Askeby*, various lands given by Gerard de Lascelles, Robert the son of Durand, Thomas son of William Flemyng, William the son of Robert de Askeby, and Robert le Scot:

Balschaw, by Bertram de Bulmer; which Robert de Nevil, lord of Raskelf, confirmed as lord of the fee:

Bersclive, by Sir Thomas de Coleville:

Lands in *Breretwysel*, confirmed by John earl of Lincoln, constable of Chester:

Lands, with pasture for two hundred sheep, in *Bretton*, by different donors:

Common of pasture in three hundred acres of moor land in *Brafferton*, given by Richard de Riparia:

A moiety of the rectory of *Bubwith*, A.D. 1349, by John de Mowbray:

Large possessions in *Burrowdale*, *Borowdale*, and *Waredale*, A.D. 1235, given by Patric son of Thomas, son of Gospatric:

Burtoft, given by Thomas de Coleville:

Land in *Byland* itself, not only by the founder, but by Sir John de Walkingham, knight, and Hugh Mallebisse:

Cambe, by Roger de Mowbray:

Sixty acres and three cultures of land in *Catton*, with pasture for four hundred sheep, beside oxen and horses:

Lands in *Cukewald*:

The manor, with other lands, in *Depedale*:

The town of *Erghum*:

Various lands in *Faldington*:

A fishery in the Tees at *Gayteryk*:

Hode, given by the founder, and confirmed by Thomas de Mowbray, earl marshal, and Nottingham:^e

Lands in *Hovingham*, given by Roger de Mowbray:

The advowson of *Kirkeby Moresheved*:

The manor of *Middlethorpe*:

The forest of *Midlesmore* in Nidderdale, given by William de Mowbray; afterwards confirmed by John de Mowbray, lord of Axholme:^f

The town of *Morton*, by Hugh de Mallebisse:

Two oxgangs of land in *Nun-thorpe*, given by Walter Sciflings, parson of Kildale:^g

The manor of *Ottringham-south*:

Ottrington:

Lands in *Reskelf*, given by Henry de Nevil:

Lands, with a mediety of the church, in *Rillington*:

Considerable possessions in *Rosebergh*:

A fishery in *Selective*:

Three carucates of land in *Skakeldon*, given by the founder; with other lands there, given by Sir Walter de Perchehay, knight.

Snyleswath, or *Snygelswath*, given by Hugh de Mallebisse:

A wood, with pasture for three hundred sheep and forty other cattle, in *Stokesby*:

Stotekelde given by the founder:

Lands and a messuage at *Sutton under Whitstan-cliff*, given by Thomas son of Adam Fossard; which Hugh Wake and Joan his wife confirmed:

A fishery in the river *Swale*:

Lands in *Thormoteby in Cleveland*:

The manor of *Thorpe-Malteby*, near York, given by William de Malteby:

A toft and carucate of land at *Threshk*, alias *Thirsk*:

Lands and pasture for three hundred sheep in the territory of *Thurkelby*:

Pasture for sixteen beasts and three hundred sheep in the territory of *Whitelay*:

Lands in *Wildon Magna* and *Parva*, where the monks fixed a grange:

Lands in *Wilsenden*, or *Wolsenden*:

Lands and messuages in *Yarum*: and

Messuages in Coney-street, Usegate, Patric-pole, Cargate, and Gillygate, in the city of *York*: with

Other lands, rights, privileges, and possessions, in Allerton, Angoteby, Bagby, Bagwith, Balk, Battersby, Baxby, Bolton near Catteric, Brandsby, Caiton, Calvecotedale, Carleton near Thirsk, Cave, Clifton, Cotum, Crosseby, Dale, Dalton, Darrington, Deneby, Emmeley, Eselrig, Eversley, Fauside, Felixkirke, Fors or Wandeslay, Gayteryk, Gildersdale, Giveldale, Haisthorpe, Halmby, Hardevisdale, Heppe, Heppeshow, Hirfeldbec, Hirfield in Nidderdale, Hoton, Iselbec, Kelum, Kepwyk, Kilburne, Kilvardby, Kilvington, Kirkeby-Malesart, Laysthorpe, Levingthorpe, Linton, Matherby, Markgate and Marton in Cleveland, Midelton, Mitelington, Moscowat or Moscowit, Ncss-West, Ormesby, Osgoteby, Ottringham-South, Rams-gill, Riton, Saytrigg, Scameston, Scardeburgh, Skirpenbeck, Sledmere, Soureby near Thirsk, Stanesby in Cleveland, Stocking, Stratford near Bernard Castle, Thirnholme, Thornton, Thornton in the Moor, Thorpe near Ampleford, Thorpe alias Petty Thorpe, Tollesby, Ulvestan, Wandaile, Warcop, Wentley, Wimbleton, Wolverley, and Wyteker-flat.^h

ABBATS of BYLAND.

GERARD died in 1138.ⁱ

ROGER occurs A.D. 1142. He resigned in 1196,^k when

PHILIP succeeded.^l

H. occurs as abbat in 1198.^m

HERBERT, in 1210.ⁿ

R. occurs abbat A.D. 1225.^o

HENRY, in 1231, 1237, and 1246.^p

HENRY DE BATHRESBY, in 1252, and again in 1266.^q

THOMAS was abbat in 1285.^r

JOHN professed obedience as abbat 3 kal. Apr. 1287.^s

Another

JOHN had the king's letters of protection as abbat Aug. 21, 1293.^t

^a Burton, p. 329.

^b Ibid.

^c Ibid.

^d Rec. in Turre Lond. 1 Hen. VI. n. 40.

^e Compare the charter in the Append. Num. VI.

^f See Num. V.

^g See Num. III.

^h Compare Burton, ut supr. p. 329-338; with the charters Numm.

V. VI.

ⁱ Burton, ut supr. p. 339; and Append. Num. VII.

^k Ibid.

^l Ibid.

^m Ibid. e Registr. de Fontibus.

ⁿ Ibid. e Reg. de Byland, fol. 153.

^o Ibid. e Reg. de Fontibus, ut supr.

^p Ibid. e Reg. de Byland, foll. 97, 222.

^q Ibid. foll. 203, 209. Harl. MS. 6972, fol. 2.

^r MS. Harl. 6970, p. 104, e Reg. Romaine archiep. Ebor.

^s Ibid. p. 46.

^t MS. Harl. 6953, p. 103. Pat. 21 Edw. I.

HENRY occurs in 1300 and 1302.^a

WILLIAM professed obedience as abbat 10 kal. May, 1302.^b

ADAM had the king's letters of protection Sept. 21, 1315.^c After whom

JOHN DE WYNKEBURN occurs.^d

WALTER DE DICEFORD professed obedience as abbat in 1334.^e

JOHN, in 1349.^f

WILLIAM received the benediction as abbat in 1357.^g

ROBERT DE HELMESLAY was confirmed June 9th, 1370.^h

WILLIAM occurs abbat in the month of April, 1449.ⁱ

THOMAS, in 1478.^k

JOHN FARINGTON, or FARLINGTON, received the benediction as abbat Sept. 27, 1499.^l

JOHN LEDES, *alias* ALANBRIGG, was made abbat March 19th, 1525.^m He was the last abbat.

On the 30th of January, in the 28th of Henry the Eighth, Byland abbey was, by the king's letters patent, preserved from the dissolution of the lesser monasteries, and refounded; ⁿ but in the 30th of Henry the Eighth, it was surrendered, the Abbat and Monks receiving pensions.^o

At the time of the Dissolution here were seven bells, a hundred fodder of lead, and five hundred and sixteen ounces of plate; ^p the gross revenue of the monastery amounting to 295*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*, the clear income to 238*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.*^q

The site and most of the demesne lands were granted, in the 32d Hen. VIII. to Sir William Pickeringe, Knt.^r in whose family they continued in the reign of Queen Elizabeth. When Burton wrote, Byland abbey belonged to Sir Brian Stapylton. It is now the property of Martin Stapylton, Esq. of Myton Hall.

Tanner has the following references to Manuscripts and Records relating to this monastery in his *Notitia Monastica* :

"*Vide* Registrum abbatiae de Bellalanda, MS. olim penes Brianum Fairfax, dein penes Joannem Rushworth de Hosp. Lincoln. arm. 1647, postea penes . . . com. Fauconberge A.D. 1698, et non ita pridem penes dom. Tho. Frankland mil.

"Inter collect. v. cl. Rog. Dodsworth in bibl. Bodl. Oxon. cartas plus minus quadraginta hactenus ineditas de terris hujus cœnobii, vol. vii. foll. 23, 25, 135, 145, 146, 165, 169, 173, 177, 219; vol. viii. foll. 56, ab 83 ad 90; vol. lxi. fol. 172, &c.; vol. lxiii. foll. 9, 32, 58; vol. lxxvi. fol. 146; vol. xci. fol. 69, &c.; vol. xciv. fol. 1, ex Cartulario de Bellalanda in turre B. Mariæ Ebor.; vol. xcv. fol. 40; vol. cii. fol. 129; vol. cxlv. fol. 45.

"In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 1499, fol. 59, of the founder-ship and arms of this abbey.

"In Museo Britannico, MS. Peck, vol. iv. concordiam inter Abbatem et monachos de Beghland ac priorissam et moniales de Arden.

"Cart. antiq. M. 24.

"Fin. Ebor. 1 Joan. n. ., de vii. bovatis terræ in Cat-ton. Fin. Ebor. 11 Joan. n. ., de Kirkby Flatt.

"Fin. Ebor. 8 Hen. III. n. 64, de commun. pastur. pro dc. ovibus in territorio de Kilburn. Fin. Ebor. 10 Hen. III. n. 82, de commun. pastur. in bosco de Blaby.

Claus. 12 Hen. III. m. 8 d. Claus. 14 Hen. III. m. 19. Fin. Westmorl. 16 Hen. III. n. ., de terris et com. pastur. ad d. oves in Bergedale, Wastedale, Hepp, et Hepstaw. Fin. Ebor. 20 Hen. III. lig. E. n. ., pro xviii. bovatis terræ, &c. in Sutton et Matherby, ex dono Roberti Fossard. Fin. Ebor. 24 Hen. III. lig. F. n. 6, de toftis et croftis in Ba-theresby, ex dono Willielmi Templeman. Cart. 30 Hen. III. m. 7. Cart. 31 Hen. III. m. 10. Fin. Ebor. 36 Hen. III. lig. G. n. 1, de advoc. eccl. de Rillington; n. 8, de ii. carucatis in Faldington. Fin. Ebor. 46 Hen. III. lig. H. n. 68, de advoc. eccl. de Rillington. Fin. Ebor. 52 Hen. III. lig. 1. n. 171, de maner. de Thorp Mauceby juxta Ebor. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 52 Hen. III. rot. 26. Cart. 56 Hen. III. m. 6.

"Plac. de quo war. Ebor. 7 Edw. I. rot. 27, allocat. furcarum coronatoris et aliarum libertatum abbatiae. Fin. Ebor. 8 Edw. I. lig. B. n. 135, de terris in Leventhorp. Plac. coram Jo. de Vallibus, 8 Edw. I. de ten. in Sutton subtus Whitston. Fin. Westmorl. 20 Edw. I. rot. 7 d, pro terris in Askeby M. Plac. in Banco Regis 27 Edw. I. rot. 17 vel 97, pro terris in Stedmere.

"Pat. 2 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 4. Pat. 10 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 9, pro eccl. de Rillington approprianda. Cart. 12 Edw. II. n. 21. Claus. 16 Edw. II. m. 28, de foresta de Midlesmore in Niderdale.

"Escaet. Ebor. 1 Edw. III. post mortem Joannis Moubray, pro chacea de Niderdale. Pat. 1 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 1. Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 18, de batello in aqua de Use inter pontem Burgi et Ebor. Pat. 19 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 2 vel 3. Pat. 23 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 10, pro eccl. de Bubwith. Cart. 33 Edw. III. n. 12. Pat. 34 Edw. III. p. 3, m. ., de lite inter duos abbates. Pat. 39 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 34, pro ten. in Apleford. Pat. 44 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 5 vel 6, pro advoc. medietat. de Bubwith. Pat. 45 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 19, de eadem.

"Pat. 1 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 9. Pat. 3 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 29, de licentia imparcandi c. acras pasturæ contiguas monasterio. Cart. 15 Ric. II. n. 18, pro catallis felonum, &c. Rec. in scacc. 17 Ric. II. Mich. rot. 6.

"Pat. 4 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 1.

"Cart. 1 Hen. VI. n. 23. Cart. 17 Hen. VI. n. 40. Pat. 20 Hen. VI. p. 3, m. 12, pro ten. in Sutton subtus Whiston Cliff. Fin. Ebor. 21 Hen. VI. n. ., pro mess. et terris ibidem.

"Pat. 4 Edw. IV. p. 4, m. 18."

See also the printed *Placita de Quo Waranto*, pp. 223, 230, 437, 605, 786, 787, 789. Rot. Hundred. vol. i. pp. 117, 118, 121, 123, 124, 132. Cal. Inquis. ad quod damnum, pp. 231, 383.

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office in the Exchequer is,

"Byland. De abbate de Byland in com. Ebor. occasionato ad respondendum et satisfaciendum regi de cc. ovibus pretii 10*l.* quæ fuerunt Johannis Wutun utlagati ad sectam Radulphi com. Westmerland." Hil. Rec. 7 Hen. V. rot. 22.

No Common Seal of the abbey has yet been found, and but one of any of its abbats; and of this the impression is very imperfect, the head of the figure, which represents an abbat with his crozier in one hand and a book in the other, being deficient, and no more of the legend left than ABBATIS . DE . BEL It is appendant to

^a Burton, p. 339, e Reg. Corbridge.

^b MS. Harl. 6970, p. 142.

^c MS. Harl. 6958, p. 211. Pat. 8 Edw. II. p. 1.

^d MS. Harl. 6970, p. 258.

^e Burton, e Reg. Will. Melton, p. 260.

^f Harl. MS. 6972, p. 18.

^g Ibid. p. 20.

^h Ibid.

ⁱ Ibid. p. 29 b.

^k Ibid. p. 36.

^l Ibid. p. 41. Burton, ut supr.

^m Burton, e Reg. Wolsey archiep. Ebor. p. 80. Rym. Fœd. tom.

xiv. p. 631.

ⁿ Burton, p. 339. Burnet, Hist. Reform. Append. p. 142.

^o See the Append. Num. VIII.

^p Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 268.

^q The Return for Byland abbey does not at present appear in the

General Ecclesiastical Survey of the 26th Hen. VIII. the part of the

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roll in which it should occur being mutilated. Some valuable particulars, however, of the state and property of this monastery will be learnt from the Paper Survey, Append. Num. IX. and the Ministers' Accompts, 32 Hen. VIII. Num. X.

The temporal revenues of Byland abbey, as they stood in 1291, are twice entered in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas the Fourth, foll. 305 b, 325 b. In one they are stated at 218*l.* 16*s.* 9½*d.*, in the other at 218*l.* 16*s.* 10½*d.*

Burton says, in the 15th and 16th Hen. VI. it appears that the duke of Norfolk had the advowson of this abbey.

^r Orig. 32 Hen. VIII. p. 1. Ebor. "De homagiis et fidelitate Willielmi Pickering mil. pro domo et seitu nuper abbatiae sive monasterii de Bella Landa, alias Byland, ac mesuag. &c. in Cukwolde, Kilborne, Hawnebye, Keyrbe, Thurske, Bageby, Thyrcelbe, Olde Bylande, et Oxendall." ro. cxliij.

a deed without date, but probably of the thirteenth century, remaining in the Office of the Duchy of Lancaster.

Mr. Moore, who visited Byland abbey in or about the year 1789, states it to be of a date and style of architecture nearly coeval with Rieval, and that it is about five miles distant from it, across a moor, from which, in descending a very steep hill, the prospect of a fine country and of this abbey opens itself, and presently leads to the village. The building has been miserably destroyed. The parts remaining are the west front and one end of the transept. Not a

pillar of the nave is standing; but some parts of the lateral aisles may be seen. That this must have been a superb edifice is evident from these remains. The door is richly ornamented, and the lancet windows are of an elegant form; above which has been a large circular one, half still remaining, and it was perfect within the memory of several persons now living.^a

The monastery of Fors, in Yorkshire, was subject to Byland abbey.

Cartae ad Bellalandensem Abbatiam in agro Eboracensi spectantes: fundatam Anno MCCCXIII.^b

NUM. I.

Origo Bellelandæ.

[Hist. Will. Neubrigensis, lib. i. cap. 15.]

IN transmarinis partibus, sicut à majoribus accepi, tres memorabiles viri, uno tempore, fuere; scilicet Robertus cognominatus de Arbusculo, Bernardus, et Vitalis: hi non ignobiliter eruditi, et spiritu ferventes, circuibant per castella et vicos, seminantesque, secundum Esaiam super omnes aquas, de conversione multorum fructus uberes colligebant; pio inter se placito constituto: quod Robertus quidem feminarum, communi labore, ad meliora conversarum sollicitudinem gereret, Bernardus, et Vitalis, maribus propensius providerent. Robertus itaque famosissimum illud monasterium de Fonte-Ebraudi construxit, et regularibus disciplinis informavit: Bernardus verò apud Tyrocinum et Vitalis apud Saviniacum, monachis regulariter institutis, suos quisque ab aliis per quasdam præceptorum proprietates distinxit. Cumque ex his tribus, quasi radicibus, servorum, atque ancillarum Dei per diversas provincias religiosa germina pullularent; quidam Saviniacenses monachi Bellalandam nostram condiderunt. Qui cum essent numero pauci et pauperes, locumque aptum quærerent, ubi, Deo propicio, cum fructu aliquo habitarent; nobili viro Rogerio de Mulbray (qui et Newburgensem fundavit ecclesiam) donante, locum, prius angustum acceperunt: deinde ad locum alium, de illo ad tertium, et de tertio ad quartum sub eodem patrocinio, diversis ex causis migrantes, ibidem fixis radicibus tandem resederunt: benedixitque eis Dominus, et de rebus angustis ad magnam jam amplitudinem pervenerunt sub patre Rogerio, mirandæ sinceritatis viro, qui adhuc superstes est, in senecta uberi, administrationis suæ annis circiter quinquaginta et septem expletis. Fuit autem monasterii hujus initium post venerabilis Turstini decessum, memoratis duobus, scilicet Rievallis, et Fontium in bono jam statu agentibus. Et quoniam ante annos jam plurimos Saviniacenses per cujusdam abbatis religiosam instantiam in ritus Clarevallenses transierunt, hæc tria monasteria, per unitatem disciplinæ regularis, arctiori quoque animorum nexu cohærent, et tanquam tria nostræ provinciæ lumina, sacræ religionis prærogativa refulgent. Quid autem sentiendum est de his, et aliis locis religiosis, qui in diebus regis Stephani copiosius extrui, et florere cœperunt, nisi quod castra Dei sunt hæc, in quibus contra spiritualia nequitiae, regis Christi excubant milites et exercentur tyrones? &c.

NUM. II.

Quomodo mutatum fuit Cognomen de Albaneio in Cognomen de Mubrai.

[Ex vetusta Membrana in Turri Beatæ Mariæ Ebor.]

ROGERUS de Mowbray, qui fundavit abbatiam de Bellalanda, non tenuit cognomen patris sui Nigelli de Albaneio. Tempore regis Henrici filii Willielmi Bastard, cum Angliam obtinuisset, Roberto Curthose fratre suo in parti-

bus Ierosolomitani agente, fuerunt duo, videlicet, fratres de familia regis, strenui viri, quorum unus fuit comes de Clara, alter comes Arundell, et tertius frater eorum fuit Nigellus de Albaneio tunc adolescens, bonæ indolis, et magnæ spei, portans arcum regis; qui cum miles factus fuisset, propter sui probitatem feoffavit eum rex Henricus, in primis de Egmonton in foresta sua cum parcis, et pertinentiis suis; quam villam post modicum tempus, dedit Nigellus Roberto de Ayvile: quod cum rex audisset et inquisisset à Nigello, utrum sic esset; respondit quod sic, et quod rex tunc duos probos milites habuit, ubi antea habuit non præter unum. Approbavit rex factum, et feoffavit eum de vavaseria de Canvill et de vavaseria de Wivill. Præterea verò reverso Roberto Curthose de Syria, audiens quod Willielmus rex Rufus frater ejus, in fata decessisset, voluit coronari in regem, et invenit Henricum, fratrem suum coronatum, in processu temporis statuit cum eo pugnare apud Tenerchbray in Normannia, ubi Nigellus de Albaneio occidit dextrarium ipsius Roberti Curthose, et ita captum reddit regi Henrico. Tunc rex Henricus feoffavit ipsum Nigellum de tota terra Roberti de Frontebovis in Anglia, qui relicto rege, se convertit ad Robertum Curthose. Tunc temporis cepit Nigellus in uxorem filiam Hugonis de Gurnay in Normannia, nomine Gundredam; hæc fuit fundatrix abbatiae de Bellalanda. Postea obsedit idem rex Henricus castrum unum in transmarinis partibus, quod Nigellus de Albaneio, primò intrans cepit. Tunc proposuit rex ditare eum ampliùs; et dedit ei totam terram Rogeri de Molbray in Normania, qui Rogerus fuit comes de Northumbria; et statim fecit seisinam de castro de Molbray, et de castello de Baiocis, et de castro de Cun cum magnis possessionibus, et pertinentiis suis. Habuit autem tunc Nigellus sexies viginti milites feofatos in Normania, et septem viginti feofatos in Anglia. Et cum cepisset breve domini regis de capienda seisina in comitatu Northumbriæ, et incepisset proficisci, infirmabatur apud Rotomagum, post modicum tempus obiit, et sepultus est apud Rotomagum in Normania; cum verò Henricus rex dedisset dicto Nigello terram Rogeri de Molbray, præcepit ut filius et hæres ejus cognomen haberet del Moubray. Filius et hæres dicti Nigelli de Albaneio, fuit Rogerus de Molbray, qui fundavit abbatiam de Bellalanda, et plura alia loca sancta. Hic cruce signatus ivit in terram sanctam, et captus à Saracenis, redemptus fuit per militiam templi, et mortuus in terra sancta, sepultus est apud Sures. Filius Rogeri de Molbray primogenitus fuit Nigellus de Molbray qui ei successit. Hic Nigellus uxorem cepit Mabiam, et genuit ex ea quatuor filios, Willielmum, Robertum, Philippum, et Rogerum, postea idem Nigellus, cruce signatus, obiit in mare Græco; in dolio, in mare projectus, continente, qualis vir fuërit. Willielmus verò primogenitus, et hæres captus fuit apud Lincoln, et dedit pro redemptione sua quandam villam, nomine Benstede. Idem Willielmus de Molbray genuit Nigellum et Rogerum. Nigellus verò duxit in uxorem filiam Rogeri de Canevilla: obiit apud Nauntys, absque hærede, et sepultus est apud Novum-Burgum. Willielmus filius

^a Moore's Monastic Remains, vol. i. p. 28.

^b Chron. de Crokesden in bibl. Cottoniana.

Nigelli obiit in insula de Haxeiholm, et sepultus est apud Novum-Burgum; cui successit Rogerus filius, qui duxit uxorem nomine Matildam, filiam Willielmi de Bello-campo, de qua genuit filias tres, et filium unum nomine Rogerum. Postea obiit, et sepultus est apud Pontemfractum, cui successit Rogerus filius ejus, qui duxit uxorem nomine Roysam, de qua genuit filium nomine Johannem.

NUM. III.

Carta Walteri de Sciflings de duabus Bovatis Terræ in Nunnethorp.

[Ex autogr. in Turri B. Mariæ Ebor.]

UNIVERSIS Christi fidelibus præsentibus et futuris, Walterus de Sciflings persona de Kildale salutem in Domino. Noveritis me dedisse, concessisse, et præsentī carta mea confirmasse Deo et abbati et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Bellalanda duas bovatas terræ in Nunnethorp, illas scilicet quas habui ex donatione Willielmi de Scifling fratris mei; habendas et tenendas eisdem monachis et successoribus suis, et ad faciendum inde quicquid voluerint in perpetuum, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus, et aisiamentis, infra villam et extra ad dictas bovatas terræ pertinentibus liberè, solutè et quietè, ab omni terreno servicio et exactione seculari, præter duos solidos tantum reddendos annuatim monialibus de Basedale pro omni servicio; scilicet ad festum sancti Martini in hyeme. Hanc verò donationem feci Deo, et prædictis abbati et monachis de Bellalanda in perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum, ad faciendam unam pitantiam prædicto conventui de Bellalanda singulis annis; scilicet in die Nativitatis Domini. Et ego prædictus Willielmus de Sciflings et hæredes mei prædictas duas bovatas terræ cum omnibus pertinentiis eisdem abbati et monachis de Bellalanda, et successoribus suis vel assignatis suis contra omnes homines in perpetuum warentizabimus. Hiis testibus, Johanne de Bulemer, Willielmo de Malthebi, Engeram de Bovington, Gaufrido de Piketon, Willielmo de Lohareng, &c.

NUM. IV.

Carta Hugonis de Wake, et Johannæ de Stutevill, Uxoris ejus.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris, Hugo Wake et Johanna de Sutevill uxor ejus, salutem. Noveritis nos concessisse et quietum clamasse, à nobis et hæredibus et successoribus nostris, et hac præsentī carta nostra confirmasse Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Bellalanda, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam omnes terras et omnia tenementa quæ habent vel habere poterunt de feodo Thomæ Fossard in Sutton, cum capitali messuagio ejusdem villæ, et in Martherby, et in Lasthorpe, et in villa Sancti Felicis, et Hod cum omnibus aisiamentis, libertatibus, et pertinentiis in omnibus locis et rebus; scilicet in dominico in terra errabili, in pratis, pascuis, et pasturis, aquis, piscariis, molendinis, et boscis, in villenagiis et homagiis liberè tenentium, et maritagiis, releviis, wardis, escaetis, et omnibus aliis serviciis, consuetudinibus, auxiliis, et sectis curiæ quæ ad nos vel hæredes vel successores nostros aliquo modo potuerunt vel poterunt pertinere. Hæc omnia habebunt prædicti monachi in libera et perpetua elemosina, sicut ulla elemosina liberiùs et quietiùs teneri potest sine aliquo servitio, consuetudine, et exactione, excepto quod dicti monachi nobis et hæredibus nostris, vel successoribus nostris in perpetuum sexaginta solidos annui redditus persolvent, scilicet triginta solidos ad festum sancti Martini in hyeme, et triginta solidos ad Pentecosten; et salvo nobis et hæredibus et successoribus nostris scutagio domini regis quantum pertinet ad feodum unius militis cum per regnum generaliter fuerit assisum. Hiis testibus, Richardo Duket, Walrano de Mortimer, Rogero de Stapletona, Ada de Hiltona, Richardo de Saltfletby, Nicholao persona de Hettona, Hanneray de Brune, Galfrido de Depehinges, magistro Johanne de Sutteby, Nicholao de Dundeburc, Roberto de Stokisley, monachis de Bellalanda, et aliis.

NUM. V.

Confirmatio Donationum per Johannem de Moubray.

[In Registro de Bellalanda penes Johannem Russheworth armigerum, fol. 179.]

JOHANNES filius et hæres Johannis de Moubray dominus Insulæ de Haxiholme, et de honoribus de Gouher, et de Brember, omnibus senescallis meis, feodariis, forestariis, ballivis, præpositis, et omnibus aliis ministris meis, ac omnibus Christi fidelibus, salutem in Domino. Inspexi donationes, concessiones, confirmationes, ratificationes, et quietas clamationes progenitorum, et antecessorum meorum; videlicet dominæ Guntredæ de Mowbray, domini Rogeri filii ejus, domini Nigelli de Moubray filii ejusdem Rogeri, domini Willielmi de Mowbray filii sui, domini Rogeri filii Willielmi de Mowbray, domini Rogeri filii ejusdem Rogeri de Mowbray, domini Johannis filii ejusdem Rogeri de Moubray, et aliorum, Deo et beatæ Mariæ, abbati et monachis de Bellalanda datas, et concessas, de omnibus terris, et tenementis, redditibus, servitiis, tam liberorum hominum, quam nativorum, pratis, moris, pascuis, pasturis, mariscis, boscis, viis, semitis, forestis, bruariis, virgultis, alnetis, turbariis, mineris plumbi et ferri, quarreriis, aquis, stagnis, vivariis, piscationibus, molendinis, communis et omnibus aliis rebus, et proficuis, in omnibus locis, propè, et procul, subtus terram, et supra terram in Middlemor et Ramesgill, per metas, et divisas, in donationibus et confirmationibus specificatas, quam alibi, ubicunque in feodo meo, una cum homagiis, maritagiis, wardis, releviis, escaetis, et cum omnibus aliis servitiis, et consuetudinibus, libertatibus, et aisiamentis universis in perpetuum, in puram, liberam, et perpetuam elemosinam, solutam et quietam ab omni terreno servitio, et exactione et inquietatione sæculari, et demanda. Ego verò dictus Johannes filius et hæres Johannis de Moubray, caritatis intuitu, et pro salute animæ patris et matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum, omnes donationes, concessiones, confirmationes, ratificationes, et quietas clamantias, per progenitores et antecessores meos, seu per quoscunque alios feoffatores, datas et concessas, vel in posterum dandas vel concedendas per hæredes meos, vel alios quoscunque feoffatores, abbati et monachis de Bellalanda, et eorum successoribus in perpetuum de omnibus terris et tenementis in dictis donationibus, concessionibus, confirmationibus progenitorum meorum, seu aliorum quorumcunque contentis, et specificatis, et omnibus aliis ubicunque in feodo meo jacentibus, et acquisitis; videlicet, in dominicis terris cultis et incultis, pratis, pascuis, et pasturis, mariscis, viis, semitis, forestis, liberis chaceis, boscis, bruariis, virgultis, alnetis, mineris plumbi et ferri, quareriis, tam marmorei, quam alterius generis lapidum, aquis, stagnis, vivariis, piscationibus, gurgitibus, molendinis, communis, et omnibus aliis rebus, et locis propè, et procul, subtus terram et supra terram, tam in Middlemore et Rammesgill, et in omnibus aliis locis in Niderdale, infra feodum meum, per metas et divisas, in donationibus et confirmationibus eorundem specificatas, per totum feodum meum, una cum villenagiis, homagiis liberè tenentium, maritagiis, wardis, releviis, escaetis, et cum omnibus aliis servitiis, consuetudinibus, libertatibus, et easimentis universis, ubicunque infra feodum meum, pro me, hæredibus meis, et assignatis, in perpetuum, confirmo et ratifico dictis abbati et monachis, et eorum successoribus, in puram, liberam, et perpetuam elemosinam, solutam et quietam ex omni terreno servitio, exactione, et inquietatione sæculari, et demanda. Volo etiam et concedo, et pro me et hæredibus meis, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam confirmo, quod prædicti abbas, et monachi, et eorum successores, sint in perpetuum quieti de sectis curiæ quæ ad me vel ad hæredes meos pertinent, et de omnimodis terrenis servitiis, exactionibus, et demandis universis. Similiter volo et concedo, et pro me et pro hæredibus meis, quietum clamo antedictis abbati et monachis, quod ipsi, et successores sui, homines, famuli, et eorum quicunque tenentes, et infra libertatem beatæ Mariæ de Bellalanda, ubicunque commorantes, ementes, vel vendentes, sint in perpetuum quieti, liberi, et absoluti per totam terram meam, et feodum meum, de thelonio, et de omnibus custumis, exigendis, et demandis universis quibus possent aliquo modo accusari, calumniari, vel impediri, ratione merchandiæ suæ in perpetuum.

Concedo insuper et confirmo, pro me et hæredibus quibuscunque, quod prædicti abbas et monachi, et successores eorum, ac homines et tenentes eorum habeant in perpetuum liberos et sufficientes introitus et exitus, ad se, et ad omni-modam averia sua fuganda, et carriagia sua facienda, in eundo et redeundo ad loca sua, vel alibi, cum equis, summagiis, carris, carectis, et quadrigis, ubicunque fuerint per totam terram meam, et feodum meum, prope et procul, sine aliquo impedimento, vexatione, vel turbatione cujuscunque vel quorumcunque, exceptis terris seminatis et pratis tempore clauso. Concedo etiam, et ratifico, et confirmo, pro me, hæredibus, et assignatis meis, omnes libertates, et earum quaslibet per dominum regem et progenitores suos concessas et confirmatas, et in posterum concedendas dictis abbati, et monachis, et eorum successoribus, in perpetuum, sine impedimento vel calumnia, ita quod nec dicti abbas, et monachi, nec eorum homines seu tenentes, nec aliqui alii extranei, supra terram et infra libertatem suam delinquentes, homicidia vel latrocinia, vel aliquas felonias vel forisfacturis committentes, non convenientur, occasionentur, nec justitiam distringantur coram me, vel hæredibus meis, vel senescallis, ballivis, vel aliis ministris meis, vel hæredum meorum in curia mea, vel hæredum meorum ubicunque; sed jurisdictionem super taliter delinquentibus, super terram suam, et infra libertatem suam, in curia sua de Sutton subtus Whitstandliffe, et alibi prout testatur, et specificatur, in chartis, et confirmationibus regalibus de libertatibus suis eis concessis, habcant et gaudeant, sine aliquo impedimento mei vel hæredum meorum, in perpetuum, tam in omnibus terris suis de Niderdale, infra feodum meum, quam alibi, ita quod causa cujuscunque libertatis, titulo domini mei in Niderdale, vel per totum territorium de Kyrkeby-Malsarde, vel alibi mihi competentis, eorum libertas in Niderdale, nec alibi in terris, et feodis suis, infra feodum meum impugnetur seu impediatur. Confirmo etiam et licentiam do, pro me et hæredibus meis, quod si qui infra feodum meum terras, vel tenementa, vel advocacionem alicujus ecclesiæ, capellæ, vel hospitalis, dare, vendere, in posterum, vel servitia, vel consuetudines remittere vel relaxare voluerint dictis abbati et monachis, pro salute animæ suæ, vel in escambium, vel aliqua alia causa quacunque, quod bene liceat eis hoc facere, et dictis abbati et monachis mortificare in perpetuum, sine impedimento mei vel hæredum meorum. Omnes autem donationes, confirmationes, ratificationes, et quietas clamantias per progenitores meos, et alios quoscunque, dictis abbati et monachis de Bellalanda ratas et concessas, ac omnes articulos superiores concessos et specificatos, tangentes libertates suas regales, et omnes alias libertates, exoneraciones, pro me, et hæredibus meis, et assignatis meis, vel hæredum meorum, in puram, liberam, et perpetuam elemosinam, ac solutam ab omni terreno servitio, vel sæculari inquietatione, seu demanda concedo, confirmo, ratifico, et quietas clamo in perpetuum, intuitu caritatis, et pro salute animæ meæ, et antecessorum, et hæredum meorum, dictis abbati, et monachis, et eorum successoribus in forma prædicta in perpetuum permansuras. His testibus, domino Willielmo Darell, Willielmo Malbys, Rogero de Weston, Johanne de Colville, Johanne de Waxaud, militibus; Marmaduco Darell, Johanne de Kylvyngton, Johanne de Baxeby, Johanne Upsale, Roberto Buscy, et aliis. Datum in monasterio beatæ Mariæ Virginis de Bellalanda in festo sanctæ Margaretæ virginis, anno Domini mcccxl. quinto.

NUM. VI.

Carta Thomæ Comitis Marescalli de Confirmatione Cartæ Fundatoris.

[Ex autogr. in Turri beatæ Mariæ Ebor. Vide Pat. 4 Edw. IV. p. 4, m. 18; et Pat. 1 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 9; et Cart. 15 Ric. II. n. 18.]

THOMAS comes Marescallus et Notingham, dominus de Mowbray et de Segrave, omnibus ad quos præsentis literæ pervenerint salutem in Domino. Noveritis nos diligenter inspexisse et intellexisse cartam quam piæ memoriæ dominus Rogerus de Mowbray, progenitor noster, et fundator monasterii sanctæ Mariæ de Bellalanda, fecit Deo et monachis ejusdem domus in hæc verba:

‘Eboracensi archiepiscopo, et toti capitulo sancti Petri, et omnibus hominibus, Francis et Anglis, et omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ fidelibus, Rogerus de Mowbray salutem.

Sciatis me dedisse, concessisse, et præsentis carta mea confirmasse Deo et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Bellalanda, locum ubi sita est abbatia eorum, cum tota foresta quæ circumjacet per has divisas, tam subtus terram quam supra terram. Sicut via descendit de Hedh usque ad fundum vallis quæ est inter Killeburne et Middelberg; et inde per fundum ejusdem vallis usque ad Gillberg; et inde sicut Fulsike vadit juxta Cambisheved usque ad Brinks; et inde sicut parva vallis vadit ab aquilonari parte sub Brink usque ad rivulum aquæ quæ venit de Grundleskeld et cadit in ipsam vallem; et inde vadit ad Wytiker, et ibi cadit in Mikelbek sub molendino ipsorum monachorum; et sic de foris, ab septentrionali parte de subtus Wyteker versus orientem, usque ad pedem montis de Crafclynt; et inde flectendo versus aquilonem usque ad ductum aquæ currentis in valle in Burtoft, et pasturam Amplefordiæ, et descendit in Holbek; et sic ascendendo per ipsam vallem in ductum aquæ usque ad latam viam super moram supra Drakedalehevid, et juxta Scaltomyam, quæ via venit de Sproxton, et sic per eandem viam versus occidentem inter divisas de Cambe et Scaltune usque ad locum ubi via devenit de mora per Hedh; et sic per le Rutandkeld usque ad fossatum sub Middleberg, quod vadit de foris pratum monachorum.

‘Dedi etiam et confirmavi Hod, Cambe, et omnia necessaria in pastura, et materie et cæteris aisiamentis per totam forestam de Cuckewald, et Killeburne; Bellalandam super Moram, cum ecclesia ejusdem villæ; Magnam Wildonam, et Parvam Wildonam; Roseberg, Skakilden, et totum Erghum in bosco, et terra, et pratis, cum pertinentiis, et communam pasturæ omni tempore in terrura et boscis de Hovingham. Et terram in Tirneholme, de insula de Hariholme, cum omnibus piscariis suis, quas ibi dedi eis et concessi, et cum aliis aisiamentis, quæ necessaria habuerint de marisco, et harudineto, et de virga et feno; et terram quam dedi eis in Cava, et Hoton, et in Malesard; ac unum toftum et unam carucatam terræ in Treske; et per omnes forestas meas plenariè, quæ necessaria sunt illis per providentiam dapiferi mei. Concedo quoque et confirmo eis omnes donationes quas homines mei eis fecerunt; Mortonam scilicet, Snyleswath, Bagby, quas habent ex donatione Hugonis Malebisse: Thorp quoque, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, per metas et divisas quæ continentur in carta Willielmi de Wyvill. Concedo et corroboro quicquid habent in Thorp juxta Tresk, ex dono Matildis de Staingrif et Simonis filii ejus. Remitto etiam eisdem monachis omnem redditum qui mihi debebatur de eadem terra. Concedo etiam et confirmo quicquid habent in Faldington, ex dono meo et Willielmi de Mandevill. Concedo eis servitium Petri Basseth, et Willielmi filii Huictæ de una carucata terræ in Ampleford, de qua carucata omnem libertatem, quam in propria manu habui, eis dedi. Concedo insuper et confirmo conventiones quæ factæ sunt inter ipsos et canonicos de Novo-Burgo de Crafclynt, et de divisis et cæteris compositionibus inter eos confectis. Sed et donationes quas habent de Thoma de Colevill et de Roberto de Eyvill, et omnia prænominatis terris adjacentia, in boscis, et planis, et pasturis, viis, semitis, aquis, stagnis, et omnibus aliis rebus et aisiamentis. Præterea si quis hominum meorum aliquod eis beneficium in terra, vel aliis rebus conferre, vel aliquod excambium cum eis, ad utilitatem eorum, facere voluerit, bene eis concedo, et Nigellus filius meus concedit.

‘Hanc donationem, concessionem, et confirmationem, solutam, puram, et quietam ab omni calumpnia et omni terreno servito, facio prædictis monachis et eorum posteris in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam pro salute animæ meæ, et Nigelli de Albeneyo patris mei, et Gunoriæ matris meæ, et omnium fidelium. Et omnia prædicta ego Rogerus de Mowbray, et hæredes mei, et assignati nostri manutenebimus et garantizabimus prædictis monachis, et eorum successoribus, contra omnes mortales, et in perpetuum defendemus per hanc cartam. Et in testimonium hujus rei huic cartæ sigillum meum est appensum. Hiis testibus, Nigello et Roberto filiis meis, Swano magistro hospitalis sancti Petri, et Pagano fratre ejusdem domus, Olivero de Buscy, Johanne Crevequer, Roberto capellano, et alio Roberto de Mowbray capellano, Roberto Beler, Waltero de Meynill, Rogero de Erdena, Walkelino, Willielmo filio Ucce, Thoma capellano, et aliis.’

Quam quidem cartam nos præfatus Thomas, ac tenorem

ejusdem ad requisitionem dilectorum nobis in Christo, religiosorum virorum, abbatis et conventus de Bellalanda exemplificari de verbo ad verbum fecimus per præsentes pro majori securitate eorundem. Et in hujus rei testimonium præsenti copiae veraciter ex originali extractæ, sigillum nostrum est appensum. Hiis testibus legalibus, et probis viris in comitiva nostra simul nobiscum proficiscentibus ad dominum nostrum Richardum illustrem regem Angliæ versus Scotiam; videlicet dominis Richardo de Porynges, Laurentio de Bercroll, Thoma Camoys, Johanne de Multon, Johanne de Hastings, Thoma de Calverlay, militibus; domino Johanne capellano, Thoma de Rungeton, Johanne Rysom, et aliis in multitudine copiosa. Datum apud Bellamlandam die Veneris proxima ante festum sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ, anno regni ejusdem domini Richardi secundi, post conquestum Angliæ, nono. Quo die abbas et conventus ejusdem domus, ad rogatum nostrum specialem, nos, intuitu caritatis, receperunt ad fraternitatem capituli sui, et concesserunt nobis participationem omnium missarum et orationum et aliorum bonorum spiritualium, quæ, per fratres sui conventus fieri concesserit clementia Salvatoris. Et nos prædictus Thomas igitur, vice versa memoratam cartam foundationis suæ, et omnia in eadem contenta, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, quantum in nobis est, acceptamus, approbamus, et ratificamus, ipsisque abbati et conventui, et eorum successoribus imperpetuum confirmamus per tenorem præsentis scripti: salvis semper legalibus, et rationabilibus excambiis inter progenitores nostros, et quosdam alios antiquitus confectis de quibusdam præmissorum, quibus in alio præjudicandum et derogandum non intendimus per præsentes aliququaliter. Acta die et anno supraprænominatis.

NUM. VII.

Incipit Fundatio Domus Bellelandæ edita à Philippo Abbate tertio Domus prædictæ sicut ipse audierat à prædecessore suo Abbate Rogero et aliis senioribus hujus Domus.

[Ex Regist. de Bellalanda penes Joh. Rushworth arm. fol. 10 b.]

HUMANA memoria per primi parentis inobedientiam in tantum obfuscatur et obnubilatur, quod quicquid in hac vita temporali agitur vel contingit, nisi literis expresse commendetur, brevi processu temporis acsi nunquam fuisset vitio oblivionis dominante totaliter elabatur et evanescit: ideo oportunum fore duximus successoribus nostris brevi scriptura innotescere causam formam et modum sive processum foundationis domus nostræ de Bellalanda, prout ab antiquioribus frequenter audivimus qui à piæ recordationis viro domino Rogero prædecessore nostro et pluribus aliis qui de Caldra venerunt, sufficienter fuerunt instructi.

Primordium quidem hujus monasterii, ut asseritur, tale fuit. Quod tempore et anno regis Henrici tricesimo quinto, scilicet, millesimo centesimo tricesimo quarto, qui Henricus rex fuit filius Willielmi Bastardi, ducis Normanniæ, qui lege belli et sensus industria Angliam conquistavit, cum abbacia de Furnesio fundata fuisset de ordine Savignei et antequam ordini Cistercii esset incorporata, contigit quod conventus quidam de Furnesio exiens sortitus est quendam locum qui vocatur Caldra in Coupland, ex pia collatione cujusdam magnatis illius patriæ ad abbaciam construendam, ordinato eidem conventui abbate nomine Geroldo. Nomina verò monachorum qui exierant de Furnesio usque Caldram, cum prædicto abbate sunt ista. Robertus de Insula, Tocka de Loncastro, Johannes de Kynstan, Theodoricus de Dalton, Hormi de eadem, Rogerus subcellerarius, Alanus de Wrcwyk, Wydo de Bolton, Willielmus de eadem, Petrus de Pictaviis, Ulfus de Ricomonte, Bertrannus de London. Qui cum per quadriennium ibi mansissent et secundum ordinis Savygneiensi instituta in magno labore et defectu vixissent, hostili invasione David regis Scociæ, et populi terræ suæ ac Galeweciæ facta, qui versus terram Angliæ properabant more solito debacantes et sanguinem Anglorum sitientes, tempore et anno tertio regis Stephani, anno Domini millesimo centesimo tricesimo septimo impingebant tandem latenter et inopinatè in abbaciam illam de Caldra nuper inceptam, et tam de pecudibus suis quam aliis rebus quas apprehendere valebant, eandem domum penitus denuclarent. Quo facto, iniit consilium prædictus abbas Geroldus cum conventu suo, ut ad maternam domum re-

mearent, quod et fecerunt, quia aliud refugium in illis partibus non habuerunt: sed cum ad portam abbaciæ cito post fugiendo pervenissent, ab abbate et conventu Furnesii qui de eorum reddito erant præmuniti, ingressus ipsis totaliter fuit interdictus. Et hoc pro tali causa ut à quibusdam dicebatur, quia abbas G. ad rogatum et denunciationem abbatis Furnesii noluit ibidem cedere officio suo, nec monachos qui secum venerant absolvere à professione sibi facta, et inconveniens esset ut videbatur Furnesiensibus quod duo abbates cum conventibus suis in una morarentur abbacia. Cæterum secundum aliorum estimationem dnegatus fuit eis ingressus, quia Furnesienses noluerunt relevare ipsos aliquantulum subveniando pro bonis amissis, ut per eorum auxilium tale ad aliquem vivendi statum attingere post hujusmodi subitam dejectionem. Sed nec aliquamdiu ipsos secum ob reverentiam caritatis vel ordinis retinere vellent, aut exterius alibi saltem donec insolentia furoris nephandæ gentis prædictæ per virtutem Dei et exercitum Anglorum esset repressa, ne forte eorum status sive substantia per hujusmodi moram supra modum minueretur, immo miserrime et spiritu vehementi acerrime eos increpabant et viliter improperebant quasi desides et effeminatos qui locum suæ habitationis pro modico deseruerunt ut apud Furnesium in majori copia et quiete vivere possent. Quam quidem increpationem simul et repulsam abbas G. et ejus conventus ægre ferentes, statim sine mora inde recesserunt, ipsos Furnesienses pariter et locum de Caldra omnino relinquentes, nichil secum præter vestes et paucos libros in quodam plaustro cum octo bobus prout melius poterant detulerunt. Cum itaque anno prædicto regis Stephani abbas G. cum conventu suo de porta abbatiæ Furnesii miserrime angustiatum recessisset et quasi desperatus, non longè ab abbacia illo die una cum suis prout melius potuit hospitio se suscepit. Et in crastinum surgens, per commune consilium properavit versus Eboracum ad dominum Thurstanum tunc temporis archiepiscopum, ut ejus consilium et auxilium de perquirendo sibi loco habitationis caritative flagitaret, spem bonam concipiens ex eo quod idem archiepiscopus nuper ante, sex annis elapsis contulerat locum oportunum cuidam conventui de Fontanis de terra et patrimonio ecclesiæ sancti Wlfridi de Rypon, qui puro fervore religionis et ordinis observandi secundum regulam sancti Benedicti, exierat de abbacia sanctæ Mariæ Eboraci. Et cum abbas G. cum monachis suis ad archiepiscopum pervenit, idem archiepiscopus audita causa adventus eorum, satis liberaliter suscepit eos, et per aliquot dies secum honorificè retinuit, eorum destitutioni et laboribus piè compatiendo. Tandem per consilium quorundam clericorum suorum misit eos cum literis suis ad nobilem virum tunc temporis dominum Rogerum de Molbray filium Nigelli de Albineio qui de novo cingulum susceperat militare, ut inter incia bonorum operum suorum talibus viris de patrimonio suo quod erat amplissimum, locum habitandi et sustentationem misericorditer provideret. Ad quem cum pervenissent, de eorum adventu et exhortatione domini archiepiscopi valde gavisus est, et eo amplius quod occasionem haberet aliquid præstandi. Erat enim valde frugalis animi, et quasi signifer liberalitatis inter omnes proceres terræ. Sed infra paucos dies post eorum adventum idem Rogerus dedit eis decimam omnium victualium quæ expendi debuerant in hospicio suo. Et misit eos ad dompnum Robertum de Alneto quondam monachum de Whiteby qui tunc temporis vitam ducebat heremiticam apud Hode, ut cum eo ibi moram traherent, quousque locum ipsis competentiorum alibi assignaret. Dompnus vero Robertus de Alneto cum ipsos intuitus fuisset, et causam adventus eorum cognovisset, cum magna reverentia in suis domunculis suscepit eos. Et non diu post in tantum eorum conversatione sancta delectatus est, quod eorum habitum devotissimè recepit, et abbati G. professionem fecit, et ipsum locum de Hode illorum contulit dispositioni. Quem quidem locum prænominatus Rogerus dedit abbati G. et suo conventui cum consensu et voluntate dicti domini Roberti de Alneto et monachorum de Whiteby anno gratiæ mccccxviiij.

Cæterum ut quorundam relationi aurem accommodemus auscultando et scribendo, ita nobis dicebatur, quod quadam die cum prædictus abbas G. cum suis monachis, de Furnesio versus archiepiscopum Eboracensem ut prædictum est per viam incederet, et tantum haberet unum plastrum cum suis libris et indumentis, quod octo boves cotidie secum

trahebant, et appropinquaret villæ de Thresk, casualiter obvium habuit senescallum dominæ Gundræ relictæ quondam Nigelli de Albeney, et matris Rogeri de Molbray adolescentis qui tunc in custodia extitit regis Stephani ad terras suas cito venturi. Hic autem senescallus valde admirans incesum talium virorum, diligentissimè inquisivit ab abbate G. causam tam gravis laboris tam sui quam suorum. Qua sibi exposita, idem senescallus abbati supplicavit devotissimè, ut ipse cum monachis suis eodem die ad mensam comederet dominæ suæ tunc perhendinantis in castro de Thresk, à qua villa non tunc multum fuerunt. Et abbas hujusmodi supplicationi consensit, necessitatem suam et suorum voluntati Dei fiducialiter committens. Dictus verò senescallus præcessit ad castrum, et dominam suam præmunivit de adventu talium virorum quos ad prandium pietatis obtentu invitaverat nomine ejusdem dominæ suæ. Ubi cum abbas G. et monachi sui pervenissent cum suo plastro subsequente, et dicta domina in quadam camera excelsa per quandam fenestram secreciùs respexisset paupertatem eorum, piæ compassionis affectu in lacrimis soluta est. Quæ tamen de eorum adventu jocunda, ac de eorum gestu et simplicitate edificata, apud se omnes retinuit, et rebus necessariis eisdem liberaliter ministrari fecit, et ne ab illa recederent omnino interdixit, ac fideliter promisit bonum auxilium infra breve tempus tam habitationis quam sustentationis. Et quia abbas cum suo conventu de manerio in manerium per varias provincias cum dicta domina incedere non potuit nec decuit, ipsa transmisit eos ad avunculum suum sive nepotem dominum Robertum de Alneto, de Normannia natum, quondam monachum de Whiteby qui tunc morabatur heremiticè apud Hode ut præmissum est, et ibi sufficienter ac honorificè eos sustentari fecit, quousque filius ejus Rogerus de Molbray venit ad terras suas de custodia regis Stephani.

Interim autem dum abbas G. cum suis monachis ibidem moraretur, secundum temporis oportunitatem adiit archiepiscopum Thurstanum auxilium quæsiturus. Et idem archiepiscopus scripsit Rogero de Molbray pro abbate G. et monachis suis sicut prænotatum est. Rogerus verò congaudens de exhortatione archiepiscopi et supplicatione assidua matris suæ, primò dedit eis totam decimam victualium hospicii sui. Et erat quidam conversus ad hoc deputatus Lyngulfus nomine ut curiam domini Rogeri sequeretur et annonam ipsis concessam cotidie recolligeret, ac per nuncium fidum abbati suo et monachis ejus transmisit usque Hode. Et quando dominus Rogerus in locis morabatur remotioribus, tunc conversus ille vendidit omnia quæ sibi competeabant et pecuniam abbati suo destinavit. Contigit autem multociens quod propter hospites advenientes, qui nunquam defuerant tanto viro in magna multitudine, oportebat necessario dapiferum et provisorem hospicii sui mutuari sæpius à dicto converso annonam illam, ne in hujusmodi casu contingente defectus eveniret in hospitio domini sui. Et cum perventum fuisset ad solutionem faciendam annonæ mutuatae, ultra modum provisor tedio afficiebatur. Nam utrobique molestum sibi fuit si vel defectus victualium inveniretur in hospicio domini, vel si tales viri tam sanctæ conversationis beneficio fraudarentur quod dominus suus illis contulerat, maximè cum adhuc sustentationem aliunde non haberent. Cogitavit igitur dapifer ejus, Georgius nomine, vir sapiens et prudens quali remedio huic incommodo posset commodè obviare. Et debito modo invento, cum dominus suus secretè tractavit de negotiis cum consilio suo, inter cætera demonstravit domino, qualiter decimam victualium de converso sæpius mutuavit, aliquando plus et aliquando minus, sanè consulendo ut aliquam terram daret ad valenciam decimæ victualium hospicii sui, unde abbas G. et monachi ejus sibi possent providere in necessariis. Cui suggestioni et consilio dominus Rogerus assensum præbuit, et non diu post dedit abbati G. et successoribus suis vaccariam suam de Cambe et totam terram de Wildon et Skakilden et Erghum ad petitionem domini Thurstani prædicti et Gundræ matris suæ anno Domini mxxl. per quæ possent ad tempus sustentari sicut patet per cartas.

Cum itaque abbas G. et monachi ejus morarentur apud Hode et aliquantulum in temporalibus bonis accrescere cœpissent, timentes et præcavescentes sibi ne abbas de Furnesio per potentiam et auctoritatem ordinis in ipsos vendicaret jurisdictionem paternitatis, ac sicut vulgariter dicitur

injustè ab eis petitur jurisdictio vel dominium quibus in necessitate positus denegatur subsidium, consilium inierunt unanimi voluntate ut idem abbas personaliter adiret dominum Scrlonem abbatem Savygnii in Normannia, et totam veritatem recessus sui de Caldra plenè exponeret, ac qualiter Furnesienses noluerunt eos recipere vel adjuvare in sua persecutione, et quod instanter peteret ex parte conventus sui tanquam liberi sui et juris proprii à Furnesiensibus refutatus et abjectus et nulli adhuc subjectus, ut subiceretur immediatè ecclesiæ et abbati Savygneii imperpetuum. Abbas autem G. consilio adquevit et profectus est ad capitulum generale Savygneiense anno Domini mxxlij. circa festum sancti Johannis Baptistæ. Ubi cum seipsum præsentasset et causa sui adventus cum maturitate exposita, ejus petitio audita fuit et gratanter admissa auctoritate generalis capituli Savygneii quod tunc ibidem more solito per abbates ejusdem ordinis annuatim celebratur. Et sic licenciatus Angliam repetiit cum festinatione qua potuit. Et veniens apud Eboracum ibidem obiit in reditu de capitulo Savygneii vj. kal. Marcii. Cujus corpus delatum fuit per monachos suos usque Hode et ibidem traditum sepulture. Ipsoque honorificè sepulto, eo anno successit ei dompnus Rogerus qui secum venerat de Furnesio qui postea fuit subcellerarius apud Caldrum. Qui cum esset magister novitiorum nec haberet nisi unum novicium et cum eo de observationibus ordinis loqueretur, omnes monachi subito et inopinatè accesserunt et irruerunt in eum et manibus appositis traxerunt, et elevantes eum à terra processerunt sollempniter ad altare in oratorium, voce excelsa clamantes ipsum esse abbatem in nomine sanctæ Trinitatis, et sic ipsum ordinaverunt in abbatem et sibi professi sunt secundum ritum ordinis sui qui adhuc fuit de Savygneio sicut prædictum est. Postea verò idem abbas Rogerus in octavis Paschæ suscepit benedictionem apud Schyrburne de domino Eboracensi archiepiscopo ad præsentationem domini Rogeri de Molbray tunc ibidem præsentis et negotium procurantis.

Post hæc siquidem gesta secundum Dei ordinationem Furnesiensibus et alibi vulgariter relata, abbas et monachi de Furnesio manifestè percipientes se esse frustratos abbate G. nuper defuncto, et monachi qui de Caldra et porta Furnesii recesserant et se et successores suos submiserant immediatè ecclesiæ et abbati Savygneii et quod certum locum habuerunt ac terram viriliter coluerunt, sine spe et proposito revertendi ad Caldrum, ordinaverunt in abbatem Hardredum monachum Furnesii et ipsum cum quodam alio conventu iterum usque ad Caldrum transmiserunt, qui ab illo tempore usque in præsentis successione debita prout possunt regulariter ibidem conversantur, quasi in eodem statu temporalium, semper tabescentes.

Peractis itaque quatuor annis apud Hode, ubi plures personæ receptæ fuerunt ad conversionem, abbas Rogerus supplicavit dominæ Gundræ ut ipsa suggereret domino Rogero de Moubray filio suo, quod locus de Hode nimis arctus fuit ad abbaciam construendam et quod alium provideret in situm aptiorem ad monachos suos qui in possessionibus et personis cotidie multiplicabantur. Siquidem veterani et emeriti milites de curia et familia dicti domini Rogeri conversi fuerunt ad eos et de bonis temporalibus secum attulerunt non modica, quibus suffragantibus constructa fuit una grangia apud Wildon. Inter quos milites duo fuerunt magni nominis et prudentiæ, scilicet Landricus de Agys et Henricus de Wasprey, et tercius prudentia non inferior Henricus Bugge custos operis abbaciæ, qui processu temporis multa bona domui suæ perquisierunt. Nam statim post eorum ingressum divulgabatur ubique per provinciam, quod illa nova habitatio de nobilibus viris et personis generosis erat mirabiliter infra breve suffulta, unde devotio omnium audientium inclinavit ad dictum locum.

Domina vero Gundrea audiens et concipiens supplicationem abbatis Rogeri et diligenter advertens militum subitam et inopinatam conversionem, amplius convertit ad eos gratiam suam et favorem. Et sic supplicavit domino Rogero filio suo ut ipsa posset conferre monachis de dote sua villam de Bellalanda super moram. Quam supplicationem maternam idem Rogerus anno Domini mxxlij. circa Nativitatem beatæ Mariæ Virginis devotè et benignè concessit, et ipsemet dedit prædictis monachis prædictam villam de Bellalanda cum ecclesia ejusdem villæ et omnibus pertinentiis.

Ista donatione sic peracta, abbas Rogerus et monachi sui ad commonitionem et præceptum Rogeri de Moubray se transtulerunt de Hode usque ad quendam locum in territorio Bellalande super aquam quæ vocatur Rye, et ibi construxerunt sibi parvam cellulam ubi eorum tegularia nunc est constructa, non multum ab abbacia quam nobilis vir dominus Walterus le Spek dominus de Helmesleye paulo ante xij. annis elapsis devotissimè construxerat, quæ nunc denominatur Ryevall. Et sic abbas Rogerus et monachi ejus manserunt super Ryam quinque annis.

Intentio quidem et voluntas Rogeri de Moubray fuit si fieri posset competenter, ut abbatia ex parte meridionali aquæ de Rye construeretur, ad illud commodum et aisiamenta aquæ per omnia habenda quæ Ryevallenses percipiunt ex parte boreali. Sed situs loci ad hoc competere non potuit quoquam modo, similiter et domorum nimia propinquitas non sinebat, nam uterque conventus singulis horis diei et noctis campanas suas mutuo audire potuerunt, quod non decebat nec diu potuit aliquammodo sustineri.

Cum verò dictus abbas R. et monachi ejus dictam villam Bellelandæ habuissent, decreverunt illam in grangiam unam redigere. Hæc illis cogitantibus assignaverunt quandam partem terræ ejusdem villæ hominibus ibi manentibus, scilicet apud Stutekelde, ubi dicti homines de novo inceperunt unam villulam et ibi manserunt per plures annos, eidem nomen primum imponentes, et sic eadem villa redacta est in grangiam.

Postea verò abbas R. perpendens diversa perieula et fatigationes parochianorum suorum de Scalton advenientium ad maternam ecclesiam suam de Bellalanda, tum propter divina servicia audienda, tum propter divina sacramenta ecclesiastica percipienda, adivit ad dominum Henricum Murdac, archiepiscopum Eboracensem, qui quondam fuerat abbas de Fontibus, anno pontificatus sui primo, scilicet mxcxlvj. humiliter sibi supplicans et requirens, ut sibi et suo conventui licentiam donaret ad unam capellam construendam in villam de Scalton quæ est infra limites parochialis ecclesiæ suæ de Bellalanda, præcipuè propter pericula prædicta et propter aisiamenta devoti benefactoris sui domini Hugonis Malbys, hæredum, et hominum suorum, in qua homines dictæ villæ de Scalton tantum ibidem audirent divina et ecclesiastica perciperent sacramenta, reservata matri ecclesiæ suæ de Bellalanda corporum parochianorum de Scalton morientium imperpetuum sepultura, quod usque hodie reverenter observatur. Optenta itaque licentia, dictus abbas R. et monachi sui diligenter et devotè in media villa de Scalton sumptibus suis unam capellam construxerunt. Qua peracta, consummata, et libris vestimentis baptisterio et aliis necessariis prout decet domum Dei decenter ornata, præce pitabbas R. Landrico de Agys cellerario suo, quod cum omni festinatione et reverentia ac sine mora minorem campanam dictæ matricis ecclesiæ Bellelandæ in plaustro portari faceret usque ad dictam filiam suam de Scalton festinanter. Qui justum complens et omnibus decenter et honestè ut dictum est consummatis, idem abbas R. dictam capellam contulit cuidam clerico Ricardo nomine. Et ad præsentationem dicti R. abbatis institutus est canonicè per dictum dominum Henricum archiepiscopum curam illius habens et tenens per quinquaginta et quatuor annos sine aliqua interruptione temporum vel annorum, scilicet per octo annos in tempore regis Stephani et per totum tempus regis Henrici filii Matildis imperatricis, et per totum tempus regis Ricardi filii prædicti Henrici regis, qui Henricus et Ricardus reges confirmant per cartas suas Bellamlandam cum pertinentiis.

Audientes autem multi tam noti quam extranei famam supernæ benedictionis super novam plantationem descendisse, ac volentes orationum et beneficiorum dicti R. abbatis et monachorum ejus fieri participes, magis ac magis ad eos corda sua et animos devotissimè direxerunt, et diversas elemosinas voluntariè et affluenter, prout cuicque Deus dederat, eisdem contulerunt. Nam dominus Hugo Malbys contulit eis Mortoniam cum pertinentiis, Snyleswath cum pastura et bosco sicut patet per cartas suas.

Postea autem manentibus quod Bellamlandam abbate R. et monachis, idem abbas et petitionem et instantiam domini Rogeri de Molbray et Sampsonis de Albaneio dedit locum de Hode ubi prius habitare inceperant, quibusdam canonicis qui venerant de Bridlington, qui nunc sunt de Novo-burgo, pro omnimodis decimis grangiæ de Wildon et

Cambe. Tali etiam compositione interveniente, quod illi canonici manerent apud Hode cum plenario conventu imperpetuum et ibidem viverent secundum regulam sancti Augustini.

Præterea idem Sampson dedit in excambio illius loci prædicto abbati R. xx. sol. annuatim de molendino de Cukwald, quos ipse inde percipere solebat. Et dominus R. Moubray istam conventionem per cartam suam confirmavit.

Videns autem Rogerus de Moubray quod multi conveniant ad serviendum Deo, et quod locus ille ubi monachi manebant in territorio Bellelandæ, ut supradictum est, ad abbatiam construendam convenire non potuit, nec propter vicinitatem Rievallis omnino decuit, cum venisset de australibus partibus adjecit ut dilataret terminos eorum, et dedit eis anno mxcxlvj. ad situm abbatiae suæ per estimationem Hugonis Malbys dapiferi sui duas carucas de terra vasta in territorio de Cukwald subtus collem de Blakhou. Insuper dominus Thomas de Colevyle quietum clamavit et dedit Deo et monachis totam terram et nemus quod est inter stagnum molendini ipsorum et Thorpe. Totam etiam Bersclyvam et Burtoft, et quicquid pertinebat ad villam de Cukwald ab aquilonali parte de Whiteker ad faciendum inde quicquid voluerint imperpetuum.

§ Optulit etiam idem Rogerus Molbray abbati R. et monachis jus patronatus ecclesiarum de Thresk, Honyngnam, et Kyrkeby Morisheved, et plures alias possessiones quas dictus abbas R. accipere recusabat, homo scrupulosæ conscientiae pro cura animarum, protestans et dicens quod satis et sufficienter donaverat eis. Quæ quidem recusatio multum displicuit domino R. de Molbray. Fuit enim intentio ejus talis, quod si abbas et monachi jus patronatus ecclesiarum optinuissent, per processum temporis in proprios usus illas faciliter impetrassent. Et dicebatur quod occasione istius recusationis ad instantiam et petitionem prædicti Sampsonis de Albaneio consanguinei R. Molbray data fuerunt jura patronatus dictarum ecclesiarum prædictis canonicis de Hode qui nunc vocantur de Novo-burgo, ubi etiam idem Sampson seipsum Deo reddidit et habitum suscepit canonicè regularis. Procuravit insuper ab archiepiscopo Eboracensi et episcopo Lincolnensi quod dicti canonici de Hode pacificè possiderent in tota vita ipsius Sampsonis omnes ecclesias quas idem S. occupavit ante suum ingressum. § Cum igitur prædicti monachi, sicut prædictum est, cum abbate suo Geroldo iij. annis resedissent apud Hode et quinque annis postea cum abbate Rogero super Ryam in territorio Bellelandæ, inceperunt assartare viriliter in occidentali parte citra et dejuxta Middelburgam et ædificare subtus moram in dicto territorio de Cukewald, et confestim se transtulerunt in dicto territorio de Cukwalde, ubi ipsimet diligenter construxerunt ibi et ædificaverunt unam parvam ecclesiam lapideam, claustrum, et cæteras domos et officinas sicut adhuc ibidem manifestissimè liquet, et extunc ibi manserunt in sancta religione per annos xxx. Infra quos annos multi magnates tam de partibus istis quam de Westmerlandia non modicas donationes eidem abbati R. et monachis suis in elemosinam devotè optulerunt, sicut inferius patebit.

Illo in tempore quo dominus R. Molbray dedit abbati R. et monachis suis prædictas duas carucas vastæ terræ in territorio de Cokewald, advenit mandatum subitum de partibus Normanniæ ad dominum R. Molbray, quod placitum motum fuit contra eum de castello de Baiocis, cum toto dominio per quendam baronem Franciæ. Quod quidem castellum rex sibi nuper dederat quando suscepit cingulum militare. Propter quod placitum defendendum celeriter in Normanniam transfretavit cum literis domini Stephani regis, qui scripsit se velle dictum castellum cum appenditiis eidem Rogero contra omnes homines warrantizare. Verunitamen per illud placitum nihil amisit.

Post recessum autem dicti R. versus Normanniam diversæ perturbationes contra abbatem R. et monachos statim emerserunt, quas ipsi usque ad tempus patienter sustinuerunt. Nam dominus Robertus de Stutevilla et Willielmus frater ejus calumpniaverunt totam terram quam dominus R. de Molbray dederat monachis in territorio de Cokewald ubi monachi habitabant, et moverunt placitum in curia prædicti regis contra dominum R. Molbray, et fuit prosecutum secundum legem terræ per longum tempus. Nam vicini generaliter testabantur quod bonum jus habuerunt in sua calumpnia. § Præterea dominus Robertus de Davidvilla dominus de Kilburne labores monachorum multum impe-

divit et protestando dixit quod monachi includebant magnam partem de solo quod pertinebat ad villam suam de Kilburne, et hoc pati nec permittere voluit quoquo modo. Similiter dominus Hugo Malbys, dominus de Scalton, multa mala monachis intulit tam per se quam per homines suos de Scalton et de Dale, quorum terræ et pasturæ cum terris monachorum conterminant. Nam die in diem fecerunt injustas querimonias districtiones et alia nocumenta ne monachi juxta eos quietem haberent. Similiter fecit et Gwido de Boltby. Et quia hujusmodi gravamina sine remedio diu sustineri non potuerunt, habito consilio cum conventu idem abbas R. transfretavit in Normanniam anno mxcxlvij. cum literis dominæ Gundræ matris domini R. Molbray, quæ ipsum certificavit de placito moto per Robertum et Willielmum de Stutevilla et de gravaminibus quæ idem abbas R. et ejus monachi sustinuerunt. Et primo venit ad Savygneium ad capitulum generale, et ibi exposuit patri abbati quod fundator suus terram sibi sufficienter donaverat si illam posset in quiete possidere sine impetitione quorundam militum vicinorum, quorum molestias minus formidaret si fundator suus in Anglia fuisset. Sed alia negotia ibi expedienda demonstravit, inter quæ unum fuit domini Petri monachi Savygneii qui metiri inceperat quandam plantationem abbatiæ in confinibus Richemundiæ quam comes Alanus filius Stephani nuper dederat abbati Savygneiensi, de qua inferius in fundatione Jorevallis dicitur. Verum quia abbas R. usque ad finem capituli bene expectare non potuit, ad dominum R. de Molbray in Normanniam festinavit.

Ad quem cum pervenisset et causam sui laboris demonstrasset, promissum sibi fuit bonum remedium et festinum, sed negotia varia nondum tunc expedita ipsum impediunt quod in Angliam illa vice non potuit remeare, et ideo scripsit specialiter amicis suis, scilicet comiti Marescallo et comiti de Warena, quod ipsi supplicarent domino regi de tali gratia, quod illud placitum quod Robertus et Willielmus de Stutevilla moverant contra eum in curia regis, remaneret in illo statu quo tunc fuit usque ad reditum suum in Angliam. Et ipsi comites sic fecerunt et rex eorum supplicationem concessit, jurans quod R. de Molbray non amitteret unum pedem terræ in Anglia per placitum in curia sua dum extra regnum fuisset. Similiter scripsit Roberto de Davidvilla Gwydoni de Boltby et domino de Scalton quod ipsi cessarent deinceps molestias facere monachis suis, et si quid factum fuisset injuste, ad reditum suum in Angliam per legales homines vicinos secundum legem terræ voluit emendari. Scripsit etiam matri suæ, et dapifero suo, et omnibus ballivis suis in comitatu Eboracensi quod ipsi manutenerent, protegerent, et defenderent abbatem R. de Bellalanda, et monachos suos fratres, et terram eorum sicut suam propriam terram.

Ad istud mandatum quod abbas R. secum portavit, dominus de Scalton aliquantulum gravare monachos cessavit et sic suis præcepit pro reverentia mandati domini sui. Robertus tamen de Davidvilla primò mandatum parvipendit, sed postea respectum et pacem concessit. Revera dominus R. de Molbray post reversionem suam in Angliam pacem fecit cum Roberto et Willielmo de Stutevilla, quorum primus quietum clamavit jus suum quod habuit in terra et situ abbatiæ cum quodam cultello quem optulit super magnum altare apud Stockyng: alter vero cum carta sua. Postquam vero dicti Robertus et Willielmus de Stutevilla ita quietum clamaverunt totum jus suum monachis quod ab eis primitus exigebant, dominus R. Molbray levare fecit per visum et considerationem vicinorum ex parte occidentali prædictæ abbatiæ unum magnum fossatum inter solum monachis datum et solum prædicti Roberti de Davidvilla.

Isto anno in concilio Remensi præsidente papa Eugenio tertio ecclesia Savygneii cum terdenis filiabus abbatis se subiecit ecclesiæ Clarevallensi et ordini Cistercii.

Nunc de donis datis abbati R. et monachis suis in clemosinam dicamus. Nam idem dominus R. Molbray dedit eisdem monachis duas carucatas terræ in Faldyngton, et dimidiam in Cave, et unam carucatam in Ampilford, et quicquid habuit infra Stene et Hirfeldebeck, et quicquid habuit in Kirkbymalsard, et grangiam de Bagby. Item ex donatione domini Willielmi de Percy, aliquam terram in Depedale et Catton. Item ex dono Bertrami de Bulmer, Balschaw et tres toftos in Eboraco. Item ex dono Willielmi de Aeclum, piscariam de Gayteryk cum terra. Item ex dono Hugonis Malbys, villam de Bagby cum pertinentiis.

Ex dono Roberti de Davidvilla, piscariam de Swale, et xv. acras in Calcotedale, et pasturam in territorio de Kilburne. Ex dono Torphini filii Roberti, et Walevi de Bereford, et Johannis Tailebois terram in Warcopp. Ex dono Thomæ filii Cospatricii, terram in Hardevysdale. Ex dono Willielmi de Loncastro, terram in Fauside. Ex dono Gerardi et Alani Lacelys, terram in Askeby. Ex dono Thomæ de Colvyll, pasturam in bosco de Everesleye, et viam de Wilton. Ex dono Willielmi de Widevilla, totam terram de Thorp juxta Ampilford. Ex dono Rogeri de Molbray et Mathildis de Steyngrene, terram in Petithorp juxta Thresk. Ex dono Willielmi de Surdavalle, terram in Ampilford. Ex dono Roberti de Stutevyle et Odonis de Baillolf, xvj. acras prati in Westnesse. Ex multis aliis dona diversa quorum nomina propter prolixitatem lectoris hic prætermitto.

Evolutis itaque tribus annis post concilium prædictum abbas R. ordinavit quendam abbatem de conventu suo, scilicet Johannem de Kynstan et ipsum misit usque Joravalle quam abbas Savygniensis Serlo dedit Rogero abbati nostro et ecclesiæ nostræ de Bellalanda. Qui Johannes cum suo conventu egressus est de Bellalanda usque ad Jorevallem viij. idus Martii qui fuit feria quarta anno Domini mcl. habitante abbate R. cum suis monachis apud Stockyng, ubi et ipse Dominus Omnipotens eorum opera mirabiliter et gressus merito dirigebat. Ecce subito quibusdam annis transactis maliciose nova oritur perturbatio. Nam dominus Hardredus qui post abbatem nostrum Geroldum apud Caldrum successit in officio pastoralis, cum ipse et ejus monachi vidissent divinam gratiam in tantum super domum Bellelandæ descendisse quod usque Jorevallem pulchram propaginem de se emisisset, ac de die in diem substantia temporali accrevisset, et quia abbas de Furnesio parum aut nihil de eorum curavit destitutione, statuerunt inter se movere querelam apud Cistercium in capitulo generali contra abbatem Savygneii super paternitate et jurisdictione abbatis et monasterii nostri; sperabant certissime quod si domum nostram possent recuperare in filiam, quod matris inopia per filiæ abundantiam infra breve tempus posset relevari. Unde prænominatus Hardredus abbas de Caldra venit ad Bellalandam, et ibi primo convenit amicabiliter abbatem R. et conventum ejus de proposito et intentione sua, asserendo filiationem et subjectionem monasterii nostri ad ipsum et suam ecclesiam de Caldra jure exitus et descensionis pertinere, et quod abbas Savygneii injustè illam possidebat, et quod voluit ad iudicium capituli generalis in sua petitione stare. Cui sic respondit abbas noster Rogerus. ‘Credo inquit dompne abba de Caldra, quod si abbas esset institutus in domo vestra quando locus de Hode datus fuit abbati Geroldo, nunquam alii quam sibi subjectionem fecisset. Sed quia ecclesia tunc vacavit et sine pastore fuit, et abbas Furnesii ipsum abbatem G. et monachos ejus miserrime repudiavit, nescio cujus filiationi vel subjectioni abbas G. potuit aut debuit justius se et ecclesiam suam committere quam abbati Savygneii qui tunc fuit caput ordinis universi. Igitur quod a prædecessore meo rite factum est et huc usque per me continuatum infirmare aut revocare non possum, sed volo si placet sub festinatione significare abbati Savygneii, cui subjectus sum ea quæ per vos mihi demonstrata sunt. Et quia res ipsum specialiter tangit in capite, in ejus absentia aliter nolo respondere.’ Cum isto responso abbas de Caldra recessit et abbas R. celeriter præmunivit abbatem Savygneii de suggestionem prædictam. Anno autem sequente abbas Savygneii in Angliam visitaturus advenit. In cujus præsentia idem Hardredus abbas de Caldra constitutus totam calumpniam suam amicabiliter relaxavit.

Audientes autem abbas et conventus de Furnesio quod Caldrenses totum jus suum et calumpniam paternitatis prædictæ omnino remiserant in forma præscripta, indignabantur supra modum contra illos, et dixerunt quod bona actio et justa illis competeat de paternitate domus nostra vendicanda, et querelam suam deposuerunt apud capitulum generale contra Ricardum tunc abbatem Savygneii. Quæ quidem causa sententia diffinitiva tandem conquievit. Nam venerabilis vir et piæ recordationis dominus Aldredus tunc abbas Rievallis ordine judiciario cum consilio quorundam abbatum ipsam causam discussit et terminavit in forma quæ sequitur.

‘Venerabilibus ac Deo dilectis dominis et patribus ac universo capitulo Cistercii frater Aldredus servus Dei et fratrum qui sunt in Ryevall debitam subjectionem et obe-

dientiam. De causa inter dominum abbatem Furnesiensem et dominum abbatem Ricardum de Savygneio pro monasterio Bellelande quam nobis cognoscendam vestrae sanctitatis delegavit auctoritas, vocatis venerabilibus patribus et coabbatibus nostris, diligenti cura et solitudine tractavimus. Auditis igitur intente utriusque partis rationibus cum de donatione loci de Beghlanda altercarentur, et de abbatis ejusdem subjectione partes hinc inde contenderent, abbas Furnesii primo proposuit ore proprio asserendo ipsum monasterium Bellelande sibi jure pertinere, sicut ex mera donatione quam monachis suis factam fuisse dicebat in elemosinam, insuper et abbatis ejusdem loci subjectionem ex reverentia filiali quam sibi persæpe fecerat et exhibuerat abbas Geroldus. Item proposuit quod idem G. animo feroci et indurato fugam iniit sine aliqua gravi violentia percepta cum monachis suis et tota substantia, ac monasterium suum de Caldra bonis temporalibus totaliter evacuatum inertè dereliquit, quod facere non potuit nec justè debuit, patris abbatis de Furnesio scilicet non interveniente assensu vel permissione. Item proposuit quod illa carta remissionis quam abbas Bellelande habet de abbate Hardredo nullum de jure debet habere vigorem vel effectum, quia prædictus abbas Hardredus sine permissione abbatis Furnesii hujusmodi jus monasterii sui de Caldra remittere non potuit, et qualiter talis illicita remissio irrita et inanis debet justè decerni. Hiis rationibus petit abbas Furnesiensis paternitatem monasterii Bellelande et abbatis subjectionem sibi et ecclesiae suæ de Furnesio justè competere et sententialiter adjudicari.

‘At contra abbas Savygneii jus suæ defensionis palam in scriptis nobis porrexit et contradidit sicut hic subnotatur, Dixit quidem, primam et præcipuam donationem loci de Hode domui suæ factam per abbatem G. et in suo generali capitulo præsentatam, consilioque ejusdem capituli favorabiliter susceptam evidentè asseruit. Sed et ipsum abbatem G. in eodem generali capitulo quasi specialem filium subiectum deinceps abbati Savygneii et ejus successoribus consilio consensu et unanimi petitione totius conventus sui apud Hode tunc commorantis se gratis reddidisse et ultro submisisse sicut liberum sui et totaliter derelictum et abjectum de abbate Furnesii similiter et curam de Hode una cum regimine animarum ibidem sursum reddidit: et de eodem abbate Savygneii tanquam de patre, cui se submiserat, licet invitus iterum suscepit et in ipsa subjectione usque ad obitum suum continuè perseverasse, ipsumque qui nunc præest ibidem dompnum Rogerum prædecessoris sui vestigiis hactenus adhæsisse, quem in omnibus habet virum dignum venerabilem et recommendatum.

‘Subjunxit etiam quod abbas Furnesii ipso demerito ingratitude, si dicere liceat, justè se exiit subjectione abbatis G. et successorum ejus, cum eundem abbatem G. qui sub spe refugii tempore generalis perturbationis in Coup-land apud Furnesium venit, et abbas Furnesii ipsum abbatem G. et monachos ejus viliter exprobravit, humanitatem caritatis totaliter ibidem denegavit, et cum potentia repellens valedixit. Qui sic spreti, effugati et abjecti, licet invitè inde recesserunt, et Deo providente locum habitandi primò apud Hode, deinde apud Bellamlandam infra breve tempus impetraverunt. Quem quidem locum et etiam seipsos subjectioni et filiationi abbatis et ecclesiae Savygneii immediatè submiserunt sicut illis benè licuit, ex quo nulli adhuc fuerant subjecti postquam abbas Furnesii ipsos refutaverat.

‘Præterea asseruit quod nobilis vir dominus Rogerus de Molbray fundator Bellelandæ aliquando tempore capituli generalis una cum duce Burgundiæ in Cistercium venit, qui monasterium Bellelande assignare potuit et donare cujuscumque voluit subjectioni, et in illo generali capitulo illud dedit abbati Savygneii tunc ibidem præsentem, contra quam donationem nullus fuit in dicto capitulo neque in anno sequente qui pro jure abbatis Furnesii vel cujuscumque alterius reclamavit si quod jus eis competebat in domo Bellelande.

‘Tandem abbas Savygneii subintulit peremptoriè excipiendo, quod omnis via agendi contra ipsum in præmissa causa abbati Furnesii et cuicumque alii de jure deberet præcludi, maximè cum ea quidem quæ in annuo generali capitulo suo apud Savygneium aliquando ritè facta fuerunt præsentata ordinata et stabilita, jam nunc iterum de novo

retractari non debere quoquo modo vel infirmari auctoritate capituli generalis Cystercii.

‘Hiis allegationibus cum abbas Savygneii petitioni et calumpniæ abbatis Furnesii directè obviasset, et auctoritatem sui generalis capituli ordinis Savygneicensis excipiendo prætendisset in forma prælibata, nos pro modo scientiolæ nostræ omnia quæ ab utraque parte dicta fuerant estimantes et diligenter examinantes, tandem censuimus cum consilio fratrum assidentium ea quæ allegabat abbas Furnesii in sua petitione adnullari posse et infirmari per ea quæ ab abbate Savygneii in sua defensione proposita fuerunt, si probarentur. Proinde cum abbas Furnesii cui de jure tanquam parti actrici incumberebat probatio suæ calumpniæ et assertionis, nullos testes ibidem habuisset; nec rationibus supradictis contra suam petitionem propositis a parte rea ulterius dicere voluisset; et abbas Savygneii testes de hiis, quæ astruebat sufficienter produxisset, qui quidem testes ipsius abbatis Furnesii testimonio ydonei inventi sunt, suscipiendos et audiendos esse decrevimus et eorum adquiescendum testimonio dignum duximus. Cum igitur secundum consuetudinem ordinis nostri ea quæ ab abbate Savygneii dicta fuerant legitimè et sufficienter testes producti probavissent, nos exceptioni peremptoriæ ab abbate Savygneii legitimè propositæ justè deferentes, et causam pro variis laboribus et expensis vitandis ulterius prorogare nolentes, subjectionem monasterii de Bellalanda abbati et ecclesiae Savygneii et eundem abbatem Savygneii quietum et absolutum ab omni impetitione abbatis Furnesii in causa præmissa, auctoritate nobis commissa sententialiter adjudicavimus, dompno abbate Furnesii hanc sententiam cum omni humilitate et patientia reverentissimè sustinente.’ Interfuerunt hiis omnibus Godefridus abbas de Geroudona, quem loco abbatis de Waverleya utraque pars pro judice suscepit. Affuerunt etiam abbates de Fontibus, de Novo Monasterio, de Parco Lude, de Basyngwerk, de Rufford, de Jòravalle, de sancto Laurencio, de Kyrkestall, de Melsa, de Forda. Affuerunt etiam Thurstinus prior Ryevallis, Mauricius, Galo, Daniel monachi Ryevallis, Ricardus, Robertus monachi de Bellalanda, Robertus, Ricardus, Alanus monachi de Fontibus; Alanus de Revysby, et alii quamplures. In hunc modum quievit et determinata fuit solempniter dicta controversia.

Cum ergo dominus Rogerus Mowbray fundator noster audisset et vidisset multas calumpnias graves et injustas super domum et monachos suos de Bellalanda maliciôsè de die in diem et vehementer agitari, cogitavit apud se quomodo incommodis obviare et monachis tranquillitatem posset conferre: insuper et qualiter dona sua et Gundræ matris suæ, quæ eisdem monachis per vices ante dederant, valebant firmitus et securius tueri et illibata custodiri, perrexit cum militibus suis idem R. Mowbray ad dominum Rogerum nobilem virum tunc archiepiscopum Eboraci et ad capitulum sancti Petri ibidem, humiliter et devotè eisdem supplicans, ut dona sua elemosinaria, necnon et matris suæ scripto suo autentico protegere dignarentur et conservare. Unde dictus archiepiscopus et capitulum petitionibus tam magni viri et mulieris consensum et assensum præbuerunt, eadem dona scriptis suis auctenticis roboraverunt eò libentius quo noverunt servos Christi à tanto viro devotius visitari: et sic idem archiepiscopus suscepit in protectionem beati Petri et suam, domum Bellelande anno pontificatus sui secundo; scilicet anno Domini mclv. Cum verò dictus abbas R. cum suis monachis in occidentali parte territorii de Cukwald, ut supradictum est, mansissent, viriliter extirpare cœperunt de nemore, et per fossas longas et latas magnas aquas de paludibus extrahere: ac postquam apparuit solida terra paraverunt sibi locum latum, ydoneum, et honestum in orientali parte ejusdem territorii inter Whiteker et pedem montis de Cambe, scilicet juxta Burtoft et Bersclyvam ubi de novo ecclesiam suam pulchram et magnam construxerunt, sicut patet in præsentem, quam consummet altissimus et conservet in secula seculorum. Et sic de Stockyng se illuc transtulerunt in vigilia Omnium Sanctorum, anno Incarnationis Dominicæ mc. septuagesimo septimo, ubi, Domino annuente, foeliciter manebunt in æternum. Præfuit autem abbas R. in officio pastoralis Bellelande, scilicet apud Bellamlandam in mora et Stockyng, et juxta Whiteker per quinquaginta quatuor annos et amplius à die ordinationis suæ usque ad decrepitam ætatem, et tunc cessit officio suo.

Et sciendum quod omnes grangia, maneria, et possessiones, tam in comitatu Westmorlandia, quam Eboraci datae fuerunt abbatiae nostrae de Bellalanda tempore suo. Cum vero idem abbas Rogerus in itinere suo versus capitulum generale et in ejus reditu saepius et instanter supplicasset beato Bernardo, ut sibi placeret suggerere abbati Savygneii, quod ipse suam reciperet cessionem, eo quod impotens, senio confectus, et debilitatus fuit ad regendum ulterius domum suam, sanctus Bernardus ejus nullo modo adquevit suggestioni, sed ipsum benignè hortabatur, ut ad domum suam rediret et ipsam regeret solita industria et discretione; dicens quod ejus successores nunquam sustentare deberent vel retinere terras et possessiones quas ipse tempore suo adquisierat.

Nos vero frater Philippus quondam abbas de Briostel, nunc autem abbas Bellelande et proximus dicti Rogeri successor, hæc scripsimus in anno Domini mc. nonagesimo septimo, scilicet anno abbatizationis nostrae secundo; et post transitum Alredi abbatis de Ryevale anno tricesimo. Vixit autem dictus Rogerus abbas post cessionem suam in domo Bellelande, una nobiscum, ferè iij. annis, et tunc plenus dierum in senectute bona ibidem quievit in Domino. Videant amodo successores nostri qualia secula inventuri sunt, et scripto diligenter commendent. Nam prædecessores nostri a tempore quo de Caldra recesserunt, usque ad instans tempus, mundanas tribulationes et oppressiones, defectus gravissimos et labores, pro spe retributionis in gloria cœlesti patienter sustinuerunt, et multipliciter sustinemus nos diebus istis, quæ ob tedium prolixitatis scribere recusamus.

NUM. VIII.

Pensions granted to the Abbat and Monks of Byland at the Dissolution.

[From a Pension Book, temp. Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

BYLANDE.

Johannes Manebrigg abbas	li.		
Robertus Barker prior	vj ^{li.}	xij ^{s.}	iiij ^{d.}
Marmaducus Cristlowe	v ^{li.}	vj ^{s.}	vij ^{d.}
Ricardus Leithleye	vj ^{li.}		
Thomas Poulton	v ^{li.}	vj ^{s.}	vij ^{d.}
Ricardus Peerson	v ^{li.}	vj ^{s.}	vij ^{d.}
Johannes Morjer	vj ^{li.}		
Willielmus Bakster	v ^{li.}	vj ^{s.}	vij ^{d.}
Henricus Toppinge	v ^{li.}	vj ^{s.}	vij ^{d.}
Thomas Metcalffe	v ^{li.}	vj ^{s.}	vij ^{d.}
Thomas Hogard	vij ^{li.}		
Robertus Barneton	x ^{li.}		
Robertus Webster	v ^{li.}		
Robertus Wilkinson	v ^{li.}		
Robertus Leeff	v ^{li.}	vj ^{s.}	vij ^{d.}
Petrus Jackson	v ^{li.}	vj ^{s.}	vij ^{d.}
Johannes Cleveland	v ^{li.}		
Christoferus Crombok	v ^{li.}	vj ^{s.}	vij ^{d.}
Willielmus Hyrde	v ^{li.}		
Willielmus Wederalt	iiij ^{li.}		
Willielmus Wauton	iiij ^{li.}		
Henricus Peerson	iiij ^{li.}		
Ricardus Judson	iiij ^{li.}		

THOMAS CRUMWELL.

NUM. IX.

Paper Surveys temp. Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.

BELLALAND. NUPER ABBATIA ORDINIS CISTERCIEN.

In Supervis. per Commissionarios Domini Regis ibidem capt. ultimo die Novembris anno tricesimo Domini Regis nunc Henrici Octavi, &c. inter alia continetur, sic

Terræ Dñicales.

	£	s.	d.
FIRST, the site of the late monastery of Bellaland, wyth edifices sufficient for a fermar, and wyth gardynes conteynyng half an acre, and is worth by yere	0	0	4
Iīm there is wythin the same site a water corn-mylne, w ^t . a closse adjoynyng to the same, and a dove-cot wythin the same closse, conteynyng 2 acres di. and be worth by yere	0	6	8

	£	s.	d.
Iīm there is a closse called Bakehows Garth, conteynyng 3 acres, and is worth by yere	0	1	6
Iīm there is a closse called Baylyf Ingē, conteynyng 2 acres, and is worth by yere	0	1	0
Iīm there is a closse called the Abbot Ingē, conteynyng 3 acres, and is worth by yere	0	1	8
Iīm there is a garth called Watē Garth, conteynyng 2 acres maresse, and is worth by yere	0	1	0
Iīm there is a closse called Bankyng, and conteyneth 4 acre di. medowe, and is worth by yere	0	4	6
Iīm there is an hows, 2 closes, and one parcell of medow called the Calgarth Howse Eng. whiche conteynyth in all 4 acres, and is worth by yere	0	6	0
Iīm there is a medowe called Th'apple-garth, conteynyng 4 acres, and is worth by yere	0	6	0
Iīm there is a closse next adjoynyng to the same Applegarth, conteynyng 1 acre, and is worth by yere	0	1	0
Iīm there is a closse of medowe called the the Hall Engē, conteynyng 6 acres di. and is worth by the yere	0	7	0
Iīm there is a ground called the Horse Laund, conteynyng 3 acres pasture, and is worth by yere	0	3	0
Iīm there is oon other closse called Chapplegarth, conteynyng oon acre di. of medowe, and is worth by yere	0	2	0
Iīm there is a ground called Redmyres, conteynyng 3 acres course pasture, and is worth by yere	0	1	6
Iīm there is a grownde called the Ort-yard adjoynyng the late abbatē chambre, conteynyng 8 acres pasture, and is worth by yere	0	5	4
Iīm there is a grownde called the South-sellarar Yngē, conteynyng 2 acres di. and is worth by yere	0	2	6
Iīm there is a garth called Smyth Garth, conteynyng oon acre, and is worth by yere	0	0	8
Iīm there is a ground called Wasse Yngē, the fyrst crope wherof is dymysed emongē dyverse tenntē except twoo lytill cornars of mede, and the datage or after crope of the same engē be in the handē of the late monastery, and is worth yerely	0	5	0
Sm ^a terr. dñical	2	16	8

NUM. X.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

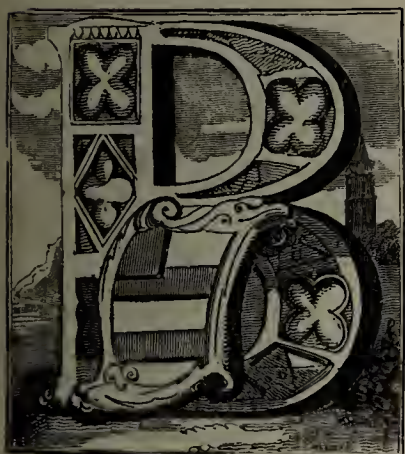
BYLANDE NUPER MONASTERIUM IN COM' EBOR.

	£	s.	d.
Bylande—Terr' dominical'	8	5	6
Newstede—Grangia cum terris dominical'	3	11	0
Bylande—Le Walke Milne cum terr'	1	6	8
Snyleswathe—Firma grangia	3	0	0
Haycote—Un' tenementum	1	0	0
Stevynthwayte—Un' ten'	1	0	0
Estcambe—Grangia	3	0	0
Westcambe—Grangia	2	0	0
Old Bylandcote—Un' ten'	1	6	8
Bagbycote—Un' ten'	3	0	0
Iselbecke—Un' pratum	2	0	0
Lounde juxta Bylande—Grangia	2	0	0
Sutton—The Abbot Close	2	0	0
Depedale—Grangia	3	18	8
Skakenden—Grangia	6	6	8



	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Skakenden—Divers' al' terr'	5	14	2	Bentley cum Wyndehill—Redd' et firm'	5	16	8
Sutton subtus Whitstonclyff—Reddit' et firm'	18	13	2	Lersthorpe et Kayton—Lib' reddit'	2	8	0 cum 3 lib' incens'
Mederbye—Grangia	9	18	0	Scarburgh—Un' ten'	0	10	0
Bagby—Reddit' et firm'	4	10	0	Ryllington—Terr' et ten'	0	15	4
Old Bylande—Reddit' et firm'	14	15	7	Skamston—Cotag' et gardin'	0	17	4
Cuckwolde—Reddit'	0	3	4	Newmalton—Terr' et ten'	0	10	0
Oldesteade—Reddit' et firm'	3	8	8	Sledmer—Terr' et ten'	0	16	0
Murton cum Wethercotes—Grangia	8	6	8	Kepek—Un' mes' cum terr'	1	0	0
Wasse—Reddit' et firm'	6	8	2	Tholthorpe—Mes' et terr'	0	8	0
Ampleforde—Reddit' et firm'	6	17	8	Fryton—Un' cotag'	0	4	0
Fawdyngton—Terr' et ten'	8	7	4	Kyerby—Un' ten'	0	6	0
Thorpe—Grangia	17	13	4	Womylton—Un' ten'	0	14	0
Wildon—Grangia	13	6	8	Bolton super Swaill—Un' ten'	0	18	0
Wildon—Firma molend'	0	13	4	Estnesse—Prat'	0	6	8
Angrome—Grangia	13	6	8	Nunyngton—Prat'	1	0	0
Osgoodbye—Grangia	13	6	8	Thornton in le Moore—Un' ten'	0	10	0
Balke—Grangia	10	13	4	Southcave—Un' ten'	0	13	4
Baskaa—Grangia	9	0	0	Northallerton—Un' mes'	0	12	0
Catton—Redd' un' mes'	3	3	8	Thurske—Un' mes'	2	5	0
Thornamby—Redd' assis'	0	14	1 ob'	Kilverby—Redd' terr'	1	6	8
Balderby—Lib' reddit'	0	2	0	Angerby—Redd' terr'	1	4	0
Thornamby—Terr' et ten'	1	16	0	Oswoldekyrk—Prat'	0	0	6
Cotame—Terr' et ten'	0	13	4	Dunelm'			
Ormysby—Cotag' et ten'	0	6	6	Derlyngton—Un' cotag'	0	7	0
Marton in Cleveland—Redd' terr'	0	4	0	Ebor'			
Kirkby Malsargh—Un' ten'	1	13	4	Kilborne—Redd' assis'	0	5	0
Boroweby—Cotag' cum tofto et crofto	0	5	0	Kilborne—Redd' ad volunt'	41	3	8
Tylehouse juxta Old Byland—Grangia	1	13	4	Kilborne—Redd' recuperat'	0	18	7
Calgarhouse—Un' ten'	0	8	0	Nedirdale—Redd' ad volunt', &c.	87	1	4
Staynton—Redd' terr'	0	9	0	Nedirdale—Firma maner'	50	0	0
Cropton—Reddit'	5	0	0	Nedirdale—Miner' plumbi	nihil		
Erehome—Pastur'	2	13	4	Westmerl'			
Kilvyngton—Reddit' de mol'	3	6	8	Fawcett—Redd' forestæ	17	6	8
Middilthorpe—Reddit' ten'	6	0	0	Wasdale, Armesdale, et Shap—Firma divers' terr' et ten'	8	0	0
Bothome infra Ebor'—Reddit'	1	10	0	Blaterne cum Wercop—Terr' et ten'	20	0	0
Skewesby—Redd' un' bov' terr'	0	5	0	Bretherdale et Asby—Terr' et ten'	10	0	0
Willesden in Bradfordedale—Terr' et ten'	8	13	6	Old Byland—Rectoria	7	0	0
Denbye—Grangia	8	6	8	Rillyngton—Rectoria	18	6	8
				Bubwithe—Medietas rectoriæ	12	13	4

Buildewas, or Buldwas Abbey, in Shropshire.



BUILDWAS abbey was founded in 1135 by Roger bishop of Chester, the same see with that which is now called Lichfield and Coventry. Leland, in his Itinerary, speaks of "Matilda de Bohun, wife to Sir Robert Burrell," as "founder of Bildevais abbey, though some," he says, "for the only gift of the site of the House, toke the byshope of Chester for founder." There is no

doubt, however, that the bishop was the real founder: in several of the charters to this house he is expressly called so; and none of them make the slightest mention of "Matilda de Bohun."

This House, which was dedicated to St. Mary and St. Chad, was first instituted for monks of the Order of Savigny, who were afterwards united to the Cistercians.

Its chief endowments will be found detailed in the charters given in the Appendix.

The names of one or two

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only have as yet occurred to the editors of the Monasticon:

SIMON, who is said to have lived "t. Clementiæ de Fulgeriis comitissæ Cestriæ."

HENRY occurs abbat in the 11th Edw. II.^c

STEPHEN was abbat in the 26th Hen. VIII.

Tanner says that about the time of the Suppression there were twelve monks in this monastery.

In the Taxation of Pope Nicholas the Fourth, the temporalities of this abbey in the diocese of Hereford are rated at the annual sum of 6*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.*; but its chief income was in the diocese of Coventry and Lichfield, where its revenues in the archdeaconry of Stafford amounted to 21*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.* and in the archdeaconry of Salop to 76*l.* 12*s.* 3*d.*: making a total revenue of 104*l.* 18*s.* 7*d.*^d

In the 26th of Henry the Eighth the revenue of this house had not much increased, the gross income amounting

^a Lel. Itin. vol. vii. p. 22.

^b MS. Colc, vol. xxvii. fol. 84 b

^c See the charter in the Append. Num. XXI.

^d See the Taxat. Eccles. P. Nich. IV. pp. 163, 253, 260.

to 129*l.* 6*s.* 10*d.* the net receipts to no more than 110*l.* 19*s.* 3½*d.* per annum.^a

The site, with all the lands belonging to this monastery in Shropshire, Staffordshire, and Derbyshire, were granted in the 29th Hen. VIII. to Edward Lord Powis.^b The Particular for this Grant is extant in the Augmentation Office.

Tanner gives the following references to Public Records relating to this monastery:

"*Vide* cartam quandam orig. R. Ric. I. de concess. huic abbatia, inter MSS. Dodsworth in bibl. Bodl. Oxon. vol. xxv. fol. 42.

"Cartas quasdam penes Joannem com. Bridgwater.

"Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 27, pro ten. in Stirkeley. Pat. 4 Edw. I. m. 6 vel 7. Pat. 5 Edw. I. m. 2 vel 3, de lx. acris in Schirchesley includendis. Cart. 13 Edw. I. n. 11. pro lib. war. in Walton et Wilbrichton. Pat. 13 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 19 Edw. I. m. 2 vel 3. Plac. forinseca in div. com. 21 Edw. I. rot. 1, de maner. de Adeney juxta Eymundun. Pat. 22 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 31 Edw. I. m. ., de maner. de Bildewas.

"Pat. 4 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 19, de bosco in parochia de Leghe.

"Claus. 2 Edw. III. m. 17 d, de visitatione abbatia de Strat Marcell. Pat. 11 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 1 vel 2. Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 1, m. .d. Pat. 28 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 22, pro Kynnerton, Ruton, et Steresle datis in excamb. pro eccl. de Conede.

"Pat. 7 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 25, pro eccl. de Rushbury approprianda.

"Pat. 18 Hen. VI. p. 3, m. 10."

To these may be added "Pat. 20 Edw. III. m. 21 dors.

pro monachis monasterii de Buldewas," copied in MS. Lansd. num. 291, p. 404. See also the *Abbreviatio Placitorum*, p. 125. *Plac. de Quo Waranto*, pp. 145, 678, 719.

Among the Harleian charters in the Museum are two relating to Buildewas. Cart. antiq. Harl. 46 D. 35, carta Roberti de Bevill de terris in Caldehull et Blumenhull *t.* Edw. I. Cart. 50 A. 2, carta Will. fil. Will. fil. Alani de terra quæ vocatur Broctun.

No COMMON SEAL, or Abbat's Seal of Buildewas, have as yet been discovered.

The Ruins of the abbey of Buildewas stand on the south bank of the river Severn, in a rich valley, about eleven miles from Shrewsbury. The walls of the church are nearly entire. It was originally built in the form of a cross; the tower, between the nave and choir, resting upon arches. The side ailes, transepts, and chapels of the choir are in total ruin. On the north side of the nave is the area of the cloister, now a farm-yard. On the east-side, the chapter-house, a parallelogram of forty-three by thirty-three feet, is still perfect; a second story above which is supposed to have been the dormitory. The dimensions of the cloister-court were a hundred and one feet by ninety. A range of lofty arches, with a tower in the centre, are supposed to be the remains of the refectory. The ruins of this abbey are, altogether, very massive, and very picturesque.

The monastery of ST. MARY DUBLIN was subject to this house, as will be seen hereafter: that of YSTRAT MARCHEL, in Montgomeryshire, was also subject to the visitation of its abbat and convent.

Cartae ad Bildewasensem Abbatiam in agro Salopiensi spectantes, fundatam A. D. Mccxxv.^c

NUM. I.

Confirmatio Foundationis per Regem Stephanum.

[Ex autographo in bibliotheca Cottoniana.]

STEPHANUS rex Anglorum archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, baronibus, justiciariis, vicecomitibus, et omnibus fidelibus suis totius Angliæ salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et confirmasse in perpetuam elemosinam Deo, et ecclesiæ sancti Ceaddæ, et abbati et monachis de ordine Saviniacensi in ea Deo servientibus de Billewas, totum manerium ipsum in bosco et plano, et hominibus, et omnibus ad illud pertinentibus, sicut Rogerus episcopus Cestriæ locum illum eis dedit, et coram me concessit: ego quoque pro animabus patrum, et parentum meorum, et nominatim pro anima regis Henrici, et pro salute mea, et uxoris meæ reginæ, et fratrum, et filiorum meorum, clamo eis quietum imperpetuum manerium illud, quod se pro una hida defendebat, quietum dico, et liberum, de scotto, et lotto, et geldo, et danegeldo, et auxiliis, et operationibus castellorum, et pontium, et exercitu, et omni terreno servitio quod mihi pertinebat de illa hida terræ. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio quod bene et in pace, et liberè et quietè teneant amodo usque in sempiternum; et ut ista mea concessio et episcopi donatio firma et inconcussa permaneat præsentis sigilli mei eam confirmatione corrobore, et subsequentium attestatione communio. Testibus, R. episcopo Hereford, et R. comite Leger. et comite Symone de Silvanect. et Roberto de Ferrariis, et M. Glocestriæ, Willielmo de Albinei Pincerna, et Hugone de Gurniaco, et Philippo de Belmieo, apud Salopesberiam in obsidione, anno Incarnationis Dominicæ MCCCXXIX. regni verò mei tertio.

^a See the Append. Num. XXIV.

^b Tanner, *Notit. Monast. Shropsh.* iv.

NUM. II.

Carta Gilberti de Lacy.

[Cart. 20 E. I. n. 39 et 40, per Inspex.]

OMNIBUS, &c. Gilbertus de Lacy, filius Aumericii de Lacy, salutem. Noveritis me dedisse, &c. Deo et monachis ecclesiæ S. Mariæ et S. Ceddæ de Buldewas totam Herne-giam cum terra quam Mauricius aliquando tenuit, scilicet quicquid habuit in eadem villa, tam in dominico quam in servitio, sine ullo retenemento, &c. habendam in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, solutam, liberam, et quietam ab omni servitio sæculari exactione et demanda, infra has divisas; scilicet à sicheto quod dicitur Sciremoresiche ubi descendit de campo de Herenegia ultra viam juxta eundem campum sursum juxta altum nemus hayæ, ultra cilium montis aliquando versus austrum, usque ad viam quæ vadit versus Keneleyam, includendo totum le Riflei, et ita per illam viam de Kelneley juxta molendinum, et per sepes ortorum versus Kelneley usque ad rivulum ultra villam de Kelneley, et ita per rivulum illum descendendo per divisas inter terram de Herenege et terram Willielmi Burnel usque ad veterem rogum calcis juxta Kenildebroc, et sic per Kenildebroc deorsum usque ad divisas de Mortone, et sic per divisas de Mortone usque ad divisas inter campum de Cristeseche, et de Hernege usque ad fossatum juxta caput de Wilardesmedwe, et inde per fossatum juxta altum nemus hayæ per assartum Reynaldi, et per Sciremore, includendo totam Sciremore usque ad prænominatam Sciremoresiche ubi descendit de campo de Herenege ultra viam prædictam, ad includendum et faciendum inde quicquid voluerint. Præterea dedi, &c. præfatis monachis in puram et perpetuam

^c *Annal. de Peterborough* in bibl. Cotton.

elemosinam communam pasturæ in territorio manerii de Cristeseche, tam in bosco qui vocatur Haya quam alibi ubicunque liberi homines et alii de Cristeseche habuerint communam, ad quinquaginta boves et vaccas cum nutritura decem vaccarum unius anni, et ad quinquaginta porcos liberè, et sine pasnagio, et in eadem haya decem carratas claustræ et decem carratas focalis recipiendas annuatim imperpetuum per visum servientis mei, sine mora, et dilatione, et cavillatione ipsius servientis. Quod si serviens impedierit vel distulerit ultra duos dies, liceat eis libere et sine contradictione accipere illas carratas claustræ et focalis non expectato serviente. Concessi etiam eisdem monachis, &c. quod ipsi, et conversi, et servientes eorum habeant liberum transitum ubique per terram meam, tam in villa de Cristeseche quam extra de Hernege, et de aliis locis usque ad aquam Sabrenæ cum ovibus ad lavandam, eundo, et redeundo, et morando in pastura, quousque perlotæ fuerint, et competenter indeamoveri possent; et cum omnibus cariagiis et aisiamentis quæ voluerint, et quando voluerint, et ubi voluerint, et ibi super ripam dimittant onera sua quam diu voluerint et quando voluerint onerent naves suas et asportent omnia sua liberè, et sine impedimento et contradictione mei vel hæredum meorum per nos. Et ego et hæredes mei, &c. warrantizabimus, &c. Hiis testibus, domino Ymberto priore de Wenlock, domino Johanne filio Alani, Willielmo sacerdote de Draytone, &c.

NUM. III.

Carta Osberti filii Willielmi Domini de Stirthelege.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS, &c. Osbertus filius Willielmi dominus de Stirthelege salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noveritis me, &c. dedisse, &c. monachis de Buldewas, in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, capitale mesuagium domus meæ in villa de Stirthelege cum omnibus edificiis et pertinentiis suis, simul cum medietate magni gardini, et cum quodam orto extra portam curiæ meæ. Dedi etiam et concessi eisdem lx. acras terræ de dominico meo in prædicta villa, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis, et triginta et sex acras cum vestitura bosci in eadem villa, videlicet quicquid est inter boscum Johannis de Perertone et boscum dictorum abbatibus et monachorum de Buldewas. Præterea, dedi, &c. eisdem homagium et servitium Johannis de Pertone et hæredum suorum, et Ranulphi de Colnham et hæredum suorum, et Juliani filii Walteri de Stutheleg et hæredum suorum, et Roberti Aleyn et hæredum suorum, et Willielmi de Wodewale et hæredum suorum, et Petronillæ viduæ et hæredum suorum, cum redditibus, releviis, &c. quæ ad me vel hæredes meos ratione alicujus juris aliquo modo inde tanquam ad dominum pertinere possent aut deberent, tam de terris et tenementis quas prænominati, vel prior de Wombrug, vel quicunque alii in prædicta villa de Stritheleg de me clamant tenere, quam de aliis terris et tenementis quæ ipsi abbas et monachi de me et antecessoribus meis in prædicta villa habuerunt, ita quod nihil mihi vel hæredibus meis de tota villa de Stritheleg cum pertinentiis retinuerim præter orationum suffragia prædictæ domus de Buldewas; sed dicti abbas et monachi omnia prænominata habebunt, &c. imperpetuum, reddendo inde annuatim Ricardo Corbet et hæredibus suis xx. sol. argenti et pondus trium denariorum auri, videlicet ad Annunciationem beatæ Mariæ, in Martio, x. sol. et ad festum sancti Michaelis x. sol. et pondus trium denariorum auri pro omni servicio, &c. de quibus etiam xx. sol. idem Ricardus et hæredes sui dictos abbatem et monachos versus Adam de Brumtone et hæredes suos de tota villa Stirtheleg ad eosdem terminos acquietabunt, &c. Hiis testibus, domino Ricardo de Lectone, Roberto de Actone clerico, Johanne de Bekeburi, &c.

NUM. IV.

Escambium Villæ de Edeweny cum Abbate de Crokesdene pro Grangia de Caldene.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS, &c. frater Johannes dictus abbas vallis sanctæ Mariæ de Crokesdene et ejusdem loci conventus salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noveritis nos, &c. concessisse, &c. abbati et conventui de Buldewas et eorum successoribus

imperpetuum totam villam nostram quæ vocatur Edeweny juxta Egmundon in com. Salopiæ, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, sine ullo retenemento, in perpetuo excambio pro grangia eorum de Caldene, cum pertinentiis suis, habendam et tenendam sibi et successoribus eorum, &c. liberè, &c. imperpetuum, faciendo inde idem servitium quod nos pro eo facere consuevimus. Nos verò, &c. warrantizabimus, &c. Hiis testibus, dominis Adam de Cumbermare, Willielmo de Miravalle, Willielmo de Hultone abbatibus; dominis Adam de Bruyntone, Willielmo de Titesleye, Thoma Corbet, Petro de Eyton, militibus; et multis aliis.

NUM. V.

Confirmatio Villæ de Upton per Petronillam de Monteforti.

[Ibid.]

NOVERINT universi quod ego Petronilla de Monteforti domina de Ideshale filia quondam Walteri de Dunstanville inspexi et sensibiliter inspexi cartam patris mei quam fecit viris religiosis abbati et conventui de Buldewas, &c. in hæc verba: 'Hæc est conventio facta anno regni regis Henrici xxxij. inter Nicholaum abb. et conventum de Buldewas et dominum Walterum de Dunstanville dominum de Ideshale, videlicet quod prædictus abbas et conventus remiserunt et concesserunt dicto Waltero et hæredibus suis villam de Upton, cum pertinentiis suis, quam habuerunt de Alano de la Zuche, tenendam et habendam sibi et hæredibus suis de dicto abbate et successoribus suis pro xl. sol. argenti annuatim ad duos terminos; scilicet ad festum beatæ Mariæ in Martio xx. sol. et ad festum sancti Michaelis xx. sol. apud ecclesiam de Ideshale dicto abbati et successoribus suis, vel eorum nuncio, de liberis hominibus suis subscriptis et eorum hæredibus imperpetuum, videlicet de Hereberto de Wyke xvij. sol. pro una virgata terræ quam habet in Wyke, de Ricardo de Castello octo sol. &c. dictus etiam Walterus remisit et quietum clamavit imperpetuum de se et hæredibus suis dicto abbati et conventui et success. suis redditum iij^s. quam ab eis annuatim percipere consuevit pro brueria de Hathtone. Dedit etiam et concessit prædictus Walterus præfatis abbati et conventui pasturam habendam ad ccc. oves per majus centum cubantes et levantes ad grangias suas de Haltone et de Roclege per totum infra has divisas, exceptis bladis et pratis, scilicet à terra de Haltone per viam regiam quæ ducit de Bispesweie usque ad villam de Upton, et de Upton per eandem viam usque ad Stauntone, et sic subtus Stauntone per sichetum quod vocatur Sparkmore descendendo usque ad Wornh, et inde usque ad pontem de Rocleg, sine impedimento alicujus. Et sciendum quod bene liceat dicto Waltero appruare sibi et suis infra dictas divisas, ita tamen quod iidem abbas et conventus et successores sui habeant liberum et largum ingressum et regressum, et sufficientem pasturam omni tempore anni ad prædictas ccc. oves; et postquam blada et fœna levata fuerint habebunt pasturam per totum infra prædictas divisas. Et prædictus abbas et successores sui prædictam villam cum pertinentiis prædicto Waltero et hæredibus suis contra omnes homines warrantizabunt, &c. Hiis testibus, dominis Henrico de Penneburg, Waltero de Pedwardin, Johanne filio Philippi, Hugone de Westone, militibus, &c.

NUM. VI.

Carta Roberti Corbet de Hulemore.

[Ibid. n. 40.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri quod ego Robertus Corbet, pro amore Dei, et pro salute animæ meæ totiusque prolis meæ, cum consilio uxoris meæ et hæredis mei, dedi, &c. Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ, et monachis de Buldewas, Hulemore cum tota merscha et cum tota terra campestri, quæ subiacet, per has divisas; scilicet à Schakelire usque ad Lungebirch, et inde usque ad Stanehurst, et inde usque ad fontem, et à fonte usque ad Penlesbrokeshevet, et inde deorsum per Penlebroc usque ad Redehull, et ita per Gretelhull, et Penlesbroc usque Rittimesbroc, tenendum et habendum de me et hæredibus meis imperpetuum, in liberam et puram elemosinam, &c. Hiis testibus, Thoma Corbet, Baldwyno de Hodenet, Willielmo Burnel, Wydone de Harunde, &c.

NUM. VII.

Alia Carta ejusdem Roberti de Molendino de Wontenoure.
[Ibid.]

SCIANT, &c. quod ego Robertus Corbet, cum consilio et assensu uxoris meæ et hæredis mei, &c. dedi, &c. domui de Buldewas, &c. molendinum de Wontenoure, cum secta et vivario, et omnibus ad illud pertinentibus, et cum uno mesuagio et orto juxta molendinum, tenendum imperpetuum de me et hæredibus meis in feudo et hæreditate liberè, &c. reddendo mihi et hæredibus meis annuatim xij^d. ad festum sancti Michaelis pro omnibus servitiis, &c. Testes, Willielmus filius Alani, Hugo Pantulfe, Willielmus filius Rann. Johannes Extraneus et Radulphus frater ejus, Hugo frater meus, Odo de Hodenet, Adam de Arundel, Fulco filius Warini et Alanus frater ejus, Willielmus filius Odonis, et multi alii.

NUM. VIII.

Alia ejusdem Roberti Carta de tota Rittona.
[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS, &c. Robertus Corbet in Domino salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me, &c. dedisse, &c. monachis de Buldewas totam Rittonam, cum pertinentiis suis et omnibus aisiamentis quæ ad ipsam pertinere debent, &c. in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, &c. Isti autem sunt termini præ-nominatæ Rittonæ, sicut rivulus ad caput Hulemor descendit usque Mukewyk ubi duo rivuli concurrunt, et inde usque Wilbenpulle, et inde per rivulum juxta petras de Holebeche usque ad rivulum de Hales, et sic sursum per ipsum rivulum usque ad Blakeruding, et inde sursum usque ad prædictum caput Hulemore. Hanc itaque terram de Rittonæ, &c. præfatis monachis warantizabimus, &c. Hiis testibus, Thoma filio meo, Willielmo Corbet, Willielmo filio Odonis, Henrico et Garino capellanis, Guidone de Arundel, Rogero Purcel, &c.

NUM. IX.

Carta Ricardi filii Ricardi Corbet de Kynwarton.
[Ibid.]

SCIANT, &c. quod ego Ricardus Corbet filius Ricardi Corbet, cum consilio et assensu anicorum meorum, concessi, &c. monachis de Buldewas totam Kynwerton cum omnibus pertinentiis, &c. tenendam et habendam eis et successoribus suis de me et hæredibus meis imperpetuum. Quam videlicet terram habent ex dono Eynioni sacerdotis de Selbe, Henrici fratris ipsius Eynioni nepotis ipsorum, Dandelani filii Luharch, Griffini Loith, et Luhard fratris ejus: qui præfati homines et hæredes ipsorum totam prædictam Kynwertone de me et hæredibus meis jure hæreditario possidere deberent, reddendo annuatim mili et hæredibus meis xij. sol. argenti pro omni servitio et exactione, &c. Hiis testibus, Bartholomeo de Mortone, Viviano de Rossal, Baldewino de Hodeneth, &c.

NUM. X.

Carta Galfridi Randulf de capitali Mesuagio de Bikedone.
[Ibid.]

SCIANT &c. quod ego Galfridus Randulf de Novo-Burgo, Salopiæ, dedi, &c. abbati et conventui de Buldewas capitale messuagium villæ de Bikedone cum curtilagio ad illud spectante, cum omnimodis dominiis, libertatibus, &c. pertinentibus ad medietatem dominationis villæ de Bykedone, habendum, &c. in puram elemosinam, &c. salvo decano sancti Ceddæ Salop. qui pro tempore fuerit servitio debito et consueto pro medietate villæ de Bykedone, &c. Hiis testibus, dominis Roberto Corbet, Thoma de Roshal, Johanne de Lee, et Johanne de Arundel, militibus; Johanne domino de Hanewode, Johanne le Waleys, Reginaldo de Roshal, Rogero de Hortone, et aliis. Dat. apud Salopiam die Sabbati prox. post festum Ascensionis Domini, anno Domini m^cclxxxvij. et anno regni regis Edwardi xvj.

NUM. XI.

Carta Ricardi de Leghtone.
[Ibid.]

SCIANT, &c. quod ego Ricardus dominus de Leghtone,

pro amore Dei, &c. dedi, &c. abbati et conventui de Buldewas et eorum successoribus quandam placeam terræ meæ in territorio de Leghton, cum pertinentiis suis; illam videlicet quæ vocatur Moserudinge, et jacet inter terram meam ex una parte, et pratum dictorum abbatis et conventus ex altera, et inter feodum de Parva Buldewas ex una parte, et aliud pratum eorundem abbatis et conventus ex altera, sicut rubis et una haya circumquaque includitur, habendam, &c. in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, &c. Hiis testibus, domino Adam de Lacy, Hugone domino de Scheyntone, Waltero de Dreytone, Henrico de Garmundestone, &c.

NUM. XII.

Carta Hamonis de Walton.
[Ibid.]

SCIANT, &c. quod ego Hamo filius Walteri filii Here-man de Walton dedi, &c. Deo, et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ sanctoque Ceddæ de Buldewas, et monachis ibidem servientibus medietatem totius villæ de Waltone, cum pertinentiis suis, quæ me jure hæreditario contingebat, habendam et tenendam prædictis monachis in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, &c. Concessi etiam, &c. prædictis monachis et eorum successoribus quicquid juris et clamii habui vel aliqua ratione habere potui in alia medietate prædictæ villæ de Waltone, cum suis pertinentiis, quam iidem monachi habuerunt ex dono præfati patris mei, &c. Testes subscriptos assignavi, scilicet Johannem Boneth tunc vicecomitem, Robertum de Leye, &c.

NUM. XIII.

Carta Roberti Traynel de Hatton.
[Ibid.]

SCIANT, &c. quod ego Robertus filius Roberti Traynel de Hattone, pro salute animæ meæ, &c. dedi, &c. monachis de Buldewas, in liberam, &c. elemosinam, totam terram, et boscum, et brueram, et moram quam habui, tam in dominico quam in servitio, in medietate villæ de Hattone, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; scilicet quicquid est inter rivulum de Tuybroc sicut descendit in aquam de Worth ex una parte, et divisas de Hynetone et de Grenhull ex alia parte usque ad prædictam aquam de Worth, tenendum et habendum de me et hæredibus meis, &c. Concessi, &c. prædictis monachis et eorum successoribus aliam medietatem prædictæ villæ de Hatton, cum omnibus et singulis pertinentiis suis, quam habent ex dono Adæ Traynel de Hattone. Ita quod, &c. Et testes subscriptos assignavi, scilicet dominum Radulfum de Picheford, Ricardum de Grenehul, Hugonem de Leya, Osbertum de Stirtheleg, &c.

NUM. XIV.

Carta Roberti de Acton.
[Ibid.]

SCIANT, &c. quod ego Robertus de Acton clericus, filius Roberti de Lega, dedi, &c. abbati et conventui de Buldewas, pro animabus patris mei, &c. totam terram meam de Raggedone, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, habendam, &c. sibi et successoribus suis, &c. in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, &c. et cum omnibus communis in manerio de Hope, in bosco et plano, &c. Hiis testibus, dominis Thoma Corbet, Hugone de Scheyntone, Willielmo de Lectone, Nicholao persona de Hope, Philippo Burnel, Benedicto de Frodesleg, Ricardo de Eton, Petro de Cristesheth, et aliis.

NUM. XV.

Carta Henrici II. Regis.

[Cart. antiq. Mus. Brit. L.F.C. xxix. 6, autogr.]

H. REX. Ang. et dux Norm. et Aquit. et com. And. vic. et ballivis suis de Salopesira salutem. Præcipio vobis quod justicietis homines qui sunt in bailliva vestra, quod ipsi juste et sine dilatione reddant monachis de Bildewas Lecheshambre quod Ricardus episcopus Coventr. eis dedit et carta sua confirmavit sicut reddere solebant tempore regis Henrici avi mei. T. Gaufr. archid. Cant. Apud Lichesf.

NUM. XVI.

Donationum Confirmatio per Regem Ricardum Primum.

[Cart. antiq. R. n. 20. Vide etiam Pat. 18 Hen. VI. p. 3, m. 10.]

RICARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dux Normanniæ, Aquit. comes Andeg. archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse, et in perpetuam elemosinam confirmasse, ecclesiæ S. Mariæ de Bildewas et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, tam præsentibus quam futuris, de ordine Cisterciensi omnes terras et tenuras suas quæ eidem ecclesiæ sunt donatæ et concessæ, seu cartis confirmatæ. Et nominatim ex dono Rogeri Cestrensis episcopi ipsum locum qui vocatur Bildewas, cum bosco et sartis, et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis, in quo abbatia fundata est, et terram quæ vocatur Meola cum greffegh et burgentibus cum omnibus ad eam pertinentibus, et collectam bladi quæ vocatur Chirchomber de duobus hundredis Wrokewordhina et Cunedoure; et in territorio Licheffeldensi hominem unum nomine Edricum, et cætera omnia quæ Rogerus Cestrensis episcopus præfatis monachis dedit et carta sua confirmavit. Ex dono Ricardi Cestrensis episcopi unum messuagium in Forgate apud Cestriam, et in molendino apud Burne juxta Lichesfeld quatuor solidos. Ex dono Willielmi filii Alani villam quæ vocatur Billewas cum omnibus pertinentiis, et omnia exsarta quæ circa illam sunt facta, quæ cum cæteris assartis suis libera sunt et quieta de omni riguardo. Ex dono Geraldii de Broctuna et Rein. filii sui terram quæ vocatur Broctune. Ex dono Philippi de Belmeis totam terram quæ fuit Selferi de Rocle. Ex dono Ricardi de Pichford totum servitium Richardi Crasset de terra de Cospelford. Ex dono Adæ de Hetune et Reginaldi filii sui medietatem villæ de Hettune. Ex dono Walteri filii Heremanni medietatem Waltonæ. Ex dono Henrici filii Fulcheri terram de Ivenbroc. Ex dono Willielmi de Caldane terram de Caldane. Ex dono Roberti filii Thomæ domum in He . . gfeld cum area. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. apud Winton. per manum Willielmi de Longocampo Eliensis electi cancellarii nostri, xxij. die Octobris, regni nostri anno primo.

NUM. XVII.

Carta Hugonis Coventrensis Episcopi, de Hospicio in Villa de Lichesfeld, Monachis de Bildewas concessio.

[Ex ipso autogr. penes Joh. comitem de Bridgewater.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, ad quos præsentibus literæ pervenerint, H. miseratione divinâ, Coventrensis episcopus salutem in vero Salutari. Noverit universitas vestra monasterium de Bildewas, à venerabili patre nostro, Rogero Coventriæ episcopo, fundatum fuisse in dominio Coventrensis ecclesiæ. Et quoniam ad nos specialiter noscitur pertinere; ipsum monasterium, et fratres in eo commorantes, spirituali tenemur caritate diligere, et sinceræ dilectionis brachiis fortius amplexari; quomodo igitur ad prædictos fratres, quando volumus, securiùs, quam ad alios divertere possumus et debemus, ut eisdem versâ vice respondeamus, hospicium eis in villâ de Lichesfeld perpetuo concessimus, in quo, cum ad nos venerint, et honestè recipi et securè valeant commorari: burgagium itaque, quod de nobis tenebat Willielmus clericus de Stafford, eis in perpetuum concessimus; salvo jure hominis illius; qui, sicut diximus, terram illam de nobis tenebat: sed eis de cætero respondebit. Hiis testibus, magistro Alexandro Coventrensis ecclesiæ præcentore; magistro Will. de Sancta-fide, ejusdem ecclesiæ cancellario; magistro Ricardo thesaurario Lichfeldiæ; magistro Willielmo Durdent, magistro Ricardo Medico, magistro Stephano de Beverlaco, Ricardo de Budiford, Hugone de Wasewe.

NUM. XVIII.

Carta Willielmi filii Alani de Villa vocata Parva Buldewas.

[Ibid.]

IN nomine sanctæ et individuæ Trinitatis, ego Willielmus, filius Willielmi, filii Alani, pro salute animæ meæ, et pro animabus patris et matris meæ, concessi et confirmavi, sicut pater meus concessit et dedit, Deo et S. Mariæ et mo-

nachis de Buldewas, tam præsentibus, quam futuris, villam quæ vocatur Parva Buldewas, cum omnibus ad eam pertinentibus; in terrâ et aquâ, in silvâ, in pratis et pascuis; ita scil. liberam et quietam, ab omni exactione seculari, ut nichil in eâ retinuerim, nisi solummodo tutelam et protectionem contra aliorum incursiones. Confirmavi ergo eis liberum et quietum à me et à meis successoribus, Alanum filium Beringeri, cum suo servitio, quod patri meo, propter præfatum Parvam Buldewas facere solebat. Ut autem firma sit et integra hæc mea elemosyna, omnia exsarta, quæ circa Parvam Buldewas facta sunt, præfatis monachis concedo et confirmo, simul et totum nemus de Wroccestriâ, ut illud habeant in sua custodiâ jure hæreditario, et in ipso habeant omnia sua necessaria; scil. in pasturâ, in pasnagio, et in omnibus aliis rebus abbaciæ necessariis; sed non exartent illud, neque vendant, nisi meo concessu. Et in ipso bosco retineo mihi necessaria et pasnagium ad porcos meos proprios et ad porcos hominum meorum de Wroccestriâ. Hæc itaque omnia, ut firma et inconcussa in perpetuam elemosynam ecclesiæ de Buldwas, permaneant, sicut pater meus dedit ea, et cartâ suâ confirmavit, in præsentem cartulâ meâ proprii sigilli mei impressione communio, manus meæ subscriptione corroboro, et testes assigno. Testes, Johannes Extraneus, et Wido frater ejus. Johannes filius Johannis Extranei. Wido et Hamo, filii Widonis Extranei. Thomas filius Roberti filii Noelli, Ricardus de Stanewrdin de Marescot, et Henricus et Hamo, filii sui, Willielmus de Bruna, Radulfus Hose, Adam de Herletone, Rogerus Muisun, Henricus Malvisin, Herbertus de Brolecurt, Radulfus de Cleia.

NUM. XIX.

Quieta Clamatio Galfridi de la Holte, de toto Jure suo in Manerio de Parvâ Buldewas.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentibus et futuri, quod ego Galfridus filius Galfridi de la Holte, remisi et omnino quietum clamavi, pro me et hæredibus meis et assignatis, religiosi viri abbati et conventui de Buldewas, et eorum successoribus imperpetuum, totum jus et clamium, quod habui, vel aliquo modo, jure aut colore habere potui, vel in futurum habere potero, in manerio de Parva Buldewas, vel in aliquâ sui parte; ita quod ego vel hæredes mei, vel assignati, aut aliquis nomine nostro, nichil omnino juris, vel clamii, aut alicujus terreni emolumenti in dicto manerio, vel in aliquâ sui parte, sicut prædictum est, exigere vel vindicare; aut aliquam calumniam super hoc movere poterimus imperpetuum. In cujus, &c. Hiis testibus, dominis Ricardo de Leighton, Hugone le Fizeyr, militibus; Hugone domino de Cheyntone, Rogero Careles, Ricardo de Harreys, de Dableye; Willielmo Payne de Leghtone, Johanne Constantyne de Etone, Will. Hed. &c. Data apud abbatiam de Buldewas, in festo Nativitatis S. Johannis Bapt. anno regni regis Edwardi, filii regis Edwardi, quinto.

NUM. XX.

Quieta Clamatio Edmundi de Leynham, et Aliciæ Uxoris ejus de toto Jure in eodem Manerio.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentibus et futuri, quod nos Edmundus de Leynham et Alicia filia Alani quondam domini de Parva Bildewas, uxor mea, dedimus, concessimus, remisimus, et omnino quietum clamavimus, de nobis et hæredibus nostris et assignatis ecclesiæ S. Mariæ, abbati et conventui de Bildewas, et eorum successoribus et assignatis, totum manerium de Parvâ Bildewas, cum omnibus pertinentiis, &c. habendum et tenendum sibi et successoribus suis et eorum assignatis imperpetuum, de capitalibus dominis illius feodi, pro servitiis indè debitis et consuetis, liberè, quietè, &c. imperpetuum. Hiis testibus, dominis Waltero de Beyseyne, Johanne de Lee, Ricardo de Leyghtone, Augone le Fizeyre, Reginaldô filio Reginaldi de Charnes, Michaele de Moreton, et multis aliis. Data apud Ebor. in festo apostolorum Philippi et Jacobi, anno regni regis Edwardi, filii regis Henrici. xxxi.

NUM. XXI.

Relaxatio Hamonis de Benthale, de quodam Stipendio, in Domo de Buldewas, sibi concessio.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS ad quos præsentes literæ pervenerint, Hamo de Benthale, filius Johannis Burneld, quondam domini de Benthale, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Cum nuper dominus Henricus abbas de Buldewas, videns Margeriam matrem suam multis liberis esse oneratam; ad instantiam ejusdem, quoddam servitium, cum liberatione et stipendio, ad totam vitam meam, mihi gratiosè concessit, in domo de Buldewas supradictâ: ego tamen Hamo supradictus, in propriis habitare desiderans, ad instantiam et rogatum Petri de Eytone, et Philippi fratris mei, pro quadam summâ pecuniæ, quam dictus Johannes nunc abbas de Buldewas, mihi in necessitate meâ dedit præ manibus, remisi, relaxavi, et omnino quietum clamavi, prædicto abbati et successoribus suis totum jus, quod in dictis servitio, liberatione et stipendio mihi competere posset; ita quod nec ego, nec aliquis nomine meo, aliquam actionem, calumniam, &c. occasione prædictâ, exigere, movere, vel vindicare poterimus imperpetuum, &c. Datum apud Buldewas in hospicio hospitum, die Sabbati, proximâ post festum S. Petri ad vincula, anno regni regis Edwardi, filii regis Edwardi, xi.

NUM. XXII.

Quieta Clamatio Philippi domini de Benethale, de toto Jure in Terrâ quæ vocatur Hermiteshelde, et Holweruding.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentes et futuri, quod ego Philippus dominus de Benethale, remisi et quietum clamavi, pro me et hæredibus meis imperpetuum, Deo et beatæ Mariæ et abbati et conventui de Buldewas, totum jus et clamium, si quod habui, vel aliquo modo habere potui, in terrâ quæ vocatur Hermiteshelde, et Holweruding; et in omnibus aliis terris et boschis, quæ sunt inter hajicium, quod includit prædictas terras, de Hermiteshelde et Holweruding, et abaciam de Buldewas; ita quod nec ego, nec hæredes mei, nec aliquis nomine nostro versùs dictos abbatem et conventum, vel eorum successores, de prædictis terris, aliquod jus, clamium, vel calumpniam movere poterimus imperpetuum. Concessi etiam et confirmavi eisdem, ut faciant, si voluerint, fossatum, quomodocunque voluerint, extra prædictum hajicium, versùs terram de Benethale, ad includendum totam terram suam et boscum; ita quod totum hayicium, inter fossatum remaneat ex parte illorum, et faciant indè quicquid voluerint; scil. à prato illorum, quod vocatur Estemedewe, ascendendo per veterem sepem; et sic per vetus fossatum et hajicium usque ad hesiam extra boscum eorum de Hertlupe; et ita descendendo per vetus fossatum usque Mallebroch, et terram prioris de Wenloc. Et ut habeant omnia aysiamenta ambulando et laborando super terram meam ad prædicta fossata et hayicium emendanda. Dicti verò abbas et conventus prædictum hayicium vel fossatum ita faciant claudi, quod averia mea non possint transire. Et si transierint, indè non occasionabor. Concessi etiam et confirmavi eisdem, ut liberè possint trahere, vel cariare lapides, carbones, maremium, et alia; et chimum ad hæc facere, ultra terram meam quando voluerint, etiamsi in feodis alienis prædicta adquisierint, sine impedimento mei vel meorum. Et ego et hæredes mei, omnia prænominata præfatis abbati et conventui warantizabimus et defendemus contra omnes homines et fœminas imperpetuum. Hiis testibus, domino Hugone de Sheyntone, Williemo de Lechtone, Ricardo de Grenhul, Roberto Traynel, Roberto de Dudemonestone, et aliis.

NUM. XXIII.

Carta Henrici de Lacy Comitum Lincolnæ, permutationem Grangiarum de Caldene, in Comitatu Staff. pro Terris in Edwyneye in Comitatu Salopiæ, confirmans.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS, ad quorum noticiam præsentes literæ pervenerint, Henricus de Lacy comes Lincolnæ et constabularius Cestriæ salutem in Domino. Cum religiosi viri abbas

et conventus de Buldewas, ordinis Cisterciensis, grangiam suam de Caldene, in comitatu Staff. cum omnibus terris et tenementis, et pertinentiis suis, quam habuerunt de feodo nostro cum abbate et conventu vallis S. Mariæ de Crokesden ejusdem ordinis, pro omnibus terris et tenementis et pertinentiis suis in Edwyneye in comitatu Salopiæ, duxerint permutandam: nos utriusque monasterii utilitatem pensantes, et quamplurimum affectantes, permutationi prædictæ, quantum in nobis est, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris imperpetuum, nostrum præbemus assensum pariter et consensum; ita tamen quod iidem abbas et conventus vallis S. Mariæ de Crokesden, et successores eorum, nobis et hæredibus nostris reddant et faciant eadem onera et servicia, quæ prædicti abbas et conventus de Buldewas, nobis facere et reddere consueverunt temporibus retroactis. In testimonium cujus rei, præsentis scripto sigilli nostri apponi fecimus impressionem. Datum apud Blankeforde juxta Burdegaliæ x. die Junii, anno gratiæ MCCLXXXVII.

NUM. XXIV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits' Office.]

MONASTER' DE BYLDWAS IN COM' SALOP.

DECLARATIO Stephani abbatis ibm de annuo valore monasterii predict' tam de spualibz q^m de temporalibz pro decimis eorundem domino regi nunc Henrico octavo annuatim p solvend' fact' coram comissionariis dicti domini regis anno regni sui vicesimo 7^o. viz.

Com' Salop'

Exit' divers' terrarum dñicalium pratorum, pascuor', et pasturarum jacen' in Byldwas tam in manus predicti abbatis resvat' et occupat' in usu husbondrie, ac comodum hospicii sui q^m in manus divers' tenen' ibm existen' valent per annum put per vis' legalium hominu' adjudicant' ac per rentale de redd' tenen' inde ostens' plenius patet

20l. 9s. 8d.

Salop'.

Redd' assis' diversorum terrarum et tenementorum t^m liberorum q^m customariorum et aliorum in Lytyll Byldwas existen' per annum 18l. 11s. 8d.

Redd' assis' diversorum maneriorum infrascriptorum in temporalibz per annum, viz. Harnege 13l. 6s. 8d. Bokton et Ulmer 5l. 6s. 8d. Hatton 5l. 6s. 8d. Gofford 3l. Ruckley 10s. Strycheley 5l. 13s. 4d. Cronyet et Monkemeyt 13l. 6s. 8d. Bykton 4l. 3s. 4d. Monkehayles 13s. 4d. Villa Salop' 11l. 0s. 6d. Adney 4l. Newporte 4s. 2d. Upton juxta Idsall 2l. Ruyton p molendino 1l. 10s. Albrighton 2s. 4d. Ruley et Brigenorth 13s. 6d. Ragdon et Kynnerdon 3l. 16s. 8d. 64l. 13s. 10d.

Com' Derby.

Redd' assis' in Irnebruke in com' predicto per annum 6l. 0s. 0d.

Com' Staff'.

Redd' assis' diversorum terr' et tenement' in Walton per an^m 9l. 0s. 0d.
Redd' certarum terrarum in Lichefeld 0l. 3s. 4d.
9l. 3s. 4d.

Spualia in Com' Salop'. Lich' Dioc'.

Firma decimarum de Leighton in com' Salop', Lich' diocesis, per annum 4l. 0s. 0d.

Firma decimarum de Hatton in com' et diocese predictis per annum 2l. 0s. 0d.
6l. 0s. 0d.

Com' Salop'.

Feod' firm' . . . recept' de abbe de Lylleshull pro certis terr' jacen' in Longdon et Terne in com' pd' p a^m 4l. 3s. 4d.

Perquis'.

Cur' ibidem tent' per annum . . . 0l. 5s. 0d.
Summa totalis valoris tam spual' q^m temporal' mon' pred' 129l. 6s. 10d.

Repris', viz.	
Redd' Resolut'.	
Johanni Lyngham gent' pro terr' in Ulmer et Kynner-	
ton per annum	2l. 0s. 0d.
Abbi de Lylleshull pro Walton Graunge per annu'	
.	0l. 5s. 0d.
Priori de Wenloke pro coñuniis juxta Gosforde per	
annum	0l. 12s. 0d.
Abbi de Haghmonde p Cutilston in ruina per annum	
.	0l. 13s. 4d.
.	3l. 10s. 4d.
Feod' sol', viz.	
Georgio comiti Salop' capitali senescallo ibm per annum	
.	2l. 13s. 4d.
Riço Salter auditori ibm per annum	
.	2l. 0s. 0d.
Thome Harnege sen ^{llo} curie ibm per annum	
.	1l. 0l. 0d.
Riço Upholde receptori ibm per annum generali	
.	2l. 0s. 0d.
Thõe Sandforde ballivo de Kynnerton, Crowmehill,	
Bykton, et ville Salop', cum al'	2l. 0s. 0d.
Thome Morgan ballivo de Bildwas, Adney, Stryche-	
ley, Rubruke, cum al'	2l. 0s. 0d.
.	11l. 13s. 4d.
Pensiones.	
Solut' rçori de Counde pro administraçone saçment' in-	
habitan' de Harnege Graunge	1l. 0s. 0d.
Vicario de Idsall p consimili administraçone in Hatton	
Graunge	0l. 16s. 8d.
Vicario de Albrighton pro consimili administraçone in	
Gofforde	0l. 10s. 0d.
Rectori de Wentno' p consimili in Kynnerton Graunge	
per annum	0l. 5s. 0d.
In toto	2l. 12s. 0d.
Procuraçones, viz.	
Annuatim solut' archino Salop' pro ecclia de Leighton	
.	0l. 6s. 8d.
Epo Lichefeld' in visitaçone triennal' ad 16s. 8d. cum	
acciderit, viz pro 3 ^a parte ejusdem	0l. 5s. 6½d.
.	0l. 12s. 2½d.
Suñma totalis repris'	18l. 7s. 6½d.
Et reman' clare	110l. 19s. 3½d.
Decima inde	11l. 1s. 1¼d.

NUM. XXV.	
COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.	
[Abstract of Roll, 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]	
MONASTERIUM DE BYLDEWAS.	
Com' Salop'	£ s. d.
Harnage—Firma graungiaë	13 6 8

Com' Salop'	£ s. d.
Hatton—Firma graungiaë	3 6 8
Gosforde—Firma graungiaë	3 0 0
Stricheley—Firma graungiaë	5 13 4
Monkemeyle et Monkeeye—Firma te-	
nentium ad volunt'	0 13 4
Monkemeyle et Monkeeye—Firma	
terr' et ten'	13 6 8
Upton—Firma terrarum	2 0 0
Byketon—Firma terr' et ten'	4 3 4
Byldewas—Redd' mess' et terr'	0 19 8
Byldewas Parva—Redd' mess' et terr'	1 1 3
Byldewas Magna—Redd' cotag' et	
pastur'	3 4 0
Byldewas—Diversæ firmæ	23 9 0
Byldewas—Firma scitus monasterii	
cum terris dominicalibus	27 8 10
Byldewas—Rectoria	5 13 4
Longedon et Terne— Reddit' terr'	4 3 4
Ryggs—Redd' assis'	0 0 4
Raggedon—Lib' reddit'	1 0 0
Newporte—Lib' reddit'	0 1 2
Rowlay—Lib' reddit'	0 8 0
Adney—Lib' custum' tenen'	1 0 0
Albrighton—Redd' un' mes'	0 2 0
Salop—Redd' un' mes'	0 10 0
Adney—Redd' un' mes'	0 8 4
Newporte—Redd' mes' et croft'	0 3 2
Sutton Madocke—Redd' gurgit', et	
terr'	2 13 4
Brygenorthe—Redd' terr'	0 5 6
Adney—Redd' cert' terr'	0 8 4
Gosford—Redd' sit' mol'	0 0 4
Salop'—Redd' un' ten'	0 10 0
Salop'—Redd' duorum mes'	0 3 4
Adney—Firma mes' et terr'	0 15 0
Adney—Firma un' mes' sive cotag'	0 14 8
Adney—Firma mess' et terr' arrabil'	0 19 0
Shenton—Firma un' pastur'	1 0 0
Shenton—Firma un' pastur' vocat' le	
Oldefelde	4 0 0
Kymerton—Firma graungiaë	2 16 8
Royton—Firma un' molend'	1 13 4
Ulmer—Firma graungiaë	2 13 4
Broketon—Firma graungiaë	2 13 4

Com' Suff'	
Walton—Firma graungiaë, sive ma-	
nerii	9 0 0
Com' Derby'	
Wenbroke—Firma graungiaë sive ma-	
nerii	6 0 0
Com' Salop'	
Leyghton—Firma rector'	4 0 0
Harnage—Profic' x ^{mar'}	2 13 4
Hatton—Firma x ^{mar'}	2 0 0

Abbey of St. Mary Dublin.



HE two charters of King Henry the Second relating to this monastery, printed by Sir William Dugdale, concern, first, the general confirmation of its endowment,^a and, secondly, the appointment of it as subordinate to the abbey of Buildewas.^b In the Latin head-title Sir William Dugdale has dated its foundation, upon the authority of the Annals of St. Werburgh, in 1139,

which seems to have been, in reality, only the year in which this house was made subject to the Cistercian Order. Archdall, in his *Monasticon Hibernicum*, dates its foundation considerably higher; stating that, by some, it was thought to have owed its origin to the Danes, about the year 948, immediately after their conversion to Christianity, and by others to some of the Irish princes. At first, he says, it was of the Benedictine Order, then the most celebrated in the western world. He names two abbats in the tenth century. Malachy O'Morgair, he adds, who had been archbishop of Armagh, and who in 1139 was the legate to Ireland from Pope Innocent the Second, compelled it, with other abbeys, to embrace the Cistercian rule. About the year 1167 Richard Strongbow, earl of Pem-

^a See the Append. Num. I.

^b Num. II.

broke, granted to this abbey the lands of Cluenlyff, as did Adam Feipo the church of Santreff, and the church at his castle of Skrine in the county of Meath, which he had endowed. Gilbert de Nugent bestowed on the monks, about the same time, the church of Desertale (since called Ballicar), and four carucates of land adjoining.

The two charters of King Henry the Second already mentioned Archdall assigns to the year 1174.*

In the year 1182, on the feast of All Saints, Harvey de Monte Marisco having granted to Robert abbat of Buildewas the monastery of Dunbrothy, in the diocese of Ferns, with all its lands and appurtenances, the said abbat sent thither one Alan, a brother of his convent, and a discreet lay person, to make proper inquiries as to the grant; but finding the place waste and desert, the abbat of Buildewas made a transfer of his grant to the abbat of St. Mary's, together with the rights of patronage, and of visiting and reforming Dunbrothy.

Milo de Cogan, who died in 1184, granted to St. Mary's abbey Keadmohenock, with its appurtenances, and fifteen carucates of arable land in the county of Cork, and one burgage within, and one without the walls of the city of Cork.

John earl of Morton, lord of Ireland, afterwards King John, granted to the abbey, about A.D. 1185, a charter of confirmation of the lands of Clonlyff in which the abbey was situated, with the adjoining plain near the sea of Drysach, with the chapel of Clonlyff; and the lands, tithes, and other appurtenances of Culmyn; and the lands of Ballymachalmar, with the chapel and lands of Cnocrore; and the lands of Kerrakarochan, Murlegan, Dovenaghbirin; and the lands of Rathenea, with the chapel, &c.; and the lands of Glassachet, with the chapel; and the lands of Ballybathall, Ballylughan, and Thetechelchi, with the chapel and tithes of Ballybachall; and the lands of Portmornock, Lisban, and Munmackan, with the chapel of Portmornock, and all its appurtenances; also his burgages within the walls of the city of Dublin and without, and his burgage in Winkinla; and to have a boat on the water of the Avon Liffey, to fish with equal privileges as his own boat. All this to be enjoyed by them quietly and free of any secular service whatever.

In 1187 Simon le Poer confirmed the grant made by Milo de Cogan, and made a further grant to the monks of St. Mary of sixty carucates of land contiguous to Cork, in his territory of Munster.

In 1193 Dovenald Gilleholmoc granted to the monks the lands of Tissock.

In 1196 John archbishop of Dublin confirmed the grant made by Adam de Feipo of the church of Santreff. Thomas primate of Armagh confirmed this charter A.D. 1200, and, in addition, granted the monks the lands of St. Patrick called Ballybachel.

Reginald king of the Isles granted to this abbey a firm and secure peace wherever his power extended.

In the same year, also, Oct. 12, King John, after he had ascended the throne of England, renewed his former charter of confirmation. This king also gave a new charter of confirmation, dated May 1st, 1203, and another in the year 1208.

Margaret daughter of Milo de Cogan, and wife to Simon le Poer, in 1226 confirmed the grants made by her father and husband to this abbey, and made a further grant to it of twenty carucates of land in the cantred of Ros-selchir.

Richard de Rupella, in 1231, granted them the townland of Disert.

In this same year Felix O'Ruadan, archbishop of Tuam, was also a benefactor. He gave to St. Mary's abbey the lands of Achedmor in Kerry Locknevarin, with their appurtenances.

In 1233 Roderick O'Connor gave them the townland of Desert, near Briola in the Theod, called Clonvadagh in Tirmany.

In 1235 Felix O'Ruadan, already mentioned, resigned his see, and spent the remainder of his days in this abbey. He had covered the church and belfry with lead, and in 1238 was buried at the foot of the altar of the church.

About the year 1290 William de Carra granted to this abbey the lands of Tilchestellan.

In 1301, the contention which had so long subsisted between the abbats of Savigny in France and of Buildewas in England, respecting the right of filiation of this abbey, was, in a general chapter held this year, determined in favour of Buildewas by means of William de Ashburne, then monk and proctor of Buildewas, and afterwards abbat of St. Mary's.

On the 27th of May, 1304, the abbey of St. Mary Dublin, with the church and steeple, were destroyed by fire. At this time it was the repository of the rolls of Chancery, which were all consumed, to the 28th of Edw. I. except the two rolls of that year, which by the king's writ were delivered to the then chancellor.

David archbishop of Armagh, on the 16th August, 1336, confirmed to this abbey the benefices which it held in Meath.

In 1342 the abbat of St. Mary's was restored to his rights over the house of Dunbrody, which were confirmed in the following year by John abbat of Buildewas.

In 1415, the manor of Carrickbrennan, which had been seized into the king's hands for divers felonies, extortions, and contempts committed by the abbat, was by the king's order restored.

In 1484 William earl of Nottingham granted to this abbey the advowson and patronage of the parish-church of Carelagh, or Cahyrlagh.

In 1485 and 1486 the prior and convent of Little Malvern, in Worcestershire, by two grants, made over to the abbat and convent of St. Mary various lands which they held in Ireland, chiefly in Clonsillagh and Fertullach; with the churches of Clonsillagh, Portloman, and its chapel of Woran, Castlelosty, Portshannon, Knockrath, Mastrum, and Rossagh. The bishop of Ardagh, Hugh Tirril lord of Castleknock, and Richard de Mare, made the monks of St. Mary's grants of benefices about the same time.

These appear to have been the chief endowments deserving of notice.

ABBATS of ST. MARY DUBLIN.

JAMES was the first abbat. He died on the 11th of March, the year uncertain.

MAURICE died Jan. 19th, 998.

MICHAEL died Feb. 19, 1113.

EVERARD died April 10th, 1131.

ANDREW was the next abbat. He died July 9th, 1149, and was succeeded by

RAGGET, who was, the next year, succeeded by PLUNKET.

BERNARD died 14th May, 1167.

LEONARD was abbat in 1182. He occurs again in the year 1185.

RAYMOND was abbat in 1201.

LEONARD, in 1202. He died 18th March, 1205.

ADAM died Jan. 31, 1206.

RALPH died July 27th, 1215.

ROBERT abbat of St. Mary Dublin was promoted to the see of Ardagh in 1217.

STEPHEN died Aug. 16th, 1220.

SIMON died Oct. 23, 1229. Another abbat

SIMON is mentioned in 1231.

SECURUS was abbat in 1232. He died in 1236; and was succeeded by

STEPHEN.

WALTER died Nov. 26th, 1240.

NICHOLAS died Aug. 27th, 1241.

S. was abbat about A.D. 1247.

BRIAN died in 1250.

JOHN BLUNDUS was chosen in his place, but was deprived.

JOHN WALRAND was next elected. He was succeeded by the same

JOHN BLUNDUS, who died Dec. 14th, 1265. Another JOHN was abbat in 1269.

Brian, the second of the name, died March 27th, 1280.

* See the Append. Numm. I. II.

JOHN MILLER died Dec. 21st, 1285.
 PHILIP DE TROY was abbat in 1288. He died Nov. 6th, 1304.
 ROGER DE BRUYOR, who had been a monk of Bilde-
 was, died June 23d, 1309.
 WILLIAM DE ASHBURNE was abbat in 1311. He died
 Feb. 6th, 1319.
 WILLIAM PAYNE, abbat of Granard, succeeded, who
 died Feb. 6th, 1337.
 PHILIP WAFRE was abbat in 1340.
 RICHARD BODENHAM was abbat A.D. 1354.
 JOHN WALRE died March 14th, 1361.
 RICHARD was abbat in 1363.
 RICHARD DE BODENHAM occurs A.D. 1366. He died
 Oct. 16th, 1383.
 STEPHEN succeeded in 1384. He was probably the
 same person with STEPHEN ROCHE, abbat of St. Mary,
 who, in 1395, was appointed lord treasurer of Ireland.
 Stephen Roche died May 8th, 1410; when
 ROBERT PRENDERGAST succeeded. He received two
 pardons in general terms from King Henry the Fifth. He
 died May 5th, 1428.
 STEPHEN LAWLESS occurs abbat in 1431. He died
 Aug. 4th, 1438.
 JOHN ALBUS, or WHITE, succeeded in 1439. He
 died in 1463.
 JOHN HANDCOCK, who died in 1467, was succeeded by
 THOMAS YOUNGE.
 WALTER CHAMPFLEUR was abbat in 1472. In 1482
 he was appointed keeper of the great seal of Ireland. He
 was afterwards concerned in the rebellion raised in favour
 of Lambert Simnel; for which, in 1488, he received the
 king's pardon. He died Jan. 20th, 1497.

JOHN ORUM, who succeeded as abbat, died Dec. 9th,
 1500.
 RICHARD BEGGE was the next abbat. He was suc-
 ceeded, in 1511, by
 JOHN BURGESS; who dying about Midsummer, 1531,
 was succeeded by
 WILLIAM LAUNDY.

The abbey, with its possessions, was surrendered into
 the king's hands July 20th, 30th Hen. VIII.^a
 On Dec. 20th, in the 35th of the same king, it was
 granted, with various surrounding lands, in capite, without
 rent, to James earl of Desmond.

Archdall has given transcripts of two Inquisitions
 taken in 1541, of the lands of which the abbat was seized
 in the counties of Dublin and Meath.

On July 9th, 1543, the abbey was granted to James
 earl of Kildare, for the keeping of his horses and train, at
 the times of his repairing to parliament or council: the
 same to be held by the fifth part of a knight's fee.

On Nov. 20th, 24 Eliz. the abbey, with the appurte-
 nances, and a piece of land called Shillingeforde's garden,
 was granted, for ever, to Thomas earl of Ormond in com-
 mon socage, not in capite, by the annual rent of five
 shillings, Irish money.

Archdall says, the abbat of this house had a seat in
 parliament as a baron. He also says, that a beautiful image
 of the Virgin Mary, with the infant Jesus in her arms,
 which had belonged to the abbey, was in his time preserved
 in the Roman catholic chapel in Mary's Lane Dublin.^b

Cartae ad Sanctae Mariae Abbatiam juxta Dubliniam in Hibernia spectantes; Cellam de Buldewas: fun- datam Anno Mccxxxix.

NUM. I.

Donationum Confirmatio per Regem Henricum Secundum.

[Cart. 10 E. II. n. 48, per Inspex.]

H. DEI gratia rex Angliæ, dux Normanniæ et Aquitanniæ et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis me pro Dei amore et pro salute animæ meæ et antecessorum meorum et hæredum meorum dedisse et concessisse et præsentī carta mea confirmasse in puram et perpetuam elemosinam Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ juxta Dublin, et albis monachis ibidem Deo servientibus subscriptas terras; scilicet Clunlif cum terra juxta mare inter monasterium illorum et aquam Tulken, et Drissoch, et Portmirnoch, Rathenia, et Murlegan, Karibrenan, et Donenathbirm, et Karrechvokan, Cuocroz, et Balimacheilmer, Culmin, et Kilme-kesche, Balilugan, et Lisloan, et Muninakon. Has terras et omnes tenuras prædictorum monachorum infra civitatem Dublin et extra quæ eis datæ fuerunt in elemosinam antequam comes Ricardus de Strigoil venisset in Hiberniam, et quæ postea eis datæ sunt, concessi eis et confirmavi.

Quare volo, &c. Testibus, Willielmo de Curci dapifero, Rogero de Novo-Burgo, Willielmo de sancto Johanne, Hugone de Creissi, Willielmo de Stut. Willielmo filio Andel. Apud Falesiam.

NUM. II.

Alia ejusdem Regis Henrici Carta.

[Ibid.]

H. DEI grati rex Angliæ, &c. salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse Rannulpho

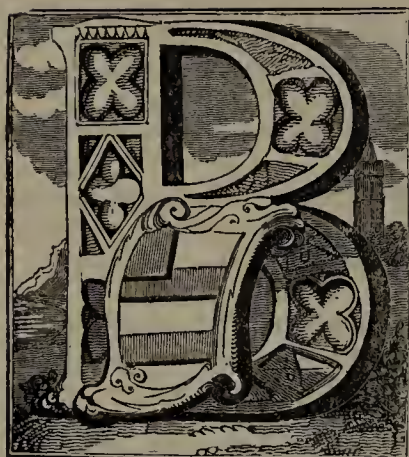
^a William Laundy the abbat, by deed dated June 7th, 1540, had an annual pension granted to him of 50l. Irish.

abbati de Bildewas et omnibus in posterum ejusdem abbaciæ futuris abbatibus ad regendum et secundum formam ordinis Cistercii disponendum, monasterium sanctæ Mariæ juxta Dublin cum terris subscriptis; scilicet Clunlif, Drissih, Rathena, Portunurnoch, Glassachet, Murlegan, Donenathbun, Karrechbrenan, Karrechvecon, Balincatheilm, Culmin, Kilme-kesce, Dissertale, Balibachel, Balilugan. Has terras cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in ecclesiis, in capellis, in bosco et plano, in sabulis, et gliseriis, cum omni wrech quod in terram illorum venerit, in pratis, et pasturis, in aquis et molendinis, in stagnis, et vivariis, in viis et semitis, in piscariis et piscaturis, in portubus et villis, infra burgum et extra, et in omnibus aliis locis et omnibus aliis rebus, concessi præfato abbati et successoribus ejus. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio, quod monachi prædicti monasterii sanctæ Mariæ juxta Dublin abbati de Bildewas subjecti sint, et prænominatas terras et omnes elemosinarum donationes quæ eis factæ sunt vel in posterum rationabiliter fient tam in rebus ecclesiasticis quam in secularibus ad ejus dispositionem tractent habeant et teneant adeo liberè et quietè, plenariè et integrè sicut aliqua abbatia vel domus religionis de terra mea melius et liberius tenet, cum sach, et soch, et tol, et them, et infangenthef, et cum omnibus aliis libertatibus, et liberis consuetudinibus, et quietanciis, et sint liberi et soluti ipsi et homines eorum Anglici et Hibernienses et terræ eorum de schiris, de hundredis, de wapentach, de placitis, &c. Hiis testibus, Ricardo de Luci, comite Ricardo de Strigoil, Willielmo filio Andel. dapifero, Hugone de Lacy, Hugone de Longocampo, Willielmo de Stutevill, Hugone le Creissi, Willielmo filio Radulphi. Apud Feckelham.

^b See Archdall's Monasticon Hibernicum, p. 132—147.

^c Annales S. Werburgæ Cestriæ in bibl. Cotton.

Abbey of Bitlesden in Buckinghamshire.



BITLESDEN Abbey was founded in 1147. The abbey register gives the following particulars of the foundation: that in the reign of the elder Henry, one Robert de Meperteshal was lord of Bitlesden, who for having stolen a dog in the king's court, gave to Geoffrey de Clinton, the chamberlain, then upon a familiar footing with the king, the vill of Bitlesden, with five rood lands adjoining at

Witefeld, on condition that he should protect him from the judgment of the court for that fact. This land afterwards escheated to the earl of Leicester, who gave it to his steward Ernaldus de Bosco, and he, foreseeing that the said lands might not afterwards remain secure to him and his heirs, with the advice and consent of the said earl founded an abbey there, and by deed gave it those lands. In course of time the aforesaid Robert de Meperteshal would have sued for Bitlesden by plea, but the monks of that place, with the advice and assistance of the aforesaid earl, gave Robert ten marks, and by that means obtained a charter and confirmation from him.^a

In a charter addressed to the bishop of Lincoln and archdeacon of Buckingham, Ernaldus de Bosco speaks of his new foundation as subordinate to Gerondon abbey;^b but in what degree it continued so does not appear. Probably the first monks only were taken from it.

By another charter Ernaldus de Bosco gave the monks his lands at Sigresham.^c

By an inquisition taken in the reign of Edward the First, it was found that the lands of Mairelond were not liable to the duty of scutage.^d

Robert, earl of Leicester, in a charter addressed to Alexander, bishop of Lincoln, confirmed Ernaldus de Bosco's grant of Bitlesden as subordinate to Gerondon.^e

Browne Willis, in his *History and Antiquities of the Town, Hundred, and Deanry of Buckingham*, has given an account of various donations to Bitlesden abbey from Dodsworth's Excerpts from the Chartulary of Bitlesden.

Ernald de Bosco the second, with his body to be buried there, gave half a yardland in Little Houghton to Bitlesden. Ernald de Bosco the third confirmed his father's grant: as did Ernald de Bosco the fourth. The other instruments and charters selected by Willis will be found included in the analysis of the register of Bitlesden, which will presently be given.

The monks of St. Lucian, near Beavoys in France, who were possessed of an alien cell at Wedon Pinkney in Northamptonshire, in 1392, sold it to the abbat and convent of Bitlesden,^f by whom it was held but a few years; the same in 1440 being made a part of the endowment of All

Souls College in Oxford. But of this we shall speak more at large in the account of Wedon.

ABBATS of BITLESDEN.

RICHARD occurs abbat in the time of Theobald, archbishop of Canterbury.^g Willis says, in 1151, 17 Steph. about four years after the foundation.^h

ALEXANDER, between 1157 and 1166.ⁱ

RICHARD died abbat here in 1192, 3 Ric. I. as the annals of Waverley tell us;^k in which mention is made of the deposing of

WILLIAM, A.D. 1198, 9 Ric. I. who was, no doubt, his successor.^l

ADAM, cellarer of Bruern abbey in Oxfordshire, A.D. 1198, 9 Ric. I.^m He occurs in the 3d of John.ⁿ

ADA DE BATHON, who may perhaps be the same person, occurs as abbat in 1209.^o

MAURICE, called also **MARICIUS**, occurs in the 3d,^p 4th,^q and 11th of Henry III.^r

HENRY, A.D. 1226, 10 Hen. III.^s

STEPHEN DE CANTUAR, or **CANTERBURY**, died abbat here A.D. 1228, 12th Hen. III.^t After him

THOMAS presided here. He occurs A.D. 1238 and 1240.^u

GIFFARDUS is mentioned in 1236, in which year he resigned, and became abbat of Waverley, in Surrey.^v

WALTER occurs in 1238,^y and again in 1240.^z

HENRY MALLORE received the benediction as abbat from the bishop of Lincoln, on Palm Sunday, A.D. 1241, 25 Hen. III.^a He did not hold the abbacy long: as

PHILIP occurs abbat in 1245,^b and again in 1250.^c

WILLIAM, his successor, also occurs in 1250,^d and again in 1254.^e

ROGER occurs in 1259,^f and again in 1262:^g as does another

WILLIAM in 1264.^h He occurs again in 1266,ⁱ 1272,^k and 1281,^l and was, no doubt, the same person with **WILLIAM DE WIHAM**, or **BYHAM**, who occurs as abbat in the 8th,^m 13th,ⁿ and 14th of Edw. I.^o

JOHN THORNBURG, or **THORNBOR** occurs as abbat in 1290.^p He is mentioned in two instruments of the years 1293 and 1295.^q Willis says he was abbat in 1298.^r

WALTER also occurs in 1298 and 1300.^s

JOHN MARUS occurs in 1301 and 1307.^t Willis calls him **JOHN SARUM**, and says, he is mentioned as abbat in 1323, 16 Edw. II.^u but this was another person; for

WILLIAM occurs in 1309:^v

WALTER in 1311:^y

THOMAS in the 5th^z and 8th of Edw. II.;^a and

JOHN in the 9th, 10th, 13th, and 14th Edw. II.^b

This must have been the John alluded to in the last date of Willis under **JOHN DE SARUM**.

THOMAS DE BUCKINGHAM is supposed by Willis to have been elected about 1324, 17th Edw. II.^c He occurs in that year in one of the Harleian charters.^d

^a Compare the Append. Num. I.

^b See Num. II.

^c See the charter, Num III.

^d Num. V.

^e Num. V.

^f Compare the references to the charters of Bitlesden hereafter given.

^g Cart. antiq. Harl. Mus. Brit. 84 C. 41.

^h Willis, Hist. Buck. p. 157.

ⁱ Ibid.

^k Ibid.

^l Willis, ut supr.

^m Ibid.

ⁿ Cart. antiq. Harl. 85 G. 3.

^o Reg. Abb. de Bitlesd. MS. Harl. 4714, foll. 33, 155.

^p Willis, ut supr.

^q Cart. Harl. 86 B. 52.

^r Reg. de Bitlesd. ut supr. fol. 44 b.

^s Willis, ut supr.

^t Ibid.

^u Ibid. He also occurs in the Register of Bitlesden, fol. 48 b.

^x MS. Cole, Brit. mus. vol. xxvi. fol. 173 b. See also Reg. de Bitlesd. fol. 136 b.

^y Willis, Hist. Buck. p. 157.

^z Cart. Harl. 84 D. 32, 33.

^a Harl. MS. 6950, p. 113.

^b Ibid. 84 D. 37. Cole, vol. xxvi. ut supr. says, **WIBERT** occurs as abbat here before 1245.

^c Cart. Harl. 84 D. 47.

^d Ibid. 84 D. 53.

^e Reg. de Bitlesd. fol. 199.

^f Ibid. foll. 96, 134.

^g Willis, ut supr.

^h Ibid.

ⁱ Reg. de Bitlesd. fol. 131 b.

^j Ibid. foll. 96 b, 132 b.

^k Cart. Harl. 84 E. 18.

^l Willis, ut supr.

^m Ibid.

ⁿ Reg. Bitlesd. fol. 105. MS. Harl. 6958, p. 85.

^o Cart. Harl. 84 E. 4, 25.

^p Willis, ut supr.

^q Willis, ut supr.

^r MS. Cole, xxvi. fol. 173 b.

^s Cart. Harl. 84 E. 28, 84 E. 33.

^t Willis, Hist. Buck. p. 158.

^u Reg. de Bitlesd. fol. 20 b.

^v Cart. Antiq. Harl. 84 E. 29.

^w Ibid. 84 E. 41.

^x Ibid. 84 E. 42.

^y Ibid. 84 E. 44, 45.

^z Hist. Buck. ut supr.

^a Cart. Harl. 84 E. 50.

ROGER DE GOTHAM occurs in 1326,^a and again in the 6th Edw. III. 1332.^b His successor was

THOMAS, who was elected at the end of 1332.^c

GRIFFIN presided in 1341.^d

WILLIAM, whom Willis calls WILLIAM DE LOUTEBURGHE, occurs in 1346;^e and again in the 30th and 31st Edw. III.^f

PETER occurs in the 50th Edw. III.^g and in the 5th,^h 15th,ⁱ and 18th Ric. II.^k

JOHN in the 20th Ric. II.^l and again in the 1st Hen. IV.^m

STEPHEN in 1425 and 1428.ⁿ

JOHN in the 9th^o and 19th Edw. IV.^p

WILLIAM in the 20th Edw. IV.^q

RICHARD BENET became abbat about 1495, 10 Hen. VII.^r He resigned his abbacy before 1518, 9th Hen. VIII. to

RICHARD GREEN, the last abbat, who, with eleven monks, surrendered this monastery to the king, Sept. 25th, 30th Hen. VIII.^s

What the possessions of Bitlesden Abbey were rated at in point of money income in 1291 will be seen in the note.^t In the 26th of Hen. VIII. the gross income was returned at 142*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.*, the net receipts at 125*l.* 4*s.* 3½*d.*

Willis says, "At the Dissolution the king's visitors made this return :

"The Abbey of the Cistercian Order.

"Value by the first survey 130*l.* 4*s.* 3*d.*

"By the second survey 138*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.*

"Monks there eleven, whereof priests nine. Incontinent, none. Desirous of capacities, one. An abbat *quondam* having a pencyon, by convent seal, of 13*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.*

"Servants, fifty-one; whereof, hinds, twenty-four; waiting servants, thirteen; boys and children, nine; women for the dairy, four.

^a Cart. Harl. 84 E. 49. Cole calls him ROBERT DE SOTHAM.

^b Cart. Harl. 84 E. 69. ^c Willis, ut supr.

^d Ibid. See also Cart. Harl. 84 E. 50.

^e Hist. Buck. ut. supr. ^f Cart. Harl. 84 E. 27, 32.

^g Ibid. 84 F. 4. ^h Ibid. 84 F. 6.

ⁱ Ibid. 84 F. 10. ^k Registr. de Bitlesd. fol. 241 b.

^l Cart. Harl. 84 F. 14. Reg. de Bitlesd. fol. 293 b.

^m Reg. de Bitlesd. fol. 243.

ⁿ Ibid. fol. 238. Cart. Harl. 84 F. 15.

^o Willis ut supr. ^p Cart. Harl. 84 F. 16.

^q Ibid. 84 F. 17. ^r Willis, ut supr.

^s See the Surrender at length in Willis's Hist. Buck. p. 163. It is also printed in Burnet. The abbat had a pension of forty pounds a year, the cellarer 6*l.*, and each of the monks 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* for life. Richard Benet, the former abbat, who was still alive, had also a pension of twenty marks. The pensions of seven of the monks were still payable in 1553.

^t The following are the entries :

" Lond. Temp.	£	s.	d.
Abb. Bitlesden in parochia S. Nich. Cold Abbey	1	5	0
Linc. Temp.			
In Eveshawe, in terris, redd. pannag. mol. et cur.	12	8	8
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	4	5	8
In Gorhale et Dodeford in redd. cur. terr. cur. operib.	7	14	8
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	3	2	0
In Thornberge in terris, redd. et operibus deduct. deducend.	6	4	4
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	2	4	0
In Thurneston, in terris, redd. et deduct. deducend.	0	9	2
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	1	3	4
In Stratford, Barthon, Mortone, Burton, in pratis deduct. deducend.	0	10	8
In Northampton, de redd.	0	4	1
In Parva Houtton in terris, redd. pratis, et columb.	2	9	2
In Chawelton in terris, redd. mol.	6	0	4
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	1	6	0
In Preston, in terris et redd.	0	13	0
Ibidem, de exit. vaccar.	0	3	0
In grang. de Westcote et Helmeden in terris, redd. pratis, et perquis. curiæ	12	7	2
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	3	9	8
In Decanatu de Belteslawe	0	13	4"

The total of these amounted to 66*l.* 12*s.* 3*d.* temporal revenue. See the Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 12 b, 47, 53, 53 b, 54, 55 b, 74 b.

^a Hist. Buck. pp. 151, 152.

^x Orig. 32 Hen. VIII. p. 1. Buck. Northampt. De homagio et fid. Thomæ Wrothesley pro reversione scitus nuper Monasterii de Bytlesden, ac mesuag. &c. in Wapenname, Wedon, Syrescham, et Weston;

"Bells, lead, and other buildings, worth there by estimation 51*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

"The entire value of the moveable goods 61*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.* Stocks and stores, none. Woods there, four hundred acres."

In the 32d of Hen. VIII. the scite and demesne of this house were granted by the king to Thomas Wriothsesley.^x It was afterwards conveyed to the Peckham family; then to the Greys; and subsequently to the Sayers.

The CHARTULARY of Bitlesden, quoted by Dugdale, is now one of the Harleian Manuscripts, Num. 4714. It was purchased by Lord Oxford in 1728. It is a folio volume of considerable thickness, written upon three hundred and sixty-three leaves of vellum.^y When Dugdale made his transcripts from this register, in 1640, it was in the possession of the Duke of Buckingham, and so remained long after. From an original letter of Dugdale to Sir John Cotton, dated 15th October, 1675, which, in 1806, was in the possession of Dr. William Blount, of Hereford, it should seem as if another Chartulary of Bitlesden was somewhere extant. He says. "I pray you forget not to speake to the Duke of Buckingham for that Leiger Booke of Bittlesden, which he is in justice obliged to let you have, having lost that which your father lent him."

In his Grace the Duke of Buckingham's library at Stow there are no fewer than eighty-one ancient deeds of Bitlesden Abbey, of different reigns from that of King John, with Seals appendant to most of them. The oldest deed is of the year 1205.^z

Cart. Harl. antiq. 84 C. 2 to 13, 15, 40 to 45, 47, 48. 84 D. 1, 6 to 58. 84 E. 1 to 61. 84 F. 1 to 29, 31, 34, 36, 43, 52, 54, 57 to 60. 84 G. 11 to 18, 49, 51 to 57. 84 H. 3, 4, 5, 13, 16 to 21, 23, 35, 41, 45 to 46. 84 I. 18 to 22, 25, 42, 43, 48, 51, 58. 85 A. 4, 6, 7, 13 to 19, 22, 23, 27, 33 to 45, 47, 48, 49, 54, 56, 58. 85 B. 5 to 8, 13 to

ac patronus ecclesiarum de Bitlesden et Wedon Pynckney. ro. exlvj.

^y The charters in it are arranged under the following heads of places:

1. De fundatione de Bitlesden, fol. 1 to 7.
2. Whitfelde, fol. 7 to 20 b.
3. Estwell et Westernehul, foll. 21, 27 b.
4. Estwell, Bichino, et Bissopespoll, fol. 21 b.
5. Blakenham, foll. 22, 22 b, 23, 24, 26 b, 27.
6. Bichino, fol. 24 b.
7. Westcote, foll. 25, 26.
8. Evershawe, fol. 28 to 44.
9. Helmenden, fol. 44 b to 47.
10. Charwelton, fol. 58 to 99.
11. Preston, fol. 100 to 105 b, 164.
12. Thornborowe, fol. 107 to 134, 329.
13. Siresham, fol. 135 to 161 b.
14. Dodforde, including Heiholt, fol. 166 to 214 b, 323, 324.
15. Wappenham, fol. 215.
16. Wedone, foll. 249, 250 b.
17. De Prioratu de Wedone Pinkney concess. Abbatiae de Bitlesden, foll. 250, 254, 256, 256 b, 259, 260, 262, 263.
18. Ebrington, or Eberton, fol. 265 to 294.
19. Boycote, fol. 295 to 300.
20. Morton, fol. 301 to 305.
21. Berton, fol. 306 to 309 b.
22. Torveston, fol. 310 to 320.
23. Westbury, foll. 321, 325 to 338.
24. Littlecot, fol. 339 to 343.
25. De domibus et edificiis de Distaf lane in Lond. fol. 344 to 347.
26. Brackley et Evenley, fol. 348 to 352 b.
27. Carta Hen. VIII. Regis de Scitu Mon. de Bytlesden trad. ad firm. Ed. Clerke. Ap. Wald. 1 Octob. anno regni xxxii. fol. 353.
28. Indenture of sale of the Scite of Bytlesden Abbey for the sum of 700*l.* to Edmund Pekham, Esq. Cofferer of the Household, 1st. Nov. 32 Hen. VIII. fol. 358.

Among the most important of the earlier charters are the following : Confirmatio Henrici Regis Secundi de manerio de Bitlesden, et de tribus carucatis terræ in Siresham, &c. cum libertatibus, fol. 3.

Carta Henrici III. Regis de terra de Whitfeld ex dono Roberti clerici de Mortone, et Hunfridi de Montibus, &c. an. regni xxviii^o. fol. 26.

Conventio Willielmi ab. Mon. B. M. de Bitlesden et Thomæ Andrewe, de manerio de Charwelton, 20 Edw. IV. fol. 94 b.

Confirmatio Petri Cardinalis tit. S. Praxedis de patronatu Eccl. de Ebrington et appropriat. ejusdem, cum ordinatione vicariæ, &c. fol. 276 b.

Carta Capellani de Littlecot qui pro tempore fuerit, fol. 339.

Scriptum Cantariæ Capellæ de Littlecota, fol. 339 b.

Ornamenta Capellæ de Littlecote, fol. 340 b.

^z Biblioth. Stowensis, vol. ii. p. 109. Ecclesiastica, No. LXIX.

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For other records and entries relating to Bitlesden abbey the reader may refer to the Rot. Hundr. vol. ii. pp. 6, 329, 340, 342, 343, 350. Abbrev. Placitorum, pp. 184, 185, 189, 191, 192, 219. Plac. de Quo Waranto, pp. 546, 569. Cal. Rot. Orig. vol. i. pp. 149, 222.

Tanner says,

“*Vide* cartas quasdam originales ad hanc abbatiam spectantes, in archivis Coll. Eaton. capsula 3.”—

“Fin. Northampt. 12 Hen. III. n. ., pro xi. virgatis terræ in Helmedon. Fin. Buckingh. 16 Hen. III. n. 5, pro prato in Merton. Fin. Oxon. 31 Hen. III. n. ., pro mess. et terr. in Codesford. Fin. Buckingh. 35 Hen. III. n. 99, pro terris in Dodford. Fin. div. com. 35 Hen. III. de terris in Thornbury. Fin. Buckingh. 38 Hen. III. n. 6, de mess. et terris in Dodford et Westbury. Fin. Buckingh. 55 Hen. III. n. 12, de mess. in Cudelinton.

“Fin. 2 Edw. I. m. 18 et 19. Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 5, pro terris in Whitfeld. Pat. 19 Edw. I. m. 17, pro terris in Siresham ex dono Rob. de Armenten. Pat. 20 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 34 Edw. I. m. 8, pro assart. xx. acr. in Syresham intra metas forestæ de Whytlewode.

“Cart. 8 Edw. II. n. 32 vel 33, pro merc. et feria apud Bitlesden.

“Plac. apud Northampton. 3 Edw. III. Quo Warr. rot. 29 d, pro libert. in Helmedon, &c. Pat. 43 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 16, pro redd. in Syresham, Northampt.

“Pat. 1 Ric. II. p. 6, m. 19, pro prioratu de Wedon Pinkney. Pat. 3 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 33, pro eccl. de Eburton, Glouc. ex concess. Will. la Zouch de Haringworth, et man.

de Hadle, Salop. Pat. 9 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 27. Rec. in Scacc. 15 Ric. II. Mich. rot. 27. Pat. 17 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 23, pro prioratu de Wedon. Pat. 20 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 19, pro terris in Dodeford.”

In the Office of the King's Remembrancer is a record as to this abbey, entitled “Carta abbis et conventus de Bitlesden.” Pasch. 17 Ric. II.

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office, “Bitlesden. De manibus reginæ amovendis de situ monasterii de Bitlesden et aliis in com. Buckingham, ac Arthuro domino Grey de Wilton liberando.” Hil. Rec. 21 Eliz. rot. 139.

One impression of the COMMON SEAL only of Bitlesden has been met with, and that is very imperfect, on red wax, attached to the Surrender in the Augmentation Office, dated 25th Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. The seal is oval, representing the Virgin and Child under a Gothic canopy, having a figure on her left hand, probably intended for St. Nicholas. The figure on her right hand, if there ever was one, is gone. A monk, on his knees, is praying under an arch below. Part only of the legend remains, viz. s. co-
MVNE DE . BYTLESDEN.

Willis says the church of Bitlesden was demolished very soon after its surrender. “However,” he adds, “the ruins of the church and abbey-house were left in good part standing when I visited it anno 1712, and there were then to be seen the walls of the east side of the cloister, and a part of the tower, together with a small chapel, and the chapter-house, which was a handsome arched room of about forty feet square, supported by four pillars. In the chapel lay the broken effigies which was on the tomb of one of the Lord Zouches. It was of alabaster and in armour.”^b

In the next page he says, “The present proprietor, Henry Sayer, Esq.^c has so totally demolished every thing, that not the least remains appear, or even the site of any building whatsoever where the abbey stood; or any of its offices: but it was below the present chapel erected by him to the south-west part of it.”

Cartae ad Bitlesdenensem Abbatiam in agro Buckinghamensi spectantes: fundatam Anno M^clviij.^d

NUM. I.

Fundationis Historia.

[Ex Regist. de Bitlesden penes prænob. G. Ducem Buckinghamiæ, an. 1640.]

TEMPORE veteris Henrici regis fuit dominus de Bitlesden quidam nomine Robertus de Meperteshal. Ille pro quodam infortunio quod ei in curia domini regis acciderat;

^a The most important of these are,

84 C. 2. Confirmatio Stephani Regis de carta Ernaldi de Bosco de manerio de Betlesdena ad fundandam ibidem Abbatiam Cisterc. Ordinis et de terris in Sigeresham.

84 C. 3. Confirmatio Henrici Ducis Normanniæ et Aquitanniæ et Com. Andegaviæ de donatione Ernaldi de Bosco.

84 C. 7. Protectio Johannis Regis Abbatie et Monachis de Bitlesden.

84 C. 9. Carta Edmundi comitis Cornubiæ, an. 3 Edw. I.

84 C. 10. Confirmatio Edmundi fil. Henrici Regis Angliæ.

84 C. 17. Carta Johannis regis Castellæ et Legionis ducis Lancastriæ Petro Abbati de Bitlesden quod Willielmus le Zouch terram in Everton in com. Glouc. et advocacionem ecclesiæ ejusdem villæ dare posset abbatie an. 3 Ric. II.

84 C. 41. Confirmatio Theobaldi Cantuar. archiep. Ricardo Abbati de Bettesdena de ecclesia S. Mariæ de Bettesdena.

84 D. 34. Memorandum de sententia excommunicationis in abbatem et conventum de Bettlesden, A.D. 1245.

84 H. 18. Carta Roberti Comititis Legecestræ confirmans donationem Ernaldi de Bosco Abbati de Gerendona ad abbatiam faciendam et ad titulatum ad Abbatiam de Gerendone; “et quod ego concessi est Bethlesdene.”

scilicet quod quendam canem furatus est, dedit Gaufrido camerario de Clinton, qui tunc fuit familiarissimus regi, totam villam de Betelesden cum quinque virgatis terræ adjacentibus de Witefeld, eo pacto, ut eum defenderet ne pro prædicto facto judicium curiæ sustineret. Interim quia idem Robertus de Meperteshal, propè Sulveston hospiciū non habuit, Willielmus filius Aeluredi, qui fuit dominus de Preston, et de tota terra de Marieland, dedit prædicto Ro-

84 H. 45. Carta Ernaldi de Bosco de terra de Betlesden ad Abbatiam de Gereldona ad unam abbatiam faciendam.

84 H. 46. Carta ejusdem de terris in Sigresham.

84 H. 47. Carta ejusdem de dimidia parte ecclesiæ de Hocthon.

84 H. 50. Carta ejusdem “cum suo corpore sepeliendo” de terris in Hochton.

84 H. 55. Carta Ernaldi de Bosco confirmans donationes Ernaldi patris sui.

84 H. 56. Carta Johannis de Bosco fil. et her. Ernaldi confirmans donationes antecessorum suorum.

85 B. 38, 39. Cartæ duæ Roberti Corbet et Sibillæ uxoris suæ ob affectionem memoriæ Willielmo de Bosco Monasterio de Bytlesden de terr. in Ebryghton et Charyngworth, 44 Edw. III.

85 B. 40. Carta Roberti Corbet Conventui de Bitlesden concessa, de ann. redd. xl. marc. ex manerio de Haddelcom. Salop. an. 3 Ric. II.

There is also Cart. antiq. Mus. Brit. L. F. C. xviii. 13. Carta Johannis de Leya de tertia parte terræ de assarto de nemore de Westbir. Hearne, in a MS. note to the first edition of Bishop Tanner's Notitia Monastica, at Oxford, says, “Sir Roger Mostyn, Bart. had many old charters, &c. belonging to this abbey in 1728.”

^b Hist. Buck. p. 153.

^c Willis published his work in 1755.

^d Annales de Peterborough, in bibl. Cottoniana.

berto dimidiam partem de Marieland ad se hospitandum. Processu verò temporis prædictus Gaufridus de Clinton dedit prædicto Roberto quandam parentem suam in uxorem, et cum illa dedit ei prædictam villam de Bitlesden cum supradictis quinque virgatis terræ de Witefeld: et tunc idem Robertus tenuit Bitelesden, et quinque virgatas præfatas et dimidiam partem de Marieland: et ita extunc dimidia pars de Marieland secuta est Bitelesden. Tempore verò Stephani regis, quando maxima guerra fuit, sæpedictus Robertus perhendinavit apud Meperteshal et dimisit Bitelesden, et nec ipse nec aliquis pro eo inde servitium fecit comiti Leycestriæ, sed terra illa escaeta comitis. Tunc idem comes dedit terram illam senescallo suo Ernaldo de Bosco pro servitio suo. Idem verò Ernaldus, prævidens imposterum quod fortè terra illa sibi et hæredibus suis remanere non possit, concessu, consilio, et auxilio prædicti comitis, fundavit ibi abbatiam, quam comes carta sua confirmavit. Processu verò temporis prædictus Robertus de Meperteshal voluit placitare de Bitlesden, et tunc monachi de Bitlesden auxilio et consilio prædicti comitis dederunt prædicto Roberto decem marcas, et ita habuerunt cartam et confirmationem suam. Ita incepta et fundata abbatia de Bitlesden, anno Gratiae mxcxlvij. sexto idus Julii, hoc est anno xiiij. a fundatione de Gerondon.

NUM. II.

Carta Foundationis per Ernaldum de Bosco:

[Ibid.]

EPISCOPO Lincolniensi et Davidi archidiacono de Buchingchamsire, et omnibus fidelibus sanctæ ecclesiæ Ernaldus de Bosco fidelis Christi salutem. Sciatis me dedisse terram meam de Bitlesdena in bosco et in plano ordini de Cistels intitulato ad abbatiam de Gereldona, pro amore Dei, et pro remissione peccatorum meorum, et pro salvatione animæ meæ et antecessorum meorum, in elemosinam ad unam abbatiam faciendam de eodem ordine de Cistels. Quare precor vos ut fideles Christi quatinus fratres illius loci pro amore Dei manuteneatis et ametis in Deo et propter Deum, et ne patiamini ut aliquis illis contumeliam faciat. Test Rob. comite Leerc. et A. comitissa uxore sua, et Roberto filio suo, et Roberto capellano.

NUM. III.

De Syresham.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT filii sanctæ ecclesiæ quod ego Ernaldus de Bosco dedi, concessi Deo, et beatæ Mariæ de Bitlesden, et fratribus ibi Deo famulantibus, terram illam quam Gaufridus de Clintona camerarius dedit mihi, quæ est quædam pars de Sygresham, et in Sygresham tam in bosco quam in plano, et in cæteris rebus prædictæ rei adjacentibus. Et hoc donum concessi jure perpetuo amore Dei, et pro salute animæ meæ, et pro animabus patris et matris meæ, et omnium consanguineorum, et amicorum, et propinquorum meorum. Quare precor omnes filios sanctæ ecclesiæ et fideles meos quod prædicti fratres rem prædictam, bene et in pace, et honorificè, et quietè teneant et possideant, relicta omni injuria aut calumpnia alicujus. Test. Roberto comite Leerc. et Roberto filio ejus, et Gaufrido abbate, &c.

NUM. IV.

De Marielond in Syresham.

[Ibid.]

TEMPORE verò Edwardi Regis cum subjugaverat sibi Walliam, et cepit scutagium; videlicet anno viij. regni ejus, distringebamur pro scutagio de Marilond, et habuimus inquisitionem per gratiam domini Edwardi domini comitis Leycestriæ, fratris regis, si deberet scutagium, an non, et dicebant inquisitores quod nunquam dedit Marilond scutagium, hac ratione, quod quidam comes Leyc. dedit illam terram cuidam Mariæ nomine, postquam terra sic nominatur, ita liberè quod nullum servitium fecit, nec decimas dedit, sed habuit ibi liberam capellam quæ serviebatur de decimis. Tandem obiit sine hærede et terra fuit escaeta comiti, et dedit eam Ernaldo, et ipse domui de Bitlesden,

ita quod nunquam fecit servitium, et confirmatur à domino rege Henrico veteri inter cætera.

NUM. V.

Carta Roberti Comitis Leicestriæ.

[Ibid.]

ALEXANDRO Dei gratia Lincoln. episcopo et omnibus sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis Robertus comes Legrecestriæ salutem. Sciatis quia pro amore Dei et remissione peccatorum meorum, et salvatione animæ patris mei et matris meæ, et salvatione animæ meæ et antecessorum meorum, et rogatu Ernaldi de Bosco, volo et concedo donum quod Ernaldus prædictus dedit in elemosinam Deo et beatæ Mariæ et abbati de Geroudona ad abbatiam faciendam, et additulatam ad abbatiam de Geroudona. Hoc donum verò quod Ernaldus de Bosco dedit, et quod ego concessi est Betlesdena; sicut enim ordini de Cistells prædictus Ernaldus Betelesdenam in bosco et in plano concessit et dedit, ita hanc concessionem volo et concedo. Quare firmiter præcipio quod istud bene et in pace, et honorificè teneat. T. Amicia comitissa, Roberto filio comitis Will. Burdet, &c.

NUM. VI.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First 'Fruits' Office.]

Dioc' Lincoln.

Com' Buck'

MONASTERIUM DE BYTTELESDEN.

Ubi Rr'cus GRENE est Abbas et Incumbens.

Valet in

Tempal' in

Com' Oxon'.

Boycotte.

Val' in firma man'ij ibm p annū . 11l. 0s. 0d.

Com' Buck'.

Dodford.

Valet in redd' et firmis ibm p annū 10s. 0s. 0d.

Gorehall.

Valet in firma graungie ibm p annū 5l. 13s. 4d.

Thornborough.

Valet in redd' terrarum et teñtoz ibm p annū 10l. 7s. 2d.

Barton.

Val' in firma cujusdam prati ibm p annū 1l. 6s. 8d.

Byttlesden.

Valet in redd' et firmis ibm p annū 1l. 7s. 0d.

Turveston.

Valet in redd' terrarum ibm p annū 1l. 12s. 0½d.

Waterstratford.

Valet in firma unius prati ibm p annū 0l. 10s. 0d.

Mooreton cū Boreton.

Valet in redd' et firmis ibm p annū 1s. 0s. 0d.

Evershawe.

Valet in redd' et firmis ibm p annū 3l. 3s. 4d.
34l. 19s. 6½d.

Civitate London'.

Valet in redd' unius teñti p annū 2l. 2s. 0d.

Com' North'mpt'.

Carwelton.

Valet in firma man'ij ibm p annū 16l. 0s. 0d.

Wedon Pynkeney.

Valet in redd' unius teñti ibm p annū 0l. 12s. 0d.

Whitefeld.			
Valet in redd' et firmis iſm p annū	3l.	3s.	4d.
Pva Houghton.			
Valet in redd' et firmis iſm p annū	5l.	10s.	10d.
Helmenden abbis et Stoklyngis.			
Val' in redd' et firmis iſm p annū	8l.	7s.	4d.
Blakemanes.			
Val' in redd' duorum clausorum iſm p annū	1l.	10s.	0d.
Syresh ^a me.			
Val' in redd' terrarum et teñtoz iſm p annū	6l.	7s.	2d.
Bechingstokying.			
Val' in redd' unius clausi iſm p annū	1l.	10s.	0d.
Westurnehill.			
Val' in redd' et firmis iſm p annū	1l.	10s.	0d.
Preston Capis.			
Val' in redd' et firmis iſm p annū	7l.	14s.	2d.
Turveston.			
Valet in certo quieto redd' iſm p annū	0l.	0s.	0½d.
Wedon Pynkeney.			
Val' in redd' et firmis iſm p annū	0l.	9s.	9d.
	52l.	14s.	8½d.
Terr' Dñic' ppe monasteriū p̄dčm adiacen' in man' incum- ben' reman' p'us non arrentat'.			
Q' valent cōibz annis	19l.	0s.	0d.
Vendičōibz Boscoz dñiorum p̄dčorum.			
Qui valent cōibz annis	8l.	7s.	0d.
P'prijs decimis terrarum dñicaliū p̄dict'.			
Que valent cōibus ann'	1l.	18s.	0d.
S̄m ^a to' omī' tempaliū p̄dict' p annū	130l.	1s.	3d.
Sp'ual' in Com' North'. Rectoria de Lees Wedon.			
Q' val' ad firmam p annū	13l.	6s.	8d.
Ecclia de Pva Houghton.			
Q' valet in quadam pencone exeunt' iſm p annū	1l.	6s.	8d.
	14l.	13s.	4d.
Com' Glouc' Rectoria de Ebryngton.			
Q' valet cōmunibus annis	17l.	6s.	8d.
S̄m ^a to ^{lis} omī' sp'ualiu p̄dict' p annū	32l.	0s.	0d.
S̄m ^a toſlis valoris t ^m tepmaliu q ^m sp'ualiu sup ^a dict' monasterio p̄dčō ptinent' p annū	162l.	1s.	3d.
D' quibz in Rep's' de et ex ^a possession' monasterii p̄dc'i ann ^u exeunt' scil't.			
Sp'ual'. Resolučōn' Redd' scil't'.			
Domino regi p terr' in Dodford p annu	0l.	6s.	10d.
Eidm domino regi p terr' in Thorneborough p annū	0l.	16s.	0d.
Et in reddu resolutu abbi monasterij Westm' p certis terr' in Turveston p annū			
Dčō domino regi p certis terr' et pastur' in Eŷshawe pcell' terr' dñic' in man' abbis iſm rem' p annū	0l.	12s.	0d.
Et in reddu resolutu abbi Westm' p quiet' redd' p dict' terr' dñic' p annū	3l.	16s.	8d.
Et in reddu resolutu p̄dčō dno regi p terr' in White- feld p annū	0l.	0s.	2d.

Et in reddu resolutu domino Souche p motio in Hough- ton voc' Clyffordes Mill p annū	2l.	13s.	4d.
Et in reddu resol' abbi Leicestr' p certis terr' in Sire- shame p annū	0l.	6s.	8d.
Et in consili redd' resolut' Willmo Dormer p terr' iſm p annū	0l.	0s.	6d.
Et in reddu resolutu domino regi p certis terr' in Be- chingstokyinge p annū	0l.	14s.	0d.
	9l.	13s.	6d.

Feod' Officiar'.

Et in feod' Riči Crumwell auditoris monaster' p̄dči p annū	2l.	0s.	0d.
Et in feodo Rogeri Wigeston capitlis senescalli ejusdem monasterij p annū	2l.	0s.	0d.
Et in feodo Rogeri Benett ballivi et collector' redd' terr' et possessionū p̄dict' p annū	2l.	0s.	0d.
Et in feod' Robti Gryffyn ballivi de Halmenden abbis et Stokelyng p annū	0l.	6s.	8d.
	6l.	6s.	8d.
	16l.	0s.	2d.

Sp'ual.

P'cur' et sinod' sol'.

Archidiacono com' Northampton p rectoria de Lees Wedon p annū	0l.	10s.	7½d.
Et in denarijs sol' archi comitatus Glous' p rectoria de Ebryngton p annū	0l.	4s.	6d.
	0l.	15s.	1½d.

Annual' Penčōn'.

Et in an ^{li} pens' sol' cuid ^m capellano ad celebrand' p aiabz Johis Bretasche Hugon' Dunstare et Alicie ux' ejus Riči Staunton et success' suoꝝ infra capell' S̄ti Egedij vocat' Lytell Cote in com' Buck'	4l.	0s.	0d.
Et in annuali penčōne sol' M̄ro Morgan exeunt' de rectoria de Lees Wedon p annū	0l.	3s.	4d.
Et in annuali penčōne sol' Ēpo Wigornie exeunt' de rectoria de Ebryngton p annū	0l.	13s.	4d.
Et in annuali penčōne sol' archi com' Glous' exeunt' de rectoria de Ebryngton p̄dča p annū	0l.	8s.	4d.
Et in annuali solučōne priori Wigorn' p rectoria p̄dča p annū	0l.	13s.	4d.
Et in annuali penčōne sol' priorisse S̄te Margarete de Ivyngghoo in com' Buck' p annū	2l.	0s.	0d.
Et in annuali penčōne sol' vicario de Ebryngton in com' Glous' p annū	6l.	0s.	0d.
	13l.	18s.	4d.

Elemosina distributa p'aia.

Arnold' de Bosco fundatoris hujus monaster' tem̄qe quadragesimal' p annū	6l.	0s.	0d.
Robti Corbett militis diŷs' pauperibz p annū	0l.	3s.	4d.
	6l.	3s.	4d.

20l. 16s. 9¾d.

S̄ma tot' omī' rep's' sup ^a dcoz t ^m tempaliū q ^m sp'ualiu p annū	36l.	16s.	11¾d.
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Et sic val' clare p annū	125l.	4s.	3¼d.
Inde p x ^{ma} pte dno regi debit'	12l.	10s.	5¼d.

NUM. VII.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE BYTLESDEN.

Com' Buck'	£.	s.	d.
Bytlesden—Reddit' et firmæ	4	13	8
Bytlesden—Firma terrarum do- minical'	29	7	0
Boycote—Firma manerij	11	0	0
Dodforde—Firma manerij	10	0	0
Gorall—Firma manerij	5	13	4
Charwelton—Firma manerij	16	0	0

	£	s.	d.
Wedon et Pynkney—Terr' et x ^{mæ}	4	10	1
Thorneborow—Terr' et teñta .	10	7	2
Com' Northton'			
Whytefelde—Mes' et ter' . . .	3	3	4
Houghton Parva—Reddit' et firmæ	5	10	10
Helmenden et Abbottstockyng—			
Liber' et custum' reddit' et terr'	4	7	3
Helmenden et Abbottstockyng—			
Firma terr'	4	9	10
Ashwell—Terr'	1	10	0
Syresham—Mesuag' et terr' . .	6	10	2
Syresham—Claus' vocat' Bychy-			
nall	1	10	0
Westernhills—Firma terr' . .	1	10	0

	£	s.	d.
Preston super montem—Maner'			
mesuag' et terr'	7	19	10
Turveston—Diversa teñta . . .	1	12	0 ob.
Waterstratford—Terr' et prat' .	1	10	0
Evershawe—Diversa teñta . . .	2	10	0
Bartonmede—Prat'	0	0	1
London—Reddit'	0	0	1
Com' Glouc'			
Ebryngton—Firma rector' . . .	21	0	0
Com' Northt'			
Pynkney—Terr' prat' pasc' et			
pastur'	3	6	8
Pynkney—Firma x ^{marum}	6	0	0
Pynkney—Placit' et perquis' cur'	0	0	3

Wardon Abbey, in Bedfordshire.



WARDON, or De Sartis, abbey was founded in 1135 by Walter de Espec, by whom it was dedicated to the blessed Virgin Mary, and furnished with monks from the abbey of Rievaulx. It was named De Sartis from “*de essartis*,” or “*assartis*,” as built in a place which had once been a wood, but which was afterwards grubbed up and cleared. The Annals of Norwich quoted by Dugdale in the head-title of the Appendix

to the present Account make this abbey to have been founded in 1136; and Leland, twice in his Collectanea, puts it in 1138; ^a but King Stephen, when confirming the foundation, expressly dates his charter in the first year of his reign, A.D. 1135. ^b Another charter of confirmation from King Richard the First names the different lands with which it was endowed. These instruments are given in the old edition of Dugdale: a few others are added in the present edition which are not of minor consequence.

In the year 1217 Fulk de Brent, a powerful baron,

whose enormous outrages seem to have rendered him the terror of the country, treated the monks of this convent with much cruelty on account of a dispute about a wood, and carried thirty of them prisoners to Bedford Castle. Yet such was the ascendancy of the church at that period, that he, who set the civil power at defiance, was glad to make his peace by submitting to receive manual discipline from the monks in the chapter-house at Wardon, at the same time confirming to them the wood about which the dispute had arisen, and promising them his protection ever after. ^c

In 1252, when Henry the Third, to improve his revenue, granted so many charters of free-warren, the abbat and convent of Wardon purchased one for their surrounding lands, to prevent the waste and depredations which certain of their greater neighbours committed upon them. Matthew Paris has chronicled the persecution they sustained on this occasion from William de Beauchamp, as well as the conversation which, in 1256, the king himself held with the abbat. ^d The lands and tenements for which William de Beauchamp continued to exact services, not only from the abbat, but from his tenants, in 1257, are enumerated in an article in the Appendix. ^e

The temporal possessions of the abbey of Wardon, as they were entered in the rolls of Pope Nicholas's Taxation, A.D. 1291, will be found enumerated in the note below. ^f

* Appendix, Num. XI.			
^f “ Lond. Temp.	£.	s.	d.
Abb. de Wardon in parochia S. Joh. Zakar. . .	0	13	4
Linc. Temp.			
In Bereford de redd.	0	6	8
In Ravenesdon et in Bidenham, in terris, redd. pratis, eur.	6	8	0
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	2	19	2
In Middleton in terris, pratis, mol. ad pitanc. . .	2	6	8
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et apum	1	0	6
In Maldon in terris, redd. et pratis	1	12	9
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	0	15	9
In Hamethul in terris, redd. mol. et cur. . . .	4	6	4
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	4	2	0
In Aspele de redd. ad pitanc. monachorum . .	0	10	0
In Goldington, et in grang. de Potenhewe, in terris, redd. silvis eeduis, mol. et cur.	9	6	10
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	6	19	6
In grang. de Risingho in terris, redd. mol. et pratis ad pitanc.	6	8	1
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	2	4	6
In Coupol et Cotes in terris	2	6	8
In Bedeford de terris et redd.	6	0	0
Abb. habet ibidem	5	0	0
In Wardon grang. quod vocatur Ronney, et ibidem in terris, &c.	19	2	6
Ibidem de redd. ad pitanc.	1	8	4
In fruct. greg. et animal.	15	4	4
In grang. de Parco in terris, pratis, redd. curt. et pannag.	12	2	6
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal	6	10	4
In mol. de Hulmo in terris, redd. et pratis . .	3	5	4
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	3	1	2
In Caldecote in terris, redd. pratis, et cur. . .	3	12	7

^a Lcl. Collect. tom. i. p. 56; tom. iii. p. 73.
^b See the Append.
^c Chron. Dunstap. Lysons's Magna Brit. Bedf. p. 148.
^d A.D. 1252. “Eodemque anno rex comperiens quod discordiæ magnatum ortæ propter warennas eorum, thesauro suo per forisfacturas, in quas ineiderunt, præbuerunt, licet turpiter, incrementum, fecit acclamari voce præconia in locis publicis, scilicet marcatis; quod qui Warrennam habere desideraret, loqueretur inde cum eo, et data pecunia, benignè exaudiretur. Quod et aliqui fecerunt, et sic deperiit jus multorum, per antiquas chartas eis concessum, confirmatum, et usitatum. Unde abbas et conventus de Waredona, credentes sibi prodesse si warrennam haberent, quia nobilium ministri conterminorum sepes eorum dilacerabant, et agros eorum seminatos percurrentes et omnia coneul-eantes, fratres eorum cultores et eustodes verberibus et verbis contumeliosis affecerunt, a rege data pecunia warennam impetrarunt. Willielmus autem de Bello Campo, videns in hoc sibi derogatum esse; pecudes cepit et affixit eorundem, et fratres eorum eustodes trueidavit, vulneravit, et multipliciter damnificavit.” Mat. Par. edit. 1684, pp. 740, 741.
^e A.D. 1256. “Erat autem tunc temporis quidam miles dives, Willielmus de Bello Campo dietus, uxorem habens nomine Ydam, genere nobilem sed moribus degenerem nimis et ignobilem. Quæ circumdegentium religiosorum et religiosarum perseutrix fuerat indefessa. Hæc igitur naeta jam nocendi abbati de Wared. de regis ira opportunitate, more fœminco nocere machinans, gravem movit contra dictum abbatem in regis euria quæstionem; seiens quod rex ipsum justè vel injustè, quia iratus, damnificaret. Et eum ex causa pusilla, vel nulla, in misericordiam regis eecidisset, et necesse haberet abbas a rege ipso, quia alias rex vias præcluserat, misericordiam humiliter postulare, rex torvo vultu jurando horribiliter respondit, ‘Qua fronte, abbas, misericordiam postulas? Qui nuper mihi indigenti misericordiam eum tuis co-abbatibus denegasti.’ Et damnificavit eum rex in multæ pecuniæ, ad arbitrium et persequentium voluntatem, effusione.”—“Similiter et alii Cisterciensis ordinis abbates, damna et injurias subire multipliciter compelluntur.” Ibid. p. 794.

ABBATS of WARDON.

SIMON occurs abbat in a composition respecting the church of Sugville.^a
ADAM, abbat of Wardon, was made bishop of Connor in 1242. Matthew Paris mentions him twice.^b
ALEXANDER, brother of Sibilla de Reynes, occurs abbat in 1259.^c
JOHN FRANCEYS occurs in 1452.
AUG. LONDON, in 1488 and 1509.
HENRY EMERY was the last abbat.^d

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the gross income of Wardon Abbey was rated at 442*l.* 11*s.* 11*d.* The net receipts at 389*l.* 16*s.* 6½*d.* It was surrendered by the abbat and fourteen monks, Dec. 4th, 1538.^e

The following works are noticed by Leland as in the library of Wardon Abbey:
“Gilberti abbatis Westmonast. Omeliæ XLVII.
Gaufridus Clarevallensis super Cantica.
Odo abbas super libros Moses.
Moralitates Nicolai Stanford super Genesim, Ley. doctiss. liber.
Lincolniensis de veneno, id est, de septem peccatis mortalibus.
Thomas Walensis super Exodum.
Idem super Leviticum.
Idem super Numer.
Idem super Deuter.
Idem super Josue.
Idem super Judic.

Linc. Temp.	£.	s.	d.
In Caldecote de redd. ad pitanc.	0	10	0
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	2	17	10
In grang. Abbatiz Gardini in terris ad pitane. monachorum	0	12	0
Ibidem de fruct. greg. et animal.	2	2	0
In grang. de Kokeswell, in terr. redd. ad pitanc. monach.	0	14	5
In grang. de la Medewe in terr. redd. et pratis	2	9	4
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	0	4	0
Idem habet de la Wodehalle in terris, redd. pratis	2	4	3
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	0	5	6
In Enelowe in terr. pratis, ad pitanc. monachorum	3	0	0
In Essewell in terris	0	0	9
In Henxewrth de redd.	0	0	5
In Russeden in terris et subboseo	1	19	8¼
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	1	5	0
In Eynesbur. de redd.	0	10	2
In Hemyngford Prior. ad pitane. de redd.	0	4	0
In Suho de redd.	0	7	6
In Middeho in terris, redd. columb. silvis eeduis	5	5	2
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	3	5	0
In Eketon in terris, redd. mol. ad pitane. monachorum	2	16	11
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	0	16	8
In West Wardon in redd.	1	16	8
Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal.	2	15	8
Norwic. Temp.			
De redd. in Lenn	8	0	0
De redd. in Tostes	0	2	0
De terr. redd. &c. in Wyannford	13	13	0
De redd. in Ixewrthe	0	1	0
De redd. in Hovewetone de redd.	0	0	5
De prat. in Bradeley Magna	0	1	6
Elyens. Temp.			
In Wynepol.	0	2	2
In Sehepeye	0	12	0
In Stepelmordon	1	10	0
In Gildenmordon	23	9	4
In Swapham Monilium	9	4	0
In Brunkele	1	5	0
In Ravenesholte	6	1	0
In Burwedene	1	0	10
In Dullingham	1	18	0
In Wilburgham	7	6	8
In Cantabr.	1	0	0
In Gamelingeye	0	2	1
In Burgo	7	0	6
In Linton	1	0	0

Of these last entries in the diocese of Ely it is said, “Decima istorum temporalium exigi debent de tenentibus eorundem, et non de abbate de Wardon per proecessum inde habitum termino sancti Hillarii anno 13 regis Ricardi secundi post Conquestum in quodam proecessu tangent, eundem abbatem et alios.” Compare the Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 13, 48, 48 b, 49, 49 b, 50, 51, 51 b, 52, 54, 55 b, 96 b, 98 b, 130, 131, 132 b, 269.
^a Chartul. de Wardon, pen. B. H. Bright, arm. fol. 3.

Idem super Ruth.
Idem super Esaïam.
Lisbonense consilium habitum tempore Philippi regis et Gulielmi Normanni.
Quæstiones Albini super Genesim ad Sigulphum presbyterum.
Ricardi monachi Cantuar. liber, cui titulus, “Unde malum,” tractans de quibusdam quæstionibus, quæ naturalem et moralem Philosophiam spectant, carmine elegiaco scriptus.
Godefridi prioris S. Suithuni Wintoniensis Disticha moralia.
Ejusdem Tetrasticha moralia.
Ejusdem Hexasticha moralia.
Ejusdem Octosticha moralia.”^f

A fragment of a REGISTER of WARDON ABBEY is preserved in the Harleian Manuscript 4765. It formerly belonged to Peter Le Neve, Norroy. It relates to the lands of the monks exempt from tithes at Edenham, in the diocese of Lincoln, Burgh, in Cambridgeshire, now called Burrow Green, Ravensholt, Boughden, Duffenfeld, and Le Wodfeld. Bound with which is the Harleian Manuscript 4766, and rental of the lands of the abbey at Newton S. Crucis, Dene Priour, Scheagh, Priorton, Thryschelton, Waterfall, Tamerton, Martynstow, and their granges; taken in the 9th Hen. IV.
A fragment of another Register of Wardon Abbey, written upon 110 leaves of vellum, in the possession of Benjamin Heywood Bright, Esq. chiefly of the 13th century, has been kindly lent to the Editors of the Monasticon.^g

- ^b A.D. 1242. “Adam abbas de Wareduna confirmatus in episcopum Cunerensem. Qui episcopatus est in Hybernia, subiacens metropolitanae diœcesi archiepiscopi Armaehani.” Mat. Par. edit. 1684 p. 527.
- A.D. 1244. “Septimo idus Novembris obiit episcopus Cunerensis A. apud Wareduna, ubi aliquando abbas exstiterat.” Ibid. p. 571.
- ^c Chartul. pen. B. H. Bright, Esq. fol. 78.
- ^d MS. Cole, Brit. Mus. vol. xxvi. fol. 169 b.
- ^e Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 4.
- ^f Lel. Collect. tom. iii. pp. 12, 13.
- ^g The following are the more important charters contained in it:
 1. Cartæ vacatæ per alienationem, fol. 1
 2. De prato de Egworth, fol. 3.
 3. Compositio de ecclesia de Sugville, ibid.
 4. De seutagio dominis de Bedeford dato, fol. 4.
 5. Privilegium Innocentii Papæ, fol. 5.
 6. Privilegium Eugenii Papæ, fol. 5 b.
 7. Privilegium Adriani, fol. 6 b.
 8. Alexandri Papæ scriptum de non respondendo, fol. 7.
 9. Alexandri Papæ scriptum contra malefactores, ibid.
 10. Alexandri Papæ scriptum de violenta manuum injectione, fol. 7 b.
 11. Alexandri Papæ scriptum de malefactoribus, fol. 8.
 12. Alexandri Papæ scriptum de novis abbatibus, ibid.
 13. Alexandri Papæ scriptum de peregrinis suscipiendis, fol. 8 b.
 14. Alexandri Papæ scriptum de pedagio, ibid.
 15. Compositio inter Priorem et Canonicos de Dunestable et abbatem et monachos de Wardon de decimis in Flutewith, A.D. 1207, fol. 28 b.
 16. Compositio de Wavendon, fol. 30 b.
 - *17. Carta Johannis de Engayne, 28 Edw. III. fol. 38 b.
 18. Compositio de Newenham, A.D. 1199. fol. 40 b.
 19. Memoranda de manerio de Stepynge, fol. 53.
 20. De grangia de Myddylho, foll. 54, 54 b, 55, 55 b, 56.
 21. Grangia de Westwardon, foll. 56 b, 57, 57 b, 58, 58 b, 59.
 22. De terris in Farendon juxta West Wardon, foll. 59 b, 60.
 23. Specialis relaxatio Willielmi de Bellocampo de ten. in Sondeye, Stanforde, Caldecote, Stacheden, et Dylewick, fol. 64.
 24. Conventio inter Abbatem de Wardon et Willielmum de Bellocampo, A.D. 1240, fol. 70 b.
 25. Specialis relaxatio Willielmi de Bellocampo de Bed. fol. 72.
 26. Confirmatio domini Johannis de Mowbray de euria de Hawyns, fol. 72 b.
 27. Specialis relaxatio Rogeri de Queney comitis Wyntoniz de sectis non faciendis ad francipleg. de Eynesbury, fol. 73.
 28. Carta domini Reginaldi de Grey de manerio de Henlowe, fol. 79.
 29. Cartæ aliæ de manerio de Henlowe, foll. 79 b, 80, 80 b.
 - *30. Donatio molendinorum de Caldecote, fol. 81.
 - *31. Donatio sive concessio terræ in London super quam scituatur hospitium nostrum ibidem, fol. 82 b.
 - *32. Carta de donatione fratrum infirmorum hospitalis S. Egidii London, fol. 83.
 - *33. Donatio Alani dapiferi domus Regis Seotiz de quatuor solidis annuatim percipiendis de Monasterio de Malros in Seotia, fol. 91.
 - *34. Tenementa de quibus exigit servitium Willielmo de Bello Campo de Abbate de Wardona et suis tenentibus, anno Domini mclviij. fol. 96 b.
 35. Scripta de Kyngysmede, fol. 105.

Tanner says,

"*Vide* cartam Roberti de Brus, in qua dedit monachis de Wardona terram de Sterth in com. Huntingdon, MS. bibl. Cotton. Nero C. III. 54.

"Registr. Honor. de Richmond, Ap. p. 53. de tribus acris terræ in Oxcroft, et de ii. hidis et l. acris terræ in burgo Cantab.

"Cart. Hen. II. antiq. T. n. 33. Cart. R. Joannis de grangia de Middlehow Hunt. antiq. G. n. 24. Antiq. Y. n. 4.

"Fin. Northton. 8 Joannis n. . pro pastura cc. ovium in villa de Wardon concessa per Wischardum Lendet et uxorem. Cart. 8 Joannis, n. 16. pro grangia de Middlehow et assartis bosci de Perry. Fin. com. ignot. 14 Joannis n. 62, de ten. in Sugemele.

"Fin. Northton. 7 Hen. III. pro xxx. acris terræ et com. past. in West-Wardon. Fin. div. com. 18 Hen. III. n. 37. Fin. Suff. 24 Hen. III. n. 46. de com. past. in Livermere. Cart. 28 Hen. III. m. 2. pro terris in Meperteshall. Cart. 36 Hen. III. m. 15. Plac. coram R. 37 Hen. III. rot. 11. dorso, pro libert. in Stackesden, Dylleswyk, &c. Fin. com. ignot. 40 Hen. III. n. 31, et 35. de chacea in Putenho, Ruenhay, &c.

"Pat. 2 Edw. I. m. 3. dorso, de ten. in Hendlawe. Plac. foris. apud Hertford 6 Edw. I. rot. 34. pro alloc. libertatum conc. per R. Ricardum. Plac. in com. Bedford, 15 Edw. I. assis. rot. 19 d, de reparatione dimid. portis de Skeyford per abbatem. Plac. apud Cantebr. 27 Edw. I. quo warranto pro libert. in Burgh, Calden, &c.

"Pat. 15 Edw. II. p. 3, m. . Claus. 17 Edw. II. m. 28. pro maner. de Ronhale et Melbroke cum ten. in Amethale, Stepinglegh, Prestlegh, et Fletwyke.

"Plac. in com. Bedford, 4 Edw. III. quo warr. rot. 10. 19. Pat. 15 Edw. III. p. 3. m. . . Pat. 17 Edw. III. p. 2. m. . pro med. man. ibid. Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 2. m. .

"Esch. Bedford vel Hunt. 30 Edw. III. n. . . de bosco de Middlehow. Pat. 34 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 8. Pat. 35 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 10. pro medietate manerii de Wardon. Pat. 43 Edw. III. p. 2. m. 10. pro manerio de Gatelinesbury in South Gevel. Pat. 48 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 16. de ten. in East-Deping, Brunne, et Skeldingho. Pat. 49 Edw.

The instruments of smaller concern relate chiefly to lands, rents, &c. in

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| 36. Aftwyk, fol. 65. | 59. Dylewik, fol. 107. |
| 37. Arnyngton, fol. 52 b. | 60. Edulvesbury, fol. 95 b. |
| 38. Aspeley, foll. 39, 39 b. | 61. Eketone, fol. 98 b. |
| 39. Bedeford, foll. 41 b, 93. | 62. Estwic, fol. 65. |
| 40. Blunham, foll. 69 b, 70, 93. | 63. Eydon, foll. 35, 35 b, 36 b, 37, 38. |
| 41. Bradfeld, foll. 23, 23 b, 24 b, 25, 26, 30. | 64. Eynesbury, fol. 56. |
| 42. Broma, foll. 11, 11 b, 14, 14 b, 15, 17, 18. | 65. Eywortlie, fol. 25. |
| 43. Bure, fol. 52. | 66. Faryndon juxta West Wardon, fol. 36. |
| 44. Burnard, fol. 103 b. | 67. Geyton, fol. 73 b. |
| 45. Burweden, fol. 99. | 68. Gikewell, foll. 82, 82 b, 84, 84 b, 85, 87. |
| 46. Bydenham. Plac. de Kyngsmede in Bydenham, A.D. 1279, fol. 276. | 69. Goldyngton, foll. 42 b, 43, 43 b, 44, 44 b, 45, 45 b, 46 b, 47, 47 b, 48, 48 b, 49, 49 b, 50 b, 97, 101, 102 b. |
| 47. Caldecote, foll. 81, 81 b, 97, 98 b, 101, 101 b. | 70. Gretheford, fol. 89. |
| 48. Chikesand, fol. 13. | 71. Hawnys, fol. 13. |
| 49. Clifton, foll. 15, 16 b, 17, 18 b, 61, 61 b, 62, 62 b, 75, 75 b, 76, 77, 77 b, 78, 79. | 72. Henlawe, fol. 17 b. |
| 50. Clopham, foll. 40, 42. | 73. Henlowe, fol. 51 b. |
| 51. Cokyswell, foll. 63, 63 b, 64, 95. | 74. Hextewrth, foll. 19 b, 20, 20 b. |
| 52. Coleswode, fol. 82. | 75. Hergodeston juxta London, fol. 90 b. |
| 53. Cowphull, foll. 83 b, 84, 86, 86 b, 90 b, 93 b, 95 b, 96. | 76. Hicchyn, foll. 92, 92 b. |
| 54. Crawden, com. Cantabr. foll. 74, 74 b, 75. | 77. Ho, fol. 101. |
| 55. Croxton, fol. 91 b. | 78. Holm, fol. 13 b. |
| 56. Culworthe, fol. 60 b. | 79. Holma, foll. 94, 97. |
| 57. Dulingham, foll. 66 b, 67, 67 b. | 80. Holme, fol. 86 b. |
| 58. Dunton, fol. 25 b. | 81. Howton, fol. 13. |
| | 82. Hulle in parochia de Wardon, fol. 93. |

III p. 2, m. . de terris in Nether-Winchington co. Bucks. Pat. 50 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 13 vel 14.

"Pat. 1 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 21. de ten. in Nether-Winchenden. Pat. 10 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 23, pro man. de Beston com. Bedf. accepto in excambio pro grangiis de Ravensholt et Bouden Cantabr.

"Pat. 10 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 2, pro ten. in Goldington.

"Rec. in Sc. 12 Hen. VI. Hill. rot. 5, pro man. de Glastonbury, Rowney, &c. Pat. 36 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 7 vel 8.

"Rec. in Scacc. 21 Hen. VIII. Trin. rot. 30."

Compare also Rot. Hundred. tom. i. pp. 2, 4, 414, 429, 543; tom. ii. pp. 15, 151, 152, 196, 325, 326, 327, 381, 417, 419, 561, 582, 669, 676, 679, 686.

Abbrev. Placit. pp. 23, 24, 25, 29, 32, 52, 130, 140, 141, 208, 216, 244, 273, 349.

Plac. de quo war. pp. 13, 31, 45, 99, 277, 278.

Cal. Inquisit. ad quod Damnum, pp. 275, 359.

Calend. Rot. Orig. tom. i. p. 6. tom. ii. p. 183.

The COMMON SEAL was circular, and very elegant; the subject of it represented the Blessed Virgin crowned, holding in her right hand the Child, in her left, a stalk with flowers: she is seated under a highly ornamented canopy, and in niches on each side of her, are figures praying to her, the whole interior profusely ornamented with tabernacle work. Legend. s. COMVNE. ABBATIS. ET. COVENTVS. DE. WARDONA. There is a Counter Seal bearing the *abbatial* ARMS, namely, a demi crosier between three warden pears in a shield, surrounded with these words, *spes. mea. in. deo. est.*^a The impression on this seal is on red wax; it is appendant to the Surrender in the Augmentation Office, dated 4th Dec. 29th Hen. VIII.

In 1669 Wardon abbey was the seat of Sir Ralph Bovey. The small remains which are now to be seen of the conventual buildings are of brick of no great antiquity. A considerable part of what is represented in Buck's view was taken down about the year 1790. The site, about two miles from the parish church of Wardon, is the property of William Whitbread, Esq. M.P.

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| 83. Kokeswelle, fol. 95. | 106. Sandon, fol. 25. |
| 84. Kyngesmede, fol. 22 b. | 107. Sondeye, foll. 63, 63 b, 64, 69 b, 94 b. |
| 85. Lakeford, com. Suff. fol. 102 b. | 108. Stacheden, foll. 99, 103, 107 b, 108, 109, 110. |
| 86. Langeford, fol. 77. | 109. Stanford, foll. 15, 17, 18 b, 19, 98, 99 b, 100 b, 101 b, 102, 102 b, 103 b, 104, 104 b. |
| 87. Livermere, foll. 65, 65 b, 66, 68, 102 b. | 110. Stoke, fol. 42 b. |
| 88. Lymboteshey, foll. 28, 28 b, 29, 29 b, 31. | 111. Com. Suff. fol. 102 b. |
| 89. Maldon, fol. 27. | 112. Suthgyvel, foll. 97, 97 b, 98, 98 b, 99 b, 100, 101 b, 102, 103, 103 b, 104, 104 b. |
| 90. Medegrange, foll. 25 b, 26 b, 28. | 113. Suthzmele, foll. 9, 9 b, 10, 10 b, 11 b, 12, 12 b, 14, 14 b, 15 b, 16, 17, 18. |
| 91. Middilho, foll. 21, 21 b, 22, 26 b. | 114. Tolwyk, fol. 27. |
| 92. Middilton, foll. 40 b, 42. | 115. De bosco de Trocleie, foll. 26 b, 96. |
| 93. Mogerhanger, fol. 106. | 116. Wamford juxta Livermere, fol. 68. |
| 94. Mulebrok, fol. 100. | 117. Wardon, foll. 83, 86, 87 b, 88, 88 b, 97, 98 b, 99 b, 100 b, 101 b, 103. |
| 95. Mulnho, fol. 28. | 118. West Wardon, foll. 31, 31 b, 33 b, 34, 34 b, 35, 36 b, 37, 37 b. |
| 96. Villa Sancti Neothi, fol. 56. | 119. Wavyngdon, fol. 31 b. |
| 97. Northmylnys juxta Henlawe, fol. 15 b. | 120. Westle, fol. 52. |
| 98. Norwyc. civitas, fol. 90. | 121. Wodeford juxta West Wardon, fol. 36. |
| 99. Odeseye, fol. 23. | 122. Wratinge, foll. 68 b, 69. |
| 100. Puttonho, foll. 40, 41 b, 42 b, 44, 44 b, 45, 45 b, 46, 46 b, 47. | |
| 101. Ravenysden, foll. 48 b, 49, 50, 50 b, 51, 94 b. | |
| 102. Rouhale, fol. 50. | |
| 103. Rounhey, foll. 10, 10 b, 11 b, 12, 12 b, 16, 18, 18 b, 19. | |
| 104. Russendene, foll. 24, 24 b. | |
| 105. Sandeye, foll. 89, 89 b, 95. | |

^a The ARMS without the demi-crosier, as they are preserved by Tanner, have been given in the initial letter to the present account. The Warden pears were otherwise called *Abbats' pears*.

Cartae ad Wardonensem Abbatiam in agro Bedfordensi spectantes: fundatam Anno Mccxxvj.

NUM. I.

Confirmatio Foundationis per Regem Stephanum.

[Cart. 14 Edw. I. n. 12. per Inspex.]

STEPHANUS rex Angliæ archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Scitote me concessisse, Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Essartis, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, qui de abbacia Rievallis exierunt, ut ibi abbatiam faciant, totam essartam de Wardona, et de Sudgivela, et totum illud boscum de illis duabus villis, per illas divisas, et metas, quas Walterus Espec, qui hæc eis donavit, illis fecit, et statuit, et sicut carta sua confirmavit. Et præter hoc concedo eis omnia aisia-menta sua in omnibus boscis ipsius Walteri, scilicet, materiem et ligna ad proprios usus suos, et pannagium, et herbagia, et pascua, quæ ab omni consuetudine, sicut Walterus quietiùs habuit ad suum opus proprium. Quare volo, &c. Testibus, Turstino archiepiscopo Eborum, et Alexandro episcopo Lincolnæ, &c. et R. de Ver, et R. de Curci, et Willielmo Marc. et Hugone Bigoto, Waltero Espec, et Gaufrido de Trailli, et aliis omnibus nepotibus, et hæredibus Walteri tunc viventibus, apud Eboracum. Anno incarnationis dominicæ millesimo centesimo tricesimo quinto et regni mei primo in Christo perfecto fæliciter.

NUM. II.

Confirmatio Donationum per Regem Ricardum primum.

[Ibid.]

RICARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dux Normanniæ, Aquitanniæ, comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse et præsentica nostra confirmasse in puram et perpetuam elemosinam abbatiæ de Wardona, et monachis ibidem Deo secundum ordinem Cisterc. servientibus, inprimis locum ipsum in quo abbacia fundata est, cum omnibus pertinentiis, grangiam quoque de Rueye, grangiam de Parco, grangiam de Putho, cum tota terra quæ dicitur Rode, in Middelton, grangiam in Middelho, cum tota cultura quæ dicitur Ravenesho quæ jacet pro centum acris per perticam regis, grangiam quoque de Ranihale, et grangiam de Molebroke cum tota terra quam habent in Prestelia, grangiam de Lundboldesheye, grangiam de Westwardon, grangiam de Odeseth cum tota terra quam habent in Duntone, grangiam quoque de Bradefeld cum Fildenewoda, grangiam de Burnedene cum tota terra quam habent in Berwham, grangiam de Linermere, et totam terram quam habent in Stainford et in Suginel, et in Chicksaund, cum omnibus pertinentiis supradictarum grangiarum. Et omnia alia tenementa et possessiones et libertates suas sicut rationabiles cartæ antecessorum nostrorum vel aliorum donatorum, venditorum, escambitorum, vel cirographa testantur. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum magistri Rocelini tunc agentis vices cancellarii nostri, apud Rupem Andel. xi. die Novembris, anno regni nostri x.

NUM. III.

[Chartul. de Wardon pen. B. H. Bright arm. an. 1822. fol. 4.]

HÆ sunt terræ de quibus solemus dare scutagium dominis de Bedef' scilicet de quatuor hidis in Putenham, et de una hida in Prestele, et de hida Hugonis Mauduit, et de j. virgata quæ fuit Matildis de la Bome, et uno quarterio, et de dimidia virgata in Coupol, et de dimidia virgata in Raunenesden quæ fuit Alexandri Ruffi.

NUM. IV.

Donatio de Bradefeld.

[Ibid. fol. 23.]

Ego Theobaldus dedi et concessi Deo et Sanctæ Mariæ

de Sartis et monachis de ordine Cisterciensi ibidem Deo famulantibus in elemosinam xxx. acras terræ in Bradefeld in perpetuum solas et quietas ab omni servitio et omni seculari exactione, hanc autem donationem feci concessione Willielmi fratris mei. Et præter hoc concedo eisdem totum manerium de Bradefeld solum et quietum ab omni servitio in bosco et plano, in pratis et pasturis, à primo festo S. Michaelis in xj. ann. postquam Robertus de Caisnai episcopus fuit Lincoln. Hiis testibus, Henrico de Scalaria domino meo, Rogero Burnard, Elye de Sumeri, Willielmo fratre meo, Edwardo clerico.

NUM. V.

Donatio Malcolmi Regis Scotiæ de Terra sartata juxta Middilho de Paxtone.

[Ibid. fol. 26 b.]

M. REX Scotorum Dei gratia dapifero suo de Hunte-dune scira, necnon et probis hominibus suis tam futuris quam præsentibus salutem. Notum sit nobis omnibus me dedisse ecclesiæ de Wardona et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus terram de sartis de Pakestone quam sartaverunt, desicut Willielmus Burdet eis liberavit dapifer meus. Hujus rei testes sunt, Ernaldus episcopus Sancti Andreæ, Walter cancellarius, Willielmus Burdet dapifer, apud Strivelin.

NUM. VI.

Carta Johannis Engayne.

[Ibid. fol. 38 b.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos hoc præsens scriptum pervenerit Johannes Engayne miles et dominus de Dylington salutem in Domino sempiternam. Cum Rogerus de Bello Campo miles quondam dominus de Etone nobis et hæredibus nostris per cartam suam dederit et concesserit maneria sua de Eton et Saundeye cum toto dominio et omnibus pertinentiis ad eadem maneria spectantibus. Et cum religiosi viri abbas et conventus de Wardon de nobis teneant diversa tenementa in Stacheden, Dylewych, Suthgivele, et Stanforde, cum illis tenementis quæ fuerunt Jacobi de Pabenham in Stanforde, ut de dominio maneriorum prædictorum; noveritis nos pro nobis et hæredibus nostris intuitu caritatis et pro salute animæ nostræ et pro animabus antecessorum et successorum nostrorum concessisse prædictis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus quod ipsi habeant et teneant de nobis et hæredibus nostris omnia tenementa sua prædicta in Stachesden, Dylewyk, Suthzivell, et Stanford, cum illis tenementis quæ fuerunt Jacobi de Pabenham in Stanford ut prædictum est, ac etiam omnia alia tenementa quæ habent et tenent de feodo aut dominio nostro in aliis locis quibuscumque, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, quiete ab omni seculari servitio et demandis universis. Et nos prædicti Johannes et hæredes nostri prædictos abbates et conventum, et successores suos, de omnimodis serviciis quæ de prædictis quocumque modo exigi potuerunt contra omnes gentes acquietabimus et defendemus imperpetuum. In cujus rei testimonium præsentis scripto sigillum nostrum apposuimus. Hiis testibus, dominis Johanne Pycot et Johanne de Goiz militibus, Johanne Marchall de Wotton, Johanne de Rokysdon, Willielmo de Holcote, Johanne de Cryngelforde, Benedicto Blundell, et aliis. Dat. apud Wardon die Dominica in festo apostolorum Petri et Pauli, anno r. r. Edwardi tertii a Conquestu vicessimo octavo.

NUM. VII.

Donatio Molendinorum de Caldecote.

[Ibid. fol. 81.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri quod ego Ricardus molen-

dinarius de Kaldekote dedi et hac carta mea confirmavi Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Wardon ad portam abbatiae, in usus pauperum, molendina mea de Caldekote, cum terra, et prato quod habui in eadem villa eisdem molendinis pertinente, et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam ab omni genere servitii quantum ad me et hæredes meos pertinet, sicut liberum conquestum meum, salvo servitio dominorum meorum Huberti de Anesti et Johannis de Berkin de quibus præfati monachi tenebunt prædicta molendina cum terra et prato et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis, red-dentes eis annuatim, de firma, tres marcas argenti pro omni genere servitii, scilicet xx. solid. ad Annunciationem beatæ Mariæ, et xx. solid. ad festum sancti Michaelis. Et ego et hæredes mei warrantizabimus præfatis Monachis prædicta molendina cum terra et omnibus aliis pertinentiis contra omnes homines et feminas. Hiis testibus, Huberto de Anesti, Johanne de Berkin, Petro de Berkele, Wimund. Mantel, Willielmo de Wend'. Ranulfo de la Hulle, Ricardo de Brusci.

NUM. VIII.

Donatio Terræ in London. super quam situatur Hospitium Abbatis.

[Ibid. fol. 82 b.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego Radulphus Fleel et Matildis uxor mea concessimus monachis de Wardona terram nostram propinquiorem terræ monachorum de Woburna quæ ex australi parte ante frontem ecclesiæ sancti Martini Magni London. tenendam de nobis et de hæredibus nostris imperpetuum; reddendo nobis et hæredibus nostris annuatim v. sol. scilicet xxx. den. infra octavas Paschæ, et xxx. den. infra oct. Sancti Michaelis. Hanc concessionem fecimus eisdem Monachis pro amore Dei et pro salute animarum nostrarum. Hiis testibus Michaele de Valenci, Roberto de Woburna, Godwino Mercer, Radulpho Longo, Roberto de Godrunelaye.

NUM. IX.

Carta de donatione Fratrum infirmorum Hospitalis Sancti Egidii London.

[Ibid. fol. 83.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod fratres infirmi hospitalis sancti Egidii Lond. dimisimus et concessimus domui de Wardon quandam terram nostram in Godrunel tenendam de nobis et hæredibus nostris finabiliter in feudo et hereditate, reddendo nobis annuatini v. sol. pro omnibus servitiis ad duos terminos, scilicet ad Pascha xxx. den. et ad festum sancti Michaelis xxx. den. et pro hoc concessu dederunt nobis fratres de Wardona x. sol. et tonellum plenum cervisia in gersuma. Hiis testibus, Stephano de Creppagate, et Rad. fil. Adæ, qui habebant curam prædicti hospitalis quando hæc Conventio facta est. Item hiis testibus, Roberto le Brun, Godwino le Mercer, Alexandro fil. Godwini, Roberto de Weburna.

NUM. X.

Donatio quatuor Solidorum annuatim percipiendorum de Monasterio de Melros in Scotia.

[Ibid. fol. 91.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego Alanus dapifer domus regis Scotiæ dedi et præsentī carta confirmavi Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Wardona et monachis ibidem Deo famulantibus iiij^{or} sol. per annum; scilicet, ad Pentecostem pro salute animæ meæ et omnium carorum meorum in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Et sciendum est quod Conventus de Malros hos iiij^{or} sol. de redditu meo quem debet mihi de Magkelin reddet monachis de Wardona ad terminum prænominatum. Hanc elemosinam meam hæredes mei in perpetuum tenebant et warrantizabant. Hiis testibus, Hugone de Bello Campo, Willielmo de Ostrinkeham, Reginaldo de Baba, Milone de Stanford, Simone de Bello Campo, Henrico de Bello Campo.

NUM. XI.

Hæc sunt Tenementa de quibus exigit servitium Willielmus de Bello Campo de Abbate de Wardon et suis tenentibus, anno Domini m.cc.lviij^o.

[Ibid. fol. 96 b.]

In Coupol, septem virgatæ terræ, v. acræ, iij. rodæ. Et j. hida de Willielmo le Poer.
In Staunford, octodecim virgatæ tres acræ minus.
In Suthgifel, xx. virgatæ, ix. acr.
In Goldintun, x. virgatæ, xj. acræ, j. rod.
In Bereford, ij. virgat. xj. acr. et dimid.
In Ravenesden, viij. virgat. iij. acr.
In Prestele, ij. hid.
In Potenho, v. hid.
In Estwyk, ij. virgat.
In Stotfold, v. acr.
In Stacheden, v. hid.
In Rouhale, de terra Adæ præpositi ij. virgat.
In eadem Rouhale, v. hidæ.
In villa de Wardon, de terra Fulconis monachi j. hida.
In villa de Haunes, de terra Roberti Stroth' xl. sol. terræ.
In eadem villa de Haunes de terra Willielmi Flaumbart, ij. virgat.
In Kerdintun, vij^{xx}. acræ.
In Maldon, j. hida.

NUM. XII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits' Office.]

Dioc' Lincoln'.

Com' Bedford'.

MONASTERIUM DE WARDON.

Valet in

DECIMIS et aliis ad rectoriam de Old Wardon ptinen' 12l. 0s. 0d.

Tempalibz, videlt.

Puttenhoo cu' membr' 45l. 10s. 8d. Ravensden 14l. 19s. 1d. Bedford' 12l. 12s. 1d. Bidnah^m 12s. Goldyngton, Cardyngton et Rouhall 12l. 11s. 11d. Stacheden 3s. Old Wardon cu' membr' 27l. 5s. 8d. Warenn' cuniclor' ibm 4l. Pastur' voc' Wytherswell 2l. Pastur' voc' Lymbottysheye 5l. 6s. 8d. Coggeswell 2l. Beeston, Caldecote, Sondhey, Blounh^m, Temesford, Mogranger, et Gamlyngaye 25l. Stanfordsbury 10l. Fysshers Graunge cu' Buryclose 8l. 10s. 4d. Holmylle G^ange 7l. 7s. 4d. Eastlynbury 10l. Roundhey 18l. 13s. 4d. Warenn' cuniclor' ibm 7l. Pastur' voc' Indelonds 1l. Southill cu' membr' 32l. 18s. 10³/₄d. Henlowe et Astwik 16l. 13s. 10¹/₂d. Meppershall G^ange 3l. 6s. 8d. Dunton G^ange 2l. 11s. Oddysheye G^ange 6l. Bradfelde G^ange 3l. 6s. 8d. Offleye 2s. 8d. Middellowe, Mulsoo et Eynesbury 16l. 3s. 4d. Eckton in com' Northt', 3l. Penc' p^{ioris} de Canonsasheby 5l. 6s. 8d. West Wardon 8l. Porc' abbat' de Pipwell 6s. 8d. Pens' monasterii de Netley 10l. 4s. 4³/₄d. Lyvmere 4l. Lynna Epⁱ 3l. 3s. 4d. Tent^s sive shopis in civitate London' 11l. Terr' dñic^s eidm monasterio ptin' 21l. 11s. 8d. Bosc^s et subbos^s ibm p annu' 23l. 4s. Oblacōnibz infra capell' B^{te} Marie p annu' 4l. Molend' voc' Castel Mylles 10l. Caldecote Mylles 2l. 13s. 4d. Stanford Mylles 2l. Holme Mylles 8l. 6s. 8d. Henlow Mylles 4l. 13s. 4d. et Milton Harnes Milles 9l. In toto 427l. 5s. 3d.

Finibz aīnciam' et aliis casualibz ad dēm Monasteriu' ptinen' cōibz annis 3l. 6s 8d. 442l. 11s. 11d.

Inde

Mis' et Repris'.

Pens et Resoluc'.

In pens' epⁱ Lincoln' p impropriacone ecclie de Oldwardon p annū 0l. 6s. 8d.

Eidm eþo p sinod' et procur' ecclie pðce p annũ	0l. 11s. 6d.
Archio Bedd' nōie pens' p annũ	0l. 3s. 4d.
Eþo Lincoln' p liþo reddu terr' quondam Colloppis p annũ	0l. 1s. 6d.
P'ori Sþi Joþnis Jerl̃m in Anglia p x ^{cem} acr' terre in campis de P'co	0l. 10s. 0d.
Eidem p'ori p liþo reddu exeunt' de Caldecote Myll p annũ	0l. 9s. 0d.
P'ori et Conventui de Newenh ^m de pens'	4l. 9s. 5d.
Eisdem priori et conventui de liþo reddu exeunt' de Fysshers G ^{ange}	0l. 9s. 2d.
Abbati et Conventui de Pipwell de liþo redd' exeunt' de Lynna eþi p annũ	2l. 0s. 0d.
Dño regi de certo p terr' dñic' eidem monasterio ptinen' p annũ	1l. 9s. 4d.
Hospit' Sþi Egidij juxta Sþm Albanũ p annũ	0l. 1s. 0d.
Vicario ecclie de Ravensden p porc' 10 ^{mar} iþm	1l. 0s. 0d.
Vicario ecclie de Goldyngton p x ^{ma} molioþ de Castel Mylles p an ^m	1l. 0s. 0d.
Hered Radhi de Eþton et hered Joþis de Wheresley de liþo reddu ex ^a gngiam de Coggeswell p annũ	0l. 4s. 6d.
Uni militũ ordinis Sþi Joþnis Jerl̃m in comaundr' de Shingay p liþo reddit' claus' vocat' Harpis	0l. 18s. 0d.
Eidm militi p liþo reddu ex ^a molia de Milton	0l. 7s. 0d.
Vicario ecclie de Milton p x ^{mis} molioþ pðcōþ	0l. 13s. 4d.
Joþi Fitzgeffrey de Thirlegh p liþo reddu iþm	0l. 5s. 0d.
Vicario ecclie de Papenh ^m p porcōne x ^{me} ex ^a molend' pðict'	0l. 2s. 0d.
Vicario ecclie de Shingay p porc' x ^{me} ex ^a g ^a ngiam de Oddessey	0l. 5s. 9d.
Laurentio Cheyne p liþo reddu ex ^a g ^a ngiam pðcam	0l. 1s. 6d.
Auxilio vic' ex ^a g ^a ngiam de Bradfeld	0l. 1s. 9 ³ / ₄ d.
Sacrist' monasterij de Rammessey p liþo reddu exeunt' de Mulsoo	0l. 13s. 4d.
P'ori Sþi Neoti p liþo reddu iþm	0l. 1s. 0d.
Eidm p'ori p diþs terr' ptinen' ad g ^a ngiam de Eckton	0l. 1s. 6d.
Hospital' Sþi Egidij London' p liþo redd' ex ^a ten' in London	0l. 5s. 0d.
Monialibþ de Staffordia prope London' p liþo reddu dcoþ teñtoþ	0l. 5s. 0d.
Dño regi p liþo reddu in Oldwardon p annũ	0l. 5s. 0d.
Eidem dño regi de certo illius ville	0l. 3s. 4d.
Baþfis Bedd' p le Heygable p annũ	0l. 13s. 4d.
Dño regi de certo iþm	0l. 5s. 0d.
Collegio de Norryell p liþo reddu de Traiyfeld p annũ	0l. 6s. 0d.
Et dño Regi de certo p terr' in Southwell Standford et Standfordbury	1l. 1s. 8d.
In toto	19l. 9s. 11 ³ / ₄ d.
Elemos' p'petue.	
In denar' solut' septem paupibþ utriusq; sexus in domo elemosinario sive infirmitorio secularium abbathe	13l. 13s. 4d.
Paupibþ in Cœna Dñi ex donacone fundatoris	1l. 15s. 5d.
Et septem paupibþ utriusq; sexus bis in anno scilt in tempe 40 ^{me} et tempe trecennarioþ in mens' sept' ex cons' donac'	1l. 13s. 4d.
In toto	17l. 2s. 1d.
Feod' et corodiis.	
In feod' Micþis Fysher milit' capitlis sen ^l monasterij pðci	2l. 13s. 4d.
Et in feod' Thome Cordall receptoris iþm p annũ	3l. 6s. 8d.
Et in feod' Joþnis Pykerell audit' iþm p annũ	1l. 0s. 0d.

Et in an ^{te} sive corodio Thome More švient' de pistrina R ^s	2l. 13s. 4d.
Et in feod' Riçi Cumberland ballivi de Oldwardon p an ^m	1l. 0s. 0d.
Et in feod' Hugonis Leghton ballivi de Bedford' et Goldyngton	1l. 6s. 8d.
Et in feod' Joþis Bromesall baþfi de Beeston Caldecote et Sondhey	1l. 6s. 8d.
Et in feod' Riçi Fyssher ballivi de Henlowe p annũ	0l. 16s. 8d.
Et in feod' Robti Gostwick ballivi de Southyell p a ^m	2l. 0s. 0d.
	16l. 3s. 4d.
	52l. 15s. 4 ³ / ₄ d.
Et reman' ultra	389l. 16s. 6 ¹ / ₄ d.
Inde p x ^{ma}	38l. 19s. 8d.

NUM. XIII.

Paper Surveys temp. Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.

THE LATE MONAST^y OF WARDON.

The demaynes w ^t the scyts belonging to the said abbey.	£	s.	d.
Furste the greate vyneyard, the lytell vyneyard, and the Barton, cont. 50 acres at 2s. 4d. the acre	5	16	8
Iþm the greate ponde and 2 other lytell pondþ adioyneng to the said vyneyardþ at	1	13	4
Iþm a pasture called Cleypyttþ close, cont. 14 acr. at 6d. the acre	0	7	0
Iþm a pasture called the Seete, cont. 15 acres at 2s. the acre	1	10	0
Iþm a pasture called Longe Slade, cont. 12 acr. at 2s. the acre	1	4	0
Iþm a pasture called Busshey close, cont. 8 acr. at 1s. the acr.	0	8	0
Iþm a pasture called Cheppey close, cont. 12 acr. at 1s. the acre	0	12	0
Iþm a pasture called Horse close, cont. 4 acr. at 1s. 8d. the acre	0	6	8
Iþm a pasture called the Grove, cont. 6 acr. at 2s. 3d. the acre, plus in toto	0	13	4
Iþm the 2 orchardþ, the Hopeyard, and the pond yardþ w ^t the pondþ, by yere	0	6	8
Iþm a lytell close, cont. 1 acre di. by yere	0	2	0
Iþm p x ^{ma} inde an ^{ti}	1	0	0
	13	19	8

Pke Graunge.

Pasture and medowe belongyng to the said graunge.			
Fyrste a medowe grounde called Parkelease, cont. 40 acr. at 2s. the acre	4	0	0
Iþm the cowe close, cont. 2 acr. by yere	0	3	4
Iþm a pasture called the Uttermorlease, cont. 30 acr. at 1s. 4d. the acre	2	0	0
Iþm a pasture called the Innermerleases, cont. 10 acr. at 2s. the acre	1	0	0
Iþm a pasture called Dralleyfeld, cont. 50 acr. at 6d. the acre	1	5	0
Iþm 2 other pastures called Drayles, cont. 50 acres at 1s. the acre	2	10	0
Iþm another pasture called the Newe close, als Swetebrye close, cont. 20 acr. at 6d. the acre	0	10	0
Iþm 2 busshey closes, called Busshey Barton, cont. 21 acres by yere	1	6	8
Iþm a pasture called the Ryefeld, cont. 20 acres at 1s. the acre	1	0	0
	13	10	0

THOMAS LAWE.

The arrable grounde belong to the said graunge.

Iþm a pece called the 6 acre at the wood ende at 6d. the acre	0	3	0
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	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Iīm another pece, cont. 14 acr. on the north syde of the graunge	0	7	0	Com' Bedf'			
Iīm a pece joyneng to the same, cont. 16 acr.	0	8	0	Wardon—Reddit' tenentium per copiam cur'	21	3	3
Iīm a pece joyneng to the same cont. 20 acr. at 6d. the acre	0	10	0	Wardon—Firmæ	47	11	8
Iīm another pece joyneng to the same cont. 18 acr. at 6d. the acre	0	9	0	Wardon—Firma terrarum domi- nical'	13	19	8
Iīm another pece joyneng to the said 18 acr. on the northwest syde cont. 30 acr. 6d. the acre	0	15	0	Wardon—Recept' forens'	27	18	0
Iīm another pece called Seynt Jones Felde cont. 10 acr. at 6d. the acre	0	5	0	Rowney—Firma manerii	28	0	0
Iīm a pece cont. 40 acr. lyeng from the one hedge to the other hedge	1	0	0	Com' Northiton'			
Iīm a pece cont. 43 acr. buttyng on the hyewayesyde unto the northwest voc' Blandisshewey	1	1	6	West Wardon—Firma manerii	8	0	0
Iīm another pece buttyng upon Cople Style on the westsyde cont. 7 acre	0	3	6	Com' Bedf'			
Iīm a pece called Wyllow Pece on the west syde cont. 18 acr.	0	9	0	Sowthyell cum Westende, Stand- ford et Brome—Reddit' assis'	10	19	6 q'
Iīm another pece from Blandonasshe to M. Gascoyne Yate cont. 20 acr.	0	10	0	1 rosa et 1 par calcar' deaurat'			
Iīm another pece cont. 18 acr. from Blandonasshe to M. Gascoyne pasture, called the Hill	0	9	0	Sowthyell, &c.—Reddit' tenentium per copiam cur'	18	2	6
Iīm another pece cont. 14 acr. butt. to Dovesclose on the north and to M. Gascoyne pasture on the west	0	7	0	Sowthyell, &c.—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem	7	7	10
Iīm a pece cont. 3 acr. butt. to Doves- close on the west	0	1	6	Sowthyell, &c.—Firma	49	9	4
Iīm a pece cont. 5 acr. butt. upon Knyghte Wood on the north	0	2	6	Sowthyell, &c.—Venditio bosci	0	17	6
Iīm a pece cont. 14 acr. the one ende abutt. uppon Blandisshewey on the west and Monkefeld on the est	0	7	0	Bedford Villa, &c.—Reddit' forens'	16	7	8 q'
Iīm another pece cont. 7 acr. butt. on Knyghte Grove	0	3	6	Bedford Villa cum Goldryngton et Biddenham—Reddit' liber' tenen'	1	9	6 ob'
Iīm a pece cont. 10 acr. butt. on the pece called 60 Acr. on th'est and the pece called 7 Acr. on the west	0	5	0	Bedford, &c.—Reddit' tenentium per copiam cur'	6	14	11
Iīm a pece cont. 60 acr. butt. on Blandisshewey on the west and unto the wey ledyng to Brykelswade on th'est	1	10	0	Bedford, &c.—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem	3	4	4
Iīm a pece cont. 10 acr. butt. on Brikels- wide on the Waye on the west and abutte comyng from Blonam Wey on th'est	0	5	0	Bedford, &c.—Firmæ	11	19	3
Iīm another pece cont. 7 acr. butt. upon a close of S' Water Lukē Justē called Stane- well on the north	0	3	6	Henlowe et Clyfton—Reddit' liber' tenentium	1	2	8
Iīm a pece called 30 Acr. butt. on M. Lukez on the north and Blonam Wey on the south and the New Close on th'est	0	15	0	Henlowe et Clyfton—Reddit' te- nentium per copiam cur'	8	11	11
Iīm for the 10 th yerely aswell of the sevall as of the arrable belongyng to the said grange	3	0	0	Clyfton—Reddit' tenentium ad vo- luntatem	2	0	0
Sīm acr. 420 at 6d. the acre denar.	10	10	0	Henlowe—Firma manerii et mo- lend'	9	6	8
Sīm aswell of the pasture as of the arrable belong to the said pke grang' w th the tythe of the same	27	5	0	Beyston, Thornecote, Ykwell, Cal- decote, et Tempsford—Reddit' liberorum tenentium	1	14	10
Sōme totale aswell of the seid de- maynes as of the value of pke grang'	41	4	8	Beyston—Reddit' tenentium per copiam cur'	1	16	10
Ex ^a p me Joh'EM ASSHTON.				Sonday, Beyston, et al'—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem	17	8	6
NUM. XIV.				Beyston et al'—Firma terr', &c.	8	15	9
COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. Hen. VIII.				Puttenho—Firma manerii, &c.	48	0	0
[Abstract of Roll, 31 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]				Wycherswell—Firma pasturæ	2	0	0
MONASTERIUM DE WARDON.				Wodhall—Firma grangiæ	3	6	8
Com' Bedf'	£	s.	d.	Donton—Firma grangiæ	2	11	0
Wardon alias Old Wardon—Red- dit' assis'	4	7	0	Eynesbury—Firma cotag'	0	3	4
				Mylton—Firma molend'	9	0	0
				Lymbotsay, alias Lymersey—Fir- ma pastur'	5	6	8
				Odesey—Firma manerii	6	0	0
				Bradfeld—Firma grangiæ	3	6	8
				Com' Hunt'			
				Midloo—Firma manerii	non respond' quia conceditur Johanni Gostwyk arm'.		
				Com' Northiton'			
				Egton—Firma maner'	3	0	0
				London Civ'—Firma tenemento- rum in parochia S. Johannis Zacharyes	11	0	0
				Com' Suff'			
				Livermere—Firma grangiæ	4	0	0
				Com' Norf'			
				Lynne—Firma mesuag'	3	3	4
				Com' Hertf'			
				Hychen—Firma tenementi	0	2	0
				Com' Bedf'			
				Ravensdon—Exit' manerii	non respond' quia conceditur Johanni Gostwyk arm'.		

Abbey of Ford, in Devonshire.



ORD Abbey was stated in the former edition of the *Monasticon* to be in Dorsetshire, but it is really in Devonshire, in the parish of Thorncomb and deanry of Honiton.

The particulars of the foundation of this abbey are minutely stated in the first article of the Appendix to the present Account, from a Cottonian manuscript. Richard the son of Baldwin de

Brioniis, it appears, who held the honor of Okehampton, brought, in 1136, an abbat and twelve Cistercian monks from Waverley abbey to his land of Brightley in this county. Richard, however, dying without issue, his inheritance fell to his sister Adelicia; and the monks having been five years at Brightley, and not liking that barren place, resolved to return to the monastery whence they had been brought. Adelicia seeing them as they travelled on foot, two and two, through her manor of Thorncomb, with the cross carried before them, inquired into the cause of their departure; which being explained to her, she immediately gave them Thorncomb, with the principal mansion of the same called Ford, and afterwards Westford. There they continued till convenient dwellings and offices were built for them at the place then called Harteschath, but since Ford.

Hawisia de Courtnay, descended from Adelicia, gave to the monks of Ford certain land at Herteyne for the support of three poor persons in the infirmary of the abbey. She died in 1209. Through the means of her son, Robert de Courtnay, Geoffrey de Pomerai was induced to bestow upon these monks the land of Tale.

As lords of the honor of Okehampton, the Courtnays for many generations continued to be the patrons of Ford abbey: in one or two instances, however, they are recorded to have been oppressors.

Josceline and John de Pomerai at different times confirmed to the monks the manor of Tale.^a

King Richard the First, in a charter of confirmation, enumerated all their possessions, as they stood in the first year of his reign.^b

The following List of the

ABBATS of FORD

is principally taken from Mr. Oliver's "Historic Collections relating to the Monasteries in Devon," 8vo. Exeter, 1820.

RICHARD, appointed in 1132.

ROBERT DE PENINGTON.^c

BALDWIN, afterwards bishop of Worcester, and archbishop of Canterbury. He resigned in 1180.

^a See the Append. Numm. II. III.

^b Ibid. Num. IV.

The entries relating to Forde Abbey in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas IV. A.D. 1291, are as follow:

"Dioec. Exon. temporal. Abbas de Forde habet				£.	s.	d.
Manerium de Orcherd, quod tax.	.	.	.	5	6	3
Apud Westford, quod tax.	.	.	.	2	13	4
Apud Stateberg, quod tax.	.	.	.	2	13	4
Apud Bromgesheth, quod tax.	.	.	.	0	13	4
De redd. in dietis locis eum molend.	.	.	.	5	10	0
De exitu stauri et perquis. quod tax.	.	.	.	2	0	0
Apud Colebrok de redd.	.	.	.	2	0	0
Apud Thale, quod tax.	.	.	.	4	16	8
Apud Lynton et Cantebur. quod tax	.	.	.	5	10	0
Summa totalis	.	.	.	31	3	4
Apud Cernemne et Neulond, quod estim.	.	.	.	2	19	3
Apud Wlislond et Hurstenfeg, quod estim.	.	.	.	0	13	4
Apud Burstock, quod estimat.	.	.	.	3	18	4
Apud Tolre eum Cateselive, quod estim.	.	.	.	5	15	4

ROBERT died in 1190.

JOHN, commonly called Devonius; the friend and confessor of King John. Learning flourished prodigiously at Ford under his administration. He died in 1220.

ROGER resigned in 1236.

JOHN DE WARWICK died in the abbacy in 1246.

ADAM was the next abbat.

WILLIAM DE CRUKERNE;^d whose opposition to the bishop of his diocese caused his excommunication in 1276; he having previously excommunicated the bishop.

Bishop Bronescomb, Mr. Oliver informs us from the Exeter Registers, having sent information of the abbat's proceedings to the king, invoked the assistance of the secular power to punish the abbat's contempt and rebellion. "The king," in consequence, "appointed Walter Stamel, dean of Sarum, and Thomas Weke, archdeacon of Dorset, professors of canon and civil law, to decide the controversy. On the 22d of October, 1276, these ecclesiastical judges held their first sitting at Westminster. The abbat declared his repentance, and his readiness to pay down 500*l.*, if such sum should be required by the court; but the judges deferred giving any opinion until after the following Easter, although they were urgently requested by Bishop Bronescombe to decide immediately.

"In the meanwhile, the abbat most anxiously implored the king to prevent the secular power from being directed against him; he maintained that the censures of his bishop were absolutely null and void, as his convent was specially exempted by papal indults from any episcopal jurisdiction; he represented the very considerable injury already sustained by himself and his convent, and declared that certain ruin awaited them unless his majesty should interpose in their favour.

"At last the parties agreed, by an indenture dated at Westminster, 5th May, 1277, absolutely to abide by the decision of the abovementioned judges, under a penalty of 100*l.* to be forfeited to the obedient by the refractory party. On the same day the final sentence was passed, viz. that the abbat should recall the sentences of excommunication in the very places where he had fulminated them against the bishop; that he should pronounce them to have been absolutely null and void; that he, his monks and dependants, should proceed, on the ensuing feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, from the gate of St. Peter's cemetery in Exeter, to the entrance door of St. Peter's church, bare-headed, bare-footed, and loosely dressed, and there receive a discipline either from the bishop or his deputy; and that the abbat should further pay, for himself and convent, one thousand marks. The bishop is then enjoined to revoke, without any difficulty, all his censures against the abbat and convent; to remit nine hundred of the said marks; the payment of the remaining hundred marks to be made by the abbat to the bishop or his proxy in the cathedral church, in equal portions, on the next festival days of Michaelmas and Easter; and, with the exception of the discipline,

Dioec. Exon. Temporal.				£	s.	d.
Apud Turnesworth, quod estimatur	.	.	.	4	0	0
Apud Wyndesbre, quod estimatur	.	.	.	3	18	4
Apud Strete, quod estim.	.	.	.	2	15	0
Apud Legh, quod estim.	.	.	.	3	0	0
Apud Othwille, quod estimat.	.	.	.	3	13	4
Dioec. Sarum temp. archid. Dors.						
In Tolre	.	.	.	12	0	0
In Turnewrthe	.	.	.	10	0	0
Dioec. Bathon. et Wellen. temp.						
In Crukes Thom.	.	.	.	1	1	0
In Winesham	.	.	.	22	11	8
Dioec. Sarum. spirit.						
Poreio Abbatis de Forde, in Turneworth	.	.	.	1	0	0

See the Taxat. P. Nieh. IV. pp. 152, 152 b, 178 b, 183, 184 b, 204.

^c In the Register of Plympton Priory, ROBERT, abbat of Ford, occurs in the year 1168. MS. Harl. 6974.

^d Not William de Crika. The Editors are obliged to Mr. Oliver himself for this correction.

‘excepta disciplina,’ the bishop is directed to dispense with the rest of the penance.”^a

NICHOLAS was confirmed abbat Jan. 1, 1284.

HENRY occurs in 1312.

WILLIAM was confirmed abbat Sept. 22d, 1319. Mr. Oliver has given the formula of his obedience.

JOHN was admitted abbat June 24th, 1328.

ADAM was confirmed Sept. 29th, 1354.

CHYLHEGLYS occurs abbat in Bishop Brantyngham’s Register in 1373.

WALTER BURSTOK was confirmed April 16th, 1378. He was alive in 1411.

RICHARD is believed to have been Burstok’s successor.

ELYAS occurs abbat in 1462.

WILLIAM WHITE appears as abbat in 1491.

THOMAS CHARDE, *alias* TYBBES, was the last abbat. He surrendered his house to the king, March 8th, 1539.^b

The Pensions granted to the religious here, at the Dissolution, will be found in the Appendix.^c

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the spiritual and temporal possessions of Ford were valued in the gross at 381*l.* 10*s.* 6½*d.*: in the net income at 373*l.* 10*s.* 6½*d.*^d

The Scite was granted Oct. 28th, 31 Hen. VIII. upon lease to Richard Pollard, Esq.^e and on June 24th, in the 32d Hen. VIII. to the same person in fee.^f

Sir John Pollard, the son of the first grantee, alienated the scite to Sir Amias Paulet, whose father, Sir Hugh Paulet, had been appointed head steward of the abbey by the last abbat. Sir Amias disposed of it to William Roswell, Esq., from whose family it passed to that of Prideaux: and subsequently to the Gwynnes. Ford is still the residence of J. F. Gwynn, Esq.

The following are bishop Tanner’s references to manuscripts and records relating to Ford Abbey.

“*Vide Registrum hujus abbatiae penes* Ruswell de in com. Somerset.

“*Registrum olim penes dom. Will. Drake, nunc penes Franc. Gwynn de eadem arm.*

“In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 1178, fol. 97. *Historiam de Fundatione, Fundatoribus, et Benefactoribus, è MS. Cottoniano.* Ibid. MS. 6748, fol. 19. *Cartam Regis Johannis.*

“*Collectanea ex Registro Fordensis abbatiae, MS. in bibl. Bodl. Oxon. Dodsworth, vol. xx. fol. 88, &c. vol. cii.*

fol. 44. vol. cxiv. fol. 5. *Cartam R. Johannis, ibid. vol. xxv. fol. 145.*

“*Esson. 10 Ric. I. rot. 16, pro ii. feod. milit. in Strete et Elfred, Somers.*

“*Cart. 6 Joan. Oct. 10, in бага in scacc. Cart. 7 Joan. n. 96. Cart. 8 Joan. n. 9.*

“*Bund. fin. div. com. 11 Hen III. n. 9. et 12 Hen. III. n. 16. Plac. apud Exon. 54 Hen. III. rot. .*

“*Cart. 7 Edw. I. n. 22. pro mercat. et feria apud Cernemue Dors. Pat. 19 Edw. I. n. . Pat. 22 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 28 Edw. I. m. .*

“*Cart. 6 Edw. II. n. 26. pro pastura d. ovium apud Broughton, et aliis libertatibus. Ibid. n. 36. pro mercat. et feria apud Thorncomb. Brev. orig. 8 Edw. II. Trin. rot. 2. Pat 8 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 3. Pat. 11 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 20, 21. Pat. 13 Edw. II. m. 24. Pat. 19 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 34. pro terris in Windsor P. Chernemuth, &c.*

“*Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 15. Cart. 10 Edw. III. n. 60, pro terra in Strete. Pat. 19 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 13, pro advoc. eccl. de Burghstock.*

“*Rec. in Scacc. 20 Ric. II. Mich. rot. 15.*

“*Pat. 11 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. . d, pro mercato apud Ford.*

“*Inquis. 4 Edw. IV. n. 66.*”

See also *Rot. Hundr. vol. i. pp. 67, 71, 79, 94, 98. Plac. de Quo War. p. 168. Abbrev. Plac. pp. 9, 30, 62, 63, 74, 121, 277. Cal. Inquis. ad quod Damnum, pp. 240, 252, 256, 280, 350.*

In the King’s Remembrancer’s Office are,

“*Ford. Abb. De abbate de Ford pro apportu.*” *Pasch. 18 Edw. III.*

“*De eodem de quodam mercato ad portam ejusdem abbatiae sine licentia regis.*” *Mich. 12 Hen. IV.*

No SEAL has yet been discovered of Ford abbey, or of any of its abbats.

Ford abbey, at present, exhibits considerable remains of the buildings which were erected by Thomas Charde, the last abbat.^g

It appears by a note of Hearne, at the end of the third volume of William of Neubridge, p. 778, that about a century ago there remained a gallery called the Monks’ Walk, with small narrow windows, and the cells of the monks.

The original chapel of the abbey, built in the twelfth century, remains.^h

Cartae ad Fordense Coenobium in agro Deboniensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Fundationis et Fundatorum Historia.

[Ex MS. codice sub effigie Julii B. 10, in bibl. Cottoniana.]

DOMINUS Baldwinus de Brioniis, miles inclitus de Normannia, Albredam neptem domini Willielmi Bastardi nobilissimi ducis Normanniæ, duxit in uxorem; ex qua dictus Baldwinus genuit, inter alios, unum filium dictum Ricardum, et unam filiam nuncupatam Adeliciam. Cum autem dux præfatus regnum Angliæ sibi per conquestum (Anglis devictis et rege

eorum Heraldo perempto) pœnitus subjugasset, regni imperio atque diademate denum potitus fuisset, magnatibus et comilitonibus secum de Normannia advenientibus diversa dominia, et honores præcipuos in regno Angliæ tunc et postea liberaliter contulit; inter quos et dicto Ricardo præfati Baldwini filio, et sibi dilecto consanguineo, totum honorem et baroniam de Okehampton, in Devonia, de ipso rege imperpetuum sibi et successoribus suis, hæredibus, seu assignatis, jure hæreditario habendum et tenendum munificè donavit. Deditque itaque eidem Ricardo castellum Exoniæ et custodiam totius comi-

^a Oliver, Hist. Collect. pp. 51, 52.

^b Cleaveland informs us that he was born at Tracy, in the parish of Auliscombe, and received his education in St. Bernard’s, now St. John Baptist’s College, in Oxford, and that he took the degree of D.D. Oct. 2d, 1505: being styled in the public register “*vir doctrina et virtute clarus.*” He was made a suffragan bishop under the name of “*Episcopus Solubricensis,*” and became coadjutor to bishop Oldham. He was still alive in 1543.

^c Num. VI.

^d See Num. V.

^e See the lease in the Appendix to Mr. Oliver’s Historic Collections, p. xlv.

^f Orig. 32 Hen. VIII. p. 1. Devon. Rex xxiiij. die Junii concessit Ricardo Pollerd dominium et scitum nuper Monasterii sive Abbatiae

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Beatæ Mariæ Virginis de Forde, ac terr. &c. in Thornecombe in com. Devon. ac in Charde, Crokehorne, et Wyndham, in com. Somers. ac in Brode Windesore in com. Dors. habend. ei et hered. suis. ro. xlvij.

^g Lysons says, “The hall, cloisters, and entrance tower are of the reign of Henry the Eighth, built by Thomas Chard, the last abbat. Below the battlement of the tower is the following inscription: ‘Anº Dni millesimo quingesimo vicº octaº a dno factum est Thoma Chard abb.’ Over the hall, below the battlements, are the unicorn, rose, and crown, within the gates, with the dragon and dog as supporters. The bay window over the door is much enriched with the arms of the abbey, the initials T. C., and a mitre frequently repeated. Over the cloisters, in the quatrefoils, are shields with a stag’s head and crozier, the initials T. C. &c.” *Magna Brit. Devon. Pt. i. p. 345.*

^h Compare Lysons’s *Magna Brit. Devon. Pt. ii. p. 502.*

tatus Devoniae, pro quodam annuo redditu domino regi solvendo; cujus obtentu donationis et custodia dicebatur dictus dominus Ricardus, vicecomes Devoniae. Quilibet autem successorum suorum sic consequentur dicebatur usque ad annum regni regis Henrici filii regis Johannis sextum decimum, quum dictum castellum in manus regias assumebatur.

Dictus autem dominus Ricardus, nuper miles, strenuus sed demum inveteratus et Deo affectus, multum devotus, terram suam de Brightley infra dictum honorem de Okehampton situatam ad abbatiam ordinis Cisterciensis ibidem fundatam, anno Domini mxxxij. concesserat, ac à domino Gilberto abbate de Waverleia sancto viro conventum de suis illuc transmittendum impetrabat.

In loco igitur abbatiae competenti praedesignato, aedificia magis necessaria per triennium erexerat, ac anno Domini mxxxvj. et regni regis Stephani anno primo, duodecem monachos, cum domino Ricardus eis in abbatem praefecto tertio decimo, ad devotissimam sui instantiam illuc pedites et processionaliter cum cruce crecta et primo quinto nonas Maii de domo de Waverleia, Cisterciensis ordinis, Wintoniae diocesis venientes tam benignè quam votivè suscipiens, ibidem tanquam in eorum possessione titulo sufficienteeis super hoc primitus confecto devotè collocabat. Sic igitur praemissis voti sui compos pro maiore parte effectus, illis in structuris et aliis necessariis subvenire non desiit, donec anno sequenti septimo calendas Julii anno videlicet Domini 1137, ac regni regis Stephani secundo, humatus fuit, cujus etiam corpus vel ossa cum dictis monachis postea de Brightley apud Fordam translata fuerunt, et cum ossibus dicti abbatis sui Ricardi postea apud Brightlaye etiam defuncti, et dominæ Adeliciae sororis suae postmodum defunctorum, hic illic separatim in presbiterio ultra quod jam summum altare erigitur sepulta erant.

Hic vicecomes Ricardus nullam prolem habuit, sed totum jus suum haereditarium eidem Adeliciae soli sorori suae reliquit. Quae quidem Adelicia dicto fratri suo in haereditate successerat, ac etiam vicecomitissa nuncupata erat.

Cum verò dicti monachi per quinque annos in loco memorato de Brightley mansissent, ac post mortem dicti domini vicecomitis Ricardi praë inopia et praë dira sterilitate victualiumque penuria ibidem amplius morari non potuissent, ad domum suam pristinam de Waverleia cum abbate suo secundo domino Roberto de Penigton redire sunt compulsi; quos cum dicta vicecomitissa per manerium suum de Thorncomb modo illo quo venerint domum revertentes, cum cruce erecta, et primo binos pedites procedentes conspexisset, illos statim ad se asciverat, ac demum ei seriem, redditusque sui causam palam ei facientibus, dolore tacta intrinsecus, cum gemitu dicebat, 'Absit à me domini et patres sanctissimi opprobrium tam damnable et ignominiosum periculum, ut quod dominus meus et frater Ricardus pio devotionis affectu ad Dei honorem nostrumque omnium salutem tam solempniter quam salubriter inceperat, ego vero soror ejus, et haeres cui decedendo omnia tradidit in manus, non velim aut valeam ad debitum perducere effectum. Ecce manerium meum in quo jam consistimus fertile satis et nemorosum ac abundans frugibus, quod vobis in excambium pro terra sterili de Brightleia cum tota mansione nostra et domicilio imperpetuum donamus, manete hic donec alibi in ista possessione vobis competentius fit monasterium, nec vobis in hoc deesse possumus sed satis juvabimus ad construendum.' Sic ergo pia et religiosa domina dictos monachos in manerio suo de Thorncomb perpetuò mansuros gratanter fundaverat, ac curiam suam seu domicilium dicti manerii principale, quod tunc Forde, nunc autem Westford dicitur, eis sufficienti titulo et plenaria seisinā in integrum mancipabat.

Quo quidem in loco sic admissi et dimissi praefati monachi, ibidem, id est apud Westford, in domicilio quod tunc fuerat dictae vicecomitissae ferè sex annis residerant, donec nonnullae sibi competentes structurae officinarum regularium in loco monastrali quod tunc Hartescath, sed nunc Forda dicitur, illis erectae crant. Concepit etiam dicta domina Adelicia de nobili viro domino suo quem prius acceperat in conjugem, et peperit unam filiam nomine Aliciam sui ipsius haeredem. Anno autem secundo post dictorum monachorum translationem de Brightley apud Fordam, et eorum ibidem ut praemittitur foundationem anno regni regis Stephani septimo, anno videlicet post incarnationem Domini Jesu Christi 1142, nono calendas Septembris, dicta vicecomitissa Adelicia obiit, et apud novum monasterium de Ford sepulta

quiescit, et successit ei in dominio de Okehampton domina Alicia uxor domini Randolphi Avenell filia sua antedicta, quam solam sibi haeredem reliquerat, quae et castrum Exoniae una cum custodia comitatus Devoniae pro certo redditu annuo ut prius similiter obtinuit. Hæc et unicam filiam dictam Matildam habuit, quae in fata decessit, quae Matilda filia ejus et haeres, praedictis parentibus suis defunctis, totam dictam haereditatem, et cum castello Exoniae, et totius comitatus custodia obtinuit, dominoque Roberto de Aubrincis legitime copulata, filiam unam dictam Hawisiam, necnon duas alias, postea factas moniales, eidem pariendo produxit. Mortuo tandem dicto viro D. Roberto de Abrincis, id est de Averinges, secundo marito, id est, nobili viro D. Roberto filio regis Henrici primi notho, conjugata fuerat, de quo etiam concipiens peperit filiam ejusdem viri sui haeredem quam et Matildam vocabat.

Fuerat itaque tam post contractum matrimonium cum dicto D. Roberto de Aubrincis primo viro suo, quam et post ejus decessum, vicecomitissa nuncupata; sed de ejusdem cognomine, post ejus obitum, Matildis de Aubrincis, id est de Averinges vulgariter nominata. Hæc etiam suis monachis de Forda tuta semper protectrix erat, et conservatrix amicissima, in Deum et sanctam religionem piæ devotionis et affectionis viscera materna gerens, ad valentiam nempe sexaginta marcarum suis intercessoribus, dictis videlicet monachis, simul et semel contulit, praeter alia bona et commoda innumera, quae eis frequentius et libentius fecit.

Obiit denique vir ejus secundus, dominus Robertus filius regis Henrici anno Domini m.clxxii. pridie calendas Junii, et post ipsum vicecomitissa Matildis, itaque de Aubrincis ut prius nuncupata, undecimo calendas Octobris anno Domini m.clxxiii. et regni regis Henrici secundi 19. Ambae igitur ejusdem filiae, Hawisia videlicet, prioris viri sui haeres, et filia sua, domini videlicet Roberti de Aubrincis, necnon Matildis proles domini Roberti filii regis et ejusdem haeres, occasione custodiae et maritagii in manus regias assumptae fuerunt, ac demum militi inclyto et generoso domino Reginaldo de Courtney, tam earum custodia, quam maritagium à rege collata erant. Seniores igitur filiam Hawisiam, tanquam nobiliorem, dictam vicecomitissam dominus Reginaldus sibi nupserat, sed juniorem, scilicet Matildam, dicti Roberti filii regis patris sui haeredem, filio suo Willielmo de Courtney de priore conjugem in Normania primogenito, in uxorem contrahebat, annis Dom. et regis Henrici supradictis.

Fuit autem iste dictus Reginaldus de Courtney filius domini Flori, filii regis Franciae Lodovici, cognomento Grossi; ac etiamista Hawisia vicecomitissa uxor ejus secunda, de sanguine regio Anglicano, ex parte dominæ Albredæ neptis etiam regis Willielmi Bastardi matris aviae suae dominæ Adeliciae vicecomitissae primitus memoratae generosae exorta. Tota ergo illorum posteritas Reginaldi, videlicet, et Hawisiae tam ex patre quam ex matre de regio semine prodiit, ac tribus regia Franciae pariter et Angliae in eis mixta fuit, sic sanguis eorum fit merè ingenuus et praecipue generosus. Genuit praedictus dominus Reginaldus de memorata vicecomitissa domina Hawisia uxore sua prolem valde inclitam, Robertum, scilicet, de Courtney ipsorum haeredem: solitani itaque antecessorum suorum devotionem et affectionem in Deum, et dictos monachos suos de Forda penitus continuaverat, ac praeter alia à pietatis obsequio ad ipsorum defensionem, indemnitatem et promotionem frequenter, quasi ubique illis exhibita, per quoddam munus centum marcarum in pecunia numerata, aliorumque jocalium et catallorum se illorum precibus devotè commendabat, magis enim confidebat in orationum suffragiis quam in praediis quibuscunque seu possessionibus terrenis.

Dilectus igitur à Deo et hominibus, cujus memoria in benedictione, quinto calendas Octobris anno Domini m.cxciv. et regni regis Ricardi quarto feliciter obiit in Christo, et apud Fordam in aquilonari parte presbiterii sepultus quiescit. Dicta verò vicecomitissa de cognomento viri sui Reginaldi de Courtney, cujus erat relicta, domina Hawisia de Courtney extitit nuncupata, quae diutius in sua viduitate ligia operibus misericordiae et pietatis intenta terram de Herteyne dictis monachis de Forda ad sustentationem trium pauperum in infirmitorio seculari perpetuò procurandorum tandem contulit, et alia beneficia similia eisdem fecit. Obiit tandem plena dierum in senectute bona pridie calendas Augusti anno Dom. m.ccx. et anno regni regis Johannis decimo, quae in ecclesia Fordensi in australi parte presbiterii sepelitur.

Surrexit ergo dictus Robertus de Courtney dictorum Reginaldi et Hawisiæ filius et hæres legitimus, qui totum honorem de Okehampton jure hæreditario obtinuit, castellumque Exoniæ, ac custodiam totius comitatus pariter tenuit, donec rex Henricus anno sui regni 16. dictum castellum sicut alia castella Angliæ plurima in manus suas assumpserat, et ea cuidam Petro de Rievalle committebat. Et tunc verò dictum castellum simul et custodiam totius comitatus Devonix amiserat; ob cujus amissionem vicecomes ampliùs nuncupatus non erat. Prædiis tunc et redditibus propriæ et pristinæ hæreditatis, de Okehampton, videlicet, ac aliis, ut oportuit, contentus, et tam strenuitate probitatis, quam liberalitatis amore plurimum floruit, sed de suis monachis eorumque monasterio de Forda, multum sollicitus fuit, nullam eis molestiam, aut injuriam, seu gravamen quodcunque aliquando intulit, sed nec ab aliis ipsos aliquando molestari vel gravari permisit; solebat etiam inter alios asserere, et pluries super hoc applaudare, quod pennam haberet in cauda pulcherrimam domum de Forda, sub sua protectione et advocacy constitutam, ipsosque monachos patres et patronos frequentius vocaverat, quibus et ipse patronus verus protector et defensor præcipuus, quasi sua omnia cum illis habens communia, ubique semper erat.

Ejus autem tempore Galfridus de Pomcrai terram de Tale vendicaverat, et per potestatem ipsius domini Roberti et consilium ductus et inductus, totum jus suum inde et clameum dictis monachis relaxabat; dedit autem ei pro hac relaxatione dictus dominus Robertus, de ære proprio suo, quinquaginta marcas sterlingorum præ manibus tempore Johannis de Warwick tunc dicti monasterii abbatis. Genuit idem dictus Robertus de domina Maria, juniore filia domini Willielmi de Redveris comitis Devonix sibi desponsata uxore, prolem Deo gratam et patri dilectam (videlicet) dominum Johannem de Courtney virum simplicem et rectum, licet in armis strenuum eorum utcumque hæredem; cum ista Maria totum habuit in liberum maritagium; habuerunt et chasiam de Crukes, exceptis patronatibus ecclesiarum et 50 libratis terræ de . . . Castris quæ priùs dabantur Willielmo Brewer, cum seniore filia comitis Johannis: et quoniam ista sine hærede obiit, totum ad Mariam et hæredes suos rediit. Qui Robertus cum tandem vitæ suæ laudabilem cursum feliciter consummasset in stadio, septimocalend. Augusti apud Ywren, manerium suum, diem clausit extremum anno Domini m.ccxlii. et regni regis Henrici III. 26. qui statim ad monachos suos de Forda, ut idem prius adhuc vivens, ordinaverat, delatus extitit, et in eorum presbiterio die tertio (id est quinto kalend. Augusti), omni cum devotione et honore anno secundo abbatis Adæ sepultus fuit, cui in piramide supposito armati militis incliti structura jam erigitur, ac in cujus circumferentia tale epitaphium reperitur:

Hic jacet ingenui de Courtney gleba Roberti
Militis egregii virtutum laude referti.
Quem genuit strenuus Reginaldus Courtiniensis
Qui procer eximius fuerat tunc Devonienensis.

Post mortem verò istius nobilissimi viri domini Roberti de Courtney, ut præmittitur defuncti, floruit perspicuus in Christo et seculo, filius suus et hæres, dominus Johannes de Courtney prænotatus, et habuit totam patrissui hæreditatem in terris prædictis et possessionibus, adeo plenè et integrè sicut pater suus aliquando tenuerat; castellum tamen Exoniæ, et custodiam comitatus Devonix à patre suo domino Roberto per regem ablata nunquam obtinere valebat. Nupserat tamen sibi Isabellam filiam domini Johannis de Veere comitis Oxoniæ, quæ peperit ei Hugonem de Courtney primum, suumque hæredem. Fuit itaque iste dominus Johannes vir simplex et rectus ac timens Deum, et progenitoribus suis non minus devotus nec in monachos suos Fordenses minùs benevolus, sed illorum suffragia cunctis operibus præponens, et in eis plenarie confidens, munificus, et integer eis per omnia extitit amicus; in nullo eos vel eorum monasterium aliquando oneravit seu gravavit; neque ab aliis onerari vel gravari permisit. Sed ipsos et eorum prædia terras et possessiones, ubicunque infra hundredum suum et dominium scituata, à quibuscunque sectis, servitiis et secularibus exactionibus sufficienti titulo libera fecit et quicta, ac seipsum pro eis scutum, quasi, et defensorem tutissimum semper exhibuit, et à multis pressuris et dispendiis indemnes præservavit; fructus autem spei suæ qui in precibus dictorum monachorum habuit, sequenti narratione patebit.

Contigit illum aliquando de transmarinis ad propria navigantem alto in mare circa crepusculum tanto suis cum sequentibus mortis subiacere periculo, quod ipsi etiam nautæ singulos sibi Deo commendantes, præ confusione maris et turbinum, tam de vita sua, quam salute desperarunt omnino. ‘Nolite timere nautæ (inquit iste dominus) sed vires vestras resumite et nobis pene naufragantibus tam audacter quam viriliter unam saltem horam modò subvenite; erit enim tempus, quo monachi mei de Forda ad vigiliis surgent, et pro me ad Dominum deprecantes et orantes intervenient, ita quod nullæ tempestates et turbines aut aquæ procellosæ nos perdere seu quovismodo extinguere possint; ideo vos interim nolite torpere, nec vitam nostram nec salutem negligere, quia jam instat hora in qua omnipotens et misericors Deus eorum meritis et precibus, etiam omnibus dignabitur subvenire.’ Ad ista unus de suis in via comitantibus taliter respondet. ‘Quid domine de monachis illis seu illorum suffragiis taliter loquimini, qui jam ut nobis ad plenum constat, violenter somnosunt oppressi? quomodo pro vobis orare possunt qui etiam dormientes seipsos non sentiant?’ Ad hæc dominus in spe firmus solidissima respondit. ‘Etsi multi dormiant, scio quod eorum plurimi orationibus etiam instantes devotissimè pro me eorum servulo, quamvis et parvo, Deum in præsentem obsecrent et implorent, nec possunt aliquo modo in tanto instanti periculo mei esse immemores, qui illos hactenus mihi meritis pluribus in adversitatibus conservavi indemnes: nullo modo perire poterunt, pro quibus illi tot et tanti die nocteque intercedunt; et quia ego eos, et illi me diligunt scio et verasiter credo, quod ipsi ampliùs et devotiùs jam pro me, meaque salute, et incolumitate apud Deum intercedunt.’ Ad hæc nauclerus inquit. ‘Ut quid frivolis intenditis? nam finis vitæ vobis instat, confitemini mutuo invicem et spes vestras ad Dominum precibus commendetis;’ et cum his verbis objecit quicquid habebat in manibus quasi extemplò spiritum exhalaturus; nec solus corruit, sed omnes cum illo in nave constitutos præter unum dominum desperatione dejecit.

Tunc dominus ille Johannes (et veraciter Johannes quia gratiam Dei efficaciter, ut Johannes sonat, consequutus) infremuit, et complosis ad Deum manibus sic supplicando oravit. ‘Omnipotens et misericors Deus, monachos sanctos pro me jam deprecantes, et me cum ipsis obsecrantem dignanter exaudias, et nos sanos et incolumes, pro tua pietate ad portum optatum perducas.’ His dictis, quia in simplicibus gaudet Deus, fidei suo et simplici, quamvis seculariter potenti, ob fidei suæ meritum et spei firmamentum in ultimo et calculo, sicut potens est, misericorditer subvenerat, statuens omnem procellam in auram, et fluctus maris quousque mitigans ipsum navigium optato littore collocabat. Quod perpendentes, cum gaudio experfecti qui antea dejecti præ timore mortis et periculi totaliter fuerant, divinæ misericordiæ et militis incliti consortes sui meritis intuitu fidei, et suæ spei firmissimæ de monachorum suffragiis taliter obtentis de sua incolumitate potitus, pro vita debitas gratiarum actiones devotissimè persolvebat. Sed cum quanta humilitate et gratia munera divinæ largitatis illi à Deo misericorditer exhibita, inter monachos suos de Forda consequenter in reveniendo ad propria retulerit, et ea sibi affuisse per eorum preces et merita asseveraverit, vix enim ad plenum explicare valebat. Sed si antea devotus multum et dictis monachis suis benevolus aut munificus extiterit, postea verò devotior, benevolentior ac munificentior fore juravit. Ex tunc enim illis relaxabat, et confirmabat quodcunque petierant, quia ipsum eodem die in fraternitatem capituli sui ad devotissimam sui instantiam solemniter admittebant. Delegavit etiam corpus suum ibidem cum dilectis fratribus suis spiritualibus fore sepeliendum, ac eis etiam pro tunc valefacto, non diu post se eorum precibus ampliùs commendavit per donum quadraginta marcarum: obiit tandem feliciter in Christo quinto nonas Maii anno Domini m.cclxxiii. et regni regis Edwardi primi, primo anno; qui juxta patrem suum dominum Robertum de Courtney apud Fordam sepelitur coram summo altari. Legavit etiam cum corpore suo 40 libras sterling. eidem monasterio, necnon et arma sua cum vehiculo et totali apparatu quibus funus ejus illuc deferebatur eisdem monachis et fratribus suis legavit, tam ex fraterna affectione motus, quam animo devotus. Relicta verò ejusdem domina Isabella de Courtney, domino Olivero de Dincham postea se maritaverat; sed diu post ipsum tertio idus Augusti defuncta apud Fratres Prædicatores Exoniæ à parte australi presbiterii, ex opposito ejusdem, humata erat.

Erexit se ergo dominus Hugo de Courtney primus, in progenitorum suorum hæreditatem et dominium; sed quantum in ipsis vixit et floruit devotio et affectio in Deum et Forden. cœnobium, tantum in isto tepuit et hebuit mentis sinceritas, pietas, puritas, præcordia suorum. Duxerat autem in uxorem Elianoram filiam proceris incliti domini Hugonis le Despencer primi, patris etiam domini Hugonis le Despencer militis ingenuosi, strenui et famosissimi, postea comitis Winton. divitiis et potentia singulariter referti; de qua genuit Hugonem secundum hæredem sibi futurum, et postea Devoniae comitem: ac Philippum postea dominum de Mourton prope Dartmore militem inclitum; sed tandem viij. calendas Julii anno Domini mcccxiv. in bello Scotiæ apud Striveling interemptum. Genuit etiam ex eadem matrona sive domina prudentissima quatuor filias, videlicet, Isabellam domini Johannis de St. John uxorem, Avelinam domini Johannis Gifford militis uxorem, necnon Egelinam Roberti de Scales uxorem; et Margaretam Johannis de Mulis, tironum nobilium, uxorem.

Iste Hugo primus, monasterio de Forda, quod antecessores sui ad augmentationem cultus divini, et ad sui suorumque salutem et gloriam potiùs providendam, tam pie, quam salubriter in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam, possessiones et prædia cætera eidem conferendo, fundarunt, nihil ex omnibus sibi reservantes præter eorum suffragia, nimis infestus et molestus exstitit; et quæ illi in pios usus assignaverant, iste ad usum canum et equorum vendicabat. Dixit enim, et minus veraciter asseruit, dictam abbatiam de Forda, quæ in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam à suis progenitoribus exstitit fundata, à se debere teneri per servitium inveniendi eidem in omni guerra cum contingeret unam carectam ferratam cum uno equo carectario liminare, et acilio seu apparatu ad quinque equos carectarios et cum uno baihudo coriario ad eandem carrectam, necnon et perhendinandi duos dextrarios vel palefridos ipsius Hugonis cum duobus garcionibus ad omnes custus in abbacia prædicta, et inveniendi huccas ad eosdem equos, et etiam perhendinandi unam leporariam vel unam brachetam cum catulis suis quolibet anno quousque catuli fuerint unius anni ætatis; de quibus etiam servitiis asseruit dominum Johannem de Courtnay patrem suum per manus ipsorum religiosorum fuisse seisitum tempore regis Henrici patris regis Edwardi tunc regnantis; ac seipsum postea, de carectario liminari per manus domini Willielmi abbatis in dicto monasterio tunc præsentis, ad guerram Walliæ anno nuper Edwardi decimo fuisse seisitum.

Et quia idem dominus Hugo ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Forda et monachis ibidem famulantibus Deo, qui morem paternum et consuetudinem antecessorum suorum observabant, plus obesse, quam prodesse optaverat, occasione prædicti servitii qd. tunc sibi a retro fuisse minus veraciter asseruit, omnia averia eorum apud grangiam suam de Westford inventa die sancti Laurentii anno Domini m.cclxxxviij. et regni regis Edwardi xvj. ac etiam omnes alios boves eorum apud Westford et Orchard cum populi multitudine illuc veniens, fecit ab aratro disjungi, et in Dertmore juxta Okehanpton effugari; pro quibus replegiandis rex Edwardus scripsit vicecomiti Devon. nono die Septembris anno regni regis Edwardi ejusdem xvj. et vicecomes scripsit regi quod ballivi dominæ Isabellæ de Fortibus comitissæ Devonæ de hundredo de Exmister, quibus idem vicecomes returnum brevis regis habere fecerat, dictos boves cum aliis averiis abbatis de Forda replegiare non potuerunt, eo quod præfatus Hugo averia illa advocavit esse sua, magnum super hiis in curia regis placitum esse cepit; ac tandem pax talis qualis inter partes reformata exstitit, sed non in parvo tempore duravit. Venit namque postea dictus dominus Hugo, nescio qualiter motus, cum aliis multis apud Orchard die dominico proximo post festum sanctæ Agathæ virginis anno regni regis Edwardi xvij. distractionem violenter, ut prius, facturus, sed per familiam abbatiae vir sagittarum ictibus ac mortis periculo expers impeditus exstitit, sed nullum averium ibi cepit, rediens autem versus Colecombe per grangiam de Westford, unum taurum, xij. vaccas, quatuor boves et quatuor juvencas tunc ceperat, et illa averia apud Wimple imparcari faciebat, sic ergo placitum quod prius inter ipsum et abbatem Nicholaum, sopitum in curia regis suscitaverat, et hoc in perpetuum sui malum nisi abbas sectam suam subtraxisset. Ex his ergo plurimum indignatus dictam domum de Forda postea odio habuit, cui et nunquam antea in ullo beneficus

fuit. Obiit tandem apud Colecombe tertio calendas Martii anno Domini mcccxi. et regni regis Edwardi primi xix. ac apud Cowick prope Exon. sepclitur. Post cujus obitum relicta ejus prænominata, domina Alianora, xxxviij. annos superstes in ligia viduitate permanserat, ac domum suam et familiam in omni abundantia et honore tam prudenter, quam sapienter ut strenua materfamilias, ac domina discreta, apud Colecombe regebat; pollebat enim tam sensus vigore quam subtilitate ingenii, et quamvis dedita seculo, intenta nihilominus hospitalitati. Tandem London. de Cancia rediens anno Domini mcccxxviij. et regni regis Edwardi iij. secundo calend. Octobris mortalibus valefecit, et propè maritum suum dominum Hugonem apud Cowick humata exstitit.

Filius autem ejus dominus Hugo secundus, tam sapientia, quam scientia mirabiliter præditus dicto patri suo Hugoni de Courteney post in totam hæreditatem successerat, qui dominæ Agnetæ sorori sororii sui domini Johannis de St. John anno ætatis suæ xvij. conjugatus erat. Ipsi autem sorores suas mutuo sibi nubebant. Genuitque dictus dominus Hugo secundus de præfata domina Agneta, dilecta Deo et hominibus, eo quod humilis mitis et benigna, prolem inclitam et religiosam, Johannem eorum primogenitum, qui postea Tavestochiæ abbas factus erat, quod et in juventute se transtulit ad monachatum. Genuit etiam secundo natu, Hugonem tertium, iv. idus Julii anno Domini mcccij. hæredem sibi futurum, Robertum qui in juventute sua obiit, ac Thomam postea conjugem Murielæ senioris filiæ et hæredis domini Johannis de Mules, militem strenuum. Duasque filias, videlicet Elianoram nuptam Johanni de Gray, sed non diu superstitem, et Elizabetham domini Bartholomei de Lydell uxorem. Crevit etiam iste dominus Hugo secundus in immensum, divitiis et gloria super omnes progenitores et antecessores suos in Anglia tam singulariter quam excellenter, ingenio pollens et dominio, ad quem spectabat, et revertebatur hæreditas comitatus Devonæ jure hæreditario et successione.

Factur sic igitur magnus, et antecessorum suorum ut prænotatur maximus, tria magna sed non magnifica imo tria mala sed utinam non sibi mala in domum de Forda fecit memorabilia, paternum in hac parte gerens et non deserens animum ex præconcepta indignatione superscripta: sed pater suus tantum in uno dictam domum moliebatur lædere; in hoc, videlicet, quod ipsam abbatiam a progenitoribus suis in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam fundatam, minùs veraciter vendicavit, et asseruit per certa, dira, duraque servitia de se teneri debere. Iste verò istud non deserens alia duo mala, malo isti malè super addidit, quia cum istam domum de competentibus sibi immunitatis, libertatisque privilegiis, per quasdam indenturas inter ipsas partes, ob minas et terrores ex parte sua et domini, minus ritè confectas evacuasset, quantam libertatem quam in manerio suo de Thale dicta domus habuit nequiter et injustè abstulit, et tam abbatem quam tenentes suos ibidem omnes et singulos ad curiam et hundredum suum de Harrigge minus justè attraxit, et ad eorum sectam faciendam non absque gravamine compulit et coegit. Denique et rectorem de Cruck in causa decimarum de terris et prædiis suis de Othull et Goggeber, ac aliis infra fines et limites parochiæ suæ scituatis, sed dictæ domui ante Lateranense concilium acquisitis, de quibus à præstatione decimarum eidem fuerunt, et esse debent, totaliter immunes, contra eosdem sustinuit, et tam ipse quam dominus Hugo tertius, filius suus et hæres cum prædicto rectore apud Bathon. et Wellensem episc. intervenit, quod idem episcopus, in quem dicti religiosi per eosdem dominos inducti et compulsi tanquam in arbitrum compromiserunt inviti, ordinavit judicialiter unam compositionem realem inter partes prædictas, per quam dicta domus de Ford obligatur ecclesiæ de Cruck in censu annuo quinquaginta solidorum, in suæ immunitatis præjudicium, et enormem ipsius monasterii læsionem.

Ista sunt ergo tria mala, quæ idem dominus Hugo secundus fecerat in exhæredationem Fordensis monasterii. Primum, videlicet, quod ejusdem libertatem in qua fundabatur in liberam puram et perfectam et perpetuam elemosinam, in temporale redegit servitium. Secundum quod libertatem, quam hactenus habere solebat in manerio suo de Thale simul cum redditu quem pro eodemolvere consuevit, ad suum attraxit hundredum. Et tertium, quod ipsam abbatiam ad ecclesiam de Cruck obligari procuravit in dicto redditu annuo quinquaginta solidorum. Nupserat autem

filius suus et hæres dominus Hugo tertius patre adhuc vivente anno Domini mcccxxv. iij. die idus Augusti, generosæ dominæ Margaretæ filiæ comitis Herefordiæ domini Humphredi de Bohun, tironis strenuissimi, et in armis famosissimi, sed ante contractum hujus matrimonii propter querelam communis justiciæ Angliæ prosequendam, à regiis satellitibus apud Pontemfractum nequiter occisi. Hæc Margareta matrem habuit ingenuam, dominam Elizabetham illustrissimi principis et regis incliti Edwardi post conquestum Angliæ primi filiam, anno Domini mcccxj. iij. nonas Aprilis nata; per quam contigit posteritatem Courtneis regio sanguine Anglico iterum renovari, ex ea proveniente. Ingenuitas enim hujus dominæ Margaretæ neptis regis Angliæ, quæ fuit filia filiæ regis Edwardi egregii, æquipollet generositati Reginaldi de Courtney supradicti, qui fuit filius domini Flori filii regis Franciæ Grossi Lodovici, et sic generositas de Courtneis recentiori ingenuitate sublimatur, ac regia tribus, regalis necnon progenies Franciæ pariter et Angliæ in eis permiscetur.

Habuit idem dominus Hugo tertius donum gratum, ex mera liberalitate patris sui adhuc superstitis, sed occasione assumptæ sibi uxoris, videlicet, manerium totum de Colecumb cum suis pertinentiis, in domicilium; necnon duo maneria, de Coker penitus cum manerio de Wettedene ad singulare dominium separatim à patre. Pro tempore exercendæ familiæ, et apud Colecumb presidentis genuit filios et filias; Hugonem, videlicet, quartum, eorum primogenitum, anno Domini mcccxxvij. xj. calendas Aprilis natum; Thomam, Edwardum, Johannem, Margaretam, Elizabetham, Catharinam, anno Domini mcccxxxv. et regni regis gloriosissimi Edwardi post conquestum tertii, nono.

Dictus dominus Hugo secundus omnes antecessores suos de Courtneis in seculari potestate et dominio excellens, eo quod in terris prædictis et possessionibus comitis Devonæ jure hæreditario, ut præmittitur successit, sicut jure ita in nomine comes Devonæ dici et esse promeruit, habuit xvij. libras, vj. sol. et octo denarios annui census sterlingorum ad dictum hunc comitem hæreditarie pertinentes, singulis annis de regiis perquisitis in comitatu Devonæ percepturos, quos antea minime habebat. Sublimatus taliter in comitem iste dominus, tanto pietatis affectu eodem anno attractus fuerat, quod cuilibet monasterio in Devon. xx. marcas, prioratui de Plimpton totidem, cæterisque prioratibus singulis decem marcas, ac cuique domui fratrum mendicantium decem marcas conferebat. Sed qualiter ad eum pertinuit hæreditas comitatus Devonæ subnectendum.

Rex Henricus post conquestum primus, filius regis Willielmi magni ducis Normaniæ, totius Angliæ conquestoris, cum post fratrem suum Willielmum Rufum super totam Angliam fæliciter regnasset, dilecto et fideli suo Ricardo de Redverii^a primo Tiverton, ac postea honorem de Plimton cum aliis locis ad eundem pertinentibus contulit, in comitemque Devon. tertium denarium annui exitus ejusdem comitatus illi concedendo, eum consequenter creavit. Exitus autem comitatus qui tunc ad regem pertinebat ad xxx. marcas tantummodo se extendebat, de quibus dictus comes decem marcas annuatim in partem suam assumebat. Post hæc insulam Vectæ à dicto rege obtinuit, unde comes Devonæ et dominus Insulæ nuncupatus erat. Qui comes Ricardus genuit primum Baldwinum, post se Devonæ comitem, de Timmore canonicorum et Twina ubi est Christi ecclesia et monasterii Quararæ in Insula Vectæ, et de Tira in Normannia inclytum fundatorem. Hic comes Baldwinus primus tres filios, videlicet Ricardum, Henricum, et Willielmum, habuit, ac tandem anno Domini m.clv. secundo nonas Junii, mortuus apud Quareram, ubi uxor sua Adelicia et dictus filius suus Henricus in juventute defunctus quiescunt, sepulturam accepit. Senior ergo filius ejus, Ricardus secundus, ei in hæreditatem successit et comes Devon. extitit; et duos filios post se successivos comites et hæredes, videlicet Baldwinum secundum et Ricardum tertium legitimè procreavit, uterque autem eorum sine prole obierat, et sic ad patrum suum Willielmum de Vernona cognominatum, quia Vernonæ scholaris fuerat, hæreditas tota spectabat.

Iste Willielmus comes genuit Baldwinum tertium de Mabilia comitissa, uxore sua, ac etiam duas filias Johannem, videlicet Willielmi Brewer et Mariam Roberti de Courtney, inclytorum procerum uxores futuras. Cum prima filia, Jo-

hanna videlicet, dedit pater quinquaginta libratas terræ apud Crust in manerio de Cruck, cum advocatione ejusdem ecclesiæ genero suo Willielmo, ac cum secunda, totum residuum dicti manerii cum hundredo forinseco et chacia de Cruks genero suo Roberto. Præfata denique Johanna uxor Willielmi Brewer omni prole caruit et sic nullius mater debitum mortis persolvit: Maria tamen fœcunda extitit, ac prolem etiam Deo et hominibus dilectam, videlicet Johannem de Courtney tunc viri sui et suum imposterum hæredem votivè pariebat. Iste autem Johannes de Courtney genuit Hugonem primum; et ille Hugo primus Hugonem secundum, dictum comitatum jure hæreditario, ut consequenter patebit, jam assecutum.

Ante mortem verò dicti comitis Willielmi de Redverii, ac de Vernona nuncupati, filius suus Baldwinus tertius prænominatus, genuit ex Margareta filia et hærede Warini filii Geraldii, Baldwinum quartum; et patre suo adhuc superstite calendas Septembris anno Domini m.ccxvj. morte præreptus est. Anno itaque sequenti, quarto idus Septembris, obiit idem comes Willielmus. Dictus ergo Baldwinus quartus Amiciam filiam Gilberti de Clare comitis Gloucestriæ et Hertfordiæ in uxorem duxerat, de qua Baldwinus quintus postea comitem et Isabellam Albermarliæ comitissam procreabat. Hic Baldwinus junior, post patrem comes, Johannem quendam genuit; qui Johannes moriens, patrem sine prole reliquit. Tandem et pater ejus Baldwinus junior, qui et quintus, prole fraudatus obiit, et sic tota hæreditas ad sororem ejus Isabellam Albermarliæ comitissam legitimè pervenit; quæ quidem comitissa Isabella, in possessione comitatus Devonæ, necnon domini Insulæ constituta, dote materna excepta, dedit processu temporis Amiciæ matri suæ, hæredibus, et assignatis suis imperpetuum, manerium de Buckland, Bickley, Wallampton, et Coliton, cum hundredis et advocationibus ecclesiarum feodis militum et aliis omnibus quibuscunque pertinentiis suis, quæ universa, ipsa mater ejus Amicia Deo postmodum liberaliter contulit, ac monasterium ordinis Cisterciensis, monachis de Quararia illuc ascitis, apud Buckland, ex hiis omnibus fundavit; quam quidem foundationem, et domum suam prædictam, tam dicta Isabella, quam rex Angliæ Edwardus post Conquestum primus ratificaverit et approbaverit; ac Deo et dictis monachis Cisterciensis ordinis ibidem Deo servientibus, tam votivè quam devotè, confirmarunt anno videlicet Domini m.cclxxvij. et regni ipsius regis Edwardi viij.

Tandem verò dicta domina Isabella de Fortibus Devon. et Albemariæ comitissa absque prole obiit, in qua tota successio ex masculina linea, à dicto domino Willielmo de Redverii, sive de Vernona, descendens pœnitens defecit. Ad Mariam ergo juniorem filiam ejusdem Willielmi domino Roberto de Courtnay desponsatam, et hæredem ejus, tota dicta hæreditas comitatus Devonæ retorquenda fuit, quia Johanna soror ejus et senior filia ejusdem comitis Willielmi sine prole obiit, ac conjugem suum Willielmum Brewer liberis etiam fraudatum reliquit. Jure ergo hæreditario et successione legitima dictus Hugo de Courtnay secundus dictum comitatum obtinuit; eo quod de sanguine proximus et hæres legitimus, quia filius primi Hugonis filii Johannis de Courtnay, qui filius fuit Roberti et dictæ Mariæ filiæ et hæredis dicti Willielmi de Vernona. Et licet idem Hugo de Courtney secundus sic dictæ dominæ Isabellæ de Fortibus nuper comitissæ Devonæ et dominæ Insulæ in hæreditate comitatus successerat, dominio tamen dictæ Insulæ Vectæ adhuc fraudatus extitit; sed hoc minus justè, quia ad hæreditatem suam et totum reliquum dignoscitur pertinere. Vendicat tandem dominus rex Angliæ dictam Insulam tanquam jus suum proprium à dicta domina comitissa Isabella, donatam per cartam, quam tanquam dictæ comitissæ exhibet, utinam non minus veraciter, non nequiter, non fraudulentè contra voluntatem dictæ Isabellæ, vel præter, impetrata fuisset. Rex illustris Edwardus, post Conquestum Angliæ primus præfatam Insulam plurimum optaverat ac aures dictæ dominæ ut inde sibi illum faceret hæredem, tam per se quam per alios sæpius pulsabat. Quæ et bona domina facere semper renuit, quotiescunque in hac parte requisita fuit, constanter recusavit hæreditatem suam lædere, vel in aliquo hæredibus suis derogare. Tum verò dominum de Stratton clericum et dictæ dominæ familiarissimum utpote per quem potius ipsa cartam faceret, rex promotorem in hac

^a Comites Devonæ de Redverii nuncupati.

parte sibi statuebat, qui plus timore quam amore ad hoc inductus regem, quod petierat consequuturum promittebat, quod cum nullo modo domina vivente potuit efficere, ipsa tandem moriente, regi ne videretur promissis illudere, cartam ei fecerat sigillo dominæ sigillatam, ut qui habuerat omnia in potestate sua, sic ergo regi satisfacere et hæredes legitimos dominio, Insulæ nequiter, et subdolè, hujus factionis commento hucusque defraudabat.

Anno Domini mcccxl. die Dominica in festo sanctæ Trinitatis et sancti Barnabæ Apostoli domina Agneta de Courtney, comitissa Devonæ, apud Tiverton obiit, quæ die Martis quinto calendas Junii apud Cowick propè Exon. solempniter humata fuit. Hæc cum à dicto conjugæ sua Hugone de Courtney vidua facta fuit ut præmittitur anno nono regis Edwardi tertii, annis quinquaginta tribus vel circiter sub lege conjugali vixerat, sub qua plurimas molestias, etiamque calumnias, toto tempore sororis suæ dominæ Alianoræ de Courtney præfati mariti sui genetricis ipsam incessanter calumniantis, et super clandestino adulterio apud filium deferentis, tolerabat.

NUM. II.

Carta Joselini de Pomerei.

[Ex Regist. de Ford, cap. 20.]

OMNIBUS ad quod præsens scriptum pervenerit Joselinus de Pomerei salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me, pro salute animæ meæ, et domini mei regis Henrici, et animarum patris et matris meæ, et domini fratris mei Hen. de Pomerei, et antecessorum et successorum meorum, dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentis carta mea confirmasse ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Forda et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus totam villam meam de Tale, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, cum me ipso in comitiva ad habitum religionis susceptus eram, adeo integrè et liberè possidendum sicut idem dominus et frater meus Henricus de Pomeria, pro servitio et homagio meo, mihi eam dedit assensu hæredis sui, et carta sua confirmavit, scilicet per servicium quorundam calcariorum deauratorum, pro omni servicio. Hiis testibus, Johanne archidiacono Exoniæ, Willielmo priore sancti Germani, Willielmo de Tracy fratre Hugonis de Courtenay, Henrico filio Willielmi de Tracy.

NUM. III.

Confirmatio Johannis de la Pomerei anno 13 Edw. II.

[Ibid. cap. 22.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, Henricus de la Pomerei filius et hæres Henrici de la Pomerey militis et Amiciæ filiæ Galfridi Camvill militis salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noverit universitas vestra me inspexisse cartam confirmationem et quietam clamationem Joselini de la Pomeray, et Henrici de la Pomerai de Byrre, filii Henrici et Margeriæ filiæ de Vernun avi mei, confectas Deo, et beatæ Mariæ de Forda, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, de manerio de Tale, in hæc verba: 'Omnibus Christi fidelibus Henricus de la Pomeray de Byrre, filius Henrici de la Pomeray, et Margeriæ de Vernun, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noverit universitas vestra me inspexisse cartam Joselini de Pomerai confectam Deo, et beatæ Mariæ de Forda, et monachos ibidem Deo servientibus, de terra de Tale, in hæc verba: Omnibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Joselinus de la Pomeray, &c. necnon cartam Henrici de la Pomerai filii Henrici junioris et Aliciæ de Vernun, in hæc verba: Sciant præsentis et futuri quod ego Henricus de la Pomeray, filius Henrici et Aliciæ de Vernun, &c. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio quod prædicti monachi et successores sui habeant et teneant omnes prædictas terras et omnes alias terras quæ tenent de feudo meo, tam in Devoniam quam in Cornubiam. Hiis testibus, Johanne de Courtney, Olivero Dinam, Henrico de Champernoun, Maugero de sancto Albino, Johanne Wier, Alexandro de Okeston, Warino de Lactone militibus. Quas quidem cartas et confirmationes et quietam clamationem coram me lectas et diligenter inspectas, ego, dictus Henricus de la Pomeray, filius Henrici de la Pomeray et Amiciæ filiæ Galfridi Camvill, ratifico Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Forda, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, &c. Testibus, domino Hugone de Courtney, Nicholaio de Cheiney, Roberto de Stockhaye, Johanne de Bickbury

tunc vicecomite Devonæ, militibus, &c. Data apud Exoniam die Mercurii proxima ante festum Nativitatis beatæ Mariæ anno regni regis Edwardi filii regis Edwardi xiiij.'

NUM. IV.

Confirmatio Donationum per Regem Ricardum Primum.

[Cart. antiq. S. n. 21. Vide Cart. 10 Edw. III. n. 60; et Cart. 6 Edw. II. n. 26. Cart. antiq. H. n. 12.]

RICHARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dux Normanniæ, Aquitaniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse et præsentis carta nostra confirmasse, in perpetuam elemosinam, abbatiæ de Forda et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus ecclesiam de Thornecumba, in cujus parochia prædicta abbatia sita est, et totum manerium de Thornecumba cum omnibus pertinentiis suis sicut Aeliz vicecomitissa, quæ illud manerium eis in elemosinam dedit, unquam illud meliùs et liberiùs tenuit; et terram do Sterta, ex dono H. regis secundi patris sui, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et Asseweiam, quam abbas et prædicti monachi emerunt de canonicis Tanfon et de Hugone de Turberville; ex dono Ricardi filii Baldwini, Upeccotam; ex venditione monachorum de Margan, quinque ferlingos; et ex dono Ricardi de Raleg, duos ferlingos in tenemento de Aessa; et ex venditione Walteri filii Baldwini de Aessa, quicquid est inter prædictos septem furlings, præter solum pratum quod dicitur Bradmede; ex dono Ricardi de Turberville, unam virgatam terræ in Aesseweia; ex dono et venditione Henrici filii Willielmi Colebroke; ex dono Henrici de Pomeria, unum ferlingum terræ, quæ appellatur Tunbritesford in Exmora; ex dono Eustachi filii Stephani, unam domum in Exonia; ex dono Manasseri Mauvaisin et Mabilæ uxoris suæ, terram de Godesterta; ex dono Savarici, unam domum in Bristoll; ex venditione Rogeri de Arundell, Brunneduna; ex dono Savarici de Vall, vij. ferlingos terræ in tenemento de Bere; ex venditione Henrici de Pomeria, unam piscariam in Cornubia, quæ appellatur Coresturnan; ex dono Ricardi filii Willielmi de Langeforde, hoc quod habet in Parva Windsoria sicut cartæ ejus testantur; ex dono Ricardi del Estre, unam virgatam terræ in Cernemue; ex dono Ricardi de Morevilla xx. sol. de tenemento de Chaffcomba; ex dono Henrici de Tylli, la villa; ex dono Henrici filii Walteri de Leg. unam virgatam terræ in tenemento de Lega, et de dono patris ejus xij. acras in eodem tenemento; ex donatione et venditione Gaufridi Talebot, tenementum de Streta; ex dono et venditione Roberti Burnilli, terras illas in tenemento de Bera, de quibus cartæ quas fecit præfatis monachis de Ford testantur; ex dono Osberti Daci, dimid. hidam terræ in tenemento de Wrokesale. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum Willielmi de Longo Campo cancellarii nostri, anno primo regni nostri, xvj. die Septembris, apud Gadintonam.

NUM. V.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.[Transcript of Return 26th Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

Dioc. Exon.

ABB'IA DE FORD in p'd'e'is Archi'd' et Dioc' Exon' in Com' Devon'.

Ss. verus et annuus Valor o'mi' possessionū tam spūal' q'am tempal' Thome abbis monast'ij B'te Marie de Ford p'dca in jur' monast'ij p'dci exāiat et pbat' coram Jo'ie Exon' epō et al' co'missionar' dñi regis p'noiat' ad hoc assignat' t'mio et anno p'dcis.

Possessiones temp'al' dñi Abb'is.

Devon.

Thornecombe.

Valet in redd ass' rem' in tenura tenenciū i'bm

78l. 12s. 9d.

Et terr' dñic' rem' in tenur' ppria dñi abbis p annū, 40l. 7s. 10d. ult^a 6s. 8d. Nūc resolut' Georgio Pryce ballio i'bm p feod' suo p annū rem' clar' 118l. 13s. 11d.

Et de pquis' cur' et al' casual' 1l. 15s. cū finibz t'r i'bm cōibz annis 10l. 10s. 0d.

129l. 3s. 11d.

Tale et Payhemb'y cū Exon'.

Valet in reddit' assie iſm p annū 21*l.* 16*s.* 7*d.* et in Exon' 1*l.* ult^a 1*l.* 6*s.* Inde resolut' priori de Martyn Winton' dioc' 5*s.* 6*d.* Et success' suis de quadm penſoe p annū et rectoria de Taleton Exon' dioc' et succ' suis de quadm penſoe p annū 6*d.* Et Thome Marker ballio iſm 1*l.* p feod' suo p a^m rem' clar' 21*l.* 10*s.* 7*d.*

Et de pquis' cur' et al' casual' 9*s.* 2*d.* cū finibz t'r iſm 1*l.* ſoibz annis 1*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.*
22*l.* 19*s.* 11*d.*

Lynton et Counstysb'y.

Val' in toto redd' assie iſm p annū ult^a 6*s.* 8*d.* Inde resolut' Robto Store ballio iſm p feod' suo p annū rem' clar' 13*l.* 4*s.* 3*d.*

Et de pquis' cur' et al' casual' 9*s.* 2*d.* cū fin' t'r iſm ſoibz annis 1*l.* 1*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.*
14*l.* 13*s.* 5*d.*

Som's'. in Bathon' et Wellen' dioc' Strete et Legh cu' Membris et ptin'.

Val' in toto redd' ass' iſm 23*l.* 5*s.* 11½*d.* Et in Crukerne 8*s.* Seggebroke Bronden 18*s.* Upotehill et Beare 14*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.* Rem' in tenur' tenenciū iſm p annū et terr' dñie' in Strete et Legh p̄dict' rem' in tenur' ppria dēi abbis p annū 12*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.* ult^a 4*l.* 6*s.* 10*d.* Inde resol' Marc' Frye ballio iſm 6*s.* 8*d.* p feod' suo p annū Et p̄bendario de Comba ecclie cathedral' Wellen's rectori de Wynsh^m et succ' suis de quadm penſoe an^{tim} exeunt' de Strete et Legh p̄dcis 1*l.* 5*s.* 10*d.* Et rectori de Crukerne in dioc' Bathon' et Wellens' et succ' suis de quadm penſoe an^{tim} exeūte de Upotehill p̄dca 2*l.* 10*s.* Et Johi Burnell et hered' suis 4*s.* 4*d.* De quodm annual' redd' excūt' de Upotehyll p̄dca rem' clar' 47*l.* 6*s.* 1½*d.*

Et de pquis' cur' et al' casual' 4*s.* 7*d.* cū finibz t'r iſm ſoibz annis 6*s.* 8*d.* 0*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.*
47*l.* 17*s.* 4½*d.*

Dors' in dioc' Sar'.

Burstock et Hurstonshay cu' al' ut infra.

Val' in toto redd' ass' iſm cū Willeslond 30*l.* 13*s.* Et in Childhey 6*s.* 8*d.* cū Tyderley p annū 6*d.* ult^a 2*s.* Inde resol' Willo Hody et her' suis p quodm an^{li} redd' p a^m rem' clar' 30*l.* 18*s.* 2*d.*

Et de pquis' cur' et al' casual' 13*s.* 6*d.* cū 1*l.* de fin' t'r iſm ſoibz annis 1*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.*
32*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.*

Lytle Wynsore.

Valet in ſoibz reddit' iſm p annū ult^a 6*s.* 8*d.* Inde resolut' an^{tim} Johi Bagwell ballio iſm p feod' suo p annū rem' clar' 29*l.* 19*s.* 2*d.*

Et de pquis' cur' et al' casual' 15*s.* 8*d.* cū fin' t'r iſm 1*l.* ſoibz annis 1*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.*
31*l.* 14*s.* 10*d.*

Turneworth et Thornecomb.

Valet in ſoibz redd' ass' iſm p annū ult^a 1*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.* Inde resolut' an^{tim} priori de Bremmore et succ' suis Winton' dioc' 4*s.* Et p vestr' colleg' de Eton et success' suis 1*l.* De quibusdm an^{tim} redd' exeunt' de Turneworth p̄dict' et Riſo Chapman ballio iſm p feod' suo p annū 6*s.* 8*d.* Rem' clar' 13*l.* 12*s.* 4*d.*

Et de pquis' cur' et al' casual' 7*s.* 7*d.* cū fin' t'r iſm ſoibz annis 10*s.* 0*l.* 17*s.* 7*d.*
14*l.* 9*s.* 11*d.*

Toller' et Catclyf.

Valet in redd' assie' rem' in tcnur' tenenc' iſm 11*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.* p annū et t'r dñie' rem' in tenur' dēi abbis iſm p annū 28*l.* ult^a inde resolut' an^{tim} rectori de Mapton et succ' suis Sarſ dioc' 3*s.* De quod' an^{li} reddit' exeunt' de Toller p̄dca. Et rectori de Coscomb et succ' suis in dioc' Sarſ 3*s.* p an^{li} redd' exeunt' de Toller p̄dca p annū. Et priori Sſi Johis de Briggewater et succ' suis in Bathon' et Wellen' dioc' 6*s.* p an^{li} redd' exeunt' de Toller p̄dca. Et Nicho Wilmede ballio iſm p feod' suo p annū 6*s.* 8*d.* Rem' clar' 38*l.* 10*s.* 3*d.*

Et de pquis' cur' cū alijs casual' cū fin' t'r iſm ſoibz annis 0*l.* 12*s.* 9*d.*
39*l.* 2*s.* 11*d.*

Charmouth, Lyme, Monkynwyll, Newlond, and Byrporte.

Valet in ſoibz reddit' iſm 28*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* Et in Lyme 2*s.* Et Birporte 6*d.* p annū ult^a 2*l.* Inde resolut' an^{ti} Raſo Tybbez ballio iſm p feod' suo p a^m rem' clar' 26*l.* 13*s.* 0*d.*

Et de pquis' cur' et al' casual' 8*s.* 11*d.* cū fin' t'r iſm ſoibz annis 1*l.* 1*l.* 8*s.* 11*d.*
28*l.* 1*s.* 11*d.*

Sma oīi' possessionū tempal' dēi
abbis de clar' 360*l.* 15*s.* 10½*d.*

Valor annu^s oīi' sp'ual' dēi abbis Devon.

Thornecomb.

Rectoria iſm valet p annū in decima Garbe cū 4*l.* Rec' an^{tim} de vicaria iſm p quadm penſoe rem' clar' 7*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Payhemb'y.

Rectoria iſm valet p annū in decima garbe ult^a 12*s.* Inde resolut' an^{tim} archino Exon' et succ' suis de quadm annuali penſoe rem' clar' 12*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.*

Dors' in dioc' Sar'.

Burstock.

Valet p annū in decima garbe ult^a 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* solut' an^{tim} vicario iſm et succ' suis de quadm an^{li} penſoe rem' clar' 0*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*
20*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.*

Sma oīi' possessionū sup^d t̄m
tempal' 360*l.* 15*s.* 10½*d.* q^m
sp'ual' dēi abbis 20*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.* 381*l.* 10*s.* 6½*d.*

Unde

Feod'.

Solut' annuatim Amisio Pawlet militi sen^{li} oīi' p̄missoz p feod' suo p annū 4*l.* Et Rogero Kensey audit' illoz p̄missoz p feod' suo p annū 2*l.* Et Johi Chudlegh rec' oīi' possess' sup^dſoiz p feod' suo p annū 2*l.* 8*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Et rem' clar' ſoibz deduct' an^{ti} 373*l.* 10*s.* 6½*d.*

In' p x^{ma} 37*l.* 7*s.* 0¾*d.*

NUM. VI.

[From a Pension Book, temp. Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

The late HOWSE OF FORDE.

Penſōns appoynted by the kings highnes comyssiōns to the late Abbott and Covent of the surrenderyd Howse of Forde in the countie of Devōn, the viijth day of Marche in the xxxth yere of the reigne of o' soſaigne lorde king Henry the viijth, and they and eſy of them to have one quarters penſōn at th' annunciaſōn of o' Lady next cumyng, and att the feast of Saint Mychell tharchangell next aft' that one halfe yeres penſōn, and soo from halfe yere to halfe yere duryng ther lyves.

That is to say,

Fyrst to Thomas Charde, als Tybbes Abbott, fourtie wayne lodes of fyre wood to be takne yerely during his lyfe owte of suche woods, being no pte of demaynes of the said late howse as thofficers of the king's courte of the augmentaſōns or there deputies for the tyme there shall appoynte and assigne lxxx^{li}.

And alsoo

Willm Sherneborne als Rede . .	vij ^{li} .
Richard Exmester als Were . .	vij ^{li} .
John Newman	vj ^{li} .
John Cosyns	vj ^{li} . xiiij ^s . iiij ^d .
John Brydgewater als Stone . .	vij ^{li} .
Robert Ylmest' als Roose . . .	vij ^{li} .
John Fawell	cvj ^s . viij ^d .
Thomas Stafford als Bate . . .	cvj ^s . viij ^d .

GABRIEL DONNE, or DUNNE, the last abbat, surrendered his monastery to the king Feb. 25th, 1538.

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the clear value of the spiritual and temporal possessions of this monastery was rated at 466*l.* 11*s.* 2*¼d.*^a

The following were the pensions granted to the monks 26th April, 31st Hen. VIII.

	£	s.	d.
To Gabriel Dunne, the abbat . . .	120	0	0
John Dogge	6	13	4
John Cowle	6	0	0
Matthew Preston	5	6	8
Richard Splate	5	6	8
William Shapter	5	6	8
John Watts	5	6	8
William Avery	5	6	8
Richard Taylor	5	6	8
Thomas Gylle	5	0	0 ^b

Mr. Oliver says, in various leases that he had met with, he found mention of the manors of Kingsbridge and Harberton belonging to the monks. The abbey had also some property in the town and near the bridge of Totnes.^c

The site of Buckfastleigh abbey was granted in the 31st of Henry the Eighth to Sir Thomas Dennys,^d of Holcombe Burnell, a large sharer in the property of the Dissolved Monasteries.

Dr. William Petre, one of the visitors of the Religious Houses at the Dissolution, received grants of several of the manors belonging to Buckfastleigh.^e

According to an entry upon the Hundred Rolls, the abbats of Buckfastleigh had formerly the power of inflicting capital punishment in their manors.^f

Tanner says,
“*Vide* in bibl. Harleiana, MS. 862, fol. 35, Appellationem abbatis et conventus de Buckfaste a decano Exon. ad curiam Romanam.

“Cart. antiq. S. n. 19; Y. n. 31.
“Rot. fin. 4 Hen. III. m. 5, pro mercat. apud Chiriston.
“Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 33 d, de commun. pastur. in Suthebr.
“Cart. 4 Edw. III. n. 11. Cart. 25, &c. Edw. III. n. 17, pro mercat. apud Bucfastleigh, et feria apud Barentdown. Pat. 30 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 20, de maner. de Kilbury.
“Pat. 7 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 2, de maner. de Dertington. Ibid. p. 2, m. 29. Inquis. Devon. 7 Ric. II. n. 152. Pat. 9 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 24, de molend. in maner. de Staverton.
“Cart. 27, &c. Hen. VI. n. 4, pro mercat. et feriis apud Kingsbridge et Buckfast.
“Pat. 1 Edw. IV. p. 5, m. 17.”

See also Rot. Hundr. vol. i. pp. 69, 75, 78, 79, 80, 81, 89, 90, 91, 94.

In the Lord Treasurer’s Remembrancer’s Office, “De J. P. et aliis tenentibus manerii de Buckfastleigh exonerandis de 19*l.* 4*s.* pro redditu certarum dierum autumnalium.” Mich. Rec. 6 Eliz. rot. 92.

The COMMON SEAL, appended to the Surrender, 25th Feb. 30 Hen. VIII. in the Augmentation Office, is round, representing the Virgin Mary, crowned, with the infant Jesus on her left arm, under a Gothic canopy. The legend, s. CONVENTVS . BUCKFESTRIE. The impression is on red wax.

It appears from Chapple’s Collections that the manor of Buckfast belonged to Sir Richard Baker about the year 1629. It afterwards became the property of the Doyleys, and was sold off in parcels.

The immediate site of the abbey now belongs to William Searle Bentall, Esq. and others. Most of the ruins were taken down about the year 1806: one tower is still, or was lately remaining. A modern house, in the Gothic style, has been built over the vaults of the abbey.^g

Cartae ad Buckfastrensem Abbatiam in agro Devoniensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Regis Henrici Secundi.

[Pat. 1 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 4, per Inspex.]

H. REX Angliæ, et dux Norman. et Aquit. et comes Andeg. archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis me concessisse in perpetuam elemosinam monachis de Bugfasta, qui sunt de ordine de Savineio, ecclesiam et abbatiam de Bugfasta, cum omnibus terris, et tenementis, et ecclesiis, et aliis possessionibus prædictæ ecclesiæ pertinentibus, ita bene et in pace, &c. sicut prædicta abbatia unquam melius, &c. tenuit tempore regis H. avi mei, &c. Test. Teobaldo Cantuar. archiepiscopo, Thoma cancellario, Unfrido de Buhun dapi-fero, Rogero de Novant, Warino filio Geroldi camerario, et Willielmo filio Hamonis, apud Wigorniam.

^a The temporal possessions, in 1291, amounted but to 37*l.* 5*s.*
The *spiritualties* of Buckfastleigh are thus entered in Pope Nicholas’s Taxation:

	£.	s.	d.
“Exon. Spirit.			
Abbas de Buffestr. percipit de ecclesia de Donne	2	0	0
Abbas de Buffestr. percipit de ecclesia de Sele	2	13	4
Abbas de Buffestr. percipit de ecclesia de Thurstonde	0	13	4”

Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 144, 146, 151.

The following were the *temporalties*:

	£	s.	d.
“Abbas Bustr. habet			
Manerium de Brent quod taxatur	9	15	4
Manerium de Northor	6	6	8

NUM. II.

Carta Ricardi Banzan.

[Cart. 43 Hen. III. m. 1, per Inspex.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego Ricardus Banzan dedi, concessi, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmavi abbati et conventui de Bufestre Deo et beatæ Mariæ servientibus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, pro animabus patris mei, et matris meæ, et fratris mei Stephani Banzan, totam terram meam de Holna, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ut in dominicis, villenagiis, boscis, turbariis, homagiis, et servi- ciis liberorum; videlicet, Stephani Mugge, Michaelis Mugge, Wimundi Sele, Osberti Corbyn, et Warini de Bud- ditone, et omnibus aliis pertinentiis; tenendam et habendam dictis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus, vel cui

	£	s.	d.
Apud Donfestre (Benfestre, sc. Buckfestre)	3	14	4
Apud Hedfelle	4	8	0
Apud Bankesburgh (Baveikescurgh) . . .	2	13	0
Apud Bodrikeston (Pederickeston) . . .	2	4	8
Apud Sele	2	9	4
Apud Dymm (Dum’)	3	10	0
Apud Trisma (Trisura)	1	15	8
Apud Robrok et Hyndon (Tyndon) . . .	0	8	0”

Ibid. p. 153.

^b See Oliver, p. 63. ^c Ibid. p. 69.
^d Tann. Notit. Mon. Devon. vii.
^e Oliver, Hist. Coll. ut supr.
^f Rot. Hundr.
^g Compare Lysons, Mag. Brit. Devon. P. ii. p. 73.
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eam assignare voluerint, de me et hæredibus meis, liberè, quietè, integrè, et pacificè jure hæreditario imperpetuum, in viis, semitis, &c. faciendo inde mihi et hæredibus meis, ipsi, et successores sui vel eorum assignati, tricesimam partem feodi unius militis pro omni servicio, querela, demanda, secta, et exactione, &c. Hiis testibus, Gileberto de Umfranvill, Hugone de Cardinan, Martino de Fisacre, Gilberto filio Stephani, Philippo de Bodrigan, Waltero Bernas, Nicholao de Fereriis, et aliis.

NUM. III.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits' Office.]

ABB'IA MONASTERII B'TE MARIE DE BUCKFAST', in Decanat' Totton', in Exon' Dioc', in Com' Devon'.

Certificão fact' d' Valore om̃u' Mañior', Terr', Ten', Rectoriar', Vicariar', Penconu', Decimar', et alior' emolument' infra regnu' Anglie, unde Joh̃es abbas monasterii b'te Marie de Buckfast' p̃dict', infra aliq'm archid', aliquo modo in jure monasterii p̃dict' modo scit', exist', put postea patebit ex fundaçone.

Mañiu' de Buckfastlegh cu' Kylbury.

Reddit' assie t'm terr' dñical' cum pastur' bosci circa mancoem dñi monasterii 8l. Ac piscaria de Dert' 1l. Q'm lib' tenent' 4s. 6d. Ac custum' tenent' 2l. 10s. 11d. Firma molend' 4l. Increment' reddit' 2l. 7s. 4d. Firm' terr' 4l. 1s. 0½d. Ac pquis' cur' p annu' eoibz annis 1l. 18s. 7½d. 71l. 12s. 5d.

Mañiu' de Kylbury.

Reddit' assie t'm libor' tenenc' q'm custum', cum molend' ibm, val' p annu' . . . 18l. 15s. 9½d.

Mañiu' de Brent'.

Reddit' assie libor' tenenc' 8l. 6s. 7¾d. q̃. Et custum' tenent' 87l. 17s. 3d. Firma molend' 3l. 16s. 8d. Piscar' 3s. 4d. Increment' reddit' 9l. 17s. 6½d. D' fin' terr' cum pquis' cur' et alior' p̃fic' ejusdm mañii p annu' coibz annis 11l. 5s. 2½d. 121l. 6s. 7¾d q̃

Mañiu' de Churchstowe.

Reddit' assie libor' tenenc' 2l. 14s. 8¼d. 18 lib' cere et di'. Custum' tenenc' 17l. 7s. 8d. Terr' dñical'. D' fin' terr' cum pquis' cur' et alijs p̃ficuis ejusdm mañii p annu' coibz annis 3l. 13s. 5½d. . . . 44l. 15s. 9½d. 18 lib' cere et di'.

Kyngesbrigg.

Reddit' assie libor' tenenc' et convenc' 8l. 8s. 0½d. Firm' molendinor' 3l. 6s. 8d. Exit' m̃cat' et nund' 5l. Ac pquis' cur' p annu' coibz annis 18s. Inde solut' P̃ho Champonon militi et hæred' suis p reddit' gurgit' molend' fixat' sup' terr' suam apud Dodbroke p annu' 2s. Et rem' clare 17l. 10s. 8½d.

Mañiu' de Engleburne.

Reddit' assie libor' tenenc' 9s. 1 lib' cere. Custum' tenenc' in Totnes, Aissheberyngton, Churston q'm Engleburne p̃dict' 10l. 7s. 2d. 1 lib' cere. Ac terr' Barton' 5l. 13s. 4d. D' fin' terr' cum pquis' cur' et alijs p̃ficuis ejusdm mañii coibz annis 2l. 5s. 0¼d. . . . 18l. 14s. 6¼d. 2 lib' cere.

Man'iu' de Patrikstowe.

Reddit' assie libor' tenenc' et custum' 5l. 6s. 11¼d. Terr' Barton' 3l. 1s. 8d. Auxil' 9s. 6¾d. Opum custum' 1l. 8s. 0d. D' fin' terr' cum pquis' cur' et alijs p̃ficuis ejusdm mañij p annis coibz annis 3l. 2s. 10½d. 13l. 9s. 0½d.

Dene Prio'.

Reddit' uni⁹ pcell' terr' vocat' Chyscomb p annu' 0l. 6s. 8d.

Bottokysburgh.

Reddit' assie lib' ten' 1l. 15s. 5½d. Custum tenenc'

6l. 6s. 8d. Ac terr' Barton' 12l. 5s. 4d. Firm' molend' 2l. Ac pquis' cur' p annu' coibz annis 5s. 3½d. 22l. 12s. 9d.

Trysme.

Reddit' assie lib' ten' 7s. 2d. Custum' tenenc' 5l. 9s. 0½d. Ac terr' Barton' 5l. 5s. 7d. D' fin' terr' cum pquis' cur' et alijs p̃ficuis ejusdm mañij p annu' coibz annis 2l. 13s. 7d. 13l. 15s. 4½d.

Spychewyke in Pochia de Wedycomb.

Reddit' 2. teñtor' ibm p annu' . . . 1l. 8s. 0d.

North Bovy.

Reddit' uni⁹ ten' ibm p annu' . . . 0l. 10s. 0d.

Maynebowe.

Reddit' assie t'm libor' tenenc' q'm custum' tenenc' 2l. 2s. 9d. D' fin' terr' cum pquis' cur' et alijs p̃ficuis ejusdm mañij p annu' coibz annis 1l. 14s. 3¼d. 3l. 17l. 0¼d.

Man'iu' de Sele et Downe.

Reddit' assie libor' tenenc' 17s. 3½d. Custum' tenenc' 15l. 19s. 8¼d. Terr' Barton' 11l. 17s. 9d. Firm' molend' 1l. 10s. D' fin' terr' cum pquis' cur' et alijs p̃ficuis ejusdm mañij p annu' coibz annis 6l. 4s. 5½d. Inde, solut' priori S̃ci Joh̃is Exon' et success' suis de quod'm annual' reddit' p annu' 1l. 10s. . . . 34l. 19s. 2¼d.

Brounston.

Reddit' assie custum' tenenc' ibm p annu' 5l. 1s. 0½d. 1 par cerot'.

Man'iu' de Hethfyld.

Reddit' assie t'm libor' tenenc' q'm custum' 17l. 16s. 7½d. Terr' Barton' 12l. 9s. 9d. Auxil' 1l. 6s. 8d. Opum custum' ten' 1l. 10s. 1½d. D' fin' terr' cū pquis' cur' et alijs p̃ficuis ejusdm mañij p annu' coibz annis 2l. 1s. 9d. 35l. 4s. 11d.

Hoo infra Pochiam de Plympton'.

Reddit' uni⁹ tenur' ibm p annu' . . . 0l. 8s. 0d.

Plympton'.

Reddit' uni⁹ gard'ni ibm p annu' . . . 0l. 5s. 0d.

Exon'.

Reddit' ibm p annu' . . . 0l. 0s. 1d.

Palston in Breñt.

Reddit' Berton' ibm p annu' . . . 3l. 0s. 0d.

Stav'ton.

Molendin' ibm valet p annu' ult' 6l. 13s. 4d. Solut' decan' et capitl' Exon' et success' suis p annu' 3l. 6s. 8d. S̃m^a total' om̃u' tempal' ejusdm monastij . . . 430l. 19s. 7¾d. q̃. 19l. cere et 1 par cerot'.

Inde solut' Henrico Marchion' Exon' capit' sen^{lo} ibm p annu' p feod' suo . . . 2l. 0s. 0d. Et Joh̃i Southecote subsen^{lo} et audit' ibm p annu' p feod' suo . . . 2l. 13s. 4d. Et Jacobo Knottysford p corrod' sua ex assign' dñi reg^s p annu' . . . 3l. 0s. 0d. Et Joh̃i Vele bañio mañij de Kylby p feod' suo p annu' . . . 2l. 0s. 0d.

Et Leonardo Clynche bañio mañij de Brent p feod' suo p annu' . . . 2l. 0s. 0d. Et Willo Putt' bañio mañij de Churchstowe p feod' suo p annu' . . . 0l. 16s. 0d. Et Leonardo Clynche bañio burgi de Kyngesbrigg p feod' suo p annu' . . . 1l. 6s. 8d. Et Henrico Screch bañio mañij de Engleburne p feod' suo p annu' . . . 0l. 6s. 8d. Et Willo Edwarde bañio mañij de Hethfyld p feod' suo p annu' . . . 1l. 6s. 8d.

Et Walt^o Warwyke ballio manij de Battisburgh p
feod' suo p annū 0l. 6s. 8d.
S^ma alloc 15l. 16s. 0d.
Et rem' clare 415l. 3s. 7³/₄d. ^q
19 lib. cere et 1 par cerot'.

Sp'ual Possess' Monastij p'dēi in
Com' p'dēo.
Brent.

Firma decime garbarē i^m p annū cōibz annis
17l. 15s. 1d.
Et decime feni i^m p annū cōibz annis 0l. 7s. 8d.
Buckfastlegh.
Et p firma decime garbarē i^m p annū cōibz annis
11l. 13s. 4d.

Churchstowe.

Et p rectoria i^m appr'iat' monastio p'dict' p annū
cōibz annis 32l. 13s. 6d.

Annual' Pen^cōes.

Et de una annual' pen^cōe recept' de vicario de Brent
p annū 0l. 4s. 0d.
Et de una annuale pen^cōe recept' de vicario de Bucke-
fastlegh p annū 0l. 16s. 8d.
Et de una annuale pen^cōe recept' de rectore de Sayle
p annū 2l. 13s. 4d.
Et de una annual' pen^cōe recept' de rectore de Downe
p annū 1l. 4s. 0d.
Et de una annual' pen^cōe recept' de rectore de Pa-
trokstowe p annū 1l. 6s. 8d.
Et de una annual' pen^cōe rec' de rect' de Trysme
p annū 1 lib' cere.
S^ma omū sp'ual' monastij p'dict' 68l. 14s. 3d.
1 lib' cere

Inde solut' Johi epō Exon' et success' suis p quad^am
annual' pen^cōe exeunt' de rectoria de Churchstowe p annū
0l. 13s. 4d.

Et Henrico Fawell vicario de Churchstowe et success'
suis p pen^cōe sua p cur' āiarē i^m annuat' consvand' p
annū 16l. 13s. 4d.
S^ma alloc' sp'ual' 17l. 6s. 8d.
Et rem' clare 51l. 7s 7d.

S^ma omū possession' t^am sp'ual' q^am
tempal' Monastij p'dict' clare 466l. 11s. 2³/₄d. ^q
20^{lib}. cere et 1 par cerot'.
In p x^{ma} 46l. 13s. 1¹/₂d.
20^{lib}. cere et 1 par cirotec^a.

NUM. IV.

COMPUT' MINISTORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE BUCKFASTELEIGH.

Com' Devon'	£	s.	d.
Buckfastleigh—Scitus cum ter- ris pratis pascuis et pasturis .	11	3	6
Buckfastleigh—Reddit' libero- rum tenentium	0	4	6
Buckfastleigh—Reddit' custu- mar' tenentium	30	1	7
Buckfastleigh—Firma duorum molendinorum aquat' granat' .	4	0	1
Kenyngton, alias Lowertowne— Reddit' custumar' tenentium .	20	8	11 ob.
Buckfastleigh—Perquis' cur' .	6	6	8
Kylbury—Reddit' liberorum te- nentium	0	0	1 ob.
Kylbury—Reddit' custumar' te- nentium	20	12	0

Com' Devon'	£	s.	d.
Brente—Reddit' liberorum te- nentium maner'	8	17	3
Brente—Reddit' custum' et con- ventionar' tenentium	102	15	7 q.
Brente—Reddit' terr' dnical' vo- cat' Palston	3	0	0
Churstowe—Reddit' tam liberor' quam custumar' tenentium .	3	3	2 q.
Kyngesbrigge—Reddit' custu- mar' tenentium	9	1	8
Kyngesbrigge—Exit' mercat' sive nundin'	5	6	8
Kyngesbrigge—Reddit' libero- rum tenentium	4	4	8 ob.
Kyngesbrigge—Perquis' cur' .	0	18	6
Engleburne—Reddit' liberorum tenentium	0	12	1
Engleburne—Reddit' tam custu- mar' quam conventionar' te- nentium	11	0	6
Engleburne—Firma manerij .	5	13	4
Maynbow—Reddit' liberorum tenentium	1	4	0
Maynbow—Reddit' custumar' tenentium	0	18	4
Maynbow—Perquis' cur' .	0	2	4
Sele et Downe—Reddit' libero- rum tenentium	0	17	3 ob.
Sele—Reddit' custumar' tenen- tium	4	17	4 ob.
Downe—Reddit' custumar'. te- nentium	12	12	4 ob. q
Sele et Downe—Firma cert' terr' vocat' le Barton Ground . .	11	17	9
Sele et Downe—Perquis' cur' .	0	8	9
Bromston—Reddit' assis' . .	5	0	10 ob.
Hethfylde—Reddit' liberorum te- nentium	4	18	11
Hethfylde—Venditio operum cum auxilio tenentium . .	2	17	7 ob.
Hethfylde—Reddit' custumar' tenentium	7	12	8
Hethfylde—Reddit' terr' berton'	18	18	10
Hethfylde—Perquis' cur' .	0	1	1
Petrockystowe—Reddit' tam li- beror' quam custumar' tenen- tium	7	4	6
Petrockystowe—Firma maner' .	3	1	8
Petrockystowe—Perquis' cur' .	0	3	9
Bottoxburgh—Reddit' liberor' tenentium	1	15	5 ob.
Bottoxburgh—Reddit' conven- tionar' tenentium	7	9	0
Bottoxburgh—Firma capital' mesuag'	13	3	0
Bottoxburgh—Perquis' cur' .	0	4	8
Trisme—Reddit' liberor' tenen- tium	0	7	2
Trisme—Reddit' custumar' te- nentium	10	14	10 ob.
Dene Prior et Spychewyke— Reddit' terr' et tenemen' .	1	14	8
North Bovey, Hoo, et Plympton —Reddit'	1	3	0
Exon—Redd' un' dom' focal' .	0	0	1
Stafarton—Reddit' molend' .	10	0	0
Brent—Porc' de vicar' . . .	0	4	0
Buckfastleigh—Porc' . . .	0	16	8
Sele et Downe—Porc' de rector'	2	13	4
Patrickystowe—Porc' . . .	1	6	8
Trisme—Porc'	1 lib' cere.		
Brent—Firma rector' . . .	18	2	10
Buckfastleigh—Firma rector' .	11	13	4
Churstowe cum capella de Kingsbridge—Firma rector' .	32	14	6

Melsa, or Meaux, Abbey.

In the Deanry of Holderness and Archdeaconry of East Riding,
IN YORKSHIRE.



ELSA, or Meaux Abbey was founded in 1150, by William le Gros, Earl of Albemarle, and was dedicated to the Virgin Mary. The legendary history of its foundation forms the first article in the Appendix to the present account. A second account of the foundation and its early benefactors is also given, from the Register of Fountains Abbey.^a

The first deed of the founder specifies his grant of the place called Melsa, with the wood of Rudhe.^b By a second instrument he not only confirmed these, but added all his land at Wayna, and the whole pasture at Saltehache and Neulande.^c Hawise, countess of Albemarle, his daughter, confirmed her father's grants.^d An instrument given subsequent to these explains how the founder became possessed of Melsa itself.^e

Richard de Otringham, rector of the church of Shel-ford, in the diocese of Ely, by deed dated 16 kal. Nov. 1316, gave to the monks here all his lands in Otringham, Thar-lesthorp, Frysmareis, Well, Drypol, and Sutton, for the maintenance of a chantry of seven monks at the gate of the abbey.^f

Sir John de Friboys, knight, gave six bovates of land, with six closes at Holmeton, for the support of a monk, to be added to the fifty, which he appears to have considered as the settled number of the convent.^g The convent however appears not usually to have consisted of so large a number. In 1392 it consisted of an abbat and twenty-six monks only. Their names are all enumerated in the register of Melsa in the Cottonian library.^h

Peter de Malo-lacu gave to the monks of Melsa lands in Ake, Wharrom, Lokyngton, and Bryddeshall, for the maintenance of two priests, one to sing the mass of our Lady, the other for the dead, and to perform an anniversary for Isabel his wife.ⁱ

The charters here referred to were all given by Dugdale in the former edition of the Monasticon, together with the confirmation charter of King John, from the charters in the Tower.^k

ABBATS of MELSA.

ADAM occurs as abbat in the years 1151 and 1153.^l

^a Append. Num. II.

^b Num. III.

^c Num. IV.

^d Num. V.

^e Num. VI.

^f Num. IX. See also Num. XI.

^g Compare the Append. Num. X.

^h William de Scardeburgh was the abbat at this time. The officers among the monks were, portarius, supprior, bursarius, magister averiorum, preecentor, prior, cellerarius, camerarius, sacrista, succentor.

The following were the

"Servientes mercennarii in Monasterio."

"Armiger unus abbatibus cum famulo suo. Camerarius unus abbatibus qui et Pincerna cum famulo suo. Cocus unus abbatibus cum duobus pagis suis. Valectus unicus in stabulo abbatibus. Famulus unus Cellerarii cum pagio eidem adjuncto. Famulus Bursarii. Famulus unus magistri averiorum. Barbitonsor unus. Cissor unus cum pagio suo. Carpenterius unus cum famulo suo. Faber unus. Viredarius unus. Cocus conventus Provisorque eorundem cum pagio. Pistor unus qui et Brasiator cum famulis necessariis in pistrino, pandocio, et vst'no. Ac etiam alii famuli necessarii prout per diversa officina mon. sunt partiti."

Tanner, probably from the passage already alluded to in the Monasticon, speaks as if the Convent of Melsa had at all times consisted of fifty monks. See Notit. Monast. Yorksh. lxxviii. The abbat and twenty-four monks only had pensions at the Dissolution.

ⁱ See Num. XII.

^k Append. Num. XIII.

^l MS. Harl. 6975. e Reg pen. episc. Liuc.

^m Ibid.

ⁿ Ibid.

^o Ibid.

^p Ibid.

^q Ibid.

^r Ibid.

^s Ibid.

PHILIP, in 1172 and 1177.^m

THOMAS,

ALEXANDER, } t. Joh.ⁿ

HUGH, t. Hen. III.^o

GEFFREY, t. Hen. III.^p

RICHARD, 13th Hen. III.^q

MICHAEL, t. Hen. III. A.D. 1246.^r

WILLIAM.^s

RICHARD made his profession of obedience as abbat on the 14th kal. Sept. 1280.^t

ROBERT.^u

ROGER occurs in 1304;^x and again in 1308.^y He was the same with ROGER DE DRIFFIELD, who occurs as quondam abbat of Melsa in 1310.^z

ADAM DE SKIRNE received the benediction on the feast of the Assumption 1310.^a

HUGH.^b

WILLIAM.^c

JOHN professed obedience as abbat August 29th, 1353.^d He was probably the same person with JOHN DE RYSELAY, who occurs July 19th, 1355.^e

WILLIAM DE DRINGHOU occurs Sept. 25th, 1371:^f upon whose death

WILLIAM DE SCARDEBURGH succeeded. He received confirmation as abbat May 23d, 1372.^g WILLIAM, presumed the same person, occurs as abbat in 1381,^h 1390,ⁱ and 1394.^k

JOHN HOTON; upon whose death

PHILIP DAYVELL was elected, March 4th, 1445.^l

Upon his death

JOHN SUTTON succeeded, Oct. 7th, 1458.^m Upon Sutton's resignation

WILLIAM DERYFF was confirmed abbat, Sept. 1st, 1463.ⁿ

RALPH SAME received the benediction Dec. 17th, 1471.^o

JOHN CLAPHAM, Sept. 4th, 1488.^p

RICHARD STOLPES was abbat in the 26th Hen. VIII.

RICHARD DRAPER, the last abbat, had a pension of 40*l.* granted to him at the Dissolution.^q

The gross income of the Abbey of Melsa, in the 26th Hen. VIII. was returned at 445*l.* 10*s.* 5½*d.*: the clear revenue at 298*l.* 6*s.* 4¼*d.*

After the Dissolution this House was granted in the 3d of Edward the Sixth to John, earl of Warwick.

Various REGISTERS of Melsa Abbey appear to be

^t MS. Harl. 6970. p. 93.

^u MS. Harl. 6975, ut supr.

^x MS. Harl. 6971. p. 45.

^y MS. Harl. 6958. p. 185.

^z MS. Harl. 6970. p. 226.

^a Ibid. p. 225.

^b MS. Harl. 6975, ut supr.

^c Ibid.

^d MS. Harl. 6972. fol. 19 b.

^e MS. Harl. 6975, ut supr.

^f Ibid.

^g MS. Harl. 6972. fol. 20 b.

^h MS. Harl. 6975.

ⁱ "Will. ab. cum conventu recepit Tho. Ducem Glouc. patronum suum et fundatorem Abbatie sue quam habuit ex dono regis Ricardi. dat. 1 Sept. 1390." Ibid. fol. 103.

^k MS. ibid.

^l MS. Harl. 6972. fol. 29 b.

^m Ibid. fol. 31.

ⁿ Ibid.

^o Ibid. fol. 35.

^p Ibid. fol. 38 b.

^q See the pension list in the Appendix.

^r The entries concerning Melsa in Pope Nicholas's Taxation, A.D. 1291, are few. The following are those which concern the *spiritualties*:

	£	s.	d.
"Ecclesia de Naffreton appropriata abbati de Melsa, præter portionem	60	0	0
"Ecclesia de Skipse appropriata abbati de Melsa, præter pens.	23	6	8
"Ecclesia de Kayngham appropriata abbati de Melsa, præter pens.	17	6	8"
One only concerns the temporalities.			
"Abbas de Melsa habet	253	10	0"
Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. pp. 303 b. 304 b. 305.			

extant. One is in the Cottonian library of manuscripts, marked *Vitellius C. VI*. Of this an abstract will be found in the note below.^a

Of the other Registers we shall content ourselves with the titles from Bishop Tanner, who says

"*Vide* registra penes Christophorum Hildiard de Winstead in Holderness, A.D. 1627. in turre S. Mariæ Ebor. 1639. penes Phil. Hyldiard de Horsey Orient. in com. Surrey 1688.

"Registrum penes decanum et capitulum Ebor.

"Registrum penes Jacobum episc. Lincoln. 1699.^b

"Historiam abbatiæ de Melsa, penes Will. Alford de eadem mil.

"Cartularium penes dom. Gul. Ayrmine, A.D. 1637.

"Chronicon monasterii de Melsa penes Johannem Smith de Heath arm.

"Indicem in librum de Melsa penes eundem.

"Apographa veterum cartarum huic abbatiæ spectantium penes eundem."

Tanner says, also,

"*Vide* inter collect. v. Rog. Dodsworth in bibl. Bodl. apographa quarundam cartarum de terris ad hanc abbatiam spectantibus, Vol. vii. foll. 232, 236, 244, 266. Vol. liii. a fol. 1 ad 11, ex Cartulario abbatiæ de Melsa in Turre B. Mariæ Ebor. 1639. Vol. lxxix. Transcriptum historiæ foundationis abbatiæ de Melsa in Holderness cum historia abbatum usque ad Willielmum Wendover, A.D. 1399, ex codice Christoph. Hildierd de Wyestede mil. Vol. lxxiv. Cartam R. Edw. I. donantis maner. de Pokelinton. Vol. xcv. fol. 108. Vol. cxviii. fol. 55. Vol. cxxiv. fol. 108. Vol. cxxvii. fol. 48, ex libro de Melsa in custodia Will. Alford mil.

"In Registro de Corbriggie archiep. Ebor. fol. ., appropriationem eccl. de Nafferton, ex dono Hen. Percy mil. et ordinationem vicariæ, A.D. 1303. In Registro Grenfeld archiepisc. Ebor. p. i. foll. 113, 118, appropriationem eccl. de Skypse huic abbatiæ, cum ordinatione vicariæ, A.D. 1309.

"Fin. Ebor. 1 Joan. n. 5 et 38, de terris in Wytham vel Warham. Fin. Ebor. 3 Joan. n. 5, de v. bovatis terræ in Wartre. Fin. Ebor. 4 Joan. rot. 4, de xv. bovatis in Ugethorp. Cart. 5 Joan. n. 97.

"Fin. Ebor. 10 Hen. III. lig. c. n. 47, de terris in Seton. Claus. 13 Hen. III. m. 12. Cart. 22 Hen. III. m. . Fin. Ebor. 24 Hen. III. lig. f. n. 53, de vi. bovatis terræ in Skiren. Fin. Ebor. 30 Hen. III. lig. e. n. ., de commun. pastur. in Scardecroft. Fin. Ebor. 36 Hen. III. lig. g. n. 21, pro advoc. eccl. de Skyren. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 52 Hen. III. rot. 4, 14. Pat. 52 Hen. III. m. 15, de maner. de Killum perquirendo de archiepisc. Rothomag. Pat. 53 Hen. III. n. 42.

"Fin. Ebor. 5 Edw. I. n. 56, de terris in Beford. Cart. 7 Edw. I. n. 14, pro mercat. et fer. apud Wikes super Hull. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 14 Edw. I. rot. 20, d, de

commun. pastur. in Miton. Pat. 21 Edw. I. m. 19. Cart. 21 Edw. I. n. 6 et 7. Ibid. n. 28, pro lib. war. in North Grange, Rue, Waghen, Fishouse, Tharlesthorp, Salthage, La More, Skyren, Blaunch-Warle, Wharrum, Wathsand, Ruton, Dunelton, Otringham, Arnhale, Cranwick, Heytefeld, Oketon, Dalton, Wartre Dringham, Sutton, Ergham, Oustwick, Molescroft, Raventhorp, et Ravense. Pat. 22 Edw. I. m. . Cart. 22 Edw. I. n. 6, pro maner. de Wringsby Linc. in excambio pro maner. de Wyke super Hull. Cart. 23 Edw. I. n. 9. Plac. coram R. 27 Edw. I. rot. 78. Pat. 28 Edw. I. m. ., pro mercat. feriis, et aliis libertat. in Pokelington. Pat. 31 Edw. I. m. ., quod Henricus de Percy possit amortizare med. i. acræ in Nafferton cum advoc. ecclesiæ ibidem in excamb. pro maner. de Pokelington. Pat. 33 Edw. I. p. 1, m. ., pro advoc. eccl. de Skypse in Holderness. In бага de Quo war. temp. Edw. I. rot. 13, recit. cartas regum Ricardi I. Joan. et Edw. I.

"Pat. 3 Edw. II. m. 7, pro eccl. de Skipsey approprianda. Pat. 14 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 8 et 9. Pat. 16 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 4 vel 5.

"Pat. 5 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . Pat. 8 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 30 vel 31; p. 2, m. 37 vel 38. Pat. 11 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 11, et p. 3, m. 24, pro eccl. de Skipse, Esington, et Kayingham. Pat. 14 Edw. III. p. 3, m. ult. vel penult. Pat. 16 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 39, pro maner. de Pokelington, iv. bovatis terræ in Waghem et manerio de Wynelsby Linc. in excambio pro villa de Wyke super Hull et grangia de Myton. Ibid. m. 44, pro commun. pastur. in Myton, Escaet. Ebor. 23 Edw. III. n. 40, de terris in W. Haitfield. Pat. 37 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 12 d, de maneriis de Kingston super Hull et Mitton datis regi pro jure nominandi ad ecclesias de Skipse, Kayingham, et Esington. Rot. Thomæ Ingelby de seweris de Holderness, 42 Edw. III. rot. 4 et 5, de reparandis de Lambwath, Waterdyke, Holdyke, Kayingham Flete, Fritholm Flete, &c. per abbates de Melsa et Thornorton. Pat. 51 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 12.

"Pat. 1 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 2. Pat. 7 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 40. Pat. 17 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 36, licent. dimittendi ad firmam maner. de Wynelesby Linc. abbati de Grimsby pro ann. reddit. xx^{li}. xiijs. iv^d.

"Pat. 3 Hen. V. p. 2, m. 15.

"Pat. 5 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 8. Pat. 9 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 10, pro ten. in Otringham, Kaingham, Fetling, Dodington, &c.

"Pat. 5 Edw. IV. p. 3, m. 14."

See also Abbrev. Plac. pp. 196, 241. Rot. Hundred. vol. i. pp. 104, 105, 107. Placita de Quo War. p. 224, de libera warennia in dominicis terris abbatiæ.

No impression of the COMMON SEAL of Melsa Abbey has yet been met with by the editors, unless that engraved in Tickell's History of Hull, which has for its legend SIGILLVM . ABBATIS . DE . MELSA, and the subject of which

^a The charters and other documents are arranged under the following heads :

1. Nomina feoffatorum mon. de Melsa, locorum, ten. terrarum et reddituum eidem pertinentium cum tenoribus abbreviatis cartarum, feoffamentorum, confirmationum, relaxationum, quiet' clamacionum, et escambiorum eorundem. fol. 2 to 48.

2. Terræ ten. et redd. de prænotatis donationibus extract. quæ monasterio datæ fuerunt ad certos et speciales usus, onera, deputationes, et elemosinas mon. sustinendas secundum quod intentiones donatorum in tenoribus cartarum exprimuntur. fol. 48. The particular specifications of these are

Pro fundatione monasterii.

Pro sustentatione monachorum.

Pro cantaria de Otringham, et extra portas mon.

Pro opere vel fabrica ecclesiæ.

Pro luminari ecclesiæ.

Pro hostiis formandis.

Pro vino ad ecclesiam.

Pro elemosina portæ.

Pro infirmatorio secularium.

Pro tannaria.

Pro indumentis conventus.

Pro pitanciis conventui faciendis.

De ten. nobis datis cum corporibus donatorum.

Confirmationes regiæ.

Confirmationes papales.

3. Concessionones et confirmationes advocacionum ecclesiarum notarum parochialium, appropriationesque, confirmationes, et dimissiones earundem. fol. 52.

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4. Privilegia et indulta apostolica tam specialiter mon. nostro quam generaliter ordini nostro per summos Romanos pontifices concessa, declarata, et confirmata, necnon statuta, constitutiones et ordinationes eorumdem in ordine nostro observand. prout per servitias consimiles excerpta distinguuntur, fol. 58.

5. De terris nostris pretexto privilegiorum aut compositionum liberis manentibus à solutionibus decimarum, fol. 103.

6. De exoneratione nostra à solutione garbarum hospitali Sancti Petri sive Sancti Leonardi Ebor. fol. 118 b.

7. Confirmationes terrarum et ten. nostrorum ac libertates per reges Angliæ monasterio nostro concessæ prout de cartis regum originalibus per sententias excerptuntur, fol. 121.

8. Interpretationes quorundam vocabulorum libertatum regiarum præscriptarum. fol. 133.

9. Feodarium monasterii de redditibus solutis et serviciis factis et continuatis, extractis de rentalibus, compotis, rotulis curiarum, et aliis, exeuntibus de liberis tenementis quæ de nobis in feodo tenentur. A.D. 1396. fol. 134.

10. Rentale secundum quod Bursarius solet annuatim computare de ten. et redditibus in feodo et aliis ten. nostris locatis ad terminum vitæ vel annorum, sive ad voluntatem, fol. 200.

11. Antiqua mensuratio terrarum ad monasterium de Melsa pertinentium. fol. 218.

12. Extenuæ breves possessionum monasterii. fol. 231.

13. Status omnium mobilium mon. remanentium, fol. 233.

^b Excerpts from this register occur in the Harleian MS. 6975. already quoted. Other extracts from one of these registers by Mr. Robert Glover occur among the MSS. in the Heralds' College, Philpot, 17.

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is an abbat with his crozier, may be considered the Common Seal. The parties to the Deed, which is dated 29 Edw. I. are the *Abbat and Convent* of Melsa and the master of the hospital of St. Leonard York, therefore the seal to be used

ought to have been the Common Seal; and it has been observed, that, where no Christian name of the abbat has been mentioned, seals of this nature have been frequently used as Common Seals.

Cartae ad Melsaensem Abbatiam in agro Eboracensi spectantes: fundatam Anno Mccxxvj.^a

NUM. I.

[Ex Regist. de Melsa, fol. 11 b.]

Caput Primum.

Qualiter primò sumpsit Exordium Monasterium de Melsa. De ejus Nomine, et Nominis ejus Etymologia.

Post incarnationem Domini anno millesimo centesimo quinquagesimo, à conquestu verò Angliæ per Normannos octagesimo quarto, ab initio ordinis Cisterciensis quinquagesimo secundo, à fundatione autem monasterii de Fontibus decimo octavo, universalem ecclesiam et catholicam Eugenio papa tertio gubernante, regnum verò Angliæ regente Stephano de Blois rege: vivente adhuc beatissimo patre nostro Bernardo Clarevallensi abbate, calendas Januarii, in die videlicet Circumcisionis Dominicæ, sub bonæ memoriæ domino Adam abbate nostro primo, cepit initium hoc cœnobium Melsa Latinè, Meaux Gallicè, sive Anglicè a nostris patribus nuncupatum. Locus autem ipse à pristinis habitatoribus sortitus est nomen, qui in conquestu Normannorum de quadam civitate Galliæ Meldis Latinè, sed Meaux Gallicè vocitata exeuntes, post dictum conquestum ipsum locum inhabitantes nomen de Meaux ei imposuerunt, in memoriam suæ pristinæ civitatis. Prædictus autem Adam abbas noster primus, ut dicitur, aliquando fuit monachus de Whitby, et unus illorum qui egressi sunt de dicto monasterio de Whitby ad monasterium beatæ Mariæ Eboraci inchoandum. Postmodum verò priorem dicti monasterii beatæ Mariæ Eboraci, et alios qui inde exierant, et in territorio Ripponensi monasterium ordinis Cisterciensis quod Fontes dicitur inchoaverunt, secutus est. Pridie verò nonas Octobris anno Domini millesimo centesimo trigesimo secundo, facta est egressio monachorum Eboracensium de cœnobia eorundem, et eodem anno incepta est abbatia sanctæ Mariæ de Fontibus sexto calendas Januarii. Tresdecim monachi egressi sunt de cœnobia beatæ Mariæ Eboraci, scilicet Richardus prior, primus abbas de Fontibus; Richardus sacrista, secundus abbas de Fontibus; Robertus primus abbas de Kirksted; Gervasius subprior, primus abbas de Parcolude; Walterus elemosinarius, secundus abbas de Kirksted; Ranulphus primus abbas de Lisa Norwagiæ; Alexander primus abbas de Kirkstall. Abbates septem; reliqui verò quinque monachi, non abbatiantes obierunt. Radulphus autem cantor qui tertius decimus erat solus regressus est, in cujus loco dictus Adam de eadem ecclesia Eborum venit ad Fontes, et ipse Adam primus abbas de Melsa. Hujus autem cœnobii Fontanensis octo sunt filiæ, videlicet Novum Monasterium, Kirksted, Parcolude, Woburne, Kirkstall, Lisa, Vallis Dei, et monasterium nostrum de Melsa. Et dicta est Melsa quasi sapor mellis, vel Melsa quod interpretatur rixa vel in azimis; vel dicitur Melsa, quasi Messa quod interpretatur hospes salvans, vel mensura salutis suæ dans potum. Hæc autem etymologiæ et interpretationes re satis lucide concordant: etenim dici potest mellis sapor propter loci amœnitatem, propter religionis dulcedinem, et propter divini cultus specialem dulcorem; vel dicitur rixa, quia in principio fundationis suæ erat rixa et discordia de ipsius situ: vel quia ab initio sui usque in præsens, vix sine rixa et persecutione conquevit, vel quia inibi degentes continuam habent rixam contra triplicem hostem, dæmonem scilicet, mundum et carnem. Vel dicitur in azimis, sinceritatis quidem, hoc est rectæ intentionis, perfectæ veritatis, et bonæ operationis: vel dicitur hospes salvans temporaliter per se transeuntes; spiritualiter se in eo Christo mancipientes, tem-

poraliter et spiritualiter inibi continuè permanentes; vel mensura salutis, quia secundum mensuram uniuscujusque bonæ operationis retribuetur mensura salutis; vel dans potum confortationis indigentibus, pias elemosinas largiendo afflictis, carnis motibus insurgentibus calicem Dominicæ passionis spiritualiter bibendo, et perpetuæ consolationis spiritibus sitientibus divinæ contemplationi jugiter insistendo. Igitur ad ordinem relationis stilum reducam.

Caput Secundum.

De Causa Fundationis, et Situ Loci.

Hujus monasterii de Melsa fundator erat Willielmus le Gros præclarus comes Albæmarliæ, et dominus de Holdernes, et hæc causa fundationis ejusdem. Iste Willielmus comes vir erat nominatissimus, et quasi dominus totius provincie Eborum. Idemque iter Ierosolimitanum in voto habebat, quod propter ætatem, et corporis gravitatem minimè valebat adimplere. Erat autem eo tempore, in monasterio de Fontibus monachus quidam dictus dominus Adam postea abbas noster primus, vir summæ prudentiæ, et inter plures valdè nominatus, qui dum in ædificiis construendis monachorum videlicet de Kirkstede, Woburne, præcipuè de Valle Dei cujus dictus comes fundator erat, occuparetur, et esset sollicitus, cœpit dicti comitis notitiam aliquantulum obtinere. Et cum comperisset ipsum comitem propter voti sui præmissi solutionem anxium esse, suggessit eidem ut monasterium aliquod Cisterciensis ordinis in redemptionem voti sui fundaret. Adjungens quod si hoc secundum ordinationem suam perficeret, ipse voti sui absolutionem a domino papa impetraret. Annuit comes petatum si suum dictus Adam consummasset promissum. Cum igitur dictus Adam coadjuvante eum beato patre nostro Bernardo erga dominum papam Eugenium tertium tum in Galliis commorantem negotium præmissum ad finem perduxisset optatum: circuit et perambulat prædia et possessiones ipsius comitis, locum commodum monasterii ædificandi ubique requirens. Cumque demum ad locum qui Melsa dicebatur advenisset, contemplatur locum nemoribus et frutetis consitum, aquis et paludibus cinctum, ac frugi terrarum gleba fecundum. Animadvertit dictum locum fore suis votis aptissimum. Erat autem in loco eodem monticulus quidam, qui collis beatæ Mariæ dicebatur, ubi nunc ipsius cœnobii ecclesia fundatur: in cujus verticem præfatus Adam ascendens, baculum quem in manu tenuit, in terram fortiter infixit, dicens, 'Hic locus, nempe vocitetur aula regis. . . . etiam vineaque cœli, portaque vitæ, gens hic creetur chisticolarum:' et adiecit, ad circumstantes loquens; 'Num audistis charissimi quid propheta promiserit de domo Domini ædificanda? Erit, inquit, in novissimis diebus præparatus mons domus Domini in vertice montis: quæ verba tota hac die nescio qualiter in ore meo revolvam, et nunc perpendo quæ divina providentia agebat, quæ in hoc monticulo voluit templum suum fieri in nobis.' Audiens autem comes quod locum illum elegisset, graviter tulit, eo quod propter sui amœnitatem supra modum diligebat, cogitaverat enim eundem locum fossa et vallo undique cinctum ferarum habitationem fecisse, et jam tunc fossatum qui adhuc dicitur Parkedike in occidentali parte inceperat. Nam ante paucos illos dies locum prænominatum, qui pro tribus carucatis terræ computabatur, cum domino Johanne de Melsa milite, cujus patrimonium locus ipse fuerat, commutavit pro manerio de Bewic juxta Aldburgh cum sex carucatis terræ ad eum pertinentibus. Ita ut dictus dominus Johannes et hæredes sui ipsum manerium de Bewick cum pertinentiis, per idem servitium de comite tenerent quod

^a Annal. de Waverl. in bibl. Cottoniana.

pro ipsa Melsa perantea reddi fuerat consuetum. Sed necdum fuerat dicta commutatio scripti munimento confirmata.

Caput Tertium.

De Causa Nominis Loci, et ejus Separatione a Dominiis adjacentibus.

ANTE quidem hæc tempora Gamellus filius Ketelli de Melsa avus seu pater dicti Johannis de Melsa, cum Gulielmo notho rege et conquestore, de prædicta civitate Galliæ, Meaux Gallicè dicta exiens cum aliis, in his partibus Holdernesie sortem suæ habitationis est assecutus, et ob memoriam civitatis suæ egressionis, nomen huic loco quem inhabitabat, ut Meaux nuncuparetur, imponebat. Postea autem dictus Adam abbas noster primus, de prædicti comitis consensu, atque dicti domini Johannis de Meaux militis, ei nomen Latinum, ut Melsa Latinè diceretur commutans imponebat, eo quod à dicta civitate Galliæ dicta Meldis nomine tenus differetur, et ob religionis in eo jugiter assequendæ suavitatem mellis sapore non immerito deberet comparari. Ipse quidem Gamellus dicti loci incola, et alii dominiorum collateralium cohabitatores, dominus videlicet Basing de Waghun, Sywardus, de Sutton, Framo de Falconbury de Rise, Richardus de Scrutevill de Rowthe prædictis villis, contemporanei et convenientes post guerram Normannorum ut domini præfuerunt. Qui post guerram præfatam pacificato regno, ex communi consilio et provisa utilitate hæredum suorum terminos inter se distinguentes, certas mensuras possessionum suarum posuerunt ad auferenda certamina posterorum. Nam hos terminos inter se de Melsa posuerunt, videlicet ab extrema parte aquilonari fossæ parci à jactu unius securis versus aquilonem usque ad Swynesholme, et a Swynesholme usque ad parvum Collesholme; et a parvo Collesholme, usque ad veterem pontem in medio marisco juxta angulum bosci de Ruda. Et isti sunt termini inter Felsam et Rudam, ab isto ponte usque ad quercum in occidentali parte de Leverykland, in cujus medio supereminet quidam monticulus (id est) terra antiquitus congesta in modum furni ad eruditionem futuri populi, et ab illo monticulo in parte septentrionali juxta Tiryngholme, usque ad pontem qui vocatur pons Rudæ; sub quo posuerunt antiqui grandem lapidem in testimonium, et isti sunt termini inter Melsam et Rudam. Et inde in directum usque ad Maplestubb in Lumbercotes veniente quadam duplici fossa de marisco in transversum. Et sciendum quod duæ partes de Lumbercotes pertinent ad Melsam, et a Maplestubb usque ad mediam partem de Seggesholme ubi vacca antiquitus humata est. Similiter in testimonium divisa inter Waghun et Swynam à Seggesholme usque ad fraxinum quam Henricus de Verley succidit super Brauncesholme, et à media parte de Snoresholme super ripam de Hull usque ad fossam comitis sed comminuitur. Hac autem forma divisa sunt dominia villarum de Waghun et Routh à manerio de Melsa et ipsa Melsa à reliquis dominiis sibi contiguis et vicinis. Sed quia hæc divisa signa et testimonia à modernis penitus ignorantur, restat ut de ipso solo dominio de Melsa de quo nunc agitur, et de separatione ejus a dominiis aliis adjacentibus, sicut in præsentiarum noscitur, disseratur. Nam vaccaria de Felsa parcella hujus domini de Melsa extat manifesta. Sed utrum ipsa fossa constructa fuerat vel separata antequam monasterium nostrum sumpsit exordium vel non, seu cujus tempore, fateor me omnino nescire. Ipsius autem Melsæ divisio moderna sic habetur, primo ab australi angulo de Crystings versus occidentem per le Parke dyke, qui dividit pasturas de Felsa et mariscum de Wele deducens versus aquilonem in parte occidentali usque ad Meynpitt, tendendo versus orientem usque ad viam quæ ducit versus Rudam, et dehinc paululum versus aquilonem usque ad Forbridge, et sic per borealem finem de Benuris et fines sellionum versus Whytker de Ruda, ubi foramina quædam in terra rotunda ad spacium trium pedum latitudinis per fossa quasi per jactum lapidis inter se distancia in signum separationis inter Melsam et Rudam in hac parte distinguunt, infra quæ foramina versus capita sellionum fossatum in solo nostro proprio de Melsa conficitur, ut ipsæ antiquæ divisæ seu foramina extra dictum fossatum per trium pedum spatium remaneant. Ut si quando in futurum dictum fossatum mundari debeat, seu dilatari, in solo nostro proprio pro dicto fossato dilatando perfodamus. Et super dictum fossatum seu foramina non tamen æqua linea usque ad

Wichdyk, et hoc ex parte ejus boreali, et per dictum Wichdyk quod dividit in parte ejus superiori Rudam et Riston, et in hac parte inferiori Melsam et Arnall, tendendo versus austrum usque ad Monkedike; et in transverso de Munkdike versus Maplestubb in Lumbercotes per Kyelker, et hæc ex parte ejus orientali, et de dicto Maplestubb versus occidentem usque ad prædictum angulum de Crystings ubi præscriptam divisionem inchoavi ex parte ejus australi. Dominium videlicet quadrum circuitum habens quasi quatuor milliarius, agricultura, prato et pastura dotatum, et bosco super hæc omnia eminente pulcherrimè decoratum. Et ubi ipsum villa seu manerium de Melsa fuerat situatum, extat modo grangia nostra quæ Northgrange nuncupatur. Et postea ipsa commutatio dictorum maneriorum de Melsa et Bewick fuerat perpetrata, dictus Johannes de Melsa miles et post eum hæredes sui quandiu hæreditariè succedere poterant, apud Bewick morabantur. Præfatus autem Johannes de Melsa miles cujus patrimonium proprium Melsa erat, genuit Robertum, qui genuit Johannem, qui genuit Godfridum, qui genuit Johannem, qui genuit Godfridum, qui genuit Johannem, qui sine liberis mortuus est, qui obiit circa annum Domini millesimo trecentesimo septuagesimo septimo, cujus capitale manerium de Bewik, et patrimonium ejus in Sutton post ejus obitum dominus Radulphus de Hastings comparavit. Sed nunc ad relationis ordinem stilus est revocandus.

Caput Quartum.

De prima Monasterii ædificatione, et Monachorum inductione et Tenementis nobis datis per Willielmum Groos comitem fundatorem nostrum, in Waghun, Bosco de Ruda, Hotone, et Eggetone.

CUM autem ut prædictum est dictus Adam monachus locum monasterium ædificando aptum elegisset, et ipsius loci commutatio nondum fuerat scripti munimento confirmata, elaborabat dictus comes Willielmus le Groos in quantum potuit, ut dictus Adam monachus locum alium ubicunque voluit sibi placeret in dominio suo eligere ad monasterium fundandum. Sed nequaquam hunc ab incepto proposito aliquantulum flectere prævalebat. Tandem ergo comes locum ipsum cum omnibus pertinentiis suis Deo et beatæ Mariæ Virgini ad monasterium monachorum Cisterciensis ordinis ibidem faciendum solempniter conferebat. Fecit ergo ædificari quandam magnam domum licet ex vili cenate ubi nunc stabilitur pistrinum, in qua conventus adventurus, donec providentius pro eis ordinaretur, habitaret. Fecit etiam quandam capellam juxta domum prædictam, quæ modo dicitur camera cellerarii, ubi monachi omnes in inferiori solario postea decubabant, et in superiori divina officia devotionis persolvebant. Quibus nondum perfectis, conventum monachorum de monasterio de Fontibus v. kalendas eductum, in locum prædestinatum kalend. Januarii introduxit, atque ipsi conventui pro scripto Adam monacho præfecto in abbatem locum ipsum præfatis abbati et monachis suisque successoribus relaxabat. Deinde cœperunt dicti abbas et monachi ex operibus manuum suarum victum quærere quotidianum in sudore vultus sui pane suo vescentes, et in sanguine suo vineam Domini Sabaoth complicantes. Confluebant ad eos undique comprovinciales; ad coadjuvandum quidam, quidam verò ad conversionem. Stolidus enim populus gentem admirabat cucullatam quibusdam temporibus divinis obsequiis insistentem, et aliis temporibus operibus rusticis occupatam. Cœperunt deinde dicti monachi in ædificiis et necessariis cotidie proficere et indies eorum numerus cœpit augeri devotis comprovincialibus, manus eis porrigentibus adjutrices. Porro idem venerabilis comes cœpit dictorum monachorum profectibus congaudere, et in augmentum divini cultus dedit eis boscum de Ruda, quem pridem cum Alano de Scrutyvill pro sexaginta acris terræ arrabilis in Aldburgh eo magis valentibus commutavit. Quicquid etiam habuit in Waghun de patrimonio proprio et de patrimonio archiepiscopi, et ecclesiam ejusdem villæ ac Petrum de Waghun militem suum et tenementa ipsius, ita tamen quod ipse Petrus esset attendens dictis monachis de singulis serviciis suis, donec idem comes præfato Petro changiam ad valitudinem terræ suæ conferret, dictis monachis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam est largitus, ut ipse Petrus occasione dictæ changiæ eisdem monachis ipsam terram suam in Waghun postea erogaret.

Sed tamen prædictum Petrum aut ipsius tenentem non valuerunt aliquantulum optinere, donec post nonaginta novem annos. Alter Petrus, cujus prædictus Petrus avus fuerat, in sua ultima senectute, se fieri monachum postulavit et optinuit, et tunc divisa hæreditate, quicquid sibi competebat, eisdem monachis relaxavit, ut in sequentibus, tempore domini Michaelis abbatis octavi referetur. Ecclesiam etiam de Waghun multis adversantibus causis nunquam possidebant, cujus quidem clameum archiepiscopo Eborum tandem relaxabant sicut in tempore domini Richardi abbatis septimi constabit postea manifestum. Idem etiam comes dedit dictis monachis tresdecim acras terræ et pasturam tresdecim vaccarum in Hoton in Whitbystrand et heremitorium sancti Leonardi juxta Eggiton in Whitbystrand in perpetuam elemosinam. Sed si decem acrarum terræ, pastura et heremitorium unquam in possessione dictorum monachorum persistebant, vel si possessa qualiter fuerunt alienata, hiis diebus minime reperitur.

Caput Quintum.

De terris datis nobis per eundem Comitem in Saltagh, de libero Passagio apud Pagulam et uno Tenemento in Hedon.

Et cum dictus comes fundator noster hæc dictis monachis contulisset, quam terram dicti Petri militis ipsi monachi nondum habebant, et ipsa Hoton et Eggeton ab ipso monasterio nostro non prope distabant, cogitabat possessiones dictorum monachorum ampliare, unde quandam pasturam super Humbriam quæ dicitur Saltagh, et Newland, et unam carucatam terræ arrabilis adjacens in Kayngham, dedit monasterio; monachi cum prædictis sexaginta marcas dederunt eis qui sibi in illa terra jus, immerito tamen sicut in sequentibus liquet, vendicabant. Osbertus siquidem vicecomes quondam opinatissimus sacerdos fuerat et à rege Henrico primo vicecomes Eborum et Lincolnæ constitutus. Hic à multis comitibus et baronibus Angliæ multas terras adquisivit propter servicium suum, et quia famularis regis erat. Inter quas à comite Albemarl qui tunc erat, impetravit, Kayngham in Holdernes, et in Lindesay Totele, et ea retinebat. De hiis quidem terris dedit prædictus Osbertus tribus militibus quatuor carucatas terræ liberè de ipso tenendas; duas videlicet Humfrido de Kayngham, et unam carucatam Bernario de Haburr, in marisco de Kayngham, et Fulcherio de Rooston dedit illam carucatam terræ, quam dictus comes nobis dedit: quam videlicet Askillus pater Willielmi de Heduna, qui fuit nativus dicti Fulcherii, de eodem Fulcherio tenendam. Et sciendum quod terram ipsam de le Newland, prædictus Umfridus de Kayngham, assensu et donatione prædicti Osberti de Humbr. adquisivit, et eam fossato circumcingi fecit, et ipsam terram de Newland de præfato Osberto vicecomite tenuit quamdiu ipse Osbertus vixit. Post cujus verò mortem, venerunt filii ejus, videlicet Willielmus Turvecant et Richardus. Et quoniam filii sacerdotis fuerant, nec hæreditatem clamare poterant, pacti sunt se regi Henrico dare pecuniam, ut permitteret eos, terras quæ fuerunt patris eorum possidere. Et cum partem regi dedissent, et de residuo rex ab eis fidejussores exigeret nec invenire potuissent, omnes prædictæ terræ ex hac causa in manibus regis remanserunt. Tunc Stephanus comes Albemarl pater dicti Willielmi comitis redemit terras hæreditatis suæ de manibus regis Henrici et cassatæ sunt omnes donationes illæ terrarum quas Osbertus vicecomes, vel illi qui de ipso tenuerunt alicui conferebant. Similiter et alii comites et barones fecerunt, de quibus Osbertus aliquid tenuerat. Ab illa omni die, et deinceps nec Askillus prædictus, nec Willielmus filius ejus de Heduna, nec Simon Willielmi filius, nec aliquis hæredum suorum præfatas carucatas terræ de Saltagh vel Newland habuerunt. Quæ postea dictis monachis in puram elemosinam collatæ fuerunt. Sed si præfata sexaginta marcæ, præscriptis Willielmo et Richardo filiis Osberti, aut militibus præscriptis seu præfatis Askilli et Willielmo in dictis terris jura clamantibus, aut omnibus aut alicui eorum fuerunt persolutæ, penitus ignoratur. Hoc tamen scitur, quod a solis hæredibus prædicti Askilli pro duodecim marcis et dimidio quietam clamantiam ipsius terræ ceperamus, sicut in tempore Philippi abbatis secundi postea referetur. Quibus quidem sexaginta marcis, licet immerito persolutis, grangiam unam ibidem apud Saltagh incepimus ædificare. Idem ergo Willielmus comes

fundator noster, confirmationem domini regis Stephani super omnibus præmissis nos fecit habere. Postea vero idem comes dedit nobis aliam terram in eodem marisco de Kaingham, quam quidem successores monachorum tunc existentium, quia firmam quam comiti debuerant per aliquot annos retrahendo non reddiderant, merito perdiderunt. Sed quanta fuerit ista terra ignoratur. Post cujus comitis mortem, Willielmus de Fortibus comes Albemar. qui filiam Willielmi prædicti Hawisiam quia hæredem masculum non habuit, duxerat in uxorem, duobus fratribus, Willielmo scilicet prædicto et Henrico qui fuerant de progenie dicti Askilli, centum acras terræ in præfato marisco concessis pro centum solidis annuis, de quibus viginti quinque acras et totum quod alter ipsorum ibidem habuit, nos tenemus sicut in tempore Alexandri abbatis quarti referetur. Postea verò quam eandem grangiam de Saltagh ibidem inceperamus, propter frequentes Humbriæ inundationes fluctuosas, non modicam portionem terræ versus prædictam grangiam consumentes, eadè grangia in locum interiorem ubi nunc situatur fuerat consummata, sicut in tempore domini Willielmi abbatis, qui postea referetur. Locus enim de quo prædicta grangia translata fuit Ald-Saltagh vel West-Saltagh nuncupatur, contra quem locum licet Humbria ibidem terram proprius consumpsisset, terra jam recrescere cœpit, præscriptusque etiam Willielmus le Groos comes fundator noster, dedit nobis liberum et quietum passagium apud Pagulam, quatenus cum omnibus rebus nostris propriis in eundo et redeundo libero passagio frueremur. Dedit etiam nobis quandam mansuram in Hedon, ut in eundo ad Saltagh et dictum passagium et inde redeundo, ibidem perpetuum hospitium haberemus. Quam mansuram etiam idem abbas Adam cuidam Roberto filio Benedicti, et Sapienciæ uxori suæ filiæ Haldene, cui jure hæreditario prædicta mansura pertinebat, reddidit, quatenus eam in feodo et hæreditate rehaberent, et eam de ecclesia nostra ipsi et justii successores eorum tenerent, ut in ea hospitium nostrum, congruè et honorificè ad opus fratrum nostrorum euntium et redeuntium haberemus. Quæ quidem mansura ad opus nostrum iterum reversa est.

Caput Sextum.

De Genealogia Nobilium Comitum Albemar. fundatorum nostrorum.

Sed quia ipse Willielmus le Groos comes Albemar. noster fundator fuit ut præfertur, restat nunc, ut de ejus antecessoribus, ejusque hæredibus præclaris comitibus Albemar. et dominis de Holdernes paulisper attendere quos breviter intenditur memoriæ commendare. Comes quondam Campaniæ, nepos regis Francorum, habebat quendam filium militem egregium nomine Odonem qui propter homicidium cujusdam magnatis terræ illius inde fugiens, ad Willielmum nothum qui fuit dux Normanniæ et post rex Angliæ pervenit. Porro coadjuvante dictum Odonem archiepiscopo Rothomagi erga ipsum regem Willielmum, dedit ei præfatus rex sororem suam in uxorem. Postquam autem celebratæ sunt nuptiæ, Odo rogavit eundem archiepiscopum, ut suggereret regi dare sibi unde uxorem suam alere posset, et exposuit ei causam quare de terra sua jam pridem fugisset; dedit ergo rex dicto Odoni insulam de Holdernes, et ipse idem archiepiscopus dedit eidem Odoni comitatum Albemarlæ ut in expeditionibus esset ejusdem archiepiscopi signifer cum decem militibus. Dederat autem præfatus rex dictam insulam de Holdernes prius militi cuidam valdè probo et in armis probato qui cum ipso in Angliam venerat Drugoni de la Beverer Flandrensi qui construxit castellum de Skipsc: habuit autem idem Drugo quandam regis cognatum, quam omine infausto interemit, post cujus necem venit dictus Drugo ad regem simulans se velle cum uxore sua in Flandriam reverti, et petiit ab ipso aliquantam pecuniam sibi dari. Accepta ergo a rege pecunia, festinavit ad mare; cujus nefandum factum et fictum negotium cum rex cognovisset, misit post illum ut comprehenderetur, sed ipse denuo non reversurus transfretavit. Data est ergo Odoni de Campaniæ qui habuit sororem regis uxorem, Holdernessia, sicut dictum est, quæ valdè sterilis et infructuosa erat eo tempore, nec gignebat nisi avenam. Cumque Odoni uxor sua filium peperisset, quem vocavit Stephanum, petiit à rege ut daret ei terram ferentem frumentum, unde alere posset nepotem suum, dedit ergo ei rex villam de Bitham cum pertinentiis

et alias possessiones plurimas. Porro filius Stephani filii Odonis, fuit Willielmus le Groos prædictus fundator noster, et ipse Willielmus le Groos accepit uxorem Ceciliam nomine, filiam Willielmi filii Duncani qui fuit filius regis Scotiæ Malcolmi, et frater regis David. Per quam Ceciliam dominus Willielmus le Groos et hæredes sui comites Albemar. jure hæreditario Cravennam possidebant. Ex qua Cecilia dictus Willielmus accepit unam filiam nomine Hawisiam. Ipse quidem Willielmus comes le Groos comes post foundationem monasteriorum sancti Martini de Auxiato, propè Albemarl. de ordine Cluniacensi, et S. Mariæ de Thornton regularium canonicorum de ordine sancti Augustini, et duorum monasteriorum de Valle Dei et de Melsa, monasterii videlicet nostri prædicti de ordine Cisterciensi, vixit viginti novem annis, et apud Thornton tumulatus est. Et cum ipse belliger et dux exercitus temporibus requisitis extitisset et in mari transfretando tempestates nocturnas et repentinas eisuisquenaufragium minantessæpe perpessus fuisset; eisdem tempestatibus ingruentibus noctem usque ad ejus mediam sub spe insomniæ deducebat. Media autem nocte irruente, quia monachi sui sancti Martini, et canonici sui de Thornton ad nocturnas vigilias surgere consueverunt sub confidentia precum ipsorum monachorum et canonicorum, spretis tempestatibus securius dormiebat. Circa gallicantum quidam peractis monachorum et canonicorum prædictorum vigiliis cum evigilaret sub confidentia orationum monachorum de Valle Dei et de Melsa qui ipsa hora noctis ad suas vigilias etiam surgere festinarent, spretis iterum tempestatibus, sive dormiendo, sive vigilando diem securius expectabat. Hawisia verò filia ipsius Willielmi post mortem patris sui data est per regem Angliæ qui temporibus illis extiterat, nobili viro, Willielmo de Mandevilla, sed ipso mortuo sine hærede ex ipsis procreato, data est iterum dicta Hawisia Baldwino de Betoyn comiti Insulæ, de qua accepit unam filiam tantum, quæ filia maritata marischallo Angliæ tunc existenti, prole non producta, animam Deo corpus terræ commendabat: mortuus est etiam ipse Baldwinus de Betoyn, et Hawisia per præceptum domini regis accepit maritum Willielmum de Fortibus primum et habuit ex ea Willielmum de Fortibus secundum, qui habens uxorem accepit ex ea Willielmum de Fortibus tertium, qui duxit uxorem Isabellam nomine, filiam comitis Insulæ et Devonix, ex qua filios et filias procreavit, quarum una sepulta est in presbyterio nostro, et alii diversis in locis sine hæredibus ex eis procreatis. Sed una earum Avelina nomine, quæ sola tunc superstes, data est Edmundo filio regis Henrici tertii in uxorem. Willielmus verò de Fortibus tertius mortuus est, similiter et Avelina filia sua, et hæres uxor Edmundi supradicti, obiit sine hærede aliquo de corpore suo procreato. Et sic ob defectum hæredum fuit comitatus Albemar. et honor de Holdernes seisis in manu domini regis. Sed tamen dominium de Holdernes reges succedentes nunc unus alter ad terminum vitæ suæ pro libitu concesserunt. Tandem rex Richardus secundus à Conquestu, duodecimo die Junii, anno regni sui decimo tertio, dedit dictum dominium de Holdernes cum omnibus membris, feodis militum, advocacionibus ecclesiarum, abbatiarum, prioratuum, et aliis pertinentiis suis in quocunque loco, et in quocunque modo eidem spectantibus, domino Thomæ duci Glocestriæ, comiti de Essex et de Bokingham, constabulario Angliæ, ac filio regis Edwardi tertii à Conquestu, avunculo suo; quod dominium Anna regina tenuit ad terminum vitæ suæ; tenendum dicto domino Thomæ duci, et hæredibus de corpore suo exeuntibus, per servicia inde debita et consueta in perpetuum, in valorem sexcentarum librarum per annum, in partem solutionis mille librarum annuarum per dictum dominum regem, eidem duci domino Thomæ pro statu suo comitis Buck. honorabilius manutenendo, concessarum. Dicta ergo Anna regina, circa festum Pentecostes, anno Domini millesimo trecentesimo nonagesimo quarto, et dicti domini regis decimo septimo, Deo spiritum commendante, dictus dominus Thomas dux possessionem dicti domini de Holdernes continuè est adeptus. Omnes quidem comites præscripti à prima fundatione nostra, usque ad Willielmum de Fortibus tertium, et idem Willielmus de Fortibus tertius, omnia terras et tenementa quæ dicti monachi de Melsa suis temporibus possidebant, eis in perpetuam elemosinam confirmaverunt.

NUM. II.

Fundationis et Fundatorum Historia.

[Ex Regist. de Fontibus penes Willielm. Ingleby mil. an. 1630, fol. 10 a.]

ANNO Incarnationis Dominicæ MCL. kal. Januarii, inceptum est monasterium nostrum de Melsa sub abbate bonæ memoriæ domino Adam. Hic quidem aliquamdiu monachus fuit in monasterio sanctæ Mariæ Eboraci. Postmodum verò per priorem ejusdem domus et alios qui inde exierant, et in territorio Riponensi, monasterium quod Fontains dicitur inchoaverant, secus est. Inde post non longum cum aliis pluribus ad ædificanda monasteria de Kyrkestede, de Woburne, de Valle Dei directus est. Porro comes Albemarlæ Willielmus primus monasterium de Valle Dei fundavit, quod tamen propter loci inopportunitatem ad aliud prædium translatum est, postmodum. Willielmus autem fuit filius Stephani filii Odonis qui fuit filius comitis Campaniæ junior, et propinquus regis Francorum. Odo autem propter homicidium cujusdam de magnatibus terræ fugit de terra sua, et venit ad Willielmum nothum qui fuit dux Normanniæ et rex Angliæ, et petit dari sibi sororem ejusdem Willielmi in uxorem, quod et factum est, archiepiscopo Rotomagensi adjuvante partes Odonis. Postquam autem nuptiæ celebratæ sunt Odo rogavit eundem archiepiscopum ut suggereret regi dari sibi unde uxorem suam, scilicet regis sororem, alere posset, exposuit ei causam quare de terra sua fugisset; dedit ergo archiepiscopus Odoni civitatem Albemarlæ ut in expeditionibus esset ipsius archiepiscopi signifer cum decem militibus. Suggestit etiam eidem archiepiscopus rege ut aliquam possessionem daret eidem, et exposuit ei causam ipsius. Qua audita, dedit rex Odoni Holdernes; dederat autem rex eandem Holdernes militi cuidam valde probo et in armis probato qui cum ipso in Angliam venerat Drogoni de la Beverer Flandrensi, qui construxit castellum de Skypse; habuit autem idem Drogo uxorem quandam regis cognatam quam omine infausto interemit. Venit ergo ad regem simulans se velle cum uxore sua in Flandriam reverti, et petit aliquantam pecuniam sibi dari; et dedit ei rex. Accepta ergo pecunia festinavit ad mare. Quæ cum cognovisset rex, misit post illum ut comprehenderetur, sed ipse jam non reversus transfretavit. Data est ergo Odoni de Campania qui habuit sororem regis uxorem, Holdernes, sicut dictum est, quæ valde sterilis et infructuosa erat eo tempore, nec gignebat nisi avenam. Cum autem peperisset Odoni uxor sua filium quem vocavit Stephanum, petit à rege ut daret ei terram ferentem frumentum unde alere posset nepotem suum. Dedit ergo rex ei villam de Bitham cum pertinentiis et alias possessiones plurimas. Porro filius Stephani fuit Willielmus, sicut dictum est. Willielmus verò habuit sorores quatuor, filias Stephani, quarum una data est vicedomino de Pynkeney, altera autem vicedomino de Verberay, tertia nobili viro Bertanno de Brikebet, quarta Willielmo de Romare, et postea Petro de Brus. Willielmus quoque accepit uxorem Ceciliam nomine, filiam Willielmi filii Dunnekan, qui fuit filius regis Scotiæ Malcolmi et frater regis David. Duncan autem habuit filium nomine Willielmum, qui habuit uxorem Aliz de Rumeli, ex qua accepit tres filias, ad quas jure hæreditario pertinent Craven, et Copaland, et Allerdale, et Cokerum. Harum primam, nomine Ceciliam, Willielmus habuit, ut dictum est, ex qua accepit filiam unam nomine Hawisam, nec alios liberos habuit. Hawisa verò data est Willielmo de Forz, et habuit ex eo filium Willielmum de Forz secundum, qui habens uxorem Avelinam nomine filiam nobilis viri Ricardi de Munfichet, accepit ex ea filium nomine Willielmum de Forz tertium, &c.

NUM. III.

Carta Willielmi Comitis Albemarl. de Fundatione Abbatix de Melsa, Ordinis Cisterciensis.

[Ibid.]

GULIELMUS comes Albemarlæ omnibus sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis, tam futuris quam modernis, salutem. Sciatis me dedisse monachis Cisterc. ordinis locum quendam Melsa vocitatum, de meo hæreditario jure, atque in perpetuam elemosinam confirmasse, cum omnibus appenditiis, videlicet in terris colendis, et in pratis, et in nemoribus, et in pascuis, et in marisco, et tam integrè, et benè, et liberè, sicuti ego met eam unquam melius tenui pro salute animæ meæ, ac

fratris mei Hingeram, et patris et matris meæ, necnon et omnium parentum meorum; et ut ibidem sedes abbatiæ fiat ac permaneat instituisse. Dedi etiam eidem abbatiæ totum nemus de Rudhe, cum marisco ei proximo, in perpetuam possessionem, quod justè commutavi ab Alano de Ringbure, dando eidem pro ipso quandam terram eo magis valentem; itaque precor omnes amicos et homines meos, quatinus supradictam abbatiam, et universos habitantes in ea studiosè diligant, concilii et auxilii eis beneficium impendere non cessent, et universorum ipsius beneficiorum, mecum effecti participes, in æterna tabernacula, à Domino recipiantur, et à saluari suo. Test. Hingeram fratre comitis, Elia de Mundevilla, magistro Warnario, magistro Rogero, Gerardo de Fanancourt, Isaac clerico, Roberto de Ros, Stephano pincerna. Valete.

NUM. IV.

Alia Carta ejusdem Comitis Willielmi.

[Ibid. Pat. 51 Edw. III. m. 12, et Pat. 2 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 2, per Inspec.]

GULIELMUS comes Albemariæ dapifero suo, et vicecomiti, et omnibus ministris suis et hominibus, universisque sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, tam præsentibus quam futuris, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse, et dedisse, et præsentis cartulæ meæ testimonio confirmasse monachis Cisterciensis ordinis, ecclesiæ videlicet sanctæ Mariæ de Melsa, ad ordinem sancti Benedicti tenendum et manutenendum, ipsam Melsam, et omnia ad illam pertinentia, in bosco, in plano, in marisco, in pratis, in aquis, et boscum de Rudha, quem justè commutavi de Alano de Ringbure, dando eidem, pro ipso, quandam terram eo magis valentem. Similiter concessi eis et dedi totam terram quæ est de patrimonio meo in Wagna, in campis, in pratis, in aquis, in piscariis, et in omnibus eidem terræ pertinentibus, et totam pasturam de Saltehache et Neulande, et exitum ejusdem pasturæ, cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis, et quandam carrucatam juxta eandem pasturam, quam Willielmus filius Aschilli de me tenuit, pro qua ei bonum escambium tribui. Hæc omnia eis concedo, do, et confirmo, in perpetuam et liberam elemosinam, absque ullo terreno servitio, sicut aliqua elemosina liberius dari, aut confirmari potest, pro salute animæ meæ, patris et matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum meorum, et pro salute omnium sororum, parentum, et amicorum meorum. Hujus donationis meæ testes sunt: clerici, Simon capellanus, Isaac, Rogerus, Warnerius; milites, Eustachius filius Johannis, Robertus de Stutevill, Petrus de Falcheneburga, Stephanus pincerna, et Radulfus, et Willielmus filii ejus, Robertus constabularius, Henricus Foliot, Helias de Amundevill et Radulphus frater ejus, Simon de Torne et Willielmus frater ejus, Willielmus filius Aschetelli et Willielmus frater ejus, qui etiam assensum præbuerunt.

NUM. V.

Carta Hawisiæ Comitissæ Albemariæ, filiæ Fundatoris.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, ad quos præsens carta pervenerit Hawissa comitissa Albemariæ salutem. Sciatis me concessisse, et præsentis carta mea confirmasse, Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ, et monachis de Melsa, ipsam Melsam in qua abbatis sita est, et boscum de Ruda, et quicquid habent, et quicquid habere debent, in Waghun, et in Salthag, in terra de Pidis, in Tharlestorp, in Thorp, in Aldeburg, in Holm, in Ergum, in Seton, in Mora, in Biford, in Dudington, in Dringhou, in Huggethorp, in Hedon, in territorio et marisco de Sutton, ex dono Amandi de Sutton et aliorum de feodo meo, et omnes terras, jura, et tenementa, cum omnibus pertinentiis, et libertatibus, et liberis consuetudinibus suis, in feodo meo, sicut cartæ Willielmi comitis Albemariæ patris mei, fundatoris ejusdem abbatiæ, et aliorum donatorum et benefactorum suorum, testantur. Hanc autem confirmationem feci eis, pro salute animæ meæ et omnium antecessorum meorum, in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam. Hiis testibus, Fulcone de Oyri tunc seneschallo, Wallone de Totnes, Everardo de Beverere, et aliis.

NUM. VI.

Carta inter W. Comitem Albemariæ et Johannem de Melsa de Manerio de Melsa ad Abbatiam faciendam.

[Ex ipso autographo in Turri B. Mariæ Eboraci.]

SCIANT, tam præsentibus quam posteris, hunc finem esse terminatum inter Willielmum comitem Albemariæ et Johannem de Melsa, quod comes dedit et concessit Johanni de Melsa Bewyc, quæ fuit de patris sui et avi hæreditate, in feodo et hæreditate tenendam de comite et hæredibus suis, pro Melsa, quam prædictus Johannes comiti reddidit, ad faciendam quandam abbatiam et confirmandam in perpetuam elemosinam. Sic quod prædictam Melsam per cultellum comiti reddidit solutam et quietam de se et hæredibus suis. Et hanc redditionem juravit tenendam, sic quod ecclesia fundata in Melsa sicut elemosina erit quietata, et sine omni calumpnia tam de Johanne de Melsa quam de hæredibus suis imperpetuum. Et Johannes de Bewic idem servitium faciet de Bewic quod debebat de Melsa. Hiis testibus, Ricardo de sancto Quintino, Petro de Falchomberg, Petro de Gousla, Helia de Amundavill, Ada de Brus, Stephano pincerna, et Radulpho et Willielmo ejus filiis, Herveio de Golsa, Isaac clerico, Roberto de Wyetona, et ejus duobus filiis Ricardo et Henrico, Warnerio capellano, Stephano filio Petri de Falchomberg, Willielmo vicecomite, Ada clerico de Barwa, Johanne Arundell, Carbunel, Thoma de Horrennes, Willielmo filio Warini, Roberto de Golsa, Rogero de Rimeswell, Benedicto camerario, Bernerdo de Helewell, Gilberto de Grimestona, Symone filio Willielmi, Terri camerario, Willielmo Jurdan, Willielmo Chidenoth, Willielmo filio Symonis, Symone capellano, Ricardo de Friebois, Burring, Willielmo Hottringeham, Willielmo de Belewe, Aschitino de Schartheburg, Reynero de Sutton, Symone pincerna, Willielmo dispensario, Willielmo de Pabla, Henrico filio Radulfi, Stephano de Otringham, et Ricardo de Otringham, Herberto priore de Melsa, et Gaufrido monacho, et Warino, et Ada, et alio Gaufrido, Absolone, et Ricardo, Agnete sorore comitis, et fratre Hugone.

NUM. VII.

Genealogia Fundatoris.

[Adhuc ex Registro de Fontibus, fol. 19 b.]

INITIUM genealogiæ W. de Forz comitis Albemariæ junioris qui nunc est, secundum Adam personam de Crostwait. Willielmus de Mechines primus hæres de Sceiptun in Craven cum pertinentiis, et de Egremund cum pertinentiis, genuit Aliciam de Rumelya, quæ sepulta jacet apud Fontes. Ista nupta fuit Willielmo filio Duncan. Ex istis exiit Cecilia, quæ nupta fuit Willielmo de Albemar. grosso. Et ex istis procreata est Hauwisa, quæ nupta fuit Willielmo de Maundevill comiti. Isti non fecerunt prolem. Postea nupta fuit eadem Hauwisa Willielmo de Forz. Ex istis natus est Willielmus de Forz junior pater istius qui nunc est. Item dictus Willielmus habuit tertiam filiam Aliciam de Rumely, quæ nupta fuit Gilberto Pipard, et non fecerunt prolem. Ista est Alicia advocatrix de Fontibus, de Crostwait, et de Wattendelangre.

NUM. VIII.

Descensus Willielmi Comitis Albemariæ.

[Ex ipso autographo in Turri beatæ Mariæ Ebor.]

ITEM bonæ memoriæ Willielmus le Groos comes Albemariæ, fundator noster, dedit monasterio nostro totam terram quæ fuit de patrimonio suo in Wagun, et totam reliquam terram quam tenuit de archiepiscopo Eboracensi in eadem villa, et passagium ejusdem villæ. Hanc donationem rex Johannes confirmavit, et dominus Willielmus de Foorz, primus comes Albemariæ, qui desponsavit Hawisiam filiam et hæredem domini Willielmi comitis, fundatoris nostri; et ipsa domina Hawisia comitissa post obitum domini Willielmi de Forz comitis Albemariæ, viri sui; et dominus Baldewynus de Betoyne comes Albemariæ, qui ipsam dominam Hawisiam comitissam postea duxerat in uxorem; et dominus Willielmus de Forz comes Albemariæ, filius domini Willielmi de Forz primi; et dominus Willielmus de Forz comes Albemariæ tertius confirmaverunt per cartas suas in

puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Quorum animæ et omnium fidelium defunctorum requiescant in pacc. Amen.

NUM. IX.

Carta Magistri Ricardi de Otringham pro Cantaria ad Portam Monasterii de Melsa vij. Monachorum.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS ad quos præsens carta pervenerit Ricardus de Otringham, rector ecclesiæ de Schelford, Elyensis diocesis, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Quia dudum dedi, concessi, et per cartam meam confirmavi, Deo, et beatæ Mariæ, abbati et conventui de Melsa, et eorum successoribus, pro salute animæ meæ, et animarum quorundam Johannis de Otringham, Martini de Otringham, Ricardi filii sui, necnon et pro animabus omnium antecessorum meorum, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, unum mesuagium, xx. tofta, xx. et duas bovatas, et medietatem unius bovatae, sexies viginti et sex acras terræ, ducentas et lx. et decem acras prati, xx. et duos solidos, et sex denariatas redditus, et communem pasturam, ad quingentas oves, quicquid habui tam in dominico quam in servicio, cum pertinentiis in Otringham, Tharlesthorp, Frysmareis, Well, Drypoll, et Sutton, tenendum et habendum eis et successoribus suis in perpetuum, pro quadam cantaria in capitali mesuagio prædictorum tenementorum de Otringham, vel Hubertcroft, in eadem villa facienda continuè imperpetuum sustinenda, videlicet quod vij. monachi presbiteri abbatiae prædictæ de Melsa in altero locorum prædictorum, videlicet in capitali mesuagio vel in Hubertcroft, pro anima mea et animabus prædictorum, sicut prædictum est, divina celebrent imperpetuum. Ego verò dictus Ricardus perpendens periculum animarum monachorum ibidem commorantium, et salubrius esse animæ meæ, et animabus prædictorum Johannis, Martini, Ricardi filii sui, et omnium antecessorum nostrorum, quod dicta cantaria alibi fiat quam in locis prædictis: noveritis me concessisse eisdem abbati et conventui, et eorum successoribus, quod dicta cantaria fiat per prædictos monachos ad portam abbatiae de Melsa imperpetuum; et si quid huic concessionem inventum fuerit contrarium, pro nullo habeatur, careatque omni vigore. Ita videlicet quod dicti abbas et conventus, aut eorum successores, occasione subtractionis cantariæ prædictæ à locis capitalis messuagii vel Hubertcroft, dum tamen dicta cantaria ad abbatiam prædictam de Melsa fiat, in aliquo non aggravetur, sive per aliquem inquietetur in futurum. In cujus rei testimonium huic scripto sigillum meum apposui. Datum apud Scelford xvj. kal. Novembris, anno Domini m.cccxvj.

NUM. X.

De Numero Monachorum.

[Ex Regist. Abbatiae de Melsa, in bibl. Cotton. fol. 59 b.]

JOHANNES de Friboys miles dedit nobis ad sustentationem perpetuam unius monachi augendi ad numerum quinquaginta monachorum quem duxit numerum fuisse taxatum monasterii nostri sex bovatas terræ cum sex clausis in Holmetone.

NUM. XI.

Carta de Otringham de vij. Monachis.

[Ibid.]

MAGISTER Ric. de Otringham clericus dedit nobis unum mesuagium, xx. tofta, xxxij. bovatas, et medietatem unius bovatae, sexies viginti et sex acras terræ, ducentas sexaginta decem acras prati, xxij. sol. et sex denariatas redditus, et communem pasturam ad quingentas oves, cum pertinentiis in Otringham, Tharlestorp, Frysmarys, Wellwyk, Drypul, Sutton, et Sutteccotes, pro quadam cantaria perpetua sustinenda, videlicet per septem monachos monasterii nostri presbyteros perpetuò celebrantes in messuagio capitali vel in Hobertercroft de Otringham, pro animabus Johannis de Otringham, domini Martini de Otringham, Ricardi de Otringham, magistri Ricardi de Otringham præscripti, et omnium antecessorum suorum. Quorum septem monachorum, prout cartâ et licentia capituli generalis distinguatur, quatuor pro illis cæteris animabus et pro omnibus fidelibus, unus de beata Virgine, et duo ad suum libitum ipsam cantariam debent celebrare. Pro uno quidem ipso-

rum septem monachorum unus capellanus secularis pro præpositis Beverlaci cantariam ibidem celebrans est commutatus, et cantaria reliquorum sex monachorum ad capellam extra portas monasterii est translata.

NUM. XII.

Cantaria in Bosco.

[Ibid. fol. 60 a.]

PETRUS de Malolacu dedit nobis, cum corpore Isabellæ de Thornham uxoris suæ, homagium et redditum lx. sol. de sex bovatis terræ in Ake, et duas bovatas terræ cum toftis in Wharrom, duo molendina cum croftis et pertinentiis in Lokyngton, unum molendinum cum holmo adjacente in Bryddeshall, cum stagnis, sectis, et servitiis eisdem pertinentibus, ad perpetuam sustentationem duorum sacerdotum secularium, cum duobus clericis, unius videlicet sacerdotis qui cantet missam in honore beatæ Mariæ Virginis cum nota et horas, et alterius qui celebret pro defunctis cotidie similiter cum nota, et officium defunctorum in capella beatæ Mariæ prope pontem qui est in bosco; et nos faciamus anniversarium dictæ Isabellæ annuatim viij. kal. Junii imperpetuum; et ad sustentationem quinque cereorum ad supradictam missam de sancta Maria specialiter assignatorum. Ita planè quod nos memoratam sustentationem sacerdotum, clericorum, et luminarium plenariè faciamus quamdiu prædictos redditus integrè perceperimus. Et si ita evenierit quod processu temporis dictis redditibus penitus expoliamur, à prædicta sustentatione penitus cessabimus, aut si aliqua portio beneficii prædicti pro defectu suæ warrantiæ aut hæredum suorum subtracta fuerit, juxta quantitatem portionis subtractæ, de sustentatione prædicta et numero personarum minuatur.

NUM. XIII.

Confirmatio Donationum per Regem Johannem.

[Cart. 6 Joh. n. 38. Vide Cart. 21 Edw. I. n. 5, 6, et 7.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia, &c. Sciatis nos intuitu Dei dedisse et hac carta nostra confirmasse abbatiae de Melsa, et monachis Cisterciensis ordinis ibidem Deo servientibus et servituris, ipsam Melsam in qua abbatiam sita est, et omnia ad illam pertinentia, et totum boscum de Rutha cum pertinentiis suis, et totam Waghenam, cum ecclesia ejusdem villæ, cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis, scilicet, tam terras illas quas habent ex dono Willielmi comitis Albemariæ, quam terras illas quas habent ex dono Henrici quondam Ebor. archiepiscopi, de assensu capituli sui, et confirmatione Willielmi successoris ejusdem Henrici, videlicet, duas carucas terræ in eadem Waghenam, cum passagio fluvii de Hul, et earum pertinentiis de quibus Rogerus archiepiscopus, successor ejusdem Willielmi, prædictos monachos disseisivit, et ipsi monachi postmodum ea omnia contra Gaufridum archiepiscopum, successorem ejusdem Rogeri in curia Christianitatis per licentiam nostram, sicut puram et liberam elemosinam suam dirationaverunt. Item concessimus et confirmavimus eisdem monachis locum et terras grangiæ eorum de Saltaghe, cum pertinentiis suis; locum et terras grangiæ eorum de Tharletorp, cum pertinentiis suis; locum et terras grangiæ eorum de Miton, cum pertinentiis suis; locum et terras grangiæ eorum de Mora, cum pertinentiis; locum et terras grangiæ eorum de Octona, cum pertinentiis suis; locum et terras grangiæ eorum de Werram, cum pertinentiis suis; locum et terras grangiæ eorum de Blanchemarl, cum pertinentiis suis; locum et terras grangiæ eorum de Schirn, cum pertinentiis suis; locum et terras grangiæ eorum de Ergum, cum pertinentiis suis: præterea Holm, quod est inter Levene et Bristyl, cum pertinentiis suis; piscariam et vaccariam super Hul cum adjacenti marisco de Sutton, et eorum pertinentiis: omnes etiam terras et tenementa quæ habent in Eboraco, in Beverlaco, in Burgh, in Heddon, in Arnehale, in Aldeburg, in Dudinton, in Biford, in Dreyngo, in Sethon, in Nordalton, in Wartrya, in Harroldestorp, in Uggetorp, in Molescroft, in villa sancti Botulphi, in Cnotingele, cum omnibus ad prædicta loca, terras, et tenementa pertinentibus, sicut cartæ et munimenta quæ inde habent, vel habituri sunt, rationabiliter testantur vel testabuntur. Quare volumus, &c. Datum per manum I. de Well. apud Lutegarsale secundo die Aprilis.

NUM. XIV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26th Hen. VIII. First Fruits' Office.]

Com' Ebor'.

Decanatus Rural' de Holdernesſe assign' in divisione Johani Constable milit', Willo Constable milit', Rado Ellerker junior', milit' et Roſto Crake comiſſionar'.

MONASTER' DE MELSA.

Riſo STOLPES Abbe ibm.

Valet in

Scitu maner' ibm cu' omibz tr' dñic' eidm ptin', cu' omibz clausur' infra p̄cinct' ejusdm, p a^m. 24l. 0s. 0d.

Exit' tr' et teñtor' in villis de Waghen 36l. 7s. 6½d. Saltage 10l. Sutton 12l. 8s. 4d. Bennyngholme 1l. Reston 8s. Rowton et Arnolde 12l. 10s. 9d. Rowth 7l. 10s. 6d. Hayholme 10l. 6s. 8d. Moore Graunge et Beyfford 10l. 2d. Dringhoo 4l. 10s. 4d. Dodyngton 3l. Ulrom 1l. Ergholme 2l. 4s. Seton et Wassand 7l. 5s. 9d. West-haitfeld 3l. 5s. Horneseburton 2l. Owstwyk et Falyng 5l. 10s. 6d. Heddon 1s. Preston 1l. Stokholmē 1l. 3s. 4d. Ottringham 27l. 3s. 3¼d. Holmeton 3l. Esthalsham 10s. Owthorne 5s. Redemgarth 3s. Dymbleton et Lel-lay 5l. 10s. 2d. Brantingham 13s. 4d. Hulbank 2l. 11s. 8d. Bevlay 11s. Molecroft 7l. 6s. 9d. North Burton et Raventhorp 1l. 10s. Newton jux^a Gartham 2s. 6d. Midle-ton 1s. 4d. Northdalton 2l. Blancheimle et Wartre 4l. 6s. 8d. Beylby 4d. Hugate 3s. 4d. Azke 3l. Bryan Mylne 2l. Wharrom 16l. 6s. 8d. Byrdsall Mylne 1l. Thwyng 1l. 12s. Ruddeston 16s. Octon 5l. Civitat' Ebor' 1l. Hooton et Crauncewyk 10l. 6s. 8d. Brakyng 6s. 8d. Et maner' cu' villa de Skerne 20l. p annu'. In toto 247l. 18s. 3½d.

Com' Ebor'.

Ecclia de Naffreton.

Exit' septe' bovat' tr' gleb' ibm p annu' 4l. 4s. 0d. Exit' sex teñtor' ibm p annu', cu' duabz clausur' eisdm teñtis' spectant' 1l. 15s. 0d. Exit' garb' decimal' et feni ibm coibz annis 28l. 0s. 0d. Exit' lane et agnor' decimal' coibz annis 3l. 8s. 0d. Exit' al' cert' minut' decimar' cu' oblaconibz et decimis quadragesimal' ibm coibz annis 8l. 17s. 6d.

Com' Ebor'.

Ecclia de Kayngham.

Exit' 4 bovat' tr' de gleb', cum 8 teñtis et duabz clau-sur' eidm rcorie ptin' p a^m 6l. 11s. 10d. Exit' garbar' decimal' et feni ibm coibz annis 12l. 11s. 4d. Exit' lane et agnor' decimal' coibz annis 4l. 0s. 0d. Exit' al' cert' minut' decimar' cu' oblaconibz et decimis quadragesimal' ibm coibz annis 10l. 9s. 4d.

Com' Ebor'.

Ecclia de Essington.

Exit' 6 bovat' tr' de gleb', cu' 12 teñtis et una clau-sura eidm spectant' p annu' 8l. 10s. 8d. Exit' garb' decimal' et feni ibm coibz annis 21l. 14s. 4d. Exit' lane et agnor' decimal' ibm coibz annis 3l. 11s. 4d. Exit' al' cert' minut' decimar' cu' oblaconibz et decimis quadragesimal' ibm coibz annis 8l. 6s. 10d.

Com' Ebor'.

Ecclia de Skypsey.

Exit' 8 bovat' tr' de gleb' unius cotag', et 2 claus' eidm rcorie spectant' p annu' 6l. 0s. 0d. Exit' garb' decimal' et feni ibm coibz annis 15l. 6s. 8d.

Exit' lane et agnor' decimal' ibm coibz annis

2l. 8s. 0d.

Exit' al' cert' minut' decim' cum oblaconibz et decimis quadragesimal' ibm coibz annis 7l. 19s. 8d.

Com' Lincoln'.

Mañiu de^a

Exit' cert' tr' et ten' in com' Lincoln' sic dimiss' abbt'i et convent' de Wellow p composic' 20l. 0s. 0d. Sm^a p3 445l. 10s. 5½d.

D' quibz

Repris' in

Pens' ann^{li} vicar' de Naffreton 13l. 6s. 8d. Cons' Pens' capto bti Petri Ebor' 6l. 13s. 4d. Archiepo Ebor' p sinod' 5s. Archidiacono Estridying p pcurac' 7s. 6d. Ann^{li} pens' p̄bende sci Andree Bevlac' 5s. 4d. ann^{ti} exeunte de p̄dca ecclia de Naffreton 20l. 17s. 10d.

Pens' ann^{li} vicar' de Kayngham 14l. Cons' pens' archiepo Ebor' 1l. 6s. 8d. Eidm p sinodo 4s. Ann^{li} pens' capto Ebor' 13s. 4d. Archidiacono Estridying p pcurac' 7s. 6d. Pens' ann^{li} abbt'i de Cristall 1l. Quod^m reddu ann^{li} p quad^m venella jux^a dcam rcoria' 4d. Et p̄posit' Bevlaci p avenis 1l. 3s. 4d. ann^{ti} exeunte de ecclia p̄d' 18l. 15s. 2d.

Pens' ann^{li} vicario de Essington 14l. Cons' pens' archiepo Ebor' 3l. 6s. 8d. Eidm archiepo p sinodo 5s. Pens' ann^{li} capto Ebor' 1l. 13s. 4d. P̄dco archidiacono 7s. 6d. Ann^{li} pens' abbt'i de Cristall 1l. 11s. 4d. Sallar' dñi Johis Stele capⁿⁱ cant' ibm 4l. Ac p̄dco p̄posit' Bevlaci p aven' ann^{ti} exeunt' de p̄dca ecclia de Essington 2l. 18s. 8d. 28l. 2s. 6d.

Ann^{li} pens' vicario de Skypsey 10l. Archiepo Ebor' p sinod' 4s. 6d. Ann^{li} pens' capto Ebor' 2l. 13s. 4d. Archidiac' Estridying p pcurac' 13s. 4d. Ann^{li} pens' abbt'i de Cristall 2l. Ac p̄posit' Bevlaci p aven' 2l. 17s. 4d. ann^{ti} exeunt' de p̄dca ecclia de Skypsey 18l. 8s. 6d.

Ann^{li} solut' exeunt' de Waghing^aunge p̄pos' Bevlac' p aven' 1l. 13s. 7d. Cons' solut' ann^{li} exeut' de dñio de Ot-tringham priori de Bridlington p minut' x^{mis} 3l. Cons' so-lut' hospli sci Leon^d Ebor' p composic' 2l. Cons' ann^{li} solut' p̄ori sci Oswaldi exeunt' mañio de Wharrom p composicoem 2l. 10s. Sallaria dñi Oliver' Blake capⁿⁱ cant' in Ottringham M'she 3l. 6s. 8d. Cons' salar' dñi Roſti Swak capⁿⁱ cant' apud Wynested 3l. 6s. 8d. Sallar' dñi Agnisii capⁿⁱ cant' apud Fulstowe in com' Lincoln' 3l. 6s. 8d. Cancellar' ecclie Ebor' ann^{ti} p x^{mis} de Waghen p composicoem 2l. 5s. Et p̄orisse de Kelyng ann^{ti} exeut' de ecclia de Waghen p composic' 2l. 13s. 4d. 24l. 1s. 11d. Reddu resolut' dño regi ann^{ti} exeunt' de tr' et ten' in dñiis sup^adñis, ac p fine cur' wappentag' apud Heddon 2l. 3s. 2½d.

Cons' reddu resolut' ann^{ti} exeunt' archiepo Ebor' de Waghen 5l. et Molescroft. In toto 5l. 6s. 8d.

Cons' reddu ann^{ti} resolut' p̄pos' Bevlaci exeunt' de tr' in Seton et Crauncewyk 9s. Georg' Hussey ar^o 7s. Roſto Turwhitt mi^{ti} 9d. et Xpofero Hilyard mi^{ti} 4d. p tr' et ten' in Ottringham. Dñis de Sutton 9s. Capto Bevlaci p tr' in Arnall et Ryston 2s. 4d. P̄ori de Bridlington p tr' in Rowth 2s. Comiti Westm^l p tr' in Hulbank 3s. 4d. Hosplariis sci Johinis Jerlm p tr' in Wharrom 7s. In toto 2l. 0s. 9d.

Cons' liſo reddu resolut' p̄orisse sci Clement' Ebor' p teñto ibm 6s. 8d. Abbt'i de Whitbye p eodm teñto 5s. Comiti Northumbr' p tr' in Naffreton 4½d. Roſt' Constable p cons' tr' in eadm 1d. Baroni de Graystok p cert' tr' in Drynghowe 4s. 9¼d. Johi Grymston p tr' in Ulrom 5s. Et Johi Gascoigne ac Wilmo Jaklyng p cert' tr' et teñtis in Northdalton 2s. 4d. In toto 1l. 4s. 2¾d.

Solut' ann^{li} ut feodo dñi Wilfi Constable mi^{ti} cap' sen^{li} tr' et teñtor' p̄dcor' p annu' 1l. 6s. 8d.

Cons' feodo Riſi Smethlay sen^{li} litati ibm 1l. 6s. 8d.

Cons' feodo Roſt' Hogeson sen^{li} cur' ibm 1l. 0s. 0d.

Cons' feodo Riçi Kynney rec' de Wellowe	1 <i>l</i> .	0 <i>s</i> .	0 <i>d</i> .
Cons' feodo Thome Wallas bañi de Ottringh ^a m	1 <i>l</i> .	0 <i>s</i> .	0 <i>d</i> .
Cons' feodo Johis Large bañi de Serne	1 <i>l</i> .	0 <i>s</i> .	0 <i>d</i> .
Cons' feodo Mathci Morwyn bañi de Wharrom	1 <i>l</i> .	6 <i>s</i> .	8 <i>d</i> .
Cons' feodo Johis Bell bañi de Waghen	1 <i>l</i> .	0 <i>s</i> .	0 <i>d</i> .
Cons' feodo subvic' 10 <i>s</i> . escaetor' 10 <i>s</i> . com' Ebor'	1 <i>l</i> .	0 <i>s</i> .	0 <i>d</i> .
Solutone ann ^{li} clemos' distribut' in pecuniis ad portas monaster' p̃dçi pauperibz illic confluent' p anima Saieri filii Amandi	4 <i>l</i> .	0 <i>s</i> .	0 <i>d</i> .
Cons' elemos' ibm ann ^{ti} erogat' p aīa Saieri filii Saieri de Sutton forma p̃dca	3 <i>l</i> .	0 <i>s</i> .	0 <i>d</i> .
Cons' elemos' ad portas p̃dças int' paupes ann ^{ti} erogat' p anima Wiñi Groos fundator' monaster' p̃dçi p cert' pastur' apud Saltagh	7 <i>l</i> .	0 <i>s</i> .	0 <i>d</i> .
Cons' elemos' ibm' int' paupes distribut' p aīa Ade de Thorne p annu'	1 <i>l</i> .	3 <i>s</i> .	4 <i>d</i> .
Cons' elemos' ad portas p̃dças ann ^{ti} int' paupes erogat' p aīa Galfri filii Wiñi p quad ^m clausura in Hornesburton	1 <i>l</i> .	0 <i>s</i> .	0 <i>d</i> .
S ^m a p̃z	{ 146 <i>l</i> .	4 <i>s</i> .	1½ <i>d</i> .
	{ 147 <i>l</i> .	4 <i>s</i> .	1½ <i>d</i> .
Et valet clare	{ 298 <i>l</i> .	6 <i>s</i> .	4½ <i>d</i> .
	{ 299 <i>l</i> .	6 <i>s</i> .	4½ <i>d</i> .
X ^{ma} ps inde	29 <i>l</i> .	18 <i>s</i> .	7¾ <i>d</i> .

NUM. XV.

[From a Pension Book, Augmentation Office.]

Comitatus Ebor'.

MEUXE NUPER MONASTERIUM.

PENSIONES assignatæ nuper abbati et conventui ibidem super dissolutionem dicti nuper monasterii per commissarios domini regis undecimo die Decembris anno regni prædicti domini regis Henrici Octavi tricesimo primo.

Richardo Draper nuper abbati ibidem . .	x <i>l</i> ^{li} .
Georgio Throstyl presbitero	v <i>j</i> ^{li} .
Johanni Raynes presbitero	v <i>j</i> ^{li} .
Thomæ Johnson presbitero	v <i>j</i> ^{li} .
Jacobo Austen presbitero	v <i>j</i> ^{li} .
Richardo Quynell presbitero	v <i>j</i> ^{li} .
Johanni Stevynson presbitero	v <i>j</i> ^{li} .
Stephano Clerke presbitero	v <i>j</i> ^{li} .
Martino Wren presbitero	v <i>j</i> ^{li} .
Roberto Robynson presbitero	v <i>j</i> ^{li} .
Richardo Butler presbitero	v <i>j</i> ^{li} .
Thomæ Tompson presbitero	v <i>j</i> ^{li} .
Willielmo Tompson presbitero	v <i>j</i> ^{li} .
Johanni Lote presbitero	v <i>j</i> ^{li} .
Willielmo Robynson presbitero	v <i>j</i> ^{li} .
Radulpho Surdenall presbitero	v <i>j</i> ^{li} .
Willielmo Parken presbitero	v ^{li} .
Richardo Robynson presbitero	v ^{li} .
Willielmo Hoggeson presbitero	v ^{li} .
Willielmo Saunder presbitero	v ^{li} .
Johanni Walles presbitero	v ^{li} .
Vincentio Downey presbitero	v ^{li} .
Richardo Sympson presbitero	v ^{li} .
Johanni Hawulsley presbitero	v ^{li} .
Johanni Barrowe presbitero	v ^{li} .

WALTERUS HENDLE.
THOMAS WROTH.
RYCHARD BELLASSYS.
R. WATKYNs.

NUM. XVI.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 31 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE MELSÆ.

Com' Ebor'	£	s.	d.
Meux—Situs cum terris domini-calibus	27	0	8

Com' Ebor'	£	s.	d.
Meux—Firma piscar'	2	7	4
Waghen, Sutton, Routh, et Seton—Reddit' mobil', viz. gallinar' de tenentibus domini regis	2	4	8
Billicot et Redcot—Firma duorum shepecotes cum prat' . .	5	9	10
Southousecott—Firma un' shepecote et un' claus' pastur' . .	4	9	10
Hirsecott—Firma un cott' ac un' claus' pastur'	3	19	10
Meux, &c.—Venditio boscorum	4	1	2 ob
Waghen—Reddit' liberorum tenentium	0	0	2 ob
Waghen—Reddit' et firm' . .	107	5	0 ob
Waghen—Reddit' mobil' . .	1	14	8
Waghen—Perquis' cur' . . .	1	9	2
Sutton—Reddit' liberorum tenentium	0	1	0
Sutton—Reddit' et firm' . . .	14	2	3 ob
			et 16 gallin'
Stonefery—Firma terr' et ten' .	1	7	11
Dripooole—Firma mesuag' et terr'	3	19	0
Preston—Reddit' mesuag' et terr'	1	7	0
Hedon—Reddit' terr'	0	2	2
Sutton—Reddit' mobil'	0	2	8
Sutton—Perquis' cur'	0	1	4
Owstwik—Reddit' liberorum tenentium	0	2	6
Owstwik—Reddit' terr' et ten' .	3	14	10
Fytlynge—Reddit' terr' et ten' .	3	3	0
Lelley—Reddit' mesuag' et terr'	1	10	0
Owthorne—Reddit' un' claus' terr'	0	6	0
Nevillgarth—Reddit' cert' terr' .	0	3	0
Dymbleton—Reddit' terr' et ten'	5	17	2 ob
Holmeton—Reddit' terr' et ten'	3	0	0
Owstwik—Perquis' cur'	0	14	0
Dymbleton—Perquis' cur' . .	0	4	0
Ottringham—Reddit' liberorum tenentium	1	5	5 ob q̃
Ottringham—Reddit' terr' et ten'	38	7	11
Ottringham Marsh—Reddit' terr' et ten'	25	16	3
			et 3 gallin'
Ottringham Marsh—Reddit' mobil'	0	0	6
Ottringham—Perquis' cur' . . .	0	11	2
Esthalsham—Lib' redd' cap' mesuag' et terr'	0	10	0
Stokholme—Reddit' pastur' . .	1	3	4
Saltaghe—Firma grangiæ . . .	10	0	0
Hulbanke—Firma terr' et pastur'	4	18	4
Brantingham—Firma duorum clausorum	0	13	4
Routh—Lib' reddit'	0	1	2
Routh—Reddit' terr' et ten' . .	8	4	2
			et 24 gallin'
Haytfelde—Reddit' mesuag' et terr'	3	6	8
Ryston—Reddit' mesuag' cum clauso	0	8	4
Routh—Reddit' mobil'	0	4	0
Routh—Perquis' cur'	0	9	4
Arnolde—Reddit' liberorum tenentium	0	2	10
Arnolde—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem	9	19	4
Rowton—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem	8	6	0
Hornseyburton—Reddit' terr' et ten'	2	10	0
Benyngholme—Reddit' mesuag' et cotag'	1	10	0
Arnolde—Perquis' cur'	0	6	11
Seton et Drynghowe—Reddit' assis' lib' tenentium	0	1	6
Wassande—Reddit' terr', &c. .	2	8	0
			et 2 gallin'

Com' Ebor'	£	s.	d.
Seton—Reddit' et firm' . . .	7	3	0
	et 20 gallin'		
Drynghow et Upton—Reddit' terr' et ten'	9	19	6
	et 2 gallin'		
Heyholme—Firma unius mesuag'	13	6	8
Seton—Reddit' mobil' . . .	0	3	4
Wassande—Reddit' mobil' . .	0	0	4
Seton—Perquis' cur'	0	13	8
Beforth—Reddit' assis' . . .	0	0	7
Beforth—Firma grangiae voc' Mooregrange	0	10	0
Beforth—Reddit' terr' et ten' .	1	7	0
Ulrome—Redd' mesuag', &c. .	2	0	0
Dodyngton—Reddit' et firm' .	3	4	0
Ergholme—Reddit' et firm' . .	4	4	4
	et 4 gallin'		
Ergholme—Reddit' mobil' . . .	0	0	8
Beforth—Perquis' cur'	0	2	2
Skermes—Redd' assis'	0	4	6
Wansforth—Redd' assis' . . .	0	4	0
Skermes et Wansforth—Reddit' terr' et ten'	50	17	3 q̄
Skermes et Wansforth—Perquis' cur'	0	14	4
Molescroft—Reddit' assis' . .	0	3	0
North Burton—Reddit' assis' .	0	10	0
Newton—Reddit' assis'	0	2	6
Molescroft—Reddit' tenentium ad vol'	7	5	6
Ravynthorpe—Reddit' terr' . .	1	8	4

Com' Ebor'	£	s.	d.
Bryan Mylne—Firma molend' .	2	13	4
Hoton Crauncewyk—Reddit' assis'	1	11	5
Hoton Crauncewyk—Reddit' terr' et ten'	12	9	4
Braykynges—Reddit' terr' . .	0	6	8
Ayke—Reddit' et firm'	4	0	0
Rudston—Firma mesuag' et terr'	0	18	0
Waldenewton—Reddit' un' ten'	0	5	0
Thweynges—Reddit' mesuag' et terr'	0	15	0
Octon—Reddit' un' mesuag' . .	0	14	0
Octon—Firma un' grangiae . .	5	6	8
Hoton Crauncewyk—Perquis' cur'	1	3	2
Wharrame—Reddit' terr' et ten'	25	9	4
Byrdsall—Firma un' molend' .	1	6	8
Huggate—Reddit' terr'	0	3	3
Blaunchmerle—Firma grangiae	3	0	0
Beylby—Reddit' terr'	0	0	4
Warter—Reddit' un' mesuag' .	1	6	8
Northallerton—Firma un' mesuag'	3	6	8
Midelton—Reddit' un' tofti . .	0	1	4
Ebor' Civit'—Reddit' ten' . . .	1	0	0
Beverley—Reddit' terr' et ten'	0	16	8
Wharram—Perquis' cur'	0	4	6
Nafferton—Rectoria	36	10	6
Skipsey—Rectoria	16	13	10
Kayngham—Rectoria	14	15	4
Esyngton—Rectoria	43	10	8
Nafferton, &c.—Perquis' cur' .	0	7	4

Abbey of Newminster, near Morpeth, in Northumberland.



NEWMINSTER abbey was founded by Ralph de Merlay and Julian his wife (the daughter of Gospatric earl of Northumberland) about the year 1137, for Cistercian monks from the abbey of Fountains, in Yorkshire. The house was dedicated to the honour of the blessed Virgin Mary. Different charters, with an enumeration of the chief benefactors to it, will be found in the

Appendix of Instruments. Wallis has recited the titles of the different donations in English.^a In the former edition of this Work Dugdale placed Newminster abbey by mistake in Yorkshire.

But few names of the

ABBATS of NEWMINSTER

have occurred. Of

ST. ROBERT, the first abbat, an account will be found in Alban Butler's Lives of the Saints under June 7th.

ADAM occurs abbat in the time of Edward I.^b

....CHARLETON.^c
JOHN occurs in 1467.^d
DAVID, in 1479.^e

The abbat of Newminster was summoned to the parliament held at Carlisle Jan. 21st, 35 Edw. I., A.D. 1307.^f

There are but two Entries in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas IV. relating to the possessions of Newminster abbey in 1291. Nothing is entered as held by them at that time out of the diocese of Durham. The rectory of Welington, appropriated to the monastery, is the only spirituality, rated at 45*l.* 18*s.* 10*d.* and forms the first entry. The temporalities of the abbey form the second, and are entered in mass: they amounted to 220*l.* per annum.^g

Tanner says this monastery had at the Suppression about fifteen religious. The gross income in the 26th Hen. VIII. appears to have amounted to 140*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.*; the clear income to 100*l.* 8*s.* 1*d.*^h

Tanner mentions a REGISTER of this abbey as formerly in the possession of Lord William Howard, of Naworth; with a MARTYROLOGY of it among the Cecil manuscripts, afterwards the duke of Kent's at Wrest. Collectanea from both these volumes, in the hand-writing of Mr. Francis Thynne, were in the library of John Anstis,

^a Wallis, Hist. Northumbr. vol. ii. p. 304, et seqq.
^b MS. Harl. 6970, p. 264.
^c Hearne's Th. Otterbourn, vol. ii. p. 576.
^d MS. Harl. 6972, p. 34.
^e Ibid. p. 36.
^f Parliam. Hist. of England, vol. i. p. 135. Wallis, vol. ii. p. 311.
^g Taxat. P. Nich. IV. foll. 316 b, 318.
^h By an inquisition taken in the 47th of Edward III. it was found that the lands belonging to the HOSPITAL or FREE CHAPEL of

MITFORD, in Northumberland, were in possession of the abbat of Newminster, but they were restored in the 1st of Richard II. Of this hospital we have little to say, and for compression's sake shall insert that little here. It was dedicated to St. Leonard, and was founded and endowed with lands for one chaplain by Sir William Bertram, lord of Mitford. See Tanner, Notit. Mon. Northumb. xx. Wallis, vol. ii. p. 326. John de Mitford had, by grant from the king, the chapel of St. Leonard Mitford given to him in the 14th Ric. II. See MS. Harl. 6961, p. 175. Pat. 14 Ric. II. p. 1.

Esq. Other extracts from the Register will be found in the Harleian manuscripts, num. 247, fol. 102; 294, fol. 214.^a

The COMMON SEAL of Newminster is beautifully engraved in Mr. Surtees' History of the County of Durham, vol. ii. pl. xxi.

The site of this abbey was granted in the 7th James I.

to Robert Brandling. When Wallis wrote, it belonged to William Ord, of Fenham, Esq.^b It belongs now to William Ord, Esq. of Whitfield Hall.

A fragment or two of the portal, or gateway, leading to this abbey was all that remained of its buildings when Wallis published his History, A.D. 1769. A more recent account states that every vestige of the abbey has been destroyed except the arch of one of the entrances.

Cartae ad Abbatiam de New-Minster, juxta Morpeth, spectantes, in agro Northanhumbrensi.

NUM. I.

De prima Foundatione ejusdem.

[Lelandi Coll. vol. ii. p. 313, ex MS. de origine Fontanensis cœnobii in bibl. Arundeliana, fol. 8 b.]

EODEM anno, id est MCXXXVIIJ. quidam vir potens in Northumbria cepit in sua possessione apud castrum quod dicitur Northpit monachos de Fontibus viij. non. Januarii, qui construxerunt cœnobium, scilicet Novum-Monasterium vocatum. Quibus hoc ipso he anno circa Epiphaniæ diem Galfridus episcopus Dunelmensis benedixit abbatem Rodbertum, scilicet virum quos libente prædictus vir, scilicet Ranulfus de Merlay.

Anno quinto foundationis monasterii de Fontibus, vir nobilis Ranulphus de Merley, Fontes visurus accessit. Videns fratrum conversationem, compungitur homo, et inspirante Domino pro redemptione animæ suæ, locum quandam in patrimonio suo ad construendum monasterium assignat. Suscipit oblationem S. abbas, et ædificiis inibi, de more dispositis, abbatiam construxit, quam Novum Monasterium nominavit; et hæc prima filia Fontanensis ecclesiæ unica adhuc matri suæ, anno v. foundationis suæ, mense primo, v. nonas Januarii emittitur conventus de domo Fontium ad Novum Monasterium, cum abbate Roberto viro sancto et religioso monacho, quondam de Witheby, qui de cœnobio Eboracensi egredientibus se sociavit, &c. Sic se habuit Novi Monasterii initium, &c. matris enim suæ fecunditatem emulata, concepit et peperit tres filias, Pipewellam, Salleiam, et Rupem.

NUM. II.

Carta Henrici Primi Regis Angliæ.

[Ex Rotulo pervetusto penes Dominum Will. Howard de Naworth.]

HENRICUS, rex Angliæ et dux Normanniæ, justiciariis, vicecomitibus, ministris, et omnibus baronibus suis, Francis et Anglis, salutem. Notum sit omnibus vobis me dedisse Ranulpho de Merlay Julianam, filiam comitis Cospatricii, et, per conventionem inter me et patrem suum, dedimus ei in liberum mariale, sibi atque hæredibus suis, scilicet, Horsley, Stanton, Witton, Ritton, Wyndgates, et quandam villam ultra moras, tam liberè quam aliquis potest liberius inter maria terram alicui dare, tenenda in suo dominico, et

^a The following are Tanner's references to public records concerning this abbey, with one or two corrections from Wallis:

"Fin. div. com. 8 Joan. n. 47, de commun. pastur. in foresta de Rouberi.

"Cart. 28 Hen. III. m. 1. Cart. 36 Hen. III. m. 12. Cart. 55 Hen. III. m. 5 et 6.

"Cart. 18 Edw. I. n. 63, de lib. war. in Horton, Filton, Newton, West et Est Ritton, Kestern, Ulgham, et Rothely, Northumb. Plac. apud Westm. 20 Edw. I. rot. 117, de celvij. acris, &c. in Rocheby. Plac. in com. Northumb. 21 Edw. I. assis. rot. 6 dorso, de ten. in Bolum; rot. 13 et 18 dorso. Quo war. rot. 3 dorso. Cart. 35 Edw. I. n. 34.

"Pat. 8 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 5. Pat. 10 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 7 vel 8, de limitibus terrarum dominicalium abbatiae.

"Pat. 4 Edw. III. p. 2, m. . Cart. 4 Edw. III. n. 85. Claus. 4 Edw. III. m. 37, pro advoc. eccl. de Stannington. Pat. 8 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 18, pro eccl. de Whelpinton. Pat. 22 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 22 vel 23. Pat. 38 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 20 vel 21, pro tenem. in Thornton, Morpeth, Stannington.

"Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 1, pro tenem. in Novo Castro." Compare Bourne's Hist. Newc. p. 142.

ex hoc præcipio meis justiciariis ut videant, quod nihil ei desit; et si aliquis ei contradicere voluerit, tunc præcipio justiciariis et vicecomitibus meis, de comitatu Northumbriæ, ut plenum rectum ei teneant. Testib. Patricio filio.....; Johanne Peverell de Baalcampo. Et Edgarus filius Cospatricii comitis confirmavit hanc cartam ut sequitur in hæc verba:

'Edgarus Cospatricii comitis filius omnibus amicis suis, Francis et Anglis, salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et concessisse Julianæ sorori meæ terram quam meus pater et suus, scilicet comes Cospatricius ei dedit in franco maritaggio, et concessit; scilicet, Witton, Horsley, Stanton, Ritton, Windegates, et Leverchilde, cum pertinentiis, &c. Postmodum tempore regis Stephani Ranulphus de Merley et Juliana uxor ejus fundatores monasterii vocati Novum Monasterium vocabulo, et per cartam suam dederunt terras et tenementa subscripta videlicet, &c.'

NUM. III.

Carta Ranulphi de Merlay.

[Ibid.]

RANULPHUS de Merlay omnibus sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis, Francis et Anglicis, clericis et laicis, præsentibus et futuris, salutem. Sciatis me, communi consilio, et consensu uxoris meæ et puerorum meorum, dedisse, in feodo et in elemosina, monachis abbatiae Novi Monasterii quam ego ipse construxi, pro salute mea et uxoris meæ, puerorum meorum et dominorum meorum, et omnium amicorum meorum, et pro animabus patris et matris meæ, parentum, et amicorum meorum, et cunctorum fidelium defunctorum, Rittunam, et quicquid ad illam pertinet in bosco et in plano, et partem silvæ de Witton, sicut eis, coram hominibus meis, divisi, et totam vallem inter Morpada et Hebre, sicut currit rivulus qui vocatur Fulbecke, et cadit in Cottingburna, et sicut currit Cottingburna subtus Prestley per unam divisam, quam eis, coram hominibus meis, feci usque in Wenespic, et sic usque ad divisam, inter me et Willielmum Bertram, quicquid ibi est in bosco et in plano; et ex altera parte aquæ per ipsum supercilium montis ex transverso usque ad Lecha, et sicut Lecha cadit usque in Wdidig, et per Wdidig ad Merdene, et per Merdene usque in Wnespic, et silvam et terram. Et concedo ut habeant liberum exitum pecuniæ

See also the Rot. Hundr. vol. ii. pp. 19, 20, 21, 23, 24. Abbrev. Plac. p. 168.

A Pleading of considerable length occurs among the printed Placita de Quo Waranto of the 21st Edw. I. respecting the abbat's claim to free warren in Newminster, Horton, Felton, Newton, West Tritton, Est Tritton, Stretton, Kesterne, Ulgham, and Rothelay, in Northumberland, followed by the verdict of the jury; whence it appears that the rights of the descendants of the founder had been to a certain extent encroached upon by the abbat, whose privileges were, in consequence, somewhat abridged.

Wallis has printed five charters, vol. ii. pp. 307, 308, 309, 310.

1. Carta Radulphi baronis de Graistok de terris in Stanington, 13 Ric. II.

2. Carta Johannis de Plesseto de molindinis ibidem.

3. Carta Rogeri Merlay tertii de molendinis de Stannington et de Plesset.

4. Carta regia de anno 41 Hen. III.

5. Carta Johannis de Graystok an. 26 Edw. I. de communi pastura in Hobbiford et Ulgham.

^b Wallis, Hist. Northumb. vol. ii. p. 312.

suae ad communem pasturam totius terrae meae; et apud Wlacam ad construendas grangias suas dedi eis a nido aquilae usque ad fontem Erardi, et sicut currit rivulus ejusdem fontis in Limam, et sicut Lima currit usque ad divisam de Lyntona, et sic usque ad divisam de Forum. Hujus donationis testes sunt, &c.

NUM. IV.

Carta Willielmi de Merlay.

[Ex autographo in bibliotheca Hattoniana.]

WILLIELMUS de Merlai omnibus suis hominibus, et amicis et vicinis, clericis et laicis, Francigenis et Angligenis, necnon et omnibus dilectis filiis sanctae matris ecclesiae salutem. Notum sit vobis omnibus, tam praesentibus quam futuris, ad quorum notitiam et audientiam literae istae pervenerint, me et meos homines dedisse et concessisse, in perpetua elemosina, unam carucatam terrae domui infirmorum de Morpathe, pro animabus patrum, et matrum, et antecessorum nostrorum, et nostra salute, et pro remissione omnium peccatorum nostrorum, tam liberè et tam quietè, quam liberiùs et quietiùs, ulla domus infirmorum potest habere, vel habet, in tota Anglia suarum donationem elemosinarum, vel sicut ulla elemosina meliùs, et liberiùs, et quietiùs, ullo modo potest tribui, et concedi, et perenniter donata haberi. Istam autem donationem meam, et meorum hominum fieri, et teneri, et haberi, sicut perennem elemosinam perenniter concedo, et cartulae, hujus inscriptione, et sigilli mei attestatione confirmo. Testibus istis, Petro de Morpathe, Helia sacerdote, Gaufrido Parchier, Waltero de Rochesbero, Aldret de Windgate, Raigaldo filio Wlfoe, Petro janitore, &c.

NUM. V.

Confirmatio Donationum per Regem Henricum Tertium.

[Cart. 39 Hen. III. m. 3. Vide Cart. 4 Edw. III. n. 35; et Cart. 35 Edw. I. n. 34.]

REX archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos, pro salute animae nostrae, et animarum antecessorum et haeredum nostrorum, concessisse, et hac carta nostra confirmasse, dilectis nobis in Christo abbati et monachis Novi-Monasterii, Cisterciensis ordinis, omnes donationes et concessionem subscriptas eis factas; videlicet, de resignatione et restitutione Rogeri filii Rogeri Bertram de Mitford quandam partem terrae per has divisas, scilicet à Mereden, quae est divisa inter baronias de Midford et Morpath, inter terram cultam et incultam, usque in Wanspic ad frontem stagni dictorum monachorum; et sic per filum aquae per antiquam divisam ascendendo de filo aquae de Wanspic usque in Capath; et sicut vadit Capath ex transverso versus austrum usque ad semitam quae vadit inter Midford et Morpath, et sic sequendo semitam illam versus orientem usque in praenominatam Meredene ex occidentali parte bercariae dictorum monachorum. Item, de dono et concessione Roberti filii Thomae de Graystoke, homagium et servitium Johannis de Kersterne et haeredum suorum de manerio de Kersterne cum pertinentiis, sine ullo retinemento, cum custodiis, releviis, omnimodis escaetis, et omnibus aliis rebus quae ad praedictum Robertum vel ad haeredes suos de praedicto manerio pertinere poterant imperpetuum. Et de remissione et quiete clamantia Gilberti de Umfraunvyle salvaginam quam antecessores ejusdem Gilberti, sibi, et haeredibus suis retinuerant in terris ipsorum monachorum de feodo praedicti Gilberti in Chynietemores et Cokedale, sicut cartae praedictorum Rogeri, et Roberti, et Gilberti, quas praedicti monachi inde habent, et quas inspeximus rationabiliter testantur. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum nostram, apud Werke, sexto die Septembris.

NUM. VI.

De Fundatore et praecipuis Benefactoribus Abbatiae de Newminster.

[Ex Martyrologio Novi Monasterii.]

DOMINUS Ranulphus de Merlay, principalis fundator noster, et Juliana uxor ejus, qui nobis contulerunt situm hujus abbatiae, grangiam de Hulwane et duas Rittonas. Willielmus de Merlay, Rogerus de Merlay primus, magister Osbertus de Merlay, filii praedicti Ranulphi, Rogerus

de Merlay secundus, Marjoria uxor ejus, qui nobis contulerunt tres piscarias in Tyna. Rogerus de Merlay tertius, qui renovavit et confirmavit nobis omnes donationes antecessorum suorum, et obiit anno Domini MCCLXV. et reliquit tantum duas filias haeredes, quarum prima vocabatur Maria, et hanc desponsavit dominus Willielmus baro de Graystoke; secunda vocabatur Isabella, et hanc desponsavit dominus Robertus de Somerville; et in eis divisa fuit baronia de Merlay.

Ranulphus de Merlay junior.

Item pro animâ Philippi de Somervill.

Will. Bertram baro de Mitford, qui dedit nobis terram inter abbatiam et Mitford. Rogerus Bertram, filius ejus, qui primus dimisit nobis ad firmam grangias de Heylan et de Hortune, et partem Peteric. Ada Bertram, uxor ejus, Will. Bertram secundus. Rogerus Bertram secundus. Rogerus Bertram tertius, qui vendidit nobis praedicta loca ex integro, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, qui etiam confirmavit nobis grangiam de Aldeworth, quam nobis vendidit Petrus sacerdos, filius Joh. quondam personae de Mitford.

Dominus Everardus de Ros, qui nobis contulit grangiam de Stratton.

Robertus de Ros, filius ejus, qui confirmavit nobis eundem locum.

Dominus Robertus Bertram de Bothall, qui dedit nobis terram quae dicitur Forum, et quicquid ad illam pertinet. Ric. Bertram, filius ejus. Robertus Bertram.

Dominus Odonellus de Umframvill, qui primus dimisit nobis ad firmam moras de Chyviothe et grangias de Filtone et de Tollard. Will. de Umframvill, Ricardus de Umframville, filii dicti Odonelli, Gilbertus de Umframville, Matildis uxor ejus, qui dederunt nobis pasturam de Turf-hille. Gilbertus de Umframvill, filius ejus, qui vendidit nobis dicta loca ex integro, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis.

Jacobus de Bolum, qui primus dimisit nobis ad firmam grangiam de Newton. Gilbertus filius ejus. Walt. filius ejus, qui vendidit nobis eundem locum. Alicia, filia et haeres dicti Walteri, quae confirmavit nobis eundem locum.

Walterus de Bolbek et Walterus filius ejus, supremi domini illius feodi, qui similiter confirmaverunt nobis eundem locum, scil. dictam Neutonam.

Rob. de Camhou, Alicia uxor ejus, qui commutaverunt nobis locum de Ruthlan pro terrâ nostrâ de Camhou. Walterus filius ejus, qui confirmavit nobis eundem locum.

Dominus Hugo de Bolbek, Theophania uxor ejus, per quos habuimus villam de Rotheley. Hugo de Bolbek, filius ejus, qui confirmavit nobis eundem locum.

Edgarus dictus Unniying, qui dedit nobis carucatam terrae in Werihill. Patricius filius ejus, qui vendidit nobis aliam. Johannes de Kestern, filius ejus. Johannes de Kestern, filius ejus, qui vendidit nobis utrumque locum de Kestern, et de Werihill, cum omnibus pertinentiis.

Dominus Rogerus filius Ricardi, dominus de Werkeworth, et Adeliza uxor ejus, qui contulerunt nobis salinam de Werkeworth. Robertus filius ejus, qui confirmavit nobis eundem locum.

Henricus Coniers, Eda uxor ejus, qui contulerunt nobis terram in Clifton et in Caldwell.

Will. Coniers, qui commutavit nobis grangiam de Caldwell, qui proprio nomine dicitur Scarplane, pro terris in Clifton.

Dominus Hugo de Morewyk, pro stagno molendini nostri ultra Koketh.

Sibilla de Morwyk, uxor ejus, quae in libera viduitate sua dedit nobis locum de Rasethe. Hugo filius ejus, qui confirmavit nobis eundem locum.

Dominus Joh. de Plesseto, qui dedit nobis terram in Tirtlinton.

Dominus Ric. Gubiun, qui dedit nobis redditum xx^s. in molendino de Schilvinton. Hugo Gubiun, qui confirmavit nobis eundem redditum.

Dominus Rogerus de Merlay, de Stanton, qui dedit nobis redditum xx^s. in molendino suo de Stanton.

Anno Domini M.CCCXXXVj. xv. kal. Febr. obiit dominus Rogerus de Somerville, qui dedit nobis advocatorem ecclesiae de Staington, et sepultus est apud Anneys-Burton.

Anno Domini M.CCCLix. sexto idus Julii, obiit dominus Will. baro de Graystok.

Item pro animâ domini Henr. ap Griffith. Item pro animâ Isabellæ.

Anno Domini m.ccclxxij. obiit Robertus de Fenwik, de quo habuimus duas partes villæ de Ydington.

Anno Domini m.ccclxxvij obiit, piæ memoriæ, domina Johanna Somervyle, octavo idus Octob. Item Willielmus Somervile. Item Henricus, Nicholaus, Johannes, Ricardus, Thomas Somervile.

Anno Domini m.ccclxxx. obiit dominus Gilbertus de Umframville, comes d'Angos, qui dedit nobis xx^{li}.

Anno Domini m.cccciij. nono kal. Maii, obiit domina Catherina baronissa de Graystok.

Anno Domini m.ccccxvj. obiit dominus Radulphus, baro de Grastok, qui dedit nobis xx^{li}. ad opus ecclesiæ.

Anno Domini m.ccccxix, in crastino Circumcisionis, obiit Rogerus de Thornton, burgensis villæ Novi-Castri, et dominus de Witton, qui castrum ibidem construxit, et dedit nobis plumbum, quo operitur navis ecclesiæ nostræ; pro quo Rogero, et Agnete uxore ejusdem, et liberis, dicimus quotidianam missam beatæ Virginis, et aliam missam pro defunctis; et jacent in ecclesia Omnium Sanctorum in Novo-Castro.

Anno Domini m.ccccxix. obiit domina Elizabetha baronissa de Grastoke, et jacet in ecclesia fratrum prædicatorum Eboraci.

Anno Domini m.ccccxv. sexto kal. Januarii, obiit dominus Robertus de Umfravile miles, dominus de Kyma et de Redisdale.

Anno Domini m.ccccxv. sexto idus Augusti, obiit, piæ memoriæ dominus Johannes baro de Graystok, qui dedit nobis xx^{li}. ad opus ecclesiæ, item xl^{li}.

Anno Domini m.ccccxvij. in die S. Silvestri, obiit domina Isabella, uxor, prædicti domini Roberti Umfravile, et jacent simul ad altare S. Mariæ Magdalenæ.

Anno Domini m.ccccx. in vigilia S. Kath. virginis, obiit Elizab. uxor Rogeri Thornton armigeri, quæ fuit filia domini Joh. baronis de Graystok.

Anno Domini m.cccclxvij. xij. kal. Aprilis, obiit domina Elizabetha baronissa de Graystoke.

Anno Domini m.cccclxxij. xvij. die Julii, obiit domina Elizabetha quondam uxor magistri Roberti, primogeniti domini Radulphi baronis de Graystok et Wemme, cujus animæ propitietur Deus.

Anno Domini m.cccclxxxij. xv. kal. Julii, obiit dominus Robertus Graystok, primogenitus domini Radulphi baronis de Graystoke et Wemme.

Anno Domini m.cccclxxxvij. obiit inclitus dominus Radulphus, dominus de Graystok et Wemme, primo die mensis Junii.

Anno Domini m.cccxcix. obiit domina Cecilia, domina de Graystok.

Anno Domini m.dxxvj. xij. die mensis Augusti, obiit domina Elizabetha Dacre, quondam filia Roberti Graystok militis, primogeniti domini Radulphi baronis de Graystoke et Wemme.

Anno Domini m.dxxv. xxiv. die mensis Octobris, obiit, piæ memoriæ, dominus Thomas Dacre, quondam dominus de Dacre, Graystok, et Gillesland, miles nobilissimi ordinis Garterii, ac gardianus generalis marchiarum versûs Scotiam.

Anno Domini m.dlxix. xvij. die Maii, obiit Georgius Dacre, dominus de Gillesland et Graystok, puer magnæ spei et optimæ indolis, ex casu equi lignei saltatorii; repentinè corruit Thetfordiæ in com. Norf. infra ætatem, tum existente in custodiâ Thomæ ducis Norfolciæ.

Alibi in eodem cod. MS. sub titulo Benefactorum Novi-Monasterii.

Anno Domini m.cccxxij. iij. id. Julii, obiit dominus Radulphus de Graystok, et jacet juxta magnum altare.

Anno Domini m.cccxxv. secundo id. Apr. obiit dominus Robertus de Umfravill, comes de Angus, et jacet juxta magnum altare.

Anno Domini m.cccxxv. secundo kal. Martii, obiit dominus Rogerus de Felton.

Anno Domini m.cccxlvj. obiit dominus Rad. de Hastings de vulnere accepto in bello apud Dunelmum.

Anno Domini m.cccxlvj. obiit Dominus Will. de Herll.

Anno Domini m.cccl. obiit domina Joh. de Umfravile, comitissa d'Angos, viz. xvij. kal. Augusti.

Johanna quondam uxor Hugonis de Brandon. Item pro Waltero patre ejusdem Hugonis, et Aliciâ uxore ejusdem Walteri.

Anno Domini m.ccclvj. obiit dominus Joh. de Fenwyk miles.

Anno Domini m.ccclxj. obiit Robertus de Camcra. Item Alexander de Camcra, Ysota de Camera. Item Katherina uxor Joh. de Camcra. Item Hugo de Angirton et Dulcia ejus uxor. Thomas de Merlay, Ranulphus de Merlay.

Anno Domini m.ccclxij. die Jovis proxima post festum Conversionis S. Pauli apostoli, obiit dominus Gerardus de Woderyngton miles.

Anno Domini m.ccclxvij. obiit dominus Radulphus de Nevile, qui dedit nobis, per vices, c. marcas.

Anno Domini m.ccclxxij. Rogerus de Woderyngton. Item domina Margareta be Percy. Eodem anno Robertus de Fenwyk.

Anno Domini m.ccclxxiv. in octabis Epiphaniæ Domini, obiit domina Alesia domina de Nevil (filia domini Hugonis de Audley senioris), quæ quondam fuit uxor domini Radulphi baronis de Graystoke; cujus Radulphi corpus in ecclesiâ nostrâ humatum est.

Anno Domini m.cccciij. obiit domina Johanna, domina de Morpath.

Anno Domini m.cccclxxx. xxvij. die Maii, obiit Will. Lawsons, qui multa dona contulit huic monasterio.

Anno Domini m.cccclxxxix. obiit Tho. Lawsons, benefactor noster specialis.

Anno Domini m.dij. obiit dominus Radulphus, dominus de Wodryngton.

Anno Domini m.dv. nonas Aprilis, obiit Eliz. Radcliff, quondam uxor Thomæ Lawson, quæ specialis benefactrix nostra existebat.

NUM. VII.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NEWMINSTER MONASTERIUM.

Com' Northumb'	£.	s.	d.
Newminster—Firma scitus cum terris dominicalibus	13	12	0
Ulgham—Firma grangiæ	13	6	8
Highley—Firma grangiæ	4	0	0
Westritton—Firma grangiæ	6	0	0
Nonnekirk—Firma grangiæ	1	0	0
Kideland—Dominium	nihil	præter herbagium.	
Blithesnok—Firma septem salinarum, cum uno garnar' et miner' carbonum	14	0	0
Newminster—Firma duorum molendinorum fullonicorum	5	0	0
Morpeth—Firma terrarum et tenementorum	29	17	2
Chopwell—Firma manerii	26	13	4
Est Ritton et Heley—Firma terrarum et tenementorum	10	19	2
Edington—Firma unius tenementi	4	0	0
Morwyke—Firma unius molendini fullonici	3	6	8
Stannyngham—Firma duorum molend'	4	0	0
Wrigill—Firma quinque tenementorum	3	6	8
Rotheley juxta Riddlesdale—Firma domini sive manerii	8	6	8
Stritton—Firma grangiæ sive domini	16	0	0
Ichewyk—Firma quatuor tenementorum	2	13	4
Grenelighton—Firma unius turris cum aliis edificiis	2	13	4
Strother et Hewghe—Pratum et tenementum	0	13	8
Stannerden—Firma unius cotagii	0	4	0
Highamdyke—Firma duorum tenementorum	2	13	4

Com' Northumb'	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Horton Grange—Firma octo tene- mentorun	20	0	0	Item unum columbare, quod per an- num valet	0	0	8
Newton Grange—Firma quatuor- decem tenementorum	9	0	0 q'	Item unum clausum vocatum Hun- gery Hill, quod per annum valet 8s. et continet per estimationem 12 acras terræ arrabilis	0	0	0
Thritlington—Firma duorum tene- mentorun	1	9	0	Item in Hungery Hill sunt 10 acræ pasturæ, q. per annum	0	6	8
Garresden—Firma unius eotagii	0	4	0	Item unum clausum vocatum Berker- feld, quod continet per estimationem 16 acras terræ arrabilis, q. per annum valent	0	10	8
Felton et Tolland—Firma dominio- rum sive maneriorum	6	13	4	Item unum elausum vocatum Brome- close, continens per estimationem 4 acras terræ arrabilis, q. valet per annum	0	2	0
Rughley juxta Cambo—Firma li- bera unius pasturæ	0	6	8	Item una parella terræ voc. Burre- wod, continens per estimationem 4 aeras terræ, et valet per annum	0	4	0
Hiddespath in Riddesdale—Firma unius tenementi	0	6	8	Item unum elausum vocatum Abbott- haugh, continens per estimationem 8 aeras prati, ac una parcella subbosei, cum diver- sis fraxinis et grossis arboribus interpositis, q. valent per annum	0	10	8
Caldwell—Libera firma	0	10	0	Item unum elausum vocatum Brade- haugh, continens per estimationem 12 aeras terræ arrabilis, q. per annum valet	0	8	0
Langwiton—Firma unius tene- menti	0	6	8	Item unum elausum vocatum Cow- medowe, continens per estimationem 4 aeras terræ arrabilis, quod per annum va- let	0	5	0
Warkeworth—Firma unius salinæ	0	13	4	Item unum elausum vocatum Northe Parke, continens per estimationem 4 aeras bosei quereuum ejus herbagium valet per annum	0	4	0
Shotton—Reddit' et firm'	3	6	8	Item unum elausum vocatum Southe Parke, de bosco quereuum continen. per estimationem 4 acras, ejus herbagium per annum valet	0	6	0
Cowpon—Firma terr'	0	2	0	Item ibidem est domus tannaria, cum uno parvo ortulo, et per annum valet	1	0	0
Blakden—Firma unius tenementi	0	2	0	Item unum elausum vocatum Wod- flatts, continens per estimationem 20 acras prati debilis, cum certis vastis infra idem pratun	1	6	8
Merefen—Firma unius tenementi	0	13	4	Item unum elausum vocatum Oxe- pasture, continens per estimationem 16 acras terræ arrabilis, q. per annum valet	0	10	8
Chappyngton—Firma unius eotagii	0	3	0	Item unum clausum vocatum Nepp Close, continens per estimationem 13 acras terræ arrabilis, et un. aer. vasti, q. valent per annum	0	8	8
Blithesnoke—Firma unius tene- menti	1	4	0	Item unum elausum vocatum More Close, continens per estimationem 10 acras terræ arrabilis, quod per annum valet	0	6	8
Newbyging—Firma domus sive mansionis	2	16	4	Item unum clausum vocatum Al- baynes, continens per estimationem 15 acras terræ arrabilis, quod per annum va- let	0	10	0
Busden—Firma unius molendini	1	6	8	Item unum clausum vocatum Newe- felde, continens per estimationem 12 acras pasturæ debilis, quod per annum valet	0	8	0
Horhet Milne—Firma molend'	0	13	4	Item unum clausum vocatum Est- haugh, continens per estimationem 7 acras, unde de terris arrabilibus 5 aeræ et de pratis 2 aeræ, necnon una acra ramell. et valet per annum	0	12	0
Newton Wood—Libera firma unius tenementi	0	8	0	Item unum elausum vocatum Grene Close, continens per estimationem 8 aeras pasturæ, q. per annum valent	0	4	0
Highley—Firma unius elausi	1	6	8	Item unum elausum vocatum Cote Croke, continens per estimationem 4 acras terræ arrabilis, et per annum valet	0	6	0
Saltwyk—Firma prati	0	2	0				
Mitforth—Firma quinque tenemen- torum	0	18	2				
Stanyngton—Firma trium tenemen- torum	2	4	0				
Whelpyngton—Firma glebæ ree- toriae	1	0	0				
Spitelhill, alias The Hospitall Sancti Leonardi—Firma unius tenementi	1	13	4				
Novum Castrum super Tinam— Firma octo tenementorum	4	0	8				
Heppell—Firma unius tenementi	0	13	4				
Tosson—Firma tenementi voc' Hos- pital of Tosson	1	6	8				
Bradeforth—Libera firma	1	0	0				
Biekfeld—Firma unius tenementi	0	6	8				
Chopwell—Firma prati voc' Frere- medow	0	0	6				
Milborne—Firma unius tenementi	0	6	8				
Flotterton—Firma terr'	0	2	0				
Kestron—Firma trium tenemento- rum	3	6	8				
Stannyngton—Firma rectoriae	7	11	4				
Bullersgrene—Firma x ^{marum}	1	16	8				
Whelpyngton—Firma rectoriae	12	0	0				
Harborne—Firma porc' x ^{marum}	3	11	8				

NUM. VIII.

Paper Survey, 1 July, 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.

NEWMINSTER, IN COMITATU NORTHUMBRIÆ.

Terræ Dominicales in manibus nuper Monasterii occupatæ.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Scitus monasterii ibidem, continens in se 2 pomaria, 3 gardina, et 3 parvi elausi, continen. inter se per estimationem 9 acras terræ, q. per annum valent	0	9	0	Item unum clausum vocatum Grene Close, continens per estimationem 8 aeras pasturæ, q. per annum valent	0	4	0
Item ibidem est unum molendinum aquaticum bladale, cum uno parvo elauso, quod per annum valet	3	6	8	Item unum clausum vocatum Cote Croke, continens per estimationem 4 acras terræ arrabilis, et per annum valet	0	6	0
				Summa	13	12	0

Thame or Tame Abbey, in Oxfordshire.



HERE was at Otteley, in the parish of Oddington, in this county, says Tanner, an Abbey of Cistercian monks, founded by Sir Robert Gait, who were shortly after removed on account of the low and unhealthy situation to Thame; where Alexander, bishop of Lincoln, gave them his park to build a monastery on, A. D. 1137^a or 1138^b.

Bishop Kennett, in his *Parochial Antiquities*, has given the history of this foundation more in detail. Sir Robert Gait, Knight, he says, lord of the manor of Hampton, thence called Hampton Gait, now Hampton Gay, possessed a fourth part of the village of Ottendun; and going to Gilbert, abbat of Waverley, he desired and obtained leave to build an abbey of the Cistercian order in the said village of Ottendun, which accordingly he raised at his own charge, and endowed it with five virgates of land, which made the forth part of a Knight's fee, and called it from the name of an adjoining wood Ottelei.^c

Gilbert and the convent of Waverley, it appears, gave to this new abbey of their order one hide of land in Nortun, which Robert de Sifrawast had given them.^d

The next addition to their revenue was made by Edith, the wife of Robert de Oily, who, with her husband's consent, gave, out of part of her own dowry in Weston, bordering upon Ottmoor, that demesne which lay on the corner of their wood, and continued on without the intermixture of any other lands;^e the quantity of which demesne was thirty-six acres, as expressed in a confirmation of Henry the Second.^f

Leland says, this Abbey was situated upon Ottmoor;^g on that corner, Bishop Kennett supposes, which lay nearest to the village of Ottendon; the religious always affecting such low places, partly with the pretence of more solitary living, and partly out of love to fish and fat land. However, he continues, this site upon the moor was fitter for an ark than a monastery, and therefore, by Alexander, bishop of Lincoln, it was soon removed to Thame in this county, and the church there dedicated to St. Mary, on the 21st of July A. D. 1138,^h of which the bishop was now reputed the founder, though it was only a translation of the

first House,ⁱ and the bishop's augmentation only the park of Thame whereon the new abbey was built, and some land which had belonged to Nigel Kyr. Soon after, there was given to this abbey of Thame some land in Chesterton, by Robert de Amory; two hides in Stoke by Peter Talcumash, which were of the fee of Reginald de St. Walery; half a hide in Merton by Hugh Constable; and another hide in the same place by Geoffrey son of Osmund.^k Robert Fitz Aumery also gave to Serlo, abbat of Thame, certain lands in Wulwardhull.^l

A confirmation charter of King Edward the Second enumerates the possessions of the monastery of Thame, at that time, at considerable length. It will be found in the Appendix.^m

The following list of the

ABBATS of THAME

is in part taken from Bishop Kennett's Manuscript Collections in the British Museum.ⁿ

- 1138. EVERARDUS.
- 1148. SERLO.
- 1184. WILLIAM DE FORDE.
- 1205. SIMON.
- 1225. LAURENCE.
- 1232. ROBERT DE TETT.
- 1243. HILARIUS.^o
- 1251. ROGER MEREHAM.
- 1259. RICHARD BARTONE.
- 1283. ROGER HOWTON.
- 1302. WILLIAM STRATTON.
- 1306. JOHN DE THAME.
- 1349. WILLIAM DE STENYNGE.
- 1355. JOHN DE ESYNGDON.
- 1361. RICHARD DE WATH.
- 1495. HENRY.^p

ROBERT KING was the last abbat.^q

A REGISTER of the Monastery of THAME was, in 1712, in the possession of Thomas Viscount Weymouth. The copious excerpts in MS. Cotton. Julius C. vii. fol. 287 to 304, are probably from this manuscript.

Bishop Tanner's references to other manuscripts and records relating to this monastery, will be found in the notes below,^r to which they are transferred, for the sake of compression.

Oxon. 9 Hen. III. n. ., pro virgat. terræ in Tettlesworth. Fin. 11 Hen. III. m. 10. Fin. Buckingham. 16 Hen. III. n. 13. de virgat. terræ in Quenton. Fin. Oxon. 25, 31, 32. et 36 Hen. III. n. ., pro terris in Talemach. Fin. Buckingham. 38 Hen. III. n. 25, de prato in Shipden. Fin. Oxon. 46 Hen. III. n. ., pro xl. sol. reddit. in Ettinden. Fin. Buckingham. 46 Hen. III. n. 66. Fin. Oxon. 46 Hen. III. n. ., pro cccl. acris in Wysand. Fin. Buckingham. 49 Hen. III. n. 80, pro carucat. terræ in Eye Parva et Theuseley.

"In бага de tenuris temp. Edw. I. Oxon. rot. 6, de medietate maner. de Chinnore. Plac. in com. Oxon. 13 Edw. I. assis. rot. 2, 8, 15 dorso, pro medietat. maner. de Chinnor. Cart. 17 Edw. I. n. 11, de secta tenentium ad curiam et hundred. de Stoke Talmach, &c. Pat. 21 Edw. I. m. 2 vel 3, de terris in Lacheford, ex dono Henrici fil. Nigelli.

"Pat. 10. Edw. II. p. 2, m. 3, pro advoc. eccl. de Chalgrave, et eadem approprianda pro sustentatione vj. monachorum (ultra numerum) celebratur. pro animabus dom. regis et Petri de Gaveston nuper com. Cornub. ex dono dom. regis. Ibid. m. 13, de via regia ex parte occidentali domus obstruenda. Ibid. m. 21 vel 31. Cart. 10 Edw. II. n. 34. Rot. Rom. 12 Edw. II. m. 7 dorso. Pat. 15 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 15, de mess. in Fleet-street, London.

"Pat. 1 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 26, pro eccl. de Chalgrave approprianda. Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 33 vel 35, pro eccl. de Chalgrave. Pat. 11 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 8 vel 9. Fin. Buckingham. 12 Edw. III. n. 139, de maner. de Foursey. Claus. 15 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 19. Pat. 17 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 16, pro mess. in S. Sepulchr. Lond. concess. per Willielmum Sharesull. Claus. 29 Edw. III. m. 38. Cart. 39 et 40 Edw. III. n. 20, pro lib. war. in Morton, Ottinden, Thame, Horne-grange, Sidenham, Tettsworth, Stoketalemache, Wyseale, Otteley, Brinesnorton, Oxon.; Shipdon, Touressey, et Samterle, Buck.; Cranford, Midd.

^a Annales de Parcolude, MS.

^b Annales Waverl.

^c Compare the Charters in the Appendix, Numm. I. II.

^d See Kennett, *Paroch. Antiq.* new edit. vol. i. p. 127, from MS. Dodsw. vol. xc. fol. 107.

^e Compare the Instrument, Num. III.

^f See the Charter, Num. IV.

^g *Lel. Itin.* vol. iv. fol. 191 a.

^h Kennett, ut supr. from MS. Dodsw. vol. cxliii. fol. 41.

ⁱ Reginald de Gai or Gait, Knight, about 1151, confirmed to the monks of Thame the land in Ottendune, which had been given at the foundation of that abbey, by his father, Sir Robert Gait. See the Charter MS. Cotton. Julius C. vii. Kennett, ut supr. p. 149.

^k See the Append. Num. IV.

^l MS. Cotton. Jul. c. vii. fol. 30.

^m Num. V.

ⁿ MS. Lausd. Brit. Mus. 964, forming vol. xxxi. of Bishop Kennett's Collections, fol. 91 b.

^o He occurs in the Plac. de quo War. p. 664.

^p MS. Cole, vol. xxvii. p. 84.

^q "ROB. KING Reonensis Episcopus, Abbas Thame, collatus est ad prebendam de Bigleswade in Ecclesia Linc. Nov. 28, 1537." Ibid. MS. Baker.

^r "Vide Abstract. Cartarum Abbatiae de Thame, MS. in bibl. Bodl. Dodsw. vol. cxli. fol. 41. Cartam Hen. II. ibid. vol. xxv. fol. 71. Transcripts of several Charters belonging to Thame Abbey, MS. in Museo Ashmol. Wood, vol. xxxii. Ibid. Wood, vol. lv. fol. 85.

"Manuale Orationum Monachorum de Thame, MS. in bibl. nuper DD. Joan. Mori Episc. Eliensis.

"In bibl. Harl. MS. 60, fol. 15, Taxationem possessionum Abbatibus de Thame in diocesi London.

"Fin. Oxon. 1, 2, et 5 Joan. n. ., de xl. acris in Bensington.

"Fin. Oxon. 3 Hen. III. n. ., pro bercaria, &c. in Cestreton. Fin.

The temporal possessions of the abbey of Thame mentioned in Pope Nicholas's Taxation, A. D. 1291, produced at that time no less an annual sum than 10*l.* 17*s.* 3*d.* The only spiritual possession of the Monastery entered in that record is a portion in the Church of Stoke Talmache of the annual value of 13*s.* 4*d.*^a

In the 26th of Henry the Eighth the revenues of this house amounted to 256*l.* 13*s.* 7½*d.*

There are no Ministers' Accompts of this abbey in the Augmentation Office.

The site was granted to the bishop of Oxford and his successors in the 34th Hen. VIII., and afterwards, in the 1st Edw. VI. to Edward duke of Somerset.

The COMMON SEAL of Thame is in the Augmentation Office, attached to the Surrender of the house to King Henry the Eighth, dated 16 Nov. in the 31st of his reign. The subject of it is the Virgin with the infant Jesus held in her right arm, having on each side of them a female figure; the whole under a highly ornamented canopy. At the base, which is imperfect, there was an arch, in which probably was a monk praying. The legend is, s . COMVNE . B MARIE . DE . TAME. The impression is on red wax.^b

Considerable portions of the old buildings of Thame Priory are yet remaining: several of the stone window-frames are lancet-headed. An engraving of these Remains will be published very shortly in Mr. Skelton's Antiquities of Oxfordshire.

Cartae ad Tamensem Abbatiam in agro Oxoniensi spectantes; fundatam anno Domini Mxxxviii.^c

NUM. I.

[Ex MS. Cotton. Julius C. vii. fol. 287.]

CUM cœpissent abbatiae Cisterciensis ordinis per Angliam diffundi, et jam domus de Waverleia duas generasset filias, Wardonam et Fordam, ad petitionem Roberti Gait militis, concepit et genuit tertiam quæ nunc dicitur Thama. Hic Robertus Gait, qui in villa de Ottendun quartam partem habuit, ad abbatem Gilbertum veniens, conventum ad abbatiam in memorata villa construendam, petiit et accepit. Construxitque ergo ibi abbatiam, et eam dotavit portione sua modica quidem, videlicet quinque virgatis terræ quæ et ipsæ quartam partem unius militis faciebant, vocavitque eam ex nomine eo adjacentis nemoris Ottelean.

NUM. II.

Carta Roberti Gait.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit omnibus sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis, tam præsentibus quam futuris, quod ego Robertus Gait dedi omnem terram de Ottendun, et omnia eidem terræ pertinentia in bosco et plano, prato, et pasturis et aquis, liberam et quietam ab omni servitio seculari, et consuetudine terrena, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, ad abbatiam construendam de ordine Cisterciensi, in præsentia Alexandri Lincolnienæ episcopi. Testibus, magistro Osberno de Hache, Roberto de Oilli constabulario regis, Waukelin Wodardo, Rogero de Aumari, Radulpho de Sakchei.

NUM. III.

Carta Edithæ filicæ Forn. uxoris Roberti de Oilli.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, quod ego Editha Roberto de Oilly conjugali copula juncta, con-

silio et voluntate ejusdem Roberti mariti mei de duario meo de Weston, dedi in perpetuam elemosinam Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, et fratribus in Oteleia secundum institutionem Cistercii viventibus, dominium illud, quod extremitati nemoris illorum absque alterius terræ intermixtione continuatur, et pro animabus Henrici et Gilberti filiorum meorum. Testibus, Fulco de Oilly, Fulco Luval, Henrico filio Roberti filii Aumari.

NUM. IV.

Carta Regis Henrici secundi concessionem donatorum confirmans.

[Cart. 11 H. III, part. 1. m. 26, per Inspex. Vide etiam Pat. 17 E. IV. part. 2. m. 3.]

H. DEI gratia Rex Angliæ, &c. archiepiscopis, episcopis, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse et in perpetuam elemosinam confirmasse ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Thame et monachis ibidem Deo et sanctæ Mariæ servientibus de ordine Cisterciensi omnes terras et tenuras suas quæ eis rationabiliter datæ sunt et concessæ sicut donatorum cartæ testantur. Ex dono Alexandri Lincoln. episcopi, ejusdem loci fundatoris, ipsum locum et parcum in quo abbatia illa fundata est, et terram quæ fuit Nigelli Kyre et Rugmereshgge, et Wyfald ex dono Galfridi de Inoco. Ex dono Willielmi filii Othonis septem hidas terræ in Sibdon. Ex dono Reginaldi de Geyt quinque virgatas terræ in Oteleia. Ex dono Roberti de Oyly triginta et sex acras terræ in Weston. Ex dono Roberti fil. Amar. terram de Cestreton. Ex dono Petri Talemash duas hidas terræ in Stok quæ sunt de feodo Reginaldi de sancto Walerico. Ex dono Ricardi de Vernon, et Walteri filii ejus duas hidas terræ in Sidenham. Ex dono Hugonis Constab. dimidiam hidam terræ in Mortom. Ex dono Galfridi filii Omund unam hidam terræ in Morton. Ex dono Roberti Chevanchesvill unam hidam terræ in Tetsworth. Ex dono Hugonis de Horsedon terram quam eis dedit. Ex dono Osberti de Santerdon crof-

^a Pat. 13 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 3, de mess. et terris in Stoke Talmage, Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 30, pro restitutione maner. de Shipdon.

^b Pat. 17 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 3.

^c Rec. in Scacc. 24 Hen. VIII. Hill. rot. 7, de mess. et terris in Oddington."

See also Cart. antiq. Mus. Brit. L. F. C. xxix. 8.

Rot. Hundred. vol. ii. pp. 31, 32, 33, 38, 43, 45, 75 b, 694, 764, 779, 783, 784, 819, 820, 821, 831, 834, 839.

Plac. de Quo War. p. 98, of view of frankpledge in Schredon; p. 664, of the manor of Sydenham; p. 668, of the manor of Chynnor.

Abbrev. Plac. p. 271.—p. 53, concerning lands of the fee of Bensington; p. 320, of pasture in Chilton, in Buckinghamshire.

Among the Records in the King's Remembrancer's Office is "Carta regis pro abbate de Thame, Pasch. 4 Edw. II."

^a "Spiritual. Dioc. Linc. Portio in eccl. de Stoke Talemache 13*s.* 4*d.*

^b "Temporal. Dioc. Lond. In paroch. de Pater Noster Church 2*s.* In Herdington, de terr. redd. pratis, et fetu animalium 10*l.* 3*s.* 9½*d.*

^c "Dioc. Linc. In Kyngeston, de redd. 4*l.* 2*s.* In Stoke Talemache,

in terr. redd. pratis, columb. cum releviis et aliis casualibus, 14*l.* 10*s.* 3*d.* Ibidem, de exitu vaccarum 6*s.* In Stok Talemach, de redd. 1*l.* 10*s.* In Thame, Chelendon, Morton, Attyndon, in terr. pratis, cur. regard. molend. 21*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* Ibidem, in fruct. greg. et animal. 11*l.* 10*d.* In Tetturworth, in terr. redd. prat. curtil. cur. mol. 10*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.* In Norton, in terris et redd. 1*l.* 5*s.* 2½*d.* In Chakendon, in terris, redd. pratis, vendic. bosc. et cur. 7*l.* 12*s.* 9*d.* Ibidem, in fruct. greg. et animal. 3*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.* In Otyngdon Ottlee, in terr. redd. et cur. 9*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.* Ibidem, in fruct. greg. et animal. 5*l.* Horsenden, in redd. et terris, 10*s.* 2*d.* In Schibdon et le Leye, in terr. redd. molend. et cur. 6*l.* 17*s.* 11*d.* Ibidem ad pitanc convent. de terris, 1*l.* 4*s.* Ibidem, in fruct. greg. et animal. 2*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* In Sandresdon, in terr. et redd. 18*s.* Ibidem, in fruct. greg. et animal. 18*s.* 6*d.*

^b "Dioc. Sarum. In Tydolvshyde 5*l.*"

^c A volume formerly belonging to the monastery of Thame, one of St. Augustine's works, with an anathema in the first leaf against any person who shall steal it, is preserved among the Burney manuscripts in the British Museum.

^d Annal. de Waverl. in bibl. Cotton.

tam illam quæ vocatur Bocme, et Dudeham, et Delpcecc, et pannagium xxx. porcorum in bosco suo et partem ejusdem bosci sicut fossæ factæ sunt. Quare volo, &c. Dat. per manum venerabilis patris R. Cycestrensis episcopi cancellarii nostri apud Westm. xj. die Febr. anno, &c. xj.

NUM. V.

Alia Donationum Confirmatio, per Regem E. II.

[Pat. 10 E. II. m. 21.]

REX omnibus ad quos, &c. salutem. Donationem quam Alex. quondam Lincoln. episc. fecit per scriptum suum abbati et conventui de Thama de omni terra quæ est inter ambitum parci de Thama, tam in nemore quam in pastura et in terra arabili et prato, cum cultura quæ vocatur Somerlesa et prato quod vocatur Humelda; et de tota terra quam rustici de Grava tenebant, tam in prato quam in terra arrabili, et tota occidentali parte pasturæ quæ est extra parcum à porta veteri ipsius parci usque ad pontem petrinum. Concessionem etiam quam R. quondam Linc. episc. fecit per scriptum suum monachis de Thama de stagno et molendino in mora et prato quod est ex utraque parte pontis lapidei. Donationem etiam concess. et confirmationem quas Odo de Braimonstr. fecit per cartam suam prædictis monachis de tota medietate villæ de Ettendona tam in dominico quam in villenagio cum curte et gardino et pertinentiis suis. Remissionem, &c. quas Brianus filius Johannis de Lincoln. fecit per cartam suam eisdem monachis de annuo redditu quadraginta solidorum quos iidem monachi præfato Briano pro medietate villæ de Ettendone annuatim solvere tenebantur. Donationem etiam, &c. quas Brianus de Herdeby fecit per cartam suam eisdem monachis de duabus marcis et dimid. redditus cum pertinentiis in Ettendone quem redditum idem Brianus annuatim recipere solebat de Alexandro de Hamdene et Maria uxore ejus pro tenemento quod de ipso Briano et Avicia uxore ejus quondam tenuerunt in Ettyn-don, &c. Assignmentem, &c. quas Gunnora priorissa de Fontibus Merlaviæ et ejusdem loci conventus fecerunt per cartam suam eisdem monachis de annuo redditu decem solidorum in villa de Stoke. Talemache cum advocacione ecclesiæ prædictæ villæ, et de toto servicio Roberti filii Radulphi de Stoke, &c. Donationem, &c. quas Ricardus quondam Romanorum rex fecit per cartas suas eisdem monachis de una virgata terræ et duobus feodis mil. cum pertinentiis in Stoke Talemache, &c. Donationem, &c. quas Ricardus de Vernoun fecit per cartam suam eisdem monachis de duabus hydys terræ in Sydenham. Donationem, &c. quas Rogerus de Quency quondam comes Wynton. fecit per cartam suam eisdem monachis de toto dominico suo et villenagio in Sydenham, et de villanis cum catallis et sequelis eorum et cum spineto pratis et pascuis et omnibus aliis pertinentiis libertatibus et aisiamentis suis cum visu franciplegii de hominibus ipsius abbatis, et cum eo quod ad ipsum visum pertinent absque ullo retenemento. Concessionem et confirmationem quas Paulus Pever fecit per cartam suam eisdem monachis de toto terra sua quam habuit in Sydenham cum capitali messuagio et pertinentiis suis, &c. Remissionem, &c. quas frater Ricardus quondam abbas de Regali-loco juxta Oxon. et ejusdem loci conventus fecerunt per scriptum suum eisdem monachis de annuo redditu triginta solidorum provenientium de summa sexaginta solidorum pro duobus feodis militum in Stoke Talemache et de secta curiæ suæ de North Oseney, et de scutagio quantum pertinet ad j. feod. mil. Necnon donationem, &c. quas frater Robertus quondam abbas Regalis loci prædicti et ejusdem loci conventus de assensu Edmundi tunc comitis Cornubiæ fundatoris sui fecerunt per cartam suam Rogero tunc abbati de Thame, et ejusdem loci conventui de annuo redditu triginta solid. quem prædicti abbas et conventus de Loco-regali de prædictis abbate et conventu de Thame ex dono et assignatione prædicti comitis pro dominio villæ de Stoke Talemache quæ de eodem comite teneri consueverat, annuatim percipere solebant. Et similiter donationem quam prædicti abbas et conventus Regalis-loci prædicti fecerunt per cartam suam prædictam præfatis abbati et conventui de Thame de tota secta curiæ et hundredi de tribus septimanis in tres septimanas, quam iidem abbas et conventus Loci-regalis habuerunt in prædicta villa de Stoke Talemache ex dono et concessione præfati comitis tam de ipso abbate de

Thame quam de omnibus hominibus ejusdem villæ liberè tenentibus una cum visu franciplegii et omnibus proventibus de eodem visu provenientibus absque ullo retenemento; habendum et tencndum ita libere purè et integrè sicut carta prædicti comitis et confirmatio domini E. nuper Regis Angliæ patris nostri præfatis abbati et conventui Loci Regalis inde factæ plenius continent et testantur. In quibus quidem carta et confirmatione expressè vidimus, inter alia, contineri præfatum comitem dedisse prædictos sexaginta solidos annui redditus provenientes de duobus feodis mil. in Stoke Talemache præfatis abbati et conventui Loci Regalis cum omnibus juribus libertatibus et aliis pertinentiis suis, ut in dominicis, homagiis, fidelitatibus, wardis, releviis, escaetis, serviciis, &c. una cum visu franciplegii et cum omnibus quæ ad visum illum pertinent. Et quod nullus ballivorum prædicti comitis in terris vel tenementis prædictis districti- tionem aliquem faciat, nec de aliquo se intromittat. Ita quod nec præfatus comes nec hæredes sui in terris illis aliquid juris, servicii, vel clamii exigere vel clamare possint, ratas habentes et gratas, eas pro nobis et hæredibus nostris quantum in nobis est præfatis abbati et monachis de Thame et eorum successoribus concedimus et confirmamus, sicut cartæ et scripta prædicta et similiter dicta carta prædicti comitis Cornubiæ rationabiliter testantur. In cujus, &c. Teste Rege apud Clarindon vij. die Marcii.

Per ipsum regem.

NUM. VI.

STATUS MONASTERII DE THAMA, IN COM' OXON'.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits' Office.]

In Sp̃ualibz.

De ecclia de Chalgrave in com' Oxon' monasterio pre- dicto improprio . . . 14l. 0s. 0d.
De vicario ibm p quadam pensione . . 1l. 16s. 0d.
De portione de Flytmarston in com' Buck' 1l. 6s. 8d.
De porcoe de Culham in com' Midlesex, 1l. 13s. 4d.
18l. 16s. 0d.
De oblatioibz Capelle Bte Marie ad porta' monastii
a'uat' . . . 0l. 3s. 4d.
Sma . . . 18l. 19s. 4d.

Inde Deductioes sing'lis annis imp'petuu'.

Deductioes annuales et ppetue.

Capelle Sci Georgij. de Wyndeso^r . . 3l. 0s. 0d.
Capelle Regie de Walyngford . . 4 mks.
In sinod' et procuratioibz . . 0l. 7s. 0d.
In distributioibz pochianis de Chalg^ave p aia dñi Reg^s
Edwardi Secundi a'uat' . . 0l. 13s. 4d.
6l. 13s. 8d.

Et sic restat de claro . . 12l. 5s. 8d.

Per me

ROBERTUM KYNG, abbatem de Thama.

De Terris Dñicalibus in manibz Abbatis jam existentibus.

Whome Grange, num' acrar' 57 di'.

26 acr' de quadam grangia voc' Lee Whome Gūnge,
cum tribz clausuris eid' annexis . . 1l. 6s. 0d.
12 acr' de quod' p^{at}t' voc' le Parke Meade
0l. 12s. 0d.
2 acr' de alio quoq' prato voc' le Horse Lease
0l. 2s. 0d.
1 acr' di' de alio prato jam voc' Parrohawke
0l. 1s. 6d.
3 acr' de duaz claus', una voc' Smythhayse 2 acr', et
altera voc' Tannhayse . . 0l. 5s. 0d.
4 acr' alio prat' voc' Caulfs Close Meade 0l. 4s. 0d.
2 acr' de alia claus' voc' Chapell Close 0l. 2s. 0d.
2 acr' de uno clauso voc' Sterte . . 0l. 2s. 0d.
acr' de quod' p^{at}t' voc' Goois Penn 0l. 3s. 0d.
Ibm p ppriis x^{mis} . . 0l. 5s. 9d.
3l. 3s. 3d.

Dñicalia jam in usu' subsequentiu'.

Dñicalia.

De Johanne Wylliams p quad' pastur' voc' le Great
Parke Hyll per annu' . . 8l. 0s. 0d.

De eodm Johanne Willyams p quod' prat' voc' le Mor-
rowe Lease p annu' 4l. 0s. 0d.
De Wilmo Byrte pro le Lyttle Parke Hyll p annu'
7l. 0s. 0d.
19l. 0s. 0d.

De pq'sitioibz vis' et franc' et curial' in Sidenh^am,
Tow^rsey, Schipton, Odington, Stoke, Tetisworthe, Morton,
Craunford comunibz annis 1l. 0s. 0d.

In Villa de Thama.

De Roberto Hester p q^ad' past' voc' Hill Lease
7l. 0s. 0d.
De eod' Roberto p q^ad' p^at' voc' le Hill Meade
3l. 0s. 0d.
De ma^gro Edmūdo Whitton pro prat' voc' Cowship-
pinge Meade p annu' 0l. 13s. 4d.
De eod' Edmūdo p p^at' voc' Backhowse Meade
0l. 13s. 4d.
De Johanne Cowp' p q^ada' domo in Thama
1l. 6s. 8d.
De eod' Johanne p q^ada' p^ato voc' Stanmore Meade
4 ĩnks.
De Johanne Goodwyn p p^at' voc' Down Myll Meade
2l. 0s. 0d.
De Will^o Younge p q^ada' claus' voc' Down Myll Close
2l. 0s. 0d.
19l. 6s. 8d.

Morton.

De Johanne Cowp' p firm' voc' le Schepcotts, cu' ptin'
p annu' 8l. 0. 0d.
De eodem Johanne p tribz cotagiis in Marton
0l. 13s. 4d.
De eodem Johanne p duabz pastur', una voc' le Sterte,
et altera le Marsche 13l. 0s. 0d.
De Wilmo Byrte p past' voc' le Redd Lands
8l. 0s. 0d.
De ma^gro Eggerley p pastur' voc' le Great Wraggs
Nest 5 marks.
De Johanne Cowp' p q^ada' claus' voc' le 20 Acres
4l. 0s. 0d.
De eodem Jo^hie p pastur' voc' le Little Wraggs Nest
4l. 0s. 0d.
De m^gro Eggerley p q^ad' p^at' voc' le Oxe Lease
2l. 0s. 0d.
De tenentibz ĩbm p annu' 4l. 16s. 0d.
46l. 16s. 0d.

Attington.

De Johanne Cowp' p Attington Hill 4l. 0s. 0d.
De m^a Edmūdo Whytton p quada' lesur' voc' Attyng-
ton Gardeyn 1l. 6s. 8d.
De Ricardo Grymmysby pro duabz' claus' vocat' At-
ton Leasys 8l. 0s. 0d.
De vicario de Thama p pastur' voc' Nether Attyngton
7l. 0s. 0d.
De Jacobo Pettie p claus' voc' Attyngton Butts
1l. 0s. 0d.
21l. 6s. 8d.

Tettisworthe.

De Radulpho Fern' p g^angia de Tettisworthe
6l. 13s. 4d.
De Wilfo Brumfyld p hospitio voc' le Crown, cu' ptin'
6l. 0s. 0d.
De Catherina Johnson p hospitio voc' le Swan, cu' ptin'
4l. 13s. 4d.
De tenentibz ĩbm p annu' 3l. 8s. 6d.
20l. 15s. 2d.

Balscot.

Pro firma uni^a virg' ĩre in Balscott p annu' 0l. 7s. 0d.
Brennys Norton.
De Ricardo Hall firmar' de Brenny Norton
3l. 0s. 0d.

Otingdon.

De m^gro Ricardo Andrewys firm' de Otyngdon, et de
tenentibz ĩbm 13l. 6s. 8d.

Lachford.

De m^gro Thoma Leyghntall p cert' terris ĩbm
1l. 13s. 4d.

Saunderton.

De Thoma Wynter firm' ĩbm p annu' 3l. 6s. 8d.
18l. 6s. 8d.

Stoke Talmage.

De Johanne Deaue firm' ĩbm p annu' 10l. 0s. 0d.
Et de tenentibz ĩbm annuati' 15l. 15s. 5d.

Inde Deductoēs singlis annis imppm.

Deductoēs.

M^gro Eustachio Grenefyld 1l. 19s. 6d.
Johanni Towrsey de Queynton 1l. 19s. 6d.
Abbati de Eynsh^am 0l. 11s. 0d.
4l. 10s. 0d.

Et sic restat de claro 21l. 5s. 5d.

Kingeston.

De vidua q^anda' uxor' Roberti Belson p quiet' reddit'
2l. 7s. 1d.
De Andreo Northe p quieto reddit' 0l. 13s. 4d.
De terris voc' Attwaters p annu' 1l. 0s. 0d.
4l. 0s. 5d.

Wyfolde.

De Wilfo Pycton firm' de Wyfold, et de tenentibz ĩbm
8l. 0s. 0d.

Sydenh^am.

De m^o Johanne Palys p g^angia de Sydenh^am
14l. 0s. 0d.
Et de tentibz ĩbm p annu' 21l. 10s. 5d.
Inde Deductioēs annuati' imppetuu'.
Dño p^ori de Dunstaple 16l. 0s. 0d.
Dño de Chynnor p quiet' redd' 0l. 6s. 8d.
cu' duobz capon' p^oc' 1s. 4d.
Et sic restat de claro 19l. 3s. 9d.

Comitatus Buckyng'.

Towrsey.

De Johanne Belson' firm' de Towrsey 8l. 13s. 4d.
Et de tenentibz ĩbm p annu' 12l. 17s. 9½d.
21l. 11s. 1½d.

Inde Deductionēs annuatim imppm.

Dño regi pro quiet' redd' 0l. 10s. 0d.
Et sic restat de claro 21l. 1s. 2½d.

Shibdon Lee.

De magist^o Petro Dorm' firm' de Shibdon Lee
8l. 0s. 0d.
Et de tenentibz ĩbm p annu' 7l. 16s. 10d.

Chraunford.

De Wilfo Parker firm' de Craunford, et de tenentibz
ĩbm et de Ardington 10l. 0s. 0d.

London'.

De Johanne Colyns p quada' domo ĩbm in pochia s^ci
Sepulchri ext^a Newgate 1l. 0s. 0d.
Nunc Deductioēs p his sequentibus qⁱbz annuale Feod' sol-
vim^s ut sequit'.

Magistro Roberto Eggerley senesca lo n^o
2l. 0s. 0d.
Magistro Ricardo Cryspe auditori n^o 1l. 0s. 0d.
Magistro Johanni Penn p q^ada' corrodio a dño rege
concesso 4l. 0s. 0d.

Johanni Willyams receptori n^o 2l. 0s. 0d.
Roberto Perrot ballivo n^o 1l. 6s. 8d.
Eidem p toga annuatim 0l. 6s. 8d.

S^m^a rem' clar' ult^a deducc' 56l. 13s. 7½d.
X^{ma} ps inde 25l. 13s. 4½d.

Abbey of Bordesley, in Worcestershire.



ORDESLEY Abbey, says Nash, is generally supposed to have been founded by Maud or Matilda the empress, the daughter of King Henry the First, and the mother of King Henry the Second;^a but the first stone having been laid by Waleran de Beaumont, earl of Mellent and Worcester, about the year 1138, he has by many been considered as the founder.^b The annals of Winchcombe date the foundation in 1136.^c

The Empress's charter to this abbey was confirmed by her son King Henry the Second, by King Richard the First, and by King Edward the First.^d

Hugh surnamed Kevelioke, earl of Chester, was a good benefactor to this abbey. He bestowed upon it his lordship of Combe in Gloucestershire,^e to maintain six monks perpetually for the health of his soul, and for the souls of Earl Ranulph his father, Robert earl of Gloucester his grandfather, his mother, and for all christian souls.^f In the former edition of the Monasticon, Dugdale had ascribed this grant to this earl's father Ralph, whose widow Maud, daughter of Robert earl of Gloucester, confirmed it by her charter.^g

In the 28th Edw. I. the following lands were held by the abbat of Bordesley, and are recited as exempt from the forest of Feckenham. The grange of Sydenhale, the grange de la Leye, the new grange of Hawley, the scite of the abbey of Bordesley, part of Tardebrig, with the woods thereof, and the hamlet of Redditch.^h

This house had likewise large property at Osmarelesley,ⁱ at Ashborne,^k Tisoe,^l Stretton super Fosse,^m Oxhill,ⁿ Edrich-eston or Rudbrook,^o Snitfield,^p Bevington or Binton,^q Hilborough,^r Bidford,^s Kenton Langley,^t Sangar,^u Edston,^x Bearley and Claverdon,^y and Overley,^z all in Warwickshire: and at Wickwane in Gloucestershire.^a

The following list of the

ABBATS of BORDESLEY

is chiefly taken from Nash's Collections.

WILLIAM was abbat about A.D. 1160.

^a See her Charter in the Appendix, Num. I.

^b There is a Charter, however, of Waleran earl of Mellent, printed in the Appendix to the present Account, Num. III. in which he speaks of himself as having founded Bordesley; yet, as Tanner observes, this Waleran is one of the witnesses to the Empress Maud's Charter, Num. I. In King Richard the First's Charter, Num. II. the foundation is ascribed to Maud, without any mention of Waleran. The reader must reconcile these difficulties for himself.

^c Nash, Collect. for Hist. of Worc. vol. i. p. 405.

^d See the Charter of Edw. I. Ibid. p. 415.

^e Nash speaks of this as Combe Grange in Campden. Sir Robert Atkyns, by mistake, refers this to Combe in Wotton-Under-Edge, in the same county.

^f See Dugd. Bar. vol. i. p. 41. ex autogr. pen. W. Sheldon de Beoley, 1638. This Grant, with another by Ralph earl of Chester, confirming it, were engraved at the expence of Mr. Graves of Mickleton, in 1737.

^g See Num. IV.

^h Nash, ut supr. p. 406.

ⁱ Madox, Formul. Anglic. pp. 2, 48, 56, 275, 276. See Dugd. War. edit. Thomas. p. 386.

^k Dugd. ib. p. 498.

^l Ibid. p. 544.

^m Ibid. 599. Madox ut supr. p. 157.

ⁿ Dugd. War. ut supr. p. 611.

^o Ibid. p. 656.

^p Ibid. p. 667.

^q Ibid. pp. 386, 712.

^r Ibid. pp. 722, 741, 800.

^s Ibid. pp. 723, 724.

^t Ibid. p. 826.

^u Ibid. pp. 827, 386. Madox, Formul. pref. p. xv.

^x Dugd. ibid. p. 828.

^y Ibid. pp. 830, 831.

^z Ibid. p. 856.

^a Madox, Formul. Anglic. pp. 7, 8, 160.

^b Neustria Pia, p. 850.

^c Annal. Waverl. p. 163.

^d Ibid. p. 163.

^e Ibid.

^f Ibid.

^g Ibid. p. 133.

^h See Nash, p. 415. e lib. Alb. ep. Wigorn. pp. 84, 85.

ⁱ Nash, ut supr.

^j Lib. Alb. Reg. Dec. et Cap. Nash, App. p. 411.

HAYMO, A.D. 1165. He occurs as a witness to Waleran de Mellent's foundation charter of Valasse abbey, in Normandy, who died in that year.^d Haymo died in 1188.

WILLIAM was the next abbat. He was soon after his appointment removed to Kingswood abbey.^e

RICHARD succeeded likewise in 1188. He resigned in 1196,^d when

WILLIAM DE STANLEY succeeded, who died in 1204.^e

WILLIAM DE PERSHORE became abbat A.D. 1205.^f

PHILIP occurs in 1217. He died in 1223.^g Another

PHILIP occurs in 1244.^h

THOMAS ORLESCOTE occurs abbat in 1277.

WILLIAM DE HEYFORD, A.D. 1293.

JOHN DE EDERESTON received benediction as abbat 3 kal. Jun. 1309.ⁱ

WILLIAM DE BERKHAMPSTED occurs in 1317 and 1320.

THOMAS, in 1326,^k and again in 1346.^l

RICHARD occurs in 1349.^m

WILLIAM DE EDERESTON received the benediction as abbat 7 Dec. 1350.ⁿ He occurs again in 1356.

JOHN DE ACTON made his profession of obedience 8 Sept. 1361.^o

JOHN DE BRADERUGGE made his profession 25 Sept. 1383.^p

RICHARD occurs in 1384.

JOHN in 1415.

RICHARD FECKENHAM in 1433.^q

JOHN WYKIN A.D. 1445.^r

WILLIAM HALFORD made his profession of obedience Nov. 12th, 1452.

WILLIAM BIDFORD, A.D. 1460.

RICHARD, A.D. 1511.

JOHN DAY was the last abbat. A.D. 1534, he, with nineteen monks, subscribed to the King's supremacy, and to the surrender of their house July 17th, 1539, 30th Hen. VIII.^s He was probably the same person who in the Valor of the 26th Henry VIII. is called JOHN DE BELAY.

The value of this Monastery, in point of revenue, in 1291, may be gathered from several entries in Pope Nicholas's Valor, amounting to the total annual sum of 47*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.*^t

¹ MS. E. R. Morcs.

^m Ibid.

ⁿ Nash, p. 411. Reg. Thoresby, fol. 16 b.

^o Nash, Ibid. e Reg. Brian. fol. 36 b.

^p Reg. Wakf. fol. 39 b.

^q MS. E. R. Morcs.

^r Reg. Carp. vol. i. 37 b.

^s See Nash, p. 406. Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 259.

^t Dioc. Wygorn. *Spiritual.* Porcio Abbatis in Ecclesia de Kyderminster, 0*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Porcio Abbatis in decimis ret. in duabus grang. Holeweye et Clotton'hull, 1*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* Porcio Abbatis in minut. dec. ret. in Capella de Stratton, 0*l.* 2*s.* 0*d.* Porcio in Ecclesia de Caumpe-den, 0*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*

Temporal. Abbas de Bordesl. habet apud Wynhall' tres carucatas terræ, et valet caruc. unam marcā. Item apud Bedeford quinque carucatas terræ, et valet caruc. decem solid. Et duo molendin. quæ valent viginti solid. Item apud Bynnynton unam caruc. terræ quæ valet decem solid. et duo columbar. quæ valet dimid. marc. Item apud Burleye duas caruc. terr. et valet caruc. dimid. marc. Item apud Suang' tres caruc. terr. et valet caruc. dimid. marc. Item apud Kincton duas caruc. terræ et valet caruc. dimid. marc.

Summa 8*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Item, apud Hewell cum Lega septem caruc. terr. et valet caruc. unam marcā. Et unum columbar. quod valet quatuor solid. Item apud Tuncshale tres caruc. terræ et valet caruc. unam marcā. Item apud Saltwod tres caruc. terræ et valet caruc. decem solid. Et unum columbar. quod valet quatuor solid. Item apud Syderhale tres caruc. terræ, et valet caruc. decem solid. Item apud Osmerlee tres caruc. terr. et valet caruc. decem solid. Item apud Novam grang. tres caruc. terr. et valet caruc. decem solid. Item apud Knottenhull tres caruc. terr. et valet caruc. unam marc. Item apud Holeweye tres caruc. terr. et valet caruc. unam marc.

Summa 17*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.*

Item apud Heye unam caruc. terr. et valet decem solid. Et duo molendin. quæ valent viginti solid.

Summa 1*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*

An inquisition into the state of Bordesley abbey about 1332 exists among Dodsworth's MSS. in the Bodleian library.^a

The value of this monastery in the 26th of Henry the VIIIth, amounted in gross revenue to 392*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.*; in net income to 388*l.* 9*s.* 10½*d.*

Item apud Stretton quatuor caruc. terr. et valet caruc. unam marc. Et unum columbar. quod valet quatuor solid. Item recepit de diversis locis de reddit. assis. sex libr.

Summa 8*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.*

Summa summarum prædict. temporalium 36*l.* 2*s.* 0*d.*

Abbas habet apud Comb tres caruc. terr. et val. caruc. viginti solid. Et de staur. viginti solid.

Summa 4*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Dioc. Coventr. et Lichf. *Temporal.* Abbas de Bordesleye habet apud Tachesbroc unum caruc. terr. et valet per annum 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* Et habet ibidem unum molend. quod valet per annum 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* Et habet ibidem de staur. 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Summa 3*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. pp. 217, 217 b, 219 b, 223, 229 b, 238, 357 b.

^a See Tanner's references to Records hereafter given.

^b Tanner says,

"Vide cartas originales penes Clem. Throgmorton de Hasely in com. Warwic. Will. Sheldon de Beoley in com. Wigorn. Christ. Hattou bar. Henricum St. George arm. et in Officio Armorum.

"In Aspilogia cl. Anstis, n. 331, cartam Gualerani com. Mellent. pro terra in Bordesley et puteo in Wich.

"A bag of old Deeds belonging to this abbey in the Augmentation Office, A.D. 1695, and some few in the Talley Court in the Exchequer.

"Abstracts of several charters belonging to Bordesley abbey, MSS. Macro, 12, ii. 4, 5, 16, 17, 36.

"MSS. Dodsworth in bibl. Bodl. Oxon. vol. xxx. fol. 17, cartam Roberti de Stafford: vol. lxxvj. fol. 13, recepta et inquisitiones de terris abbatibus de Bordesley, quæ fuerunt Galfridi de Beingworpe; 31 Edw. I. fol. 45, cartam Galfridi de Beniggeworth, de terris in Houteselva, Tysho, et Pylardinton: fol. 93, inquisitionem de statu domus de Bordesleia circa ann. 1332.

"MS. in bibl. Cotton. Nero C. iii. 11, breve vicecomiti de Glocestria pro monachis de Bordesley.

"Martyrologium in usum monasterii de Bordesley, MS. quondam penes Abrahamum Sellarum, n. 3.

"In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 2044, fol. 105, et MS. 2060, p. 34, excerpta quædam e cartis huic abbatiæ spectantibus.

"Cart. antiq. QQ. n. 1.

"Cart. 6 Joan. n. 49, quod sint quieti de theloneo, passagio, &c. Cart. 17 Joan. n. 3.

"Claus. 4 Hen. III. m. 11. Plac. in com. Glocestr. 5 Hen. III. rot. 5 d. Fin. 9 Hen. III. m. 7. Claus. 9 Hen. III. m. 20, de assartibus in foresta de Feckenham. Claus. 11 Hen. III. m. 15, de boscis circa abbatiam. Cart. 14 Hen. III. m. 10. Claus. 14 Hen. III. m. 12, de boscis infra forestam de Feckenham. Fin. 14 Hen. III. m. 7, de custodia boscorum regionum infra dictam forestam. Pat. 17 Hen. III. n. 9, pro hameletto de Holeway, parella de Fechem. Cart. 43 Hen. III. m. 5, pro eccl. de Terdebrig. Cart. 51 Hen. III. m. 8 vel 10, pro reddit. in Bromesgrave, Stratton, &c.; et m. 11, pro libertat. in Terdebrigg.

"Pat. 31 Edw. I. m. ult. vel penult. Pat. 34 Edw. I. m.

"Pat. 17 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 3, de maner. de Holloway.

"Cart. 1 Edw. III. n. 5, de porcaria apud Feteham, et libertatibus quamplurimis. Pat. 40 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 21 vel 27, pro ten. in Bradcley, Stoke, Pansefoot, &c. Escaet. Wigorn. 46 Edw. III. n. 63, de grangia vocat. Shiltewode. Cart. 47 Edw. III. n. 25, de lib. warr. in maner. et grangiis suis in com. Wigorn. et Warwic. Pat. 50 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 26 vel 27.

"Pat. 3 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 28, pro eccl. de Kynefare approprianda. Pat. 11 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 24. Pat. 13 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 21, pro viij. acris in foresta de Feckenham.

"Pat. 2 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 2 vel 3.

"Pat. 2 Hen. V. p. 1, m. 25.

"Pat. 1 Hen. VI. p. 5, m. 22 vel 23. Pat. 15 Hen. VI. m. 40 vel 41.

"Pat. 4 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 27, de vasto juxta forestam de Feckenham vocat. Lyndenwood imparcando."

Nash has printed various Instruments relating to this monastery in his Worcestershire Collections: viz.

1. Commissio ad benedicendum et admittendum Willielmum de Edreston in abbatem de Bordesleye, dat. Lond. 7 Dec. 1350, e Reg. Thoresby, fol. 16 b.

2. Professio Johannis de Acton abbatibus de Bordesley cum benedictione ejusdem, dat. 8 Sept. 1361, e Reg. Brian. fol. 36 b.

3. Benedictio et professio Johannis Braderugge abbatibus, dat. die 25 Septemb. 1373, e Reg. Wakf. fol. 39 b.

4. Benedictio Willielmi Halford abbatibus, dat. 12 Nov. 1452, e Reg. Carp. vol. i. fol. 104.

5. De clerico presentando per priorem Wygorn. abbatibus et conventui de Bordesleya, pro Henrico de Hampton, A.D. 1326, e Lib. Alb. fol. 130, Reg. 2 Dec. et Cap. fol. 68.

6. Præsentatio clerici abbatibus et conventui de Bordesleya, pro magistro Henrico de Hamptone, dat. Wigorn. 27 Maii, 1327, ibid. fol. 131 a.

No REGISTER of this abbey is at present known to exist. Tanner's, with other references to manuscripts and records relating to this house, will be found in the note below.^b

An impression of the COMMON SEAL of Bordesley,

7. Responsio abbatibus, ibid.

8. Præsentatio duorum clericorum abbatibus et conventui de Bordesley, A.D. 1380, ibid. fol. 307 a.

9. Littera abbatibus missa domino priori, A.D. 1380. Responsio abbatibus, ibid.

10. Scriptum abbatibus de Bordesley de Modena, A.D. 1397, Lib. Pens. fol. 25 b.

11. De præsentatione unius clerici abbatibus de Bordesley, A.D. 1283, Reg. 2 Dec. et Cap. Wig. fol. 67.

12. De præsentatione duorum clericorum abbatibus de Bordesley, ibid. et fol. 68.

13. Conventio inter G. episcopum Wygorn. et abb. de Bordesley de terris in Alvechirche, A.D. 1276, Lib. Alb. episc. Wigorn. fol. 69 b.

14. Cyrographum abbatibus de Bordesley de communi pastura de Osmeresleye, 28 Hen. III. ibid. foll. 84, 85.

15. Carta abbatibus de Bordesleye super remissione facta episcopo Wigorn. super decimis suis in villa de Pydyll, vel alibi infra parochiam de Fladbury, ibid. fol. 135 b.

16. Carta Hen. I. regis.

17. Carta regis Edwardi I. anno regni xº.

Madox, in his Formulæ Anglicanum, has printed many more Instruments of Bordesley abbey: viz.

Præf. p. xv. Finalis concordia de terra in Southongre, t. Hen. II.

Pag. 2. Confirmatio Walteri filii Willielmi de Stanes de terra de Osmereslega, A.D. 1178.

p. 7, 8. De excambio terrarum inter abb. de Bordesley et rectorem de Stratton.

p. 24. Compositio inter monasterium de Bordesley et eccl. S. Mariæ de Warewic super decimis domini de Budiford.

p. 25. Adjudicatio super decimis grangiæ de Holeweia, A.D. 1205.

p. 26. Conventio inter abb. et conv. de Bordesleia et priorem et canonicos de Kinilwurd, et vicarium de Budiford, super tertia parte decimarum domini quod dicti monachi tunc coluerunt, et super decimis garbarum de Modihulle, Botline, Aldegare, &c.

p. 43. Carta Henrici II. regis confirmans unam hidam terræ in Burleia.

p. 48. Carta Petri de Corbezun de confirmat. x. acrarum terræ donat. a patre apud Hildeburwdham.

p. 49. Carta alia Walteri fil. Willielmi de Stanes de terra de Osmeresleia, A.D. 1178.

p. 50. Carta Alani de Blez de terris in Fardune, Brademede, et Sudhangre, concess. a patre.

p. 52. Carta Johannis episcopi Wigorn. de confirmatione, circa A.D. 1197.

p. 53. Carta Matthæi de Dunton confirmans donationem dimidiæ virgatæ terræ in Octeslva.

p. 55. Carta Willielmi de Burle de terr. et pastur. pro ccc. ovibus in Burle.

Ibid. Carta Alani de Blez de prato jacente subtus Wethulle in Langeleia.

p. 56. Carta Hawisæ de Bello Campo de tota Osmeresleia.

p. 59. Carta prioris et conventus Wigorn. de ecclesia de Terdebrig.

p. 75. Conventio inter domum de Bordeslega et Willielmum Pistorem super molendino de Lea.

p. 91. Quæta clamatio Roberti Moryn omnium servitorum pro terris in Burle præter escuagium. *Gallie.*

p. 130. Carta Ricardi abbatibus et conventus de piscaria de Arnleia ad firmam dimissa, cum terra eidem pertinente.

p. 134. Carta Willielmi de Burley abbatibus et conventui concessa de terra sua dominica ad decem croppos, &c.

p. 154. Carta Ricardi abbatibus de excambio terrarum in Burleia inter abbatem et conventum ac Ricardum et Thomam filios Gerini de Burleia.

p. 155. De excambio terrarum in Budiford inter abbatem et monachos de Bordesley et priorem et canonicos de Kineldeword.

p. 156. De excambio terrarum in Octeslva inter abbatem de Bordesley et Ricardum de Warewic.

p. 157. De excambio terrarum in Stratton inter abbatem de Bordesley et Heliam filium Willielmi de Stratton.

p. 160. Conventio inter abbatem et conventum de Bordesley et Adam rectorem ecclesiæ de Stratton de quodam mesuagio, A.D. 1253.

p. 220. Finalis concordia de xij. acris terræ in Benetha concess. abbatibus et conventui.

p. 221. Finalis concordia de dimidia carucata terræ in Claverdon concess. abbatibus.

p. 242. Carta Johannis episcopi Wigorn. de x. acris terræ in Hildeburgawida.

p. 245. Carta Ricardi episc. Coventr. de concessione villani abbatibus et conventui de Bordesley.

Ibid. Carta alia Ricardi episcopi de parte quadam bosci de Aclæa.

p. 254. Carta Roberti Roant de Langelce de terris et pastura duodecim viginti ovium.

p. 261. Carta Egelini de Dumard de concessione unius villani.

p. 275. Carta Willielmi filii Walteri de Stanes de Osmereslega.

p. 276. Carta altera ejusdem Willielmi de Osmeresleia.

p. 286. Concessio annui redditus c. solid. ex manerio de Holeweygrange Thomæ Wybbe armigero.

in red wax, is extant in the Augmentation Office, appendant to the Instrument of Surrender, dated 17th June 30 Henry VIII. It is oval, of a moderate size: the subject, not easily to be comprehended, on account of the defect of the impression, may be conjectured to represent the Virgin crowning the founder, both being seated under a gothic canopy, and having underneath a monk in a niche in the attitude of devotion. The legend SIGILL . ECCL'IE . BEATE . MARIE . DE . BORDESLEY.

The site of this monastery was granted in the 38th

Henry VIII. to Andrew Lord Windsor, whom Dugdale, in his Baronage, calls Sir Andrews Windsor.^a

There are no vestiges now remaining of Bordesley abbey. The foundations are said to have been discovered in different parts of eight acres of ground.

Hugh, surnamed Kevelioke earl of Chester, has been already mentioned as giving to the abbey of Bordesley his lordship of COMBE in Gloucestershire, to maintain six monks there perpetually; but whether that abbey had a CELL there for any length of time Tanner was unable to discover.

Bordesleyensis Abbatia in agro Wigorniensis, fundata anno MCCCXVII.^b

NUM. I.

Carta Foundationis.

[Ex ipso autogr. penes Clementem Throgmorton de Haseley in com. warr. militem a. 1630. Vide Pat. 11 R. II. part. 2, m. 24.]

M. IMPERATRIX, H. regis filia et Anglorum domina, archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, baronibus, iusticiariis, vicecomitibus, et omnibus fidelibus Anglis et Normannis tam presentibus quam futuris salutem. Notum sit vobis me pro Dei amore et pro anima H. regis patris mei, et M. reginæ, matris meæ, et parentum et antecessorum meorum et pro salute G. comitis Andegaviæ domini mei, et mea, et H. hæredis mei, et aliorum filiorum meorum, et pro pace et stabilitate regni Angliæ, fundasse abbatiam quandam quæ dicitur Bordesleya, de ordine Cisterciensi, in honore beatissimæ Virginis Mariæ Reginæ Cælorum.

Huic autem Abbatie dedi et concessi et confirmavi totam terram Bordesleye, et Teneshale, et Ludeshale, et Cobesleye, et Holesweie, præter terram parearii, et totum dominicatum Budifordie et Northuniae, in boscis et plano, in pratis et pasturis, in aquis et molendinis, et in omnibus aliis pertinentiis. Præterea jus advocacionis et dominationis ecclesiæ de Terdebiga, cum virgata terræ in eadem villa, et quibusdam sartis prope divisam terræ ejusdem abbatie, et novum puteum de Wich de proprio labore suo, et omnia aisiaimenta sua in foresta de Feeceham,

p. 294. Carta Henrici II. regis quod monachi de Bordesley non ponantur in placitum nisi coram ipso rege.

Ibid. Carta alia ejusdem Henrici pro restitutione omnium nativorum et catallorum.

Ibid. Alia carta Henrici II. regis quod monachi de Bordesley habeant rectas divisas suas.

p. 297. Carta Harveii de Stretunia de una hida terræ in Burleia.

p. 299. Carta Willielmi de Burleia de terris in Burleia.

p. 300. Carta Abbatis et Conventus de Cormeliis de concessione decimarum de Holeweia Abbati et Conventui de Bordesley, pro dimidia marca argenti singulis annis reddenda.

p. 306. Concessio abbatis et conventus de Castellione, abbati et conventui de Bordesley facta, de decimis garbarum et fœni omnium terrarum quas monachi de Bordesley tunc coluerunt in Langelega.

p. 371. Carta Willielmi Passun de terris in Warewico extra portam del West.

p. 372. Quæta Clamatio Messuagio in Wich.

p. 377. Quæta Clamatio Priorissæ et Monialium de Hynewode, ratione testamenti Petri capellani de Norton.

Compare the printed Rot. Hundred. vol. ii. p. 225, 226, 227, 228, 283, 284, 285, 286, and the Placita de Quo Warranto, pp. 778, 781.

The Deeds relating to the estates of Bordesley Abbey mentioned by Tanner, still exist in the Augmentation Office. In the same Repository is a particular account of the Demesne lands, too long for insertion here, bearing the following title:

"Bordesley in Com. Wigorn. Visus terr. dominicalium ibidem cum graungia de Hewell per supervisionem duodecim Tenentium Domini Regis inde super sacramenta sua fact. mense Septembris anno xxx^{mo}. regni Regis Henrici Octavi tempore supervisorum, &c."

Among the charters given to the British Museum by Lord Frederick Campbell is one, L. F. C. xviii. q. Carta Johannis episcopi Wigorn. ecclesiæ et fratribus de Bordesley de advocacione eccl. de Terdebiga.

^a "This Sir Andrews Windore," says Dugdale, "had his chief seat at Stanwell, near Hounslow, in com. Middlesex, which fair lordship his ancestors had enjoyed by succession from the Norman Conqueror's time; and being summoned to that notable Parliament, begun at Westminster 3d Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. and held by prorogation untill the 27th of that King's reign, was admitted into the House, upon the first of December, the same year. (This being that Parliament which

cum omni libertate pasnagii et pasturæ, et materiem ad ædificia construenda, et aliarum rerum usui necessaria-rum. Et unam piscariam apud Herneleiam, eum terra quæ ad eam pertinet. Hæc autem omnia liberè et quietè, bene et in pace, ab omni servitio et exactione, et consuetudine seculari imperpetuum permansura concedo, et sigilli mei impressione confirmo. Testibus, Roberto comite Gloucestræ, et Gualeranno comite Mellenti, et Milone comite Herefordiæ, et Willielmo de Pontcareh Camerario, et Willielmo de Bellocampo, et Willielmo Diffublato, et Gaufrido de Walturwill, et Goseelino de Baillol, et Roberto de Trumovill. Apud Divises.

NUM. II.

Carta Ricardi I. Regis.

[Ibid.]

RICARDUS Dei gratia, rex Angliæ, dux Normanniæ et Aquitaniæ, comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Seiatis nos pro salute nostra, et A. reginæ matris nostræ, et pro anima regis H. patris nostri, et pro animabus omnium antecessorum nostrorum et successorum, concessisse et presenti carta nostra confirmasse Deo et abbatie sanctæ Mariæ de Bordesleya et monachis Cisterciensis ordinis ibidem Deo servientibus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, omnes rationabiles donationes quæ eis factæ sunt, et quæ ratio-

gave the fatal stroke to all the lesser Monasteries; and thereby opened the gap to the miserable ruin of all the rest, which soon after happened.) And the next ensuing year, was one of the temporal Lords, who subscribed that letter to Pope Clement the Seventh; intimating to him, that unless he did comply with King Henry in that business of his divorce from Queen Katherine, his Supremacy here was likely to be endangered.

"But of this Lord Windsor I have little else to say, than what I have been told by Thomas, late Lord Windsor deceased, and which he received by tradition from his ancestors, viz. that after the dissolution of the greater monasteries in 31st Hen. VIII. the king, being informed by Cromwell, and some other, who had been his chiefest agents in that work; that the most likely way to secure them from ever returning again to those uses, whereunto their pious founders did at first design them, would be to dispose most of them into the hands of the nobility and gentry, by free gift, easy purchases, or advantageous exchanges. This subtle project so wrought with the king, as that he soon assented to put it in practice; and in order thereunto, thought fit, (amongst others) to engage this Lord Windsor for one; to which end he sent him a message, that he would dine with him at Stanwell, upon a certain day, not long after; and accordingly did so. But, before he went away, told him, that he liked so well of that place, as he resolved to have it; yet not without a more beneficial exchange. Whereunto the Lord Windsor answering; that he did hope his highness was not in earnest; and, that it having been the seat of his ancestors for many ages, he would not now take it from him. The king, with a stern countenance, replied; that it must be: and commanded him, upon his allegiance, to go speedily to his attorney-general, who should more fully acquaint him with his royal pleasure. Which daring not to refuse, he accordingly repaired to the attorney-general, who shewed him a draught, ready made, of an exchange for that Lordship of Stanwell with its appurtenances, lying in the counties of Middlesex, Surry, Bucks, Berks, and Southampton, (by which the greatness of it may in some sort be discerned) *in lieu of BORDSLEY ABBEY*, in com. Wigorn. Whereof being constrained to accept, he was commanded to quit Stanwell forthwith, though he had then laid in his Christmas provisions, for the keeping of his wonted hospitality there. Whereupon he left them in the House, saying, they should not find it *bare STANWELL*. This happened in the 34th Hen. VIII."—Dugd. Baron. tom. ii. pp. 307, 308.

^b Annal. de Derley in Bibl. Cotton.

nabiliter ipsis fient: ex dono videlicet Matildis Imperatricis, et regis H. patris nostri, totam terram de Bordesleia, et de Teneshala et Terdebigga, eum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et jus advocacionis et dominationis ecclesie ejusdem villae de Terdebigga. Et totam terram de Holeweia, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, cum assartis eidem terrae conjunctis, quae sunt de feodo episcopi Wigorniae, praeter terram parcharii, et omnia aisiamenta sua in foresta de Feeham, cum omni libertate pasnagii et pasturae, et ligna et materiem ad domos suas faciendas, et ad alias res usui suo necessarias. Et in eadem foresta unam porchariam apud Feeham, eum dimidia virgata terrae. Et totum dominium de Budiford, cum duobus molendinis, et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis donec eis de eodem dominico de Budiford escambium donemus ad valentiam. Et totum dominium de Northona, eum terra forestarii et bedelli et Godrici de Hundesfeld, et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et novum puteum de Wich, de proprio labore suo ad proprios usus suos sine venditione quam inde faciant ibi. Et unam piscariam apud Erneleiam, cum terra quae ad eam pertinet. Praeterea concedimus eis et confirmamus omnes donationes quae eis rationabiliter factae sunt, sicut earum donatorum vel cyrographa testantur.

Ex dono Simonis episcopi Wigornensis, quandam terram apud Wich juxta Cholevillam quae fuit insula quaedam, in qua praedicti monachi de proprio labore suo suum habent puteum. Et quaedam essarta juxta terram de Holeweia, quae ipsi essartaverunt.

Ex dono Randulphi, comitis Cestriae, totam terram de Cumba, eum pertinentiis suis.

Ex dono Rogeri comitis de Warwico, totam terram de Sudhanger, et unam hidam terrae apud Oetesluam, quae fuit R. filii Gregorii, eum omnibus pertinentiis suis.

Ex dono Willielmi et Stephani de Bellocampo, Osmarlesleiam, eum omnibus pertinentiis suis.

Ex dono Petri de Stodleia, decem acras terrae apud Hildebergawrtha.

Ex dono Nicholai filii Bernardi, duodecim acras terrae, juxta porehariam de Fecham.

Ex dono Edrici Estrece, unam virgatam terrae.

Ex dono Ricardi Coventrensis episcopi, unum masagium in Liehesfeld, et terram Rogeri de Harland, et terram quam habent de Willielmo de Balanee, et de Hereberto Putot. Et unam virgatam terrae de Gaufrido Peche.

Ex dono Willielmi comitis de Warwico, jus advocacionis ecclesiae de Claverdona, sicut carta ejus testatur; et terram quam habent de Willielmo de Burleia.

Ex dono Roberti de Staford unam hidam terrae in Burleia, et duodecim acras terrae in Tiso, et duas acras prati et pasturam quae dieitur Oxehi.

Ex dono Rogeri de Sanford, molendinum de Lea, et terram quam Walterus Cumin eis dedit juxta Suhangram. Et in Warewic duo masagia ex dono comitis Willielmi.

Ex dono Hugonis de Bleez, octo acras terrae et duas aeras prati.

Ex dono Radulfi filii Hugonis gravam juxta Sudhangram.

Quare volumus, &c. Testibus Hugone Dunelmensi episcopo, G. Wintoniensi episcopo, H. Coventrensi episcopo, R. Londoniensi electo, Herberto Cantuariensi, et Willielmo archidiacono, Willielmo Mauduit domini regis camerario, Johanne marseallo, Roberto de Witefeld. Data per manum Willielmi cancellari nostri Eliensis electi apud Westmonasterium xv. die Novemb. anno primo regni nostri.

NUM. III.

Carta G. Comitis Mellenti.

[Ex autogr. in bibl. Hatton.]

G. COMES Mellent, omnibus filiis sanctae ecclesiae tam praesentibus quam futuris, salutem. Sciatis me fundasse abbatiam de Bordesleia, de ordine Cisterciensi, in honore beatae Virginis Mariae, pro Dei amore, et pro anima patris mei, et antecessorum meorum, et pro salute mea et haereditum meorum, et huic abbatiae, et monachis in ea Deo servientibus, dedimus in elemosinam perpetuam et confirmavimus, totam terram de Bordesleia et de Teneshala, et de Terdebigga, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et jus advocacionis, et donationis ecclesiae ejusdem villae de Terdebiga, et totam terram de Helweia, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, praeter terram parcharii. Et omnia easiamenta sua in foresta de Fecheham, cum omni libertate pasnagii, et pasturae

et ligna, et materiem ad domos suas faciendas, et ad alias res usui suo necessarias; et in eadem foresta unam porchariam apud Feckeham, cum dimidia virgata terrae, et totum dominium de Budifordia, eum duobus molendinis, et eum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et totum dominium de Northune, eum terra forestarii et bedelli, et Godrici de Hundesfeld, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et novum puteum de Wich, de proprio labore ad proprios suos, sine venditione quam inde faciant ibi; et unam piscariam apud Ernelei cum terra quae ad eam pertinet. Praeterea concedimus eis, et confirmamus omnes donationes, quae eis factae sunt de feodo meo, sicut carta donatorum testantur; ex dono Willielmi de Bellocampo, et Stephani fratris ejus Osmeresle cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; ex dono Alani de Novavilla, molendinum unum apud Bere, cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Edrici Estriehe virgatam unam terrae apud Feckenham. Quare volo, &c. Testibus, Symone episcopo Wigorniensi, Roberto comite de Leicestria, Roberto de Novo Burgo, Nicholao de Lunda, et Johanne fratre ejus, Richardo de Furmovilla, Willielmo de Pinu, Alano de Novavilla, Radulfo de Mainevilla.

NUM. IV.

Carta Matildis Comitissae Cestriae.

[Ex autographo in Officio Armorum.]

✠ OMNIBUS sanctae matris ecclesiae filiis, tam praelatis quam subditis, tam praesentibus quam futuris Dei fidelibus, Matildis comitissa Cestriae, et Hugo filius suus, veram quae est in Christo salutem. Notum sit vobis nos eandem donationem dedisse, et in perpetuam elemosinam concessisse H. abbati et monachis de Bordesleia; scilicet, Cumbam, eum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et tam liberè, et quietè, et plenariè, uti dominus et sponsus meus, R. comes Cestriae, illam donationem ipsis monachis dederat, et concesserat, pro redemptione animarum nostrarum, et antecessorum nostrorum. Hujus donationis et concessionis testes sunt, S. abbas de Saviniaco, Johannes abbas de Hoil, R. de Bill. W. de Redemer, R. capellano, G. de Haud, R. filius H. Ostr. valet in Christo.

NUM. V.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONASTIUM DE BORDSLEY, in p̄dco Com' Wigorn', ac infra Decanat' de Wyche, in Archidiaconatu Wigorn'.

JOH'ES BELEY Abb'tus ibm.

Verus et Annuus Valor om̄i' et singlor' Mañioru', Dñior', Grang', Terr', et Ten', ac alior' Possession', tam temporal' q'm sp̄ualiu', p̄dco Monastio spect' sive ptin' exāiat' p Johem Pakyngton armiġu', Rob'tm Acton armiġu', et Riċu' Rottyssey auditore' ibm.

Terr' Dñical' in Com' Wigorn'.

Videlit, unus camp' voc' Lyefelde valet p estīac' coībz an^{is} 3l. Hervyes Croft' 1l. 13s. 4d. Lye Wodde et Godfryd' Hey 4l. 10s. Sullyon Hylle cu' p'to adjac' 1l. 10s. Pykefelde 1l. 6s. 8d. Walke Mylfelde cu' p'to 4l. Blake Croft' eu' Erles Medowe 1l. Pkefeld 16s. 8d. Quakenhurst 16s. 8d. Arowmore 16s. 8d. Jerico Magna 10s. Olde Closse 8s. Walters Heye 12s. Medowe Closse 1l. Lewenshull 1l. Benefelde 1l. 2s. Shepicrofte 16s. Newgrāg Wodd cu' eto adjac' 10s. Newgrange Felde 1l. Chaunders Sale cu' Blakeston Grenes 1l. 6s. 8d. Ov' Osmersley et Nether Osñsley 4l. Horslesow 1l. Sextry et Farmy Lesowes 4s. Agistamēt. de Schorte Wodde val' coībz an^{is} 6s. 8d. Eysemore 3s. 4d. Brockehull 6s. 8d. Et agistamēt' de Byrchinsale valet coībz annis 4s. Et sic in toto p a^m 33l. 19s. 4d.

Terr' Dñie in Man' de Hewell, in Com' Warr'.

Tynsall Filde valet p estīac' coībz annis 2l. Cloddisley Felde cu' p't' 4l. 6s. 8d. Terdbyge 2l. 15s. Nasshehull 3l. 5s. Closse Felde cu' pomario et hasell' 2l. Cobleyhull 1l. 10s. Oxlesow 2l. Hewell Felde eu' Grova 4l. Et Barbours Lye 1l. In toto 22l. 16s. 8d.

Terbyge, Cobley, et Totūhull, in Com. Warr'; Bentley, Reddiche, Rasehehede, et Scheltewodde, Osñsley, et Sydēhal', in Com' Wigorn'.

Valēt in redd' asīe ibm 0l. 12s. 4d.

Et in redd' ten' ad vol' dñi in com' Wigor' et Warr'	64l. 16s. 4d.
Et in redd' ten' scđm cons' mañii in villa de Cobley	6l. 10s. 0d.
Et de villat' de Totūhull, Terdbige, et Curlane	9l. 13s. 7d.
Et de villat' de Bentley, in com' Wigor'	11l. 2s. 6d.
Et de vill' de Reddedyche, in eod' com'	17l. 11s. 10d.
Et de redd' ten' in Raschehede ppe Wyche	0l. 5s. 0d.
Et de firm' grang' voc' Scheltewodde ad tmin' añor'	5l. 16s. 8d.
dimiss'	5l. 19s. 0d.
Et de firm' grang' voc' Osñsley	5l. 19s. 0d.
Et de firm' mañii sive grang' vocat' Sydenhale p a ^m	6l. 4s. 0d.
Et fin' ñiett' rel' ext ^a hur' et al' pq's' cur' coibz annis	3l. 6s. 8d.
In toto	131l. 17s. 11d.
Allocac'.	
Inde alloc' in feod' Henrici Pety balli et coll' redd' p̃dict'	1l. 6s. 8d.
Iñm in quadm porcōe solut' rectori poch' de Alne-churche exeunt' de grang' de Osñsley coibz annis	2l. 6s. 8d.
Et sic reman' de clar' p a ^m	128l. 4s. 7d.
Mañiu' sive Grang' de Bydford Barton, in Com' Warr'; Bynton, eum molend', in Com' Wigorn'.	
Valet in firm' terr' dñie' iñm in man' pp's occupat' p estiac'	8l. 2s. 8d.
In redd' custum' ten' et ad volunt' dñi iñm	8l. 13s. 4d.
Iñm in firm' terr' dñical' apud Bynton	3l. 0s. 0d.
Iñm in firm' terr' dñie' apud pōtē iñm	0l. 16s. 8d.
Et de firm' molend' apud Bydford	5l. 13s. 4d.
Et in finibz ñiett' relev' extrahur' et añe' cur' iñm coibz annis	0l. 16s. 8d.
In toto	27l. 2s. 8d.
Inde in reddit' resolut' Johi Grevyle dño de Mylcote et hered' suis p a ^m	0l. 5s. 0d.
Iñm dño abbat' de Kenelworthe et suce' suis p pene' exeunt' de Bydford p a ^m	3l. 0s. 0d.
Iñm in feod' Thome Harison balli ac coll' redd' p̃dict'	1l. 6s. 8d.
Et sic reman' clar'	22l. 11s. 0d.
Mañiu' sive Grang' de Stretton sup' Fosse, in Com' Wigorn'.	
Valet in firm' terr' dñical' iñm p a ^m	2l. 16d. 0d.
In redd' ten' ad volunt' dñi	4l. 8s. 4d.
In finibz ñiett', relev', et aliis pquis' cur' iñm coibz añis	0l. 3s. 4d.
In toto	7l. 7s. 8d.
Inde in reddit' resolut' Johi Hubowde armiño dño de Ippesley et hæred' suis	0l. 10s. 0d.
Et in feodo Riçi Bate balli et coll' redd' iñm	0l. 6s. 8d.
Et sic reman' clar'	6l. 11s. 0d.
Mañiu' sive Grang' de Oxschulfe, in Com' Warr'.	
Valet in reddit' assie	0l. 1s. 0d.
In firma terr' dñie'	2l. 11s. 0d.
In redd' ten' ad volunt' dñi	4l. 19s. 4d.
In pquis' cur' coibz annis	0l. 4s. 3d.
In toto	7l. 15s. 7d.
Inde in reddit' resol' p'ori de Sene et succ' suis p a ^m	0l. 10s. 0d.
Iñm ducat' Lancastr' p a ^m	0l. 1s. 0d.
Et in feod' Thomæ Warde balli et coll' redd' p̃dict'	0l. 6s. 8d.
Et sic rem' clar'	6l. 17s. 11d.
Mañiu' sive Grang' de Holewey, in Com' Wigorn'.	
Valet in firma terr' dñical' iñm p a ^m	52l. 2s. 8d.
In finibz relev' ext ^a hur' ac al' pquis' cur' coibz annis	0l. 6s. 8d.
In toto p a ^m	52l. 9s. 4d.
Inde in redd' resolut' rectori de Hanbury et succ' suis noie pene' p a ^m	1l. 0s. 0d.

Iñm rectori de Fladbury p pore' sua p a ^m	0l. 1s. 0d.
Et in feodo Robti Huntte balli et coll' r' iñm p a ^m	1l. 6s. 8d.
Et sic reman' de clar' p a ^m	50l. 1s. 8d.
Mañiu' de Ulnall Henley cu' Densceyes Yende, in Com' Warr'.	
Valet in redd' assie iñm	0l. 9s. 7½d.
In firma terr' dñical' iñm	3l. 2s. 2d.
In fin' ñiett', relev', et aliis pquis' cur' iñm coibz annis	0l. 1s. 8d.
Et sic in toto p a ^m	3l. 13s. 5½d.
Mañiu' sive Gräg' de Houndeffelde cu' Nortona, in Com' Wigorn'.	
Valet in redd' assie	0l. 1s. 5d.
In reddit' terr' dñie' iñm ad firmā dimiss'	10l. 0s. 8d.
In finibz relev' ac aliis pquis' cur' coibz annis	0l. 2s. 4d.
In toto	10l. 4s. 5d.
Inde alloc' in porcōe p'ori ecclie cath' Wigor' p a ^m	0l. 4s. 0d.
Et in feod' Willi Gilbert balli et coll' redd' p̃dict'	0l. 7s. 6d.
Et sic' reman' de clar' p a ^m	9l. 12s. 11d.
Mañia de Song', Kyngeton, et Bureley, in Com' Warr'.	
Valet in terris dñie' ptin' grang' de Song'	5l. 8s. 4d.
In redd' terr' dñical' grang' de Kyngton ptin'	5l. 6s. 8d.
Et in redd' terr' dñie' ptin' grang' de Bureley	3l. 0s. 0d.
In toto	13l. 15s. 0d.
Inde in redd' resolut' com' Warr' m° in man' dñi R' exist'	0l. 2s. 1d.
Iñm colleg' Jñu Cristi in Cambrige p a ^m	0l. 13s. 4d.
Iñm rectori de Claŵdon p pore' sua p a ^m	0l. 6s. 8d.
Et sic reman' clar' p a ^m	12l. 12s. 11d.
Firm' de Berford et Lee, in Com' Warr'.	
Valet in terr' dñie' iñm ad firma dimiss'	1l. 18s. 8d.
Et de redd' assie in Warr' p a ^m	0l. 12s. 0d.
In toto	2l. 10s. 8d.
Inde in redd' resol' colleg' de Warwyke	0l. 13s. 4d.
Et sic rem' clar'	1l. 17s. 4d.
Feckynham et Astwodd, in Com' Wigorn'.	
In reddit' tenene' de Feckynham et Astewodde, in com' Wigorn'	1l. 19s. 0d.
Stodley, Ippysley, et Ouresley, in Com' Warr'.	
In redd' ass' in Studley	0l. 3s. 0d.
In redd' ass' in Ippysley	0l. 2s. 0d.
In redd' assie in Ouresley	0l. 5s. 0d.
In toto	0l. 10s. 0d.
Elemosia Regia.	
An ^{ti} solut' abbat' monastii p̃dci p man' vie' Warr' et in comp̃to suo apud Westm' eidm alloc'	0l. 12s. 6d.
Weddisbury.	
Et de redd' molend' aq ^a tici de Weddisbury in com' Staff' p a ^m	1l. 8s. 0d.
Comba Grang' et Welneford, in Com' Glouc'.	
Et de reddit' terr' dñie, diet' grang' ptin' in man' dñi existen' p a ^m	20l. 0s. 0d.
Iñm in terris dñie' in Welneford	0l. 4s. 0d.
In toto	20l. 4s. 0d.
Molend' de Hethey cu' Ten' in Chadsley.	
Valet p a ^m	3l. 0s. 0d.
Et de redd' uni ^s teñti in Chaddisley, in com' Wigorn'	0l. 16s. 0d.
In toto p a ^m	3l. 16s. 0d.
Beley, in Com' p̃d'.	
In redd' assie in Beley	0l. 0s. 4d.
In terr' dñie' iñm	0l. 12s. 0d.
In toto	0l. 12s. 4d.
Wigorn' et Areley.	
In redd' assie in ci ^{te} Wigorn' p a ^m	0l. 2s. 6d.

In firm' terr' dñic' apud Areley in com' Wigorn'	1l. 11s. 0d.
In toto p a ^m	1l. 13s. 6d.
Wyke jux ^a Psehor'.	
In reddit' uni ^s teñt' iñm ad firma' dimiss' p a ^m	0l. 4s. 0d.
Droyte Wyehe, in Com' Wigorn'.	
Valet in firma terr' dñical'	2l. 3s. 8d.
Iñm in pfieuis salis pven' in eadm villa p estīae' eoīs annis	4l. 8s. 0d.
In toto	6l. 11s. 8d.
Inde alloc' p focale et lign' empt' ad faciend' sale' p̄diet'	1l. 8s. 0d.
Iñm in feod' Robti Bedell balli et coll' reddit' p̄diet'	0l. 13s. 4d.
Et sic reman' de elar' p a ^m	4l. 10s. 4d.
Vendic' Boseor'.	
Et in vendic' boscor' et silvar' in oñibz locis p estīae' eoībz annis	13l. 6s. 8d.
Sñ ^a valor oñi' pfie' temporalīu'	347l. 15s. 1½d.
Sequit' de Spual' p̄dco Monastio ptin'.	
Rectoria de Terdebigge mon' p̄dco appriat'.	
Valet in decimis garbar' et feni ae aliis pfieuis p̄d' rectorie ptin' eoībz annis	5l. 6s. 8d.
Inde alloc' in peurae' Wigorn' eoībz an ^{is}	0l. 17s. 9¼d.
Et arehīaeon' Wigorn' tempore visitaōis sui eoībz an ^{is}	0l. 7s. 5½d.
Et sic reman' elar' p a ^m	4l. 1s. 5¼d.
Rector' de Wykewan, in Com' Gloue', monastio p̄d' appiat'.	
Valet in decimis garbar' et feni et aliis pfieuis eoībz annis	24l. 5s. 9¼d.
Inde alloc' in peuraeōibz epō Wigorn' eoībz annis	0l. 17s. 9¼d.
Iñm in porcōe solut' vicario iñm ut p̄z p eompos' p a ^m	3l. 0s. 0d.
Et eidm vicario ut p̄eio uni ^s q̄r̄tū f̄ri et uni ^s q̄r̄tū siligis p a ^m	0l. 8s. 0d.
Et sic reman' elar' p a ^m	20l. 0s. 0d.
Rector' de Kynvar mon' p̄d' appiat'.	
Valet in decimis garbar' et feni ae al' pfieuis eoībz annis	28l. 4s. 1d.
Inde alloc' in reddit' resol' dño epō Coventr' et Lich' p a ^m	0l. 6s. 8d.
Iñm in peur' p̄d' epō eoībz annis	0l. 1s. 0d.
Iñm in redd' resol' p̄ori Covētr' et suce' suis	0l. 6s. 8d.
Iñm deeano et capitlō Lich'	0l. 6s. 8d.
Iñm arehidiae' in visitae' sua p a ^m	0l. 16s. 5d.
Et sic reman' de elar' p a ^m	25l. 6s. 8d.
Capella S̄ci Step̄ni.	
Valet in oblaōe ex devoōe Xpi fideliu' in capella p̄d' eoībz annis	0l. 4s. 0d.
Capella B̄te Marie monastio p̄d' annex'.	
Valet in libro compōi Pasch' eoībz an ^{is}	0l. 7s. 6d.
Et in oblae' Xpi fidel' imaginibz in dca capella et eruei ext ^a porta' mon' p̄d' eoībz annis	0l. 0s. 6d.
In toto	0l. 8s. 0d.
Sñ ^a oñi' pfie' spualiu'	50l. 0s. 1¼d.
Sñ ^a valor' tam oñi' temporal' q ^a m spualiu' p̄dco monastio ptin' p a ^m	397l. 15s. 2¾d.
Alloc' Feod', eu' Elemos' et Obit'.	
Inde alloc' in feodo Gilbti Talbott milit' capital' sen ^{li} in com' Wigorn' p a ^m	2l. 0s. 0d.
In feod' Georgii Throkinton milit' capitlis sen ^{li} in com' Warr'	1l. 6s. 8d.
In feod' Roği Sparry subsen ^{li} mon' p̄dci	1l. 6s. 8d.
In feod' Riçi Rottessey auditoris iñm	1l. 0s. 0d.
Iñm Robt' Lyttelle p corodio dñi R ^s	2l. 13s. 4d.
In feod' Wilfi Sparry geñalis attorn' mon' p̄dc' in Aula Westm'	0l. 12s. 6d.

Iñm in feod' forēst' dñi R ^s de Feekenham ex consuetud' usitat' p tempus ex quo no' exist' memoria	2l. 0s. 0d.
Iñm in expen' eur' voc' le Swanemēt Co'te ex cons' ut sup ^a	0l. 13s. 4d.
Iñm solut' an ^{ti} in obit' Johis Atwodde ut p̄z compot'	2l. 12s. 0d.
Iñm in obit' Thome Atwodde p composiōem	2l. 12s. 0d.
Iñm in elemosina dat' paupibz in cena Dñi ex antiqua cons' usitat'	0l. 18s. 8d.
In toto	9l. 5s. 4d.
Sñ ^a oñi' alloc'	p̄z supra.
Et sic reman' elar' p ann'	388l. 9s. 10¾d.
Sñ ^a x ^{mar} inde	38l. 17s. 0d.

NUM. VI.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 30 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE BORDESLEY.

Com' Wigorn'	£.	s.	d.
Terdebigge—Liber' reddit'	0	15	6
Streehebentley—Liber' reddit'	0	7	6
Reddyche—Redd' un' mesuag'	0	5	0
Reddyche—Redd' cust' ten', &c.	9	1	7
Chapell—Redd' terr', &c.	1	12	2
Bordesley—Redd' terr', &c.	4	4	8
Totynhill—Firma terr', &c.	8	6	7
Com' Warr'			
Cobley—Firma terr', &c.	7	3	4
Com' Wigorn'			
Streehebentley—Firma terr'.	2	6	6
Terdebigge et Fekenham—Reddit' mesuag'	6	15	4
Streehebentley—Reddit' terr'	0	7	6
Bordesley—Firma molend'	2	6	8
Reddyche—Redd' ten' ad volunt'	0	12	0
Reddyche—Reddit' eustomar' ten', &c.	17	4	8
Reddyche—Firma de le Gatehouse	0	18	0
Totynhill—Redd' ten' ad volunt'	0	0	6
Totynhill—Redd' eustom' ten'	15	0	0
Streehebentley—Redd' ten' ad volunt'	1	11	8
Streehebentley—Redd' eustomar' ten'	13	6	8
Terdebigge—Firma pastur' &c.	1	5	4
Terdebigge—Rectoria	5	6	8
Bordesley—Seitus nuper monasterii, eum terris dominicalibus	9	14	0
Terdebigge—Terr' dominical'	17	7	0
Terdebigge—Terræ dimiss' per indentur'	25	16	4
Hewell—Firma grangiae	6	10	0
Bordesley—Firma grangiae vocat'			
Neugrangehouse	6	10	0
Holwey—Reddit' eustomar' tenen'	4	6	8
Holwey—Firma terr'	26	4	8
Holwey—Firma grangiae	10	10	0
Holwey—Firma pastur' vocat'			
Brokefeld	11	9	0
Bewley—Lib' reddit'	0	0	4
Weddesbury—Lib' reddit'	1	9	5
Frearfeld—Pastura sie vocata	0	12	0
Kyngs Norton—Firma un' mes'	1	1	8
Houndefeld—Firma terr'	1	16	0
Kyngs Norton—Firma maner' voc' Kyngs Suche	4	3	0
Kyngs Norton—Firma de Norton Grange	2	6	8
Com' Warr'			
Raggeley in Barton—Lib' reddit'	0	1	6
Bydford—Reddit' cotag'	1	8	8
Bydford—Reddit' eustom' ten'	7	10	6
Bydford—Firma mesuag' voc'			
Drapers	0	6	8
Bydford—Firma piscar'	0	16	8

Com' Warr'	£	s.	d.	Com' War'	£	s.	d.
Bydford—Firma trium molend'	8	13	4	Bynton—Firma maner' sive grangiæ .	3	0	0
Bydford—Firma grangiæ .	8	2	8	Warr' Villa—Lib' reddit'	1	5	4
Bynton—Firma maner' sive grangiæ .	3	0	0	Studley—Lib' reddit'	0	3	0
Bydford—Firma decimarum .	3	0	0	Ipesley—Lib' reddit'	0	2	0
Osmersley—Lib' reddit'	0	5	0	Com' Wigorn'			
Oxshulff—Lib' reddit'	0	2	0	Wigorn'—Lib' reddit'	0	2	6
Osmersley—Redd' custum' ten'	8	14	0	Fekenham—Lib' reddit'	0	1	0
Osmersley—Firma grang', &c.	2	5	0	Bereford—Redd' terr', &c.	1	3	8
Oxshulff—Firma maner' sive grangiæ .	2	10	0	Fekenham—Redd' capell' s̄ci Steph̄i	0	3	4
Sheltwod—Firma maner' sive grangiæ .	6	6	8	Wyke juxta Pershore—Redd' cotag'	0	4	0
Sydnall—Firma maner', &c.	6	4	4	Astewode et Fekenham—Redd' mesuag', &c.	1	2	8
Stretton super le Fosse—Firma maner' sive grangiæ .	2	16	0	Home—Redd' pastur'	0	12	0
Stretton super le Fosse—Firma terr', &c.	4	8	4	Chadesley—Firma terr'	0	16	0
Ownall—Reddit' assis' sive lib' redd'	0	1	0	Kyngs Arley—Firma mesuag'	1	11	0
Henley—Lib' reddit'	0	0	7 ob'	Chadesley—Firma mol' aquat'	3	0	0
Densons—Lib' reddit'	0	1	0	Bordesley—Elemosina regis .	0	12	6
Ownall—Reddit' tenen' ad volunt'	3	4	4	Droytwich—Reddit'	0	8	0
Songur—Firma maner' sive grangiæ .	5	8	4	Droytwich—Redd' custum' ten'	1	12	8
Claverdon—Firma maner' sive grangiæ de Kyngton .	5	6	8	Droytwich—Reddit' salis .	4	11	0
				Com' Glouc'			
				Combe—Firma grangiæ .	20	0	0
				Chylds Wickwan—Rectoria .	20	0	0
				Com' Staff'			
				Kynvare—Rectoria .	22	0	0

Abbey of Louth Park, or De Parco Lude, in Lincolnshire.



HE annals of Peterborough place the foundation of this abbey in the year 1139. From a manuscript relating to the history of Fountains abbey in Yorkshire, quoted by Dugdale from the Arundel library, it appears that Alexander bishop of Lincoln was the founder. He is said to have built this abbey in the park near Louth, for Cistercian monks, whom he had at first brought from Fountains to Haverholm.^a

This, as well as most of the Cistercian monasteries, was dedicated to the Virgin Mary. Tanner says that in the time of King Henry the Third herein were no fewer than sixty-six monks, and one hundred and fifty conversi; whereas about the time of the Suppression here were not above twelve religious.^b The original endowment of this abbey, with the names and gifts of various subsequent benefactors, will be found in the confirmation charter of King Henry the Third, dated in the eighth year of his reign.^c

^a Compare the Append. Num. I.
^b Tann. Notit. Monast. Linc. L.
^c Sec the Append. of Instr. Num. I.
^d Gervas. Holles's Collections, MS. Lansd. 207 C. p. 156.
^e Ibid. MS. Lansd. 207 E. p. 183.
^f Ibid. p. 219.
^g Cart. antiq. Harl. 44 H. 48.
^h MS. Donat. Brit. Mus. 6118, p. 778.
ⁱ Holles's Collections, MS. Lansd. 207 C. p. 353.
^j Sec the Valor Eccl. Num. III.
^k Dioc. Linc. Temp. "Abbas de Parco Lude habet in Decanatus, Hornece et Hille, 2l. 0s. 0d.; Calswath, 21l. 19s. 10d.; Grymesby, 21l. 19s. 10d.; Wraghorn, 14l. 0s. 0d.; Waliscroft, 2l. 10s. 0d.; Luthesk et Luthcberg, 158l. 9s. 1d.; Aslakhou, 0l. 16s. 0d.; Coryngham, 7l. 10s. 0d.; Manlak, 17l. 4s. 6d.
"Summa 246l. 9s. 3d.

ABBATS of LOUTH PARK.


GERVASE was the first abbat.^d
RALPH occurs abbat in 1156, 2 Hen. II.^e
JOHN occurs apparently before A.D. 1200.^f
WARIN.^g
RICHARD.^h
BERNARD.ⁱ Another
RICHARD occurs in 1235.^k
WILLIAM occurs in 1236.^l
RICHARD DE LINCOLN occurs A.D. 1355.^m
GEORGE WALKER occurs in the 26th Hen. VIII.ⁿ

The temporalities of Louth park abbey in the diocese of Lincoln, in 1291, appear to have amounted to the annual sum of 246l. 9s. 3d.; beside 20s. a year in the diocese of Coventry and Lichfield.^o
In the 26th Hen. VIII. the gross value of the revenues of this House amounted to 169l. 5s. 6½d.; the net income to 147l. 14s. 6d. per annum.
The first grant of the site of this abbey is unnoticed by Tanner; it was made in the 28th of Hen VIIIth to Sir Thomas Brughe Lord Brughe.^p
No REGISTER of Louth park abbey is at present known: Tanner's and a few other references to records and papers belonging to it will be found below.^q

Dioc. Coventr. et Lich. Temp. "Abbas de Parco Lude habet apud Byrleg in terris, redditibus, et bonis valorein viginti solid. sterling. per annum." Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 67 b. 264 b.
^r The original grant is preserved in the British Museum, Cart. antiq. Harl. 43 F. 35. "Carta Henrici VIII. Regis Thomæ Brughe militi Domino Brughe concessa de Domo et Scitu Abbathiæ sive Monasterii de Louth Park in com. Linc. T. R. apud Westm. 2 Julii anno regni xxviii." Cum. Sig. priv.
^s Tanner says, Vide Annales Cœnobii de Parcolude ad A.D. 1349. MS. in archivis Civitatis Norwic. quorum apographum forsan in bibl. Bodl. e museo autoris.
^t Rot. Cart. 37 Hen. III. m. 11.
^u Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 35 dorso, de ten. in villa S. Botulphi. Pat. 4 Edw. I. m. 27, de ten in Winn. Plac. apud Lincoln. 9 Edw. I. assis. rot. 6. et 52. de terris in Fuleston, quo war. rot. 6. Pat. 20 Edw. I. m. .

The COMMON SEAL of this abbey has been recently engraved in Mr. Carlisle's History of Grammar Schools, vol. i. p. 832.

Appendant to the Harleian charter, 44 H. 49. is a small oval seal, with the figure of an abbat in the area, a

crozier in his right hand and a book in his left, and this inscription round:  SIGILLVM ABBATIS DE PARCO LVDE.

Among Buck's Views, A.D. 1726, is one of the then existing ruins of the abbey of Louth park.

Parco Lude Abbatia (vulgariter Louth Park nuncupata) in agro Lincolnensi,^a fundata anno MCCCXIX.

NUM. I.

[Ex codice MS. de origine Fontanensis cœnobii in Biblioth. Arundel. fol. 8. b.]

EODEM tempore (scilicet anno quinto foundationis monasterii de Fontibus) Alexander bonæ memoriæ Lincolnensis episcopus locum quendam Haverholme nomine, ad abbatiam ordinis nostri construendam in manus ejusdem abbatis de Fontibus consignavit.

Suscipit abbas offerentium munus, et de Dei præsumens adjutorio, missis fratribus ad utrumque locum ædificia construxit, erigit officinas. Anno septimo foundationis domus de Fontibus, rebus pro tempore convenienter dispositis, una die 4. scil. Non. Febr. emissi sunt duo monachorum conventus, alter sub abbate Roberto de Snella, ad monasterium de Kirkested, alter apud Haverholme sub abbate Gervasio, et hi ambo de primis patribus erant, qui de cœnobio Eboracensi egressi in sudore vultus sui, hanc vineam plantaverunt. Displicuit fratribus qui apud Haverholme missi fuerant sedes habitationis suæ, et commutatione facta, locum alterum quem Parcum-Lude nominant, de manu episc. receperunt; cecidit semen in terram bonam, et surrexit in messem copiosam, et facti sunt in gentem magnam.

NUM. II.

Carta Regis Henrici tertii, donatorum concessionem recitans et confirmans.

[Cart. 10 E. III. n. 17. per Inspex. Et ibid. num. 13.]

H. REX Angliæ et dux Norm. et Aquitanniæ et comes Andeg. archiepiscopus, &c. Sciatis me concessisse et præsentem cartam confirmasse Deo et S. Mariæ et monachis de Parco Lude tam præsentibus quam futuris ibidem Deo servientibus pro amore Dei et salute animæ meæ, et omnium parentum meorum, et reginæ, et pro statu regni mei, donationem illam quam Alexander Lincolnensis episcopus fecit Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ et monachis ejusdem loci; scilicet parcum in quo ipse Alexander episcopus ecclesiam et abbatiam fundavit, et terras quas ipse eis dedit et carta sua confirmavit. Præterea confirmo eis loca omnia in quibus grangiæ eorum fundatæ sunt, et omnes terras et pasturas eidem abbatia et grangiis eorum pertinentes. Scilicet ex dono Ranulfi comitis Cestriæ terras et pasturas quas dedit eis in Tetteneia cum cæteris adjacentiis in aquis et salinis, in mariscis, in pratis. Et illas quas Willielmus de Fristona, et Hugo de Scotenio, et Lambertus filius ejusdem

Hugonis, et Berta uxor ejus, et Robertus de Pormota, et Eustachius filius Willielmi dederunt eis in campis de Corintuna tam de terra bruscosa quam de terra arabili. Et illas quas Rogerus filius Goscelini, et Johannes filius Mengi eis dederunt in campis de Alvingham; et terram bruscosam quam idem Rogerus prænominatus dedit eis in campis de Corintuna, et quas Hamelinus Croc dedit eis in campis de Jerburg, et quas Turstinus et Gillebertus, et Ranulfus filii ejusdem Turstini eis dederunt in campis de Bracheberga, et quas Anfridus et Osbertus nepos ejus, et Rob. filius Gilleberti eis dederunt in campis de Lecheburna, et quas Tuoldus de Mannebi et Alanus filius ejus, et Robertus del Mareis dederunt eis in campis de Grimolby; et quas Ranulfus de Bajocis, et Hugo et Alanus filii ejus, et Margareta mater eorum eis dederunt in campis de Bruerne de Kelesterna; et quas Albreda de Tohem et Walterus filius Aluderi, et Simon et Robertus filii ejus dederunt eis in campis de Bunnebroc, et quas Robertus filius Fulconis, et Robertus filius ejus, et Alexander de Achethorp eis dederunt in campis et brueris de Elchinton, et quas Gillebertus de Ormesbia dedit eis in campis et in brueris de Ormesby. Et quas Walterus de Hamby, et Radulfus de Wyn dederunt eis in campis de Win et de Ormesby, et quas Johannes Obburvilla dedit eis in campis de Catheby, et quas Eudo de Greinesby et Radulfus filius ejus et Ivo de Scrubby dederunt eis in campis de Aby et Scrubby. Et quas Alanus de Breme et Muriel uxor ejus, et Willielmus filius Simonis, gener prædicti Alani, dederunt eis in campis de Wodetorpe de terra bruscosa: et quas Willielmus filius Walteri de Wella, et Robertus filius Simonis de Drieby et Ricardus filius Aluredi de Haringtone dederunt eis juxta grangiam eorum de Aby de terra bruscosa, et terram bruscosam quam Vicius de Beseby dedit eis in campis de Beseby, et quas Rogerus de Lascells, et Picotus filius ejus, et Robertus Walbert, et Osbertus filius ejus, et Willielmus filius Osberti dederunt eis in campis de Fuglostowa; et quas Joscelinus de Bleseby, et Willielmus filius ejus, et Alexander gener illius, et Willielmus filius Alexandri, et Remerus de Houtunia dederunt eis in campis de Bleseby tam in bosco quam in plano. Et quas Robertus de Barra dedit eis in campis de Thirintona, et quas Gillebertus filius Hereberti, et Gillbertus filius Jocelini, et Radulfus frater ejus, et Giffardus et Paganus filii ejus dederunt eis in campis de Lissintona, et quas Robertus de Nevilla, et Hubertus de Malmetone dederunt eis in cam-

"Cart. 8 Edw. II. n. 26, 27, 28, 29, 31. Pat. 8 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 15. Rec. in Scacc. 16 Edw. II. Mich. rot. 4. Pat. 15 Edw. II. p. 3. m. de ten. in Luda.

"Plac. in com. Derb. 4 Edw. III. quo war. rot. 19. Cart. 10 Edw. III. n. 13. Pat. 11 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 26, pro imparcatione exl. acr. pastur. et terræ in Fuleston; et xxx. acr. marisci in Farlesthorp. Pat. 12 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 36 vel. 37. Pat. 15 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 41 vel 42, quod abbas non tenetur reparare calcetum de Flixburgh Ebor. Ibid. p. 3, m. 9, pro commun. pastur. in m. acr. terræ in Cokerington. Esc. Linc. 16 Edw. III. post mortem Eliæ Rabayu. Pat. 19 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 15, de maner. de Cokerington concess. per Hen. le Vavasor cler. Pat. 21 Edw. III. p. 2, m. . Pat. 23 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 7, licent. perquirend. ten. in Salfetby, Kedington, &c. Pat. 32 Edw. III. p. 1. m. 9. Pat. 40 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 41, pro ten. in Cokerington. Rec. in Turre, 41 Edw. III. p. 2, de reparatione calceti in Cokerington, &c.

"Pat. 7 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 3, pro eccl. de Foulestowe approprianda; et m. 19, de taxatione bonorum Abbatia.

"Pat. 10 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 9, pro eccl. de Herpeswell approprianda.

"Rec. in Scacc. 2 Hen. V. Hill. rot. 23, pro terris in East Ravendale."

Compare also the Rotuli Hundredorum, vol. i. pp. 250, 296, 364, 365, 366, 372. Plac. de Quo War. pp. 157, 400, 425, 454.

Among the MSS. Collections of Gervase Holles, MS. Lansd. Brit.

Mus. 207 A. p. 501. is "Carta Roberti de Prendergast abbati et monachis de Parcolude facta de terris in Binbroke et Cokerington."

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office is a record with the following title: "De abbate de Louthe Park, occasionato ad computandum de exitibus unius redditus quinque marcarum exeuntis de grangia abbatis et conventus in Estravendale in com. Lincoln. Pasch. Rec. 3 Hen. V. rot. 23."

The following original instruments relating to this priory are preserved among the Harleian charters in the British Museum.

44 B. 38. Carta Bernardi prioris et fratrum de Burewelle monachis de Parco Lude facta de quatuor acris prati quas habuerunt ex West parte in pratis de Scupeholme prope bercariam eorum.

44 H. 48. Conventio inter Ricardum Abbatem et Conventum de Parco Lude et Will. Priorem et Conventum de Bulington de pasturis in territorio de Hotoft juxta mare, A.D. 1235.

45 H. 19. Confirmatio Johannis Bek fil. Walt. Bek domini de Eresby Deo et eccl. de Parco Ludæ de omn. terris et ten. quæ habent ex dono antecessorum in villis de Ravendale, Neuton, Kedyngton, Foterby, Salfetby, Sciflethaven, Skytbok, Folestowe, et Wargholme A. D. 1294.

An Instrument of the 4th of Elizabeth, relating to lands form belonging to this House in Salfetby leased to Robert Allot, also occurs Cart. antiq. Harl. 75 E. 35.

^a Annal. de Peterburgh. in Bibl. Cottoniana.

pis de Malmetone et quas Gilbertus filius Radulfi et fratres ejus dederunt eis in campis de Ragnaldtorp, et quas Henricus de Messingham et Robertus filius Ricardi dederunt eis in campis de Messingham. Præterea omnia dona præfata ecclesiæ rationabiliter concessa imperpetuum obtinenda cum communiis et libertatibus sicut donatorum cartæ testantur eidem ecclesiæ in perpetuam elemosinam confirmo et corroboro. Quare volo, &c. Dat. per manum nostram apud Westmonasterium xxiiij. die Januarii anno regni nostri octavo.^a

NUM. III.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits' Office.]

ABBATHIA SIVE MONASTERIUM DE LOUTH PARKE.

Declaracō sive Valor oīni Dñior', Mañior', Terr', Ten', et aliaru' Possessionu' Tempaliu', anno regni dñi nři reg^s Henrici octavi, et in terra suprem' capit' Anglicane ecclie, vicesimo sexto, tempore dompni Georgii Walkere adtūc abbis.

Terr' Dñical'.

Predict' abbas et convent' hient' terr' dñical' infra p̄inctu' monasterii 116 acr' pastur' spinos et yemal' tempore aqua dulsa subm̄s 3l. 17s. 4d. 58 acr' di' cons' pastur' in Soimcotts, Cokeryngton, et Saltfletby 2l. 18s. 6d. 162 acr' di' p̄ti jac' in diṽs' loc', viz. in Howdailes, Saltfletby engys, Soimcotts, Conyngholme, Melom, Austen fen et alabi 6l. 1s. 8d. 103 acr' terr' arrabil' 3l. 8s. 8d. ac 104 acr' terr' arr' in Lamcrofte 1l. 8s. 8d. 100 acr' pastur' ibm pasturat' cu' biden' 4l. Et ecia' 4 acr' bosci prostrat' ant^u infra p̄inctu' monasterii ad usu' abathie p̄dict' 4l. 13s. 4d. Quæ valent inter se p̄ estimacōem coibz annis . 26l. 0s. 2d.

Terr' Temporal'.

Redd' et Firm' in diṽs' Villat'.

Predict' abbas et convent' hient terr' temporal' in man' q̄amp̄rimor' ten', redd' ass', et firm', viz. in Abye 11l. 1s. Collowe 10l. Cokryngton 8l. 3s. 4d. Tetnay 6l. 13s. 4d. Southhowse 3l. 6s. 8d. Grymylby 8l. Saltfletby, 5l. Manby, 1l. Skydbroke 10s. 6d. Thedyllthorp 4s. Fulstowe 9l. Garnethorpe 2l. Wartholme 4l. Marschappell 7l. 12s. Kedyngton 6l. 5s. Brynkyll 2l. Alvyng^hm 2l. Yerburch 5s. Fotherbye 6s. 8d. Louth 2l. 10d. Ruklande 1s. 2d. Tathwell 1s. Howtofte 6l. Thurylby, et Farlesthorpe 5l. Cūberworthe 1l. Bylsby 8s. Kelstorne 1l. Calsthorpe 5s. Marton 1s. 4d. Normanbye 4s. Randall, 4l. Bynbroke 3s. 4d. Croxby 10s. Waldnewton 2s. Flyxburrowe 1l. Lyssyngton 2s. Swaby 5s. Downa' 2s. Boston 5s. Lincoln 3s. 4d. Et p̄dict' abbas et convent' cons' modo hient in archidiaconat' de Stowe terr' tēporal', viz. in Messyngh^m cu' Houghton 3l. 6s. 8d. Glētworth 9s. Kexby et Stowe 6s. Ac le Haull 6s. 8d. Et de Joñn' Blesby geñros' p̄ redd' ass' in Blesby 1l. 1s. 2½d. Et etia' hient in villa de Byrlaye in com' Derb' 2l. 13s. 4d. Et in Howke in com' Eborac' 2l. Quæ valent inter se

120l. 5s. 4½d.

Sīm^a tempaliu' . . . 146l. 5s. 6½d.

S̄pualia.

Item abbas et convent' hient eccliam de Fulstowe infra dioces' et jurisdictionem ep̄o Lincoln' dicto monasterio appropriat' tam in decimis q̄m aliis pficuis et oblaçōibz ibm p̄ coibz annis . . . 15l. 0s. 0d.

Pdict' abbas et convent' hient eccliam et rectoriam de Harpyswell infra dioces' et jurisdictionem ep̄i p̄dci dicto monasterio appropriat' in oñibz decimis, oblaçōibz, et emolument^s, valorat' p̄ coibz annis . . . 8l. 0s. 0d.

Sīm^a sp̄ualiu' . . . 23l. 0s. 0d.

Sīm^a to^l exit' tam temporaliu' q̄m sp̄ualiu' 169l. 5s. 6½d.

Resolucio Redd'.

D' quibz in redd' resolut' ant^u ep̄o Lincoln' p̄ terr' in campis de Luda, cu' 3s. p̄ tolnet' p̄ composicōem 6s. 1¾d. Dño regi racōie ducat' sui Lancastrii p̄ terris in Howtoft 1l. Ducu Richemond' p̄ terr' in Grymolbye, Manby, Alvyng-

ham, et Saltfletby 4l. 3s. 7d. Abbat' de Burgo p̄ terr' in Messygh^m 1l. 6s. 8d. Joñni Buckton geñros' p̄ terr' in Wartholme 4d. Colegio de Tattarssall p̄ terris in Soimcotts 1s. 2d. Collegio s̄te Marie Magdalene in Oxon' p̄ terris in feod' de Multon 1s. 4½d. Abbati de Jerves p̄ terris in Skupholme 8d. Dño de Bekeryng^s p̄ terris in Colowe 3s. 8d. Joñni Whallay p̄ terr' in Allvyng^hm 1s. 6d. Dño de Fallesthorpe p̄ terris in Fallesthorpe 6d. Georgio Skupholme p̄ terris in Cokryngton 3s. Hered' Henric' Vavysoure p̄ aliis terr' ibm 6s. 8d. Dno de Beysbye p̄ terris ibm 6d. Willmo Skypwythe milit' p̄ terris in Manby 1s. 5d. Et dño Wyllughbye p̄ terris in Fullestowe 3s. Inter se p̄ annu' . . . 8l. 0s. 2½d.

Solucio Feod'.

Et in feod' Joñnis Walkere ball' de Howtofte cu' mēbr' 1l. 6s. 8d. Willmi Burne ball' de Kedyngton cu' membris 1l. 6s. 8d. Et dict' Willmi ballivi de Fullestowe cu' membris 1l. 6s. 8d. Jacobi Walker ballivi de Grymolby cu' membris 1l. Riçi Hall ballivi de Lanicrofte, Kelstorne, et Callesthorpe 1l. 6s. 8d. Et Thome Thompson ball' de Stowe, Kekestby, Messyngh^m, et alabi 13s. 4d. Quæ valent inter se p̄ annu' . . . 7l. 0s. 0d.

Et in feod' Andree Byllesby milit' senⁱ cur' 2l. Et Willmi Cawoode auditor' 13s. 4d. P̄ annu' 2l. 13s. 4d.

Soluçō pro Appropriac' cu' aliis.

Et in deñiis solut' ep̄o Lincoln' p̄ appropriat' et pension' eccliar' predictar', viz. ecclie de Fullestowe 2l. et ecclie de Harpyswell 5s. Decano et capitulo ecclie cathedralis Lincoln' p̄ cōsili appropriacōie 13s. 4d. Archidiacono Linc' p̄ dict' ecclis 10s. Et archidiacono de Stowe p̄ procurac' et sinod' annuat' 9s. 2d. Sīm^a . . . 3l. 17s. 6d.

Sīm^a oīni' soluc' et petiçōnu' p̄dict' . . .

21l. 11s 0½d.

Et rem' . . . 147l. 14s. 5½d.

Inde p̄ x^{ma} . . . 14l. 15s. 5½d.

NUM. IV.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

ABBATHIA DE LOUTHE PARKE.

Com' Linc'	£	s.	d.
Louth Parke—Scitus monasterii cum terris dominicalibus de Loutheparke et Lanicroft . . .	41	18	0
Grymolbye—Reddit' assis' cum reddit' ad voluntatem . . .	23	8	6
Grymolbye—Firma terrarum . . .	0	18	4
Saltfletby—Pastur' voc' Stachecrofte . . .	2	0	0
Skydbroke et Saltflethaven—Terr' et ten' . . .	1	5	8
Cokeryngton—Terr' et ten' . . .	6	3	7
Mellome—Pratum . . .	0	12	0
Grymolby—Firma unius grangie Grymolby—Terr' vocat' Hemmyngcroft . . .	4	6	8
1	6	8	
Saltfletby—Firma terr' . . .	1	9	10
Fullestowe cum Marchchapell—Reddit' assis' . . .	0	14	6
Wraxholme—Reddit' assis' . . .	0	2	7
Garnethorpe—Reddit' assis' . . .	0	1	9 ob'
Somercotes—Reddit' assis' . . .	0	2	2 ob'
Fullestowe—Reddit' ad volunt' . . .	6	17	8
Wraxholme—Reddit' ad volunt' . . .	3	6	8
Garnethorp—Reddit' ad volunt' . . .	0	9	4
Fullestowe—Firma terr' . . .	15	11	9
Garnethorp—Firma terr' . . .	2	19	4
Utterby—Firma terr' . . .	0	2	0
Tetnay—Firma terr' . . .	6	0	0
Croxby cum aliis—Reddit' assis', cum reddit' ad voluntatem et redd' mobil' . . .	5	6	6 ob'
Louth—Firma ten', &c. . .	1	13	6
Thurlbye—Firma ten', &c. . .	4	1	4

^a Vide plura in Pat. 8 E. II. p. 2, m. 15.

Com' Linc'	£	s.	d.	Com' Linc'	£	s.	d.
Cumberworthe—Firma un' ten'	1	0	0	Thirlbye—Grangia vocata Bra-			
Swabye—Firma terr'	0	2	8	kenholme	5	6	8
Kelsterne—Firma maner'	1	0	0	Com' Ebor'			
Calsthorpe—Firma terr'	0	10	0	Hoke—Firma terr'	2	0	0
Croxbywange—Firma grangiæ	1	0	0	Com' Derb'			
Lowthe—Firma un' ten'	1	2	0	Byrley—Firma maner'	2	13	4
Bellisbye—Firma terr'	0	8	0	Com' Linc'			
Boston—Firma un' cotag'	0	5	0	Legborne—Firma mesuag' vocat'			
Colowe—Firma maner'	10	2	10	South House	3	7	10
Flyxburghe—Firma ten'	1	6	8	Est Wandall—Firma grangiæ	4	15	10
Messyngham—Firma ten'	2	2	8	Est Wandall—Firma terr'	0	4	0
Lincoln—Firma un' toft'	0	3	4	Temaye—Firma grangiæ	8	15	4
Glentword—Firma un' claus'	0	9	0	Cowcrofte—Grangia sic vocata	8	6	4
Alvyngham, &c.—Reddit' assis'	5	7	9	Abye—Firma grangiæ	11	1	0
Alvyngham—Firma terr'	0	18	6	Fulstowe—Rectoria	15	1	0
Fotherbye—Firma terr'	0	11	0	Louth Parke—Firma terrarum			
Kedyngton—Firma terr', &c.	7	14	0	dominicalium	9	10	8
Kedyngton—Firma maner'	3	6	8	Humberston—Rectoria	13	6	8
Alvyngham—Un' molend' aquat'	4	0	0	Howton—Rectoria	2	3	4
Howtofte—Grangia	8	0	0	Wathe—Rectoria	0	6	8

Abbey of Kirksted, in Lincolnshire.



IRKSTED Abbey was founded by Hugh Brito, son of Eudo, lord of Tateshale, in 1139, to the honor of the Virgin Mary. The Cottonian Manuscript Tiberius C. VIII. represents its site, upon a plain hemmed in with brambles and marshes, to have received its name of Kirksted prophetically, as the place of a church, before an abbey was constructed there. The first inhabitants of Kirksted, it appears, were brought from Fountains abbey.^a The foundation charter may be seen in the Appendix of Instruments, Num. III.

William de Dentune conveyed to the monks of Kirksted the wood of Langhage with its appurtenances.^b Robert Fitz Hugh, the son of the founder, was another benefactor. He granted two charters to the monks; one confirming his father's gifts, and the other confirming the donation of William de Dentune.^c Gerard the son of Gerard de Furnivall gave the mill of Wdeus for the support of lights at the masses.^d Gerard de Furnivall is also stated to have confirmed all the donations of Richard de Luvetot and his son William, which said Richard had granted to the monks the hermitage of St. John at Kymbrurth.^e Walter d'Aencourt bestowed certain lands at Chotes upon them, and confirmed two or three grants from other persons of a minor kind.^f John the son of Walter d'Aencourt gave them two carucates of land in the fields of Branztun.^g Philip de Kyma confirmed his father's grant of Medringham.^h Robert de Arci bestowed all the land belonging to Nocketun and Dunestun upon the monks;ⁱ which

places were confirmed to them by Thomas the son of Robert de Arci;^k who also remitted half a mark which the monks had been accustomed to pay to him by way of acknowledgment.^l

The monks of Begar yielded up to those of Kirksted a grange at Gaiton, given to them by Alan earl of Bretagne;^m for which Earl Conan gave to the latter other lands at Gaiton, as appears by his deed.ⁿ Ralph Fitz Gilbert conferred on this monastery all his land of Scamtun,^o confirmed by Gilbert, earl of Lincoln.^p Richard de Builli gave land at Kymberwrth, for the reception of two houses and an orchard; and for four forges, two for founding, and two for the working of iron, with liberty to dig coal throughout the territory of that village for two fires, and wood in the forest there for four fires.^q Guarin, the son of Gerold, allowed the monks to dig stone in his quarries for their own use throughout his lordship of Wassenbrock.^r

These are the greater benefactions to Kirksted. The value of the temporalities of this house in 1291, is stated to have amounted to 369*l.* 3*s.* 9*d.*^s In the 26th Hen. VIII. the value appears to have been lessened, the clear revenue then amounting to no more than 286*l.* 2*s.* 7½*d.*^t

ABBATS of KIRKSTED.

ROBERT DE SUTHOLME, or SUUELL, was the first abbat.^u

GEOFFREY is mentioned as abbat in an instrument of the year 1154.^x

WALTER occurs A.D. 1161.^y The Holles Collections speak of him as the second abbat.^z

RICHARD occurs in the 9th Ric. I.^a

THOMAS occurs in the 4th Joh.^b

WILLIAM in the 10th and 12th Joh.^c

HENRY in the 15th Joh.^d and the same or another HENRY in 1221,^e and again in 1228.^f

^a See the Appendix of Instruments, Numm. I. II.
^b Compare Num. IV. ^c Numm. V. VI.
^d Num. VII. ^e Numm. VIII. IX.
^f Num. X. ^g Num. XI. ^h Num. XII.
ⁱ Num. XIII. ^k Num. XIV.
^l Num. XV. ^m Num. XVI. ⁿ Num. XVII.
^o Num. XVIII. ^p Num. XIX.
^q Num. XX. ^r Num. XXI.
^s The following are the entries:
Temp. "Dioe. Lond. Bona in parochiis S. Andreæ Holbourn, 0*l.* 7*s.* 3*d.*; S. Botulphi Altherisgat, 3*l.* 14*s.* 3*d.*; S. Nicholai ad Maseell. 0*l.* 15*s.* 0*d.*
Summa 4*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.*
"Dioe. Linc. in Decanat. Lincoln. 4*l.* 10*s.* 2*d.*; Grafhou, 5*l.* 9*s.* 0*d.*; Lovendon, 0*l.* 16*s.* 0*d.*; Horneastr. et Hille, 155*l.* 18*s.* 5½*d.*; Bolyngbrok,

1*l.* 6*s.* 0*d.*; Candeleshou, 1*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.*; Calswath, 3*l.* 9*s.* 2½*d.*; Wraghou, 39*l.* 2*s.* 3*d.*; Langhou et Boby, 55*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.*; Hoyland, 19*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.*; Luthesk et Lutheburgh, 21*l.* 13*s.* 2*d.*; Lafford, 0*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.*; Gayrtre, 4*l.* 7*s.* 7*d.*; Laurys, 22*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Item sub nomine Prioris de Norwico in Laurys, 10*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
Summa 347*l.* 18*s.* 11*d.*
"Dioe. Ebor. Abbas habet apud Rederam, 16*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.*" See the printed Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. pp. 12, 67 b, 305, 325.
^t See the Valor in the Appendix. to the present Account.
^u Collect. Gervas. Holles, MS. Lansd. Brit. Mus. 207 E. pp. 357, 595.
^x Cart. antiq. Harl. 57 F. 14. ^y MS. Lansd. 207 E. p. 319.
^z Ibid. 207 C. p. 233. ^a Ibid. 207 E. p. 193.
^b Ibid. pp. 127, 194. ^c Ibid. pp. 137, 307.
^d Ibid. p. 309. ^e Ibid. p. 125. ^f Ibid. p. 204.

HUGH occurs in 1240;^a and again in 1243.^b A third HENRY is mentioned in the 33rd Hen. III. A.D. 1249.^c

SIMON in the 34th Hen. III. A.D. 1250.^d

WILLIAM in 1253;^e and again in 1260.^f

JOHN occurs in 1266.^g

SIMON, the second abbot of the name, occurs in an instrument dated in 1278.^h

ROBERT DE WITCAL in the 31st Edw. I.ⁱ and again in the 3rd Edw. II.^k

JOHN DE LUDA occurs in 1331.^l

JOHN DE LINCOLNE in the 12th Edw. III. A.D. 1339.^m

THOMAS was abbat in the 40th Edw. III. A.D. 1367.ⁿ

THOMAS DE NAFFERTON, perhaps the same person with the preceding, occurs in 1372.^o

^a MS. Lansd. 207 E. p. 113.

^b Ibid. p. 126.

^c Ibid. p. 283.

^d Ibid. p. 281.

^e Ibid. p. 284.

^f Ibid. p. 283.

^g Cart. antiq. Harl. 44 F 1.

^h Ibid. 44 F 3.

ⁱ MS. Lansd. 207 E. p. 333.

^k Plac. 3 Edw. II. r. 1. in dorso.

^l MS. Lansd. 207 E. p. 245.

^m Ibid. 207 A. p. 265.

ⁿ Plac. 40 Edw. III. r. 22. in dorso.

^o Cart. antiq. Harl. 44 F. 9.

^p MS. Lansd. 207 a. p. 265. He was presented to the vicarage of Hackthorn, in Lincolnshire, by the prior and convent of Bullington Aug. 23, 1462. MS. Harl. 6952, p. 186.

^q MS. Cole Brit. Mus. vol. xxvi. fol. 209 b.

^r Ibid.

^s He was presented, as abbat, by the prior and convent of Durham to the church of Kirkby super Bayn 24th November that year.

^t This Register is comprised in a folio volume of two hundred and thirty leaves of vellum, and appears to have been presented to the Cottonian library by Christopher Lord Hatton.

The charters in it are arranged under the following heads:

1. Abbatia, fol. 1.
2. Ullesbi, fol. 9 b.
3. Beningworth, fol. 27.
4. Lyndewode, fol. 31.
5. Sepeswas, Branzton, fol. 40.
6. Anehai, fol. 70 b.
7. Gayton, fol. 77.
8. Scamtun, fol. 93.
9. Snelleslund, fol. 107.
10. Handesword, Forgie, Peningseshale, fol. 126.
11. Molendin. Langwad, Wildemon, fol. 139.
12. Stretton, Langeton, Edlyngton, fol. 157.
13. Askeby, fol. 168 b.
14. Scrayng, Wlmerstyg, fol. 177 b.
15. Wyldemore, fol. 192, 206, 223 b.
16. Dunham, fol. 193.
17. Suell, fol. 224 b.
18. Anhayda, fol. 225.
19. Lindewod, fol. 226.
20. Sraing, fol. 227 b.
21. Seampton, fol. 228, 228 b.
22. Hornecastr. Ulseby, fol. 229.

There are beside these heads, various extracts from records relating to the abbey, with several lists of charters, as "Cyrographa perpetua in curia domini regis facta:" "Cartae Refectorii:" "Cartae London." "Confirmationes et libertates regum:" "Cyrographa perpetua:" "Superhabundantia Cartarum:" all, apparently referring to instruments in the abbey treasury.

^u The value of the rents in this manuscript is made to amount to 403l. 12s. 8d. See Tann. Notit. Monast. Line. xlv. Note ^u.

The following are references to charters granted to Kirksted abbey, preserved in the Cottonian and Harleian collections in the British Museum:—

Cart. Antiq. Cotton. v. 42, 61, 76; xii. 7, 34, 52, 53; xxi. 21, 22; xxvii. 62, 129, 191, 192; xxix. 31, 79, 91; Cart. Antiq. Harl. O 5; 43 B 46, 43 B 47; 43 C 17, 43 C 25, 43 C 35; 43 I 2, 43 I 17, 43 I 45; 44 A 10, 44 A 14; 44 E 53, 44 E 54, 44 E 55, 57, 58, 59, 60; 44 F 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10; 44 H. 36, 37; 45 B 5, 28; 45 F 50; 45 H 6, 7, 8, 9, 10; 45 H 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18; 45 I 35, 37; 46 A 2, 4, 11, 33, 34, 36; 46 F 17, 47 F 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48; 47 G 52; 47 H 15; 47 I 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18; 48 C 8, 9, 10; 48 G 40, 41, 42, 43; 48 H 18, 19; 48 I 5; 49 A 1, 2, 43; 49 B 9—19; 49 H 3; 50 A 22, 50 A 43; 50 B 18—21, 42; 50 D 34, 35, 36; 50 E 54; 50 F 32, 48; 50 I 55; 51 B 31, 44; 52 A 35; 52 D 4; 52 E 16; 52 F 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26; 52 G 4; 52 H 8, 41; 52 I 24, 25, 26; 53 C 2; 53 D 4, 5, 6; 53 H 11; 54 B 7, 38; 54 F 23, 29, 39; 54 G 2, 33, 34; 54 H 4; 55 F 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11; 55 G 27, 28; 56 A 11, 19, 44; 56 F 19; 56 H 9—13, 17, 18, 19; 56 I 31; 57 B 7, 19; 57 D 22; 57 E 14; 57 F 14; 58 A 24, 34; 58 B 43, 44, 46; 58 C 2; 58 D 26. Of these, the more important are, 43 C 17, Carta Henrici II. regis de confirmatione, circa A.D. 1160; 43 C 25, another charter of King Henry II. confirming two carucates of land in Gaitun, given by Earl Conan, after 1165; 43 C 35, Carta Galfridi, regis Henrici filii, ducis Brit. et comitis Riehemund, de duabus carucatis terrae in Gaitun. 43 I 2, Carta Johannis Lincolniensis episcopi de ecclesia de Wodehalle, A.D. 1393; 45 H 14, Carta Johannis Bek domini de Eresby de confirmatione; 47 I 8, Carta Stephani fil. Hereberti camerarii regis Scotiæ confirmans donationem Gregorii de terris in Suntorp

VOL. V.

RICHARD WAINFLET occurs in the 12th Hen. VI.^p

RICHARD HERBOTYL occurs A.D. 1467.^q

THOMAS occurs in 1504.^r

JOHN RAWLYNSON occurs abbat in 1510.^s

RICHARD HARYSON was abbat in the 26th Hen. VIII.

In the 30th Hen. VIII. the site of this House was granted to Charles Duke of Suffolk.

A fine REGISTER of Kirksted abbey is preserved among the Cottonian Manuscripts, marked Vespasian E XVIII. It formerly belonged to Christopher Lord Hatton.^t

In the Harleian collection also, Num. 144, is a rental of this abbey of the 29th Hen. VIII. with memoranda of some leases and corrodies granted by the abbat and convent at the end.^u

et Snellesland, cum pastura in Suntorp pro quingentis ovibus per majus centum, A.D. 1159: 48 G 40, Carta Conani ducis Britanniae de ecclesia de Gaituna, cum terris in eadem: 48 G 41, Carta ejusdem de terra de Suthorp: 48 G 42, Carta alia ejusdem de terris in Gaituna: 48 G 43, Carta Conani ducis de toto feudo Hermeri atavi sui, sc. feudum duorum militum in Manafeld: 50 D 36, Carta Ricardi de Forthington de advocacione ecclesiae de Wodehall, A.D. 1340: 53 D 4, Carta domini Philippi Marmiun, de fonte in Mora de Ruttona, cum tenementis suis et conductibus aquae ab eodem fonte tendentibus ad Abbatiam de Kirkested.

Many of these, it should appear from Tanner, were in 1646 in the possession of Montague earl of Lindsey, at Grimesthorp in the county of Lincoln.

Cart. antiq. Mus. Brit. L. F. C. ii. 6. Carta Will. fil. Everardi de terris in Langeton.

The following are Tanner's references:

"*Vide* in Append. ad Registrum Hon. de Richmond, p. 34, 41, de terra apud Gayton in Lindsey: p. 103, cartam Conani ducis Britanniae de terra in Suthorp juxta Gayton: p. 104, aliam cartam ejusdem de terra in Gayton et ecel. ibidem: p. 269, Chirographum inter monachos de Kirksted et homines de Holthaim de tacamento et stagno molendini super Beinam, A.D. 1163; p. 104, Philippi Marmyon donationem fontis in mora de Ructona, cum aquae conductibus ab eodem ad Abbatiam, A.D. 1265.

"In bibl. Bodl. Oxon. MS. Dodsworth, vol. xxx. fol. 12, cartas spectantes ad conventum de Kirksted. Ibid. vol. lv. fol. 129; lxxxix. foll. 47, 48; vol. ev. fol. 23, &c. collectanea ex Registro de Kirksted. Ibid. vol. lxxi. fol. 25, eartam Roberti Marmiun de vi. bovatis terrae in Rueton. vol. lxxvi. fol. 18, cartam originalem Phil. de Marmiun monachis de Kirksted."

"MS. Harl. 60, fol. 15, Taxationem possessionum abbatis in dioc. London, MS. 2044. foll. 87, 105, 156, 158, collectanea e registro et cartis hujus abbatiae. MS. 6748. fol. 1, carta R. Ric. I.

"Computos ballivorum, rentalia, &c. in baga de Berkleys Lond. &c. in inferiori archa tertiae archae in officio nuper Curiae Augment.

"Collectanea e Registro de Kirksted per Fr. Thynne, penes v. cl. Joan. Anstis arm. Garter.

"Fin. div. com. 9 Hen. III. n. 40, de mariseo voc. Wildmore in Cuningsby.

"Rot. fin. in eom. Ebor. 10 Hen. III. n. 182, de commun. pastur. in Kumbreworth. Plac. de banco apud Westm. 14 Hen. III. rot. 16. Plac. apud Cantab. 31 Hen. III. rot. de commun. pastur. in Steynelby, Horneastle, et in La Wildmore. Esson. apud Hertford, 32 Hen. III. pro commun. pastur. in La Wildmore. Cart. 36 Hen. III. m. 9 et 16.

"Pat. 2 Edw. I. m. 3. dorso, de ten. in South Langton. Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 35. dorso, de commun. pastur. in Humbelock; et m. 27. de commun. pastur. in Langton. Plac. apud Linc. 9 Edw. I. quo war. rot. 8. de terris in Thimelby et Cuningsby, et fureis ibidem. Pat. 13 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 25 Edw. I. p. 2. m. . Pat. 27 Edw. I. m. . pro imparcatione bosci de Beltesholm. Pat. 31 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 35 Edw. I. m. .

"Brev. 6 Edw. II. Trin. rot. 6. Pat. 10 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 12. pro ecel. de Covenham approprianda, et ecel. de Thimelby alienanda. Inquis. Lincoln. 16 Edw. II. n. 44. de mariseo de Cuningsby juxta Tatershale, et dominio de Wildmore, commun. herbagii et turbar. in soca de Horneastre, et de vaeearia in Kenesby vocat. Morehouse. Pat. 17 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 18. dorso, de piscaria juxta Horneastle et Canwike. Ibid. m. 25 vel 26, de maner. de Heddingley. Rec. in Seace. 18 Edw. II. Trin. rot. m. 17, de mariseo de Wildmore olim perquisit. a Rudolpho de Rodes.

"Rec. in Seace. 1 Edw. III. Mich. rot. . Pat. 5 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 10 vel 11. Pat. 6 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 2 vel 3. pro duabus partibus manerii de Wodehall. Pat. 14 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . Pat. 43 Edw. III. p. 2, m. . dorso, de pastura in Wildmore. Pat. 44 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 13, pro ten. in Marton, Langton, &c.

"Pat. 15 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 14 et 15, pro terris et ten. in Scampton, Coningsby, et baillio de Lincoln. et p. 2, m. 1. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 27, pro ecel. de Wodehall approprianda.

"Pat. 2 Hen. IV. p. 3, m. 21 et 22, pro ecel. de Wispington approprianda. Pat. 5 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 31.

"Pat. 6 Hen. V. m. 6.

"Pat. 3 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 15."

Compare also the Rot. Hundred. published by the Record Commission, vol. i. p. 250, 299, 300, 301, 302, 312, 317, 319, 365, 372, 378, 379, 390, 398, 400. Plac. de Quo War. pp. 404, 419, 422, 430, Abbrev. Placitorum, pp. 34, 39, 311.

5 O

No COMMON SEAL of this abbey has as yet been discovered; but impressions of the private seals used by several of its abbats are discoverable among the Harleian deeds in the British Museum.

Appendant to a deed which has been already named in the Account of Stanfeld Nunnery, Cart. Antiq. Harl. 44 F. 3, is an impression from the seal of Simon Abbat of Kirksted, A.D. 1278. It is oval, of green wax, and represents

in the area the figure of an abbat, with a crozier in his right hand and a book in his left: inscr. SIGILLVM ABBATIS DE KER . . STEDE.

A View and Plan of Kirksted abbey may be seen in Stukeley's Itin. Cur. pl. xxviii. the east view of it was also engraved by Buck 1726. At present the corner of a building, supposed to have been a tower, is the only remain.

Cartae ad Kirkstedensem Abbatiam in agro Lincolnensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

De prima Fundatione ejusdem.

[MS. in bibl. Cottoniana, sub effigie Tiberii C. viii.]

ANNO Domini millesimo centesimo xxxix. fundatur domus de Kirkestede, sub Christi testimonio et sanctæ et unicæ crucis, et sanctissimæ Dei genetricis Mariæ, et sancti Petri apostolorum principis, et omnium sanctorum, in honore sanctissimæ et perpetuæ Virginis Dei genetricis Mariæ à domino Hugone Britone qui extitit vir nobilis, inter primos illius patriæ primus, natione Brito, dignitate baro, insigni titulo militiæ insignitus, cujus nomen Brito, in Hugonem filium Eudonis, dominum de Tateshale mutatur, à loco horroris et vastæ solitudinis qui sic dicebatur antiquitus, quandam in se planitiem continens, quæ nihilominus fructibus, vepribus, et paluris undique cingebatur, qui ab anno antiquis in futuræ religionis præsagium Kirksted, id est, locus ecclesiæ ab incolis vocabatur. Ipse Hugo Fontes adiit, et advertens in unius gloriosæ perfectionis gloriam apparere humili petitione ex illa felicissima fistella examen, petiit et optinuit, cujus memoria sit in benedictione in æternum et in seculum seculi, ut veri fundatoris et domini capituli cum suis successoribus, videlicet domino Philippo de Tatteshale et Elizabetha uxore ejusdem, et domino Roberto et domina Alicia uxore ejusdem, et domino Roberto milite strenuo.

NUM. II.

De prima Fundatione.

[Ex vetusta membrana penes Peregrinum Willoughby, dominum de Eresby, A.D. 1582.]

ANNO Domini M.CXXXIX. fundator domus de Kirkestede, à domino Hugone Bretonne, qui exstitit vir nobilis inter primos illius patriæ primus, natione Brito, dignitate baro, insigni titulo militiæ insignitus, cujus nomen Brito in Hugonem filium Eudonis domini de Tateshale mutatur; à loco horroris et vastæ solitudinis, qui sic dicebatur antiquitus. Hugo filius Eudonis et Hugo filius Pincionis fuerunt fratres sacri, quorum Hugo filius Eudonis fuit dominus de Tateshale, qui habuit filium et hæredem nomine Robertum filium Hugonis, cui successit Johannes filius ejusdem Roberti et hæres. Iste Johannes habuit fratrem nomine Robertum, et Johannes habuit filium et hæredem nomine Waltherum, cui successit alius Waltherus, filius et hæres primi Walteri, cui successit Robertus filius et hæres ejusdem Walteri.

NUM. III.

Carta Foundationis per Hugonem filium Eudonis.

[Ex Registro de Kirkestede in bibl. Hattoniana, A.D. 1640. Hodie MS. Cotton. Vespas. E. xviii. fol. 2.]

NOTUM sit omnibus fidelibus quod ego Hugo filius Eudonis concessi et dedi Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ, et ordini Cisterciensi, terram ad construendam abbatiam in loco qui dicitur Kirkestede, et eidem abbatiae et monachis in ea Deo servientibus, dedi totum boscum, et mariscum, et moram, scilicet ab Alfstanewat usque ad Witman et Nordbeltesholm Felth, sicut vetus via dividit ab eodem Felth usque ad

Alfstanewat. Dedi etiam eis Eschenape, cum tota mora ab utraque parte quantum pertinet ad feudum meum, et Rifleum, et moram juxta Sincher, scilicet quicquid est inter Holebec et boscum Hugonis filii Pincionis, quantum pertinet ad feudum meum et culturam de Nordcroft, et Eneke; moram et piscariam quæ fuit Godmanni, et eam piscariam quæ est propinquior de subtus Trochholm, et dimidium illius piscariæ quæ est inter has duas piscarias; totum etiam mariscum quod est de feodo meo à piscaria Godmanni usque ad metum Ruct inter altum boscum et Witham. Et sciendum quod hæc omnia concessi eis et dedi in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, cum totis pasturis et communiis totius terræ meæ, in boscis, et planis, et moris, et mariscis, in viis et semitis, ut liberè, et quietè, et honorificè teneant ab omni seculari servicio et consuetudine, et omni exactione, pro salute mea, et uxoris meæ, et omnium hæredum meorum, et pro animabus patris et matris meæ et omnium parentum meorum. Hæc autem donatio facta est coram Alexandro episcopo Lincolnæ, Ricardo abbate de Fontibus, Ricardo incluso, Outi heremita, Alan filio filii Glauci.

NUM. IV.

Carta Willielmi de Dentuna.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Willielmus de Dentuna salutem. Sciatis me concessisse, et dedisse, et hac mea carta confirmasse, Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkestede, et monachis ejusdem loci, in perpetuam elemosinam, totum nemus de Langhage, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in terrâ et mora, sicut idem nemus se extendit ab Alfstanewat usque ad veterem viam quæ dividit Lofhage et Langhage, et ex alia parte dividit Loufhage et Langhage, et illam partem terræ in campis de Kirkebi quæ jacet ab aquilonari parte molendini prædictorum monachorum inter viam et stagnum molendini. Hæc prædicta concessi et dedi prædictis monachis in perpetuam elemosinam ut habeant et teneant ea liberè, et quietè, et honorificè ab omni seculari servicio, et consuetudine, et exactione; et ego warrantizabo ea monachis contra omnes homines. His testibus, Roberto filio Hugonis, et Rogero fratre ejus, Isabella uxore Roberti filii Hugonis, Philippo, et Roberto, et Rogero filiis ejus, Waltero filio Walteri filio Hugonis, Gaufrido capellano.

NUM. V.

Carta Roberti filii Hugonis.

[Ibid. fol. 2 b.]

NOTUM sit omnibus sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis et fidelibus quod ego Robertus filius Hugonis concessi et firmiter confirmavi Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkestede, et monachis ejusdem loci, omnes donationes quas Hugo pater meus dedit eis in elemosinam, scilicet Nortbeltesholm à Fleth usque ad Alstanwat et sicut via departitur, et Rifleum juxta Sinker quantum pertinet ad me et ad feudum meum, et Eschesnap piscariam Godmanni, et dimidiam piscariam de Belfeshelm, et totam piscariam Godrici Wril, et piscariam totam de Trochholm, et totum mariscum inter piscarias, et bruerium de Eineikemor, et culturam de Northcroft, et terram sedis abbatiae quæ vocatur Kirkestede, et terram grangiae

et domorum juxta abbatiam, et totum dimidium domini mei de Strutuna cum decimis ejusdem domini, et dimidium pratum ejusdem domini mei; et insuper culturam de Tirna quam pater meus dedit eis in augmentum in exitu vitæ suæ, et communem pasturam totius terræ meæ: et hoc sciendum est quod concessi eis et dedi decimam ejusdem culturæ quæ vocatur Tirna. Hæc omnia prædicta dedi eis in elemosinam voluntate et concessu fratrum meorum pro anima patris mei et matris meæ, et pro salute fratrum meorum et omnium antecessorum meorum, liberè et quietè ab omni seculari servicio et consuetudine. His testibus, Gaufrido capellano, Roberto presbytero de Martuna, Waltero et Andrea fratribus meis, Roberto filio Symonis.

NUM. VI.

Alia Carta ejusdem Roberti.

[Ibid. fol. 3.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Robertus filius Hugonis salutem. Sciatis me concessisse, et hac mea carta confirmasse, Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkestede, et monachis ejusdem loci, in perpetuam elemosinam, donationem quam Willielmus de Dentun frater meus fecit eis de bosco qui vocatur Langhage cum pertinentiis suis, et de illa parte terræ in campis de Kirkeby quæ jacet ab aquilonari parte molendini prædictorum monachorum, inter viam et stagnum molendini, sicut carta ipsius Willielmi quam monachi de his rebus habent testatur. Præterea concessi et dedi eisdem monachis in augmentum quando receperunt prædictum W. fratrem meum pro prece mea, totam moram quæ est inter ipsum boscum de Langhage et veterem viam quæ vadit à Lochage usque ad Loufhage, et quæ ex una parte dividit inter Langhage et Lochage, et ex alia parte dividit inter Langhage et Loufhage. Et hoc totum feci prædictis monachis pro salute mea, et uxoris meæ, et hæredum meorum, et antecessorum meorum. His testibus, Rogero filio Hugonis, Isabella uxore mea, G. capellano, Petro capellano de Canlouesbi.

NUM. VII.

Carta Girardi filii Girardi de Furnivall.

[Ibid. fol. 130 b.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Girardus filius Girardi de Furnivall salutem. Noveritis me dedisse, et hac præsentis carta mea confirmasse, Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ, et monachis de Kirkestede, pro salute animæ meæ, et uxoris meæ Matildis, et Ricardi, et Willielmi de Luvetot, et patris mei, et matris meæ, et hæredum, ad luminare missarum medietatem molendini de Wdeus, cum omnibus pertinentiis et consuetudinibus quæ ad prædictum molendinum pertinere solent, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam ab omni seculari servicio, et exactione, et auxilio, sicut elemosina liberius teneri potest; et ego et hæredes mei warrantizabimus omnia prædicta contra omnes homines imperpetuum. Hiis testibus, Osmundo abbate, et Theobaldo monacho de Rupe, Henrico priore et conventu de Wirkesop, G. de Furnivall patre meo, magistro Alano de Boles. Roberto de Sumervill, Rogero del Hair, Thoma de Ranevill, Rogero de Lanum, Thoma serviente.

NUM. VIII.

Carta Girardi de Furnivall.

[Ibid. fol. 133 b.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Girardus de Furnivall, maritus Matildis de Luvetot salutem. Sciatis me, per bonam voluntatem prædictæ Matildis uxoris meæ, concessisse, et hac præsentis carta confirmasse, Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ, et monachis de Kirkestede, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, omnes donationes quas Richardus de Luvetot et Willielmus filius ejus fecerunt eis in feodo suo; et præterea donationem Huctredi de una bovata terræ in territorio de Handeswrth, cum pertinentiis suis; et donationem Rogeri filii Arturi de una bovata terræ in territorio de Wdehus; et donationem Radulfi Blundi, scilicet dimidiam bovatom terræ in territorio prædictæ villæ

de Wdehus, et duas terras, cum duabus gravis; et donationem Hugonis de Bramleya, scilicet unum toftum, in quo continentur quatuor acra. Omnia prædicta habebunt et tenebunt prædicti monachi liberè et quietè, sine omni seculari servicio, et consuetudine, et exactione, mihi pertinenti, sicut cartæ donatorum quas prædicti monachi habent testantur. Hoc totum feci eis, pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ Matildis de Luvetot, et pro salute omnium antecessorum nostrorum et hæredum. Hiis testibus, Symone Folyot, Thoma de Reinvilla tunc seneschallo, Symone de Campo Remigio, Eustacio fratre suo, Radulfo de Eccheleshall, Willielmo de Holton, Radulfo de Walderschell.

NUM. IX.

Carta Ricardi de Luvetot de Heremitorio Sancti Johannis de Kymbrwrth.

[Ibid. fol. 128.]

RICARDUS de Luvetot omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, salutem. Notum vobis sit me concessisse et dedisse Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Kyrkestede, et monachis ejusdem loci, in elemosinam, heremitorium sancti Johannis quod est in parochia de Ecclesfeld, cum tota terra quæ ad ipsum heremitorium pertinet, et eam quam pater meus ibi dedit, et quam ego apposui de augmento sicut divisæ terrarum Ricardi de Bulli et Jordani de Reinevilla dividunt; et totam terram quæ fuit Roberti le Cras dedi eis similiter, sicut prædictæ divisæ eam dividunt. Hanc elemosinam dedi eis monachis liberè et quietè ab omni seculari servicio et consuetudine, et omni exactione, pro salute mea, et Willielmi filii mei, et hæredum et fratrum meorum, et pro animabus patris et matris meæ, et Cecilie uxoris meæ, et omnium antecessorum meorum, et ipsi monachum facient servire Deo ibi ad capellam. Testibus, Radulfo filio Gilberti, Hugone de Luvetot, Rogero clerico, Radulfo filio Radulfi filii Gilberti, Radulfo filio Uctredi, Radulfo de la Chambre.

NUM. X.

Carta Walteri de Aencurt.

[Ibid. fol. 32.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Walterus de Aencurt salutem. Sciatis me, per voluntatem et concessionem hæredum meorum Oliveri et Johannis, concessisse et dedisse in perpetuam elemosinam Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkestede, et monachis ejusdem loci, totam terram quam Ricardus tenebat de me ad boscum de Chotes; et præterea concessisse eis et confirmasse totam terram quam Ivo de Blancheneia dedit eis in elemosinam, cum decem perticatis prati, et nominatim quicquid habuit in Sudwodeengh, et terram quam Amfridus de Chotes dedit eis, quæ est infra curiam grangiæ suæ, et culturam quæ est ab occidentali parte curiæ, per concessum Roberti, ad quem pertinebat hæreditas terræ, quam Amfridus tenebat; et similiter omnes donationes terrarum et pratorum quas mei homines de Blancheneia et de Chotes dederunt eisdem monachis infra curiam suam vel extra. Et similiter concessi eis communem pasturam, per totos campos de Blancheneia, ubique in bosco et plano, et liberos introitus et exitus ubique ad eandem pasturam; et similiter calcedas, et vias, et omnes commoditates operationum suarum ubique in feodo meo. Et volo ut iidem monachi habeant et teneant omnia prædicta liberè et quietè ab omni seculari servitio, et consuetudine, et omni exactione. Et ego et hæredes mei warrantizabimus ea ad opus ipsorum monachorum, et de omnibus rebus et servitiis acquietabimus erga omnes homines. Hoc autem factum fuit anno ab incarnatione Domini mxxl. Test. Hugone fratre meo de Aencurt, &c.

NUM. XI.

Carta Johannis filii Walteri d'Aencurt.

[Ibid.]

JOHANNES d'Aencurt, filius Walteri d'Aencurt, omnibus hominibus suis et amicis, et omnibus fidelibus sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, salutem. Notum vobis sit, me, per concessionem Aeliciæ sponsæ meæ et hæredum meorum, concessisse et dedisse Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Ma

riæ de Kirkestede, et monachis ejusdem loci, in perpetuam elemosinam, duas carucatas terræ in campis de Branztun, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in pratis et pasturis, in moris et mariscis, in viis et semitis, in introitibus et exitibus, in nominatim pasturam ad mille oves, per majus centum, et ad boves de vij. carrucis, et ad x. vaccas. Sciendum verò est, quod una de prædictis carrucatis fuit de dominio meo mensæ meæ, et altera fuerat hominum meorum de Branztun, quæ deciderat in meam manum. Utraque carrucata est de octies viginti acris per perticam xvj. pedum et dimidii. Dedi etiam eis in elemosinam unum managium in eadem villa congruum ad domos suas faciendas, et unum alterum managium in brueriis ubi ipsis placet, de v. acris, ad faciendas bercarias suas, et domos, et liberos introitus et exitus ad pasturas suas omnibus temporibus anni. Hæc omnia prædicta et prænominata dedi eisdem monachis, et hac mea carta confirmavi in perpetuam elemosinam, liberè et quietè ab omni seculari servitio et consuetudine, et omni exactione. Et de bosco meo concessi et dedi eis in elemosinam x. carucatas de Ramilia, et tres de virga, per singulos annos. Et ego et hæredes mei, ex toto acquietabimus prædictam elemosinam apud regem, et apud omnes homines de omnibus terris, et warantizabimus monachis omnia prædicta imperpetuum contra omnes homines. Et nullus hominum meorum alicui alii dimittet de terra sua in eadem villa, nisi ipsis monachis, ad idem pretium quod alius rationabiliter dare voluerint. Nec recipientur alicujus alterius pecora ad pasturam in eisdem campis, nisi ipsorum monachorum et meorum priorum hominum de eadem villa, neque pro me, nec per aliquam aliam qui de eodem feodo tenet vel tenebit; sed ego pasturam prædictam eis liberabo, et deliberatam eis tenebo. Totum hoc affidavi ego in manu Ricardi de Luvetot, et totum concesserunt mei proprii homines de eadem villa liberè tenentes; scilicet, Fulco de Alnei, Radulfus de Gruncurt, et Rogerus filius Suani. Hoc factum fuit apud Notingham anno ab incarnatione Domini mclxix. undecima die mensis Septembris, coram justiciis domini regis errantibus; scilicet, Willielmo Basset, et Alano de Nevill juniore, et Adam de Gernemue, et Ranulfo de Glanville vicecomite. Teste Philippo de Kima vicecomite, Roberto filio Ranulfi vicecomite Notingham, Ricardo de Luvetot, Bertramo de Verdun, Simon de Crevequer, Ricardo de Flet, Widone de Ver, Rogero de Benigworth, Stephano de Hoiland, Alexandro filio Tocie, Ricardo Furmintin, &c.

NUM. XII.

Carta Philippi de Kyma.

[Ibid. fol. 72.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Philippus de Kima salutem. Sciatis me concessisse, et confirmasse ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkestede, et monachis ejusdem loci, elemosinam quam Symon filius Willielmi, pater meus dedit eis, in campis de Medringham; scilicet, terram de brueria lucrabilem, et non lucrabilem, quicquid est de feodo meo, ad occidentem magnæ viæ quæ venit de Mera, et tenditur ad Eslaford, usque ad metas de Bodebi; et totum dominicum meum de terra lucrabili, ultra Litlefen ab orientali parte molendini ipsorum monachorum. Et concedo eis quantum pertinet ad feudum meum in eodem molendino; et fossatum, quod est ab aquilone grangiæ ipsorum de Lindewode et quod infra ipsum includitur, quantum pertinet ad feudum meum. Præterea confirmo prædictis monachis donationem, quam eis fecerunt Scttebrandus de Cuningesbi, et Radulfus filius Odgari, cognatus ejus, in campis de Cuningesbi; scilicet, totam terram quæ est inter Osgotebarnwd, et metam Reg. usque ad mariscum, cum fructo, et sarto, et mansionem quam ibi fecerunt, et communem pasturam utrorumque camporum prædictorum, in bosco et plano, in moris, et mariscis, quantum pertinet ad feudum meum. Et de donatione Odonis de Kal. terram quam habuit juxta terram Sorteber de Cuningesbi, in prato, et fructo, et marisco, simul et unam piscariam, et dimidiam in Widina; videlicet, illam quæ proxima est subtus Dockedich, et dimid. in Magalangraca, sicut carta ipsius Odonis testatur. Hæc omnia concessi, et confirmavi monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Kirksted, in perpetuam elemosinam, liberè, et quietè ab omni seculari servitio, et consuetudine, et omni exactione. Hoc autem feci pro salute mea, et uxoris meæ, et hæredum meorum, et pro animabus patris, et ma-

tris meæ, et omnium antecessorum meorum, anno incarnationis Dominicæ mclxij. in die sancti Stephani in natali Domini apud Kund. Sciendum quoque quod et eisdem monachis de Kirkstede confirmavi, hac eadem carta mea, et sigillo, et subscriptione testium eorundem, unam piscariam in Dockediche proximam Widine, quæ est de mea propria elemosina, et donatione. Testes sunt hujus meæ confirmationis de rebus suprascriptis, Willielmus filius Simonis, et Simon, et Walterus fratres mei, Simon de Canci, Thomas filius Willielmi filii Haconis, Rogerus de Benigwrth, et multi alii.

NUM. XIII.

Carta Roberti de Arci.

[Ibid. fol. 71.]

ROBERTUS de Arci, omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis salutem. Notum vobis sit, me concessisse, et dedisse Deo, et ecclesiæ Mariæ de Kirkestede, et monachis ibidem Deo servantibus totam terram, quæ pertinet ad Nochetunam, et ad Dunestunam, ab occidentali parte magnæ viæ quæ venit à Lincolnia per villam, quæ dicitur Mera, et tendit ad Scapewich, in elemosinam, cum omnibus aisiamientis, et commoditatibus eidem terræ pertinentibus. Concessionem autem, et donationem hujus terræ, et pertinentium feci eis in elemosinam, concessu et voluntate Thomæ filii mei et hæredis, et aliorum filiorum meorum, necnon et consilio et voluntate omnium hominum meorum de prædictis villis. Et hoc feci pro salute mea, et uxoris meæ, et filiorum meorum, et pro animabus patris et matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum meorum, in capitulo Lincolnæ, et in præsentia domini Roberti episcopi Lincolnæ, et frequentis capituli, in anno secundo ordinationis ejusdem Roberti episcopi, mense tertio, et xxvij. die mensis ejusdem. Et sciendum quod istam meam elemosinam, et istam donationem prædictæ terræ, et aisiamentorum ejus, et commoditatum posui in manu Roberti episcopi Lincoln. ad opus et utilitatem monasterii de Kirkestede et monachorum. Ego autem et hæredes mei warantizabimus istam elemosinam ecclesiæ Kirkestede imperpetuum contra omnes homines. Et postquam ego confirmaveram elemosinam istam per hanc meam cartam et sigillum Deo et ecclesiæ de Kirkestede, ipse Robertus episcopus apposuit auctoritatem sui testimonii per sigillum. Hujus rei testes sunt, Robertus episcopus Lincolnæ, et capitulum, et Thuroldus abbas de Fontibus, Johannes abbas de Bardeneia, Walo abbas de sancto Laurencio, Warinus abbas de Valle-Dei, Gamellus abbas de Rucforde, Walterus capellanus de Bardenei, Elsius presbiter de Bukenhal, Hamelinus Croc, Willielmus filius Haconis, Ricardus filius Outi, Wido de Ver, Herbertus de Orrebi, Robertus de Barkwrda.

NUM. XIV.

Carta Thomæ filii Rob. de Arci.

[Ibid. fol. 71 b.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Thomas de Arci salutem. Notum vobis sit, quod ego Thomas de Arci, per voluntatem et consilium amicorum et hominum meorum de Dunestuna, et de Nochetuna concedo et confirmo, per hanc meam cartam, et sigillum, Deo et abbatiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkestede, et monachis ejusdem loci, donationem quam Robertus de Arci, pater meus, fecit eis de tota terra, quæ pertinet ad Dunestunam et Nochetunam ab occidentali parte magnæ viæ, quæ venit à Lincolnia, per villam, quæ dicitur Mera, et tendit versus Scapewich, sicut carta sua testatur, quam habent. Hanc itaque totam terram prædictam do illis et confirmo, per istam meam cartam, et sigillum pro salute mea, et sponsæ meæ, et filiorum et omnium amicorum meorum, et pro anima patris mei, et matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum meorum, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberè et quietè ab omni seculari servitio, et consuetudine, et omni exactione. Et ego, et hæredes mei warantizabimus illam terram totam prædictam contra omnes homines imperpetuum, et acquietabimus. Hoc factum fuit anno ab incarnatione Domini mclxij. nono kalendas Junii, apud Lincolniam, coram hiis testibus, Roberto de Dunestun, decano, Augustino de Dunestun, presbitero, Roberto de Nevilla, Radulfo filio Gilberti, Rogero de Beningwrth, et Mathco fratre ejus, Hugone Pinceun, Roberto de Langetun, Her-

berto filio Alardi, Thoma filio Willielmi, et Symone fratre suo, Rogero de Trehamtun, Widone de Ver, et Petro de Bilingheia. Et sciendum quod monachi dant mihi annuatim ad festum sancti Botulphi dimidiam marcam argenti, propter hoc, nominatim, ne vel ego, vel hæredes mei cogamus illos mansiones facere in memorata terra nisi ad libitum et voluntatem ipsorum.

NUM. XV.

Carta Thomæ filii Thomæ de Arci.

[Ibid. fol. 75.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Thomas, filius Thomæ de Arci, salutem. Noveritis me concessisse, et dedisse, et hac mea carta omnino quietum clamasse monachis de Kirkestede, pro salute animæ meæ, et omnium antecessorum meorum, dimidiam marcam, quam dabant mihi annuatim, ita quod nec ego, nec hæredes mei, aliquid exigere poterimus ab eis pro tenemento quod tenent, per cartam Roberti avi mei, de feodo meo in territorio de Nocheton, et de Duneston. Sed volo ut habeant et teneant prædictum tenementum liberè et quietè ab omni seculari servitio, et consuetudine, et exactione, sicut ulla elemosina melius et liberius teneri potest. Et in testimonium hujus meæ donationis et quietæ clamationis, feci eisdem monachis hanc meam cartam coram hiis testibus, J. abbate de Fontibus, G. abbate de Margan, Walleranno de Rocheford, Petro de Nevill, Roberto de Arci, et multis aliis.

NUM. XVI.

Inter Nos et Monachos de Begar.

[Ibid. fol. 78 b.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, Omnisius abbas de Begar salutem in Christo. Sciatis quod Alanus comes Britanniae dedit, in obitu suo, Deo et abbatiæ de Begar, ubi corpus suum jacet, terram ad unam grangiam faciendam in socha de Gaituna in elemosinam, pro salute animæ suæ, et antecessorum suorum sicut carta sua testatur. Sed quoniam hæc elemosina tam longè erat de abbatiâ nostra, quod non potuimus eam ad libitum nostrum et proficuum collaborare, dilectis autem monachis de Kirkestede eandem elemosinam fratribus nostris erat admodum utilis et contigua; eorum precibus et fraternitate compulsi, deposuimus in manu comitis Conani, omne jus et omnem donationem et investituram præfatæ elemosinæ, quam de manu comitis Alani recepimus, et ipse comes Conanus concessit et dedit prædictis fratribus nostris de Kyrkestede eandem elemosinam in manu Radulfi celerarii, qui in loco abbatis sui de Kirkstede præsens aderat in præsentia nostra, nobis eandem donationem concedentibus, et confirmantibus, et assignavit eis in terra sua, pro eadem elemosina, duas carucatas terræ et dimidiam de suo dominio in territorio de Gaiton, et fructum quod appellatur Gaiton Rahaga, et hoc factum fuit coram hiis testibus. Roaldo Constabulario, et Alano et Willielmo filiis ejus, et Picot de Lacele, Johanne filio Mengi, Gaufrido filio Morican, Wigano filio Cade, Alano filio Gaufridi, Johanne filio Alviati. Pepigimus etiam eis, coram his et multis testibus, quod per operam nostram et perquisitionem, sine aliquo rei familiaris suæ dispendio, faciemus eos habere cartam et sigillum Conani ad confirmationem prædictæ elemosinæ, cum ipse illius ætatis fuerit, quod terram tenere poterit, et sigillum habuerit. Hoc etiam pepigimus quod si morte præventus, vel quolibet casu præpeditus fuerim quod hanc conventionem eis perficere non potuerim, apud conventum de Begar, et apud abbates qui de domo de Begar facti sunt impetrabo, quod quicumque post me abbas, in domo de Begar substituetur, eandem pactionem eis per omnia perficiet. Et hoc pepigimus quod omnes has conventiones præsentabo per me, et per abbates factas de abbatiâ de Begar, primo generali capitulo Cisterciensi; et privilegium domini papæ, et cartas per quas hæc elemosina confirmata est, illuc nobiscum portabimus, et de eis hanc elemosinam tenere faciam, et in eorum privilegiis et cartis ascribi faciam. Et has conventiones confirmavimus hujus cirographi subscriptione, et testium annotatione, scilicet Mathei prioris de Revesbi, &c.

NUM. XVII.

Carta de Gaitona.

[Ibid. fol. 79 b.]

CONANUS dux Britanniae et comes de Richemund, om-

nibus suis hominibus et amicis Britannicis et Anglis, et universis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ, tam clericis, quam laicis, salutem. Notum sit vobis omnibus me concessisse, et dedisse Deo, et abbatiæ de Kirkestede, et monachis ejusdem loci, ecclesiam de Gaitona, et duas carucatas terræ et dimidiam, de meo dominio in campis de Kaitona, cum fructo, quod vocatur Kaitune-rahage, cum omnibus quæ ad has duas carucatas et dimidiam pertinent; in toftis et croftis, in viis et semitis, in pratis et pasturis, et aquis, et molendinis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, libere, et quiete, et honorifice, ab omni seculari servitio, et consuetudine, quæ ad aliquem hominem, vel ad terram illam pertinent, pro salute mea, et pro anima patris mei comitis Alani, et pro animabus omnium antecessorum meorum et omnium parentum meorum. T. Willielmo abbate sancti Melanii de Redon, Willielmo abbate de Fulgeriis, Rollando de Dinam, Radulfo de Fulgeriis.

NUM. XVIII.

Carta de Scamtuna.

[Ibid. fol. 99.]

VENERABILI patri Roberto Lincoln. episcopo, et toti capitulo, et omnibus filiis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ Radulfus filius Gilleberti salutem. Sciatis me concessisse, et dedisse Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkestede et monachis ejusdem loci, totam terram meam de Scamtunia; scilicet totum dominicum ejusdem villæ, et xxvj. bovatas terræ, cum omnibus appendiciis; in toftis et croftis, in pratis et pasturis, in viis et semitis, in aquis, et boscum, et molendinum. Hanc donationem concedo eis liberam et quietam, ab omni seculari servitio et consuetudine in elemosinam, pro salute mea, et uxoris meæ, et pro animabus patris, et matris meæ, et filii mei, ibidem sepulti, et omnium antecessorum meorum. Et sciendum est quod hanc donationem confirmavi Deo, et prædictæ ecclesiæ in capitulo sanctæ Mariæ Lincolnæ, et optuli super altare sanctæ Mariæ ad opus præfatæ ecclesiæ de Kirkestede, et monachorum, in præsentia canonicorum capituli Lincolnæ, et clericorum de choro. Teste Humfrido subdecano, Gilleberto filio archidiaconi, Alexandro, Wigero, Radulfo de Cadamo, Roberto de Barchworda.

NUM. XIX.

Confirmatio Gilberti Comitis Lincolnæ.

[Ibid. fol. 99.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis tam præsentibus quam futuris Gillebertus comes Lincolnæ salutem. Notum sit vobis me concessisse et firmiter confirmasse pro salute mea et hæredum meorum et omnium amicorum meorum, et pro animabus patris et matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum meorum, in perpetuam elemosinam donationem et elemosinam, quam Radulfus filius Gilleberti fecit Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkestede et monachis ejusdem loci de terra de Scamtunia, cum omnibus suis pertinentiis, sicut carta Radulfi filii Gilleberti testatur. Et hujus confirmationis meæ testes sunt, Philippus de Kyma, Herbertus filius Alardi, Willielmus filius Walteri, Ricardus Baard, Petrus de Scrembi.

NUM. XX.

Carta Richardi de Builli.

[Ibid. fol. 127 b.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis Ricardus de Builli salutem. Sciatis me pro voluntatem et consilium Emmæ sponsæ meæ, et hæredum meorum dimisisse monachis de Kirkestede unum managium in territorio de Kymberwrth, ad domos suas et ortum, et quatuor forgas faciendas; duas scilicet ad coquendum ferrum et duas ad fabricandum, quandocunque voluerint; et mineram ad fodiendum per totum territorium ejusdem villæ, quantum sufficit duabus ignibus, et mortuum nemus de Kyrberwrth quantum sufficit illis quatuor ignibus, et pasturam ad decem animalia, et quatuor equos, in communibus pascuis camporum eorum. Omnia hæc dimisi et concessi eis tenere de me, et de hæredibus meis liberè, et quietè ab omni servitio, et consuetudine, præter quod dabunt singulis annis mihi, vel hæredibus meis v. solidos, ad Pentecosten. Et sciendum quod totam firmam de primis quinque annis adquietaverunt mo-

nachi in territorio suo, qui fuit anno incarnationis dominicæ mclxj. in die apostolorum Philippi et Jacobi. Post finem autem horum quinque annorum, si voluerint monachi prædicti tenere, tenebunt omnia illa in perpetuum de me et hæredibus meis per eandem conventionem; scilicet, reddendo annuatim v. solidos pro omnibus servitiis. Hanc autem conventionem tenendam, et warantizandam per me et hæredes meos confirmavi, per cartam et testes subscriptos, et sigilli mei confirmationem. Hujus rei testes sunt, Hugo clericus de Dernham, Simon et Petrus capellani ejusdem villæ, Jugan filius Radulfi, Lamb. dispensator, Thomas filius Jocelini Ebor.

NUM. XXI.

Carta Guarini filii Geroldi.

[Ibid. fol. 54 b.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego Guarinus filius Geroldi camerarius domini regis concessi et hac præsentī cartā confirmavi amicis meis carissimis monachis de Kirkstede quarreram sufficientem ad proprios usus suos in perpetuum, capiendam super dominicum meum de Wassenbroc, quam Conanus Dux Britannia dedit eis. Hiis testibus, Johanne de Ferlington tunc seneschallo, Rogero de Codeham, Radulfo de Langetot, Petro de Mara, Hugone de Mara, Hugone de Wassinbroc, et multis aliis.

NUM. XXII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits' Office.]

MONASTERIUM DE KERKSTED.

RĪCŪS HARYSON Abbas iĕm.

Valor Annuus ac Extent' no' solum omniū Eccliar' in Com' Lincoln' ac alibi Abbathie de Kerksted appropiatar', cu' Emolument' coĩbz annis eisdem Eccl'is contingen' verum etiam omniū Manerior', Terrar', Tenementor', et Reddituū dict' Abbathie ptinen' sive spectant', per Rĭcūm Haryson Abbatem de Kerksted et ejusdm loci Convent' p'sentat' ut inferius liquet.

Horncastell Decanat'.

Ecclia de Wodhall	9l.	6s.	8d.
Ecclia de Wyspyngton	6l.	0s.	0d.

Ludburgh Decanat'.

Penċoem in ecclia de Covenham Marie	0l.	7s.	0d.
Sġm ^a spualia	15l.	13s.	8d.

Horncastell Decanat'.

Idem abbas et convent' habent temporalia et possessiones in decanatu de Horncastell, videlicet scitum monastii, cum tenemento de grangia sua, et bothis suis sup' aquam de Withma' diŵs' tenentibz dimiss' et terr' dominicalibus, scĩz in pastur' 35 acr' ad annu' valorem 2l. et in boscis coĩbz annis quinq' acris bosc' ad annu' valorem 13l. 6s. 8d. in pratis mariss' in manibz suis ppiis 168 acr' ad annu' valorem 4l. 4s. 19l. 6s. 8d.

Item abbas et convent' ħent diŵs' terr' et ten^{ta} ppe abbatiam pđċam jacenc' diŵs' teñt' dimiss' ad annu' valorem 12l. 16s. 5d.

Item pđċi abbas et convent' ħent terr' et ten^{ta} in Horncastell ad annuū valorem 4l. 5s. 0½d.

Item ħent pđċi abbas et convent' g^aungiam de Themylyby 4l. 16s. cu' molendin' 3l. 6s. 8d. tenemēt' et terr' iĕm 6l. 8d. ad valorem annu' 14l. 3s. 4d.

Item in villa de Askeby jux^a Horncastell recept' de g^aungia et terr' iĕm ad valorem annu' . . . 2l. 15s. 9d.

Item in villa de Adlyngton p ten^{ts} et terr' ad annuū valorem 1l. 4s. 8d.

Gartree Decanat'.

Item recept' in Wodhall' 3l. 13s. 4d. cum villa de Bukland Graungia 2l. 18s. 6d., de Novo Dowode 7l. 17s. 4d., et Veti Dowod 3l. 6s. 8d. ad annu' valorem 17l. 15s. 10d.

Item in villa de Merton p graungia et terr' iĕm 4l. 13s. 6d. cu' molendino 2l. 18s. 4d. ad valorem annu' 7l. 11s. 10d.

Item in villa de Roughtton p g^aungia 3l. 5s. 4d. ten^{ts} et terr' iĕm 3l. 6s. ad annu' valorem . . . 6l. 9s. 4d. et di' libr' insens'.

Item in Langton jux^a Horncastell p g^aungia 1l. 16s. et ten^{ts} iĕm 3l. 2s. 4½d. ad valorem annu' . . . 4l. 18s. 4d½.

Item in Kerkby sup' Bayne p ten^{ts} terr' 3l. 3s. 9d. et molendinis iĕm 5l. 10s. ad valorem annu' . . . 8l. 13s. 9d.

Item recept' de molendino de Haltham et p^{at} iĕm p ann' 3l. 7s. 8d.

Item in Wadyngworth cu' ptin' ad annu' valore' 4l. 13s. 4d.

Item in villa de Tateshall cu' Thorpe p ten^{ts} et reddit' ass' iĕm 3l. 11s. 1d. et di' li' pipis.

Item recept' de abbe de Revysby p botha et coĩa ejus in Wildmorre 2l. 15s. 0d.

Item in villa de Conyngsby 1l. 8s. 10d., p g^aung' nřis in Wildmor' 19l., et tene^{ts} nřis iĕm 13l. 18s. 11½d., ad annu' valorem 34l. 7s. 9½d.

Hill Decanat'.

Item in decanat' de Hill in Langton jux^a Pteney, videc̃z de reddit' ass' et ten^{ts} ad annu' valorem . . . 1l. 6s. 4d.

Langhow et Boby.

Item ħent dict' abbas et convent' in decanat' de Langhow et Boby tene^{ts} et terr' in villa de Marton in Kesten 2l. 8d., et Tymbland 2l. 4s. 11d., graungia de Lynwodd 4l. et Hawhethe cu' Norcott' 1l. 6s. 8d., ad annu' valorem . . . 9l. 12s. 3d.

Item in villis de Branston 3l. 7s. 4d. Canwyk 4s. 11d., Schepwaysse 8l., Harmeston 8s. 6d., et Boby 3s. 4d., ad annu' valorem 12l. 4s. 1d.

Lincoln'.

Item dict' abb' et convent' ħent tenemēta in Lincoln' ad annu' valorem 0l. 12s. 0d.

Newark in Com' Notyngh^am in Com' Ebor'.^a

Item ħent dict' abbas et convent' tene^{ts} in Newarke ad annu' valorem 0l. 5s. 0d.

Item pđċi abb' et convent' ħent graungia de Senelcliff 4l. cu' reddit' ass' in Penynghall, Gledileffe, Handesworth' Mydhope, et Langfeld, ad annu' valorem 11l. 0s. 0d.

Wraghow Decanat', in Com' Lincoln'.

Item habent dict' abb' et convent' graung' de Snelland 4l., una cu' ten^{ts} de Westlayby 11l., Swynthorpe 1l., et Revesby 1l., ad annu' valorem 17l. 0s. 0d.

Item dict' abb' et convent' ħent in Benyngworth 7l. terr' voc' Scambylsby Landez et terr' in Langton jux^a Wragby 5l., cum terr' in Strubby 10s., ad annu' valorem . . . 12l. 10s. 0d.

Gartree Decanat'.

Item dict' abb' et convent' ħent in decanat' de Gartree, vicz Randby 1l., Stirton Magn' cu' grangia iĕm 4l. 15s. 9d., Hemyingby 5s., et Horssington 5s., ad valorem annu' . . . 6l. 5s. 9d.

Laures Decanat'.

Item ħent dict' abb' et convent' in decanatu de Laurese, vicz maneriu' de Scampton Westg^aungiam 6l., et Estg^aungia' cu' villa iĕm 18l. 16s. 2d., et graungia' de Dunh^am 3l. 6s. 8d., ad annu' valorem 28l. 2s. 10d.

Loutheske et Ludburgh'.

Item dict' abb' et convent' ħent in decanat' de Loutheske et Ludburgh, vic' in villa de Gayton cu' g^aungia et reddit' ass' 8l. 5s. 2d., in Covenham maneriu' iĕm cu' tene^{ts} et reddit' ass' in dict' villa 15l. 13s. 1½d., ac etiam p ten^{ts} nřis p^{at}s et reddit' ass' in Ludeney 8l. 2s. 8d., Garnthorpe 9l. 1s., et Sydbroke 2l. 43l. 1s. 11½d.

Calsewayth Decanat'.

Item dict' abbas et convent' ħent in decanat' de Calsewayth, vicz in Ulsby, cu' terr' et ten^{ts}, et reddit' ass' iĕm, 2l. 10s. 7d., Swaby 4s., Hoggestrope 19s., et Dalby 6s. 8d., ad annu' valorem 4l. 0s. 3d.

Bolyngbrok Decanat'.

Item dict' abb' et convent' ħent in Stykney 10s. et Sibsey decanat' de Bolyngbroke 13s. 4d., ad annu' valor' . . . 1l. 3s. 4d.

Holland Decanat'.

Item dict' abbas et convent' habent in decanatu de Holland, vicz in Boston 4*l*. 5*s*. 4*d*. Wrangle 4*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*., Leeke 3*s*. 4*d*., et Skerbeyke 1*l*., ad annu' valorem 10*l*. 2*s*. 0*d*.

Graffhowe Decanat'.

Item in decanatu de Graffoo hent dict' abb' et convent' p^{at} in villa de Carlton in Morreland ad annu' valorem 0*l*. 16*s*. 8*d*.

Loyfdon Decanat'.

Item hent in decanat' de Lovendon p^{at} in villa de Ca-thorpe ad annu' valorem 0*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*.

London'.

Item hent p^{at} abb' et convent' terr' et ten^{ta} in London' ad annu' valorem 15*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*.

S^ma tempal' 323*l*. 17*s*. 6³/₄*d*.

S^ma to^b t^m tempal' q^m spritual' 338*l*. 13*s*. 11³/₄*d*.

Soluções Ordinarie.

Qui petunt exonar' et allo^r de tribz solidis solut' e^{po} Lincoln' pençõe ecclie de Wodhall,^a et de 1*s*. 8*d*. solut' capitali ecclie cath' Lincoln' p pens' dict' ecclie, et de 6*s*. 8*d*. p procuraçõe sinod' dict' ecclie et de 11*s*. p procuraçõe sinod' ecclie de Wysspyngton. S^ma 1*l*. 2*s*. 4*d*.

Soluções Añual', viz. Ass' et Forinc', et alii.

Item petunt alloc' et exoñar' de 4*l*. 6*s*. antⁱ solut' e^{po} Karloli p Wildmorre, Horncastell, Wodhall, et Thymolby, et de 8*s*. 4*d*. solut' predicto e^{po} p terr' in Roughtton, et de 8*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. annui reddit' solut' abb' et convêt de Bardney p Scampton, et de 5*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. solut' p^{ori} de Norwyco p dicta villa de Scampton, et de 3*l*. solut' an^{tim} gilde Corpis Xpi de Boston, et de 2*l*. solut' dño Robto Dymoke militi p molend' aq^uatico de Halth^m cu' prat' voc' Gosholme, et de 1*l*. annui reddit' solut' dict' Roberto p Wyldmorre, et de 4*s*. solut' dominio de Somton p švic' forinscico, et de 1*s*. solut' an^{tim} feodar' de Hay p terr' n^{ris} in Tymbland, et de 1*l*. solut' an^{tim} duci Rychmond p soca de Gayton, et de 3*s*. solut' an^{tim} in auxili^m vic', et de 3*s*. 4*d*. solut' de Albimarli p respect' cur' ad cur' de Barrowe, et de 1*s*. an^{tim} e^{po} Lincoln' p reddit' ass' p ten^{to} n^{ro} in Newarke, et de 1*l*. cimin' precii 4*d*. solut' duci Norf' p reddit' ass' et terr' in Scampton, et de 11*s*. reddit' ass' solut' domo s^{ci} Johis Jerosolomita' ext^a Smythfeld London, et de 4*s*. solut' an^{ti} ecclie s^{ci} Botulphi in Allergat' London', et de 3*s*. 4*d*. solut' p reddit' ass' hospitalis s^{ci} Egidii London'. S^ma resoluc' an^{ti} 27*l*. 2*s*. 4*d*.

Item petunt allo^r et exoñar' de 2*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. solut' dño Georgio Taylboys militi capiⁱ sen^{lo} de monasterio n^{ro}, et de 1*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. solut' dño Johi Hussey vor^b p custod' cur' de Harmtree, et de 1*l*. solut' dño Robto Hussey militi sen^{lo} cur' de Scampton et Dunh^m, et de 1*l*. solut' Tho^e Hussey geñs' sen^{lo} cur' de Marton in Kesten, Branston, et Schepwaysche, et de 1*l*. solut' Johi Rudde geños' sen^{lo} cur' de Gayton, Covenh^m, et Ulseby, et de 2*l*. solut' Tho^e Stephynson an^{tim} p custod' cur' de Thymelby, Wodhall, Roughtton, Kerkby sup' Bayn, et Kerksted, et de 1*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. solut' Johi Hylle auditori n^{ro}, et de 3*l*. solut' Tho^e Dymoke ar' an^{tim} balli^o n^{ro} de Scampton, et de 1*l*. solut' Hamoni Sutton balli^o n^{ro} de Branston, Schepwaysche, Canwyke, Lincoln', et Newarke, et de 13*s*. 4*d*. solut' an^{tim} Jacobo Savege ar' balli^o n^{ro} de Seneclif cu' p^{tin}, et de 1*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. solut' Henrico Flemynge an^{tim} balli^o n^{ro} de Covenh^m, et de 1*l*. solut' predçi Henr' Flemynge balli^o n^{ro} de Roughtton, Kerkby sup' Bayne, et Halth^m, et de 1*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. solut' Edwardo Wylkynson ballivo n^{ro} de Thymelby, Wodhall, Horncastell, Langton juxta Horncast', et Marton jux^a Horncastell, et de 1*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. solut' Johi Pker balli^o n^{ro} de Harmtree et Wildmore, et de 6*s*. 8*d*. solut' Riço Dytton balli^o n^{ro} p terr' n^{ris} in Boston, et de 2*l*. solut' Riço Burton balli^o n^{ro} de Kerksted et de marisco in lez Fennez, et de 3*s*. 4*d*. solut' Johi Wylkynson balli^o n^{ro} p terr' n^{ris} in Ulseby, Langton, Dawby, Swayby, et Hoggestrop, et de 3*s*. 4*d*. solut' Johi Johnson balli^o n^{ro} de Marton et Tymberland, et de solut' an^{tim} Johi Walker balli^o n^{ro} de Dunh^m, Snelland, Westlaby, Reesby, et Langton jux^a Wragby. S^ma

24*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*.

S^m allocaçõnu' 52*l*. 11*s*. 4*d*.

Et rem' clar' 286*l*. 2*s*. 7³/₄*d*.

Inde p x^{ma} 28*l*. 12*s*. 3¹/₄*d*.

^a sic.

NUM. XXIII.

COMPUT.' MINISTORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII

[Abstract of Roll 29 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

MONASTERIUM DE KYRKSTEDE.

Com' Linc'	£.	s.	d.
Kyrksted cum Bothes—Firma terrarum dominicalium nuper in manibus abbatis et conventus	18	8	6
Kyrksted cum Bothes—Firma terrarum dominicalium dimiss' per copiam cur' et per indentur'	16	0	8
Kyrksted—Reddit' mobil'	0	3	4
Kyrksted—Firma dom' tannar'	2	0	0
Kyrksted—Firma piscar' in Old Synker	1	11	8
Dunham—Firma grangiae	3	6	8
Shepewashe—Firma grangiae	10	13	4
Wokyngbie—Firma grangiae vocat' Westlavie	10	0	0
Westlavie—Firma cujusdam moræ vocat' Westlavie More	1	0	0
Snelland—Firma grangiae	4	0	0
Morsbye et Staynton—Firma terr', prat', et pastur'	1	0	0
Styrton—Firma grangiae	4	13	4
Styrton—Reddit' assis'	0	3	1
Lincoln Civ'—Reddit' assis'	0	0	4
Lincoln Civ'—Reddit' tenen' per copiam pro term' vitæ	0	12	1
Scampton—Reddit' tenen' per cop', &c.	11	11	0
Scampton—Firma de le Est Grange	3	6	8
Scampton—Firma de le West Grange	6	13	4
Scampton—Firma molend'	0	13	4
Scampton—Firma decimarum	6	8	0
Com' Nott'			
Newarke—Reddit' assis'	0	5	0
Com' Linc'			
Swynethorp juxta Snelland—Firma un' dom', &c.	1	0	0
Wadyngworth—Firma manerii	4	13	4
Carleton in Moreland—Firma prati	0	16	8
Botherbye—Reddit' ten' ad vol'	0	3	4
Cathorpe—Reddit' prati	0	13	4
Ludney et Garnethorpe—Reddit' tenen', &c.	2	9	0
Ludney, Garnethorpe, et Covenham—Firma divers' mesuag' et terr'	14	11	1
Ludney—Reddit' mobil'	0	2	8
Covenham—Reddit' assis', &c.	3	4	10
Covenham—Reddit' ten' per copiam, &c.	9	9	10
Covenham—Firma grangiae	5	10	0
Covenham—Firma terr' in Skydbroke	2	0	0
Braunston—Firma grangiae	3	9	0
Hermyngebye—Reddit' assis'	0	5	0
Ranby—Reddit' assis'	1	0	0
Wodhall et Bukland—Reddit' ten' ad vol'	2	2	6
Wodhall et Bukland—Reddit' ten' per copiam	1	9	0
Wodhall—Firmæ minutæ	0	13	4
Wodhall—Firma grangiae	4	14	2
Doffwood—Firma grangiae	11	2	2
Wodhall—Reddit' mobil'	0	1	4
Tateshall et Thorpe—Reddit' assis'	1	18	11
			1 lib' piperis.
Tateshall et Thorpe—Reddit' ten' per copiam	1	6	4
Conyngesby—Reddit' assis'	0	17	6

^b Sic.

Com' Linc'	£.	s.	d.	Com' Linc'	£.	s.	d.
Holme—Firma dom', &c.	0	10	0	Wrangle—Redd' assis', &c.	4	14	2
Thymbelby—Reddit' assis'	0	17	5	Armstre et Wildmore—Firma ten'			
Thymbelby—Reddit' ten ad vol'				ad vol'	5	19	8
et per copiam	1	12	0	Armstre et Wildmore—Red' cus-			
Thymbelby—Reddit' molend'	3	6	8	tum' ten'	9	5	3
Thymbelby—Firma grangia	7	2	0	Armstre—Firma manerii	5	0	0
Thymbelby—Firm' terr' in le				Hundlehouse—Firma grangia	5	6	8
Westyngs	2	17	10	Langwath—Firma grangia	5	6	8
Thymbelby—Reddit' mobil'	0	2	0	Wildmore—Firmæ minutæ	7	13	4
Harmeston—Firmæ minutæ	0	8	6	Wildmore—Firma herbag' com-			
Symwood—Firma grangia	5	6	8	mun'	8	8	4
Marton et Tymberland—Firm'				Wildmore—Venditio bladi	0	14	0
terr' &c.	3	11	0	Sybsy—Redd' cust' ten'	0	13	4
Gayton—Reddit' assis', &c.	2	3	8	Stykney—Redd' assis', &c.	0	10	0
Gayton—Firma grangia	8	10	0	Sturby—Redd' pastur'	0	10	0
Gayton—Firma terr' et teñtorum	4	17	0	Leke—Redd' pastur'	0	2	6
Langton juxta Homecastell—				Swaby—Redd' terr'	0	4	0
Reddit' assis'	3	5	0 ob'	Dalby—Redd' terr'	0	6	8
Langton—Firma grangia	2	8	8	Langton juxta Parteney—Redd'			
Langton—Redd' mobil'	0	0	8	ten'	1	6	4
Barton juxta Thorneton—Firma				Hogesthorpe—Redd' ten'	1	2	4
molend'	2	13	4	Ullesbye—Redd' ten'	0	19	9
Stirton Magna—Firmæ minutæ	1	6	8	Ullesbye—Firma grangia	2	0	0
Stirton Magna—Redd' mobil'	0	0	8	Langton juxta Wragley—Firma			
Hornecastell—Redd' ass' lib' ten'	0	3	0 ob'	grangia	4	0	0
Hornecastell—Firma domor' tan-				Benyngworth—Redd' terr'	0	10	0
nar'	4	2	0	Benyngworth—Firma grangia	8	10	0
Askeby juxta Hornecastell	0	9	1	Canwyke—Redd' ten'	0	4	11
Askeby—Firma grangia	2	6	8	Boston—Redd' ten'	3	8	6
Edlyngton—Firma grangia	1	12	0	Boston—Firmæ minutæ	1	6	8
Kirkeby Bayne—Reddit' tenen'	3	18	0	Langsett et al'—Redd' assis'	7	14	6
Kirkeby Bayne—Firmæ minutæ	0	0	5	Sencllyff—Firma grangia	4	0	0
Kirkeby Bayne—Firma molend'	5	0	0				
Roughton—Reddit' assis'	3	15	0	Com' Midd'			
Roughton—Firma grangia	4	18	6	London—Firma ten'	15	6	9
Roughton—Firmæ minutæ	1	10	0				
Roughton—Firma molend'	3	6	8	Com' Linc'			
Roughton—Redd' mobil'	0	1	4	Wodhall—Rectoria	8	6	8
				Wyspyngton—Rectoria	8	17	2

Abbey of Kingswood, in Wiltshire.



INGSWOOD, in the former edition of the Monasticon, as well as in the first edition of the Notitia Monastica, was placed in Gloucestershire; but the town is subject to the sheriffs and justices of Wiltshire, and accounted within the hundred of Chippenham in that county, though it is encompassed with Gloucestershire, and seven miles distant from any other town in Wiltshire.

In regard to spiritual jurisdiction, it is in all matters subject to the bishop and archdeacon of Gloucester.

The history of the foundation is given at length in the Appendix from the Abbey Register.^a In performance of a design of Roger de Berkeley the elder, it appears, which by reason of his death could not be accomplished, an Abbey of Cistercian monks from Tyntern was built here A.D. 1139, by his nephew William de Berkeley, to the honor of the blessed Virgin Mary; but the abbat and most of the monks were, in the latter part of the reign of King Stephen, or in

the beginning of that of King Henry the Second, by agreement with Reginald de Saint Walery, removed to Haselden in the parish of Rodmarton, and from thence, for want of water, in a little time they went to Tettebury, to which place Kingswood became a Grange or Cell, with only a monk or two to say mass. After some attempts made by the abbat of Waverley to place some of his monks at Kingswood, and other disputes, all were compromised by the concurrence of Roger de Berkeley and Bernard de St. Walery; and the abbey was once more removed from Tettebury to a place called Mireford in Kingswood, not far from the old site, about the year 1170.^b Such were the early vicissitudes of this House.

King Henry the First's charter, authorising Roger de Berkeley's gift of Acheolt to the monks, will be found in the Appendix; with William de Berkeley's letter to Pope Innocent, praying for the ratification of his grant of Kingswood,^c followed by five other charters confirming the land at Kingswood, from Roger de Berkeley the elder, Roger de Berkeley the younger, and King Henry the Second.^d The last instrument given in the former edition of Dugdale is a cession from Nicholas de Kingestone of certain land called Jonesham.^e

According to Pope Nicholas's Taxation the spiritualties of this monastery amounted in 1291 to the annual sum of 6*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.*; the temporalties to 47*l.* 17*s.* 2*d.*; making a total of 54*l.* 1*s.* 6*d.*^f

^a See Num. I.
^b See Numm. IV. V. VI. VII. of the Append. which attest the different removals. Compare also Kennett's Paroch. Antiq. new edit. vol. i. pp. 156, 174. Lel. Collect. tom. i. pp. 31, 32, 65. Lel. Itin. vol. vi. p. 44.
^c See Numm. VIII. IX. ^d Numm. X. XI. XII. XIII. XIV.

^e Num. XV.
^f The entries respecting this abbey are as follow:
Spiritual. Dioc. Wygorn. Porcio abbatis in minut. decimis ret. in grang. sua de Caldecot. 1*l.* 9*s.* 0*d.* Porcio in ecclesia de Osleworth, 0*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* Porcio in grang. del Egge, 0*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Porcio in major. dec. in grang. de Tetbur. et de uno crofto, 0*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.* Porcio in majo-

There is no valuation of Kingswood in the General Ecclesiastical Survey of the 26th Hen. VIII.; though Tanner says it was valued at that time, according to Dugdale, at 244*l.* 1*l.* 2*d.* per annum; according to Speed, at 254*l.* 1*l.* 2*d.*; Clear, at 239*l.* 19*s.* 7½*d.* In a MS. Valor, in the whole, at 254*l.* 5*s.* 10*d.* A Survey of this House, taken in the 29th Henry VIII., is preserved in the Appendix, Num. XVI;^a there is also a Minister's Accompt of it in the Augmentation Office, 32 Hen. VIII., but its possessions are there answered for in gross, at the sum of 245*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.*, the whole of its estates being then on lease, to Sir Nicholas Poyntz, Kn^t. under the seal of the Court of Augmentations, dated 10th March, 29 Hen. VIII, for a term of twenty-one years at the above rent.

In the 2d year of Queen Elizabeth, the site of this House was granted to Sir John Thynne, Knight.^b

In 1651, a REGISTER of Kingswood Abbey was in the possession of John Smith, Esq. of Nibley, in the county of Gloucester.

Tanner has only the following references, relating to this Monastery, to public instruments:

"Cart. 11 Hen. III. p. 1, n. 109, pro maner. de Acholt, ex donatione Rogeri de Berkele. Plac. in com. Gloucestr. 53 Hen. III. rot. 9, d. pro ii. partibus maner. de Chelesworth.

"Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 34, d. pro commun. pastur. in Tettebury.

"Pat. 3 Edw. II. m. 19, de mess. et terris in Hull, Berkele, Pochampton, &c. Pat. 5 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 13. pro terris in Culkerton."

The COMMON SEAL represented the Blessed Virgin crowned, holding in her arms the infant Jesus, and standing between two elegant pilasters surmounted by a canopy; the field diapered; in base, under an arch, the half figure of a monk praying, the legend much flattened, so that no more of it can be read than s. cōE CONVENTUS DE . KINGEWOD. An impression of this Seal on red wax is appendant to a conventual lease temp. Hen. VIII. in the Augmentation Office.

Cartae ad Kingswoodensem Abbatiam in agro Wiltoniensi spectantes: fundatam An. Dom. Mcccxxxix.^c

NUM. I.

Historia Foundationis.

[Ex Registro Abb. de Kingeswode penes Johannem Smith de Nibley, in com. Glouc. ar. 1651.]

HÆC est narratio abbatis et conventus de Tynterna, de Kingeswode. Willielmus de Berkeley dedit abbatiæ de Tynterna Kingeswode ad fundandam ibidem abbatiam ordinis Cisterciensis; et Matildis imperatrix filia Henrici regis Angliæ carta sua donum illud confirmavit. Processu verò temporis et tempore hostilitatis, regnante rege Stephano post mortem Henrici regis Angliæ, emerunt illi de Kingeswode Haseldene à quodam Johanne de sancto Johanne cui rex ille Stephanus dederat quasdam terras Reginaldi de sancto Walerico tempore hostilitatis. Redeunte autem pace et justitia, reddente unicuique quod suum erat, Reginaldus de sancto Walerico recepit Haseldene et monachos effugavit. Quibus tandem, post multas quas ab eo perpassi sunt vexationes, Haseldene cum cæteris terris quamplurimis se redditurum spondit, si abbatiam suam transferre vellent illuc, quia ex injuncta sibi

ribus dec. in grang. de Haselden, 0*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Alia porcio Abbatis, 2*l.* 14*s.* 0*d.*

Temporal. Dioc. Sarum. Apud Aderinton, 1*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*

Dioc. Wygorn. Abbas habet unam grang. quæ vocatur Grang. superior, et habet ibi quatuor caruc. terr. et val. car. sexdecim solid. Et unam molend. quod val. decem solid. Et de staur. viginti solid. Item apud aliam grang. quæ vocatur Grang. inferior, quinque caruc. terr. et val. caruc. duodecim solid. Et de staur. triginta solid. Et duo molendin. et val. molendin. sex solid. Item apud unam grang. quæ vocat. Charteshull unam caruc. terr. et val. duodecim solid. Item apud Grang. quæ vocatur Offlewrth septem car. terr. et val. caruc. duodecim solid. Item Grang. quæ vocatur Egge tres caruc. terr. et val. caruc. decem solid. Et de staur. quinque lib. Item apud Hull' unam virgat. terr. et val. sex solid.

Summa 22*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Item apud Tett' ad quand. grang. tres caruc. terr. et val. car. duodecim solid. Item de staur. triginta solid. Et unum molendinum aquaticum quod val. sex solid. Et unum molendinum ad vent. quod val. sex solid. Item apud Hasselden novem caruc. terr. et val. caruc. decem solid. Et unum molend. ad vent. quod val. sex solid. Et de redd. assis. duodecim libr. tresdecim solid. et duos denar. Item de staur. sexaginta solid.

Summa 24*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.*

See the Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. pp. 193, 220 b, 221, 221 b, 235.

^a The following is the list of the pensions granted to the monks of this house at the Dissolution:

"Here ensueth suche stipends as is thought necessarie and expedient by us John Tregonwell, Nicholas Poyntz, Knight, John Poyntz, Esquier, John Freman, and Edward Gosewike, Commissioners appointed for the Dissolvment of the late Monastery of Kingswod, in Wiltes, for th'Abbote and Monks there unto every of them appoynted what they shall have by yere duringe their lyves. That is to saye

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Furst to William Bewdlaie, late abbott there, by yere	1 <i>l.</i>
Itm. to Thomas Redinge, prior there, by yere	v <i>j</i> ^{li} . xii <i>j</i> ^s . iiij ^d .
Itm. to John Westbury, monke there, by yere	iiij ^{li} . xii <i>j</i> ^s . iiij ^d .
Itm. to John Gethin, monke there, and curate of the parishe, by yere	iiij ^{li} . xii <i>j</i> ^s . iiij ^d .
Itm. to William Wotton, granator there, by yere	iiij ^{li} . v <i>j</i> ^s . viij ^d .
Itm. to William Hewghes, monke there, by yere	iiij ^{li} .
Itm. to John Sodbury, monke there, by yere	iiij ^{li} .
Itm. to Nicholas Hampton, subprior there, by yere	iiij ^{li} .
Itm. to William Pakker, monke there, by yere	iiij ^{li} .
Itm. to Nicholas Acton, sellerer there, by yere	iiij ^{li} . xii <i>j</i> ^s . iiij ^d .
Itm. to Edward Ermyngnam, sexton there, by yere	iiij ^{li} .
Itm. to Thomas Orchard, monke there, by yere	iiij ^{li} .
Itm. to John Stonley monke there, beyng no prest, by yere	xl.

JO. TREGONWELL.
N. POYNTZ.
JOHN POYNTZ.
JOHN FREMAN.
EDWARD GOSTWYK."

MS. Cotton. Brit. Mus. Cleop. E. IV. fol. 268.

^b In the Lord Treasurer's Rem. Office is a record with the following title:

"Kyngeswood.—De Literis Regina patentibus Johanni Thynne, militi, de situ nuper Monasterij de Kyngeswood et alijs in comitatu Wiltesiræ." Mich. Rec. 2 Eliz. rot. 11.

^c Annal. de Waverley in bibl. Cotton.

Et hoc totum regis charta confirmatum est. Postea verò missam illam, proprio altari ad eam deputato, idem Rogerus in abbazia celebrari promisit rogatu generalis capituli, sicut literæ ipsius capituli ad hoc testantur.

Omnibus autem hiis ita se habentibus, habitum est capitulum in Anglia apud Kirchkestedde ubi inter cæteros coabbates suos fuerunt Philippus abbas Elemosinæ, et Henricus abbas Waverleyc, et Paganus abbas de Tettebiria, ibique pro sedanda controversia quadam, quæ versabatur inter abbatem Elemosinæ et abbatem Waverleye, quæ unde vel qualis fuerit ipsi melius sciunt, concessum fuit abbati Waverleye, ut apud Kingswode abbatiam ædificaret quæ jam grangia fuit abbatis de Tettebiria, concessu fundatoris et confirmatione regis, sicut cartæ eorum testantur; abbate Elemosinæ interducente ad hoc Paganum abbatem de Tettebiria ut illud concederet, qui erat homo simplex et nullius astuciæ; compositionem quandam facientes inter depossessiones ecclesiæ de Tettebiria quæ et tenuis erat in possessionibus et vix in toto suo stare poterat parcientes; et pro libitu suo quod suum erat non dividentes. Hoc autem totum factum est nesciente nec assentiente conventu de Tettebiria et sine conscientia et consensu patris abbatis scilicet de Tynterna: quibus postea reclamantibus et contradicentibus, res in litem vocata est, et super ea diu litigatum etiam in præsentī capitulo; tandem, convenientibus quamplurimis abbatibus in unum apud Kingswode, judiciaria determinatione, abbas Waverleye quatuor monachos quos ad Kingswode transmiserat cum eo quod suum erat ad se revocavit, et Kingswode sicut fuerat in grangiam de Tettebiria reducta est. Supersunt adhuc multi monachi, conversi, clerici, laici, et Rogerus fundator de Kingswode qui hiis omnibus interfuerunt. Et quoniam locus angustus erat apud Tettebiriam, et minus sufficiens ad positionem abbatiae, maximè quia ligna ad arandum non habebant, nisi de bosco de Kingswode qui longè erat, Bernardus de sancto Walerico fundator ecclesiæ de Tettebiria, accepit à Rogero de Berkeley fundatore de Kingswode, mediante homagio suo, quadraginta acras terræ apud Mireforde, qui locus confinis est et conterminus terræ de Kingswode, et transtulit illuc abbatiam suam de Tettebiria sicut exinde utriusque cartæ testantur; in quo loco abbatia adhuc posita est: et sic xxviij. annis aut eo ampliùs Tynterna abbatiam illam sicut revera filiam suam quam ædificavit, et totiens transplantavit, multos provincia sibi defundans labores, tenuit in pace ab omni calumpnia, donec abbas de Waverle in generali capitulo, cui non interfui ego abbas de Tynterna, neque aliquis qui pro me aperiret os ad reclamandum de re antiquata, et abbatem, judiciaria determinatione sopita, novam disposuit querelam, ostendens quædam scripta facta sine conscientia et assensu conventus de Tettebiri, cujus grangia et tunc temporis fuit Kingswode, et abbatis et conventus de Tynterna, ad quem spectat locus ille ratione filialitatis: jussumque est à capitulo ne abbas Elemosinæ conventionem factam inter abbatem Elemosinæ et illum Waverle exequeretur et teneret capitulo fortè pro tractu temporis, non reducente ad memoriam quid super hoc factum sit in diebus antiquis. Abbas Elemosinæ abbatiam nostram translatam de Tettebiria ad Mireforde, qui est confinis et conterminus terræ de Kingswode, unde et abbatia pro loci vicinitate; et quia nominacior est Kingswode, quam Mireforde accepit et nomen ejus, cum abbate et conventu nostro contradidit abbati de Waverle plùs ut nobis videtur invitatus voluntati quam rationi, cum scripta illorum nullam faciant mentionem præter de loco de Kingswode in quo priùs abbatia posita fuit, qui et tunc fuit grangia abbatiae de Tettebiria, et adhuc est grangia translata abbatiae de Tettebiria, quæ est ad Mireford; an dicta sunt hæc coram iudicibus à capitulo sub hac causa delegatis et super hoc oculi nostri, videant equitatem.

NUM. II.

Proœmium Cartarum de Tynterna.

[Ibid.]

REVERENDIS dominis et patribus Willielmo abbati de Cistercio et cæteris abbatibus ibidem in Spiritu Sancto congregatis, Willielmus abbas de Quareria et abbas de Woburne salutem, et suæ humilitatis obsequium. Ad præcavenda varia pericula quæ itinerantibus et maximè in navigatione solent contingere, visum est E. abbati de Tynterna nostra potiùs testimonia quàm sua nobis transmittere muni-

menta super subjectione translatae abbatiae de Kingswode. Nos itaque fraternæ postulationi nostrum suffragium pro posse volentes impendere, prænotata munimenta diligenter inspeximus, et eandem formam quam ibi legimus, vestrae discretioni plenius adnotare procuravimus. Valete.

NUM. III.

Carta Matildis Imperatricis.

[Ibid.]

MATILDIS imperatrix Henrici regis filia omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, tam clericis quam laicis, suæ subjectionis, salutem. Volo vos non ignorare me concessisse et carta mea confirmasse illud caritatis donum quod pro patris mei regis Henrici animæ redemptione, et prædecessorum suorum remedio Willielmus de Berchele contulit abbatiae de Tynterna; scilicet, totam Kingswode, et quicquid deinceps ipsius abbatiae cristicolis de suo collaturus est. Præcipiendo etiam addendo ne super hoc ulterius quicquam injuriæ seu inquietudinis eis vel alicui de suis inde fiat. Hii interfuere obtestantes, &c.

NUM. IV.

Carta Bernardi de Sancto Walerico.

[Ibid.]

BERNARDUS de sancto Walerico omnibus hominibus et amicis suis, Franciæ et Angliæ, salutem. Sciant præsentēs et futuri, quod ego Bernardus concessi Rogero de Bercheley et hæredibus suis auxilium et consilium meum in curia domini mei regis Angliæ, salva fide mea, et quitantiam in portu sancti Walerici sibi et hæredibus suis, et omnibus hominibus mensæ suæ, et ipse dedit et concessit mihi, annuente R. filio suo, xl. acras terræ apud Mireforde, ad removendam abbatiam incam de Tettebiria. Testes, &c.

NUM. V.

Carta R. de Berckley.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit fidelibus omnibus quod ego R. de Berckley concessu regis et rogatu, sed et petitione capituli Cistercii, consensu quoque conjugis meæ et hæredis mei, concessi monachis de Kingswode, misertus paupertatis eorum, transferre abbatiam suam de feodo meo quam antecessores mei fundaverunt; hoc tenore, ut manerium illud, scilicet Kingswode remaneat illis liberum et quietum ab omnibus serviciis secularibus, et querelis sicut priùs fuit, stante ibi abbatia. Ita tamen, ut ibi ab uno sacerdote monacho missa continuè privatim celebretur, sinque particeps omnium beneficiorum translatae abbatiae tanquam fundator, et omnium abbatiarum Cisterciensis ordinis, tam ego quam conjux mea et hæres meus, cum antecessoribus et successoribus meis. Ipsi autem monachi ut meliorem gratiam invenirent apud me, dederunt mihi viginti septem marcas et dimidiam et filio meo unum cacorem vel unam marcam, et manutenebo eos pro posse meo sicut fundator. Et si forte quolibet modo redierint, reddam eis, quantum dederunt ad suum placitum. Hanc pacationem me servaturum fide firma. Testes, &c.

NUM. VI.

Carta G. Abbatis Cistercii.

[Ibid.]

FRATER G. Cistercii dictus abbas, totusque abbatiae conventus in generali capitulo congregatus, domino R. de Berckle, salutem quæ est in Christo Jesu cum devotis orationibus. Magnas misericordiæ Dei referimus gratias qui dedit in corde vestro pauperum suorum curam, et magnam, sicut audivimus, in ordinem nostrum devotionem, quam abbatiam de Kingswode translatam pia sollicitudine fovetis et defenditis, et in omnibus prout possibilitas vestra permittat promovetis. Unde universi ordinis nostri orationes vestrae salutis curam agunt, et sine memoria vestri ad aures divinitatis non ascendunt; ut autem prædictum devotionis vestrae sacrificium sincerum, et sine omni fermento conspectui divinæ pietatis offeratur, obsecramus vos et monemus ut de missa illa cotidiana quam in Kingswode celebrandum statuistis, nostrum audiat consilium, et eandem missam, proprio altari ad eam deputato, in abbazia celebrari

permittatis. Videtur enim nobis salutem vestram non esse congruum ut aliquid per vos et propter vos à fratribus nostris fiat quod consuetudini ordinis nostri non conveniat. Porro si super hoc vobis non placuerit nostro consentiri consilio, concedimus interim ut pactum vestrum vobis teneatur, ne in aliquo vestram exacerbare videamur caritatem: diligimus enim vos tanquam fratrem nostrum et omnia quæ honori et salutem vestram competerint non minus devotè quam debitè exequi, viribus nostris parati sumus. Valete.

NUM. VII.

Carta R. de Berckley.

[Ibid.]

R. DE Berckley omnibus fidelibus qui litteras istas inspexerint salutem. Notum sit vobis quod Willielmus de Berckley dedit abbatiæ de Tynterna, pro salute animæ Henrici regis Angliæ et suæ, totum Kingeswode cum omnibus pertinentiis suis ad construendam ibi abbatiam de ordine Cisterciensi, et pater meus illud gratum habuit et ratum tenuit. Et postquam abbatia de Kingeswode translata erat ad Tettebiriam, consensu patris mei R. de Berckley, ipse pater meus, consensu et voluntate mea, dedit et concessit Bernardo de sancto Walerico quadraginta acras apud Mureford ad removendam illuc abbatiam suam quæ fuit prius apud Tettebiriam. Hiis testibus, &c.

NUM. VIII.

Carta Hen. I. Regis Angliæ.

[Ibid.]

H. REX Angliæ S. Wigorn. episcopo, et N. Gloucestræ, omnibusque baronibus suis et fidelibus suis Francis et Anglis de Gloucestreschire salutem. Sciatis me concessisse Rogero de Berckley quod det Acheolt in perpetuam elemosinam canonicis vel monachis pro animabus nostris et antecessorum nostrorum. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio quod prædicta terra sit ita libera et quieta ex omnibus servitiis et querelis et consuetudinibus sicut ego ipse melius et liberior tenebam in meo dominio. Testibus W. Camerario de Tancervill et M. Gloucestræ, et Pagano filio Johannis, apud Elingas.

NUM. IX.

Scriptum Willielmi de Berkley, Innocencio Papæ.

[Ibid.]

REVERENDISSIMO Dei gracia domino Papæ Innocencio, Willielmus de Berkeley et fundator Kingeswode reverentiam cum fide, et hilaritate summo pontifici debitam. Pia pastoris gratia subditos affectio votum beati Petri apostolorum principis successorem interpellare pusillanimitati nostræ ausum dedit. Præterea dextra in sublevando sedula, in dando munifica omnem in desiderio sancto querulam excludit repulsam; inde, ne in hoc negotio ulla tumultuetur opacitas, rem ex integra majestati vestram intimari juravimus. Henricus Rex Anglorum patruo nostro Rogero de Berkeley certi pretii taxatione terram quandam absque calumpnia sibimet reservatam dedit, condicione tali quatenus eam religioni horum alteri profitenti monachatum, scilicet seu canonicatum sanciret. Sed quoniam hic idem morte præventus est, memor tum propositi, illam nobis condicione præfata legavit. Et ne inde ulla imposterum exactio violens posset inferri, regis præfati munimento, præsentiam vestram delato, confirmavit. Nos itaque voluntate ejus supplentes ordini Cisterciensi, quia cæteris in sanctitate præponderare nobis visus est, terram illam ab patruo scilicet hoc sine vobis legatam ad abbatiam fundandam concessimus. Proinde vestra eidem ordini auctoritas moderetur cautelam, quatenus idem ratam habeatur et constans et ne ejus rei ulla possit dissolutio uspiam inveniri, precamur benevolentiam vestram gratiam, quatenus auctoritate apostolica corroboretur, ut siquis exactionis cujuslibet, aut etiam detrimenti calumpnia molitus, Romano insuper privilegio versuciam conetur inferre, anathematis gladio percussus absistat. Valete.

NUM. X.

Carta Rogeri de Berkley de Kingeswode cum pertinentiis.

[Ibid.]

SIMONI episcopo Wigorn. et omnibus fidelibus Rogerus

de Berkley salutem. Notum vobis sit quod ego Rogerus de Berkeley pro me ipso et uxore mea, et liberis meis, et pro anima patris mei et antecessorum meorum, concedo et confirmo abbati et monachis de Kingeswode totam terram de Kingeswode, tam nemus quàm culturas et prata, et quicquid ad ipsam pertinet liberam et quietam ab omnibus querelis, et nominatim à servicio unius militis quod Willielmus de Berkley pro feudo ipsius abbatis mihi debebat. Ipsi verò monachi in capitulo eorum receperunt me prædicti loci fundatorem. Datum apud Chiveleiam sexto idus Martii anno ab incarnatione millesimo centesimo quadragesimo octavo. Testes sunt, Simon episcopus Wigorn. Willielmus abbas de Margan, et Gervasius archidiaconus, Hugo monachus de Truarco, Hugo decanus, Johannes Papa, Willielmus de Winton, et alii.

NUM. XI.

Carta Rogeri de Berkley senioris, de Acholt.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentem et futuri quod ego Rogerus de Berkeley, pro Deo et salute animæ domini mei Henrici regis et animæ meæ et animarum hæredum meorum et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, dedi, concessi, et hac præsentem carta mea confirmavi Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Kingeswode et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus totum manerium meum de Acholte, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam, tenendum et habendum omnia prædicta, ecclesiæ suæ prædictæ, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus et eorum successoribus liberè et quietè ab omnibus exactionibus secularibus sicut libera et pura elemosina liberior et purior haberi et teneri et excogitari poterit imperpetuum. Et ego prædictus Rogerus et hæredes mei warrantizabimus prædictum manerium de Acholte cum omnibus quibuscumque pertinentiis suis prædictæ ecclesiæ de Kingeswode et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus et eorum successoribus sicut liberam et puram et perpetuam elemosinam: et acquietabimus eos et defendemus ab omnibus quæ unquam inde aliquo modo poterint contra omnes mortales imperpetuum. Et ut hæc mea donatio concessio et præsentem cartæ meæ confirmatio rata et stabilis imperpetuum permaneat, eandem sigilli mei munimine roboravi. Hiis testibus, Simone episcopo Wigorn. abbate sancti Augustini de Bristol. abbate de Tynterna, Roberto filio Hardyngi, Henrico Lovel, et aliis.

NUM. XII.

Confirmatio Rogeri de Berkley junioris de Manerio de Kingeswode.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens carta pervenerit, Rogerus de Berkley, æternam in Domino salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me caritatis intuitu, pro animabus patris et matris meæ, et animabus antecessorum et hæredum meorum, et uxorum mearum, consilio et assensu hæredum meorum, concessisse et confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Kingeswode, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus in perpetuam et puram elemosinam, totum manerium de Kingeswode, quod præfati monachi ejusdem loci tenuerunt de Rogero patre meo et me, tenendum et habendum de me et hæredibus meis, in bosco et plano, culturis et pasturis, aquis et pratis, viis et semitis, liberum et quietum ab omnibus querelis et exactionibus, et nominatim à servicio unius militis quod Willielmus de Berkley, pro feudo ipsius abbatiæ, patri meo debebat. Prædicti verò monachi in capitulo eorum receperunt prænominatum R. patrem meum et hæredes ipsius, prædicto Willielmo de Berkley annuente et consentiente, suæ domus fundatore. Hiis testibus Roberto de Berkeley, nepote meo, Philippo et Olivero fratribus meis, et Willielmo filio meo, magistro Richardo de Rorestan, et Benedicto capellano, fratre Richardo de Bradeleya, et aliis.

NUM. XIII.

Carta Regis Henrici de viginti et septem acris assarti de Kingeswode.

[Ibid.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ et dux Normanniæ et Aquitaniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, justiciarius, et viccomi-

tibus, et forestariis, et omnibus ministris suis totius Angliæ salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et dedisse inperpetuam elemosinam ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Kingswode et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, et hac carta mea confirmasse, septies viginti acras assartorum apud Kingswode, habendas et tenendas inperpetuum solutas et quietas ab omni regardo et exactione; et ideo volo et firmiter præcipio quod prædictos monachos inde non vexetis, neque ab aliquo vexari permit-tatis. Teste, Willielmo filio Audclini, Richardo de Ansei, Willielmo de Stut. et aliis.

NUM. XIV.

Carta H Ducis Normanniæ et comitis Andegaviæ de duodecim acris terræ juxta Abbatiam.

[Ibid.]

H. Ducis Normanniæ et comitis Andegaviæ filius, S. Wigorn. episcopo, et omnibus baronibus suis vicecomitibus justiciariis et omnibus ministris suis atque fidelibus et Francis et Anglis totius Gloucestreschire, salutem. Sciatis me pro anima regis Henrici avi mei, et Matildis reginæ dedisse et concessisse monachis de Kingswode duodecim acras de illa terra, quæ jacet inter boscum de Haga et aquam quæ dividit terram ipsorum monachorum et terram de Wetona. Et ideo mando et præcipio quod quietè et liberè teneant absque consuetudine vel servicio seculari. Teste, Willielmo comite Gloucestriæ, Reginaldo comite Cornubiæ, Rogero comite Hereford.

NUM. XV.

Quieta Clamatio Domini Nicholai de Kingestone militis super concessionem Hawisiæ le Veel.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, Nicholaus de Kingestone miles dominus de Torte-worthe salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noveritis me remisisse, &c. viris religiosis abbati et conventui de Kingswode totum jus et clamium quod habui seu quovismodo habere potui in una portiuncula prati quæ vocatur Jonesham infra manerium de Cherfeld, jacentem apud Horsford-Brigge; quod quidem pratum dicti religiosi habuerunt ex donatione et concessione Hawisiæ le Veel uxoris quondam Roberti le Veel in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, prout in carta fe-offamenti quam inde habent plenius continetur. In cujus rei testimonium præsentibus sigillum meum est appensum. Hiis testibus Johanne le Chansy, Laurentio de Tresham, Rogero Joye, Willielmo Colewiche, Willielmo de Coumbe, et aliis. Datum apud Torteworthe in festo beati Bernardi abbatis, anno regni regis Edwardi filii regis Edwardi nono.

NUM. XVI.

Paper Surveys, Augmentation Office.

NUPER MON. DE KYNGISWOD.

Valor omni et singlorum dominiorum Maniorum Terr. et Teñt. ac aliorum possessionum tam spiritualium quam temporalium prout nuper Mon. de Kingiswod, predictum in comitatu Wiltes suppressum per Johannem Tregonwell, legum doctorum Nicolauum Poyntz, militem, Johannem Poyntz, armigerum, Johannem Freman, et Edwardum Gostwyk commissarios domini regis 6^{to} die Marcij, anno regni regis Henrici VIII. xxix^o. ut sequitur.

Videlicet,

	£.	s.	d.
Scit. mon. predicti. cu. terr. domical. valet p ann.	7	0	0
Grang. voc. le New Grang. at Ilbery, valet p ann.	4	0	0
Bosc. una pva pcell. bosc. voc. le Coppes ppe nup mon. predicti. cont. p estimac. tres acr. p ^{ci} j le acr. 16s. 3 acr. Bosc. ibm in mai ^{or} ibz nup abbat. cont. p estimac. 350 acr. p ^{ci} j le acr. 16s. 8d. De quibus 350 acr. unum le 100 jac. vac. et sterrile. 353 acr.			
Maniu' de Kyngiswod cu. Neude p indent. p cop. cur. valet p ann.	117	18	2
Pquis. cur. ibm cu. finibus. per ann.			
Firm. grang. de Bagston, valet p ann.	3	6	8
Firm. terr. et teñt. in Acton, valet p ann.	1	7	0

	£.	s.	d.
Firm. grang. de Redge, valet p ann.	7	0	0
Firm. terr. et teñt. in Wotton, valet p ann.	0	15	0
Firm. terr. et teñt. in Nybley et Duresley, valet p ann.	3	0	10
Firm. terr. et teñt. in Berkeley et Stone, valet p ann.	3	17	4
Firm. grang. de Hyll, valet p ann.	7	6	8
Firm. terr. et teñt. in Newport et Tetbury, valet p ann.	10	3	10
Firm. terr. et teñt. in Bristolia, valet p ann.	1	17	8
Maniu' de Culcerton cu. terr. in Bysley, valet p ann.	9	8	6
Pquis. cur. ibm, valet p ann.			
Maniu' de Woselworth et Bagpath, valet p ann.	19	9	0
Vendic. bosc. ibm per ann.			
Pquis' cur. ibm per ann.			
Firm. grang. de Haselden, valet p ann.	32	8	0
Firm. grang. de Calcote, valet p ann.	8	0	0
Firm. terr. in Alderton, valet p ann.	0	15	0
Firm. de le Conygar ap. Cherington, valet p ann.	0	12	0
Firm. terr. et teñt. in Glouc. valet p ann.	0	3	0
Rector. de Kyngiswood in manibus abbat. valet in decim. ibm p ann.	7	0	0
S ^m a. tot. valor.	245	8	8
D. quibus			

Rep's.

viz. in

Redd. resolut. annuatim solt abbat. de Cissiter p terr. in Culcerton p ann.	0	2	0
Redd. resolut. dno de Tetbury annuatim p terr. in Tetbury, p ann.	0	2	0
Redd. resolut. vic. Bristolie p certis terr. ibm p ann.	0	2	0
S ^m a.	0	6	0
Pens ^o . annuatim solut. prior ^o . de Lantonja juxta Glouc. p decim. ap ^d . Heselden et Cherington, p ann.	2	0	0
Penc. solut. abbati de Eseney p decim. in Culcerton, p ann.	1	0	0
Penc. solut. rector. de Baypath p decim. ibm ut patz p q ^o dd ^m compos. p ann.	0	11	0
Penc. solut. rector. de Wotton Underege p decim. in Kyngiswod et Neude ut patz p compos. ibm. p ann.	1	0	0
Penc. solut. rector. de Cherfelde p terr. in Nethewoode, p ann.	1	0	0
Penc. annuatim solut. abbat. de Malmusburij p terr. in Haselden, Cherington, et Tetbury, p ann.	0	12	0
Penc. solut. prior, S ^d . Jacobi de Bristolia p terr. in vic. voc. S ^{ti} Nicolai, p ann.	0	12	0
S ^m a.	5	13	0
Feod. Nicolai Poyntz milit. sen ^u . cur. ibm p ann.	2	13	4
Feod. Johis Higge Geñal. recept. et custod. bosc. ibm, p ann.	4	16	0

S^ma.

Et r. clar.

cu. stipend. uni' capellani.

The yerlye Anuites.

The yerlie anuytes granted owt by covent seale out of the late Mon. of Kyngiswod for terme of lyffe as fouloweth.

That is to saie.

Furst to the lorde previe seale by yere	6	13	4
I tm to Mr. Richard Crumwell by yere	2	0	0
I tm to Mr. John Gostwyk by yere	2	0	0
I tm to Mr. Popley by yere	1	6	4
I tm to Mr. Matstone	2	0	0
I tm to Mr. Arnolde	1	0	0

	£	s.	d.
Iīm to Mr. Bronne Prest coñmissary of the peeculiar jurisdiçōns of the seid late mon. by yere	1	6	8
Iīm to Stephen Coldewell by yere	0	13	4
Iīm to John Freanche by yere	2	0	0
Iīm to Mighell Johns by yere	3	6	8
Iīm to Nicolas Weire by yere	1	6	8
Iīm to John Harte by yere	1	6	8
Iīm to George Frebody by yere	2	0	0
Iīm to Wifm Fonntaunee by yere	2	0	0
Iīm to Robt Thom's for the croners office by yere	1	0	0
Iīm to Dd John's by yere	3	0	0
Sm ^a	33	0	0

Wagis and Reward℥ to the Mokes.

Hereafter ensueth the wagis and reward℥ that was gyven to th'abbott and monkes att theyr deptyng owt of the late monast'y of Kyngiswod in the countie of Wilteshyre, as the appoyntment of their styent℥ or pençōns duryng ther lyves, rated and appoynted by hus John Tregunwell, doctor of lawe, Nicolas Poyntz, knyght, John Poyntz, esquier, John Freman and Edward Gostwyke, coñmyssion's appoyntyd for y^e same, and so to eȳy of them in reward pticlerly, dytributed the 5th daye of Marche, in the 29th yere of our soȳeign lorde Kyng Hen. the 8th as foloueth.

That is to saie,

Furst to Wifm Bewdlaie, late abbote there for his reward and fyndyng 6l. 13s. 4d. oȳ and besydes 50l. to him appoynted for a yerely pençōn duryng his lyffe wherof shalbe due unto hym for one halfe yere endyng at Mighelmas in the 30th yere of oure forseid soȳeigne lorde the kyng 25l.

6 13 4

Item to Thomas Redynge, prior ther, for his reward and fyndynge 3l. 6s. 8d. oȳ and besid℥ 6l. 13s. 4d. to him appoynted for a yerely pençōn duryng his lyffe wherof shalbe due to hym after the same tyme afforsaide 3l. 6s. 8d.

3 6 8

Item to John Westbury, late monke there, for his rewarde and fyndyng 2l. 13s. 4d. oȳ and besydes 4l. 13s. 4d. to him appoynted for a yerely pençōn duringe his lyffe whereof shalbe due to hym after the same tyme aforsaide 2l. 6s. 8d.

2 13 4

Item to John Gethin, late monke there, beyng curate of the pische for his reward and fyndyng 2l. 13s. 4d. oȳ and besydes 4l. 13s. 4d. to him appoynted for a yerely pençōn during his liffe whereof shalbe due to hym after the same tyme aforsaide 2l. 6s. 8d.

2 13 4

Iīm to Wifm Wotton, monke, granator there, for his like rewarde and fyndyng 2l. 13s. 4d. oȳ and besides 4l. 6s. 8d. to him appoynted for a yerely pençōn duringe his lyffe whereof shalbe due to hym after the same tyme aforsaide 2l. 3s. 4d.

2 13 4

Item to Wifm Hewghes, late monke there, for his lyke rewarde and fyndyng 2l. 13s. 4d. oȳ and besydes 4l. to him appoynted for a yerely pençōn during his lyffe whereof shalbe due to him after the same tyme aforsaid 2l.

2 13 4

Item to John Sodbury, late monke there, for his lyke rewarde and findyng 2l. 13s. 4d. oȳ and besyd℥ 4l. to him appoynted for a yerely pençōn duringe his liffe whereof shalbe due to him after the same tyme afforsaide 2l.

2 13 4

Item to Nicolas Hampton, subprior, for his lyke rewarde and fyndyng 2l. 13s. 4d. oȳ and besyd℥ 4l. to him appoynted for a yerely pençōn duryng his lyffe whereof shalbe due to him after the same tyme aforsaide 2l.

2 13 4

Iīm to Wifm Pakker, late monke there, for his lyke rewarde and fyndyng 2l. 13s. 4d. oȳ and besydes 4l. to him appoynted for a yerely pençōn during his lyffe whereof shalbe due to him after the same tyme aforsaide 2l.

2 13 4

Item to Nicolas Aeton, sellerer there, for

his lyke rewarde and fyndyng 2l. 13s. 4d. oȳ and besydes 4l. 13s. 4d. to hym appoynted for a yerely peneçōn duryng his lyffe whereof shalbe due to hym after the same tyme aforseid 2l. 6s. 8d.

£ s. d.

2 13 4

Item to Edwarde Gruyngh^m, sexton there, for his lyke rewarde and fyndyng 2l. 13s. 4d. oȳ and besyd℥ 4l. to him appoynted for a yerely pençōn during his lyffe whereof shalbe due to him aft^e the same tyme aforseid 2l.

2 13 4

Item to Thoñs Orchard, late monke there, for his lyke rewarde and fyndyng 2l. 13s. 4d. oȳ and besydes 4l. to him appoynted for a yerely pençōn duryng his lyffe whereof shalbe due to hym after the same tyme aforseid 2l.

2 13 4

Item to John Stonley, noves there, for his lyke reward and fyndyng 2l. oȳ and besid℥ 2l. to him appoynted for a yerely pençōn duryng his liffe whereof shalbe due to him after the same tyme aforseid 1l.

2 0 0

Item to Thoñs Lawrence, counse^r there, for his wagis and reward, and soo sent to remayne in an other relegyous howse aecordyng to his desyer and request

1 0 0

Sm^a 39 13 4

Wagis and Reward℥ to the s^evñt℥.

Here ensueth the wagis that war paide unto the s^evñt℥ of the seid late monast'y of Kyngiswod, due to them att oure Lady daye next coñyng, in anno 29^o reg℥ Hen. 8, and reward℥ gyven unto them the 5th daye of Merehe in anno p^dcō reg℥ p^dict' as foloweth.

That is to saie,

Furst paide to Richard Tiller, butler, for his wagis behinde due at oure Lady daye aforseid 1l. and for his reward 6s. 8d. so in all

1 6 8

Item paide to Richard Sangar, the bakker, for his wag℥ behinde due at Cristmas last past 1l. 3s. 4d. and for a quarter due att our Lady daye afforseid 6s. 8d. and in rewarde 5s. so in all

1 15 0

Item paide to Wifm, the coke, for his wag℥ behinde att Cristimas last past 5s. and for a quarter due att our Ladye daye aforseid 6s. 8d. and in reward 6s. 8d. so in all

0 18 4

Item paide to John Webe, for his wag℥ behinde for halfe a yere due att Cristemas last past 10s. and for a quarter due att our Lady day as afforsaide 5s. and in reward 5s. so in all

1 0 0

Item to John Horseman for his wag℥ due att Candelmas last past 10s. and from Candelmas to o^r Lady daye 2s. 6d. and in rewarde 5s. so in all

0 17 6

Item to John Pulfford, organ plaier, for his wag℥ due att o^r Lady daye next comynge as afforseid 10s. and for his reward 10s. in all

1 0 0

Item to Wifm Shorte, baliffe of the ploughes, for his wag℥ behinde due att Cristemas last past 1l. 6s. 8d. and for a quarter due att o^r Lady daye as afforseid ending 6s. 8d. in all

1 13 4

Item to John Kyng, ploughman, for his wag℥ behind due att our Lady daye next comynge as afforsaide 10s. and in rewarde 5s. in all

0 15 0

Item to John Wylkyns, under bruer, for his wag℥ behinde due att our Lady daye next comynge 15s. and in rewarde 5s. in all

1 0 0

Item to Agnes Shorte, darywoman, for here wag℥ due att Cristemas last past

1 0 0

Item to the madens of the dary for theer wag℥ due att the seid tyme 7s. 4d. and in reward℥ to theym 6s. 8d. so in all

0 14 0

Item to Thomas Northe, s^evñte of the same monast'y in rewarde thought as then nedfull by the forsaide comnyssion's

0 6 8

Item to Agnes Padland, the late abbottes mother, for here rewarde lykewyse thought nedefull

2 0 0

Item to John, the under coke, havynge no wag℥ butt mette, drynke, and clothe, in rewarde to him gyven

0 7 6

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Item to twoo pore almes men of the same monast ^e y in rewarde	0	6	8	Item to James, the comen tailour, for dett due to him, as itt appereth in th'abbottes boke	1	0	0
Item to Thomas Prowte, for his wag ^e and rewarde in kepinge the gatte of the seid late monast ^e y	0	5	0	Item to Wiltm Spicer, of Kyngiswod, for money due to him, as itt appereth in th'abbott ^e boke	5	0	0
Item for a paire of balla ⁿ c ^e and weight ^e borrowed for the waynge of the plate w ⁱ n the seid house and so stollen	0	10	0	Item to Richarde Walker, for dett due to him for string ^e for bell ^e ropes, as itt appereth by the abbott ^e boke	0	4	8
Sm ^a	15	15	8	Item to Nicolas Acton, for money by him lead out for the expenc. of the mon. as itt apereth by th'abbott ^e boke	1	1	8
Certen money pade in prest of annuities by cause they war s ^e v ⁱ nt ^e w th in the monastery.				Item to John Bright, laborer, for thressshinge that the saide mon. hought to him, as itt appereth by the abbott ^e boke	0	5	0
Here ensueth payment ^e paide to suche psons as have a ⁿ uites of the seid late mon. of Kyngiswod in preast of theer a ⁿ uites, and so muche to be allowed of ther seid fees att suche tyme as they shall cū before the auditor and resayvor for the allowaunce of the reast of their money ap ^o n the showinge of ther covent seales, paide the 5th daye of M ^a che anno sup ^d dcō.				Item to Wiltm Hoggis, for wasshinge of the howse and covent, as itt appereth by the abbottes boke	0	6	8
That is to saye,				Item to John Wilmott ^e , for money due to hym a ^p on the abbottes declara ⁿ s	0	6	8
Furst to Nicolas Waier, in ptie of paym ^t of his annuite and wag ^e behinde as yet unpaied of 2l. 3s. 4d. whereof paid to him beinge due att o ^r Lady daie in anno 29 reg ^e Hen. 8.	1	0	0	Item to Thomas Boucher, for vitall ^e by hym delyv ^e d to th'abbott and covent, as it apereth by th'abbott ^e boke	0	9	9
Item to John Frenche, in ptie paiment of 1l. due for his anuite att o ^r Ladye day a ^o sup ^d dcō reg ^e p ^d ict'	0	10	0	Item to Richarde Gaie, for sellynge of woode, as itt appereth by th'abbottes boke . .	0	13	4
Item to John Harte, in ptie of payment of 2l. 13s. 4d. due to hym att o ^r Ladye daye in anno p ^d dcō reg ^e p ^d ci	1	5	0	Item to Thomas Ferris al. Knevet for dett due to him, as itt appereth by the abbott ^e boke	0	6	8
Item to Wiltm Fountaine, for ptie of paym ^t of 1l. due to him att X ^p imas last for his annuitie in anno 29 ^o reg ^e p ^d ict'	0	10	0	Item to John Plum and Thomas Busshope for dett due to theym, as itt apereth by the abbottes boke	0	10	0
Item to George Frebody, in ptie of paim ^t of 1l. due for his anuite att o ^r Ladye daye nexte comynge a ^o 29 ^o reg ^e Hen. 8.	0	10	0	Item to Syr Thomas Whalley for certe. duetes as his wag ^e due to him for di. yere fyndinge in the pische church ^e , as itt appereth by thabbottes boke	0	10	0
Item to Mighell Johns, in ptie of paym ^t of his annuitie of 1l. 13s. 4d. due to him att X ^p imas last past anno 29 ^o regis Hen. 8. . .	0	16	8	Item to Henr. Broune for dett due to hym, as itt appereth by th'abbott ^e boke	4	0	0
Item to Dd Johns, he hathe an a ⁿ uitie of 3l. by yere, and so behinde unpaide to him att X ^p imas last past anno 29 ^o reg ^e Hen. 8. . . .	0	15	0	Sm ^a	25	14	7
Sm ^a	5	6	8	Sm. of all the payment ^e aforesaide	86	10	3
Dett ^e paide to di ^v s ^e men, the wiche the late mon. of Kyngiswod dyd owe.				Kyngiswod, for di ^v se Arr. of certen Annuites by the said late Mon. graunted.			
Here foloueth certe. debt ^e due by the late mon. of Kyngiswod afforesaide, to di ^v s ^e psons as foloweth, paide by the seid co ^m ission ^s as more evidently appereth by the late abbottes boke there, the 5th daye of M ^a che in the 29th yere of oure so ^v eign lorde kynge Henr. the 8th, as ensueth.				Here ensueth money that is due unto dy ^v se psons beyng nott paide ap ^o n their a ⁿ uites and co ^v ent seales att the feast of Sent Mighell tharchaungell last past in a ^o . 29 ^o reg ^e Henr. VIII. and soo to be alowed after the rate of that yere whan the auditor and resayvor shal come downe.			
That is to saie,				That is to saie,			
Furst to Robt Knowles for 5 dayes worke, that the seide late mon. did owe unto him att 5d. le day	0	1	8	Furst to my lorde previe seale who hathe an annuitie of 6l. 13s. 4d. by yere, and so behinde due to him att the above said tyme . .	3	6	8
Item to John Copper, for whete spent of his by the saide mon. as it appereth by a byll .	0	15	0	Item to Syr Nicolas Poyntz knyght, who hathe a co ^v ent seale of the steward ^e shipe their for one holle yere due to him att the forseid tyme	2	13	4
Item to Thom ^a s Bell, of Gloucest. by for c ^e tayne ca ⁿ n ⁱ s that the seid mon. hade of hym as itt appereth by a byll	2	15	0	Item to Mr. Richard Crumwell, whoo hath a fee of 2l. by yere, and behinde unpaide at the said tyme	1	0	0
Item to Richarde Anste, for fysche that the mon. hade of him, as it appereth by th'abbott ^e boke	1	15	0	Item to Mr. John Gostwyke, who hathe a fee of 2l. by yere, and soo unpaid to him at the saide tyme	1	0	0
Item to Lawrence M ^a ddoc, for certe. mutons that the saide mon. had of hym as itt apereth by th'abbott ^e boke	1	19	0	Item to Master Popley, who hath a fee of 1l. 6s. 8d. by yere, and so unpaid to him att the same tyme	0	13	4
Item to Chāles Sharmond, of Wotton, for oyle and spices, as it appereth by the abbott ^e boke	0	12	8	Item to Mr. Maitstone for his fee of 2l. by yere due at the forseid time, as yett unpaid by cause of a certe. re ^c onynge between him and the abbote, as itt apereth by his boke.			
Item to John Webe for dett due by the saide mon. to him of certen stuffe of the bakhouse, as itt apereth by a byll	1	10	0	Item to Mr. Arnolde in re ^v con of Thomas Matstone a fee of 2l. by yere, out of the wyche he muste have e ^v y yere 1l. due att the forsaid tyme	1	0	0
Item to S. Thomas Waire, late abbote of Flaxley, for certen dett due to hym, as itt apereth by th'abbottes boke	3	0	0	Item to Mr. Bronne co ^m yss. of the peculiar jurisdu ^c ōns of the mon. aforesaide, who hath a fee of 1l. 6s. 8d. a yere, as yett unpaid, due at the abovesaide tyme	1	6	8
				Item to Stephen Coldwell, he hath a co ^v ent-saelle of 13s. 4d. by yere, and soo unpaide at o ^r			

	£	s.	d.
Lady daye next comynge in a° 29° regē Henr. VIII.	0	6	8
Item to the pson of Charfeld as itt is decreed by cōposicion att 1l. by yere, and soo unpæd at Mighelmas as aforesaide	0	6	8
Item to the pson of Bagpatz for an anūall pençōn due to be paid to him alwaies at Laīnas 1ls. by yere, and soo holly due to hym at the same tyme in a° rē Henr. VIII.....	0	11	0
Item to Robert Thomas for the crownēs office he hath a covēnt seale of 1l. by yere due to him att the tyme aforesaide.....	1	0	0
Sīm ^a of the arr., besydē Mr. Matstonē arr.....	13	4	4

Dettē due to be paide by the late Mon. of Kyngiswod.
Here foloweth dettē due unto dyvse psons apōn the abbottes psentment, the wyche the late mon. of Kyngiswod must paye as foloweth.

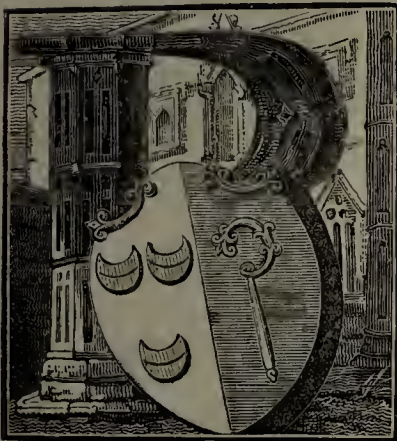
That is to saie,			
Furst to Robert Coyes, drover, for muttons by hym delyvēd to the abbey	2	18	4
Item to Mistres Pker of Barnwod for a horsse that the abbottē hade of here, as itt appereth by the seid abbottē boke	1	13	4
Item to Johñs Hewghes of Bristowe for a hogshed of oyle y ^t the seid mon. had of him, as itt apereth by thabbottē boke	2	0	0
Item to Wifm Mercer of Wotton for spicē			

	£	s.	d.
by the seid mon. resaved of him, as itt apereth by thabbottē boke.....	0	1	8
Item to Wifm Hewghes for money by him lead oute in the sexton office as itt appereth by th'abbottē boke.....	0	3	4
Sīm ^a of the dettē.....	6	16	8

Detts due to the late Monastery of Kyngiswod.
Here foloweth the dettē that be due unto y^e late monas̄y of Kyngiswod apōn the abbottē psentment sworne therapon befor the kyngē cōmissiōns the 6th daye of Mēche in the 29th yere of our soṽaigne lorde Kyng Henr. the Eight.

That is to saye,			
Furst John Rowborowe of Kyngiswood doth owe a fyne by hym taken for a howse in Kyngiswood	10	0	0
Item the ferm. of the grang. of Haselden doth owe unto the saide late monastery fyve wey of whete.....	10	0	0
Item of Nicolas Tailour of Kyngiswood for a fyne of Smythes Crofte, as itt apereth by his last indent.	12	0	0
Item for the londe late in the occupaçōn of one John Bynges for rent in Bysselaye doth owe	0	17	10
Sīm ^a of the dettē due to the monastery	32	17	10

Pipewell Abbey, in Northamptonshire.



IPEWELL, anciently also called the Abbey of St. Mary de Divisis, is stated by Tanner to have been founded in 1143. The annals of Louth Park give 1141 as the year. Bridges, however, speaks with less certainty; he says, early in the reign of Henry II. or at the end of King Stephen's, William Batevileyn founded here an abbey for Cistercian monks, dedicated to the honour of the Virgin Mary.^a The eastern part of it was situated on the fee of Geytington, of the gift of Ralph, earl of Chester; and the western part on the fee of Wahul, given by the founder, who endowed it with seven virgates of the same fee. All the land which he possessed within or without the township of Pipewell on the site of the abbey, or adjoining to it, had been an Hermitage,^b which with the contiguous grounds, was confirmed to the convent by Becket, archbishop of Canterbury. In the earliest charters after its foundation, it had the name of St. Mary de Divisis, either because it stood on two distinct fees, or because its demesnes lay on both sides of Harper's brook, which divided the hundreds of Rothwell and Corby.

"Not long after the convent was erected,^c William Flemyng, at the instigation of the devil," so the Register asserts, "laid claim to that part of the foundation standing on the fee of Wahul, and disturbed the monks in their possession of it. To prevent any future dispute, Robert, the son of William Batevileyn, gave the said William Flemyng four virgates in Cotesbroc, in exchange for this land in Pipewell.

"Richard I. at the beginning of his reign, on setting out

towards the holy land, assembled here a general council^d of the nobility and clergy, Baldwin archbishop of Canterbury, and other bishops, abbats, and priors, being present, when he gave to Geoffrey de Luci the bishoprick of Winchester, and disposed of other ecclesiastical preferments. Here was then consecrated John bishop elect of Uthitherne, by John archbishop of Dublin. In this council, Hugh de Pusac bishop of Durham, and William earl of Albemarle, were appointed chief justices of England, and joined with William Marischal, Geoffrey Fitz Pierre, and others, in the regency of the kingdom. Ralph de Glanvil, though much advanced in years, solicited at the same time the king's permission to go to Jerusalem.

"One of the earliest benefactors to this monastery was Ranulph, earl of Chester, who, beside the ground on which part of the building stood, gave the monks his wood of Michlehae, and confirmed lands and a wood in Stokes, which had been given them by William de Albin.^e This William de Albin gave them also a portion of land named Pikmede, lying between the abbey and the high road leading from Rokingham to Northampton, with a right to erect, and maintain, a bridge of two arches, forty-eight feet long, and sixteen feet wide, over a stream running between Longwong and Pikmede.^f Hugh de Redmild was a benefactor to them of his lands in Pippewell held of the honour of Belvoir, which gift was afterwards confirmed by Peter de Lincoln.^g About the same time, Robert Fitz-Hugh de Pipewell endowed the convent with his possessions in Pipewell, of the inheritance of Osmund his brother, to whom, in exchange, he gave lands in Karleton, with the advowson of the church; which benefaction was afterwards confirmed by Elias the son of Osmund de Karleton. To these donations are to be added those of Peter and Livina de Redmild; of Osmund and Ivetta his wife, who were inhabitants of Pipewell, and gave up part of their possessions when the monas-

^a Johannes Abbas fixes the foundation in 1140. Joh. Abbat. Chron. MS. Dugdale, from the Reg. of Pipewell, MS. Cott. Caligula A. XII. fol. 7, in 1143.
^b Reg. Abb. *ibid.* fol. 8 a.
^c *Ibid.* fol. 7 a. et 27 a.

^d Spelman, Concil. tom. ii. p. 119. Rog. Hoveden, part. post. p. 658. et Brompton, p. 1162.
^e Reg. Abb. fol. 9 b.
^f *Ibid.* fol. 17 b, 19 b.
^g *Ibid.* fol. 15 b.

tery was founded. On the death of Peter de Redmild with-outchildren, his wife Livina, reserving to herself the house in which she dwelt, gave up all her other estate here, on condition to be supplied by the monks with all necessities during life; and, after her decease, Henry Fitz-Mabel de Cotesbroch, grandson and heir of Hugh de Redmild, bestowed on them the remainder of her inheritance. On the ground where her house stood the monks erected their grange in Pipewell.^a In the thirty-eighth of Hen. III. Ralph son of Elias de Karleton released the convent from all exactions due to Richard earl of Cornwall for their possessions in West Grange, held by the service of half a knight's fee.^b Besides these lands and tenements in Pipewell, by the liberality of Geoffrey de St. Patrick, Baldwin de Ver, Nicholas de Herlawe, who gave them Kingemanneswode assart, and other benefactors, they had large possessions in Deresburg; Reginald rector of Deresburg, in 1246, remitting his claim to all tithes from Kingemanneswode assart and Heyhull.^c Andrew de Riston gave the convent his part of Rahawe Wood and part of Coleshawe Wood to build their grange. For this donation the monks gave Andrew fifteen marks, his son William three marks, Roger half a mark, and his wife a horse.^d Roger Basset endowed them with Rawhawe Grove; Hawisia, wife of William de St. German, with lands in Riston; and Richard, parson of Riston, with the wood of Littlehawe. In Acle, Robert Fitz Launcelin bestowed on the abbey Effhawe, which Simon earl of Northampton confirmed to it. Reginald de Acle, Geoffrey de Argent, and William his son, Simon Malesoures, and Peter de Malesoures, conferred divers lands and the wood of Oldefolde; Thomas Jukel and Emma his wife, West Acle mill; William de Albin, Ralph de Carleton, Richard de Uffington, and divers others, giving up their right of common in Oldefolde, in the twenty-third of Hen. III. the monks obtained of the crown licence to enclose it.^e

"In 1247, Robert Hotot, of Carlton, with several others, released his right in a close near East Grange mill and in Yngwode assart.^f At the same time, William de Newton, Joan wife of Thomas Hoter of Wilharston, Adeline de Stok, Thomas Croyland, William Gryffyn, Ralph Marescal of Wilharston, and William de Medburn, severally remitted their claim to right of common in Yngwode. In Braybroke they had thirteen virgates by the gift of Hugh de Senliz and Emma his wife. This Emma was the elder of two sisters, daughters of Ivo Neufmariche, (Albreda, the younger, being married to Ingebald de Braybroke) and, with her husband, Hugh de Senliz, gave the Knights Hospitallers of Dingle two virgates and four tofts, to supply the said Hugh and Emma with necessary food

and ornament for the term of their lives: but these Hospitallers neglecting to perform their agreement, Hugh and Emma made over these lands to the convent of Pipewell on the same conditions; and, having been supported by the monks for twenty-four years, gave them these thirteen virgates, of the honour of Huntingdon, on which they erected a grange and other necessary buildings. Robert son of Ingebald de Braybroke ratified the part his mother Albreda had taken in this exchange. By gift from Henry de Oxendon, the grandson of Hugh and Emma Senliz, they had four virgates in Braybroke; and from Richard de Oxendon, his son, eight virgates and twenty acres of inland in Cold Asheby.^g By benefactions from the family of Pavely, from Hugh Ridell, and Reginald his son, they became possessed of other lands in Braybroke, in Childecote, and Cold Essebi, with large donations in Cold Essebi, where they built a grange, from the liberality of Osbert de Leycestre and the descendants of John de Pavely; and from the same Osbert de Leycestre and Muriel his wife, the church of Eltendon and twenty-three virgates of land, of the fee of Hugh de Poers; and in Wynwyk, by the gift of Sir Randolph de Blukvil, Knight, a marse, with six virgates of land, four carucates of oxen, six horses, and six hundred sheep, of the greater hundred; for which benefaction the monks gave him forty marks of silver.^h

"All these donations, with the gifts of many other benefactors, were confirmed by charter from Henry II.ⁱ who also gave them the land of Benefield, in Rokingham forest,^k which they exchanged with Edward III. for the church of Geytington."^l

Beside the lands and possessions which they were seized of in this county, they had lands in Warwickshire, at Rugby, of the gift of Henry de Rokeby, in Henry the Second's time;^m at Bilton, in the reign of King Stephen, by donation from Walter Fitz Hingan;ⁿ at Church Lawford, in the same reign, the benefaction of Roger Hayrun,^o and at Long Lawford, from John de Stuteville;^p with lands in Dunchurch and Thurlaston, and the lordship of Causton, near Dunchurch, by the liberality of Ingelram Clement and Thurchil de Causton.^q Here they erected a grange, which, from the accident of a candle carelessly placed against a wall, was almost destroyed by fire. With these estates, by the donation of many particular persons, they had possessions at Barford, Temysforde, Roxeden, and Stageden, in Bedfordshire, and in the town of Bedford; at Stamford, and Pipewelle in Holland, in Lincolnshire; with certain small rents in the county of Rutland; and the rectory of Wychambroke, in Suffolk.^r

^a Reg. Abb. fol. 26 b, 27 a.

^b Ibid. fol. 14 a.

^c Ibid. fol. 20 b ad 30 b.

^d Ibid. fol. 31.

^e Ibid. fol. 60 b; et Rot. Pip. anno 23 Hen. III.

^f Reg. Abb. fol. 62 b.

^g Ibid. fol. 76 b, et seq.

^h MS. Cotton. Caligula A. xiii. fol. 19 a.

ⁱ Cart. antiq. W. in Turr. Lond. n. 18.

^k Cart. antiq. n. 32, litt. L.L. See the Append. to the present Account, Num. III.

^l Pat. anno 30 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 8.

^m Dugd. Antiq. Warw. p. 23, edit. 1730.

ⁿ Ibid. p. 27. This is another proof that Pipewell abbey was founded before the reign of Hen. II.

^o Dugd. ut supra, p. 29.

^p Ibid. p. 32.

^q Ibid. p. 286.

^r Rot. in Off. Primit. n. 10.

The following is the return relating to Pipewell Abbey in the Valor of Pope Nicholas, A.D. 1291:

"Dioc. Linc. Temp.

In Bereford, in terris, prat. et mol. 1*l*. 6*s*. 4*d*.

In Bedeford, in terris, prat. et mol. 1*l*. 11*s*. 8*d*.

Ibidem, de redd. 5*s*.

In Northampt. de redd. 8*s*.

In Braybroc, in terr. redd. mol. et cur. 9*l*. 2*s*. 0*½d*.

Ibidem, in fruct. greg. et animal. 2*l*. 5*s*. 8*d*.

In Pippewell, Westgrang. suam, et ibidem in terris, mol. cur. et silvis ceduis 10*l*. 14*s*.

In Estgrang. suam in terr. redd. pratis, pastur. et fruct. arborum 3*l*. 8*s*.

Ibidem, in fruct. greg. et animal. 2*l*. 10*s*. 8*d*.

In Pippewell, infra portas abbatiae, de fruct. ortor. 5*s*. 10*d*.

Ibidem, de exit. tannar. 1*l*.

Ibidem, ii. grang. videlicet Estgrang. et Westgrang. et habet in eisdem in terris r. mol. pannag. cur. et r. Thur. 7*l*. 8*s*. 8*d*.

In eisdem grang. de exit. animal. 19*s*. 8*d*.

In Cold Esseby, in terris, redd. pratis, et cur. 7*l*. 4*s*. 2*d*

Ibidem, in fruct. greg. et animal. 2*l*. 11*s*.

In Wynewyk in terris, redd. et pratis, 6*l*. 10*s*.

Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal. 6*s*. 5*d*.

In Eltingeden, in terris, redd. et pratis, 10*l*. 2*s*. 4*d*.

Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal. 7*l*.

In Decanat. Staunford, 17*l*. 10*s*.

In Decanat. Gosecote, 24*l*. 11*s*. 6*d*.

In Decanat. Gudlakston, 12*s*.

In Decanat. Roteland, 3*l*. 19*s*. 8*d*.

Dioc. Norw.

In Norwico de redd. 4*s*.

Dioc. Coventr. et Lich.

Apud Donchirch et Toft, in dec. de Merton sex car. terr. et val. car. per annum 15*s*. Ibidem, de redd. assis. per annum 2*l*. Ibidem de placit. et perquis. per an. 2*s*. Ibidem, de profic. stauri 2*l*.

Apud Thurlanston quatuor caruc. terr. et val. car. per annum 12*s*. Ibidem de redd. assis. per an. 1*l*. 10*s*.

Apud Causton sex caruc. terr. et val. car. per annum 15*s*. Ibidem duo molend. quæ val. per annum 13*s*. 4*d*. Ibidem de profic. stauri, 2*l*. 10*s*.

Apud Rokebi in eod. dec. unam caruc. terr. et val. 10*s*. Ibidem de redd. assis. 1*l*. 10*s*. Ibidem de profic. stauri, 10*s*.

Apud Lalleford in dec. de Coventr. quinque caruc. terræ et valet caruc. per annum, 12*s*. Ibidem de redd. assis. per annum, 14*s*. Ibidem unum molend. 10*s*. Ibidem de placit. et perquis. 2*s*. Ibidem de proficuo stauri, 6*s*. 8*d*.

Apud Neubold ii. caruc. terr. et val. caruc. per annum, 15*s*. Ibidem de redd. assis. per annum, 6*s*.

Apud Turemilne unam caruc. terr. 16*s*. Ibidem unum molend. quod val. per annum, 6*s*. 8*d*.

Apud Chirchclalleford unum molend. et val. per annum, 5*s*.

Dioc. Coventr. Spiritual.

Ecclesia de Donchirch appropriata Abbati de Pipewell præter pensionem."

Taxat P. Nich. IV. pp. 48, 49 b, 53, 54, 54 b, 67, 72 b, 92 b, 109, 241 b, 257.

Pipewell Abbey was founded in a country overgrown with wood, which in course of time became much diminished, to the great impoverishment of the convent. The causes assigned for this impoverishment and decrease were the quantity consumed in the brewhouse, the kitchen, the infirmary, and the east and west granges; where the servants, not content as formerly with thorns and briars, used for necessary business the roots and tops of oak trees. In the next place, several great men, whom they were afraid to oppose, obtained large quantities of timber for their private benefit. Among these, Walter de Langtone, bishop of Chester, and treasurer to Edw. I., had plenty of materials for building a sumptuous mansion at Thorp-Watervyle: John de Hotot, the greater part of his materials for rebuilding his manor-house at Bramtone: Henry de Stokes, official of Northampton, timber for erecting and repairing houses in Stokes, and his church of Ravensthorpe: Thomas de Latymer, of Braybroke, a grant of wood to build a large chamber; and Stephen Brown, for a new parsonage-house at Deseborough: with much timber consumed in raising and repairing granges, granaries, mills, and other buildings belonging to the abbey. A third cause was clandestine alienations and private sales; with great numbers of people, who came daily and nightly to plunder the woods in Deseborough, Stoke, Wilberstone, Carleton, Acle, and especially in Ristone. To this decrease, not a little contributed by different sales in the time of these four abbats, John de Hillum, Richard de Heyham, Andrew de Royewell, who raised only ten marks; and Thomas de Thokerington, who cut down in Personeswood, so called from Richard Persoun, of Ristone, the former possessor, to the amount of eight pounds of silver: with several falls for sale in Sywardeslunt, Bassateshawe, and Inwode, in 1315, Thomas de Thokerington being then abbat; in Littlehawe, Persones-wode, and the noble wood of Oldeforde, in 1316, and in 1322, in Southwode, in the time of abbat William de Lalleford. And lastly, this scarcity was increased by converting the woodlands into tillage; Coleshawe, Rahage, and Effhawe woods being entirely cleared, and Wilberston-Stokying and Pykemedede grubbed up in the twenty-first year of Hen. III. From these circumstances, under a pretence of poverty, the monks, in a general chapter in 1323, resolved to abandon the abbey. It was, however, soon re-established,^a THOMAS, as appears from the Register, being appointed abbat of the new monastery.^b

Of the

ABBATS

who have presided here, we have been able to collect the following names:

ROGER occurs in 1193,^c who was probably succeeded by WILLIAM, whom we meet with in 1205. His successor seems to have been

ROBERT, who sat here in 1211. Whether he died in his office, or quitted it by cession, we do not find; but his name is mentioned in 1231: and then occurs

RICHARD in 1235, who appears to have had

ROBERT, his successor, in 1239. It is not clear how long he governed, but in 1246 we find

WILLIAM in this station; to whom succeeded, we suppose, in 1254,

ROBERT DE NEWBOLD; after whom, in course of succession, comes

THOMAS DE GRAFTON, who quitting the abbey in 1279, the government of it devolved on

JOHN DE HILLUM,^d who received his benediction from

Oliver Sutton, bishop of Lincoln, in 1280, and gave it up in 1294, to his successor

RICHARD DE HEYHAM,^e who presided four years, and left it to

ANDREW DE ROYWELL. He held it about ten years;

THOMAS DE THOKERINGETON occurring in 1308, and resigning it to

WILLIAM DE LALLEFORD, of whom mention is made in 1322, but the year following a general chapter was held under abbat

NICHOLAS, when the revenues of the convent being greatly sunk, the monks determined to quit the place. It did not, we apprehend, continue long deserted, but it does not appear who was the restorer or second founder of it. Soon after occurs

THOMAS, the first abbat of the new monastery; but whether this was Thomas de Thokerington, who was re-elected to the government, is not easy to determine. It is said, too, that

WILLIAM DE LALLEFORD, by virtue of the king's writ, received this office at the hands of William le Merse, a monk of the new monastery. In 1367

JOHN, abbat of Pipewell, granted a yearly pension of xls. to the bishop of Lincoln, in lieu of the profits that would accrue to him during a vacancy of the church of Geydyngton. In 1405

JOHN DE COVENTRE, a different person we imagine from the former, had the rule of this house,^f which, on the next vacancy, was supplied by

STEPHEN DE RYSSHTON.^g He vacated it by death in 1435, when the convent elected

WILLIAM GREYN, a monk of the house, his successor. He probably made room by death for

THOMAS WESTON, who, in 1483, was in possession of this office.^h From henceforward we meet with no other abbats till 1510, when John Walker, parson of Clendon, entered into an agreement with

ROBERT STAMFORD, who had then the government of this monastery. In 1535

THOMAS LENTON, was abbatⁱ when the estimate of its revenues was taken by the king's commissioners. Four years afterwards, in the thirtieth of Hen. VIII.

THOMAS GYLLAM, abbat, with the convent, consisting of thirteen monks, surrendered the monastery, with all its lands, rents, and possessions, into the hands of the crown.^m

By the Survey of its estates and possessions in 1535, 26 Hen. VIII. the yearly profits arising from them to the monastery were valued at 347*l.* 0*s.* 8½*d.*; from which being deducted 63*l.* 19*s.* 0¾*d.* in rents resolute, fees to officers and servants, pensions to the bishop, dean, and chapter of Lincoln, and in salaries to stipendiary capellans, the clear value was 283*l.* 1*s.* 7¾*d.*ⁿ In the first year of Edw. VI. William, Marquis of Northampton, obtained a grant of East Grange and West Grange, with the woods Rawhawe, Crabtree-hill, Oldfelde, Youngwood, Grange-park, and other woods, lately belonging to Pypwell Abbey, then in the hands of the crown.^o This grant was confirmed to him in the second year of Queen Elizabeth.^p Shortly afterwards they reverted to the crown; and in the seventeenth of the same reign the site of the monastery and granges were given to John Dudley and John Ayscough in exchange for lands in other places.^q

When Bridges wrote, a Mr. Lebas, by purchase from the Duke of Powis, was lord of Pipewell.

The Cottonian Manuscript, Julius A. i. art. 5. contains

^a See Num. 1.

^b MS. Cotton, Calig. A. xii. See the Append. Nun. 1.

^c Reg. Abb. ^d Reg. Oliv. Sutton, Ep. Linc.

^e Reg. Abb. ^f Reg. Joh. Buckingham, Ep. Linc.

^g Reg. Abb. ^h Reg. Will. Gray, Ep. Linc.

ⁱ Reg. Abb. ^k Ibid. He occurs also in 1504.

^l Rot. in Off. Primit.

^m Ex autog. in Cur. Augm. The Cottonian MS. Otho, B. xiv. fol. 192. contains an early enumeration of the

ABBATS OF PIPEWELL,

somewhat different from, and in part supplementary to Bridges's List, viz. GALFRIDUS. ROBERTUS.

VOL. V.

WILLIELMUS.

ROGERUS.

ROBERTUS.

ROGERUS.

WILLIELMUS.

ROBERTUS DE PATESHULLE.

WILL. DE LYNTON.

ROB. DE NEUBOLD.

GIRARDUS DE LEGA, qui occup.

x. annos.

REGINALDUS, i. an.

ⁿ Rot. in Off. Primit.

^o Pat. anno 2 Eliz. p. 11.

THOMAS DE GRAFTON, xiv. an.

JOH. DE HILLUM, xv. an.

RIC. DE HEGHAM, iiij. an.

ANDREAS DE ROYEWELLE, x. an.

THO. DE THOKERINGTON, xii. an.

xxi. ebdom.

WILL. DE LALLEFORD, ii. an. xvi.

ebdom.

JOH. GRENE, occurs 22 Hen. VI. in

the same MS. fol. 195.

^p Pat. anno 1 Edw. VI. p. 6.

^q Pat. anno 17 Eliz. p. 5.

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a few Charters of Pipewell Abbey; but the REGISTERS of greatest importance are the Cottonian Manuscripts, Calig. A. xii. and xiii. and Otho, B. xiv. The titles under which the charters are arranged will be found in the note below.^a

Another Register of this abbey is preserved among the Duke of Buckingham's Manuscripts at Stow; Press III. N°. LXXXIV.^b

An impression of the COMMON SEAL of this abbey has been communicated to the Editors of this work by Mr. Baker, of Northampton. It represents the Virgin and Child seated, having on each side of them a niche with the head of a monk, in a Gothic arch below is an abbat with his crozier. Legend. s. CO'E . ABBATIS . ET . CONVENTUS . SC'E . MARIE . DE . PIPPEWELLE.

Near the woods of East and West Grange foundations of old buildings still point out the site of the abbey. The church is supposed to have stood upon the south, on what is now called the Hall-hollow. In Bridges's time several large wrought pillars, glazed tiles, fragments of painted glass, and a small mutilated figure of the Virgin Mary, were found near the ruins.

In the Cottonian MS. Otho, B. xiv. fol. 195, the church, cemetery, cloister, and chapter-house of Pipewell are stated to have been dedicated on the 5th of the kalends of March, 1311, in the time of Abbat Thokerington, Thomas, Earl of Lancaster, with one or two other of the greater barons, attending the ceremony.

Cartae ad Pipewellensem Abbatiam in agro North- antoniensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Foundationis Historia, et de boscorum Destructione.

[Ex Regist. de Pipewell, in bibl. Cotton. A.D. 1143.]

ANNO ab incarnatione Domini millesimo centesimo quadragesimo tertio idus Septembris fundata est abbatia de Pipewella. Et anno gratiæ m.cccxxij. idus Septembris in capitulo generali per abbatem Nicholaum fuit dispersio impetrata, et paulo post per eundem facta, prætextu paupertatis, et sic patet quod inter primam foundationem, et dispersionem monachorum et conversorum factam fluxerunt anni novies viginti: dicta verò abbatia in prima foundatione dicebatur sancta Maria de Divisis prout cartæ multæ testantur. De primò isto nomine dictæ abbatiae tres sunt opiniones:

^a They are, 1. In Calig. A. xii.—Abbatia, fol. 7. Westgrangia, fol. 10, 20 b. Deseburgh, fol. 20 b, 28 b. Estgrangia, Riston, fol. 31, 72. Estgrangia, Acleia, fol. 43. Estgrangia, Oldefold, fol. 59 b. Yungewod, fol. 64. Æcleia, fol. 65. Braybrok, fol. 75. Cold Esseby, fol. 125.

2. Calig. A. xiii.—Eltendon, fol. 23. Yelvertoft, fol. 36. Wynwyk, fol. 40 b. Westhaddon, fol. 52. Beltona, fol. 54, 73 b. Duneschirche, fol. 60, 61 b. Causton, fol. 61, 75 b. Toft, fol. 68. Thurlauston, fol. 84. Lalleford, fol. 129. Deseburgh, fol. 159. Acleya fol. 161 b. Eccl. de Assheleia, fol. 161 b. Libertates Abbatiae, fol. 168. Haddon, fol. 171.

3. Otho, B. xiv. fol. 146.—De fundatione Abb. et de abbat. Andr. et Will. fol. 146. Est Grangia, fol. 158, 161 b, 193. Acle, fol. 160. West Grangia, fol. 162, 193. Deseborug, fol. 164 b. Braybrok, fol. 165 b. Brantone, fol. 170. Weland, Caythorp, Husing, fol. 171 b. Staunford, Rokyngham, Villa S. Botulphi, fol. 172. Hoyland, fol. 172 b. Norwyk, fol. 173. Rokesdone, fol. 173, 174. Stakesden, fol. 173 b. Bereford, fol. 175. Bedeford, fol. 176. Leeu, fol. 176. Waldegrave, fol. 176. Holcote, fol. 176. Keylmers, Westhaddon, Northampton, fol. 176 b. Stavertone, fol. 177. Thyrnebi, Kyvelingworthe, fol. 177 b. Selvertoft, fol. 178. Grang. de Wynwyk, fol. 178 b. Cold Assebi, fol. 179, 180. Catesbi, fol. 179 b. Eltingdon, fol. 182 b. Lillebourn, fol. 183 b. Longa Lalleford, fol. 184, 185, 185 b. Piscaria Aquæ, fol. 184 b. Ecclesia de Neubold, fol. 184 b. Parva Lalleford, fol. 185, 185 b. 187. Neubold, fol. 185, 185 b. Kyrke Lalleford, fol. 186. Rokebi, fol. 186. Marham, fol. 186. Mourton, fol. 186 b. Dounchirche, fol. 186 b, 187. Beultone, fol. 186 b, 187. Caustone, fol. 187 b. Thourlaustone, fol. 188. LONDON, fol. 188 b, 189. Recognitiones, fol. 189 b.

Tanner, in his Notitia Monastica, notices various Excerpts from these and other Registers: "*Vide* Apographum cujusdam Registri penes Christophorum dom. Hatton. In biblioth. Harl. MS. 294, fol. 146. Collectanea compendiosa selecta ex tribus voluminibus Cartarum hujus Monasterii in bibl. Cotton. MS. 624, fol. 18. Chronica Monasterii de Pipewell ex Registris in bibl. Cotton. MS. 6748, fol. 13. Cartam Ric. I. Collect. ex Registris de Pipewell, MSS. in bibl. Bodl. Oxon. Dodsw. vol. x. fol. 206. fol. cviii. fol. 39. vol. cxxviii. fol. 71. vol. cxxxvi. fol. 49. MS. Dodsw. vol. xxxv. fol. 143. cartam Hen. III. Ibid. MS. Dugdale, 12 F. 1. p. 187. Transcripta quædam et Analecta ex Registro Abbatiae de Pipewell diversisque autographis eandem abbatiam tangentibus, Warwici comitatum præcipue spectantia."

Tanner also refers to the following instruments among our public records:

"Cart. antiq. W. n. 18, 19.

"Fin. Northampt. 9 Ric. I. n. . pro eccl. de Ashe.

"Fin. Warwic. 1 Joan. n. . pro terris in Tulaveston.

nam quidam dicunt quod ante foundationem dictæ abbatiae ibi fuit quidam heremita in quodam parvissimo tugurio cui tunc erat contigua quædam capella quæ dicebatur sancta Maria de Divisis. Et certum est quod sanctus Thomas Cantuariensis archiepiscopus, qui situm abbatiae carta sua confirmavit, de quodam in eodem heremitorio mentionem facit. Alii dicunt quod quia dicta abbatia sita est ex utraque parte le Harperesbrok et duos hundredos dividit, primum vocabulum dictæ abbatiae sancta Maria de Divisis fuit. Tercii dicunt quod in prima foundatione uno in die venerunt duo conventus monachorum unus de Gerudonia et alter de Novo-monasterio ad habitandum in eodem loco. Inter quos surrexit altercatio magna, ut scilicet quis eorum deberet primatum tenere, sicque diu ibi manserunt divisi. Postea verò

"Cart. 19. Hen. III. m. 5, 6. de terris in Belton, &c. Warw. 7 et 12, pro assartis in Yungewode. Cart. 23 Hen. III. m. 7. pro boscis claudendis. Pat. 30 Hen. III. m. 5. pro assartis in Desburgh et Oldford. Fin. Northampt. 31 Hen. III. n. . pro commun. pastur. in Desburgh. Cart. 36 Hen. III. n. 13.

"Pat. 5 Edw. I. n. . quod sint quieti de chiminagio infra forestam de Rockingham. Plac. in com. Linc. 9 Edw. I. assis. rot. 16 et 21. pro mess. in Quaplode. Cart. 11 Edw. I. n. 33. pro lib. war. in Eltindon, Northampt. Causton, Donechirch, Lalleford, Thirnemulne, Thorlaweston, et Newbold, Warwic. Cart. 20 Edw. I. n. 68.

"Pat. 11 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 31. de via a bosco de Oldfield per medium forestæ de Rokingham.

"Plac. apud Northampt. 3 Edw. III. assis. rot. 100, pro mess. in West Haddon, quo war. rot. 6. brev. reg. 4 Edw. III. n. 54. Plac. in com. Bedford. 4 Edw. III. quo war. rot. 17. Plac. de banco, 6 Edw. III. Hill. rot. 18. pro advoc. medietat. eccl. de Ashele. Pat. 14 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 24. pro eccl. de Wichelham. Pat. 17 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 18 et 43. pro eccl. de Hinxworth. Pat. 18 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 42, vel 43. Claus. 30 Edw. III. m. 9. dorso. Prt. 30 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 11, vel 12. de excambio landæ de Benefeld in foresta de Rokingham cum rege pro eccl. de Geitindingdon. Pat. 35 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 30, vel 31. Escaet. Northampt. 35 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 30, vel 31. Escaet. Northampt. 35 Edw. III. p. 1, post mortem Gilberti Inworth, de ten. in Okele Magna. Pat. 37 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 34, vel 35.

"Pat. 2 Hen. IV. p. 4, m. 11, vel 12. Pat. 12 Hen. IV. m. 40, vel 41.

"Pat. 21 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 22. pro custodia landæ de Benyfelde ac pastura ccl. averiorum in eadem. Pat. 22 Hen. VI. p. I, m. 7, vel 8."

The Instrument of Appropriation of the church of Geytingdon to the abbat and monks of Pipewell, in the year 1357, is preserved in the Register of John Gynewell, Bishop of Lincoln, fol. 170.

Madox, in his Formulæ Anglicanum, has transcribed numerous deeds relating to the property of Pipewell Abbey. Viz. P. 27. Concordia de mora de Longa Lalleford et de spineto Thirne molendini, anno 11 R. Joan. P. 31. Composit. de decimis lanæ, agnorum, lactis, &c. in Cold Esseby, A. D. 1280. P. 81. De tofto Kaskelli et una virgata terræ in Longa Lalleford. P. 87. De terris in Newbold. P. 91. De bladis manerii de Causton, 15 Edw. II. P. 133. De xl^s. annualis redditus in Thurneby, A.D. 1238. P. 219. Finalis concordia de terris in Turneby, 2 Joan. P. 244. Carta Joannis de Suteville conced. ii. virgatas terræ in Lalleford. P. 259. Pro virgata terræ in Wynwyk ex dono Steph. de Blueville. P. 324. De annua pensione xx. marc. concess. Roberto Episc. Cov. et Litchf. 5 Ric. II. P. 373. Relaxatio dotis in Cold Asseby. P. 402. De terris in West Haddon.

See also the Rot. Hundred. vol. ii. pp. 6, 13, 25. and Plac. de Quo War. pp. 41, 510, 778, 779, 784.

^b See the Bibliotheca Stowensis, vol. ii. p. 155.

per iudices ordinis inter partes datos, altercatione partium sopita, monachi de Gerudonia ad proprium monasterium sunt reversi, monachique Novi-Monasterii ibi tunc pacificè ædificare cœperunt, et in eodem loco usque ad diem ultimum in laboribus magnis Domino gubernante permanserunt. Hinc est quod propter divisionem istorum monachorum dicunt quidam supradicta abbatia primò vocabatur sancta Maria de Divisis, sed quorum opinionibus standum est pro certo nescitur. De secundo vocabulo non est dubium, sed certum est quod ubi West-grangia sita est fuit quædam villa quæ à quodam fonte nomen Pipewelle accepit, indeque abbatia nomen secundum assumpsit, quod manet usque in hodiernum diem. Quæ quidem abbatia in prima fundatione sua inter nemora pulcherrima frondosa sita fuit atque condensa, quæ nunc velut quercus defluentibus foliis sicut avis ad coquinam quæ deplumata stat ex omni parte nuda.

In prima fundatione monachi, atque conversi, in locis perquisitis arbores diversas cotidie plantare cœperunt, nemoraque sua quæ magnis tribulationibus ac laboribus sumtuosis à diversis personis adquisierunt sicut mater unicum amat suum filium tenerè dilexerunt. Quamobrem unam carectam cotidianam cum duobus hominibus fortissimis ad cariandum spinas et tribulos pro pistrino et bracino ordinaverunt. Talis verò carecta re et nomine dicebatur in lingua materna Thorn-carte. Item ordinaverat ligniferos ad portandum cotidie siccum boscum et mortuum veteresque radices quercuum ad dorsum in quodam instrumento ad hoc subtiliter aptato. Fueruntque in diversis locis tot ligniferi; videlicet ad bracinum j. ad hospicium et ad coquinam conventus j. ad coquinam abbatis j. ad infirmitorium monachorum j. ad infirmitorium conversorum j. ad infirmitorium secularium j. ad grangiam de Est j. ad grangiam de West j. Tot ligniferi annuatim fuerunt tunc præsentati coram ministris forestæ ante tempus defensionis ad præstandum juramentum de Vert et de Venisoun tantum. Postea verò per incrementa temporum diversorum abbatum translata est carecta spinea ad decapitationem quercuum, quæ nunquam revertebatur ad spinas et tribulos cariandum quandiu boscus duravit. Omnesque ligniferi à bajulatione sicci bosci et mortui paulo post fuerunt suspensi. Et cum infra abbatiam vel in duabus grangiis focalia habere voluerunt et præcipue tempore hyemali, cum securibus in manibus nunc ad radices quercuum nunc ad capita earundem velociter cucurrerunt. Sicque per focalia annuatim de quercubus sumpta incepterunt nemora sanctæ Mariæ de Pipewella indies pejorari ac diminuere. Nec mirum, quia omnes quercus semel per capitis detruncationem abscisæ nunquam postea in altum se extollere potuerunt nec vigere. Hæc fuit prima causa destructionis boscorum de Pipewella.

Causa secunda destructionis boscorum fuit per literas et minas potentum magnatum, quibus propter majus periculum non audebant abbates resistere, quia divitum terror semper sibi exigit honorem. Verbi gratia, dominus Walterus de Langetone, quondam episcopus Cestriæ, thesauriusque Edwardi boni regis Angliæ habuit electionem meremii in boscis de Pipewella pro quodam ædificio magno et sumptuoso quod ipse fecit apud Thorp-watervyle. Johannes de Hotot, qui fuit quasi altera manus dicti episcopi habuit de prædictis boscis majorem partem grossi meremii pro manerio suo de Bramtone pulcherrimo, de novo construendo. Magister Henricus de Stokes quondam officialis Northamptoniæ per quantum tempus vitam duxit in humanis, habuit meremium pro ædificio domorum et emendatione apud Stokes, et apud ecclesiam suam de Ravensthorpe, nec audebant abbates eidem resistere, quia aut pro denariis, aut pro bladis semper fuerunt abbates in daungerio dicti officialis: Thomas le Latymer de Braybrok, habuit cumulum magnæ cameræ suæ apud Braybrok, de meremio abbatis et conventus. Stephanus Broun habuit magnam partem meremii pro illo novo ædificio quod ipse fecit in personagio de Deseborough. Persona de Herlestone habuit meremium pro una camera quam fecit et plantavit frater Thomas carpentarius, sanctæ Mariæ de Pipewella. Præterea non fuit in patria, aula, camera, orreum, molendinum venticium sive aquaticum alicujus valoris plantata sine adminiculo aliquo boscorum sanctæ Mariæ de Pipewella. Et quot virgæ molendinorum venticiorum dabantur in temporibus diversorum abbatum nemo novit nisi Deus cui omnia patent. De causa secunda tantum.

Causa tertia destructionis boscorum fuit in constructione et emendatione domorum infra abbatiam et extra, utpote in

grangiis, orreis, bercariis, molendinis aquaticis et venticis, per vices, in cotagiis et aliis necessariis per multorum annorum revolutiones. Est autem causa ista utilis et approbanda.

Causa quarta fuit in furtivis alienationibus, donationibus, et privatis venditionibus, verbi gratia; ante dispersionem monachorum fuit semper unus conversus eques custos boscorum, et habuit sub ipso forestarios tres pedites, una cum pagiis eorum. Et quando venerunt ballivi seu forestæ ministri vel assisores patriæ qui locum tenuerunt in assisis et in inquisitionibus coram justiciariis domini regis, aliquid petentes deficiente pecunia in communi bursa, ad custodem boscorum aliquando pro uno quercu, et aliquando pro duobus mittebantur. Et nichilominus per multorum annorum revolutionem ante domus dispersionem, supradictus conversus levavit annuatim de bosco per præceptum superiorum suorum mercedes autumpnales et aliquando hyemales pro carucariis grangiarum de Est et West. Et in hujusmodi donationibus venditionibusque privatis præfati custodes, curialitate aliqua mediante, aliquid addiderunt, quia ut dicebatur quod per proprios forestarios nostros in bosco per vices mala multa facta fuerunt. Insuper in Deseborug, Stoke, Wilberstone, Carleton, Acle, et præcipuè in Ristone die noctuque fuerunt raptores qui nunquam ad boscum sanctæ Mariæ de Pipewella accedere causa deprædandi cessaverunt, excepto tempore autumpnali. Et malefactores de Ristone aliis operibus negotiisque omissis, de bosco de Pipewella semper vixerunt, nec timuerunt custodes bosci, nec sententiam excommunicationis quæ frequenter trina amonitione præmissa canonica, in hujusmodi malefactores pulsatis campanis candelisque accensis fuit fulminata. Sufficiunt ista de causa destructionis bosci quarta.

Causa quinta inceptit per vendiciones cropporum diversarum quercuum in temporibus quatuor abbatum, videlicet Johannis de Hillum, Ricardi de Heyham, Andreæ de Royewell, et Thomæ de Thokerington. Quantam pecuniæ quantitatem pro hujusmodi venditionibus duo primi, videlicet Johannes et Ricardus, receperunt per vices pro certo nescitur, sed Andreæ concessit conventus quod ipse levaret de detruncatione quercuum x marcas tantum. Abbas Thomas levavit per fratrem Ricardum de Bromwyk tunc grangiarum de Est-grangia de decapitatione quercuum in Personeswode viij. l. argenti. Tantum de causa quinta.

Accedamus nunc ad causam sextam quæ omnes causas transcendit suprascriptas, scilicet ad extirpationem bosci per radices factam in diversis locis. Sciendum est carissimi quod super illam culturam terræ arrabilis quæ vocatur Coleshawe juxta Est-grangiam crevit boscus, ut cartæ Andreæ de Ristone qui fuit dominus ad aulam orientalem manifestè testantur. Et inter Coleshawe, et illam terram arabilem quam homines de Bereford tenent de rege, crevit boscus quæ dicebatur Senerodes, prout cartæ Hawisiæ, filiæ Willielmi de Ristone qui fuit filius Andreæ de Ristone testantur. Postea vero Robertus de sancto Germano, qui fuit filius et hæres dictæ Hawisiæ, donationes matris suæ carta sua confirmavit; et nunc tota illa terra, videlicet à divisis camporum de Ristone usque ad illam culturam quam tenent ipsi de Bereford vocatur Coleshawe. Quando verò monachi decreverunt dictos boscos de Coleshawe, et de Senerodes assartare et in agriculturam terram redigere, Simon Basset de Riston, qui fuit dominus ad aulam occidentalem petiit communiam pasturæ in terris supradictis. Et facta est finalis concordia inter partes in curia regis Johannis, anno regni ejus iv. Quære in rubeo libro cartarum inter fines concordales capitulo viij. folio ejusdem primo. Memorandum quod inter abbatiam et grangiam de Est, ex parte aquilonari crevit boscus de Rohawe, et adhuc manent ibi Rohawe-hegges. Et sciendum quod monachi boriales scripserunt in cartis nostris Rahage pro Rohawe. Terram de Rohawe et boscum qui crevit in ea dederunt monachis de Pipewell, Andreas de Ristone, Willielmus filius ejus, et Robertus filius ejusdem Willielmi. Isti successivè domini fuerunt ad aulam orientalem. Et sciendum quod dicti monachi concesserunt præfato Andreæ et hæredibus suis communiam in bosco de Rohawe, pro porcis tempore pannagii quandiu boscum supradictum extirpare noluerint, ut patet in libro cartarum folio xj. octavi capituli.

Item Reginaldus Basset de Ristone, et Robertus filius ejus, qui fuerunt tunc domini ad aulam occidentalem, dederunt terras suas de Rohawe et boscum qui in eisdem crevit,

ut patet in quo supra fol. iv. et v. primi capituli. De terra autem quæ est inter grangiam de Est et Oldefold, ex parte illa, unde fuit vel cujus fuit cartæ non docent, sed in quodam registro antiquo invenitur de Rohawe et Effehawe et quot acras bosci continebant. Et cartæ docent quod Robertus filius Launcelyn de Acle et hæredes sui dederunt monachis de Pipewell, unum nemus quod Effehawe dicebatur, et nemus de Effehawe dominus Symon quondam comes Northamptonæ carta sua confirmavit. Et illud nemus ut creditur crevit super illam terram quæ jacet inter Est grangiam, et illud chininum quod vadit de stagno molendini de Est, ad landam de Banefeld, videlicet sub capite occidentali de Oldefold. De istis terris suprascriptis in quibus crevit boscus de Coleshawe, Senerodes, Rohawe, et Effehawe, non solvimus alicui decimas prædiales nec personales, quia de novalibus à præstatione decimarum per privilegia nostra absoluti sumus. Et sciendum est quod super illam terram quæ nunc dicitur Wilberstone-Pleyne, et in aliis terra quæ dicitur Wilberstone-Stokyng in campo West-grangiæ, et in illa terra de Pykemedede quæ est inter boscum et cursum aquæ hyemalis, videlicet le Waterfal crevit boscus, ideoque jure quo supra non debent illæ terræ decimari. Fuit autem boscus qui crevit in istis tribus locis extirpatus anno regni regis Henrici filii Joannis xxj. Pro istis assartis fuit contentio et distantia maxima inter dominos de Stokes et monachos de Pipewella prout docet liber cartarum capitulo lx. folioque ejusdem iij. et iiij. Tantum de causa vj.

Causa septima destructionis boscorum de Pipewella incepit per venditiones multiplices in quadam placea quæ dicebatur Sywardeslunt quæ jacet inter Deseborug-stokyng et longam fossam et spinosam, quæ se extendit in longum de Inwodeheved usque ad boscum de Deseborug, crevit quidam bosculus de quo habetur in libro cartarum capitulo ix. folioque ejusdem primo. Inter Inwodeheved et Basetteshawe crevit quidam boscus qui vocatur Inwode, et vendebatur boscus ille in tempore abbatis Thomæ de Thokerington, videlicet in tempore regis Edwardi filii boni regis Edwardi et anno Domini mccc. xv. ante quam venditionem fuit boscus supradictus detruncatus per abscisionem ramorum. Et tunc voluit præfatus abbas terram illam in qua dictus boscus crevit, particulariter clausisse cum fossa, et in quibus locis incepit fossare patet usque in hodiernum diem, sed malicia vicinorum patriæ noluit tunc ipsum permittere opus incepit finire.

Inter Basetteshawe et abbatiam crevit boscus per abscisionem ramorum detruncatus qui vocabatur Southwode. Et vendebatur boscus qui crevit super illam placeam in tempore abbatis Willielmi de Lalleford. Et in tempore regis Edwardi filii boni regis Edwardi anno gratiæ m. ccc. xxij. infra assartum quod habuimus de rege ex opposito curtilagii versus orientem fuit quædam placea bosci quæ vocabatur Warinnesgore, quia quidam dominus de Clendone nomine Warinus dedit dictam placeam monachis de Pipewella. Sciendum est quod boscus qui crevit in prædicta placea vendebatur in tempore abbatis Thomæ de Thokerington, fuitque postea dicta placea clausa infra assartum quod tenemus de rege et hoc cum maximo dangerio patriæ. Juxta assartum quod tenemus de rege quod vocatur Bettessgrene versus grangiam de Est fuit quidam bosculus qui vocabatur Littleham quem monachi de Pipewella emerunt pro xj. marcis argenti de Ricardo Persoun de Ristone. Et postea mutabatur nomen illius placeæ bosci et dicebatur et dicitur usque in hodiernum diem Personeswode, quia de Ricardo Persoun emebatur. Quæ quidem placea jacet inter cauceam quæ est juxta le Harperesbrok, et se extendit in longum usque ad boscum Roberti Lovet, et in latum se extendit illa fossa assarti quæ est juxta Bettessgrene, versus occidentem, videlicet ad quandam goram regis quæ jacet juxta boscum Roberti de Ristone. Et inter goram regis et præfatam placeam quæ dicebatur Personeswode, adhuc manet quidam cursus aquæ hyemalis sed tortuosus quia non linialiter currit. Et ut breviter dicam, bosculus de Personeswode prius vendebatur per abscisionem ramorum in tempore abbatis Thomæ de Thokerington ut supra scriptum est, et postea residuum dicti bosculi vendebatur in tempore abbatis Willielmi de Lalleford. De emptione non de venditione dicti bosci patet in libro cartarum capitulo viij. folio ejusdem x. In illo loco juxta Est grangiam qui vocatur le Park vendebatur certus numerus quercuum in tempore præfati abbatis Willielmi.

In Oldefold fuit boscus pulcherrimus et condensus sine detruncatione ramorum seu cropporum quem habuerunt monachi de dono Galfridi Argent de Acle, et de dono Willielmi Argent, Saræ Argent, et Petri Malesoueres, et ut patet in libro cartarum capitulo j. folio ejusdem j. et vj. quære. Vendebatur boscus de Oldefold in tempore abbatis Thomæ de Thokerington et in tempore regis Edwardi filii boni regis Edwardi anno Domini m. ccc. xvj. et xvij. excepto quodam angulo versus orientem, qui postea vendebatur in tempore abbatis Willielmi de Lalleford pro decem marcis. Sciendum est carissimi quod isti duo abbates quorum unus alteri in onere successit non in honore, in maximis augustiis et pressuris tunc temporis fuerunt quas nisi per hujusmodi boscorum venditiones evasisse minimè potuerunt. Quorum culpa fuit in causa novit Deus. In illo clauso in quo vaccaria una cumcrofto suo sita est crevit boscus pulcherrimus. Et in quadam placea in campo West-grangiæ quæ nunc est terra arabilis, videlicet contra Caperoneswolde crevit quidam bosculus qui vocabatur Lettlehawe quem habuerunt monachi ex dono Willielmi Boutevileyn. Et in multis aliis locis in quibus nunc est terra arabilis et quorum noticiam non habemus, crevit boscus, et præcipuè in campis West-grangiæ.

Memorandum quod omnia nemora suprascripta ante tempus dispersionis fuerunt consumpta atque destructa, videlicet infra novies viginti annos quia à prima domus foundatione usque ad dispersionem triennalem tot anni fluxerunt tantum.

Post dispersionem prætextu paupertatis in dicta domo factam, ista adhuc fuerunt nemora sanctæ Mariæ crescentia quæ sequuntur nominanda, videlicet de capite de Rohawedick per albam crucem et per divisas de Asketeshawe, et sic per fossam de Pekemedede usque ad Wilberstonepleyns in longum ex parte una, et de cornerio orientali muri abbatiæ ex parte altera usque ad vaccariam. Et per fossam quæ cingitcroftum vaccariæ usque ad fossam quæ est inter Capereneswode et terram arabilem quæ vocatur le Berwes usque ad boscum de Letlehawe crevit boscus, videlicet Rohawe, Mikelehawe, Cheuscorte, Brodeleye, Caperoneswode.

Inter Wilberstonepleyne et quandam parvam culturam terræ arabilis fuit quidam bosculus pulcherrimus qui vocabatur Littlehawe quem Hugo de Pipewella dedit monachis, et Robertus dictus Vicecomes donationes Hugonis carta sua confirmavit, ut patet in libro cartarum capitulo 3. fol. ejusdem 3. Inter prædictum bosculum et Merehocforlong crevit boscus de Joungwode. Et sciendum est quod omnes istas particulas boscorum, videlicet de Rohawedick usque Joungwodeheved in longum et in latum dederunt monachis sanctæ Mariæ Willielmus de Albeneya et homines sui, exceptis Rohawe, Mikelehawe, et Littlehawe. Omnesque istas donationes confirmavit Ranulphus comes Cestriæ qui habuit tunc feodum de Geytindona. Et de dicto comite tenebatur aliquando manerium de Stoke-Daubeney. Tot fuerunt nemora quæ modo sunt consumpta.

Adhuc dicetur à diversis personis causas destructionis boscorum Pipewellæ ignorantibus, vae vae illis vae qui destruxerunt nemora Pipewellæ. Melius est carissimi silere quam alicui in oratione malum optare, quia quicumque in oratione aliquibus malum optat, oratio ejus fiet in peccatum, quia in ipsis suis precibus contra conditorem suum pugnat.

Dictum est carissimi de boscorum destructione, de binis nominibus abbatiæ. Nunc autem de situ ejusdem et de diversis infortuniis quæ eidem evenerunt, necnon et de diversis angustiis et pressuris quas alma Christi ecclesia quæ dicitur Pipewella sustinuit ante tempus dispersionis.

In libro cartarum capitulo xlviij. habetur, quod abbatia sita est ex parte orientali super feodum de Geytindona ex dono Ranulphi comitis Cestriæ. Ex parte verò occidentali super feodum de Wahille ex dono Willielmi Boutevileyn qui dictæ abbatiæ primus fundator erat. Hinc est quod post mortem præfati Willielmi fundatoris nostri suadente humanæ salutis æmulo surrexit quidam miles nomine Willielmus Flaming, qui posuit calumpniam super dimidiam partem terræ de Pipewelle quam dederat monachis Willielmus de Boutevileyn. Dicti monachi summa cum festinatione aggressi sunt Robertum Boutevileyn filium et hæredem dicti Willielmi, lacrimosisque querimoniis ipsum consuluerunt quid in tali casu essent facturi. Præfatus Robertus zelo Dei armatus, inspiranteque gratia divina, dedit Willielmo Flaming in excambias iiij. virgatas terræ in Cotesbrok, ita quod monachi bene et pacificè imperpetuum gauderent illis

terris in Pipewella quas prius dederat monachis Willielmus pater suus. E contra præfati monachi ex mera voluntate dederunt dicto Roberto Boutevileyn quasdam terras in campo de Cotesbrok quas eis dederat dictus Willielmus Boutevileyn qui ut supradictum est primus fundator erat. Et sciendum est quod hæredes de Boutevileyns tenentur in perpetuum acquietare illas terras de Pipewella de forinseco servicio, videlicet pro dimidio feodo unius militis pertinente ad dominos de Wahille. Deinde post annorum multorum revolutionem accidit quod apud Cotesbrok fuit quidam bonus miles nomine Willielmus qui pro monachis suis in eorum angustiis et pressuris pro posse suo semper stetit quasi murus. Cui successit filius suus et hæres nomine Robertus Boutevileyn qui monachos de Pipewella in multis infestavitque vexavit. Verbi gratia, præfatus Robertus non sano sed Achitophel ductus consilio jure suo hæreditario ut ipse dixit vendicabat perhennationem unius equi stantis in stabulo abbatis quocienscunque et per quantum tempus voluerit. Item petiit annuatim unam robam hyemalem de secta capæ abbatis. Item vendicabat quatuor minutiones per annum infra abbatiam. Item petiit ut canes sui venatici moram facerent infra abbatiam sumptibus monachorum et pro voluntate sua. Item imposuit monachis quod nunquam habuerunt cartam aliquam de fundatione abbatiae nec tunc habuerunt nisi quandam indenturam quæ semel apud Langeport ostensa fuit coram salubri consilio utriusque partis ad quandam diem amoris. Quid ultra? dictus Robertus quadam die misit unum equum apud Pipewellam ad perhennandum quem puer suus duxit in stabulum abbatis, ibique ad præsepe per capistrum equum suum nodavit abbate inconsulto. Tandem istud devenit ad aures abbatis, qui summa cum festinatione consuluit legisperitos quid in tali casu esset ipse factururus. Qui consuluerunt abbati, quod quando puer dicti Roberti adaquaret dictum equum, quod pueri abbatis ipsum una cum equo ad excluderent, et ita factum est. Qui dictum equum ad ostium stabuli abbatis dimisit, et arrepto cornu circumivit abbatiam bis vel ter levando hutesium super abbatem et conventum. Tunc autem per consilium sanum ac salubre ex parte abbatis et conventus ordinatum, duo monachi, videlicet Petrus de Thirnebi, et Robertus de Dunchirche et quidam secularis nomine Henricus de Spalding alique seculares pedites dictum equum apud Cotesbrok duxerunt quodam tempore autumpnali, ibique in quodam stabulo per capistrum ad præsepe domini sui nemine in curia invento firmiter ligaverunt. Quid ultra? vix monachis de curia egressis, supervenerunt de campis homines dicti Roberti, et Henricum de Spalding una cum equo detinuerunt per biduum sive per triduum, videlicet usque adventum dicti Roberti. Tunc Robertus nimio furore repletus minabatur abbati et omnibus monachis quod si ipse aliquos illorum inveniret equites, in instanti equos decaudaret, si verò pedites, personas maletractaret. Qui omnes et singuli quasi alterum Herodem eum timuerunt. Tunc ad instantiam abbatis et conventus fuit dies amoris captus inter partes et tentus in ecclesia de Langeport, nec valere potuit. Postea vero fuit dies secundus assignatus in capella beatæ Mariæ ad portam de Pipewella. Ad quem diem fuerunt ix. milites et alii diversi juris periti. Et tunc in nomine Domini fuit concordia talis inter partes facta, videlicet quod abbas et conventus darent dicto Roberto xl. lib. argenti, et ipse tunc fecit eisdem quandam confirmationem de fundatione abbatiae sigillo suo signatam pro se et hæredibus in perpetuum. Fuitque tunc abbas Thomas de Thokeringtone. Præfatus Robertus statim adivit guerram Scociæ cum comite Gloucestriæ, et ibi cum domino suo solvit mortis debitum in die sancti Johannis Baptistæ anno gratiæ m.ccc.xiiij. Tantum de prima fundatione abbatiae sanctæ Mariæ.

NUM. II.

Genealogia Dominorum Domini de Braibroke in Comitatu Northampton.

[Ibid.]

MEMORANDUM quod apud Braybroke fuit aliquando quidam dominus qui tenuit in Braybroke et in parva Boudon feodum unius militis per servitium militare: scilicet apud Braybroke xxj. virgatas terræ, et apud Boudon xv. scilicet de honore de Huntingdon; et ille prædictus dominus tenuit prædictum feodum in capite de Symone de Foxton domino baroniæ de Foxton. Mortuo prædicto domino, descendunt prædicta tenementa jure hæreditario duabus filiabus

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suis, quarum senior vocabatur Emma, junior verò Awbreia. Seniore autem scilicet Emmam duxit in uxorem Hugo Seuliz; qui quidem Hugo et Emma dederunt monachis de Pypewell illum locum in quo grangia de Braybroke sita est, una cum aliis tenementis prout cartæ eorum testantur. Et prædicta Emma prædictum donum viri sui post obitum ejusdem, scilicet in libera viduitate, carta sua confirmavit. Postea verò Henricus de Seuliz, filius ethæres prædictorum Hugonis et Emmæ, eorum facta carta sua sigillo suo signata, in perpetuam et puram elemosinam confirmavit. Ista patent in libro cartarum capitulo septimo, folio primo et secundo. Omnia verò tenementa quæ habent prædicti monachi de dono prædictorum Hugonis et Emmæ et Henrici filii et hæredis eorundem in Braybroke, capitales domini confirmaverunt, videlicet Symon de Foxton, Ricardus filius ejus, et Ricardus filius ejusdem Ricardi, ut patet in cartulario quo supra fol. vj. Tantum dictum est de Emma.

Juniorem filiam, scilicet Awbreiam, duxit in uxorem quidam qui dicebatur Ingebaldus, qui genuit ex ea Robertum le May, et Robertus genuit Henricum de Braybroke, Henricus genuit Wiscardum Ledet filium suum et hæredem. Contigit medio tempore quod ultimus Ricardus de Foxton, de quo supra mentionem fecimus, genuit unicam filiam nomine Agnetem, quam matrimonio duxit Willielmus Maydewill. Prædicti verò Willielmus et Agnes vendiderunt monachis de Pypewell, wardam, custodiam et maritagium hæredum Wiscardi Ledet de Braybroke pro xl. marcis argenti. Quam quidem venditionem prædicta Agnes de Foxton, post decessum supradicti viri sui, carta sua confirmavit, ut patet libro cartarum cap. xj. folio ejusdem xij. et inde est finis levatus, ut patet inter fines concordales, capite sexto. Mortuo interim Wiscardo Ledet de Braybroke, Waltero filio ejus et hærede infra legitimam ætatem existente monachi seisiverunt prædictum Walterum ratione venditionis prædictæ, cum omnibus tenementis suis, et vendiderunt wardam et maritagium ipsius Walteri dominæ Mariæ matri ejusdem Walteri, pro l. marcis, ut patet inter cartas de Braybroke, per quandam indenturam pluribus sigillis signatam. Iste Walterus genuit duas filias, scilicet Aliciam et Christianam, de quibus post mortem prædicti Walteri, habuerunt monachi iterato wardam et custodiam, et vendiderunt wardam istarum puellarum dominæ Emerencianæ uxori dicti Walteri, et matri eorum pro cc. marcis, ut patet quo supra.

De una istarum puellarum, scilicet Christiana, descendit dominus Thomas le Latimer; Thomas verò genuit Garinum Latimer. De alia filia dicti Walteri, scilicet Alicia, descendit dominus Willielmus Latimer le Riche, et dominus Nicolaus Latimer. Istæ duæ filiæ prædicti Walteri divisæ sunt inter se terras de Braybroke et parva Boudon. Alicia verò habuit terras de Boudon pro portione sua, quas terras dedit ipsa filio suo juniore, scilicet Nicholao le Latimer. Nicholao verò mortuo in Wasconiâ abbas Nicholaus seisivit redditus et tenementa quæ habuit in Boudon, et tenuit usque ad legitimam ætatem Johannis Latimer filii et hæredis prædicti Nicholai. Insuper dominus Willielmus Latimer filius et hæres dictæ dominæ Aliciæ vendicavit. Pippewell vendicavit. Tandem per sanum consilium fuit inter partes prædictas cordata ita, scilicet quod prædictus dominus Willielmus dedit abbati pro una vice x. marcas. Mortuo interim Johanne Latimer, iterum abbas seisivit tenementa sua in Boudon, et utitur jure suo per omnia, sicut prius, et videtur quod de similibus simile erat judicium, videlicet, sicut de Alicia et hæredibus suis, sic fiat de Christiana sorore sua, et hæredibus suis, scilicet homagium, maritagium, et relevium, &c.

NUM. III.

Concessio Lundæ de Benifeld.

[Cart. antiq. LL. n. 32. Vide cart. 19 Hen. III.]

HENRICUS rex concessit monachis suis de Pipewell pasturam et herbam pasturæ de Benifeud, habendam et tenendam bene et in pace absque omni vexatione, et ad voluntatem inde faciendam. Et quod habeant in prædicta landa ducenta et quinquaginta animalia tantum custodienda per proprios custodes suos. Et quod habeant custodiam herbagii prædictæ landæ, et unum hominem suum à festo Annuntiationis beatæ Mariæ usque ad horam asportationis fœni ejusdem landæ, ita quod nullus ponat tempore prædicto aliqua averia in prædicta landa ad destructionem herbagii ejusdem landæ,

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salvis sibi imparcamento et emenda imparcamenti de alienis averiis quæ landam prædictam intraverunt. Et quod licite possint herbam ejusdem landæ pro voluntate sua falcare et asportare et post falcationem pasturam ejusdem landæ per omnia prædicta animalia pascere sine contradictione et impedimento sui et hæredum suorum et ballivorum suorum; ita tamen quod feræ suæ in eadem landa pacifice pasci possint tam ante falcationem herbæ ejusdem landæ quam post. Hiis testibus.*

NUM. IV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONASTERIUM B'TE MARIE VIRGINIS DE PIPWELLE.

Comitat' North't.

Val' in

Tempal'.

Scit' monasterii b'te Marie Virginis de Pipwell' p'dict', cum curtilag', gardin', ac di'vs' domibz infra p'cinct' d'ei scit' scituat', necnon terr' d'nical' in manibz abb'tis et convent' existent' p 12 legales h'ies assessat', cum decimis eaz'dm terr' d'nicaliū', ut in quadam declaracōne inde fact' coram cōmissiōnar' d'ni regis examiat' et pbat' plenius liquet

19l. 13s. 8d.

Reddit' Assis' cum Reddit' et Firm' Tenenc' in di'vs' Dniis, Villis, Hamelett', et Pochiis ibm. Viz.

Grangia de Thurneby 2l. 10s. Russhton Omi' S'cor' 2l. 13s. 4d. Braybroke 9l. 8s. 0½d. Di'vs' minut' firm', viz. villa Northimpt' 6s. 8d. Boughton 1s. 4d. Holcoote 18s. Wallegrave 3s. 4d. Keilmshe 2s. Deysbrughe 2s. Southekillworthe 12s. Estehaddon 1s. 4d. Gedyngton 14s. 8d. Newton 5s. Corbye 8s. 11½d. Okeley Magna 11l. 6s. 8d. Wynwyk 6l. 2s. 4d. Pastur' et claus' de Eltyngton 96l. 15s. Colde Assheby 20l. 12s. 4d. Ut p'z declaracōem inde fact' et examiat' p cōmissiōnar' p'dict'

153l. 3s. 0d.

Firm' Molendinor', t'm ventriticor' q'm aquaticor', infra Dnia, Villas, Hamelett', et Poch p'dict'. Viz.

Molendini ventritici scituat' infra le Este Grange 13s. 4d. Et molendini aquatici ibm 13s. 4d. Ut p'z dict' declaracōem 1l. 6s. 8d.

Bosc' existen' infra dict' Dnia, Villa, Hamelett', et Poch', estimat' p p'dict' cōmissiōnar' fore in valore cōibz annis vendend' ut sequit'. Viz.

Bosc' voc' Woldefolde cont' 44 acr', precii acr' 1s. 8d. 3l. 13s. 4d.

Bosc' voc' Le Grange Pke cont' 10 acr', prec' acr' 1s. 8d. 0l. 16s. 8d.

Bosc' voc' Le Sarte cont' 12 acr', prec' 1s. 8d. 1l. 0s. 0d.

Bosc' Yongewodde cont' 18 acr', prec' acr' 1s. 8d. 1l. 10s. 0d.

Ut p'z dict' declaracōem 7l. 0s. 0d.

Exit' pven' de Pquis' Cur' et al' Añciament' infra dict' Dnia et c'eta premiss' cōibz annis estimat' p p'dict' cōmissiōnar' fore in valore p annu'. Viz.

Coldeassheby 1s. 8d. Braybroke 1s. 6d. Okeley Magna 1s. 2d. Ut p'z dict' declaracōem inde examiat' 0l. 4s. 4d.

181l. 7s. 8d.

Spiritual'.

Profic' pven' de di'vs' Rectoriis cu' eor' Membris. Vide't, Rector' de

Gedyngton 5l. Newton Magna et Pva 5l. Barforde 3l. Okeley Magna 5l. Et Eltyngton 10l. 15s. Ut p'z declaracōem inde exaiat' 28l. 15s. 0d.

Porcōnibz Decimar' pven' de di'vs' Rectoriis, cu' di'vs' Oblacōnibz. Viz.

Rectorie de Clendon 1l. 6s. 8d. Rector' de Russhton S'cor' 1s. Okeley Pva 6s. 8d. Et Stanyarn 2s. Oblacōnibz

in capella b'te Marie Virginis infra monasteriu' de Pypwell 1s. Ut p'z dict' declaracōem 1l. 17s. 4d.

30l. 12s. 4d.

212l. 0s. 0d.

Com' Bedf'.

Valet in

Tempal'.

Reddit' Assis' cum Reddit' et Firm' Tenenc' in di'vs' Dniis, Villis, Hamelett', et Pochiis ibm. Viz.

Villa Bedford' 4s. Barford 5l. 6s. 8d. Minut' firm' ibm', viz. Temysford 13s. 4d. Roxeden 4s. 4d. Stageden 5s. Ut p'z dict' declaracōem 6l. 13s. 4d.

Com' Lincoln'.

Valet in

Tempal'.

Reddit' Assis' cum Reddit' et Firm' Tenenc' in di'vs' Dniis, Villis, Hamelett', et Pochiis ibm. Viz.

Villa Staunford 1l. 1s. 4d. Pipwelle in Hollande cu' 6d. de pquis' cur' 8l. 6d. Ut p'z dict' declaracōem 9l. 1s. 10d.

Spiritual'.

Oblacōibz in capella b'te Marie Virginis de Pipwell in Hollande cōibz annis 0l. 10s. 0d.

Ut p'z dict' declaracōem 9l. 11s. 10d.

Com' Rutland'.

Valet in

Tempal'.

Reddit' Assis' cum Reddit' et Firm' Tenenc' in di'vs' Dniis et Villis ibm. Viz.

Eston 1s. Halyok 2s. Et Calcoote 18s. Ut p'z dict' declaracōem 1l. 1s. 0d.

Com' Warr'.

Valet in

Tempal'.

Reddit' Assis' cu' Reddit' et Firm' Tenenc' in di'vs' Dniis, Villis, Hamelett', et Pochiis ibm. Viz.

In Dunchurche 14l. 14s. Thurlaston 5l. 14s. 1d. Minut' firm' ibm, viz. in Bylton 1l. 5s. Tofte 17s. Cosseforde 9s. 4d. Churchelaleforde 2l. 12s. Longe Laleforde 3l. 10½d. Newbolde 10s. 3d. Et Rugbye 6l. 8s. 6d. Pastur' et claus' de Cawston 36l. 6s. 8d. P't' de Keilmshe infra dñium de Moreton 6s. 8d. Et Laleford Pva 21l. 6s. 8d. Ut p'z dict' declaracōem inde examiat' 93l. 11s. 0½d.

Exit' pven' de Pquis' Cur' et al' Añc' infra dict' Dnia et c'eta Pmissa cōibz annis. Viz. in

Dunchurche p annu' 13s. 2d. Newbolde 1s. 6d. Et Rugbye 5s. 6d. Ut p'z dict' declaracōem 1l. 0s. 2d.

94l. 11s. 2½d.

Spiritual'.

Profic' pven' de rectoria de Dunchurche cōibz annis ut p'z dict' declaracōem inde examiat' 16l. 10s. 0d.

111l. 1s. 2½d.

Com' Suff'.

Valet in

Spiritualibz.

Profic' de rectoria de Wych'mbroke cōibz annis ut p'z dict' declaracōem inde examiat' 6l. 13s. 4d.

347l. 0s. 8½d.

Inde in

Com' Northimpt'.

Repris' in

Resoluc' Reddit' annu' exeunt' de di'vs' Dniis, Mañiis, Terr', et Teñtis predict'. Viz.

Extra grang' de Thurneby ad ducat' Lancastr' 0l. 0s. 2d.

Isabelle Tressh'm vidue ex'a Kusshton S'cor' 0l. 6s. 8d.

Thome Tressh'm militi et Edwardo Walle p terr' ibm 0l. 0s. 6d.

* Vide confirm. donationum pat. 21 Hen. VI. part. 2, m. 22. et cart. 20 Edw. I. n. 68.

Thome Gryffithe militi p terr' in Braybroke	0l. 0s. 6d.	Đno de Balsall p terr' in Thurlaston	0l. 0s. 6d.
Đno sđi Jođinis Jerusalem in Anglia p terris ibm	0l. 16s. 4d.	Đno de Moreton	0l. 0s. 2d.
P'ori sđi Andree North'mpt' p terr' in Okeley Magna	2l. 0s. 0d.	Abđti de Combe p terr' in P'va Laleford	1l. 10s. 0d.
Hered' mđi Drewell p terr' ibm	0l. 6s. 10d.	Ut pđ dict' declaracđem	4l. 10s. 8d.
Thome Brok p terris ibm	0l. 6s. 2½d.	Feod' ann ^u solut' Ball' et al' Officiar' ibm. Videt.	
Comiti Hunt' p terr' in Eltyngton	0l. 1s. 0d.	Willmo Boughton senesc' cur' ibm	2l. 0s. 0d.
Abđti de Sulbye p terr' ibm	0l. 10s. 0d.	Et Edwardo Burton ballivo et collector' reddit' ibm	2l. 10s. 0d.
Humfđo Stafford mi ^u p terr' ibm	0l. 13s. 4d.	Ut pđ dict' declaracđem inde examiat'	4l. 10s. 0d.
P'ori de Coventre p terr' in Coldeassheby	0l. 6s. 8d.		9l. 0s. 8d.
Abđti de Sulbye p terr' ibm	0l. 9s. 4d.	Spiritual'.	
Occupator' p'orat de Daventre p terr' ibm	3l. 0s. 0d.	Penđone ann ^u solut' decano et capiđlo ecclie cathedral'	
Ut pđ dict' declarac'	8l. 17s. 6½d.	Lichefild extra rectoriam de Dunchurche p composicionem	
Feod' ann ^u Solut' Bađfi et al' Officiar' ibm. Viz.		ut pđ declaracđem predict'	10l. 0s. 0d.
Thome Collez bađfio de Braybroke cu' al' minut' firm'	1l. 0s. 0d.		19l. 0s. 8d.
p annu'	1l. 16s. 8d.	Com' Suff'.	
Henrico Wright ball' de Okeley Magna cu' al'	1l. 13s. 4d.	Repris' in	
Edwardo Montague senesc' cur'	1l. 13s. 4d.	Spiritualibđ.	
Thome Pellez ball' pastur' in Eltyngton	1l. 16s. 8d.	Penđone ann ^u solut' eđo Norwic' p rectoria de Wyke-	
Edwardo Pelle ball' de Colde Assheby	1l. 3s. 4d.	hambroke ut pđ declaracđem inde fact' et examiat'	1l. 6s. 8d.
Willmo Saunders senesc' cur' de Colde Assheby cu' al'	1l. 6s. 8d.	Feod' concess' diđs' Psonis.	
đniis	17l. 14s. 2½d.	Feod' ann ^u concess' et solut' diđs' Officiar'. Viz.	
Ut pđ dict' declaracđem		Thome Cromwell armiđo secretar' đni regis ac mđo ro-	
		tlor' đđi đni regis	1l. 6s. 8d.
		Willmo Parre militi senesc' omi' đnior', mađior', et	
		teđtor' đđi monasterii	2l. 0s. 0d.
		Willmo Goodys ball' terr' đnical' et custod' boscor' đđi	
		monasterii	1l. 16s. 8d.
		Edwardo Walle auditor' đđi monasterii	1l. 10s. 0d.
		Ut pđ dict' declaracđem	6l. 13s. 4d.
		Annual' Pencio.	
		Denar' ann ^u solut' cuidm Thome Watteson capellano	
		canđie de Burley in com' Rutland' et successoribđ suis im-	
		pđm de sđđm ordinacđem et fundacđem specificat' in quibus-	
		d'm indentur' coram comissionar' đni regis ostens' ut pđ	
		dict' declaracđem inde examiat'	5l. 10s. 0d.
		Elemosina ann ^u solut'.	
		Consilibđ denar' ann ^u solut' et distribut' int' paupes	
		infra monasteriu' de Pypwell in cena Đni ex fundacđone et	
		ordinacđone Willmi Blukvyll militis uni' benefactor' monas-	
		terii predđi put pđ cartam suam sine dat' inde confect' ple-	
		nius liquet	4l. 0s. 0d.
		Denar' ann ^u solut' et distribut' int' paupes ad đm ex-	
		altađonis sđe crucis ex constituđone religionis sđi Barnardi	
		ut pđ dict' declaracđem coram comissionar' đni R' ostens' et	
		examiat'	cancelat' 1l. 15s. 0d.
			62l. 6s. 8½d.
			60l. 11s. 8½d.
		Et reman' 284l. 13s. 11½d. Unacum 1l. 12s. 4d.	
		ut p tantis denar' p predđm abđtem petit' p	
		empt' cere et olei comburend' in đđo monasterio	
		juxta ordinacđem et fundacđem diđs' benefactor'	
		predđi monasterii, ut in sep'alibđ cartis inde co-	
		ram comissionar' đni regis ostens' plenius con-	
		tinete' pt pđ declaracđem predict', ac de claro	
		valore reman' ultra petitiones prædict' p annu'	283l. 19s. 7½d.
			284l. 13s. 11½d.
			286l. 11s. 8½d.
		Inde p x ^{ma}	28l. 13s. 2½d.
		NUM. V.	
		Paper Surveys temp. Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.	
		The Demayne Londđ belongyng to the late Monastery of	
		Pypwell, in the Countie of Northm. surrendered.	£. s. d.
		THE scite of the late monastery ther, withe	
		orchardđ, gardens, stables, barnes, and other	
		houses mete for a fermer	0 10 0
		The Pke, conteyneng by estymacđon 10 acr.	1 0 0
		The Connyngre, by estymacđon 2 acr.	0 4 0
		Sđm ^a of the acr. 12 ^d . the money,	
		w ^t . 10s. for the scite	1 14 0

The Est Grūnge, pcell of y ^e possession of the late monas- tery of Pypewell foresaide, rešvyde and occupyede in the hand ^e of the late abbott and convent ther the tyme of y ^e surrender.					£. s. d.	
Pastur.					£. s. d.	
The Brykehill Closse, by estymaçon 24 acr.					2	0 0
The Est Grūnge yarde, by estymaçon 3 acr.					0	6 0
The Longe Felde, cont. by estymaçon 100					8	6 8
acr.					3	6 8
The Rawhawe Felde, by estymaçon 40 acr.						
S ^m ^a of the acr. 176, rent . . .					13	19 4
Medowe.						
The medowe next the monas ^{tye} , by esty- maçon 12 acr.					1	8 0
The Medle Medowe, cont. by estymaçon						
5 acr.					0	11 8
The Este Medowe, cont. by estymaçon 12						
acr'					1	8 0
S ^m ^a of the acr. 29, rente . . .					3	7 8
Arable Lande.						
The Olde Felde, cont. by estymaçon 50 acr.					1	13 4
The Este Graūnge Felde, by estymaçon						
80 acr.					2	13 4
A pece of furson in y ^e same felde, by						
estymaçon 20 acr.					0	6 8
S ^m ^a of the acr. 150, rente . . .					4	13 4
Molend. Ventritic. et Aquatic.						
The wyndemylne in the Este Grūnge felde					0	13 4
foresaid					0	13 4
The water mylne ther, w ^t . a pond . . .						
S ^m ^a					1	6 8
S ^m ^a of the Est Grūnge, w ^t . 1 <i>l</i> . 6 <i>s</i> . 8 <i>d</i> .						
for the 2 mylnes, that is to wytt, in					23	0 7
acr. 346, rent						
S ^m ^a to of the demaynes, withe the						
grūnge, acr. 358, rente, w ^t . 10 <i>s</i> . for					25	1 0
the scite and 1 <i>l</i> . 6 <i>s</i> . 8 <i>d</i> . for the mylnes						
P me, ROB'TUM BURGOYN.						
P me, GEORG'M GYFFORD.						
tymbr. At Seint Mary Magdelyn's alter, 1 table						
of woode payented, 1 pue, and the pticion of						
tymbr. In the body of the churche, 1 rode, and						
the pticions of 2 lytell ould holy walter stokes of						
lead, 1 of brasse, certein stoles and ould cup-						
bordes in the upp. ende of the churche. In the						
belfry, 1 cloke and the cloke howse. In the						
dorter, the munkes selles and 1 laumpe of laten.						
In vestry, 1 sute of chaungeable baudkyn, 1 cope						
to the same, 1 sute of blew damaske, 1 sute of						
ould dun fustian, 1 sute of whyte fustian, 1 cope						
of ould whyte sarsnett, 1 cope of redd baud-						
kyn, 1 cope of raysed velvet of damaske						
braunched, 2 alter clothes of blake velvett, in-						
broderyd wyth lyons and crownes of goold, 1						
sute of whyte counterfett bawdkyn, 1 cope of						
the same spottyd wyth lyons, 1 blucoūtefett						
bawdkyn, 1 fruntt of dyep', 2 alterclothys of						
dyap', 1 sute of redd sylke spottyd wyth grene						
flowers, 1 sute of redd sylke, 1 sute of redd						
baudkyn, 1 sute of blake velvett, 1 sute of blue						
baudkyn damaske spottyd w th braunchys, 10						
ould single vestmentes, certein fruntes for an						
alter of payentyd clothe, 12 ould alterclothes,						
and 3 chestes for the same, sould for . . .					16	3
The Cloyster.						
It. the munkes seates are sould for . . .					1	3
It. 1 lan. of laye mettell whych rem. as yet						
unsould					rem.	
The Frater.						
It. ther 3 bordes, 1 pulpytt, 2 tables, 2						
payr of trusculles, 1 forme, sould					0	2
The Haule.						
It. ther 4 tables, 7 formes, and 1 cupbord,						
sould for					0	2
The Perlore.						
It. ther 2 tables, 3 formes, 1 ronde table, 1						
joyned chayre, 1 andyron, 3 ould carpettes, 1						
banker, 3 cussyhons, the hengynge of ould						
grene saye, and 2 joyned stoles, sould for . .					0	7
The Buttery and Pantry.						
It. ther 1 basoun, 2 ewers, 6 candlestykes,						
2 pewter pottes, 10 bere barrelles, 5 pewter						
saltes, 12 tableclothes, 4 ould towelles, 12 dya-						

NUM. VI.

Transcript of Inventory, Augm. Office, temp. Hen. VIII.
The late Mon. of PYPWELL, in the Countie of Northm̄p.

HERAFTER folowyth all such pcelles of implementes,
or husholdstuffe, corne, catell, ornamentes, of the churche,
and suche other lyke found wthin the seid late monastery at
the tyme of the dissoluçon therof, whych guddes be sould
by us the forseid commissiono^rs to Wylm Parre, Knyght,
the 6th day of Novem̄r, in the 30th yere of o^r so^{ve}aigne
lorde Kyng Henry the Eighth.

Ornamentes in the Churche and Vestry.		£. s. d.		
Fyrst upon the hygh alter, 1 table of ale- baster, 1 table of carvyd tymbr w th great images, and in yt 3 great candlestykes of latenn, 2 deskes of latenn, the munkes stales in the same quere, 1 payr of orgaynes, 3 litell deskes in Seint Be- nettes chappell, 1 ould table of woode, 1 chest, 1 sete ther, 1 ptiçon of tymbr, 1 table of alebaster in Seinte Stephens chapell, 1 ptiçon of tymbr ther, 1 imag' of o ^r Lady of Pytye, 2 tables paynted in Seint Michelles chapell, 1 table of alebaster, 1 image of King Henry. In Seint Nicholas chapell, 1 table of wood payented, and 1 image of Seint Nicholas. At the Trynyte alter, 1 table of alebaster, 1 image of the Trynytye. At Seint Katheryns alter, 1 table of alebaster, certein ould images, 2 lytell ieron candlestykes in the walle. At Seint Peters alter, 1 table of alebaster, 1 lytell imag of o ^r Lady, 1 ptiçon of				

The Larder.				
It. ther 1 close cupborde, 3 barrelles of verguis, 2 empty barrelles, 1 saultyng troffe, 1 puderyng tubbe, sould for		0	1	0
The Fyshehouse.				
It. 10 cople of new lynges, 30 warpe of saultfyshe, 2 dosend of stokeyfyshe, sould for .		0	13	4
The Bruehouse.				
It. ther 1 smale lead, 1 macheffatte, 1 lytell panne, 1 forme, sould for		5	0	0
The Yelynghowse				
It. ther 4 fattes of tymbr, 1 keler, 3 cowles, and 1 kymuell, sould for		0	10	0
The Maultehouse.				
It. ther 1 cestyron of lead, sould for . . .		2	0	0
The Bakehouse and Bultynghouse.				
It. 1 ould mouldyngbord, 2 knedyngtroffes, and 1 boultynghuche, sould for		0	2	0

	£.	s.	d.
The Smythes Forge.			
It. ther a anvyll, 2 greate hammers, 2 smale hammers, 1 shoyng hammer, 1 payr of pynsons, 2 payr of tonges, 1 payr of bellows, 1 gryndstone, and certein coles, sould for	1	0	0
The Hall Chambr.			
It. ther I bedsted, 1 fetherbed, 1 boulster, 1 mattres, 2 pyllowes, 2 blankettes, 1 kevëryng of counterfett arres, 1 coving of ould baudkyn, the hengyngynges of ould redd saye and yelow, w th the tester and curteins to the same, 2 chayres, 7 payre of flaxen shetes, and 4 payre of corse shetes, sould for	1	6	8
The next chambr.			
It. 1 bedsted, 1 fetherbedd, 1 boulster, 1 blankett, 1 coŵlett, the hengynges of yelow and redd payented clothe, sould for	0	13	4
The nether churchē chambr.			
It. 2 fetherbeddes, 2 boulsteres, 1 mattres, 2 coŵlettes, 1 pece of ould hengyng of grene saye, and 1 tester of dornyx, sould for	0	13	4
The hygh churchē chambr.			
It. 2 fetherbeddes, 1 mattres, 2 boulsters, 2 coverlettes, 1 chayr, 1 tester of dornyx, and the hengyng of ould grene say, sould for	0	12	0
The newe chambr.			
It. ther 1 fetherbed, 2 matreses, 3 boulsters, 2 coŵlettes, sould for	0	10	0
The stody chambr.			
It. 1 mattres, 1 boulster and a coŵlett, sould for	0	2	0
The s ^ē vātes chambr.			
It. ther 6 ould beddes of dyverse sortes w th certein ould coŵynges, sould for	0	6	0
The este and west graunge.			
It. ther 2 pottes, 2 pannes, sould for	0	10	0
Grayne at the este and west graunges.			
It. ther ys estemyd to be 55 q ^{rt} of barly, sould for 6 <i>l</i> . 8 <i>s</i> . 4 <i>d</i> . It. 6 q ^{rt} of whete, at 4 <i>s</i> . 6 <i>d</i> . the q ^{rt} amontyng to 1 <i>l</i> . 7 <i>s</i> . It. 6 q ^{rt} rye, at 4 <i>s</i> . the q ^{rt} 1 <i>l</i> . 4 <i>s</i> . It. 10 acres whete, at 3 <i>s</i> . the acr. whyche amountyth to the summe of 1 <i>l</i> . 10 <i>s</i> . It. 30 q ^{rt} of pese at 3 <i>s</i> . the q ^{rt} whyche amountyth to the summe of 3 <i>l</i> . It. hay ther sould for 2 <i>l</i> . 13 <i>s</i> . 4 <i>d</i>	16	2	8
Grayne at the late monastery.			
It. 10 q ^{rt} of maulte, sould for	1	6	8
Catell to the seid late mon. appteynyng.			
It. 5 stone horses 3 <i>l</i> . 16 <i>s</i> . 8 <i>d</i> . It. 5 geldynges 2 <i>l</i> . 10 <i>s</i> . It. 6 mares at 6 <i>s</i> . 8 <i>d</i> . the pece. 2 <i>l</i> . It. 6 oxen at 13 <i>s</i> . 4 <i>d</i> . the pece, 4 <i>l</i> . It. 20 kye 9 <i>l</i> . It. 19 kye and a bull 6 <i>l</i> . 10 <i>s</i> . It. 40 yerlynges 10 <i>l</i> . It. 60 wenyng calves 10 <i>l</i> . It. 26 shepe 8 <i>l</i> . 13 <i>s</i> . 4 <i>d</i> . It. 27 lammes 7 <i>l</i> . 10 <i>s</i> . It. 30 great hogges 2 <i>l</i> . 10 <i>s</i> . It. 40 smale stores, sould for 1 <i>l</i> . 13 <i>s</i> . 4 <i>d</i>	68	3	4
Cartes wyth other thynges appetynyng to husbndry.			
It. 1 shode carte for the forseid horses, w th geres for them, 13 <i>s</i> . 4 <i>d</i> . It. 1 bare carte s. It. 1 other carte sould for 10 <i>s</i>	1	6	8
The summe to ^l . of all the guddes sould late appteynyng to the seid late mon. is	121	12	0
Rewardes gyven to the abbott of the seid late mon. at the dissolucon therof.			
Fyrst to Thomas Gyflam, late abbott	10	0	0
It. to John Bafford	2	10	0
It. to Xpofer Haryett	2	10	0
It. to Robt Davy	2	10	0

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	£.	s.	d.
It. to John Godfrey	2	10	0
It. to Thoms Alyn	2	10	0
It. to John Harcot	2	10	0
It. to Thoms Ball	2	10	0
It. to Thoms Hadley	2	10	0
It. to Thoms Chest	2	10	0
It. to John Benett	2	10	0
It. to Thoms Gabitus	2	10	0
It. to John Webster	2	0	0
It. to George Woodnett	2	0	0
	41	10	0
Rewardes gyven to the s ^ē vantes of the seid late monast ^y in lyk mañ.			
It. to Edward Colman p st	1	0	0
It. to Wifm Sanders	0	11	6
It. to John Devias	0	15	0
It. to Thoms Gefrey	0	15	0
It. to John Montayne	0	15	0
It. to Wifm Gudis	1	0	0
It. to Robt Gylbe	0	10	0
It. to John Bawlle	0	15	0
It. to John Burton	0	10	0
It. to Wifm Buston	0	10	0
It. to Wifm Chaumtlein	1	0	0
It. to Rauffe Bullock	0	10	0
It. to Robt. Leyth	0	15	0
It. to Richard Porter	0	15	0
It. to Robt. Quebec	0	7	6
It. to Xpofer Coke	0	10	0
It. to Jacson	0	10	0
It. to John Smyth	0	7	6
It. to John Assheton	0	7	6
It. to John Brewer	0	15	0
It. to John Malster	0	15	0
It. to Thoms Grome	0	15	0
It. to Thoms Dale	0	5	0
It. to the miller	0	5	0
It. to Henry Rowell	0	10	0
It. to Xpofer Meverell	0	5	0
It. to George Kent	0	7	6
It. to the nete herdes	0	10	10
It. to Robt Hethcocke	0	3	9
It. to John Salter	0	7	6
It. to Jon Salter	0	3	4
It. to Rychard Yates	0	7	6
It. to Jamis Taylor	0	5	0
It. to Thoms Bryges	0	6	0
It. to Rauffe Wemman	0	3	4
It. to Robt Spadyng	0	10	0
It. to Gregory Smyth	0	10	0
It. to Wifm Fryth	0	7	6
It. to Wifm Farmar	0	5	0
It. to Agnes Ball	0	3	9
It. to Thoms Clerke	0	3	4
It. to Robt Raude	0	3	4
It. to John Akworth	0	3	4
	21	0	0
	62	10	0
Cates bought.			
It. in cates bowght and spentē at tyme of commissiono's being ther for to dissolve the seid mon. and for the salfe kepyng of the guddes and catell therof duryng the seid tyme	7	4	2
The summe of the paymentt ^l aforeseid is	69	14	2
M ^d ther remayneth a specialty of 40 <i>l</i> . uponn Wifm Parre. knyght, for money by hyme due for the guddes and catell of the seid late mon. by hym bought, payable at the feast of the Nativite of o ^r Lorde God, whyche shalbe in the yere of o ^r seid Lorde God M ^d xxxix	40	0	0
And so remayneth in the seid commissiono's handes	11	17	10
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Certein guddes or stuffe late appteynyng to the seid late mon. remaynyng as yett unsould.

Gylte plate.
Fyrst 4 chalesys, 2 cruettes, and a pyxe, all gylte, wayeng 70 oz.

Whyte plate.
It. one sencer a shyppe, 2 aulter basons, 2 candlestykes, a holywat. stoke, a spryncke, 2 crosses, and a fotte to on of the same crosses, a crosse staffe, 2 saltes, a coŵ to one of them, and 12 spones 271 oz.

Belles rem. unsoulde.
It. ther remayneth unsould 5 belles, wayeng 56 cwt. at the cwt.

Leade rem. unsoulde.
It. ther remayneth unsoulde 115 fother of lead at the fother

M^d ther remayneth all the howses edyfyed upon the scite of the seid late monastery.

M^d that S^r Wiſſm Parre, knyght, was putt in possession of the scite of the seid late mon. and all the demaynes to yt appteynyng to o^r soŵaigne lorde the kynges use, the 6 daye of Novem^{br}, in the 30th yere of o^r seid soŵaigne lorde kyng Henry the Eighth.

Pencions et stipend^l appoynted and allotted to the late Abbott and Covent of the seid late Moⁿ by the seid commissiono^rs.

	£	s.	d.
Fyrst to Tho ^m s Gyl ^m , late abbott . . .	66	13	4
It. to John Baford	6	0	0
It. to X ^p ofer Haryatt	6	0	0
It. to Robt Davy	6	0	0
It. to John Godfrey	5	6	8
It. to Tho ^m s Alyn	6	0	0
It. to John Harcote	6	0	0
It. to Tho ^m s Ball	5	6	8
It. to Tho ^m s Hadley	5	6	8
It. to Tho ^m s Chester	5	6	8
It. to John Bennett	5	6	8
It. to Tho ^m s Gabitus	5	0	0
It. to John Webster	1	6	8
It. to George Wodnett ^l	1	6	8
S ^m ^a	131	0	0

Fees and annuites grauntyd owt by covent seall to dy^vs psons before the Dissolu^on of the seid late Monastery.

It. to Wiſſm Parre, Knyght	2	0	0
It. to Edward Mountegw	2	0	0
It. to Wiſſm Saunders	1	6	8
It. to Edward Gryfyn	1	0	0
It. to Nicholas Frogmorton	2	0	0
It. to John Jonson	2	0	0
It. to John Grove	2	0	0
It. to Wiſſm Gudys	2	0	0
It. to John Mountayne	1	6	8
It. to John Ball	1	0	0
It. to Robt Gybb	1	0	0
It. to Robt Lyth	0	13	4
It. to Hugh Aston	1	0	0
It. to Thomas Palle	2	0	0
It. to Edward Burton	2	0	0
It. to Henry Wryght	1	0	0
It. to George Gyfford, Esquier	1	6	8
S ^m ^a	25	13	4

Dettes owing by the forseid late Abbott and Convent of the seid late Monastery befor the Dissolu^on of therof.

Fyrst to Wiſſm Saunders	50	0	0
It. to Wiſſm Pker	9	9	0
It. to Thomas Waldram	6	0	0
It. to Tho ^m s Wauer	4	0	0
It. to Barnes Vyntner	4	0	0
It. to Gregory Smyth	1	6	8
It. to Richard Benton pryst ^l	6	13	4

	£.	s.	d.
It. to Wiſſm Wade	2	16	8
It. to the Bysshoppe of Lyncolne	4	0	8
It. to Wiſſm Parre, Knyght	2	0	0
S ^m ^a	90	6	4

Dett^l owyng by di^vse psons to the said Moⁿ whos names hereafter foloweth.

Fyrst Rychard Gressham, of Newton . . .	1	6	8
It. John Lane, of Walgrave	1	0	0
It. Edward Osborne, of Kel ^m sh	0	6	0
It. Robt Lolle, of Norh ^m ton	1	6	8
It. Wiſſm Welles, of Harborowe	0	8	0
S ^m ^a	4	7	4

M^d. that the forseid late Abbott hath receyvyd of Mychelmas rent due to the seid Moⁿ thys pcell folowyng and non oth^r as he sayeth.

Of Thomas Pell, Baylyffe of Elyngton . . . 27 0 0
Whereof

Fyrst payed by the handes of the seid ab- bott for the Kechynboke	6	8	0
It. to the covent for ther vagys	6	12	4
It. to Wiſſm Saunders, gent	5	8	0
It. to Roger Knolles upon a byll	10	0	0

NUM. VII.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 31 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

PYPWELL NUPER MONASTERIUM.

	£	s.	d.
Com' North'ton.			
Pypwell—Scitus cum terris domini- calibus	1	14	0
Pypwell—Firma grangie de le Est- grange	22	0	4
Pypwell—Firma molend'	1	6	8
Pypwell—Firma grangie de le West-grange	15	2	8
Okeley Magna, Okeley Parva, et Staneyarne—Firma terr' et ten' . . .	3	19	8
Okeley—Redd' custum' tenen' . . .	4	12	8
Okeley—Diverse firme	5	3	4
Ockley Magna—Frma rector' . . .	5	0	0
Ockley—Portio x ^{me}	0	0	6
Stanyard—Portio x ^{me}	0	2	0
Ockley—Perquis' cur'	0	1	2
Boughton et Gedyngton—Redd' terr' et ten'	0	5	3 ob'
Gedyngton—Redd' al' terr' et ten' . .	0	4	0
Gedyngton—Diverse firme	0	14	8
Gedyngton—Firma rector'	7	8	4
Newton—Firma rectorie	5	0	0
Clendon—Firma x ^{marum}	1	6	8
Wynwyk—Reddit' assis'	0	3	0
Com' Leic'			
Southkylworth—Firma terr' . . .	1	16	0
Thorneby—Firma terr'	2	10	0
Southkilworth—Firma grangie de Wynwyke	4	18	4
Com' North'ton.			
Eltyngton—Diverse firme	107	10	0
Rushton—Redd' ten' ad vol' . . .	0	1	0
Rushton—Diverse firme	4	6	8
Braybrok—firma grangie	13	6	8
Cold Ashby—Diverse firme	17	16	4
Cold Ashby—Firma grangie	3	0	0
Cold Ashby—Firma rectorie	10	0	0
Com' Bedf'			
Bedford Vill'—Red' mesuag' . . .	0	4	0
Barford—Redd' mesuag' et mol' aquat'	3	6	8
Roxston—Redd' unius holme . . .	0	13	0
Coldesden—Firm' ten'	0	4	4
Stagden—Firm' unius ten'	0	5	0
Com' Leic'			
Drystowe et Eston—Redd' ten' . . .	0	3	0

Com' Leic'	£.	s.	d.	Com' Linc'	£.	s.	d.
Leic' S' Joh' Bapt'—Firm' unius ten'	1	1	4	Thurlaston—Perquis' cur'	0	6	6
Com' Rutl'				Cosseford—Redd' assis'	0	2	7 ob'
Calcote—Redd' prat'	0	10	0	Cosseford et Lawford—Redd' tenen' ad vol'	2	6	10
Com' Linc'				Lawford—Redd' cust' tenen'	0	18	4
Quaplude—Firma grangie	7	10	0	Lawford—Diverse firme	3	5	4
Dunchurch—Diverse firme	2	0	4	Lawford—Firma grangie voc' Newbold	21	6	8
Thurlaston—Diverse firme	4	13	8	Rokeby—Redd' assis'	0	0	3
Thurlaston—Redd' assis' et ad vol'	0	7	9	Rokeby—Redd' tenen' ad vol'	1	3	4
Thurlaston—Redd' messuag', &c.	6	3	0	Rokeby—Redd' custom' tenen'	0	16	0
Dunchurch—Redd' ten', &c.	4	16	0	Rokeby—Diverse firme	4	10	0
Thurlaston—Firma ten'	0	13	0	Com' Norf'			
Dunchurch—Firma unius messuag'	0	11	0	Lynne—Feod' firma	2	0	0
Dunchurch—Firma ten' vocat' Hertsland	0	19	4	Com' Suff'			
Causton—Firma pastur'	5	6	8	Wickhambrook—Firma rector'	6	13	4
Causton—Firma pastur' voc' Esthorp	4	13	4	Com' North'ton			
Causton—Firma pastur' voc' Bromefeld	12	0	0	Maidwell—Lib' redd'	0	0	4
Causton—Firma pastur' voc' Petford	1	6	8	Waldgrave—Redd' ten'	0	3	4
Dunchurch—Firma claus' voc' Bromhylls	2	0	0	Kelmersh—Redd' salicum	0	1	8
Bylton—Firma ten'	1	5	0	Desborough—Redd' ten'	0	2	0
Dunchurch—Firma rector'	7	10	0	Thorpe Malesworth—Redd' mes' et ten'	0	6	0
Thurlaston—Firma x ^{marum}	9	0	0	Northampton—Redd' unius ten'	0	6	8
				Holcote—Firma un' ten'	0	8	0
				Rokyngham—Firma prat'	0	10	0

Stoneley Priory in Warwickshire.



STONELEY, or Stanley in Arden Priory, is stated by Tanner to have been translated from Radmore in Staffordshire, by King Henry the Second in 1154. Its history, however, shall be given as Dugdale has himself detailed it in his Warwickshire.^a He says, "The order of Cistercian Monks being propagated in England, towards the latter end of Henry the First's reign, found, in short time, many pious benefactors in several parts of the kingdom, who bountifully bestowed upon them very large possessions in such places as were most proper for them to seat themselves with least disturbance in their strict and holy rule of serving God: amongst which were the empress and King Stephen; who, though otherwise opposite to each other, yet, in this good work concurred, granting a certain desart, called Redmore, lying in the forest of Canok, in Staffordshire, a mile southwards from Beaudesert, unto Clement and Herveie, two devout hermits, with others of their society: as also a certain land called Mellesho, for tillage and pasturing of cattle.^b Which concessions Roger de Clinton, then bishop of Chester, not only confirmed, but gave them liberty to betake themselves to what regular life soever, they, through God's direction, should make choice of; and to receive and instruct any such women, who, having devoted their lives to God's service, should do the like.^c

"But, after they had found what molestation they had by the foresters, who, riding frequently that way, much disturbed their devotions, they humbly besought the said empress that she would vouchsafe to change their seat.^d Whereupon, having a great affection to the Cistercian order, she told them, if they would undergo that Rule, she would grant

their request. To which proposal of hers, they, after some deliberation, assenting, the same place of Radmore was made an abbey, one William, the principal of those religious persons, being elected the first abbat there:^e unto whom Henry, duke of Normandy, son to the said empress, by his charter, granted and confirmed, not only the same Radmore with the appurtenances; viz. Melesho and Wirley for tillage and pasture, as also Hedenesford for pasture and pannage, with liberty to build a church, and such houses as might be fit for their habitation; but gave them the town of Canok, with the appurtenances, and the mill at Wirley, with all things belonging thereto.^f

"Which good work so begun wanted not the bounty of divers other pious men to carry it on; Osbert de Arden giving them his lordship of Merston;^g William Croc all the right he had in Wirley, to the intent that they would receive him into their fraternity and vouchsafe his body burial there.^h Geoffrey de Clinton three yard land at Werlavestone, and one hide in Radway:ⁱ and Roger de Clinton, bishop of Chester, beforementioned, two hides more in the said town of Radway.^k

"Shortly after which, this new abbat and his monks, not yet well instructed in the Cistercian discipline, requested Hamon, the second abbat of Bordesley in Worcestershire, to send two of his convent to inform them therein. Which being accordingly done, there grew great friendship betwixt these two monasteries, the monks of Bordesley always giving courteous entertainment to those of Radmore whensoever they had occasion to visit their grange at Radway.^l Howbeit at Radmore they continued no more than twelve years:^m for, finding the foresters not only troublesome, but by their frequent visits, somewhat burthensome also, they became petitioners to King Henry the Second, on the 14th kal. of January, in the very first year of his reign, making use of his mother the empress, their patroness, to mediate, that he would be pleased to translate them to his manor of Stoneley in Warwickshire, and accept of what they had at Radmore in exchange for that place.ⁿ Whereunto the king graciously

^a Hist. Warw. edit. 1656, p. 170.
^b Reg. de Stonl. fol. 6 b. Compare Numm. I. II. of the Appendix.
^c Ibid. fol. 7. See Num. II. ut supr.
^d Ibid. fol. 8.
^e Ibid. fol. 8 b. Ibid. See the Append. Num IV.

^f Ibid. fol. 9.
^g Ibid.
^h Ibid. fol. 10.
ⁱ Ibid.
^k Ibid.
^l Ibid.
^m Ibid.

yielding, they came from Radmore, and first seated themselves where the grange of Cryfield now stands, the inhabitants thereof then removing to Hurst:^a but finding inconvenience there, in regard it was so near the public road way, they made choice of another place, a little below the confluence of Sow and Avon, almost environed with the river;^b having that thick wood called Echels^c on the north, and then began the foundation of their church; whereof the first stone being laid id. Apr. anno 1154,^d scil. 1 Hen. II. the churchyard was consecrated by Walter Durdent, bishop of Coventry,^e with the assent of the prior and canons of Kenilworth, to whom the parish church of Stoneley appertained: upon condition that the said monks should no way diminish the rights due to the said church of Stoneley, but make just payment of all tithes to the same, for such grounds as they should till within that parish:^f all of which the said King Henry by his charter confirmed.^g

“And to the end that these monks should have Stoneley entire, the said king gave command by his precept to the sheriff of the county, to assign the freeholders there, as much land in value, in other places, by way of exchange for that they had here.^h But there being a custom among the Cistercian monks, that no new monastery of the same rule, should without licence of the next adjacent abbey of that order be erected; these, upon their translation hither, were constrained to come to an agreement with the monks of Combe; who conditioned with them, upon yielding such their licence, that if they had a mind to erect any granges, or remove the site of their abbey, the monks of Stoneley should not hinder them. Which agreement was made in the presence of the abbats of Waverley, Bordesley, and Meredale, in anno 1155, 1 Hen. II.ⁱ

“At the time when this monastery was so founded, there were in the manor of Stoneley sixty-eight villans, four bordarii (that is, freeholders), and two priests; all which held thirty carucates of land (as is expressed in Domesday Book); as also four bondmen, or servants, whereof each held one mess. and one quartrone of land, by the services of making the gallows and hanging of thieves: every one of which bondmen was to wear a red clout betwixt his shoulders, upon his upper garment; to plow twice a year, to reap as oft, that is to say, at the two bederipes; to give aid to the lord at the feast of St. Michael; to make the lord's malt, and to do other servile work.^k

“As for the particulars that the monks held in demesne, and otherwise, 7 Edw. I. I refer my reader to the record,^l not accounting it necessary to insert it here, having spoken so fully already of their possessions. But it seems that the king did not quit his total interest in Stoneley to the monks upon the foundation of this abbey: for I find that the sheriff of Warwickshire in 15 Hen. II. accounted 29s. 9d. for pannage of the woods;^m and in 19 Hen. II. received 40s. from those men which held the assarts.ⁿ As also in 27 Hen. II. 55s. for perquisites here.^o Nay his officers and foresters to the beginning of King John's time, did so insult, as that they alledged all was his, notwithstanding what King Henry his grandfather had given them by his charter before specified. And so far were the privileges which belonged to the monks within this their manor of Stoneley slighted, that upon any suit betwixt the tenants, or against the abbat, all writs were directed to the king's bailiffs; so that William de Tyso the then abbat, considering these grievances, and the further dangers to them which were imminent enough, repaired to the king, and for two hundred marks and two white palfreys got a confirmation of his father's charter,^p with a grant of the woods of Wethele, and the easarts at Hurst, for which they had wont to be paid yearly into the Exchequer 29s. which charter bears date 12th May, 5 Joh. and yet thought they not themselves

sure: for in the 11th Hen. III. they gave the king fifteen marks to confirm his father's grant.

“But I come now to the chief of their other benefactors, resolving to speak more fully of them, and of what they gave in the particular places where the lands so given did lye. These were Stephen de Segrave who gave all his land of Bericote with the manor house.^r Geoffrey de Langley, the manor of Staverton.^s Hugh de Arden, lands in Rotley.^t Robert de Broc, lands in Radway.^u Sir Thomas de Ednesoure, Knight, all his lands in Hull juxta Wotton.^v Geoffrey Savage, and Sir William Whelton, Knight, Yartford miln^w (standing upon the little torrent near Gate-bridge). Richard Trussell, one mesuage in Loxley.^x Thomas de Arden, the church of Rotley.^y John de Mercote, lands in the said Rotley, and Radway.^z Robert de Waldene, more in Radway.^{aa}

“In all which, the privileges which these monks had, were very many and great: viz. free-warren, infangthef, outfanthef, weyfs, strays, goods of felons and fugitives, tumbrell, pillory, sok, sak, toll, theam, amerciements for murders, assise of bread and beer; with a mercate and fair in the town of Stoneley: which lordship was to answer for xii. before the king's justices or coroner: and the tenants thereof (that is freeholders) to plead the writ of right according to the custom of the manor; having assise of fresh force against such as should disseise them without a writ.^{ab} And moreover that the king's officers might not take distresses, nor make any attachment within the same, without the bayliff of the manor. As also that the lord and his tenants of the same manor should be free from payment to the county or hundred courts; from murders: aid to the sheriff, and coming to his turn; from all common amerciements of toll, pontage, passage, and murage throughout England; and from payment of the expences to the knights for the shire sent to parliament.^{ac} Which mercate, fair, and free-warren were granted to them by King Edward the First, as his charter, bearing date at Caernarvon 27th May, in the 12th year of his reign, testifieth; viz. the mercate on Thursday in every week; and the fair yearly to last for eight days, beginning on the eve of the Nativity of St. John Baptist.^{ad} But the tenants within the liberties of Stoneley, for as much as it was antient demense of the crown, were to pay tallage to the monks as oft as the king had tallage of the like manors: the particular sums then due from the town of Stoneley, and from the hamlets anciently belonging thereto, being these: Stonle. 20s. 6d. ob. q.; Fynham, 10s. 3d. q.; Hull, 19s. 7d. q.; Flechamsted, 18s. 9d. ob.; Canle, 16s. 4d. ob.; Melbnn, 10s. 1d.; Crulefeld, 16s.; Hurst, 18s. 5d. ob.; Staverton, 19s. 7d. q.—Total 7l. 9s. 9d. ob.;^{ae} which aid in 36 Hen. III. upon the king's transfretation into Gascoign, the abbat of Stonle had, as appears by the king's mandate to the sheriff of this county.^{af}

“As for the other memorable passages touching this monastery, or the abbats and monks thereof, they were these; viz. that Will. de Gyldeford, the ninth abbat, being a man of singular wisdom, and made penitentiary to Pandulph the pope's legate, was afterwards sent with legatine authority into Wales, which occasioned many superior abbats to malign him; so that, because he countenanced a shepherd belonging to the monastery to fight a duel, and to hang a thief that had privately stolen away some cattle of theirs, such advantage was taken against him, as that, being prosecuted for it, he was deprived in anno 1235, 15th Hen. III.^{ag}

“Within ten years after which his deposal, the monks of this house sustained much loss by fire, whereby a great part of the abbey was consumed; towards the reparation whereof the king allowed them forty oaks out of his woods at Kenilworth, which the sheriff of this county had command to deliver.^{ah} And not long after this, viz. in 43 Hen. III. divers

^a Reg. de Stonl. fol. 10 b.

^b Ibid.

^c Eychel, *Germ.* idem significat quod *Quercus Lat.*

^d Reg. de Stoneley, fol. 10 b. Compare the Append. Num. VI.

^e Registr. de Kenilw. p. 82.

^f Ibid. p. 108.

^g Cart. 19 Edw. II. n. 6. per Inspex. See Num. VII.

^h Registr. de Stoneley, fol. 11 a.

ⁱ Registr. de Cumba, fol. 176.

^k Registr. de Stoneley, fol. 12.

^l Inq. per H. Nott. &c. fol. 13.

^m Rot. Pip. 15 Hen. II.

ⁿ Ibid.

^o Ibid. 27 Hen. II.

^p Registr. de Stoneley, fol. 15 b.

^q Rot. F. 11 Hen. III. m. 9.

^r Cart. 49 Hen. III. m. 7. Cart. 19 Edw. II. per Inspex.

^s Ibid. ^t Ibid. ^u Ibid. ^x Ibid.

^y Ibid.

^z Ex autogr. in bibl. Hatton.

^{aa} Esc. 14 Edw. I. n. 37.

^{ab} Ibid. n. 57.

^{ac} Pat. 22 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 11.

^{ad} Vide Rot. de Quo Warr. 13 Edw. I.

^{ae} Cart. 49 Hen. III. ut supr.

^{af} Cart. 12 Edw. I. n. 39.

^{ag} Ibid. fol. 34 a.

^{ah} Claus. 36 Hen. III. m. 2.

ⁱ Registr. de Stoneley, fol. 178.

^k Claus. 25 Hen. III. m. 9.

of the monks grew so exorbitant, that they fell to wandering, insomuch as the king sent forth his precepts to all sheriffs, and other his officers, to apprehend and deliver them to the abbat for chastisement according to their demerits, and as their rule required.^a

"The sixteenth abbat, Robert de Hockele, though a young man, yet being very sage and prudent, freed the house from many debts that were owing at the entrance of his government, and was a great builder; for he caused the stalls of the quire to be all new made; as also the carved-work under the steeple, with the great east window above the high altar, and the church to be new dedicated, and covered with lead:^b all which are now totally demolished. But the Gate-house, a fair and strong building, and also one his works, still standeth;^c on the front whereof, outwards, there is remaining yet a large escutcheon of stone, whereon three lions passant gardant are cut; with a lion passant gardant upon a helm set in the corner of the shield, according to the fashion of that time wherein he lived. Which badge he fixed here, in memory of King Henry the Second, their founder.

"But all that I have further to say of them is, that in 38th Edw. III. there was a complaint made against Thomas de Pipe, the then abbat, viz. that he granted estates to divers persons for lives, of several fermes and lands, without reserving any rent to be paid, to the great prejudice of the monastery:^d and this was alledged to be for the support of a concubine that he had, called Isabel Beushale, and his children by her, which were more in number, as the record says,^e than the monks then in the convent. And it was then also alledged, that were it not for these leases xx. might very well have been maintained therein. How he acquitted himself of this scandalous charge I know not; but certain it is, that the man was a person of notable parts, and deserved very well of the house: for he composed that excellent Leiger-book, being the transcript of their evidences, wherein are all things historically entred that concern this monastery; and very many particulars relating to the general story of the kingdom, especially of these parts, which are not elsewhere to be met with, whereof I have made much use in this present work; and for which his memory will be of good esteem with all that are lovers of history.

"By the Survey taken in 26th Hen. VIII. the revenue of this abbey was certified to be 151*l.* 3*s.* 1½*d.* over and above all reprises. Of which the sum of 4*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.* was then reckoned for the charge of eight quarters of rye made in bread, at 5*s.* the quarter; three quarters of malt in beer, at 4*s.* the quarter; and two hundred herrings, at 20*d.* the hundred: all which were yearly given in almes to poor and impotent people upon Maundy-Thursday, at the washing of their feet, by the decree of a general chapter of their order. And moreover 107*s.* 8*d.* per ann. for their charge in relief of poor people; viz. three bushels of rye weekly made in bread, being in all seventeen quarters and a half; and six quarters of malt made in beer, at 4*s.* the quarter. The yearly fee then to the principal officers being, to Henry Marq. Dorset, their high-steward, 53*s.* 4*d.*; to Robert Cas-

ter, gent. their general-receiver, 26*s.* 8*d.*; and to Thomas Gregory, auditor, 26*s.* 8*d.*^f

"So that, being in clear yearly value less than 200*l.* it was suppressed by act of parliament in the 27th Hen. VIII. whereupon the monks were, for the most part, disposed of to other religious houses that then stood undissolved, Thomas Tutbury, the then abbat, having a pension of 23*l.* per annum assigned to him during his life."^g

The following is Sir William Dugdale's list of the

ABBATS of STONELEY.

WILLIAM, the first abbat, died on the ides of December, A.D. 1159.

ROGER, died non. Feb. 1178.

NICHOLAS, died kal. Sept. 1188.

HENRY, died 3 id. Sept. 1189.

WILLIAM PERSHORE, was translated from the government of this abbey to that of Bordesley.

WILLIAM DE CAMPDEN, was abbat eight years.

WILLIAM DE TYSOE, died 10 kal. Aug. 1217.

RALPH, resigned his office in 1221.

WILLIAM GYLDEFORD was deposed in 1231.

OSBERT DE WESTWELLE, resigned on the nones of September 1258.

PETER WYCHE died 9 kal. March, 1261.

RICHARD DE MERYNTON was removed from the government of this monastery in 1272.

THOMAS DE ORLESCOTE was translated hence to the abbey of Bordesley in 1277.

WILLIAM DE HEYFORD was translated in the same manner to Bordesley in 1293.

JOHN DE LA SALE was deposed, after having sate as abbat sixteen years and two months.

ROBERT DE HOCKELE died on the day of St. Desiderius the bishop, in 1349.

ROBERT DE ATHERSTON resigned in the third year of his abbacy.

THOMAS DE WESTON, otherwise called THOMAS DE LA PIPE, succeeded Robert de Atherston, 9 kal. Jun. 1352, "ætate juvenis."^h

ROBERT SUTTON occurs in the 10th Hen. VII.ⁱ

THOMAS HODSKINSON.^k

THOMAS TUTBURY in the 26th and 27th Hen. VIII.^l

"After the before specified dissolution," says Dugdale, "it continued not long in the crown; for in the 30th Hen. VIII. it was granted to Charles Brandon, duke of Suffolk, and his heirs."^m From him it passed to the Cavendishes. It is not necessary to specify the subsequent descent of the site here, except that it has eventually become the property of the family of Leigh.

The REGISTER of this monastery, so much spoken of by Dugdale, in 1640, was in the possession of Sir Thomas Leigh, knt. Other extracts from it, beside those which are printed at the end of the present account, are preserved

earue. per annum 1*l.* Et habet ibidem unum molend. quod valet per annum 6*s.* Et de stauro 2*l.* 10*s.*

Summa 16*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

"Item apud Stonlee duas earue. terr. et valet earue. per annum 16*s.* Ibidem de redd. assis. 20*l.* Et de stauro 2*s.* Item habet apud Helum duas earue. terr. et valet earue. per annum 15*s.* Item habet apud Horewelle quæ est quædam cella in dec. de Stonlee duas virgat. terræ et valent per annum 14*s.* Item apud Melburn unam earue. terr. et valet per annum 10*s.* Item habet apud Bogedon unam virgatam terræ et valet per annum 5*s.* Item apud Crulefeld quatuor earue. terr. et val. earue. per annum 1*l.* Et ibidem unum molendinum quod valet per annum 5*s.* Ibidem de profie. stauri per annum 3*l.* Item habet apud Stanley duo molend. et valent per annum 1*l.* De placitis et perquis. per annum 2*s.*

Summa 36*l.* 16*s.* 0*d.*"

Among the Spiritualties of the Archdeaconry of Coventry, we find "Ecclesia de Radewey appropriata Abbati de Stonleye 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*"

Taxat P. Nicholai IV. fol. 1802, pp. 241 b, 255 b.

^g Lib. MS. in Curia Augm. The abbat and sixteen monks joined in the Surrender; Willis. Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 247.

^h Thus far, Dugdale's list is a transcript only from the Register of Stoneley, fol. 179.

ⁱ Ing. super deposs. 3 Edw. VI.

^k Ibid.

^l See the Transcript of the Valor in the Appendix.

^m Pat. 30 Hen. VIII. p. 4.

^a Pat. 43 Hen. III. ^b Registr. de Stoneley, fol. 178 a.

^c Dugdale published his History of Warwickshire in 1656.

^d Plac. de T. Hill. 38 Edw. III. rot. 22, 24, 38. ^e Ibid.

^f MS. penes S. Archer eq. aur. fol. 47 b. A Transcript of the Valor will be found in the Appendix to this account.

The following is the return of the temporal revenues of Stoneley Abbey in the Taxation of 1291: the total value then amounted to 83*l.* 12*s.* 3*d.*

"Abbas de Stonlee habet apud Egge in dec. de Stonlee duas ear. terr. et val. car. per annum 1*l.* Item habet apud Radewey quinque earue. terr. et val. car. per annum 1*l.* 5*s.* Ibidem de redd. assis. per annum 2*l.* Ibidem duo molend. quæ val. per annum 13*s.* 4*d.* Ibidem de placitis et perquis. 2*s.* Et habet de stauro 5*l.*

Summa, 16*l.* 0*s.* 4*d.*

"Item apud Colinton quinque ear. terr. et valet car. per annum 1*l.* 5*s.* Ibidem de redd. assis. per annum 1*l.* 9*s.* 3*d.* Ibidem de proficuo stauri 2*l.* Item apud Biricote unam earue. terr. et valet per annum 15*s.* Ibidem de redd. assis. per annum 1*l.* 13*s.* 10*d.* Ibidem duo molend. quæ valent per annum 5*s.* Ibidem de pisear. per annum 10*s.* De profie. stauri 1*l.*

Summa 13*l.* 16*s.* 1*d.*

"Item apud Stanton duas earue. terr. et val. earue. per annum 1*l.* Ibidem de redd. assis. annuum 4*l.* Et de stauro 2*l.* Ibidem unum molend. quod valet per annum 5*s.* Ibidem de placit. et perquis. per annum 2*s.* 4*d.* Item habet apud Homgrave quinque earue. terr. et val.

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among Dugdale's manuscripts in the Ashmolean Museum, F. 2, pag. 31.^a

An impression on red wax of the COMMON SEAL of this abbey, attached to a deed dated 32 Hen. VI. in the possession of William Hamper, esq. has been kindly communicated by that gentleman: the subject is the Virgin seated, crowned, and bearing in her right hand a sceptre, in her left is the infant Jesus naked, on each side of her is a

female figure standing: the legend is SIGILL . ABB'TIS . ET . CONVENTVS . B. MARIE . D' STONLEY.

Stoneley is situated about three miles from Kenilworth upon the east. A spacious residence was raised upon the site of this abbey soon after the Dissolution, which has, itself, since given way to extensive alterations, and is the seat of James Henry Leigh, Esq. A gatehouse erected, before the year 1349, by Robert de Hockele, the sixteenth abbat, was the last principal remain of the ancient structure.

Cartae ad Stoneleyensem Prioratum in agro Warwicensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

De Matilda Imperatrice.

[Ex registr. de Stoneley penes Thomam Leigh de Stoneley, mil. et bar. 1640.]

SUPRADICTA Matilda Imperatrix prædicti Henr. regis filia, dedit Deo et ecclesiæ de Rademora locum Heremi in foresta de Kanc, et Meylusho sub forma quæ sequitur.

Matilda Imperatrix Henrici regis filia, et Anglorum domina, archiep. episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, baronibus, justiciariis, vicecomitibus, ministris, et omnibus fidelibus suis, Francis et Anglis, salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et concessisse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Rademora, et fratribus ibidem Deo servientibus in perpetuam elemosinam, pro statu regni et pro anima patris mei regis Henrici et pro anima matris meæ, et antecessorum meorum, et pro salute viri mei, et mea, et liberorum nostrorum, locum Heremi sua in foresta de Kanoc, et totam landam de Melesho ad culturam fratrum, et pasturum animalium sine nimia exartatione nemoris. T. Herb. clerico, et Unfrido de Buhun, et Patric. de Sarum conest. et Radulfo Pagano, et Roberto de Dunstanvilla, apud Divisas.

NUM. II.

De Rege Stephano.

[Ibid.]

—QUI quidem Steph. rex dedit et confirmavit Clementi, et Herveio, et eorum fratribus, locum et fundationem prioratus de Rademora, et pasturam de Melesho, prout continetur in carta Rogeri Cestren. episcopi sub hac forma verborum.

‘Rogerus Dei gratia Cestrensis episc. omnibus sanctæ Dei ecclesiæ filiis, tam prælatis quam subditis, de Staffordshyre, salutem et paternam benedictionem. Cum nostri ministerii hoc exigit, ut de bono fraternæ dilectionis proposito, congaudeamus, et in religionis incrementi efficaciam pro posse nostro propagare studeamus;

‘Hujus rei gratia provocati, et dilatandæ caritatis zelo succensi, donationem et concessionem regis Stephani de loco heremi, quem Clementi, et Herveio, et sociis suis, in foresta de Kanoc ad serviendum Deo se dedisse et concessisse prædictus rex Steph. per breve suum nobis innotuit. Prædicti inquam regis devotionem attendentes prædictam donationem,

^a Tanner's references to public records concerning Stoneley Abbey are as follows:

“Vide Cart. 5 Joan. n. 18 et 19.

“Fin. 11 Hen. III. m. 9. Fin. War. 21 Hen. III. Pasch. n. . Claus. 25 Hen. III. m. 9. Fin. War. 44 Hen. III. m. 3. Cart. 49 Hen. III. m. 7.

“Cart. 12 Edw. I. n. 39. pro lib. war. in maneriis suis de Echeles, Homegrange, Staverton, Wethele, Stonle, Melburn, Cralefeld, Bedindene, Horewell, Holinhull, Bericote, Cobinton, Radeway, Hege Grange, Hurste, Fyrham, et Cavele, et pro mercat. apud Stonele die Joviset feria die . . . Plac. in com. War. 13 Edw. I. quo war. rot. 1 et 4. de libertatibus in Stonly, &c. Esc. war. 14 Edw. I. n. 37 et 57. Pat. 29 Edw. I. m. .

“Brev. reg. 7 Edw. II. Hill. rot. 2. m. 14. de vastis maner. de Stonle. Cart. 19 Edw. II. n. 6.

“Pat. 5 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 10. Cart. 6 Edw. III. n. 13. Pat. 6 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 7 vel 8. de exemptione a tallagiis. Pat. 17 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 35 vel 36. Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 1 vel 2, et m. 29 vel 30. Plac. coram rege, 26 Edw. III. Trin. rot. 3. quod abbas debet reparare Slarebridge. Pat. 29 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 3 vel 4. Pat. 30

et concessionem comprobantes, eundem locum Rademore videlicet ad serviendum Deo, et Melesho scil. ad victum, colendum, et ad pasturam prædictis fratribus præsentis scripti pagina confirmamus, et nostri sigilli munimine munivimus; et quod juris ecclesiæ nostræ in eodem loco habuisse dicebatur, totum eisdem fratribus pro Dei amore ex parte nostra dedimus et concessimus. Salva tamen et à nobis retenta episcopalis juris canonica justitia.

‘Eisdem etiam fratribus concessimus, ut quamcunque vitam regularem et autenticam Deo inspirante subire voluerint, nostra licentia subeant et regularitèr in futurum teneant. Si quas mulieres Deo devotas religiosas, et regularem vitam professas ad Dei cultum necessarias prædicti fratres congregare, Deo propitio, aliquando potuerint in divina doctrina eas suscipiant, et nostra licentia et concessione eas regulariter doceant et regant. Huic nostræ sanctioni etiam adjecimus, et pastoralis cura prohibemus, quod nulla ecclesiastica sive secularis persona eisdem fratribus de Rademora aliquam injuriam vel contumeliam aliquatenus faciat, sed eidem loco religionis justa servantibus, et eisdem fratribus aliqua bona pro Dei amore impercientibus sit pax divina, et benedictio nostra, et ecclesiæ nostræ concessa beneficia. Valete in æternum. Amen.’

NUM. III.

Quomodo Locus de Radmore crevit in Abbatiam.

[Ibid.]

WILLIELMUS prior cum fratribus suis loci heremi beatæ Mariæ de Rademore, prægravantibus illos nimium, et destruentibus forestariis de Kanoc multo equitatu ad loca sua qualibet ebdomada adventantibus, adiverunt imperatricem Matildam prædictam, filiam et hæredem Henr. regis, petentes instanter ab ea loci sui mutationem.

Quæ non adquevit petitionem eorum nisi habitum suum vellent et concederent mutari, et præclaro ordini Cisterciensi quem illa plurimum diligebat incorporari. Qui, per aliquod tempus secum deliberantes, ad ipsam redierunt, et sub conditione propositâ petitionem suam optinuerunt: et sic locus heremi de Rademora mutatus est in abbatiam, promotus ibidem Willielmo ejusdem loci priore in abbatem anno Domini

Edw. III. p. 2, m. 15. Pat. 31 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 21. et p. 3, m. 3. de terris in Dalley. Claus. 36 Edw. III. m. 4 et 24. de dimiss. maner. de Melburn, &c. Plac. coram rege, 38 Edw. III. Hill. rot. 22, 24, 38. Pat. 38 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 26 vel 27. Pat. 39 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 2 vel 3. Ibid. p. 2, m. 15. pro maner. de Horewell. Pat. 41 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 2. pro Home Grange dimittendo. Pat. 48 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 25. pro maner. de Erdington.

“Pat. 7 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 27. pro grangia Crulefield. Pat. 15 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 7. de mess. et terris in Radway et Ashow. Pat. . . Ric. II. p. 1, m. 11.

“Pat. 27 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. ult. vel penult. Pat. 29 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 13. pro ten. in Kingshull et Fincham. Pat. 32 Hen. VI. m. 14. pro ten. in Flechamsted.

“Pat. 7 Edw. IV. p. 1, m. ult. vel penult. Escaet. war. 13 Edw. IV. n. . de viii. mess. ii. carucat. terræ, &c. in Ashow, ex concessione Joannis Hugford et Thomæ Waldyve. Pat. 13 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 21.”

Compare also:

Rot. hundr. vol. 2, p. 228.

Plac. de quo war. pp. 777, 785, 799, 800.

Abbrev. Plac. p. 10, 25, 45, 67, 84, 169, 208, 209, 277.

Igitur Henricus dux Normanniæ et Aquitanniæ et comes Andegaviæ, filius Galfridi comitis Andegaviæ et ejusdem Matildis imp. ad instantiam prædictæ imperatricis matris suæ, concessit et confirmavit prædictis religiosiis in elemosinam perpetuam locum et foundationem abbatiæ ordinis Cisterciensis in foresta sua de Canoc apud Rademoram cum omnibus pertinentiis suis sicut patet in cartis.

NUM. IV.

Carta Henrici Ducis Normanniæ.

[Ibid.]

HENRICUS dux Normanniæ et Aquitanniæ et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, episcopis, baronibus, justiciariis, vicecomitibus, et omnibus fidelibus et amicis suis, Francis et Anglis, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et confirmasse in perpetuam elemosinam Deo, et ecclesiæ S. Mariæ de Rademore, et Willielmo abbati et monachis in Cisterciensi ordine ibidem Deoservientibus, ad ecclesiam faciendam, et officinas construendas, villam de Canoc, cum omnibus redditibus et pertinentiis suis, cum molendino de Wyrleya, et omnibus aliis rebus eidem villæ pertinentibus, sicut Ranulphus comes Cestriæ eandem villam eis dedit, et concessit, et carta sua confirmavit. Quare volo, et firmiter præcipio, ut præfata ecclesia, et abbas et monachi, prædictam villam, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, bene et in pace, liberè, et quietè, et honorificè teneant et possideant. Test. Rog. com. Hereford, Walt. Maminot, Guar. fil. Ger. camer. Hug. de Pirie, Rog. fil. Ric. apud Coventriam.

NUM. V.

Alia Carta ejusdem Ducis.

[Ibid.]

HENRICUS dux Normanniæ, &c. archiepiscopis, episcopis, comitibus, baronibus, vicecomitibus, et omnibus fidelibus et amicis suis, Norm. et Ang. salutem. Sciatis me concessisse in perpetuum locum et foundationem abbatiæ ordinis Cisterciensis in foresta mea de Canoc apud Rademoram, cum omnibus appenditiis suis; scilicet, Melesho, et Wirleiam in culturam et pasturam, et Hedenesford in pasturam et quicionem pasnagii sui. Quare volo, &c. Test. Willielmo cancellario, Willielmo Cum. R. com. Cestriæ, R. com. Legecest. R. com. Hereford, Sozone de Dinam, Ernaldo de Bosco, apud Gloucestriam.

NUM. VI.

Qualiter et quando transmigrarunt de Rademora.

[Ibid.]

PERACTIS igitur in eodem loco (scilicet de Rademora) tresdecem annis, multa inedia molestati, et forestariorum oneroso adventu prægravati, adierunt prædictum Henricum, prædictæ imperatricis filium tunc in regem consecratum, scilicet anno Domini m.cliiij. xiiij. kal. Januarii, et procurante prædicta imperatrice regis matre, suaque advocatrice, in exchange abbatiæ suæ de Rademora, locum et foundationem abbatiæ suæ apud Stanleg in bruillo de Eacheles, una cum toto bruillo eodem, et toto dominio de Stanleg quod erat antiquum dominicum regis obtinuerunt; ut patet in cartis regiis, reservata sibi grangia sua de Radeweia quam prius habuerunt.

Et sic anno Domini m.cliiij. de Rademora transmigrantes, xiiij. kal. Julii venerunt in manerium de Stanleg in Arderna.

Et primitus quidem in loco ubi nunc est grangia de Crulefeld manserunt, translatis hominibus qui ibi habitaverunt ad villam quæ nunc dicitur Hurst: sed quia juxta portionem suam minorem et nimis propè viam regiam ibi locabantur, elegerunt foundationem suam juxta portionem suam majorem, præcipuè propter fluvii de Avene vicinitatem ex una parte, et boscuum qui dicitur Eacheles. Et sic in loco qui nunc dicitur Homgrange tabernacula mansoria fecerunt, et totum illum desertum subtilius perscrutantes benè interiùs, ecclesiam fundaverunt, et abbatiam, ut patet, construxerunt; primarium monasterialis ecclesiæ lapidem idus Aprilis ponentes, anno Dominicæ incarnationis m.cliiij.

NUM. VII.

Carta Foundationis Abbatiæ de Stonle.

[Ibid.]

HENRICUS rex Angliæ, et dux Norm. et Aquit. et com. Andeg. archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, justiciariis, baronibus, vicecomitibus, et omnibus fidelibus suis, Francis et Anglis, totius Angliæ salutem. Sciatis me dedisse, et concessisse, et confirmasse, in perpetuam elemosinam Willielmo abbati et monachis de Cisterciensi ordine qui apud Rademoram manserunt, in escambio abbatiæ suæ de Rademora, locum et foundationem abbatiæ suæ apud Stanleiam in bruillo de Eacheles. Et do eis et concedo totum eundem bruillum et totum dominium meum in Stanleia; scilicet, vj. carucas terræ, cum pratis, et pascuis, et rivis, et piscariis, et essartis ubicunque fuerunt eidem dominio pertinentibus, et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis, et molendinum ejusdem villæ quod solebat reddere singulis annis xl. solid. Henrico regi avo meo. Et redditum salis apud Wych, videlicet xxv. summas salva decima canonicorum de Kenilwourde; scilicet ij. summis salis et dimid. quas inde solebant habere. Do etiam et concedo eidem abbati et monachis in soca de Stanleia alias vj. carucat. terræ; scilicet duas carrucas apud Dulleswordam, cum essartis et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis; et quatuor carrucas terræ apud Croilesfeldam, cum omnibus essartis, et pratis, et pascuis, et rivis, et omnibus rebus eidem terræ pertinentibus. Præterea concedo eis omnia aisiamenta sua in foresta, et boscis, et bruillis meis, et ligna et materiem ad omnia necessaria sua, et ad domos suas edificandas, et ad ignem suum sine wasto, et per visum forestarii mei. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio quod idem Willielmus abbas et monachi ibidem Deo servientes omnia prædicta in perpetuam elemosinam habeant et teneant, et grangias suas apud Radeweiam et Merstonam, et omnia sua quæ in futurum rationabilibus modis, Deo propitio eis data fuerint, soluta et libera ab omni seculari servitio et quicta de schiris et hundredis, et murdro, et danegeldo, et placitis, et querelis, et geldis, et auxiliis, et omni consuetudine et exactione. Test. Theob. Cantuar archiep. Rog. Eborac. archiep. l. episcopo Wigorn. Walt. Cest. Thoma cancellario, Regin. com. Cornubiæ, Rob. com. Legrec. Ric. de Hum. constab. War. fil. Gerar. camer. Willielmo de Bellocampo, Mauritio de Ambresleya, apud Brugiam in obsidione.

NUM. VIII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONASTERIUM DE STONLEY ORDINIS CISTERCIENC'.

Dominus Thomas Tutbury Abbas ejusdem Monasterij.

Reddus Assis'.

Idm r' com̃pm de 5s. 10d. de reddu assis' in Stonley in com' Warr' p annū.

Et de 3d. de reddu assis' in Stareton in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 1s. 2d. de reddu assis' in Fyncham in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 6s. 4d. de reddu assis' in Kyngeshull in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 1l. 7s. 1d. de reddu assis' in Canley in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 13s. 10d. de reddu assis' in Hurste in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 1l. 7s. 2½d. de reddu assis' in Flechamsted in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 1l. 5s. de reddu assis' in Crulefyld in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 1s. de reddu assis' in villa de Warr' p annū.

Et de 1d. de reddu assis' in Lemyngton Prioris in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 9s. de reddu assis' in Ulnall in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 5s. de reddu assis' in Horley in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 2s. 3½d. de reddu assis' in Asshoo in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 1½*d.* de reddu assis' in Hill Wotton in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 0½*d.* de reddu assis' in Leke Wotton in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 1*s.* 6½*d.* de reddu assis' in Cubbyngton in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 3*s.* de reddu assis' in Rodwey, in eodem com' p annū.

S^ma 6*l.* 5*s.* 11½*d.*

Terr' Ten'ta Prat' Pasē et Pastur'.

Et de 15*l.* 5*s.* 2*d.* de reddu omīu terr' et teñtorē in Stonley in com' Warr' p annū.

Et de 6*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.* de reddu terr' et teñtorē in Stareton in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 6*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.* de reddu terr' et teñtorē in Fynh^m in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 3*l.* 18*s.* de reddu terr' et teñtorē in Kyngeshill in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 6*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.* de reddu terr' et teñtorē in Hurste in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 3*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.* de reddu terr' et teñtorē in Canley in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 10*l.* 2*s.* 10*d.* de reddu terr' et teñtorē in Flec-
h^msted in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 15*l.* 10*s.* de reddu sex molendinorē aquaticorē in et sup aquam de Aven' edificat' infra dñiū de Stonley p annū.

Et de 10*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* de reddu terr' et teñtorē in Asshoo in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 2*l.* 9*s.* de reddu terr' et teñtorē in Hill Wotton in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 11*s.* de reddu terr' et teñtorē in Cubbyngton in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 18*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.* de reddu terr' et teñtorē in Rodwey, in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 1*l.* 9*s.* 9½*d.* de reddu terr' et teñtorē in Loxley in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 2*s.* de reddu uni^s gardini infra civitat' Coventr' p annū.

Et de 2*s.* 6*d.* de reddu terr' et teñtorē in Nuneton in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 1*s.* 6*d.* de reddu uni^s prati in Napton sup Mon-
tem in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 5*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* de reddu terr' et teñtorē in Lemyng-
ton Prioris in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 9*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* de reddu terr' et teñtorē in Grigpole
ppe Stichall in eodem com' p annū.

S^ma 126*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.*

Terr' D'nical' rešvat' ad usum Hospicij.

Et de 43*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* de reddu omīu terr' d'nicaliū sic esti-
mat' p dīvs' person' ad hoc jurat' et assignat' p comissionar'
que quidem terr' d'nical' sunt rešvat' in man' dñi abbis ad
usum monasterij sui p dñi p annū.

S^ma 43*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Vendic' Bosc' Pquis' Cur' et Exit' Casual'.

Et de 2*l.* de exit' vendic' bosc' p annū et pquis' cur' et
al' exit' et pvenē casualiū ptinen' monasterio p dñi sic esti-
mat' p discrecōem cōmissionar' coibz annis.

S^ma 2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

S^ma to^{lis} omīs huj^s monasterii . 178*l.* 2*s.* 5½*d.*

D' quibz

Resoluco Redd'us.

Idm computat in reddu resolut' abbi et convent' Mo-
nasterij de Kenelworth p annū 0*l.* 6*s.* 0*d.*

Et allo' eidem p reddu resolut' Thome Willoughby
švient ad legem p annū 0*l.* 0*s.* 6*d.*

Et allo' eidem p redd' resolut' Johi Peytoo p annū
0*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Et allo' eidem p reddu resolut' p'orisse et convent' scī-
monial' de Nuneton p annū 0*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.*

Et allo' eidem p reddu resolut' dño regi ut ad ducat'
suū Lancastr' p annū 0*l.* 14*s.* 1*d.*

S^ma 1*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.*

Soluc' Penconū.

Et allo' eidem p pencoe an^{tim} solut' p'ori ecclie cathe-
dral' Coventr' p terr' in Cubbyngton p annū 0*l.* 3*s.* 0*d.*

Et allo' eidem p penc' solut' an^{tim} abbi et convent'
Monasterij de Kenelworth p annū p composicōem

5*l.* 4*s.* 0*d.*

Et allo' eidem p annua pencoe solut' p'ori et convent'
p'oratus de Chacombe ut p3 p composicōem p annū

1*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.*

Et allo' eidem p penc' annuatim solut' pcentori ecclie
cathedral' de Lichfild' p annū ut p3 p composicōem

0*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Et allo' eidem p annua pencoe solut' collegio Scī Ber-
nardi in Uniūitate Oxon' p annū 0*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

S^ma 7*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.*

Elemosina.

Et allo' eidem p elemosina dat' in cena Dñi videft
paupibz et debil' in cena Dñi in pane et cervic' ad ostiū mo-
nasterij ad mandatū Dñi et lotionem pedū p fundaōem et
ordinaōem geñalis capiū sui in pñcio 7 q^{at} siligin' fact' in
pane ad 5*s.* q^{at} et 3 q^{at} brasij fact' in c^ovic' ad 4*s.* q^{at} et
allec' ad 1*s.* 8*d.* 100th p estimaōem p dñam

4*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*

Et allo' eidem p quat' ebdomoda elemosina dat' paupibz
infra monasteriū ad 3 bz siligin' p ebdomodam fact' in pane
ad 17 q^{at} di' p annū pñciū q^{at}ij 4*s.* 8*d.* et 6 q^{at}iorē di' brasij
fact' in cervic' et dat' eisdem paupibz ad 4*s.* q^{at} in monaste-
rio p dñi p annū 5*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.*

S^ma 9*l.* 13*s.* 0*d.*

Vad' et Stipend' Officiariorē.

Et allocatur' eidem p feod' dñi Henrici M'chionis Dors'
capiūlis senescalli ejusdem monasterij p annū 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Et allo' eidem p feod' Robti Carter geñalis receptor'
ejusdem monasterij p annū 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Et allo' eidem p feod' Thome Gregory auditor' dñi
monasterij p annū 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Et allo' eidem p feod' Wiffi Humfrey bañi de Radwey
et Loxley p annū 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Et allo' eidem p feod' Jacobi Cruse bañi libtat' ejusdem
monastij ac etiam dñij de Stonley p annū 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Et allo' eidem p vad' Thome Weldall ballivi de Flec-
h^msted p annū 0*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*

S^ma 8*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

S^ma omniū allocacōnū ejusdem mo-
nasterij 27*l.* 2*s.* 2*d.*

Et sic valet monasteriū p dñm clare
ultra omēs allocac' p dñi . 151*l.* 0*s.* 3½*d.*

X^{ma} ps inde . 15*l.* 2*s.* 0½*d.*

NUM. IX.

[In a Book remaining the Augmentation Office.]

Com' Warr'.

Debtē owyng by the Goṽno's and the Coṽent of the seṽall
Religious Houses in the seyd countie dissolved and sup-
pssed by Acte of Pliament to dīvs and sondrey psons,
whose names, w^t. their seṽall sūmes and debtē, hereafter
be declared and specefied; w^{ch} debtē wer unpaid and
unrecompensed by them at the Survey of the same houses
apon the corporall othes of the seṽall Goṽners and other
religious psons of the houses hereafter especyfied therof
made before George Gyffard and Robert Burgoyne, w^t.
other the Kyngē Cōmissions, by vertue of the Kyngē
Cōmission to them dyrected, dated the 24th day of Aprell,
in the 28th yere of hys most noble reign, as hereafter fol-
lowyth: that ys to wytt, Debtē owyng by the late Houses,
Monasties, and Priories off

STONLEY.

THOMAS TUTBURY late Abbott and Goṽno' thear, at the
Survey and Suppssion.

Debtē certefied at the Survey.

£. s. d.

Iṽm owyng to Wiffm Lapworthe of Riton
for 12 quarts malte that Thomas Tutbury, late
abbott thear, bought about the 18th day of
June, in the 28th yere of the reign of our
soṽeign lord Kyngē Henrie the Eighth, the w^{ch}
was spent in the house of Stonley 6 0 0

£. s. d.

Item owyng to Julyne Nethermyll of Coventrey, drap. for lyvey clothe that the late abbott bought of hym, as apperith by a byll of reconyng therof made the 17th day of June, in the 26th yere of the reign of o' soveign lord Kyng Henrye the Eighth 12 15 5

Item owyng to Thom's Nelson of Stonley as well 5*l*. sterlyng for money that the late abbott borrowed in the monethe of Februarie, anno 25 R. Henr. VIII. and 1*l*. 10*s*. in the price of 3 kyen of hym bought than, as also 4*l*. 18*s*. in the price of 10 best*l* of hym bought in July, anno 25 *p*dict. to the use of the said monastie, wherof repayd by the seyde late abbott 1*l*. 8*s*. and yete rem. to paye 10 0 0

Item owyng to John Hykynson of Canley for cattall that the late abbott bought, viz. 15 kyne and on. bull, delyved at Corpus Xpi tyde, anno 27 R. Henr. VIII. ex sacro abbat^s; and parte of those same kyne wer *p*syde and sold as *p*cell of the inventorie 7 10 0

Item owyng to James Cruse for money that the late abbott borrowed of hym anno 26 R. Henr. VIII. for the use of hys house 13*s*. 4*d*. and for 6 q*r*tters rye 1*l*. 10*s*. 2 3 4

Item owyng to Cyceyll Hygh^m for 10 yong heyforthes and steres bought by Dane Robert Sutton, sumtyme abbott of Stonley forseyd, aboute 7 yeres last past, ov. and besyde 2*l*. payd to the seyde abbott upon the othes of the abbott and the seyde *p*ties therof made 2 0 0

Item owyng to Thom's Hogge for so muche money of hym borrowed by Sir Robert Sutton, then beyng abbott 10 or 11 yeres last past, apou the othes of the seyde Thom's and Sir Robert Sutton forseyd 10 0 0

Item owyng to Wylm Wheler of Kenelworthe for money that the late abbott borrowed of hym at Lent, anno 27 R. Henr. VIII. to bye lenton stuffe w*al*l 3 6 8

Item owyng to George Cok*l* *sv*ante to the abbey, for hys wag*l* to hym due anno 24 R. Henr. VIII. 1 13 4

Item owyng to James Fermer of Coventrey for 20 quar*t*s malte that the late abbott bought about the 10th day of Novemb*r*, the 27th yere of o' soveign lord Kyng Henr. the Eighth, to the use of the monastie 10 0 0

Item owyng to Humfrey Randall of Stoke, as well 5*l*. in money lent to the late abbott, as 5*l*. for 2 yoke of oxen bought by the seyde abbott the 17th of Septemb*r*, in the 27th yere of the reign of o' soveign lord Kyng Henrye the Eighth, to and for the use and expensys of the seyde monastie 10 0 0

Item owyng to the same Richard Humfrey for more money lent to the seyde abbott syns the 7th day, as apperith by the seyde byll 1 13 4

Item owyng to Wylm Rogers of Coventrey for yron and yron stuffe y*t* the abbott bought of hym by the space of 2 or 3 yeres past for the use of the monastie 8 0 0

Item to Roger Palm. of Coventre, fysshemongar, for lenton stuffe that the late abbott bought of hym mense Februarii, anno 27 R. Henr. VIII. w*ch* was spent in the monastie ut *p*p bill. de *p*t*ic*lis 2 17 6

Item to the same Palm. for waxe and owyell that the late abbott bought of hym mense Februar. *p*dict. w*ch* was spent in the seyde monastie ut *p*p bill. *p*dict. 0 5 1½

Item owyng to Symon *p*ker of Coventrey, grasiar, for 20 quar*t*s of malte that the late abbott bought of hym about the 28th day of October, in the 28th yere of the reign of Kyng Henrye the Eighth, for the use and expens*l* of the seyde monastie 8 0 0

Item owyng to Thom's Elysden, prest, of

£. s. d.

Coventrey, for certen stuffe that the late abbott bought of on. George Sadler decessed, brother to the sayd Thom's, as apperith by a byll of the *p*t*ic*lars more playnley 1 1 6

Item owyng to John Goysslynge of Kenelworthe for money that the late abbott borrowed anno 27 R. Henr. VIII. for the use of the seyde monastie 2 16 8

Item to Cutberd Joyn. of Coventrey, drap. for 20 quar*t*s malte that the late abbott bought of hym about the 18th day of Aprell, in the 27th yere of the reign of o' soveign Lord Kinge Henr. the Eighth, for the use and expens*l* of the seyde monastie, as apperyth by a byll more playnley 10 10 0

Item owyng to Alexander Howe for 6 quar*t*s of malte that the late abbott bought of hym ad *f*m. Corpi*s* Xpi anno 27 R. Hen. VIII. for the use and expens*l* of the seyde monastie 3 2 0

Item owyng to Richard Hyll*l* for money that the late abbott borrowed, and for the carryage of the abbott*l* fagott*l* to Coventrey anno 27 R. Henr. VIII. as appeyr more playnley by a byll 9 0 0

Item owyng to Wylm Stirrope of Coventrey, flecher, for 20 quar*t*s of malt that the late abbott bought of hym about the 16th day of Aprell, in the 27th yere of the reign of o' soveign lord Kyng Henrye the Eighth, for the use and expens*l* of the seyde monastie, as apperyth more playnley by a byll 11 0 0

Item owyng to Wylm Cotton of Coventrey, *m*cer, for 12 quar*t*s malte that the late abbott bought the 8th day of August, the 28th yere of the reign of o' soveign lord Kyng Henrie the Eighth, for the use of the seyde monastie, as apperith by a byll more playnly 3 13 4

Item owyng to John Hygenson of Cotton for cattell that the late abbott bought, viz. 15 kyne and a bull the 17th day of June, in the 28th yere of the reign of Kyng Henrye the Eighth, for the use and expens*l* of the seyde monastie, as apperyth by a byll more playnley 10 8 0

Item owyng to John Taylor for money that the late abbot borrowed of hym about 4 yeres last past for the use and expens*l* of the seyde monastie 3 6 8

Item owyng to Antony Walker for money that the late abbott borrowed when he went to Styrbrydge fayre, about anno 24 R. Henr. VIII. *p* sac*m*. t*m* nup. abbat*l* q*m* *p*dict. Antonij 4 0 0

Item owyng to Rauff Towensend of Warr. for 6 quar*t*s of malte that the late abbott bought of hym about Lammas anno 26 R. *p*dict. for the use of the seyde monastie 6 0 0

Item owyng to Henry Overe of Coventrey for *m*cery ware, lyvey clothe, that the late abbott bought of hym about Alhalowtyde anno 26 R. Henr. VIII. for the use of the seyde monastie 5 0 0

Item owyng to Wylm Whete of Asshowe for oxen that the late abbott bought of hym about the fest of All Seynt*l* in anno 26 R. Henr. VIII. *p* sac*m*. dict. abbat*l*, &c. 2 0 0

Item owyng to Henry Mountford of Bubenell for 4 fate bease of hym bought about anno 24 R. Henr. VIII. and expended in the house of Stonley, upon the othe of the seyde Mountford, bought by Sir Edward Warwyke prior of Hylton when he was cellerer of Stonley 2 13 4

Item owyng to Wylm Wylm. of Reytton for redye money and 6 quar*t*s of malte delyved to Robert Sutton, somtyme abbott of Stonley, at se*v*all tymes, as apperyth by his byll dated the 20th day of November, in the 14th yere of the reign of o' soveign lord Kyng Henrye the Eighth, besyde 2*l*. 17*s*. 4*d*. repayd by the seyde abbott 8 0 0

Iīm owyng to Wiſſm Lapworth of Rypton and John Anstye of Honyngton for so much money by them payd for Burycote Grove, cont. 42 acr. ov. and besyde 8 acres therof by them felled and caried

Iīm owyng to Robert Sethyng of Warwyke for money of hym borrowed at dyv's tymes by Robert Sutton, suntyme abbott of Stonley, for to bye necessities of the house, and ther expended, by a byll conteynyng 7*l.* 5*s.* wherof repaid at sondrye tymes 3*l.* of the confession of the sayd Sethyng

Iīm owyng to Antonye Walker xxⁱⁱ quart's malte at 11*s.* the quart^e, apou the confession of Sir Robert Sutton, abbott, quondm̄, and Sir Thoñs Tutbury, late abbott, ther delyved about anno xxj^{mo} & Henr. viij. for the expence of the monastie of Stonley, wherof repaid apou the confession and apou the othe of the seyde Antonye 3*l.* and rem. unpaid

Iīm owyng to Richard Hyll of Heneff Grūnge for money that the late abbott borrowed in March anno xxvij & Henr. viij. for the use and charge of the seyde monastie

Sm̄a

Debt certified at the Suppssion.

Iīm owyng to Thoñs Eburhall of Warr. for 6 quart's of malte of hym bought by Thoñs Tutbury, abbott of Stonley, anno xxviij & Henr. viij. and expended in the house, as maye appeyr by a cōpye of a byll therof

Iīm to Wiſſm Lapworthe of Ryton, and John Browne of Warwyke, for 7 quart's of barleymalte, to the necessie fyndeng of the religious in the monastie betwene the Survey and Dyssolucon, ut pp byll. abbatt. dat. xvj^{to} die Augusti anno xxvij^{mo} & Henr. viij. penes dcm Wiſſm rem. et sup sacm̄. dict. nup abbat et Wiſſmi inde prestiti

Sm̄a

Sm̄a of all the debt owyng by the late monastie or house of Stonley forseyd

NUM. X.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

MONASTERIUM MONACHORUM DE STONELEY.			
Com' War'	£.	s.	d.
Stoneley—Reddit' assis'	0	6	0
Stoneley—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem domini	15	11	8
Stoneley—Firma grangiae	7	0	0
Stoneley—Firma molendinorum	11	3	4
Staverton—Reddit' ad voluntatem	7	7	8

Com' War'			£	s.	d.
Staverton—Firma grangiae			1	6	8
Fynham et Kyngshill—Reddit' assis'			0	4	3 ob.
Fynham et Kyngshill—Reddit' ad volunt'			13	0	4
Kyngshill—Firma grangiae voc'			2	13	4
Kyngshill—Firma placie sive lo-gee de Greigpole			9	6	8
Cadley et Flechamsted—Reddit' assis'			2	13	4 ob.
Cadley et Flechamsted—Reddit' ten' ad vol'			11	18	0
Flechamsted—Firmæ dimissæ			12	17	4
Cryefeld et Hurst—Reddit' assis'			8	19	8
Hurst et Cryefeld—Firma grangiae et pastur'			6	13	4
Stoneley—Firmascitus monaster' &c.			10	10	8
Stoneley—Firma de le Holme-grange, &c.			11	9	0
Cryefeld—Firma grangiae, &c.			18	16	4
Mylborne—Firma terr' prat' et pastur'			3	18	6
Asshoo—Reddit' assis'			0	4	11 ob.
Asshoo—Reddit' ad volunt'			6	7	6
Burycote—Firma grangiae			4	13	4
Asshoo—Firma mol' aquat'			1	6	8
Aven—Firma piscar' aquæ			1	0	0
Asshoo—Firma terr'			1	17	0
Cobynton et Hilwotton—Reddit' assis'			0	9	8 ob.
Cobynton et Hilwotton—Reddit' ad volunt'			10	8	6
Cobynton—Firma grangiae			5	0	0
Radwey et Loxley—Reddit' assis'			0	0	3
Radwey et Loxley—Reddit' tenen' ad vol'			14	13	4
Radwey—Firma grangiae vocat'			7	4	0
Radwey graunge			3	0	0
Radwey—Firma grangiae vocat'			0	1	0
Thegge graunge			0	9	0
Warr' Vill'—Lib' reddit'			0	5	0
Urnall—Lib' reddit'			un'	lib'	cumini.
Hurley—Lib' reddit' de Otehurst			0	5	0
Lemyngton—Lib' reddit'			0	5	0
Northend et Knyghtcote—Lib' reddit'			0	6	4
Kingshull—Lib' reddit'			1	13	4
Lemyngton—Reddit' assis'			4	0	0
Newbold—Firma terr'			0	7	6
Nuneton—Redd' prat'			0	3	4
Coventr' Civ'—Redd' un' gardini			5	0	0
Stoneley—Molendinum juxta monaster'			2	13	4
Stoneley—Alterum molendinum vocat' a Walkmyln			6	0	0
Stoneley—Alterum molend' voc' a fulling mill					

Abbey of Coggeshall, in Essex.



OGGESHALL, sometime called Coxhall Abbey, is usually said to have been founded by King Stephen and his Queen Matilda.^a Leland, however, speaks of Stephen alone:^b and a Lansdowne manuscript of Matilda alone as the foundress.^c The foundation-charter certainly runs first in Matilda's name, the king, and Prince Eustace appearing only as secondary persons:^d the reason probably was, that Coggeshall was

one of the great estates which Matilda possessed in the shape of patrimony, as heiress of the house of Boulogne.^e This too must have been the reason why the king, and William, earl of Boulogne and Warren, their other son, thought it necessary severally to confirm this and other grants.^f

The date of the foundation of Coggeshall, is placed in different years by different annals. Those of Parco Lude speak of 1137 as the year.^g Weever, from the chronicle of St. Augustine, Canterbury, says in 1140.^h Leland, in 1141.ⁱ Dugdale, from a Cottonian manuscript, which will be quoted in the Appendix, and Tanner, in 1142. Weever and Newcourt say this house was for white monks of the CLUNIAC ORDER; but the Cluniacs were *black* monks; and we have such evidence as cannot be shaken, that it was of the CISTERCIAN.^k

Matilda endowed this monastery with the manor of Coggeshall in as full possession, in point of privileges, as it had been held by her father, Earl Eustace.^l Morant says, that she moreover granted to the monks an exemption from toll and other customs throughout all the lands belonging to her and her son Eustace both in England and at Boulogne.^m

King John, Morant adds, on the 10th Jan. 1243, gave the monks of Coggeshall leave to enclose their wood here, and convert it into a park; for which they paid him an acknowledgment of forty marks.ⁿ

Subsequent to this they appear to have been enriched by other benefactors, for a like licence was obtained by them from King Henry III. to enclose their woods of Tolleshunt Mayer, Tolleshunt Tregoz, Inneworth, Chiltendich, and Warlegh Setmoll.^o

Ralph de Coggeshall gave the monks here, in 1276, sixty acres of arable land.^p

William de Hamberstane, with some other persons, in the 51 Edw. III. gave them the manor of Tyllingham Hall, with its appurtenances in Childerditch, Dodingherst, and Southwelde, to support a light before the principal altar of their church when high mass was celebrated.^q

According to the taxation of 1291, the rents produced

by the possessions of this abbey amounted to no less than 116*l.* 10*s.* 11*d.* per annum.^r

The ecclesiastical survey of the 26th Hen. VIII. being lost for the county of Essex, there is no other return of Coggeshall than what appears in the "Liber Valorum," thus, "MONASTERIUM DE COGGESHALL, in temporalibus et spiritualibus clare valet 251*l.* 2*s.* Decima inde 25*l.* 2*s.* 2½*d.*" Speed gives the sum of 298*l.* 8*s.* as the value, evidently meaning the gross income.

Abbot and convent founded a chantry in their church, for one of their monks to pray daily for King Edward III. Philippa his queen, and their children; in consideration of which, that king granted them and their successors, 11th Jan. 1344, a hogshead of red wine, to be delivered in London by the king's gentleman of the wine-cellar, every year at Easter.

By virtue of a licence from King Henry IV. dated 27th Jan. 1407, Joan de Bohun, countess of Hereford, Margaret, wife of Sir Hugh de Baden, William Bourghier, William Marney, Nicolas Hunt, Kts. Robert Rikedon, Edmund Peverell, Henry Frank, clerk, Geoffrey Colvill, and John Norman, chaplain, founded here a chantry, for one monk to pray daily for the souls of the said Hugh, Margaret his wife, and Thomas Coggeshall: and they endowed it with ten pounds per ann. issuing out of 2 messuages, a fulling-mill, 240 acres of arable, 11 acr. of meadow, 46 acr. of pasture, 2 acr. of wood in Springfield and Sandon, called Springfield Barnes and Sandford Barnes.^s

ABBATS of COGGESHALL.

WILLIAM was the first abbat of Coggeshall. He occurs as a witness to a deed about the year 1144, in the chartulary of Colne Priory.^t

SIMON DE TONI was the next abbat: he resigned in 1168;^u and afterwards in 1172 was made bishop of Moray. He died in 1184.^v

ODO succeeded in 1168.^w He died in 1176.^x

PETER, a monk of Vaudey, succeeded Odo.^y He died in 1194, and was succeeded by

THOMAS, a monk of Coggeshall.^z Thomas died in 1207, when

RALPH succeeded.^{aa} He was the author of the Chronicle in the Cottonian Manuscript Vespasian, D. x. "a captione Sanctæ Crucis usque ad annum undecimum Henrici Regis III."^{ab} Abbat Ralph died in 1218, when

BENEDICT DE STRAFORD became abbat.^{ac} By his good management he is stated to have enriched his monastery. Benedict died in 1223, when

GEOFFREY, who had been prior of Coggeshall, succeeded.^{ad}

WILLIAM JOLDEYN became abbat Oct. 20th, 1341.^{ae}

JOHN occurs abbat in 1437.^{af}

In Borham, 1*s.*

In Mulesham, 10*s.*

In Estorp, 1*l.* 18*s.*

In Birithe Magna, 1*s.*

In Messing, 15*s.* 6*d.*

In Inneworth, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

In Coggeshale, 67*l.* 11*s.* 10*d.*

In Markishale, 1*l.* 1*s.* 11*d.*

In Feringge, 3*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*

In Goldhangre, 5*l.* 9*s.*

In Tholishunte Maugers, 14*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.*

In Tholishunte Tregoz, 3*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

In Bracsted Magna, 4*s.*

In Colecestria, 1*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.*

Total 116*l.* 10*s.* 11*d.*"

Taxat. P. Nich. IV. fol. 1802, pp. 14 b, 16 b, 25 b, 26 b, 27, 27 b, 28, 29.

^a Inquis. 9 Hen. IV.

^t MS. Cole, vol. lix. p. 228.

^u Chron. Rad. de Coggeshall, fol. 47 b.

^x Ibid. fol. 48.

^v Keith's List of Scottish bishops, p. 80.

^w Chron. Rad. de Coggeshall, ut sup.

^a Ibid. fol. 48 b.

^y Ibid.

^c Ibid. fol. 65 b.

^z Ibid. fol. 109.

^e Ibid.

^{aa} Ibid. fol. 118.

^s Ibid. fol. 120.

^{ab} MS. Cole, Brit. Mus. vol. xl. p. 86.

^{ac} MS. Harl. 6955, c Reg. Lond.

^a Set the Append. Num. I.

^c MS. Lansd. 304, p. 164.

^f Morant. Hist. Essex, vol. ii. p. 163.

^g Ibid. e cartis pen. Tho. Morant.

^h See Tann. Notit. Mon. Essex, xi. note x.

ⁱ Fun. Mon. p. 618. See also in the Chronicle of Ralph de Coggeshall, MS. Cotton. Vesp. D. x. where it is said, "eodem anno conventus apud Cogesala iii. nonas Augusti." fol 40.

^l Lel. Collect. ut sup.

^k See Pat. rot. 22 Edw. I.

^m Append. Num. II.

ⁿ Hist. Essex, ut sup. The Chronicle of Ralph de Coggeshall says, "A.D. 1167, apud Cogeshala dedicatum est Altare magnum in honore gloriosæ Virginis Mariæ a Gileberto Foliot Londinensi episcopo, qui eadem die super illud Altare missam solempniter celebravit domino Simone de Toni abbate ejusdem loci existente."

^o Ibid. ex cartis. See also Madox, Hist. Excheq. c. ii. p. 280.

^p Morant, ex cart. antiq.

^q Inquis. 4 Edw. I. Morant.

^r Append. Num. III.

^s Dioc. Lond. Temporal.

^t In Berkeweye de redd. 8*l.*

In Alflameston de redd. 8*s.* 6*d.*

In Northon, 4*s.*

In Springesfeud, 2*l.*

In Lega Magna, 1*s.* 10*d.*

In Chelmersford, 1*s.*

In Parva Waltham, 5*s.*

JOHN SAMPFORD, abbat of Coggeshall, resigned in 1527, when

WILLIAM LOWE was elected abbat.^a

HENRY was abbat at the time of the Surrender.^b

Coggeshall Abbey was surrendered to the crown Feb. 5th, 1538.

The same year King Henry VIII. granted the principal or chief site of this Monastery or Abbey of Coggeshall, alias Coxhall, and the church, rectory, and advowson of Coggeshall and Childerdich; and the manors of Coggeshall, Childerdich, Tillingham, and Keuton-hall, Lions, Tolshunt major, Chedingsell, Tutwyke, Bouseys, Holfeld-grange, and Busheygate-house, to Sir Thomas Seymour, brother of Edward Duke of Somerset; who, 12th May, 1541, exchanged them with the king.

The scite of the abbey and the abbey farm belonged in Morant's time to Mrs. Hannah Bullock, the widow of Josiah Bullock, Esq. of Falkborne Hall, and in this family they still continue.

No proper Chartulary of Coggeshall Abbey is at present known to the Editors of the Monasticon.^d

The COMMON SEAL, on white wax, appendant to the Surrender in the Augmentation Office, is round. The subject of it is the Virgin and Child seated under a rich canopy, with a groupe of females praying; on each side of the Virgin, in base, is a double shield, one bearing the arms of France and England quarterly, the other the arms of the abbey, three cocks. Legend, SIGILLUM . COMUNE . ECCLIE . MONASTERIJ . DE . COGGESHALL.

Leland mentions the following manuscripts as existing in the LIBRARY of this Monastery.

"Vita Davidis Regis Scotiæ per Ailredum abbatem Rivallensem, ad Henricum Secundum.

"Stephanus Langton de pœnitentia sub persona Magdalenæ.

"Joannes Godard de triplici modo computandi ad R. abbatem de Coggeshawle.

"Odo super v. libros Moisis."^e

The present REMAINS of Coggeshall Abbey, situated within the precincts of Little Coggeshall, near the river, are small.^f

Cartae ad Cogeshalensem Abbatiam in agro Essexensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

[Chron. de Cogeshale in bibl. Cottoniana, sub effigie Neronis D. 2.]

ANNO 1142. facta est abbatia de Cogeshala à rege Stephano et Matilda, consorte sua; qui etiam fundaverunt abbatiam de Furnes, et abbatiam de Lungvillars, et abbatiam de Feveresham, qua corpora eorum humata sunt. Eodem anno convenit conventus apud Cogesalam iij. nonas Augusti.

NUM. II.

Carta Reginae Matildis de Manerio de Cogeshale.

[Cart. 19. E. II. n. 20. per Inspex.]

MATILDIS Dei gratia Anglorum regina, omnibus praelatis, et filiis, et fidelibus sanctæ ecclesiæ salutem. Notum sit omnibus vobis quia dominus meus rex Stephanus, et ego, et filius meus Eustachius, damus et in perpetuam elemosinam concedimus, pro salute animarum nostrarum, et antecessorum, et liberorum et omnium amicorum nostrorum, tam vivorum, quam mortuorum, Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ, atque abbati et conventui de Coggeshale, ipsum idem manerium de Coggeshale totum in terra, et hominibus, in bosco, et plano, in aqua, et extra aquam, in via, et extra viam, et in omnibus rebus ad ipsum pertinentibus; ita

^a Harl. MS. 6955, p. 86.

^b See the Append.

^c Orig. 29 Hen. VIII. ro. 144. This record recites a fine levied by the abbat of Coggeshall to the king, reciting all the possessions of the monastery. The following is the account of this record in the Abstracts of the Originalia in the British Museum, vol. iii. fol. 40 b.

"Orig. 29 Hen. VIII. Essex. Suff. Lond.—Rex xxij^{to}. de Martii concessit Thomæ Seymour militi nuper Monasterium sive Abbatiam de Coggeshall, alias Coxhull, ac maneria de Coggeshall, Childerdiche, Tyllyngham, Keuton Hall, Lyons, et Tolshunt Major, Chedingsell, Tutwyke, Bousyes, Holfeld Grange, et Bushey gatehouse, ac etiam duos mill. mesuag. &c. in Coggeshall, Childerdiche, Tyllyngham, Throndon, Wakeley, Brendewood, Spryngfeld, Chelmesford, Borham, Tolshunt Tregoz, Tolshunt Major, Inworth, Messyng, Wakering, Fulnes, Fering, Kelden, Bradwell, Patteswyke, Stysted, Revenhale, Colne Comititis, Halsted Magna, Tey Magna, Braxsted, Canewdene, Aldern, et Fulnes; necnon rectorias, &c. de Coggeshall et Childerdich in com. Essex. ac mesuag. &c. in parochiis omnium sanctorum in Warda de Dowgate ac Sancti Botulphi extra Algate, London. nuper monasterio spectan. ac in parochia et hamelett. de Wiston in com. Suff. habend. ei et hæredibus suis imperpetuum." Ro. cxliij^{to}.

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office also is another record relative to a part of the abbey possessions; viz.

"Bowers. De Roberto Gordon arm. occasionato ad ostendendum quo titulo tenet grangiam vocatam Bowers, Holfeld, et Bushgate House, in Coggeshall." Pasch. Rec. 4 Eliz. rot. 72.

^d The following are Tanner's references to manuscripts and records concerning Coggeshall:

"Vide Collectanea e Registro Monasterii de Coggeshale, MS. in

liberè, et quietè sicut comes Eustachius pater meus, et nos postea, liberius, et quietius illud tenuimus solutum, videlicet, et quietum de placitis, et querelis, de scottis, et auxiliis, de siris, et hundredis, de danegeldis, et omnibus rebus, de exercitu, et equitatu, de opere parci, de opere et custodia castelli, de omni alio opere, et omni genere servitii, de murdre, et omnibus aliis rebus, et omnibus exactionibus, cum sacha, et socha, et thol, et tem, et infangenethef, et omnibus consuetudinibus et libertatibus suis. Unde vestram precor bonitatem, quatinus pro Dei amore, eandem elemosinam, in supradicta libertate custodiatis, et manuteneatis, ut ejusdem beneficii participes effecti, a Deo in æterna beatitudine mercedem recipiatis. Testibus, comite Waleranno de Mel-lent, et comite Gilberto, et comite Gaufrido de M. et comite Willielmo de Guarenna, et comite Simone, et Willielmo de Ipre, et Radulpho cancellario meo, et Huberto camerario, apud London. Dat. per manum nostram apud sanctum Edmundum xxvj. die Decembris.

NUM. III.

Concessio Manerii de Tyllingham-Hall.

[Escaet. 51 E. III. n. 13 Essex.]

REX licenciam dedit Willielmo de Humberstane et

bibl. Cotton. Tiberius E. ix. Now burnt and mutilated.

"Chronicon ejusdam monachi de Coggeshale ab A.D. 1114 ad 1155, in eadem bibl. Vespas. D. x. 2.

"Apographum cartarum de fundatione, donationibus, et privilegiis hujus abbatiae, ex archivis Ducatus Lancastriæ; viginti schedis, penes Nic. Jekyll de Castro Hedingham in com. Essex. arm. MS.

"Cart. 5 Joan. m. 17, n. 137.

"Cart. 33 Hen. III. m. 11. Cart. 35 Hen. III. m. 11 de Childerdich. Cart. 41 Hen. III. m. 6.

"Cart. 18 Edw. I. n. 90. pro maner. de Coggeshall, &c.

"Pat. 10 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 33.

"Pat. 10 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 22, vel. 23. Pat. 15 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 5, vel. 6. quod abbas non tenetur reparare pontem inter Branktree et Coggeshall. Ibid. m. 38, vel. 39. Cart. 16 Edw. III. n. 22. pro maner. de Tolleshunt. Pat. 28. Edw. III. p. 2, m. 10, vel 11. Pat. 35 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 21, vel 22.

"Pat. 1 Ric. II. p. 1, m. . Pat. 3 Ric. II. p. 3, m. . Pat. 8 Ric. II. p. 2, m. . Pat. 13 Ric. II. p. 1, m. . Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 22.

"Inquis. 3 Hen. IV. n. 10. Essex. de mora de Tiptree. Pat. 7 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 38, vel. 39. Pat. 9 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 16, vel 17.

"Pat. 3 Edw. IV. p. 3, m. ."

See also the printed Works of the Commission on the Public Records, Plac. de Quo War. p. 235. Rot. Hundred. pp. 137, 148, 149, 150, 155, 156.

^e Lel. Collect. tom. iii. pp. 162, 163.

A neat engraving of them may be seen in the Excursions in the County of Essex, vol. i. p. 48.

aliis, quod ipsi manerium vocatum Tyllingam-hall, cum pertinentiis in Childerdich, Dodingherst, et Southwelde, quod nuper fuit Willielmi Baude, dare possint et assignare abbati et conventui de Cogeshale, et eorum successoribus, ad inveniendum quendam cereum ardentem singulis diebus coram summo altari ad altam missam in ecclesia abbatiæ prædictæ.

NUM. IV.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll 33 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

COGGESHALL NUPER ABBATIA.

Com' Essex'	£.	s.	d.
Coggeshall—Firma vocata Bowsers	7	16	8
Coggeshall—Firmagrangiæ de Hol-feld	9	13	4
Coggeshall—Firma vocata Bush-gate House	8	0	0
Tolleshunt Major—Firma manerij et grangiæ ibidem	34	13	4
Coggeshall—Firmamolendiniaqua-tici cum una camera	5	0	0

Com' Essex'	£.	s.	d.
Coggeshall—Reddit' assis' cum red-dit' tenentium vocat' le convent' rents et divers' ten' dominical'	85	2	2 q'
Coggeshall—Firma de le Holme Grange et prat' adjacen' Villæ de Bradwell	24	3	4
Coggeshall—Firma de le Dalry-house et al'	24	6	0
Cuddingefell et Tuttewycke—Fir-ma illarum duarum grangiarum in vill' et campis de Inworth, Mes-singe, Braysted, et Tolleshunt Tregoz	13	6	8
Springfeld—Firma cujusdam gran-giæ vocat' Kewton Hall	15	0	0
Coggeshall—Firma terr' et marisc' vocat' Coggeshall Hey	3	13	4
Coggeshall Magna et Coggeshall Parva—Firma rectoriarum	10	0	0
High Ester—Firma rectoriæ	37	0	0
Chingeford—Firma manerij	24	0	0

Revesby Abbey, in Lincolnshire.



REVESBY Abbey was founded, according to the Annals of Peterborough in 1142, according to the Annals of Parco Lude in 1143, by William de Romara, earl of Lincoln; and was dedi-cated to St. Mary and St. Laurence.

The charters relating to this monastery given by Dugdale are six in number: three from William de Ro-mara, the founder, jointly

with William his son and Hawise his countess; a one from William de Romara his grandson; b a confirmation from Ralph earl of Chester; c and another from King Richard the First in the tenth year of his reign, reciting the pos-sessions as given by different benefactors. d

The value of the temporal possessions of this abbey in the different deanries of the diocese of Lincoln, as they stood in 1291, will be found in the note below. e

The following are all the

ABBATS of REVESBY

whose names have occurred to the Editors of the Mo-nasticon:

H. t. Hen. I. f

a See the Append. Numm. I. II. III.	b Num. IV.
c Num. V.	d Num. VI.
e "Lincoln	£. s. d.
Horncastr. et Hille	4 2 7
Bolyngbrok	87 16 9
Candlesho	102 4 1
Grymesby	10 17 3
Walyscroft	1 10 0
Hoyland	4 17 3
Gayrtre	2 0 0
Aslakhou	3 18 5
Coryngham	27 8 4
Laurys	47 9 1
	2 7 10

Summa 294 11 8"
Taxat. P. Nich. IV. fol. Lond. 1802, p. 67.

f MS. Lansd. 8º. Cat. num. 1024, fol. 234 b.
g Collect. Gerv. Holles, MS. Lansd. 207 E. p. 163.
h MS. Lansd. 8º. Cat. ut supr. See also Gervase Holles's Collec-tions, MS. Lansd. 207 E. pp. 118, 120, 254.
i Cart. antiq. Harl. 43 B. 45.
k MS. Lansd. 207 E. p. 210.

WALO occurs in the 1st of Henry II. g
HUGH occurs A. D. 1172. h
MATTHEW in a Harleian deed of the 13th century. i
P. in the same century. k
WALTER, A. D. 1257. l
HENRY, in the 19th Edw. I. m Another
WALTER received the benediction as abbat from the bishop of Lincoln 3 kal. Oct. 1293. n
H. occurs abbat, probably the same person, A. D. 1314. o
JOHN DE TOFT, A. D. 1390. p
THOMAS was abbat in 1504: q probably the same with THOMAS STICKNEY, who occurs in 1512. r
ROBERT STYK, alias BAMBURY, occurs in the 29th Hen. VIII.

In the 26th Hen. VIII. this abbey was valued in gross income at 349l. 4s. 10d. The net receipts amounted to no more than 287l. 2s. 4½d. s

The site was granted in the 30th Hen. VIII. to Charles Brandon, duke of Suffolk. t After the death of the duke and his two sons, their vast possessions fell to heirs general, and Revesby fell to the lot of the Carsey family, who re-sided there for some years, and afterwards sold it to the Lord Treasurer Burleigh. From him it descended to the first and second earls of Exeter, and was settled by the latter, on the marriage of one of his grandsons, Craven Howard, third son of the earl of Berkshire, from the re-

m Abbrev. Rot. Orig. tom. i. p. 69. n MS. Harl. 6951, fol. 59.
o MS. Cole, Brit. Mus. vol. XL. p. 86.
p MS. Lansd. 8º. Cat. ut supr.
q MS. Cole, vol. xxvi. fol. 210 b. r MS. Harl. 6953, p. 29.
s See the Append. Num. VII. Leland, Coll. values it at 380l. only.
t Orig. 30 Hen. VIII. p. 2. Lincoln. "Rex xxix. die Martii con-cessit Carolo duci Suff. scitum et circuitum nuper monasterii de Reves-bie alias dict. Rcesbye, ac omnia mesuagia, &c. necnon rectorias, &c. de Thedelthorp et Forthingham, necnon capellas sancti Laurentii et sanctæ Sithæ, necnon maneria de Marmer, Stykney, Sybcey, Have-ryngham, Haynesbye, Esterkeell, Teynton, Claxbye, et Madeesen Derby in dicto com. Lincoln. necnon omnia maneria, &c. in Revesbye, Muon, Stykney, Sybcey, Haveryngham, Haynebye, Esterkeill, Toyn-ton, Mawesenderbye, Claxbye, Scamelesbye, Thoreswaye, Waynflett, Toft, Wylkesbie, Wodenderbye, Moreby, Munnyngeby, Hareby, Straffeld, Bellefore, Gillesbye, Donyngton, Bagenderbye, Tetsford, Hagworthingham, Toynnton juxta Horncastell, Somerbye, Askebye, Puerorum, Clee, Gremsbye, Esterkyrkebye, Stykford, Westerkeell, Hal-ton, Hullingbroke, Rathebye, Haultham super Bayne, Boston, Con-nyngesbie, Kyrkbie super Bayne, Fullesbye, Thedelthorp, Forthyng-ham, Pertyneye, Bysbie, Scrivelbie, Scrobbe, Borowe, et Holbek, in com. Linc. et in civit. Linc. nuper monasterio de Revesbie spectan. habend. ei et hæred. suis imperpetuum." ro. ciiij. xiiijmo.
5 Z

mains of whose family, being two co-heiresses, it was purchased by the ancestor of the late Right Hon. Sir Joseph Banks, Bart. whose widow is the present possessor.

The Cottonian manuscript Tiberius E. viii. fol. 28, formerly preserved the pedigree of the founders of this monastery out of the Records of the abbey, signed by the abbat and his monks, but it is not now to be found there.

No REGISTER of this abbey is at present known to the Editors of the *Monasticon*;^a nor are there any Minister's Accompts of it in the Augmentation Office.

No COMMON SEAL of this House has been yet

met with; but an impression of a seal used by one or more of its abbats is appended to an Instrument in the Duchy Office of Lancaster, in Somerset-Place. It represents an arm holding an abbat's crozier, having on its dexter side three stars, on its sinister side one star. The inscription round it is, SIGILLUM . ABBATIS . D' . SC'O . LAURENTIO. The Instrument is without date: the abbat's name Radulphus.

The present mansion-house of Revesby Abbey is, comparatively speaking, a modern building. There are no very considerable remains of the ancient abbey. Part of an old mansion, which now forms the offices, is traditionally stated to have been the residence of the abbats.

Cartae ad Revesbyensem Abbatiam in agro Lincolnensi spectantes: fundatam anno M^clⁱi.^b

NUM. I.

Carta Willielmi de Romara de Fundatione Abbacie de Sancto Laurentio de Revesby.

[Ex vetusto exemplari penes virum clariss. Henricum Spelmannum equitem auratum.]

REGI Angliæ, archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus et omni clero, comitibus, baronibus, et omnibus filiis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ, Willielmus de Romara, comes de Lincolnia, et Willielmus filius ejus, et Hawdewisa comitissa uxor ejus, salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse et dedisse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Rievalle in manu Willielmi abbatis, ad construendam abbaciam de ordine Cistercii pro animabus nostris, et animabus patrum et matrum nostrorum, et omnium antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, totam terram de Revesbia, et Thoresbi, et Schichthesbia, cum omnibus appenditiis suis, plenariè, in bosco et in plano, et pratis et aquis et piscariis et maresco, per divisas suas, ab omnibus consuetudinibus et placitis et causis, et ab omni terreno servicio imperpetuum, benè et honorificè, liberam et quietam: et quia terra ista non erat de meo proprio dominio, dedi hominibus qui eam in feudo et hæreditate habebant escambiam, scilicet Lamberto nepoti Bristivæ et hæredi ejus, pro duabus carucatis in Revcsby, et hiis quæ eisdem carucatis appendebant, duas carucatas in Minigesbia, cum rusticis ibidem manentibus, per servicium quartæ partis unius militis sicut aliam habebat in Revesbia. Et Roberto Briewerre, et hæredi ejus dedi pro duabus carucatis in Schithesbia, et Thoresbia, et Revesbia, et hiis quæ duabus iisdem carucatis appendebant (quæ omnia per servicium unius militis in hæreditate de me tenebat) unam carucatam et dimidiam bovata in Austeriales, et rusticos ibidem manentes, et unum molendinum ibidem existens, per servicium quartæ partis militis. Et Hugoni pistori et Willielmo fratri ejus dedi pro duabus carucatis in Thoresbia, et hiis quæ eisdem carucatis appendebant, quæ omnia habebat per servicium pistrini, xiiij.

^a Tanner says, "*Vide* Dodsworthii Collect. vol. lxxxix. fol. 54, de terris in Claxby, e Rot. Hundred. Lincoln. 3 Edw. I. vol. cii. fol. 120.

"Rot. Fin. 7 Joan. m. 1, de fossatæ clausura, et mariscis in Hilledoc.

"Pat. 4 Edw. I. m. 36 dorso, de commun. pastur. in Tolesby. Plac. apud Westm. 20 Edw. I. rot. 11, de exclusis in Kirkby super Bains. Pat. 20 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 34 Edw. I. m. .

"Pat. 4 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 14, pro terris et pratis in Claxby et Pluck-acre. Brev. 6 Edw. II. Trin. rot. 6. Pat. 6 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 4. Pat. 7 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 2. Pat. 8 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 4. Pat. 9 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 5, de reparatione calceti de Northdyke, et fundatione.

"Rec. in Scacc. 1 Edw. III. Mich. rot. . Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 8 et 11, quod abbas non debet reparare pontem et calcetum de Northdykes Line. Escaet. 3 Edw. III. n. 64, Line. de commun. pastur. in bosco de Turuby. Pat. 16 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 10, de taxatione tempor. abbatiae. Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 20 vel 21. Pat. 27 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 27 vel 28. Ibid. p. 2, m. 18. Pat. 38 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 20. Pat. 45 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 15.

"Pat. 6 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 10. Pat. 7 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 21, pro mercat. et feria apud Marom. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 35, et p. 2, m. 10, de ten. in Marum. Pat. 18 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 7, pro eccl. de Thedelthorp approprianda. Claus. 19 Ric. II. m. 20 dorso, de redd. viij. marc. de maner. de Claxby. Claus. 20 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 16, de maner. de Toftgrange, Sukeney, et Sibsey.

bovatas in Minigisbia, et ecclesiam cum hiis quæ appendebant ad feudum eorum per servicium dimidii militis. Et Ivoni presbytero de Thoresbia dedi escambiam pro ecclesia sua de Thoresbia, ecclesiam de Chircebia cum hiis quæ appendebant, et unum toftum juxta cimiterium. Et pro una bovata terræ quam habebat in Thoresbia de Roberto Briewerre fratre suo, accepit unam bovata in Austeriales, à Roberto fratre suo per servicium quartæ partis militis.

Willielmus etiam nepos Bristivæ accepit pro duabus bovatis quas tenebat in Revesbia, de feudo quem reddidi Lamberto, duas bovatas in Minigisbia à Lamberto de escambia, quam dedi ei pro una bovata quam tenebat sub Roberto patre uxoris ejus, et pro uno tofto accepit unam bovata in Austeriales ab eodem Roberto. Et pro quatuor acris quas tenebat sub Ivone presbytero accepit quatuor acras ab eodem in Easteriales de bovata quam tenet sub Roberto Briewerra fratre suo. Rusticis etiam in Schichthesbia, et Thoresbia, et Revesbia manentibus omnibus terram accipere volentibus dedi escambiam ad placitum eorum; quibusdam eorum libertatem cum omnibus suis eundi et manendi ubi vellent absque calumnia. Magis eligentibus et petentibus sicut elegerunt et petierunt et benignè voluerunt, liberos cum domibus et omnibus suis dimisi.

Hæc sunt nomina eorum qui remanentes terram de me acceperunt.

De Revcsbia.

ALLFERNUS recepit in escambiam duas bovatas in Chircebia per servicium viij. solidorum per annum et nihil amplius, et primo anno quietas.

Normanus recepit in escambiam unam bovata in Hagnebia per servicium duorum solidorum per annum et operationem unius diei in hebdomada, et primo anno quietam.

Edricus recepit unum toftum in Hagnebia et duas acras

"Pat. 8 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 17, pro eccl. de Fodringham approprianda. Pat. 11 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 16. Claus. 12 Hen. IV. m. 1 dorso, de iij. petris ceræ solvendis vic. de Friskenev.

"Pat. 24 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 21. Rec. in Scacc. 36 Hen. VI. Mich. rot. 12."

Compare also Rot. Hundred. tom. i. pp. 251, 283, 299, 300, 303, 310, 312, 316, 324, 326, 361, 362, 363, 369, 370, 371, 372, 379, 382, 397, 400.

In the Lansdown MS. 207 E. p. 301. is "Conventio inter Domum de Kirkested et Domum de Sancto Laurentio de Revesby de pastura in Wildemora. Dat. anno Dom. 1257. 8 kal. Junij apud Kirkestede."

Cart antiq. Harl. 44 I. 1. "Conventio inter Monachos de Sancto Laurentio de Revesby et Canonicos de Sancto Martiale de Nehus quod Monachi habebunt quicquid acquirere poterint in territorio. Thoroswaie, et Othebi, et Walesbi, in terris, &c. et canonici nihil nisi consensu eorum; et in territorio de Normannabi nihil habebunt monachi ex parte septentrionali a Normannabi versus Clakesbi et Acres, ex altera parte habebunt quicquid acquirere poterint. Canonici vero in territorio Hireford, Rodewell, Croxebi, quicquid habere poterunt simili modo habebunt: monachi vero nihil nisi consensu eorum. Præterea canonici quicquid acquirere poterint in territorio de Risebi habeant. Act. anno ab incarn. Dom. M.CLIIII.

^b Annal. de Peterburgh in bibl. Cotton.

terræ per servitium viij^s. per annum et operationem viij. dierum in Augusto, et primo anno quietam.

Godricus recepit in excambium unam bovctam in Sticcenaria per servitium duorum solidorum per annum et unum escheppe bricii ordeï contra nativitatem Domini et operationem iij. dicrum in hebdomada in Augusto et aliis hebdomadis per annum operationem duorum dierum et primo anno quietam.

Richardus de Revesbia recepit unam bovetam in Sticccfordia per idem servitium per annum, excepto quod escheppa bricii quam debet dare erit de avena.

Paie Blancherd recepit unum toftum per servitium sex denariorum per annum et nihil ampliùs, et primo anno quietum.

Et hæc nomina eorum qui libertatem petierunt et acceperunt.

De Revesbia.

TORNERDUS, Fegg, frater suus. Colsven filius Aleicii, Willielmus medicus, Grauncecell, Abbe, Lundi, Cinerdus, Allwinus homo Willielmi cum omnibus suis.

De Stichesbia.

Lundi, Lugerwinc, Ingemundus frater ejus, Wilmarus, Achi, Anche frater ejus, Rogerus Barkarius, Willielmus filius Roberti Roolf, Gunne frater ejus, uxor Habbe et fil. ejus.

De Thoresbia.

Tori, Richardus, Godricus, Oden frater Guarini, Ailmarus, Siggenoert, Wlmar, Afferth Asches, Paie filius Wlstanni, Rogerus, Palmarius. Hiis testibus, Alexandro episcopo Lincolnensi, Willielmo archidiacono, Restedo capellano, Widone de Ver, Willielmo de Ver, Roberto Carbunet, Gisleberto de Becc, Henrico Peverell, Henrico de Perci, Hamero præposito, Brad filio Hamundi et Henrico de Totinton, Ricardo Pasturell, Gaufrido de Trehamtona, Waltero de Amundevilla, Gisleberto de Novavilla, Willielmo filio Hacon, Gaufrido dispensatore, Willielmo cancell. Herberto de Calz, Gaufrido Malabestia. Et hiis supradictis testibus dedi Gaufrido elemosinario pro ecclesia de Chirchibia j. toft. et terram quinquaginta solidorum in dominio in elemosina sicut ecclesiam habebat.

NUM. II.

Carta Willielmi de Romara Comitis, de sede Abbatie de Revesbia.

[Ibid.]

ARCHIEPISCOPIS, episcopis, abbatibus, et omni clero, comitibus, baronibus, et omnibus filiis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ Willielmus de Romara comes Lincolnæ et Willielmus filius et Haudewisa uxor ejus salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse et dedisse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de sancto Laurentio de Revesbia tam presentibus quam futuris in eodem loco Deo servientibus totam terram de Revesbia, et Thoresbia, et Schichthesbia cum omnibus appenditiis suis plenarie in bosco et plano, et aquis, et maresco, et pasturis, et in Minigisbia viginti acras et octo, quarum quinque dedit eis Hugo filius Udardi. Et concessimus etiam eis in eadem villa communem pasturam, et in Chirchibia iij. acras et quandam partem silvæ quam postea ipsi monachi extirpaverunt, et in Cibracia heremitorium Hacchæ cum communi pastura, et de dominio nostro terram quæ vocatur Hayholme et Westferiwa cum prato adjacente, et licentiam ædificandi domos in maresco ubicumque voluerint, et omnia aisiamenta cum communionem pasturæ ejusdem villæ. Et in Sticheneie illam portionem terræ quam habuimus in dominio nostro, et communem pasturam ejusdem villæ et licentiam ædificandi domos in maresco et accipere ibi omnia aisiamenta sua prout indiguerint; et in Gemisbrug totam terram quæ dicitur Wethebergh cum omni bosco in prædicta terra, et boscum de Lee. Et de pratis quantum pertinet ad duas carucatas terræ et communem pasturam. Hæc omnia dedimus eis in perpetuam elemosinam libera et quicta ab omni terreno servicio et omni seculari exactione, et prohibemus ne hæredes nostri clament warrenam in prædicta terra eorum. Hiis testibus, Alexandro episcopo Lincolnæ, Willielmo archidiacono, Restedo capellano, Stephano capellano, Gaufrido Malabestia, Waltero de Amundevilla, Henrico de Percy, Gisle-

berto de Novavilla, Widone de Ver, Willielmo filio Haconis, Gaufrido dispensatore, Herberto de Cha, Roberto Carbunell, Hamundo præposito et Simone filio ejus, Gaufrido de Trehamtun, Baldrico de Cales, Henrico de Thotinton, Ricardo Pasturell, Willielmo cancell. Gaufrido de Cantelu.

NUM. III.

Carta Willielmi Comitis de omnibus terris nostris in soca de Bullinbrooke.

ARCHIEPISCOPIS, episcopis, abbatibus et omni clero, comitibus, baronibus, et omnibus filiis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ, Willielmus de Romara comes Lincolnæ et Willielmus filius ejus et Hawdewisa comitissa uxor ejus salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse et dedisse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de sancto Laurentio de Revesbia tam præsentibus quam futuris in eodem loco Deo servientibus totam terram de Revesbia, Schichthesbia et Thoresbia cum omnibus appendiciis suis plenariè in bosco et plano, et pratis, et aquis, et maresco, et pasturis. Et in Minigesby xxviij. acras terræ quarum quinque dedit eis Hugo filius Udardi, et unam bovetam terræ quam Willielmus clericus ejusdem villæ dedit eis, et aliam bovetam quam Hugo frater ejus dedit eis, et concessimus etiam eis in eadem villa communem pasturam, et in Marum terram quæ vocatur Legeshaga cum appendiciis suis, et in Chirchebi centum acras terræ inter silvas et marescum contiguas terræ eorum, et ex alia parte silvæ quatuor acras terræ, et quandam partem silvæ quam postea ipsi monachi extirpaverunt, cum communionem pasturæ ejusdem villæ. Et in Sibberia heremitorium Ache cum communi pastura, et de dominio nostro terram quæ vocatur Haitholme. et Westferiora cum prato adjacente, et licentiam ædificandi domos in maresco ubicumque voluerint, et omnia aisiamenta ibi habere cum communionem pasturæ ejusdem villæ. Et in Stichenaia illam portionem terræ quam habuimus in dominio nostro et communem pasturam ejusdem villæ, et licentiam ædificandi domos in maresco, et accipere ibi omnia aisiamenta sua prout indiguerint, et in marisco de Haltuna mansionem quandam cum crophitis quas ibi facere voluerint cum communionem pasturæ totius maresci, et aliis aisiamentis quæ ibi habere potuerint, et in Geinesbrug totam terram quæ dicitur Wethebergh, cum omni bosco inter prædictam terram et boscum de Lee, et de pratis quantum pertinet ad duas carucatas terræ, et communem pasturam; et Hagnebiam, cum omnibus appendiciis suis in monasteriis, et terris, et pratis, et aquis, et molendinis, et pasturis, et in maresco. Hæc omnia dedimus eis in perpetuam elemosinam, libera et quicta ab omni terreno servicio et omni sæculari exactione. Et prohibemus etiam ne hæredes nostri clament warrennam in prædicta terra eorum. Hiis testibus Alexandro episcopo Lincolnæ. Willielmo archidiacono. Restedo capellano. Stephano capellano. Gaufrido Malabestia. Widone de Ver. Willielmo filio Hugonis. Waltero de Hamundevill. Henrico de Percy. Gisleberto de Nova-villa. Waltero de Hamundo et Simone filio ejus, Gaufrido de Trehampton. Baldrico de Cheles. Henrico de Totinton. Ricardo Pasturell. Willielmo Cancell. Gaufrido de Cantelu. Gisleberto de Semplingham. Rogero capellano. Hacone decano. Roberto de Cales. Ricardo de Calce. Waltero de Buhcre. Odone et Uwardo fratribus ejus. Rogero de Benigwrth, et Mathco fratre ejus. Roberto filio Martini.

NUM. IV.

Carta Willielmi de Roumara nepotis comitis Willielmi.

[Ex armario comitis de Lindsey apud Grimsthorp, 1172.]

WILLIELMUS de Roumara nepos Willielmi comitis, et hæres ejus confirmat monachis de S. Laurentio in perpetuum ipsam abbatiam quam idem avus meus fundavit scilicet totam terram de Revesby et Thoresby et Scithesbi cum ecclesia, et omnem terram in Hagnebi cum ecclesia, et in Mithinggesbi xxviij. acras, et terram in Marum, et in Kyrchebi c. acras, &c. et in Stibeceia heremitorium, &c. et in Sticheneia terram quam avus meus habuit in dominio, &c. et in maresco de Haltuna, &c. Testibus, Roberto decano de Bullinbroc, Willielmo de Tillol, Rogero de Tillol, Gilberto de Bolonia, Alano Smerholm, &c. Hæc confirmatio facta est m.c.lxxij. kal. Aprilis apud abbatiam de sancto Laurentio in tempore Hugonis abbatis.

NUM. V.

Carta Ranulphi comitis Cestriæ.

[Ibid.]

RANULPHUS comes Cestriæ confirmat monachis de S. Laurencio de Revesby ipsam abbatiam quam Willielmus comes Lincolnæ fundavit cum omni donatione quam prædictus comes et Willielmus filius ejus et Willielmus nepos ejus dederunt, scilicet terram de Revesbi, et Schiteby, et Toresbi cum ecclesia, et terram in Hagnebi cum ecclesia, &c. (ut supra.) Præterea concedo eis warennam ubique in terris eorum. Testibus, David comite fratre regis Scociæ, Hugone Bardolf, Simone de Kyma, Philippo filio Roberti, Petro Roald, Roberto de Mortuo-Mari, Willielmo de Veer, Philippo de Orrebi, Simone de Orrebi, Thoma dispensatore, Simone Tuschet, Simone de Orrebi, &c.

NUM. VI.

Donationum Confirmatio per Regem Ricardum Primum.

[Cart. 2 Edw. III. m. 4, n. 12. per inspex.]

RICARDUS Dei gratia rex Angl. dux Norman. Aquit. et comes Andeg. archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse et præsentī carta nostra confirmasse in puram et perpetuam elemosinam Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de sancto Laurencio de Revesby pro salute animæ nostræ et omnium antecessorum et successorum nostrorum ex dono et elemosina Willielmi de Romara, sedem abbatie suæ et totam terram de Revesby, et Thoresby, et Skydeby, et quicquid habuit in Hagneby plenarie in monasteriis et in omnibus aliis rebus, et terram quæ dicitur Leggeshaghe, et sexies viginti acras terræ in territorio de Kirkeby, et hermitorium Acke et le Swinecote, et Haiholm et Westferiwra cum prato adjacente, et Seggedich et quandam partem silvæ de Kirkeby per viam quæ dicitur Swinistigate, et communionem pasturæ tocius marisci quod pertinet ad sokam de Bolingbrok, et ne aliquis clamet warennam in terra monachorum, sicut rationabiles cartæ ejus testantur. Item ex dono Willielmi de Romare nepotis Willielmi senioris j. carucatam terræ in territorio de Enderby et totum dominium suum in Todington, et totam terram suam de Stykeneye, et homagium et servicium Alani filii Willielmi et heredum ejus imperpetuum et Medelham in marisco et omnia alia tenementa et res et libertates quas habent de prædicto Willielmo sicut rationabiles cartæ ejus testantur. Item concedimus eis et confirmamus grangiam de Toft cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et Cuhus quæ est in Wildemore de soka de Hornecastre cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et omnes alias grangias suas cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, videlicet Thoresbiam, Stikeneiam, Hagneby, molendinum de Folesbykele, Holebec, Thoresweiam, et Thorp-Wayteberwe et piscariam in Trenta, Winelingham, et Filingham cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, sicut rationabiles cartæ testantur quas monachi habent de prænominatis tenementis.

Concedimus etiam et confirmamus prædictis monachis omnes terras et possessiones quas habent in territoriis de Mithingesby, et de Kirkeby, de Clareby et de Marum, de Lincoln et Grimmisby, de Coningesby, et de Tumby, de Wodenderby, et de Wilghesby, de Cibeteye, et de sancto Botulpho de Stukeneye, et de Stikeford, de Hagneby, et de Toynton, de Halton, et de Kele, de Hundelby, et de Enderby, de Hameryngham et de Wainfeld, de Ireby et de Sauthorp, de Thorp, de Stamelesby; de Burg et de Skeggesse, de Estenderby, et Bilingeie, de Stafnesby, et de Askeby, de Salmundebby, et de Theford, de Thorisweye, et de Walesby, de Ottebeya, et de Geynesburgh, de Somerdeby, et de Lee, de Upton, et de Bernesse, de Berg, et de Glentwrth, de Glothorp, et de Asphaldeby, de Tunestal, et de Torp, de Bliburg, de Wivelingham, et de Filingham, et omnes alias terras et possessiones et tenementa sua secundum rationabiles cartas vel cyrograffa donatorum venditorum vel escambiatorum suorum. Quare volumus, &c. Testibus H. Cantuar. archiepisc. Rogero de S. Edmundo archidiacono de Richemund, H. Cant. archid. Roberto de Harecourt, Willielmo de Stagno, Willielmo filio Alani. Dat. per manum magistri Roscelini tunc agentis vices cancellarii nostri apud Rupem Andeli, anno regni nostri decimo nono die Decembris.

NUM. VII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

ABBATHIA SIVE MONASTERIUM DE REVESBY INF^a DECANATUM DE BOLINGBROKE.

Declarac'o sive Valor om̃i' dñioꝝ mañioꝝ terr' ten' et aliaꝝ possessionū tempaliū quazcūq; ac eccliaꝝ monasterio ibm appropriat' de anno regni dñi nři regis Henr' 8vi 26to, tempe dompni Johannis Sawer adtunc abbatis.

Terr' D'nical'.

P'dict' Johannes abbas et conventus hient terr' dñical' infra pcinctū monasterij in man' diŷs' tenen' occupat' quoz nomia in quodam libro sive ren^{li} coram commissionar' restitut' et ostens' pticulariter appent . 22l. 4s. 8d.

Iidm abbas et convent' hient 42 acr' dñical' in quatuor clausur' ad unā dom' vaccar' spectan' in man' suis pprijs occupat' et ad annuū valorē appoit' . 5l. 12s. 4d.

Dēi abbas et conventus si' hient terr' dñical' viz unā pastur' voc' Aske contin' 65 acr' 1l. 12s. 6d. Roborowe continen' 26 acr' 17s. 4d. Ley Cloos contin' 30 acr' 2l. Hiefelde Parke Wonge Saint Sithe Cloos et unā pastur' jux^a molendin' inter se contin' 180 acr' 6l. 13s. 4d. 1 claus' 6 acr' pro ex^anijis 3s. Shepehous Cloos cont' 30 acr' 1l. Al' claus' voc' Grete Cloos' cout' 30 acr' 2l. 1 claus' voc' 10 Ten Acr Cloos 13s. 4d. Thistelcloos cont' 12 acr' 17s. Shottels cont' 5 acr' 3s. 4d. Al' claus' 9 acr' 12s. Et al' pastur' maresc' sive prat' in Labina continen' per estimacōem 180 acr' pifor- miter in man' s' et ad usū abbthie p a^m occupat 6l. 13s. 4d. int' se . 23l. 5s. 2d.

Antedēi abbas et conventus hient exit' et proficua de p̃cio boscoꝝ monasterio p̃tin' ad annuū valorē p̃oit' 20l. 0s. 0d.

Redd' et firm' in diŷs' villatis.

P'dēi abbas et conventus hient in man' q^amplrimoꝝ tenen' redd' assis' et firm' in villis de Wilkesby 4l. 1s. 4d. Moreby 7s. 8d. Wodenderby 7s. 4d. Claxby 12l. 11s. 8d. Et unū racemū zinzebr' Menyngesby 4l. 13s. 4d. Hareby 1l. 4s. Hañyngh^am 2l. 13s. 0½d. Scrafelde 12s. Belche- ford 1l. 11s. Grang' de Scammellesby 2l. 10s. Vill' de Golceby 10s. Donyngton 9s. Tetford 8s. Bagenderby 1l. 6s. 8d. Hagworthingh^am 2l. 4s. 8d. Tynton jux^a Horn- castr' 6d. Soimby 2l. 16s. Thoresway 4l. Molendin' de Clee 6s. 8d. Vill' de Grymesby 4d. Estekirkeby 7l. 6s. 8d. Haughneby 18l. Et 1 racemū zinzebr' Esterkele 9l. 2s. 5d. Westkele 9s. Marum 16l. 10s. 5d. Toynton 4s. 7½d. Halton 3l. 6s. 2d. Malvisshenderby 3l. 4s. 9½d. Boling- broke 6d. Rathcby 5s. Holth^am sup Bayn 18s. Kirkeby sup Bayn 9s. 8d. Boston 14s. 4d. Lincoln' 1l. 18s. 8d. Conyngesby 6s. 8d. Molendin' de Fulesby 10l. 13s. 4d. Grang' de Toft 13l. 6s. 8d. Vill' de Parteney 8s. Stikney 28l. 19s. 2½d. Vaccar' in Labin' voc' Caxtenhous 1l. 6s. 8d. Morchous 2l. 13s. 4d. Et Turboth ibm 13s. 4d. Firm' de Medlam 2l. 6s. 8d. Birkewode 2l. 13s. 4d. Et Both jux^a aquā de Withom voc' Revesby Both 10s. Vill' de Thorpe 13s. 4d. Waynflote 6l. 15s. 4d. Beisby 5l. 16s. 11d. Strubby 2l. 13s. 4d. Saleby 1l. 4s. Burgh 6l. 16s. 8d. Sibsey 29l. 12s. 9d. Askeby pūoꝝ 3l. 15s. 2d. Stikford 1l. 8s. Firm' pastur' sive claus' de Holbek 6l. 13s. 4d. Et p̃cio petraz ibm lucrat' cōibz annis 6l. 11s. 6d. Inter se 241l. 1s. 0d.

Sīm^a tempaliū . . . 312l. 3s. 2d.

Sp'ualia.

Iidm abbas et conventus hient eccliam de Frothingh^am infra dioces' ep̃i Lincoln' et jurisdictionē arch̃i de Stowe ex- isten' monasterio appropriat' tam in decim' q^am alijs proficuis et oblacion' ibm pro cōibz annis . 12l. 15s. 0d.

P'dēi abbas et conventus hient eccliam et r̃coriam de Thedilthorp infra dioces' et jurisdictionē ep̃i Lincoln' dēo mo- nasterio appropriat' in om̃ibz decim' et emoliment' valorat' cōibz annis . 22l. 0s. 0d.

Iidm abbas et convent' hient capellas Sci Laurenci 6s. 8d. Et Sancte Sithe 2l. In oblaconibz ibm contingen' pro cōibz annis . 2l. 6s. 8d.

Sīm^a sp'ualiū . . . 37l. 1s. 8d.Sīm^a to' exit' tempaliū q^am sp'ualiū 349l. 4s. 10d.

Resoluço redd'.

D' quibz in redd' resolut' p'orisse de Grenefelde p terr' et ten' in Wilkesby 9s. 1½d. Collegio de Tateshale pro terr' in Wodenderby 3s. 2d. Vicecom' Lincoln' ad auxiliū vic' p terr' et ten' in Claxby 8s. Decano et capi^{lo} ecclie cathedral' Lincoln' 2s. 8d. Et p'ori S'ci Johis de Jerlm de redd' resolut' p terr' ibm 3s. Hered' dñi Willughby pro terr' et ten' in Menyngesby 15s. Dño de Salesbury p terr' et ten' in Hamyngh^m 8s. Dño de Bello Monte pro terr' in Thoresway 6s. Dño de Candlesby 3s. 6d. Et p'orisse et conventui de Stikeswolde p terr' in Haughneby 10s. Ecclie de Esterkele p Holcrofte ibm 2s. Et dicte ecclie in p'cio 4l. Cerc pro al' terr' ibm 2s. 4d. Coll' de Tateshale p terr' in Marum 4s. 4d. Decano et capi^{lo} ecclie cathedral' Lincoln' p terr' et ten' in civitate Lincoln' 10s. E'po Karliolen' p molendin' et terr' in Fulesby 4l. 4s. 6d. Abbati de Bardeney p . . in Pteney 2s. 2d. P'ori S'ci Johis de Jerlm p terr' et ten' in Stiknay 3s. Rectori de Stikney p terr' et ten' apud Medlam 3s. 4d. Dño nro Regi p botha voc' Revcsby Both 6s. 8d. Eidm dño nro Regi 4s. Et ecclie de Friskeneby in p'cio 24l. Cere 13s. 8d. Ma^{ro} Thymelby 11d. P'ori de Markeby 1s. Et collegio de Tateshale 4s. 9d. Pro terr' et tenement' in Strubby per annū inter se . . . 10l. 11s. 1½d.

Et in cons' redd' resolut' dño de Kirketon p terr' p'tinen' ecclie de Frothingh^m 1s. Et M'Awngevyn pro annuali re^u sive annuitate exeunt' de terr' sive r'cōria de Thedilthorpe p annū 4l. 17s. Inter se . . . 4l. 18s. 0d.

S^ma . . . 15l. 9s. 1½d.

Soluço Feod'.

Et in feod' Thome Jacson balli monasterij in Marum 1l. 6s. 8d. Riçi Hardy balli terr' et ten' in Beisby et alijs

villatis 1l. 6s. 8d. Et Riçi Smyth ballivi de Sybsey hoc anno 1l. 6s. 8d. Inter se . . . 4l. 0s. 0d.

Et in cons' feod' Johis dñi Husee capi^o sen^{li} monasterij 1l. 6s. 8d. M' Johis Hennage sen^{li} cur' apud Thoresway 1l. Thome Gildon et Johis Brigge sen^{li} cur' apud Marum 1l. 6s. 8d. Et Johannis Litelbury senescalli cur' apud Sibsey 1l. 3s. Inter se . . . 4l. 16s. 4d. Et in fimōi feod' Johannis Hill auditor' 1l. 0s. 0d.

S^ma . . . 9l. 16s. 4d.

Soluc' annui^o Salar' Cap^{no} cum aliis.

Et in annuitate abbati et conventui de Kirkestede 2l. 15s. Hugon' Dodington cap^{no} cantar' in Horncast^r 5l. 6s. 8d. Thome Johnson 4l. Et Thome Fowler 4l. Cap^{nis} cantarist' in Bolingbroke p composiçōem Johanni Kerrington 4l. Et Wilmo Longebbothom 4l. Duobz paupibz ex eleemosina p ultimā voluntatē Thome Hoton clici nup quond^m archi Lincoln' ele^a ant^{ti} distribut' inter paupes apud Tateshale p āia M'Edward' Heven 1l. 3s. Et paupibz apud Frothingh^m 4s. E'po Lincoln' p approaçōne ecclie de Frothingh^m p'dca 2l. Decano et capi^{lo} ecclie cath' Lincoln' 10s. Et archino de Stowe 5s. Pro cons' appropriacion' dce ecclie de Frothingh^m p'dco e'po 2l. Pro fimōi appropriacion' ecclie Thedilthorpe et Nicholao Bono^r cap^{no} vicario ibm per annū 6l. 13s. 4d. Inter se pcell' insimul computatis . . . 36l. 17s. 0d.

S^ma . . . 36l. 17s. 0d.

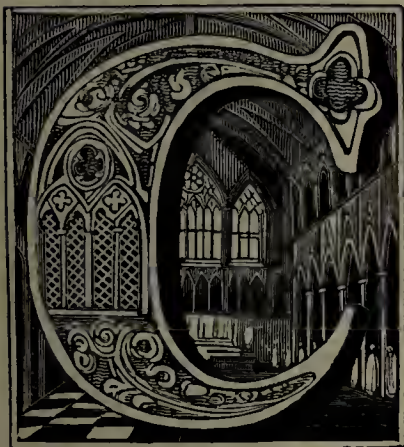
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p'dcaz . . . 62l. 2s. 5½d.

Et rem' . . . 287l. 2s. 4½d.

Inde p x^{ma} . . . 28l. 14s. 3d.

Abbey of Cumhyre, in Radnorshire.



UMHYRE, Comehere, or Combehire Abbey, was founded by Cadwathelan ap Madoc, in 1143; and, according to Leland, was intended for sixty monks.^a Like most of the Cistercian Abbeys, it was dedicated to St. Mary. The charters of Llewellyn Prince of North Wales in 1209, and of King Henry the Third, in 1232, sufficiently explain its early endowment; and preserve the names of various bene-

factors to it.^b

Matthew Paris relates that, in 1231, when Llewellyn ravaged the lands of the barons upon the borders of Wales, a monk of Cumhyre betrayed the garrison of the castle of Montgomery into the hands of the Welsh prince; which Henry the Third hearing, while upon his march to defend the country there, burnt a grange belonging to the monks, and threatened destruction to the abbey itself. The abbat, however, quieted his indignation by the payment of three hundred marks. "Abbas loci ut ædificia, sumptuosis valde laboribus constructa, salvaret, trecentas marcas regi numeravit, et sic ejus quievit indignatio."^c

^a See the Append. Num. I.

^b Numm. II. III.

^c Mat. Par. Hist. edit. 1684, p. 311.

^d "Dioc. Menev. Temporal.

"Bono abbatis in archid. Brecon. 20l. 14s. 4d.

"In archid. de Kardigan et Kermerdyn, apud grang. de Nanterarant. duas caruc. terræ incultæ cum uno molend. et parte alterius molendini 13s. 8d. Abbas habet ibidem centum viginti et octo vaccas exitus salva custodia 7l. 8s. Item trescent. oves exitus salva custodia 4l. 10s. Item habet viginti sex equas exitus 1l. 6s."

Summa Taxat. in archid. Kard. et Kerm. 13l. 17s. 8d.

The annual rental of Cumhyre Abbey in 1291, as we gather from the entries in Pope Nicholas's Taxation, amounted to 36l. 2s.^d

In the reign of Henry the Fourth this abbey suffered materially in the warfare which was carried on by Owen Glendwr.^e

According to a Manuscript in the Library of Benet College, Cambridge, here were, in the 26th of Henry the Eighth, only three monks; at which time the gross amount of the revenues was even less than in the time of Edward the First, amounting to no more than 28l. 17s. 4d. per annum; the clear income to 24l. 19s. 4d.^f

The site of this House was granted in the 37th Henry VIII. to Walter Henly and John Williams.^g In after times it became the property of Sir Hans Fowler, who died in 1771. The owner in 1815 was his descendant, Thomas Hodges Fowler, Esq.

Tanner has preserved but four references only to Records relating to this monastery, viz. "Cart. 15 Joan. n. 3. Cart. 16 Joan. p. 2, m. 3, n. 13. Pat. 11 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 5, vel. 6. Pat. 17 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 23."

In its splendor Cumhyre Abbey was delightfully situated in a fertile valley surrounded by mountains. At

Dioc. Bangor.

"Grang. de Conbuga et Estermeyn duas caruc. terr. cum aliis commod. 1l."

Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. fol. 1802, pp. 274 b, 276 b, 293 b.

^e See the passage from Leland, in the Appendix, Num. I.

^f Compare the Appendix, Num. IV.

^g Tann. Notit. Monast. Radn. i.

present traces of its foundations only are to be seen. From these, the chief part appears to have formed a continuous building, two hundred and thirty-five feet in length, by seventy-three feet in width; a great portion of which was occupied by

the abbey church. Vestiges of other buildings are to be seen contiguous. Some of the columns and arches were removed to Llanidloes church, and applied to the repairs there in 1542. Other fragments were removed to Cumhyre Chapel.

Cartae ad Cumhīrensem Abbatiam in agro Radnor- ensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

[Annal. S. Werburgæ Cestriæ in bibl. Cotton.]

ANNO millesimo centesimo quadragésimo tertio fundata est Cumhyre in Wallia, filia Blanchland, ibi Griffinus filius Leweli sepultus est.

[Lel. Itin. tom. v. fol. 13.]

COMEHERE, an abbay of white monkes stondith betwixt two grete hylls in Melennith in a bottome, where renneth a little broke, it is a seven miles from Knighton; the first fundacion was made by Cadwathel and ap Madok for sixty monks. No chirch in Wales is seene of such length as the foundation of the wall there begonne doth showe; but the third part of this worke was never finishid. All the house was soiled and defaced be Owen Glindour.^a

NUM. II.

Donationum Confirmatio per Lewelinum Principem Northwalliæ.

[Pat. 8 H. VI. part. 1, m. 6, per Inspex. Pat. 6 E. III. part. 2, m. 9, per Inspex.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis tam præsentibus quam futuris ad quorum noticiam tenor præsentium literarum pervenerit Lewelinus Gervasii filius Northwalliæ princeps salutem et pacem. Cum cunctis quantum in nobis est pacis beneficium conservare tenemur hiis maximè quos commendat ordo religionis debemus sollicitè providere ne pacis defectu molestentur injustè; quocirca dilectorum fratrum nostrorum abbatis et monachorum Cisterciensis ordinis Bangoren. diocesis apud Kemmer Deo et gloriosæ virgini Mariæ devotè servientium, atque sub regula sancti Benedicti nostri patroni regulariter viventium justas petitiones exaudientes, et eorum precibus inclinantes, utilitatibus eorundem diligenter providere volentes, quicquid vel à nobis vel ab aliis, seu à comprincipibus nostris eisdem collatum accepimus nostro sigillo duximus confirmare, ne quod justè collatum fuerit injusta possit in futuro permutari præsumptione; eapropter terrarum eisdem monachis collatarum nomina, quæ à nobis et ab aliis illis fratribus principibus datæ sunt huic scripto liquidè duximus commendare cum integris terminis, et pertinentiis suis prout meliùs et certiùs et manifestiùs continentur in cartis et donationibus dominorum principum Mareduc scilicet et Griffud filii Kenan, et Howeli filii Griffini et aliorum, et prout plenius et expressius omnes terras dictis monachis ac libertates dicti principes contulerunt et donaverunt.

Kemmer videlicet in quo loco monasterium eorum fratrum situm est cum omnibus terminis et pertinentiis suis. Aberydone, et Eskeryndone in hiis terminis, rivulus qui nominatur Midhul, qui de monte qui vocatur Irobell oritur est terminus, et currit directè inter locum qui dicitur Yrhanotwen, et terram Manhew usque ad flumen Mawuheth, et iterum per crepedinem dicti montis directè usque ad collem Yrerhill, et item per directum usque ad cacumen montis qui dicitur Ydhualt, deindè usque ad ortum rivuli qui vocatur Menach, et Menach prout certiùs currit usque Manneth, ac postea usque ad rivulum Creon qui est terminus inter Meryonyth et Penrellin. Ex alia parte fluminis Mannehec Cumdadhu et Ydymant usque ad terminum Penllin. Esgerkaur Cuykawr inter Kaur et Haynnawe, Brynbetwyn,

^a *Id est.* Comehere, alborum monachorum abbatia, Mellenithæ, in quadam inter duos grandiores montes valle quam irrigat amniculus, sita est. Septimo a Knightona distat lapide. A Cadwathelo et ap Madoco ad sustentationem lx. monachorum primitus fundata fuit. Nulla

Ydolwen cum omnibus terminis et finibus et pertinentiis suis. Kenenkrewnan, Yranockelynawe, Nantykeyliochou Brythgum, Martnam cum integris terminis et pertinentiis suis.

Llwydyarath Kellyleth Kellynorleyw, Moyllywydyath, Respoldydre, Kinnygerhwyn, Bulytifrie, Ykychul, Cumkelly, Ryullathhidwyn, Esgeyrneryn, Ycumkorsawe cum omnibus terminis et pertinentiis integris. Cuningwernach in cunctis terminis et pertinentiis suis. Riccarneth partem terræ. Keneny, Kellynllhwyn. Totam terram Kenneth filii Seysyll apud Tannoth duas acras Lewelyn fil. Seysyll. In Tamihot totam partem de Kennerth de hæreditate sua ubicunque fuerit sive in Tannoth sive in aliis locis esse constitit, pro Wllymarch. Broneynwch. Acram, Lewelyn preconis. Halneythey, Ryhukweryth in omnibus finibus et pertinentiis suis. Partem Madawe et Lleworth filiorum Morydhyc cum prato de Bodyghwyn. Partem trium filiorum Gollwyn, de Bodywyn, et de Hyrdyrllanegrin. Redynor, Enyawn, Adam, Baredyn. Partem terræ de villa Crennays. Gmennyfalc acras duas Dewelyn fi. Seysyll. Acram Kencdir Kelly Wassaranc cum omnibus terminis et pertinentiis suis, Golewernkennahet in omnibus terminis et pertinentiis suis.

In provincia Ardudwy, Llanhuldut, Cunigwenyn, Moylesbryn, Kesseylgum, Cummeneyth in omnibus finibus et terminis et integris pertinentiis suis. Omnes terras quæ sunt constitutæ inter duo flumina Keyn et Maudhu simili donatione prædictis fratribus donavimus et concessimus cum cunctis terminis et finibus et pertinentiis suis et locis quorum nomina expressè exarata sunt hæc, Guynneny, Guervyundeyew, et Nantygaranew, Algayn, Nazithir, Bethyresgyu, Yneydyawe, Nantymoch, et Keyn postea usque ad crepedinem nigri montis qui est supra Llyn, et per crepedinem nigri montis illius qui directè extenditur supra Llyn Phelycymoch et supra Erhlynedwen usque ad rivulum qui de stagno paludis qui vocatur Mycneleyn, et per illam paludem defluit planè usque Erylynedwen et deindè currit usque Lin qui rivulus est terminus inter Ardudny et Penllyn et Mandhu qui de dicto stagno et de dicta palude surgit et statim in amnem derivatur dictas terras terminans usque ad Abkcy. Llwynyrhic, Ykenyclluydyow Heskyndu, Yrhanortanolawe, Ybwllellwyth dolicancion per totum prout melius major pars fluvii Mandhu quæ vicinior currit juxta terram Nanhen terminat, quia Mandhu ibi in tribus rivulis dividitur et iterum in unum conveniunt. Irallthwy, cum Hesgyn, Dynastelery, Cukedryn, Ryhukerthuc, Pennarthwonawe, Nantylastegwaret, Nantyrhendy, Bethicoydhur, Ywenallt. In provincia Llheyne Nengwl cum integris terminis suis et pertinentiis et locis quorum nomina scribere volumus in præsentī carta; videlicet Ygnasadnays, Ypennrhynnew, Yk, Urrachdir, Rossychulyt, terram Eynyawn Penuras Brynylan, Trennoydyt, Yros partem Ydanaty, Tren, Wykwarhec, Ynyskellywy, Patyllenryth Grayanawc, Bryncrochwy, Trevywen, Dolkaradawe, dimidietatem villæ Keydyan cum particula terræ quæ vocatur Meynbleythud.

Omnes igitur supranominatas in tribus præfatis provinciis terras et quascunque alias, seu à nobis seu ab aliis sunt adepti vel imposterum adepturi et eciam domui de Kemmer et monachis ejusdem loci collatas warrantizabo et manutenebo pro me et hæredibus meis à me in perpetuam donationem, vel ab aliis illis datas, in campis et silvis, in pra-

extat apud Cambrenses tantæ longitudinis ecclesia, quam longam illam ex muri ibidem incepti vestigiis licet colliges. Tertia vero operis pars nunquam erat perfecta. Universam domum Owenus Glindour deturpavit.

tis, aquis molendinis, in pasturis et piscationibus, in retium stationibus, fluminibus, in stagnis et portubus atque littoribus, et mari, in navium et scapharum libertatibus, in earum onera de propriis rebus monachorum tantum si malo eventu contingat ut à parcella maris fuerint confractæ aut submersæ; habenda et tollenda sine contradictione et tallio, in omnibus lignis suscipiendis, et lapidibus cujuslibet generis. In avibus et feris silvestribus, et animalibus agrestibus cujuscunque generis vel speciei fuerint habendis; in metallis, in thesauris effodiendis et deducendis, in montibus et nemoribus, in omnibus mobilibus et immobilibus, in omnibus quæ super dictas terras aut subtus eas continentur de rebus materialibus vel non materialibus possidendis, et in proprios usus habendis; in omnibus utilitatibus, et commoditatibus liberè et quietè ab omni seculari exactione sive gravamine, sine alicujus molestia aut calumpnia vel controversia, sine consuetudine legum secularium aut tributo aliquo unquam, sine aliqua conventionem cum aliquo in pasturis seu in aliis utilitatibus in præfatis terris vel in cohabitatione aut consortio.

Præterea ipsis monachis dedimus et concessimus ut si quis de hæredibus in omni terra quæ meæ ditioni subjacet agrum vel stagnum ad tempus concesserit, libertatem habeant suscipiendi eorumque fructus tollendi in omnibus, quorum et ante omnia domini papæ præceptis obedientes præfatis fratribus donavimus, ut summi pontificis privilegia beatorum apostolorum Petri et Pauli auctoritate roborata, ipsisque monachis sive data sive danda in omnibus vim suam obtineant et inconcussa atque inviolata permaneant. In eos verò qui apostolicæ majestatis apices manifestè fregerint et contra eas egerint, aut quamlibet de domibus ipsorum monachorum intendendo aut sanguinem intra septa monasterii fundendo, vel etiam grangiarum aut locorum, aut hominem tenendo, aut furtum aut rapinam, seu hominem verberando sive aliquam irreverenciam exiterando hominem spoliando vel aliud quid contra apostolica scripta et indulta faciendo, quantumlibet nobis caros et vicinos secularem justitiam plenariè exercebimus, et ecclesiasticam censuram in eos latam patienter et libenter sustinebimus. Hanc autem præsentem nostram donationem dilectis fratribus monachis de Kemmer sic dedimus et concessimus, pro salute et remedio animæ nostræ et parentum nostrorum in perpetuam donationem et puram elemosinam possidendam, atque prædictos fratres et eorum res et possessiones sub nostra protectione et defensione in ævum protegendos suscepimus, ut nullus de posteris nostris, vel alius quisquam hæreditario jure nobis succedens eam possit effringere, vel aliquo modo inquietare aut ausu temerario audeat contraire. Et ut ea firma et stabilis rata et inconcussa et inviolata ab omnibus nobis in futurum succedentibus perpetuo prænominatis fratribus perseveret, ut beneficiorum ipsorum et orationum caritatis divinæ intuitu, ordinisque reverentia præsentem cartam nostræ donationis sigilli nostri munimine et impressione consignavimus, et corroboravimus, per manum domini Esau tunc abbatis ejusdem monasterii, multis coram astantibus, ex quibus idoneos testes adhibuimus quorum nomina sunt hæc; de religiosis Gervasius monachus, et frater Madocus conversus, Llwydyarth religiosi de Kemmer; de secularibus verò Gwyn filius Ednewyn senescallus noster, Eynyawn filius Rodri, magister Serwyth Ywen, et multis aliis ydoneis et fidelibus. Dat. anno ab incarnatione Domini m.cc.ix.

NUM. III.

Donationum Confirmatio per Regem Henricum Tertium.

[Cart. 16 Hen. III. mem. 6. Vide etiam pat. 17 Edw. II. part. 2, mem. 23.]

H. REX, &c. salutem. Noveritis nos intuitu Dei et pro salute animæ nostræ et animarum antecessorum et hæredum nostrorum concessisse et hac carta nostra confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Cumhyr et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus Cisterciensis ordinis omnes terras quas habent de dono Mereduc filii Mailgum; scilicet terram de Legwythan Sarfbrin et Keuenpawell, et Forghekeyl, et Butigfre, et Bolugithblich, et Rutharth, et Nanrum, et Dinnahner, et Ruylnynnan, et Crudas, et Delynein, et Frangyam quæ vocatur Gwenwen, et Kayrogheren, et Laythde et dimid. Nantu, et Gwernegof, et Baghewemth et Dolanghern, et partem quam habent de Kellybir, et Gwenriw, et Pebbelewith et Bagwethlon, et communam pasturarum per totam Melemd, et Kery, et terras de Maysegragur, et Kayrweton, et Brennecroys, venditas pro castro de Kaminarum. Conce-

dimus etiam eis et confirmamus terram de Dollelnem, et Pulleremmy, et totam de Nantu et communem pasturam in Werthton quam habent de dono Rogeri de Mortuo Mari; et terram de Foxton quam habent de dono Hoewel filii Cathwalan, et de dono Willielmi et filii Alani, Eschyborew ex utraque parte rivuli de Berton, et de dono Eygnan Clut terram de Carnass cum nemore quod vocatur Coedeirenis. Et de dono Eygnan de Porta terram de Kenbalua, et terram de Speis, et terram de Wcywenn. Et de dono Mereduc terram de Kilwift, et Lygrith. Et de dono Lewelin filii Amarant terram de Kokilhir, et Guernobowe, et Kelunrucy, et Cinch. Quare volo, &c. Dat. &c. apud Brug primo die Junii.

NUM. IV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONASTERIUM DE COMHIRE.

Monasterium de Comhire.

ABBAS ibidem habet annuatim in terris dñicalibz ibidem cum mansione 1l. Item in redditibz irarum et tene-mentorū in Golon' 18l. 6s. 8d. Item in Cumbyga Arrostyle in redd' 13s. 4d. Item in Monaghty Poydd in Melenyth annuatim 1l. 6s. 8d. Item in Gabalva in Elvell de annuo redd' 2l. 17s. 4d. Item in annuo redd' de certis terr' jacen' in Brylley infra dominiū de Huntynndon 13s. 4d. Item in Temcetto' per annu' 3l. 13s. 4d. De firma grang' vocat' Carnaff que reddere solebat dñō abbī 6l. per annu'. Attamen Rogerus Vachan tenet dñam grangia' ad terminu' annorum ex concessione dñi abbis pro redd' 6s. 8d. annuatim. De grangia de Gwernegowe in domo de Kery que reddere solebat eisdem abbī annuatim 8l. 8s. Tamen et dicitur dñā grangia posita est in morgag' cuidam Johanni ap' R. p termino decem annor' nondum preteritoru' absq' aliquo inde reddend', &c. Summa 28l. 17s. 4d. Inde in feod' Johannis ap' R. ballivi 3s. 4d. Item in dñiis resol' dñō de Temcetto' 6s. 8d. Ballivo ibidem 6s. 8d. In pensione de Chirbery 8s. Feod' Johannis ap' R. 1l. Feod' Riči Herbert 13s. 4d. Feod' ballivi de Golon' 1l. Summa deducōnis 3l. 18s. Et rem' clare 24l. 19s. 4d. Inde x^a 2l. 9s. 11½d.

Breknok Vicaria.

Valet in lana, agnellis, oblacionibus ceteris qz proficuis et emolument' eidem ptinen' prout per certificatoriu' Johannis ap Morgan et Willmi Gamys armigeroru', et al' co'missionioru' dñi reg^s, virtute lñis ejusdem dñi reg^s eis in hac parte direct' ac in curia dñi dñi reg^s primitiarum et decimarū certificat' geren' dat' 23 die mens' Jun' anno regni predci dñi nri R. 37^o, apparet co'munibz annis . . . 6l. 13s. 4d. X^a inde 0l. 13s. 4d.

Penkelly Lib'a Capella.

Valet in grano et feno per certificacōnem predcā co'munibus annis 2l. 13s. 4d. X^a inde 0l. 5s. 4d.

NUM. V.

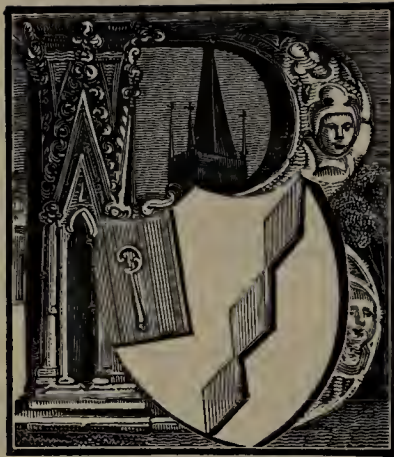
COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE COMEHERE INFRA DIOC' ME-NEVEN'.

Com' Rad'	£.	s.	d.
Comhere—Firma terrarum dominicalium	0	10	0
Gollen—Reddit' diversorum tenementorum	17	4	8
Gollen—Reddit' 28 bussell' de ottemele, prec' le bussell' 8d.	0	18	8
Tempseter—Reddit' diversorum tenementorum	3	18	8
Carnaff—Reddit' mess', terr', et ten'	1	7	0
Cumbige et Arestly—Reddit' terr' et ten'	0	13	4
Gabalva—Reddit' grangia	2	17	4
Brelen in dominio de Huntingdon—Reddit' terr', bosc', et tenemen'	1	18	5
Manache Peeth in Melenith—Reddit' grangia sive manerii	1	6	8
Gwernogo—Reddit' grangia	8	6	8
Nantarian—Reddit' grangia	1	6	8

Abbey of Boxley, in Kent.



OXLEY Abbey is stated in the Rochester Chronicle to have been founded in 1144 by William de Iprè, earl of Kent.^a The Annals of St. Werburga and Parco Lude, however, which are followed by Bishop Tanner, date the foundation in 1146;^b and Leland, in one place, reputes King Richard the First to have been the founder.^c

Its original inhabitants were Cistercian monks from the abbey of Clarevalle in Burgundy.^d William de Iprè, the founder, afterwards became a monk himself at Laon, in France.^e In some later Records, this abbey, from the famous rood or cross here, had the name of "Abbatia S. Crucis de Graciis."^f

King Richard the First, in the first year of his reign, A.D. 1189, gave to this abbey the manor of Boxele with its appurtenances; which gift King Henry the Third, in his 37th year, confirmed by his letters of inspeximus, adding from himself the grant of a weekly market at Boxley.^g

The liberties and privileges of this abbey, as they were enjoyed by the monks in the 7th of Edward the First, are fully stated in the Placita de Quo Waranto. The abbat, it appears, claimed all the liberties, seriatim, which were confirmed by King Henry the Third; together with free warren in all his lands in Kent and Surrey. The jury, however, returned that the free warren was confined to the manor of Boxley.^h

The valuation of the possessions of this monastery, as they were returned in Pope Nicholas's Taxation in 1291, will be found in the note below.ⁱ

Twice in the 23d Edw. I. once in the 24th, and twice in the 28th Edw. I. the abbat of Boxley was summoned to parliament; but not afterwards.^k

In the reign of King Richard the Second, according to Stevens, the revenues of this abbey were placed at 218*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.*, of which 98*l.* 19*s.* 7*d.* were in the diocese of Canterbury.^l This was exactly the gross valuation of the revenue of Boxley in the 26th of Henry the Eighth; the

clear income at that time amounting to 204*l.* 4*s.* 11*d.* per annum.^m

But few of the names of the

ABBATS of BOXLEY

have occurred to the Editors of the Monasticon.

LAMBERT is named as the first abbat.ⁿ

JOHN, prior of Robertsbridge, was made abbat in 1216.^o

RICHARD SHEPEY received the benediction as abbat Feb. 9th, 1415.^p

ROBERT RAYFELD was abbat in 1494.^q

JOHN DOBBS, the last abbat, surrendered his house to the king Jan. 29th, 1537, 29th Hen. VIII.^r At the Dissolution he had a pension of fifty pounds a year. One of the monks had a pension of four marks; six had 4*l.* each; and one, 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* The five last pensions were still paid in 1553.^s

King Henry the Eighth, by indenture dated June 14th, in the 32d year of his reign, exchanged with Sir Thomas Wyatt, of Allington, for other premises, the house and site of this monastery. These premises in the 34th Henry the Eighth were again vested in the crown; and were again granted out to Sir Thomas Wyatt, the son of the preceding, in the 38th Henry the Eighth. In the first of Queen Mary, the site of Boxley abbey, with the manor, became forfeited in consequence of the second Sir Thomas Wyatt's treasons. The manor was restored to his widow, but the site still remained vested in the crown.

August the 10th, 11 Eliz. the queen granted the site and mansion of the monastery of Boxley to John Astley for thirty years. In the 13th Eliz. George Wyatt, son of the second Sir Thomas, was restored in blood by act of parliament; after which, he became possessed of this seat, and resided here, having the fee of it granted to him by the crown. Henry Wyatt, grandson of George, left an only daughter, who married Sir Thomas Selyard, Bart.; the co-heiresses of whose son, Sir Thomas Selyard, sold the site to the Austens, whose descendants own the site at present.^t

No REGISTER of Boxley abbey is at present known to the Editors of the Monasticon.^u

^a See the Append. Num. I.

^b Notit. Monast. Kent, vii. note ^m.

^c Lel. Collectan. tom. i. p. 87.

^d Tann. ut supr.

^e Ibid.

^f See Claus. 10 Hen. VI. m. 5.

^g Append. Num. II.

^h See the printed Plac. de Quo Waranto, p. 344.

ⁱ "Dioc. Cant. Temporalia Abbatis. Maner. de Boxle cum Midstede, Ywade, Sydingburne, 62*l.* 14*s.* 7*d.*

Dioc. Roff. In parochia S. Mariæ de Hoo 9*l.* 4*s.* 10*d.*

Dioc. Lond. In parochia B. Mariæ del Ax 1*l.* 12*s.*

In parochia S. Michaelis de Cornhull 6*s.* 8*d.*

Dioc. Norw. De domo piscar. in Nortvilla de Parva Gernemut 13*s.* 4*d.*

Dioc. Winton. Apud Chissendon 1*l.* 4*s.*"

Taxat. P. Nich. IV. fol. Lond. 1802, pp. 4 b, 8 b, 12, 124, 206.

^k See Stevens, Contin. of Monast. vol. ii. App. p. 12.

^l Ibid. tom. i. pp. 32, 39. Hasted, tom. ii. p. 123.

^m See the Append. Num. III. Such lands as this monastery had in its own hands, while cultivated immediately under the orders of the monks, were exempt from tithes.

ⁿ Lel. Collect. tom. viii. p. 83.

^o Hasted, ut supr. from MS. Harl. 247, fol. 47.

^p Registr. Chichele, archiep. Cant. Pt. i. fol. 9 b.

^q Hasted, ut supr.

^r Ibid.

^s Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 96.

^t Compare Hasted, ut supr.

^u Thorpe has printed several Instruments relating to Boxley abbey in his Registrum Roffense: viz. p. 178, compositio inter monachos de Boxley et monachos Roffenses super decimis in Boxley; p. 179, carta Ricardi archiepisc. Cantuar. confirm. eandem; p. 180, Plac. 7 Edw. I. de libertatibus; p. 185, nomina terrarum in Boxley, de quibus abbas et conventus erunt liberi a solutione decimarum; p. 620, diversa Instrumenta de appropriatione ecclesiæ de Stokes et ordinatione vicariæ ibidem.

Tanner, beside these, has the following references concerning Boxley to manuscripts and records:

"Vide nomina benefactorum qui dederunt mariscos, &c. huic abbatiae, in Cartulario archiepiscopatus, pp. 153, 154.

"Epistolam P. Adriani II. in qua præcipit, ut monachi de Boxleia solvant decimas parochialibus ecclesiis, MS. in bibl. Cotton. Vitell. D. xx. 1.

"In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 60, fol. 14, Taxationem possessionum abbatis de Boxle in dioc. London. MS. 6748, fol. 5, cart. R. Ric. I.

"Inter collectanea MSS. Nic. Charles in bibl. Coll. Regin. Oxon. fol. 194 a, cartam Willelmi de Gerpundvilla et Albrede uxoris ejus, et Thomæ et Adelizæ uxoris ejus, concedentium totum manerium inter La Chene et La Rye claudendum ad necessaria abbatiae.

"Rot. cart. antiq. Ric. I. C. n. 3; 10 Ric. I. Q. n. 8.

"Cart. 5 Joan. m. 4, n. 24, de marisco de Sharpness. Cart. 7 Joan. m. 2, n. 13, pro med. marisci de Werkworth.

"Claus. 13 Hen. III. m. 5 dorso, de terris in Chiffenden. Cart. 37 Hen. III. m. 11, pro mercat. apud Boxele, et aliis libertatibus in Wavering, Fatelmell, &c. Cart. 53 Hen. III. m. 2.

"Cart. 2 Edw. I. n. 48. Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 3, de terris in Gouthurst. Cart. 18 Edw. I. n. 48, pro terris, &c.

"Pat. 2 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 12, de terris in Boxele et Chingele. Pat. 7 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 18, demess. et terris in Dover, Shepey, et Est-Church. Cart. 18 Edw. II. n. .

"Pat. 3 Edw. III. p. 1 vel 2, m. 32, de terris in Upchurch, Werburgh, Chessington, &c. Pat. 9 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 10 vel 11. Rec. in Scacc. 10 Edw. III. Mich. rot. Cart. 33 Edw. III. n. 4, pro lib. warr. in maner. de Boxele, Chingele, Petherst, Hoo, Chissenden, Sharpness, Hamme, Eastchurch, Le Chene, et Elesford. Pat. 39 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 11, pro ten. ibid. et in Eylesford, &c. Pat. 47 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 35.

"Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 32.

"Pat. 9 Hen. V. p. 1, m. 5.

"Pat. 9 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 4, pro pecia terræ in Est-church in Insula Shepiensi pro eccl. edificanda. Claus. 10 Hen. VI. m. 5 dorso.

"Pat. 12 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 2."

Compare also Rot. Hundr. vol. i. pp. 214, 215, 217, 218, 223, 230, 231.

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office is a record with the following title: "Boxele. Abbatis carta. Mich. Rot. 11 Edw. III. rot. 4."

Hasted has engraved the SEAL and *Counter-Seal* of this abbey, with double legends. The reader is referred to his Plate.^a

Very little of the ABBEY BUILDINGS is now remaining.

There was a Chapel, dedicated to St. Andrew, founded hard by the outer gate of this monastery, which was served by a Curate, or Chaplain.

Cartae ad Boxleensem Abbatiam in agro Cantiano spectantes.

NUM. I.

[Ex Chron. claustr. Roffensis.]

ANNO millesimo centesimo quadragésimo quarto Wilhelmus de Ipre, præfectus bello sub rege Stephano, abbatiam de Boxley fundavit; erat autem albis repleta monachis.

NUM. II.

Confirmatio Donationum per Regem Ricardum Primum.

[Cart. 37 Hen. III. m. 9. per inspex.]

RICARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse, et præsentī carta nostra confirmasse in perpetuam elemosinam, pro anima patris nostri regis Henrici, et pro salute nostra et matris nostræ, et antecessorum nostrorum abbaciæ de Boxele, et monachis secundum ordinem Cisterciensem, ibidem Deo servientibus, totum manerium de Boxele, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, in bosco et plano, in pratis et pasturis, in aquis et molendinis, in viis et semitis, et in omnibus aliis locis et aliis rebus ad idem manerium pertinentibus, cum omni jure et libertate ejusdem manerii, liberè et quietè, integrè et honorificè et plenariè, sicut gloriosus rex Henricus proavus noster manerium illud tenuit. Et parcum cum clausuris suis et omnibus pertinentiis suis sine ullo retinemento. Ad hæc autem concedimus eisdem monachis, et præsentī carta confirmavimus omnes conventiones quas ipsi fecerunt erga homines qui tenent de eodem manerio; in pasturis, videlicet et in escambiis, et in emptione terræ, et in terris unde eis redditus condonaverunt, et in terris unde monachi eis redditus reddunt; et conventiones erga Johannem de Horpole et filios ejus de terra sub montibus et supra, et apud Wavering et de Tattclmele, et erga Edwardum de Burnleg, et erga filios Johannis de Capella super Tattelmesle, in feudi firmam per quinque marcas argenti annuatim reddendas illi et hæredibus ejus. Et terram quæ dicitur Hereburcheland archiepiscopi Cantuar. et unum mercatum in Ho ex dono Matildis de Canvill, et domos Anselmi. Decimas Sandicenses in Dovor, cum suo maisagio. Et in Surreia terram de Chissendon, cum pastura quam Robertus de Chissendon in liberam eis dedit elemosinam liberè et plenariè secundum ejusdem Roberti cartæ rationabiliter attestatum. Et Londini domos Paridis, Roffensis archidiaconi, super Thamisiam, novas et veteres, sicut ejus carta rationabiliter testatur. Et mariscum quod tenent apud Rommenel de archiepiscopo Cantuar. sicut rationabiles cartæ quas inde habent testantur. Et omnes alias terras et tenementa et possessiones suas secundum cartas rationabiles vel chyrographa donatorum vel venditorum vel escambitorum suorum. Quare volumus et firmiter præcipimus quod prædicta abbacia omnia tenementa sua et homines et redditus suos habeat et teneat integrè et liberè, &c. cum sacca et socca, &c. Testibus Hugone Dunelmensi, G. Winton. H. Sarum. R. Bathon. episcopis, &c. Dat. per manum W. de Longocampo Elyen. Cancellarii nostri, septimo die Decembris anno primo regni nostri.

NUM. III.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONASTIUM DE BOXLEY.

The certificat of John Abbott of the monastie of our Blissid Lady the Virgyn of Boxley, in the countie of Kent, made unto the comysioners of our soveign lord the kyng, of the true yerly valewe of all the mañs, londs, teñts,

rents, revercions, and services, as of all other pfitts whatsoever be in any mañ wyse belongyng to the seid monastie certified in the moneth of May in the xxvijth yere of the reigne of our soveign lord kyng Henry the viijth.

First the tenement and farme w^t the londs therunto belongyng called Newenham court in the pisshe of Boxley in the countie of Kent in the dios' of Cauntbury by yere

10*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Iñ c^{ten} londs and teñts w^t th'apptenñcs in the tenure of dyvs psons at Wevying and Sandlyng in the seid pishe and dios' by yere

9*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.*

Iñ a fullyng called Poll Mill w^t th'apptenñcs in Boxley foreseid and in the seid dios'

3*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Iñ 2 corne mills with th'apptenñcs called Sandlyng Mill and the Ovlott Mill in the seid pishe and dios' by yere

4*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

Iñ c^{ten} londs and teñts with th'apptenñcs in Birchying and Tyland Bourley and Boxley strete in the seid pishe and dios' by yere

14*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.*

Iñ c^{teyn} tenements and londs with th'apptenñcs at the sygne of the Bull and the Lyon with other in the tenure of dyvs psons at the abbey gate in the seid pisshe and dios'

6*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Iñ c^{teyn} londs with th'apptenñcs in the tenure and occupa^{con} of Graunt of the seid pisshe and dios' by yere

10*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Iñ c^{teyn} londs w^t th'apptenñcs in the occupa^{con} of William Webbe in the seid pisshe and dios' by yere

2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Iñ a tenement and c^{teyn} londs therunto belonging w^t th'apptenñcs called the uppergraunge in the seid pisshe and dios' by yere

20*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Iñ a tenement and c^{teyn} londs therunto belongyng in Dunne strete in the seid pisshe and dios' by yere

3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Iñ a teñt and c^{teyn} londs w^t th'apptenñcs in Boxley foreseid Lydgyng and the pisshe of Gillynham in the seid dios' by yere

6*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Iñ the man' of Hoo w^t th'apptenñcs and c^{teyn} yerly quyit rent to y^e seid man' belongyng in the seid pisshe of Hoo in the dios' of Rochester by yere

21*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Iñ c^{teyn} m^{ishe} londs called the Abbot M'she in the pisshe of All Seynts otherwyse called All Halowes in the dios' of Rochester pan'

0*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Iñ a cotag and c^{teyn} m^{ishe} ground with th'apptenñcs in the pisshe of Halstoo in the dios' of Rochester by yere

1*l.* 13*s.* 0*d.*

Iñ a pcell of salt m^{ishe} in Hoo in the dios' of Rochester by yere

0*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

Iñ 2 tenements and c^{teyn} londs w^t th'apptenñcs in Raynham in the dios' of Cauntbury by yere

4*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Iñ c^{teyn} londs in the pisshe of Iwade besids the Ile of Shepey in the dios' of Cauntbury

2*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Iñ a psonage and vicarage with c^{teyn} glebe londs with th'apptenñcs therunto belongyng and c^{teyn} londs called Sumptyngs in the tenure of Sr Thomas Cheyny knyght within the seid Ile of Shepey in the pisshe of Estchurche in the countie of Kent in the dios' of Cauntbury

20 m^{rks}

Iñ the mañ of Ham and c^{teyn} londs w^t the quyit rent unto y^e seid mañ belongyng in the pisshe of Upchurche in the dios' of Cauntbury

5*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Iñ londs and tenements with th'apptenñcs sett and beyng in the towne of Sandwiche and Willesbergh besids Sandwiche in the seid dios' by yere

3*l.* 18*s.* 0*d.*

^a Hasted, ut supr.

It the mañ of Chyngley w^t th'apptenñcs in the pisshe of Goutherst in the seid dios' by yere . 5*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
It a barne and cteyn londs w^t th'apptenñcs in the pisshes of Marden and Stapleherst called Monketon in the seid dios' by yere . 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
It cteyn londs w^t th'apptenñcs in the pisshe of Maideston in the seid dios' by yere . 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
It cteyn londs with th'apptenñcs in the pisshe of Eylesford in the occupaçon of dyvs psons in the dios' of Rochester by yere . 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*
It cteyn londs with th'apptenñcs in the pisshe of Ditton in the dios' of Rochester by yere . 0*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
It cteyn londs with th'apptenñcs in Eastmallyng in the dios' of Cauntbury by yere . 0*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*
It 2 tenements w^t th'apptenñcs in the pisshes of Seynt Mary Axe and Seynt Michell in Cornehill within the cite of London in the dios' of London p an' . 0*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*
It the mañ of Friern with th'apptenñcs and the quyet rent to the same belongyng in the pisshe of Chesynton in the countie of Surr' in the dios' of Wynchester by yere . 6*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
It the psonage of Stoke and cteyn glebe londs with th'apptenñcs therunto belongyng in the pisshe of Stoke in the countie of Kent in the dios' of Rochester by yere . 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
It all the londs and tenements with th'apptenñcs belongyng to the seid monastie beyng in Rūney Mšhe the pisshes of Boxley and Eylesford in the countie of Kent or els where in tenure of and occupaçon of the seid abbott and convent in the dios' of Cauntbury by yere . 27*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*
It the pffitt of the wodds in all placs belongyng to the seid monastie by yere . 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

The yerely pffitt of all quyet rents haretts pffitt of courts and other custumes and s'vices in all placs belongyng to the seid monastie as herafter folowith.

In pñmis the quyet rent and pffitt of the court of Boxley in the dios' of Cauntbury by yere . 11*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
It the pffitt of the court and the quyet rent of the mañ of Chyngley, in the pisshe of Gontherst in the dios' of Cauntbury by yere . 2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
It the pffitt of the court and quyet of the mañs of Halstoo Upcherche Teston in the pisshes of Halstoo Upcherche and Teston in the seid dios' by yere . 1*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*
It a cteyn rent charge of 25 q^arters of barley yerly goyng out of cteyn londs suñe tyme Robert Vyenter at Weýyng in Boxley foreseid in the seid dios' 25 q^rtia ordeí

The yerly pffitt of all oblaçons of the seid monastie.

It in oblaçons by the yere . 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*
Sm^a to^{lis} . 218*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.*

The deducçons of all suche fees, pensions, rents, resoluts, almes, and other yerly and ppetuall chargs whiche the seid abbott and covent asketh to be alowed and dischargid out of the suñe to fore written as hereafter apperith.

In pñmis to the minister and the house of Motynden in the countie of Kent a ppetuall rent charge yerly goyng out of the foreseid londs and teñts in Sandwicke and Willesbergh . 2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
It cteyn yerly rent to the Castell of Dovour out of the seid londs in Rūney Mšhe p an' . 0*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.*
It one yerly pension out of the seid man' of Chyngley to the pⁱor and covent of Leds in Kent . 1*l.* 7*s.* 1*d.*
It in quyet rent by yere to the Lord Grey out of the seid londs in Eylesford . 0*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*
It in rents resoluts out of the seid londs in Maideston to th'archbishop of Cauntbury . 1*l.* 7*s.* 1*d.*
It in quyet rent by the yere out of the foreseid londs in Lydgyng to the pⁱor and covent of Rochester . 0*l.* 5*s.* 9*d.*
It in quyet rent and sute of court out of the seid londs

in Reynham to our soveign lord the kyng to his hundrid of Middelton besids Sythyngbon' by yere . 0*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.*
It a ppetuall almez gyven and bequethed by S^r Thomas Bouchier knyght, disceasid, to cten pore people yerly out of the seid londs in Boxley and Lidgyng by yere . 0*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
It in lotts and scotts to Rūney Mšhe for londs of the seid monastie lieng in the seid mšhe yerly . 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
It in the fee of the high stuard of the seid monastie by yere . 2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
It the fee of the audytour of the seid monastie by yere . 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*
It the fee of the receiver of the seid monastie by yere . 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
It in pxes yerly out of the seid psonage of East churge to the archediaçon of Cauntbury . 0*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.*
It one yerly pension payd to the seid archediaçon out of the seid monastie . 0*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
It in pxies yerly out of the seid psonage of Stoke payd to the archidiacon of Rochester . 0*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.*
Sm^a . 74*l.* 14*s.* 11*d.*
Sic reman' clare . 204*l.* 14*s.* 11*d.*
25 q^ats berley.
Decima ps inde . 20*l.* 8*s.* 5*½d.*
P me JOH'E' ABBATE', monastij de Boxleya.

NUM. IV.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll 34 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE BOXLEY.

Com' Kanc'	£.	s.	d.
Boxley—Reddit' foren'	52	7	10 q.
Boxley et al'—Decima annual'			
Dno regi reservat' de certis terris per ipsum alienat' viz	15	10	10 ob.
Maydstone—Reddit' assis' divers' lib' tenentium	1	3	11
Maydstone—Firma terr' dimiss' per indenturam sub sigillo comuni	3	16	8
Chyngley in le Wylde—Reddit' assis' divers' tenentium	1	19	8
Chyngley—Firma maner' et al'	5	14	4
Staplehurst—Reddit' assis' divers' liber' tenentium	3	15	5 q.
Staplehurst et Merdon—Reddit' pro terris	1	7	4
Rayneham—Firma terrarum et tenementorum	4	0	0
Wodnesborowe et Sandwich—Terr' marisc' et al'	3	0	0
Dover—Reddit' unius tenementi	0	5	0
Paroch' Omnium Sanctorum in Hoo—Reddit' terr' marisc'	0	6	8
Rectoria cum Vicar' de Eastchurche in Insula de Shepey—Firma rector'	13	6	8
Stoke—Firma rector'	6	7	6
Romney et Brokeland—Reddit' terr' &c.	2	15	6 ob.
Romney et Brokeland—Perquis' cur'	0	2	10
Com' Surr'			
Freren in parochia de Chesyngdon—Firma maner'	6	0	0
Civit' London'—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem	0	13	4

Cistercian Nunnery of Sinningthwaite, in Yorkshire.



SINNINGTHWAITE Priory, in the deanry of the Ainsty and archdeaconry of the West Riding of Yorkshire, was founded about the year 1160 by Bertram Haget, and dedicated to the blessed Virgin. Haget, it appears, gave the place where the monastery was erected, which was confirmed by Roger de Mowbray, his lord,^a and by Godfrey de Ludham, archbishop of York, who

took the nuns under his protection, denouncing a malediction against those who should injure them, and a blessing to their benefactors.^b

Pope Alexander the Third, in the fourteenth year of his pontificate, A.D. 1172, granted to Christiana, then prioress, and to the convent, a confirmation of their then possessions, with what might afterwards be given to them; and enjoined that none of the brethren or sisters, once professed, should depart without licence, exempting them, as usual, from paying tithe for what they occupied or tilled at their own costs;^c which Pope Lucius the Third, on the 3d kal. Dec. in the 4th year of his pontificate, A.D. 1185, confirmed to Agnes prioress of Sinningthwaite, prohibiting any one from committing theft within their cloisters or granges.^d This Pope Gregory the Eighth likewise confirmed.^e

King Henry II. confirmed the founder's donation, forbidding all persons from doing injury to the convent.^f

The nuns of Sinningthwaite had lands, rents, and other possessions in Adwaldeby,^g Bedale,^h Berwic upon Teyse,ⁱ Bilton,^k Boroughbridge,^l Elnewic,^m Esholt,ⁿ Farnham,^o Ferry,^p Helagh,^q Hoton,^r Lofthouse,^s Mensington now Menston,^t Sinningthwaite,^u Tockwith,^x Torp,^y Useburne,^z Winthouthait or Winnolfuethait,^a Wittington,^b Wombwell,^c and York.^d

They had the advowson also of the church of Bilton given to them by Gundreda the daughter of Bertram Haget.^e

PRIORESSES of SINNINGTHWAITE.

CHRISTIANA occurs prioress in 1172.^f

AGNES in 1185.^g

EUPHEMIA occurs in 1219.^h

ISABELLA in 1276.ⁱ

MARGARET prioress of Sinningthwaite, from age and infirmity, resigned her office 3 kal. Feb. 1312.^k

ELIZABETH LE WALEYS resigned the office of prioress in 1320.^l

SIBILLA DE RIPON was confirmed 4 id. Jun. 1323.^m

MARGARET HEWYK. Upon whose death,

AGNES SHEFFIELD was confirmed prioress April 13th, 1428.ⁿ

.... ETON was prioress Aug. 22, 1444.^o Burton says that another prioress,

ALIVA, occurs in 1444.^p

MARGARET BANKE is the next prioress upon record. Upon her death,

ALICIA ETON was confirmed May 24th, 1482.^q Upon her death,

ELIZABETH SQUIER was made prioress, the commission for whose confirmation bore date May 29th, 1489.^r

ANNE GOLDESBURGH was confirmed May 6th, 1529.^s Upon whose resignation,

KATHERINE FOSTERE was confirmed prioress Jan. 14th, 1534. She was the last prioress.^t

At the time of its dissolution, the revenues of this priory, in the gross, were valued at 62*l.* 6*s.*; the clear income at 60*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.*^u

The site was granted in the 30th of Henry the Eighth to Robert Tempest, gentleman.^x

Tanner's references to records relating to this monastery will be found in the note below.^y

No mention is made of the possessions of this nunnery in the Ecclesiastical Taxation of Pope Nicholas the Fourth, Rot. Hundred. vol. i. p. 105.

No impression of the COMMON SEAL has yet been discovered.

Sinningthwaite is in the parish of Bilton, four miles from Wetherby.

^a See the Appendix, Num. I.

^b Ibid. Num. II.

^c See Num. VII.

^d Num. VIII.

^e Num. IX.

^f Num. XIII. Burton says, "As the nuns hereof were of the Cistercian Order, they thought themselves to be exempt from any visitation of the diocesan, or his commissary, or any other deputed for that purpose: for we find in A.D. 1176, 4 Edw. I. that they appealed to Pope John XXI. against Walter Gifford, archbishop of York, who died A.D. 1179; but the event seems not to have been in favour of the nuns, because I have met with an original deed, dated kal. (1st) of Nov. A.D. 1282, 10 Edward I. wherein William Wickwane, Walter's successor, in the fourth year of his pontificate, mentions the visitation of Walter, his predecessor, and that of his own, laying down very strict rules to be observed by these nuns." p. 325. See the Appeal, in the Appendix to the present Account, Num. V.

^g Burton, Monast. Ebor. p. 325.

^h Ibid.

ⁱ See the Append. Num. IV.

^k Numm. I. III. See also Burton, p. 326.

^l Burton, ut supr.

^m Num. I.

ⁿ See the Instrument, Num. VI. in the Appendix, formerly placed by Dugdale under Esholt.

^o Burton, p. 326.

^p Ibid.

^q Ibid.

^r Ibid.

^s See the Append. Num. IV.

^t Burton, ut supr.

^u Numm. I. II.

^x Burton, ut supr.

^y App. Num. I.

^z Burton, ut supr.

^a Ibid.

^b App. Num. I.

^c Ibid.

^d Burton, ut supr.

^e See the Append. Num. III. On the 26th of March, 1293, 21 Edw. I. the prioress and convent submitted this church of Bilton, with all their right in the same, to the ordination and disposition of Thomas Romaine, archbishop of York, who in the 28th Edw. I. founded a new

prebend in the cathedral of York, to which this church was annexed. Burton, pp. 325, 326.

^f See the Append. Num. VII.

^g Num. VIII.

^h Burton, p. 327.

ⁱ Ibid.

^k Reg. Ebor. post mort. Corbridge.

^l Reg. Melton, Ebor.

^m Ibid.

ⁿ Reg. Kempe, Ebor.

^o Reg. Kempe. Compare MS. Harl. 6972, p. 26.

^p Monast. Ebor. p. 327. He also quoted Reg. Kempe.

^q Reg. Ebor. Rotherham.

^r Ibid.

^s Reg. Wolsey.

^t See the Append. Num. XIV.

^u See the Valor in the Appendix. In 1553 here remained in charge, paid out of the revenues of this priory, 2*l.* 10*s.* in annuities and corrodies.

^x Tanner, Notit. Monast. Burton says, "to Sir Thomas Tempest, Knt. to be held *de Rege in capite*, by military service." He quotes Escaet. 30 Hen. VIII. p. 6, from the MS. book entitled Tenures in Yorkshire penes Will. Constable armig. p. 117.

^y "*Vide* inter collect. v. cl. Rog. Dodsworth, in bibl. Bodl. habentur apographa cartarum, circiter triginta, ad hunc prioratum spectantium hactenus ineditarum, scil. in vol. viii. foll. 60, 62, 63, 96, 97, 100, 104, 105, 106, 115, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144; vol. lx. fol. 330; vol. xciv. fol. 114.

"In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 6111, fol. 135, grant of lands by Henry son of Simon de Monte-alto.

"Fin. Ebor. 3 Hen. III. lig. B. n. 46, pro ij. carucat. terræ in Lofthouse. Cart. 38 vel 39 Hen. III. m. 2. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 52 Hen. III. n. 56, de commun. pastur. in Bilton.

"Pat. 4 vel 24 Edw. I. m. 4.

"Pat. 43 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 36 vel 37, pro xx. marc. reddit. ex-euntibus de tenementis in Tockwith, Merston Parva, Clathall, Torparch, et Walton."

Cartae ad Sinningwaitensem Abbatiam in agro Eboracensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Rogeri de Mubrai de Confirmatione Fundationis Monasterii de Sinningthwaith.

[Ex Autographo in turri beatæ Mariæ Ebor.]

ROGERUS de Mubrai omnibus filiis sanctæ ecclesiæ præsentibus et futuris salutem. Sciatis me concessisse, et præsentī carta confirmasse, donationem in bosco, et plano, et omnibus aisiamentis, quam Bertram Haget, homo meus, dedit sanctimonialibus de Sinningthwaith et insuper concedo et confirmo illam terram, cum omnibus aisiamentis, et pertinentiis quam Galfridus Haget filius prædicti Bertrami, eis dedit, quando sororem suam receperunt; scilicet, dimidiam carucatam in Biletun, et unam carucatam, et dimidiam in Torp, carucatam in Witintun, et dimidiam in Elnewic. Si prædictus Galfridus aliquid super-addere voluerit, concedo quod imperpetuum ratum habeatur. Hanc confirmationem feci eis in perpetuam elemosinam, solutam, quietam, et liberam de omnibus servitiis, et consuetudinibus ad terram pertinentibus de me, et omnibus hæredibus meis imperpetuum. Testibus, Roberto capellano, Roberto de Daivile, Radulpho de Bewair, Hereberto filio Richardi, Radulpho de Novile, Roberto de Beufcamp, Hugone de Flamvilla.

NUM. II.

Carta Galfridi Archiepiscopi Eborum.

[Ibid.]

GALFRIDUS Dei gratia Eboracensis archiepiscopus, et Angliæ primas dilectis in Christo filiabus, monialibus de Saningwhete salutem. Paci et quieti domorum religiosarum providere, episcopale officium nos admonet; inde est quod nos locum vestrum jam dictum, in quo divinis officiis mancipati estis, cum omnibus ad eundem locum de jure pertinentibus, et quicquid, intuitu religionis, a Bertramo Haget, vobis collatum est, sub beati Petri, et nostra protectione suscipimus; prohibentes, ne quis super hiis de cætero, vos vexare aut perturbare præsumat. Si quis vero, hanc paginam nostram, sciens, ausu temerario, hoc attemptaverit, indignationem beati Petri se incursum, et a corpore Dei ac sanguine alienum fieri noverit. Quietī vero vestræ providentes, et vos a malignantium incursu defendentes, benedictionem Dei omnipotentis habeant. Hiis testibus, Petro archidiacono Lincolnæ, Henrico decano de Ari, Allano capellano domini archiepiscopi, Willielmo de Gilling, Nicholao Murdac, H. de Pinkeni, R. de Wiget, Henrico, magistro Johanne de Eboraco, magistro Honorio, magistro Richardo.

NUM. III.

Carta Gundredæ Haget de Advocatione Ecclesiæ de Bileton.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT omnes præsentēs et futuri, quod ego Gundreda Hageth, in ligia potestate mea, pro amore Dei, et salute animæ meæ, hæredum et antecessorum meorum, dedi, concessi, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmavi Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, et monialibus de Sinningthwaite, advocationem ecclesiæ de Bileton, quæ pertinet ad me, de hæreditate Bertrami Haget, patris mei, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, in bosco et plano, in pratis et pasturis, infra villam et extra, et in omnibus locis sine aliquo retenemento, liberam, quietam et solutam, de me et hæredibus meis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Et ego et hæredes mei hanc prædictam elemosinam præfatis monialibus warrantizabimus et defendemus ubique et erga omnes homines. T. Helia abbate de Kirkstall, Willielmo de Lethlei, Roberto et Hugone filiis ejus, Simone de Montealto, Roberto fratre ejus, Willielmo Gramare, Roberto de Widelstorp, Johanne fratre ejus, Widone de Bileton.

NUM. IV.

Carta Ranulfi filii Henrici et Aliciæ uxoris ejus, filiæ et hæredis Adæ de Stavelay, de duabus carucatis Terræ in Lofthus.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris Ranulfus filius Henrici, et Alicia uxor ejus salutem. Sciatis nos dedisse et præsentī carta nostra confirmasse Deo, et monialibus sanctæ Mariæ de Synningthwaite duas carucatas terræ, et dimidiam in Lofthows; scilicet duodecim bovatas terræ quas isti tenuerunt; duas videlicet bovatas quas Robertus filius Willielmi tenuit, et duas bovatas quas Bernardus filius Ivonis tenuit, et duas bovatas quas Adam filius Gaufridi tenuit, et unam bovatom quam Thomas filius Willielmi tenuit. Et duas bovatas quas Thomas le Rus tenuit. Et unam bovatom quam Walterus filius Ivonis tenuit. Et duas bovatas quæ fuerunt de terra Wlmari. Et pro una carucata terræ, sexaginta et sex acras in Lofthus, de dominico nostro, ad perticatam decem et octo pedum et dimidium; scilicet in cultura quæ vocatur Loftschoghe et in alia cultura quæ vocatur Gibhetteslath; et si, in prædictis culturis, aliquid de prædictis sexaginta et sex acris defuerit, perficiemus eis in tertia cultura quæ vocatur Aspelund. Hæc omnia dedimus prædictis monialibus in puram et perpetuam elemosinam solutam liberam et quietam ab omnimodis servitiis consuetudinibus et demandis et ab omni re ad terram pertinente cum toftis et croftis, pratis et pasturis, et cum omnimodis aliis pertinentiis, libertatibus et aisiamentis suis infra villam et extra, in excambium pro novem bovatis terræ in Berewyk super Theseiam quas Alicia quondam uxor Adæ de Stavelay dedit eis in elemosinam, simul cum corpore suo. Et nos et hæredes nostri omnia prænominata prædictis monialibus warrantizabimus, acquietabimus, et defendemus contra omnes imperpetuum ita quod ipsi facient de his omnibus quicquid voluerint, sicut de propria et perpetua possessione sua. Si autem præfatas duas carucatas terræ et dimidiam cum pertinentiis in Lofthows warrantizare non poterimus, dictæ moniales sine difficultate, impedimento, vel contradictione aliqua prænominatas novem bovatas terræ cum pertinentiis in Berewyk recuperabunt pacificè, et possidebunt. Hiis testibus, Richardo de Marisco episcopo Dunelmensi, Martino de Patteshull, Willielmo filio Richardi, Rogero Huscarle, Jordano de sancta Maria, Willielmo de Thometon, Briano filio Alani, Philippo filio Johannis, Roberto Hageth, Adamo de Hereford, Henrico filio Conani, Richardo de Winelestorp.

NUM. V.

Appellatio Monialium de Synningthwait contra Archiepiscopum Eboracensem eo quod ipse Conventum earum visitare præsumpsit, in Violationem Privilegiorum Ordini Cisterciensi a Sede Apostolica indultorum.

[Penes Walterum Calverley de Calverley, in com. Ebor. Baronettum.]

IN Dei nomine, Amen. Notum sit omnibus præsens instrumentum publicum visuris vel audituris, quod anno Domini millesimo ducentesimo septuagesimo sexto pontificatus domini Johannis papæ, anno ejus primo, mense Novembris, die decimo octavo, hac die in præsentia mei Petri dicti de sancto Marco publico notarii et testium subscriptorum ad hoc specialiter vocatorum et rogatorum religiosæ mulieres, soror Isabella, soror Margeria, soror Ingreta, moniales monasterii de Synningthwait ordinis Cisterciensis Eboracensis diœcesis, insinuarunt, proposuerunt, appellaverunt, et appellationem innovarunt, sub forma subscripta. Insinuamus, proponimus, et notum facimus publice vobis universis et singulis in hac cathedrali ecclesia sancti Pauli London. congregatis et præsentibus, quos omnes in testes hujus facti nostri coram clero et populo invocamus. Nos soror Isabella, soror Margeria dicta Graymore, et soror Ingreta de Walkingham, moniales monasterii de Sinningthwait ordinis Cisterciensis Eboracensis diœcesis, quod licet a longissimis retro-

actis temporibus, quorum non extat memoria, abbatibus, prioribus, priorissis, conventibus, ac fratribus et sororibus universis, tam minoribus quam majoribus ordinis Cisterciensis prædicti, qualiter ubique terrarum et locorum per sanctam sedem apostolicam specialiter sit indultum, quod a nullo diocesano archiepiscopo, episcopo, vel aliquo alio ecclesiastico prælato possit aliqua persona ejusdem ordinis quoquomodo visitari vel corrigi, vel in aliquam procuracionem præstandam compelli seu ad iudicium trahi invita. Et quod si aliqua sententia suspensionis, excommunicationis, vel interdicti, in ipsorum aliqua vel aliquam occasionem prædictorum forsitan prolata fuerit nec valeat nec teneat, nec aliquod robur habeat firmitatis quamvisque a tanto tempore priorissæ dictæ domus de Synningthwait ordinis Cisterciensis prædicti, quæ pro tempore fuerunt per dominum abbatem de Fontibus ejusdem ordinis, confirmari, secundum ipsius ordinis instituta, consueverunt hactenus et precise, nullo loci diocesano se opponente, vel alio quocunque nomine ordinari cujuscumque fuerint quæ usque ad hæc tempora tam dictus abbas de Fontibus quam priorissa et conventus ejusdem domus de Synningthwait, in cujus status et libertatis possessione a longissimis temporibus retroactis quorum non extat memoria, quantum ad omnia prædicta quæ præcipue in partibus illis publica sunt et notoria, dominus tamen archiepiscopus, Eboracensis loci diocesanus, qui nunc præest, per officialem suum et quosdam alios in dicta domo nostra de Synningthwait visitationis officium multipliciter verbo et facto visus est exercere, invitis nobis priorissa et multis aliis de conventu ejusdem domus reclamantibus, qui in præjudicium et gravamen nostrum et ecclesiæ nostræ et status nostri et religionis nostræ subversionem, necnon privilegiorum ordinis nostri prædicti a sede apostolica indultorum præmissa præsumpsit attentare, nos statum et possessionem libertatis nostræ prædictæ, contraque justiciam spoliando, et nobis alias gravis et injuriosus multipliciter existens, propter quod ex parte nostra et quarundam aliarum monialium nostrarum nobis in hoc facto adherentium, pro statu et libertate nostra et dictæ domus nostræ, et ordinis Cisterciensis prædicti, fuit ab initio statuti contra comminationes et usurpaciones hujus a sede apostolica, a dicto domino archiepiscopo et officiali suo et alias publice legitime in scriptis appellat. et provocat. et nihilominus ab ispa usurpacione facta et gravamine toto. Cumque idem dominus archiepiscopus seu officarius suus, post hujus appellationem a nobis ad sedem apostolicam legitime interjectam, et post iter arreptum ad dictam appellationem prosecuendam, sentencias suspencionis et excommunicationis, sicut reservientibus quibusdam, dicitur in nos et quasdam consorores nostras in hoc facto nobis adherentes occasione prædicta, scienter et prudenter contra justiciam divulgabit ac inaniter et absurde gravamina gravaminibus ac injurias injuriis accumulando sententiam amonicionis et deposicionis in nos Isabellam priorissam, Margeriam, et Ingretam, moniales prædictas, et quasdam alias consorores nostras, non vocatas, non monitas, non convictas, non confessas, nec per contumaciam absentes, nullo servato juris ordine, absque omni causæ cognitione, et sine causa rationabili, et jam post appellationem a nobis ut prædictum est interpositam, scienter et prudenter injuste proferre. Ac insuper quandam aliam monialem dictæ domus nostræ per quasdam alias consorores nostras ejusdem domus ordinis Cisterciensis prædicti et libertatum suarum inimicas et se nobis in hoc casu opposcentes de postmodum electam injuste præsumpsit, et cum de jure non possit confirmare, nos statu et possessione libertatis nostræ prædictæ et post appellationem nostram prædictam, scienter et prudenter spoliando contra justiciam. Propter quod nos Isabella prædicta priorissa et aliæ comuniales nostræ, nobis in hoc casu pro statu et libertate nostra et domus nostræ adherentes appellationi nostræ prius ab officio prædicto, et alias publice pro statu nostro et ecclesiæ nostræ libertatibus ac ordinis Cisterciensis prædicti ad sedem apostolicam interpositæ firmiter inhærentes, et ab eisdem appellationibus sive provocacionibus nullo modo recedentes, sed eandem seu easdem adhuc coram vobis clero et populo inovantes, et ex eisdem causis ex habundanti consimiliter adhuc appellantes. Item at nunc ex habundanti ab omni prædicta sententia suspensionis, excommunicationis, interdicti, amonicionis, seu deposicionis, necnon ab electione et confirmacione prædictis, atque ab omni facto et gravamine ejusdem archiepiscopi officarii seu commissarii sui cujuscunque dominum papam in hiis scriptis coram vobis omnibus

publice appellamus, domum nostram prædictam, conventum nostrum totum, et præcipue personas nostras, et consororum nostrarum, et causam nostram totam protectioni sedis apostolicæ totaliter et confidenter supponentes. Ad hæc sicut prius quam cito pervenit ad nostram noticiam quod dominus archiepiscopus novum sigillum nomine priorissæ intrusæ et conventus totius fecisset fabricari veteri sigillo uti prohibendo, ac quasdam consorores nostras moniales domus prædictæ carcerali custodiæ mancipari, et ipsas carcerali custodiæ mancipatas detineri faciendo ac nobismetipsis appellantibus capcionem, incarcerationem, et detencionem post omnes appellationes prædictas et iter arreptum contra justiciam comminando, et varias insidias ad hoc nobis ponendo ob gravamina prædicta et eorum quodlibet, necnon et nequit de cætero in nostrum præjudicium seu status nostri immutationem per dictum archiepiscopum vel alium attemptetur, ad dictam sedem apostolicam prius legitime appellamus ita et modo iterum in hiis scriptis solempniter et consimiliter appellamus, eandem appellationem coram vobis dominis quorum interest testimonium invocamus invocantes ad hæc eandem sedem apostolicam ex causis prædictis et earum qualibet in hiis scriptis nomine nostro et consororum nostrarum prædictarum sic detemptarum, et aliarum commonialium nostrarum, nobis in hoc casu pro statu nostro et ecclesiæ nostræ libertatibus ac ordinis Cisterciensis prædicti adhærentium, solempniter et publice appellamus personas nostras mobilia et immobilia ac se moventia ad nos et dictam domum nostram qualitercunque pertinentia cum juribus, libertatibus, et pertinentiis protectioni sedis apostolicæ supponentes. Actum London. in ecclesia sancti Pauli London. præsentibus hiis testibus, Willielmo Bigod clerico, Hugone et Roberto de Derby, Roberto de Dolida, Rogero de Redenhall, Bartholomeo de Habbugg, Johanne de Lcycestria, Nicholao de Wynton, Andrea de Raucia, clericis, et pluribus aliis, et est sciendum quod hoc iumentum est duplicatum.

Et ego Petrus dictus de sancto Marco de ferent auctoritate sanctæ Romanæ ecclesiæ publicus notarius, huic appellationi interfui rogatus, scripsi in publicam formam, redegi, et signum posui.

Examinatur et concordat cum originali remanente inter evidencias domini regis apud turrem sive pallatium sanctæ Mariæ, extra muros civitatis Eborum; per me Henricum Sandwish, custodem ibidem evidenciarum.

Et hoc transcriptum ad litteram concordat cum exemplari supradicto.

NUM. VI.

Bulla Alexandri Papæ tertii de Confirmatione locorum de Synningthwait et Esholt in Com. Ebor.

[Ex autographo penes Johannem Stanhope de Horsford ar.]

ALEXANDER episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis in Christo filiabus Christianæ priorissæ monasterii ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Synningthwayte ejusdem sororibus tam præsentibus quam futuris regularem vitam professis imperpetuum. Quotiens illud à nobis petitur quod religioni et honestati convenire dinoscitur animo nos decet libenti concedere, et petentium desideriis congruum suffragium impertiri; eapropter dilectæ in Christo filiæ vestris justis postulationibus clementer annuimus et præfatum monasterium beatæ Dei genitricis semper Virginis Mariæ in quo divino estis obsequio mancipatæ, sub beati Petri et nostra protectione suscepimus et præsentis scripti privilegio communimus. Imprimis siquidem statuantes ut ordo monasticus qui secundum Deum beati Benedicti regulam et institutionem Cisterciensium fratrum in eodem monasterio institutus esse dinoscitur perpetuis ibidem temporibus inviolabiliter observetur. Præterea quascunque possessiones quæcunque bona idem monasterium in præsentiarum justè et canonicè possideat aut in futurum concessione pontificum, largitione regum vel principum, oblatione fidelium seu aliis justis modis præstante Domino poterit adipisci firma vobis vestrisque succedentibus et illibata permaneant, in quibus hæc propriis duximus exprimenda vocabulis. Locum ipsum in quo præfatum monasterium situm est cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ex dono Galfridi filii Bertranni Haget. Duas carucas terræ, ex dono Simonis Ward et Matildæ uxoris suæ et Willielmi filii ejus. Locum qui dicitur Esholt cum suis pertinentiis in bosco et plano et in terra arrata et aqua, libera et ab-

soluta ab omni exactione sicut in eorum auctentico scripto exinde facto continetur. Paci quoque et tranquillitati vestrae paterna sollicitudine providere volentes auctoritate apostolica prohibemus ut infra clausuras locorum seu grangiarum vestrarum nullus violentiam vel rapinam sive furtum committere, ignem apponere, seu hominem capere vel interficere audeat. Liceat quoque vobis clericos vel laicos è seculo fugientes liberos et absolutos ad conversionem vestram recipere et in vestro monasterio absque contradictione alicujus retinere. Prohibemus insuper, &c. Dat. Tusculani per manum Graciani Romanæ ecclesiæ subdiaconi notarii, decimo quinto die kalend. Januar. indictione sexta, incarnationis Domini anno millesimo centesimo septuagesimo secundo, Pont. verò domini Alexandri Papæ tertii anno xiii.

Examin. et concordat. cum origin. remanen. inter eviden. domini regis apud turrem sive palac. sanctæ Mariæ extra murum civitatis Ebor. per Henricum Sandwish, custod. evid. ibid.

NUM. VII.

Privilegia ab Alexandro Papa concessa Monialibus de Synningthwait.

[Ibid.]

Alexander Papa tertius.

ALEXANDER episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis in Christo filiabus, Christianæ priorissæ monasterii ecclesiæ S. Mariæ de Synningthwait, ejusdem sororibus tam præsentibus quam futuris regularem vitam professis in perpetuum. Quotiens illud a nobis petitur quod religioni et honestati convenire dinoscitur, animo nos decet libenti concedere et petentium desideriis congruum suffragium impertiri. Ea propter dilectæ in Christo filiæ, vestris justis postulationibus annuimus, et præfatum monasterium beatæ Dei genetricis semper Virginis Mariæ, in quo divino estis obsequio mancipatæ, sub beati Petri et nostra protectione suscepimus, et præsentis scripti privilegio communimus; imprimis siquidem statuentes ut ordo monasticus qui secundum Deum et beati Benedicti regulam et institutionem Cisterciensium fratrum in eodem monasterio institutus esse dinoscitur, perpetuis ibidem temporibus inviolabiliter observetur. Præterea quascunque possessiones, quæcunque bona idem monasterium in præsentiarum juste et canonice possidet, aut in futurum, concessione pontificum, largitione regum vel principum, oblatione fidelium, seu aliis justis modis, præstante Domino, poterit adipisci, firma vobis vestrisque succedentibus et illibata permaneant. In quibus hæc propriis duximus exprimenda vocabulis, locum ipsum in quo præfatum monasterium situm est cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Galfridi filii Bertrami Haget duas carucatas terræ ex dono Simonis Ward, et Matildis uxoris suæ, et Willielmi filii ejus, locus qui dicitur Essolth, cum suis pertinentiis, in bosco et plano, et in terra arrata et aqua, libera et absoluta ab omni exactione, sicut in eorum authentico scripto exinde facto continetur. Paci quoque et tranquillitati vestrae paterna sollicitudine providere volentes, auctoritate apostolica prohibemus ut infra clausuras locorum seu grangiarum vestrarum nullus violentiam vel rapinam sive furtum committere, ignem apponere, seu hominem capere vel interficere audeat. Liceat quoque vobis clericos vel laicos a sæculo fugientes liberos et absolutos ad conversionem vestram recipere, et in vestro monasterio absque contradictione alicujus retinere. Prohibemus insuper ut nulli fratrum vel sororum vestrarum, post factam in loco vestro professionem, fas sit de eodem loco absque licentia discedere, discedente vero absque literarum vestrarum cautione nullus audeat retinere. Sane laborum vestrorum quos propriis manibus aut sumptibus colitis, sive de nutrimentis vestrorum animalium, nullus omnino a vobis decimas exigere præsumat. Obeunte vero te nunc ejusdem loci priorissa, vel earum quælibet succedentium, nulla ibi qualibet subreptionis astucia seu violencia præponatur, nisi quam sorores communi consensu vel sororum pars consilii sanioris secundum Deum et beati Benedicti regulam providerint eligendam. Decernimus igitur ut nulli omnino hominum liceat præfatum monasterium vestrum temere perturbare, aut possessiones ejus auferre, vel ablatas retinere, minuere, seu quibuslibet vexationibus fatigare, sed omnia integra conserventur eorum pro quorum gubernacione ac sustentacione concessa sunt, usibus omnimodis profutura, salva

sedis apostolicæ auctoritate et Eboracensis archiepiscopi canonica reverentia. Si qua igitur ecclesiastica secularisve persona hanc nostræ constitutionis paginam sciens contra eam temere venire temptaverit, secundo tertiove commonita nisi reatum suum digna satisfactione correxerit, potestatis honorisque sui dignitate careat, ream et se divino judicio existere de perpetrata iniquitate cognoscat, et a sacratissimo corpore et sanguine Dei et Domini redemptoris nostri Jesu Christi aliena fiat, atque in extremo examine destitutæ ultioni subiaceat; cunctis autem eidem loco sua jura servantibus sit pax Domini nostri Jesu Christi, quatinus et hic fructum bonæ actionis percipiant, et apud districtum judicem præmia æternæ pacis inveniant. Amen. Ego Alexander catholicæ ecclesiæ episcopus. Ego Bernardus Portuensis et sancti Ruffini episcopus. Ego Gualterus Albanensis episcopus. Ego Ardicio diaconus cardinalis sancti Theodori. Ego Cynthius diaconus cardinalis sancti Adriani. Ego Johannes presbiter cardinalis Johannis et Pauli tunc temporis Pamathii. Ego Willielmus presbyter cardinalis tunc temporis sancti Petri ad Vincula. Ego Boso presbyter cardinalis sanctæ Prudentianæ tunc temporis Poscorum. Ego Petrus presbiter cardinalis tunc temporis sancti Laurencii in Damaso. Ego Johannes presbiter cardinalis tunc temporis sancti Marci. Ego Hugo diaconus cardinalis sancti Eustachii juxta templum Agrippæ. Ego Vicellus diaconus cardinalis sanctorum Sergii et Bachi. Ego Petrus diaconus cardinalis sanctæ Mariæ in Aquiro. Datum Tusculani per manum Gratiani sanctæ Romanæ ecclesiæ subdiaconi notarii, xv. kalendas Januarii, indictione vi. incarnationis divinæ anno millesimo septuagesimo secundo, pontificatus vero domini Alexandri Papæ tertii anno xiv^{to}.

Examinatur et concordat cum originali remanente inter evidencias domini regis apud turrem sive pallacium sanctæ Mariæ extra muros civitatis Eborum; per me Henricum Sandwish, custodem evidenciarum ibidem.

NUM. VIII.

Bulla Lucii Papæ Monialibus de Synningthwaite, Privilegia a Prædecessore suo Alexandro tertio concessa confirmans.

[Ibid.]

Lucius Papa tertius.

UNIVERSIS filiis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ hanc paginam inspecturis, dominus P. abbas de Fontibus salutem in Domino. Noveritis nos inspexisse literas Romanorum pontificum Lucii, viz. et Alexandri et Gregorii, serico bullatas, non cancellatas, nec rasas, nec aliqua parte sui viciatas in forma quæ subsequitur: 'Lucius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis in Christo filiabus Agneti priorissæ de Synningthwait, ejusdem sororibus, tam præsentibus quam futuris, regularem vitam professis in perpetuum, prudentibus virginibus, quæ sub habitu religionis accensis lampadibus per opera sanctitatis jugiter se preparant ire obviam sponso, apostolicum debet adesse præsidium, ne forte cujuslibet temeritatis incursus aut eas a proposito revocet, aut robur, quod absit, sacræ religionis infringat; ea propter, dilectæ in Christo filiæ, vestris justis postulationibus clementer annuimus, et præfatum monasterium de Synningthwait, in quo divino estis obsequio mancipatæ, fœlicis recordationis Alexandri papæ prædecessoris nostri vestigiis inhærentes, sub beati Petri et nostra protectione suscipimus, et præsentis scripti privilegio communimus. In primis siquidem statuentes, ut ordo monasticus, qui secundum Deum et beati Benedicti regulam, atque institutionem Cisterciensium fratrum in eodem monasterio noscitur institutus, perpetuis ibidem temporibus inviolabiliter observetur, præterea quascunque possessiones quæcunque bona, idem monasterium in præsentiarum juste et canonice possidet, aut in futurum, concessione pontificum, largitione regum vel principum, oblatione fidelium, seu aliis justis modis, præstante Domino, poterit adipisci, firma vobis vestrisque succedentibus et illibata permaneant. In quibus hæc duximus exprimenda vocabulis, locum ipsum in quo præfatum monasterium situm est cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ex dono Gaufridi filii Bertrami Haget duas carrucatas terræ, ex dono Symonis Ware et Matildis uxoris suæ, et Willielmi filii ejus, locus qui dicitur Essold, cum suis pertinentiis in bosco, et plano, et terra culta et inculta,

et in aqua, libera et absoluta ab omni exactione, sicut in eorum scripto authentico exinde facto continetur. Sane labores vestros, quos propriis manibus vel sumptibus colitis, sive de nutrimentis vestrorum animalium, nullus a vobis decimas extorquere præsumat. Liceat quoque vobis personas liberas et absolutas e seculo fugientes ad conversionem recipere, et eas absque contradictione aliqua retinere. Prohibemus insuper, ut nulli sororum vestrarum fas sit sine priorissæ suæ licentia de eodem loco discedere, discedente vero absque communium literarum cautione nullus audcat retinere. Interdicimus etiam, ut nullus in ecclesiam ipsam interdicti, aut in vos suspensionis vel excommunicationis sententiam, sine manifesta et rationabili causa promulgare præsumat, porro libertates et immunitates rationabiliter monasterio vestro indultas et hactenus observatas ratas habemus; et eas auctoritate apostolica confirmamus. Cum autem generale interdictum terræ fuerit, liceat vobis clausis januis, non pulsatis campanis, exclusis excommunicatis et interdictis, suppressa voce divina officia celebrare. Obcunte vero te nunc ejusdem loci priorissa, vel earum qualibet quæ tibi successerit, nulla ibi qualibet subreptionis astutia seu violentia præponatur, nisi quam sorores communi consensu vel sororum pars consilii sanioris secundum Dei timorem et beati Benedicti regulam perviderint eligendam. Paci quoque et tranquillitati vestræ paterna in posterum sollicitudine providere volentes auctoritate apostolica prohibemus ut nullus infra clausuras domorum vestrarum seu grangiarum violentiam facere, furtum committere, seu hominem capere vel interficere audeat. Decernimus igitur ut nulli omnino hominum liceat præfatum monasterium temere perturbare, aut ejus possessiones auferre, vel ablatas retinere, minuere, seu quibuslibet vexationibus fatigare, sed omnia integra conserventur earum pro quarum gubernatione ac sustentatione sunt usibus omnimodis profutura, salva sedis apostolicæ auctoritate. Si qua igitur in futurum ecclesiastica secularisve persona hanc nostræ constitutionis paginam sciens contra eam temere venire tentaverit, secundo tertiove commonita, nisi reatum suum congrua satisfactione correxerit potestatis honorisque sui careat dignitate, reamque se divino judicio existere de perpetua iniquitate cognoscat, et a sanctissimo corpore et sanguine Dei et Domini Redemptoris nostri Jesu Christi aliena fiat, atque in extremo examine districtæ ultioni subjaceat, cunctis autem eidem loco sua jura servantibus sit pax Domini nostri Jesu Christi, quatenus et hic fructum bonæ actionis percipiant, et apud districtum judicem præmia æternæ pacis inveniant. Amen. In cujus rei testimonium sigilla nostra apposuimus. Ego Johannes presbiter cardinalis tunc temporis sancti Marci. Ego Laboratus presbiter cardinalis sancti Marci trans Tiberim tunc temporis Calixti. Ego Hubertus tunc temporis sancti Laurentii in Damaso presbiter cardinalis. Ego Pandulius presbiter cardinalis tunc temporis Basilicæ duodecim apostolorum. Ego Lucius catholicæ ecclesiæ episcopus. Ego Theodinus Portuensis et sancti Ruffini sedis episcopus. Ego Henricus Albanensis episcopus. Ego Theobaldus Hostiensis et Velleclrenensis episcopus. Ego Arditio diaconus cardinalis sancti Theodori. Ego Gratianus sanctorum Cosme et Damiani diaconus cardinalis. Ego Albinus sanctæ Mariæ novæ diaconus cardinalis. Datum Veronæ per manus Hugonis sanctæ Romanæ ecclesiæ notarii tertio kalendas Decembris, indictione tertia incarnationis Dominicæ millesimo octuagesimo quarto, pontificatus vero domini Lucii papæ tertii anno quarto.

Examinatur et concordat cum originali remanente inter evidencias domini regis apud Turrem sive Pallatium sanctæ Mariæ extra muros civitatis Eborum; per me, Henricum Sandwish, custodem ibidem evidenciarum.

NUM. IX.

Bulla Gregorii Papæ Privilegia Monialium de Synningthwait confirmans.

[Ibid.]

Gregorius Papa octavus.

GREGORIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis in Christo filiabus Priorissæ et Conventui Monasterii de Synningthwait Cisterciensi; Eboracensis diocæseos, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Cum a nobis petitur, quod justum est et honestum, tam vigor equitatis quam ordo

exigit rationis ut id sollicitudinem officii nostri ad debitum perducatur effectum; ea propter dilectæ in domino filiæ, vestris justis postulacionibus grato concurrentes assensu, personas vestras et monasterium de Synningthwait, in quo divino estis obsequio mancipatæ, cum omnibus bonis quæ in præsentiarum rationabiliter possidet, aut in futurum justis modis, præstante Domino, poterit adipisci, sub beati Petri et nostra protectione suscipimus, specialiter autem terras, possessiones, redditus, et alia bona vestra, sicut ea omnia justè ac pacificè possidetis, vobis et per vos eidem monasterio auctoritate apostolica confirmamus, et præsentis scripti patrocinio communimus, districtius inhibentes ne quis de ortis et virgultis vestris seu de vestrorum animalium nutrimentis a vobis decimas exigere vel extorquere præsumat. Nulli ergo omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam nostræ protectionis, confirmationis, et inhibitionis infringere, vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hæc attemptare præsumpserit, indignationem omnipotentis Dei, et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum ejus, se noverit incursurum. Datum Interamnæ, vii. idus Junii, pontificatus nostri anno decimo.

Examinatur et concordat cum originali remanente inter evidencias domini regis apud turrem sive pallatium sanctæ Mariæ, extra muros civitatis Eborum; per me Henricum Sandwish, custodem ibidem evidenciarum.

NUM. X.

Bulla Lucii Tertii Papæ de admittendo Testimonio Cisterciensium in omnibus Causis, &c.

[Ibid.]

LUCIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabilibus fratribus episcopis, et dilectis filiis archidiaconis, decanis, et eorum officialibus, et aliis clericis in Anglia constitutis, ad quos literæ istæ pervenerint salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Ad audientiam Apellatis nostri pervenit quod cum dilectis filiabus nostris priorissæ et sororibus de Synningthwait ab antecessore nostro piæ recordationis Alexandri papæ, sicut cæteris fratribus et sororibus Cisterciensis ordinis per literas apostolicas sit indultum, ut in causis suis fratrum testimonio fulciantur quidam ex vobis verbum illud aliter quam oporteat exponentes in pecuniarum tantum causis testimonium fratrum suorum admittunt; et si quis in aliquos eorum violentas manus iniecerit ad convincendum eum testimonia fratrum denegant admittenda; unde discretionem vestræ per apostolica scripta præcipiendo, mandamus quatinus prædictam indulgentiam, tam in hiis quam in cæteris causis eis, integram conservantes testimonium fratrum suorum ad convincendos illos qui in eos, sicut diximus, manus iniecerint violentas nullatenus recusetis, ne vel eorum justitia legitime non probata depereat, vel adversæ partis iniquitas per suppressionem veritatis in eorum præjudicium invalescat; eos autem quos contra generalem Cisterciensis ordinis libertatem decimas ab eis extorsisse constiterit, nisi commoniti resipuerint clericos quidem suspensionis laicos vero excommunicationis sententia sine appellationis obstaculo percellatis donec ablata restituant, et ab auferendis in posterum congrua præstita cautione quiescant. Datum Veronæ viij. kalendas Decembris.

Examinatur et concordat cum originali remanente inter evidencias domini regis apud turrem sive pallatium sanctæ Mariæ extra muros civitatis Eborum; per me Henricum Sandwish, custodem ibidem evidenciarum.

NUM. XI.

Carta Willielmi Ward confirmatoria Donationis Patris sui factæ Monialibus de Sinningthwait de tota terra de Essolt.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT omnes tam præsentis quam futuri quicunque viderint vel audiverint litteras has, quod ego Willielmus Ward reddidi, et quietam clamavi domui de Sinningthwait, totam terram de Essolt, quam pater meus dedit illis in elemosinam, et quam de illis tenueram, per has divisas, scilicet quicquid continetur infra sepem versus Air de rivulo de Eadona usque Chotthesoitesiche, et totum Ermitecroft, cum mansura in Gisclai, et communem pasturam in Gisclai et in Heuscheswrd ad xvi. boves et ad xv. vaccas, et ad unum

taurum, et ad centum oves et siccum boscum de Giselei et de Hevescheswrd, sufficientem ad arandum, et claustrum ad sepes faciendas et reparandas, per visum forestarii si præsens fuerit, et si præsens non fuerit sine omni impedimento de bosco, necessaria sua accipiant. Hæc omnia illis dedi et præsenti carta confirmavi in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, solutam, quietam, et liberam ab omni servitio et consuetudine, et omni re ad terram pertinente. Et ego et hæredes mei hæc omnia eis warrantizabimus, et adquietabimus, et defendemus contra homines omnes de omni exactione et omni re quæ ad terram pertinet. Et ut hæc libenter concederem, dederunt mihi de caritate domus x marcas argenti, et viii. boves, et x. vaccas, cum vitulis et centum oves. His testibus, Ada filio Petri, Thoma fratre ejus, Ada filio Normanni, Willielmo Sacrista, Ada filio Orm, Gilberto Capellano, Ricardo Capellano de Ottoley, Alexandro de Mor-tona.

Sigillum comminutum non dignoscitur.

NUM. XII.

Carta Matildæ de Hornington, de terris del Neuriding concessis Monialibus de Synningthwait.

[Penes Radulph, Thoresby de Leedes in com. Ebor. Armig.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, Matilda de Hornington salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra me in propria viduitate, de ligia potestate mea, dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsenti carta mea confirmasse Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monialibus de Synningthwait ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute animæ meæ, et animarum antecessorum et successorum meorum, totam terram del Neuriding in territorio de Menlington, tam in terra arabili, quam pratis et fossatis; exceptis tantum tribus acris quas Beatrix filia mea habet de dono meo. Et totum jus quod habui in illa cultura quam Elyas de Ottelay clericus habet de dono Germani Macculd, inter le Neuriding ex parte orientali, et communem pasturam de Menlington ex parte occidentali, tam in terra arabili, pratis, quam fossatis et aliis pertinentiis. Et præterea dedi eisdem pasturam in Menlington ad viginti vaccas, cum uno tauro, et ad viginti equas cum uno stallone, et ad decem sues cum uno verro, et ad quadraginta capras et ad centum oves, cum exitibus earum, et prædictorum animalium, integre ad tres annos, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam imperpetuum, sine aliqua contradictione mei vel hæredum meorum, libere, quiete, pacifice, honorifice, prout aliquis terram liberius et quietius potest alicui domino donari in elemosinam, cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus ad villam de Menlington spectantibus, tam in boscis, planis, pratis, pascuis, pasturis, viis, scmitis, moris, meresiis et turbariis, et in omnibus locis ubicumque ego Matilda, vel hæredes mei poterimus habere aliquam libertatem prædictæ villæ de Menlington pertinentem. Ego vero Matilda et hæredes mei, prædictis monialibus, vel quibuscumque omnia prædicta dare vel assignare voluerint, in omnibus et contra omnes mortales warrantizabimus, adquietabimus, ac defendemus. Et ut hæc mea donatio, concessio, cartæ meæ confirmatio, et warrantizatio rata et stabilis in perpetuum perseveret, præsens scriptum sigilli mei applicatione dignum duxi corroborandum. Hiis testibus, Nicholao Ward, Willielmo Vavassore, Heremanno Mauuld, Hugone de Lelay, Elya de Witechurche, Rombello de Westrehing, Galfrido de Arthington, Roberto de Pouel Willielmo de Castelay, Willielmo de Lindelay, Thoma de Tarulay, Paulino de Sleuhale, Petro de Menlington, Waltero de Heuskesiche, Roberto de Burnehale, Thoma de Carletun, Richardo de Poer, Thoma Tyers, et aliis.

NUM. XIII.

Confirmatio Henrici Secundi Regis Angliæ Monialibus de Synningthwait de Donatione Bertrami Haget.

[Penes Walt. Calverley de Calverley in com. Ebor. Baronettum.]

HENRICUS rex Angliæ, et dux Normanniæ et Aquitaniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopo Eboracensi, justiciariis, et vicecomitibus, et balliis suis et fidelibus Eboracsira salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et in perpetuam elemosinam confirmasse monialibus de Sanningthuet quicquid Bertram Haget eis rationabiliter dedit et in terris, et in aliis rebus, et quicquid aliqui eis rationabiliter dederunt vel daturi sunt.

Quare volo et firmiter præcipio quod præfatæ moniales, bene et in pace, libere et honorifice, prædictam terram teneant, cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus præfatæ terræ pertinentibus, et in bosco et in plano ne super hoc aliquis eis injuriam vel contumeliam inde faciat. Testibus, R. comite Cornubiæ, Hugone comite Norfolciæ, Johanne comite de Hou, Ricardo de Humez, Henrico de Esaexa, Warino filio Beroldi apud Brugiam.

Examinatur et concordat cum originali remanente inter evidencias domini regis apud turrem sive pallatium sanctæ Mariæ extra muros civitatis Eborum; per me Henricum Sandwish, custodem ibidem evidenciarum.

NUM. XIV.

Exemplar Concessionis Monasterii de Synningthwaite ab Henrico VIII.

[Ibid.]

HENRICUS octavus concessit domum et scitum nuper monasterii sive prioratus de Synningthwaite, in comitatu civitatis Eborum, autoritate parlamenti suppressi et dissoluti, &c. cum omnibus pertinentiis; adeo plene prout Katherina Foster, nuper priorissa dicti prioratus, aut aliqua priorissarum ejusdem monasterii, iv^{to}. die Februarii anno regni sui xxvii^o aut unquam antea præmissa habuerunt, &c. ut adeo plene prout ea omnia ad manus suas prætextu cujusdam actus de quibusdam monasteriis, abbatiis, prioratibus, et domibus religiosis dissolvendis in parlamento nuper London iii^o die Novembris anno regni sui xxi. inchoato, et deinde usque Westmonasterium adjornato, et per diversas prorogationes usque ad et in quartum diem Februarii, anno regni sui xxvii. continuato, et tunc ibidem tento (inter alia) edita et provisa devenerunt, &c. Quæ quidem scitus, messuagium, terra, &c. per præsentem data et concessa sunt annui valoris 12*l*. et 12*s*. et non ultra per annum redditum 24*s*. 3*d*. nomine decimæ sive annualis decimæ partis præmissarum pro omnibus redditibus, &c. Teste seipso apud Westmonasterium xxvii^o die Decembris, anno regni sui xxx^o.

NUM. XV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

SYNYNGTHWAIT PRIORAT' MONIALIU'.

Com' Ebor'.

Synnyngthwait.

Tempal'.

Val' in

Scit' priorat' p'dci cum dñic' eidm adjacen' et in mañ priorisse et convent' occupat' p an^m. . . 10*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*.
Reddit' et firm' diſs' terr' et ten' in diſs' locis infra com' p'dict' viz in Bilton 4*l*. 13*s*. 10*d*. Tokwith 10*l*. 12*s*. Tadcast' 14*s*. Womwell cū Friston 5*l*. 4*s*. 2*d*. Ferybrig 4*s*. Thorp Underwood cum Wyddyngton 8*l*. Gaukethorp 6*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. Helaugh 8*s*. 10*d*. Bramham 13*s*. 4*d*. Walton 18*s*. Howton cū Ebor' 1*l*. 12*s*. Loufthousehill in p'd' 12 qrt. frumenti 3*l*. 10 qrt' avenaz 16*s*. 8*d*. et 6 qrt' ordij 1*l*. an^{ti} et reddit' ibm sic' app'ciat' p coñmissionar' singlis ann' 4*l*. 16*s*. 8*d*. Wighall 9*s*. Farnam 10*s*. Rypon 4*s*. Borroubrig' 1*s*. 6*d*. Wolsthorp 2*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. In tot' p annū 48*l*. 8*s*. 0*d*.
Firm' diſs' claus' de dñic' ad firmā diſs' tenent' dimiss' p annū 1*l*. 18*s*. 0*d*.
60*l*. 6*s*. 0*d*.

Rector' de Bikerton.

Viz in

Gran' decim' de Bikerton p annū . . 2*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*.
62*l*. 6*s*. 0*d*.

Sñ^a valor' priorat' . . . 62*l*. 6*s*. 0*d*.
D' quibz.

Repris'

Resoluc' Redd'

Vidz in

Reddit' resolut' diſs' psonis videlt priorisse monialiū de Monketon 10*s*. Et priori sñi Andree appli jux^a Ebor' 7*s*. 6*d*. In tote p an^m 0*l*. 17*s*. 6*d*.

Feod'.
 Feod' diſs' ministr' videlt Tankerd sen^{li} 6s. 8d.
 Et Johinis Carbott ballivi priorat' p̄dci 6s. 8d. In toto
 p a^m 0l. 13s. 4d.
 1l. 10s. 10d.

Sin^a rep^{is} p̄g.
 Et valet clare 60l. 9s. 2d.
 X^{ma} ps inde 6l. 0s. 11d.

NUM. XVI.

*Transcript of Roll 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office,
 as to the Demesne Lands of Synningthwait.*

SYNNINGTHWAIT PRIORATUS.

Firma Terrarum dominicalium.

Et de 12l. 2s. de firma situs nuper Prioratus prædicti unacum omnibus domibus, ædificijs, columbaribus, ortis, pomarijs, et gardinis, ac cum terris dominicalibus cum pertinentijs nuper in manibus nuper priorissæ et conventus ibidem, per annu solvend. ad terminos Annunciationis beatæ Mariæ Virginis et Sancti Michaelis Archangeli equaliter, videlicet pro firma situs nuper prioratus cum pomarijs, gardinis, et alijs commoditatibus infra præinctum ejusdem 13s. 4d. Pro firma herbagij pasturæ unius clausi bosci vocati Stanke Wood continentis 30^{ta}. acras pasturæ 2l. Alterius clausi vocati Horse Close, continentis 3 acras pasturæ 4s. Unius prati vocati Halle Ynge contin. 8^{to} acras prati 13s. 4d. Unius clausi apud Bilton vocati Breks continentis 40 acras pasturæ 2l. 13s. 4d. New Close continen. 8 acras prati 13s. 4d. New Feld contin. 40 acras terræ arabilis 13s. 4d. Barley Close contin. 8 acras prati 13s. 4d. Herbag. pasturæ clausi vocat. Stubbynge Wood contin. 10 acras pasturæ 10s. 8^{to} acras terræ arabilis in Bikertonfeld 5s. 4d. 60 acras terræ arabilis in Waltonfeld 1l. Unius clausi vocati Stubbynge contin. 30 acras terræ arabilis unde 10 acræ in tenura Williemi Fayrefax militis onerat. superius in titulo "Redd. tenen. ad voluntatem in Folyfayte," et 23 acræ resid. hic. dim. pro 13s. 4d. Calf Close continen. 4 acras pasturæ 5s. 4d. Un. croft. vocat. Wadcrofte contin. 24 acras pasturæ, quod Set Snawsell clamat sibi pertinere tamen ipse habet certas terras nuper prioratui pertinentes

jacentes tam infra parcum suum quam extra in excambio pro eisdem terris 1l. 4s. In toto ut supra prout patet per rentale supradictum sic dimiss. Thomæ Tempest militi per indenturam sub sigillo domini regis hujus curiæ Augmentationum ut dicitur.

Summa 12l. 2s. 0d.

NUM. XVII.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

SYNNINGTHWAIT PRIORATUS.

Com' Ebor'	£.	s.	d.
Bilton—Liber reddit'	0	8	0
Bilton—Al' lib' reddit'	1 lib'	piperis	
Helaugh—Reddit' liber tenentium	0	8	0
Bramham—Liber reddit'	0	13	4
Ebor' Civit'—Liber reddit'	0	6	8
Womwell—Liber reddit'	0	0	4
Bilton—Redd' ten' ad volunt'	5	19	2
Tadcaster—Reddit', &c.	0	14	0
Wighill—Reddit', &c.	0	9	0
Helaugh—Reddit', &c.	0	10	8
Tockwith—Reddit', &c.	13	5	2
Howton—Reddit', &c.	0	8	0
Walton—Reddit', &c.	0	18	0
Fernam—Reddit', &c.	0	10	0
Boroughbrigg—Reddit', &c.	0	1	6
Ebor' Civit'—Reddit' tenementorum	1	1	0
Womwell—Reddit' terr'	4	13	10
Friston—Reddit' ten'	0	10	0
Ferrybrigg—Reddit' cotag'	0	4	0
Galthorpe, Harwood, et Bardishey—Reddit' terr'	6	13	4
Thorpe Underwood, Elwik, et Wadlington—Reddit' terr' et tenementorum	8	0	0
Lofthouse Hill—Firma terr' et tenementorum	4	16	8
Folyfayte—Firma terr'	0	6	8
Synningthwait—Firma terr' dominical'	12	2	0
Bikerton—Firma rector'	5	0	0

Abbey of Esseholt, in Yorkshire.



SCHEWOLDE, Essold, Esseholt, or Esholt, in Ayredale, in the deanry of the Ainsty and archdeaconry of the West Riding.^a A place of this name was confirmed to the Nuns of Syningthwait in a bull of Pope Alexander III. dated A. D. 1172, as has been already shewn in Sinningthwaite, but Burton and Tanner agree that that might be another estate, or before any Religious House was here founded: for here

was a small Priory of about six Cistercian Nuns^b in the latter part of the reign of King Henry the Second, or the

beginning of that of Richard the First, dedicated to St. Mary and St. Leonard, or, as others, to St. James.^c

Dugdale, in the former edition of the Monasticon, made Esseholt a Cell to Sinningthwaite; and, indeed, the only Instrument which he gave relating to it was the bull above alluded to.^d But no mention whatever of such dependence occurs in any of the deeds of either house, in the archiepiscopal Registers of the See of York, or in the Valor of the 26th of Henry VIII. Esseholt, moreover, as will hereafter be seen from the Registers of the See of York, had always distinct elective Prioresses. About the time of the Dissolution this priory was said to have been founded by the ancestors of Christopher Ward.^e

Among their possessions, the nuns of Esseholt had the advowson of the church of Belton, in the Isle of Axholm; with lands and rents at Burley, Esseholt, Guiseley, Haukesworth, Idle, Otcley, and Yadon, or Yedon.^f

^a See Burton, Monast. Ebor. p. 139.

^b Tann. e MS. Corp. Christ. Coll. Cant. Six enjoyed pensions in 1553.

^c In some of the Instruments which are appended to the present account, St. Mary only, and, in others, St. Leonard only occurs.

^d This Instrument, in the present edition of the Monasticon, is placed as Num. VII. in the Appendix to Sinningthwait.

^e See Burton, and Tanner, from Speed. "Sir Simon Ward, Kn^t. ordered his body to be buried here, by his will, dated in 1383. Sir John Ward, Kn^t. ordered the same for himself, by his will, proved Aug.

10th, 1453. Joan, relict of Roger Ward, sen^r. of Gevendale, by her will, proved March 29th, 1474, directed the same." Burton, p. 140, from the Registers of York.

^f Compare the different Instruments in the Appendix. Nine of these are grants of lands and possessions made to the Nuns of Esseholt by several private persons; one a release of all debts due to the Prior and Convent of Neuburgh; a presentation of the Prioress and Convent of Esseholt to the parish church of Belton; an exchange of lands between these nuns and William, the son of Jordan de Ydel: a grant of four pounds of wax to them yearly, for the term of sixty years; the last will

The gross amount of the revenue of Esseholt in the 26th Hen. VIII. was 19*l.* 0*s.* 8*d.* The clear sum 13*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*^a

The site of this house was granted, in the 1st Edw. VI. A.D. 1547, to Henry Thompson, gent. It afterwards passed into the family of Calverley; and about A.D. 1754 was sold to Robert Stansfield, Esq.

The following ABBESSES, or, as they are styled,

PRIORESSES of ESSEHOLT,

occur in the York Registers.

JULIANA DE LA WODEHALL was confirmed as prioress 8 id. Dec. 1300.^b

JOAN DE HERTLINGTON was the next prioress; upon whose resignation

ISABELLA DE CALVERLEY was elected 11 kal. Oct. 1317.^c Another

ISABELLA DE CALVERLEY was confirmed in the office of prioress July 26th, 1353.^d

ELIZABETH LASYNBY was confirmed August 19th, 1475.^e

JOAN WARD occurs in 1480;^f upon whose resignation another

ELIZABETH LASINGBY, or LASYNBY, was elected. She received confirmation as prioress Aug. 30th, 1497.^g

AGNES FRITH received confirmation Nov. 17th, 1505.^h

MARGARET ROCHE was confirmed in her office as prioress Nov. 4th, 1507.ⁱ Upon her resignation,

ELIZABETH PUDSEY was confirmed March 19th, 1512.^k

No REGISTER of Esseholt is at present known.^l

No mention of this priory occurs in the Taxation of P. Nich. IV. Rot. Hundred. vol. i. p. 105.

No COMMON SEAL of this house, nor any Seal of its prioresses, have been met with.

The priory of Esseholt is situated in the parish of Guiseley, five miles from Bradford and Otley; and on or near the site is the seat of the proprietor, Joshua Crompton, Esq. who married the granddaughter and heiress of Robert Stansfield, Esq. A few pointed arches in some of the offices alone remain to attest that a religious house once occupied the site.

Cartae ad Esseholtensem Abbatiam in agro Eboracensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Nicholai Freman de annuo Redditu sex Solidorum concessio Monialibus de Esseholt.

[Penes Walterum Calverley de Calverley in com. Ebor. bart.]

SCIANT præsentes, &c. quod ego Nicholaus dictus Freman, filius Richardi de Burlay, dedi, &c. dominæ Isabellæ de Calverley priorissæ de Esseholt, et ejusdem loci conventui, et earum successoribus, quendam annuum redditum sex solidorum exeuntium de uno messuagio et undecim acris terræ cum prato adjacente, cum pertinentiis, in villa et territorio de Burlay annuatim percipiend. de omnibus tenementis prædictis ad festa Pentecostes et sancti Martini in hyeme, per æquales portiones; habend. et tenend. per dictum annuum redditum, &c. annuatim percipiend. de omnibus tenementis prædictis ad quorumcunque manus prædicta tenementa pervenerint prædictæ priorissæ, et ejusdem loci conventui, et earum successoribus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberè, quietè, bene et in pace, post decessum meum: et si prædictus annuus redditus in parte vel in toto, &c. a retro fuerit bene liceat prædictæ priorissæ, &c. in prædictis tenementis distringere, et districtiorem adducere, fugare, et retinere quousque de arreragiis simul, cum dampnis eisdem plenarie fuerit satisfactum. Et ego, &c. warrantizabimus, &c. In cujus, &c. Hiis testibus, dominis Simone Warde, Johanne de Calverlay, militibus; Waltero de Haukesword, Hugone de Horsford, Ricardo de Chelleray, Willielmo filio Willielmi de Ottelay clerico, et aliis. Datum apud Burlay die Dominica proxima post festum Assumptionis Domini anno regni regis Edwardi tertii a Conquestu vicesimo-tertio.

of Elizabeth Patfin; King Richard the Second's licence to Margaret Clifford to grant to the nuns the advowson of the church of Beston; an award about certain lands upon a controversy between these nuns and Richard Yedon, of West Carleton; and the letters patent of King Edward VI. granting to Henry Thompson the site, &c. of this nunnery of Esseholt.

^a See the Valor in the Appendix.

^b Reg. Corbrig. archiep. Ebor. Harl. MS. 6970, p. 140.

^c Reg. Grenfield Ebor. ibid. p. 216.

^d Harl. MS. 6971, p. 162. ex lib. Instit. sede Ebor. vacante.

^e Reg. Neville archiep. Ebor.

^f Burton, Monast. Ebor. p. 140.

^g Harl. MS. 6972, fol. 38 b.

^h Reg. Savage archiep. Ebor. Harl. MS. 6972, fol. 43 b.

ⁱ Ibid. fol. 44.

^k Reg. Bainbridge archiep. Ebor. In 1553, here remained in

NUM. II.

Carta Aliciæ de Randon de uno Messuagio concessio Monialibus de Esseholt.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentes et futuri quod ego Alicia, relicta Thomæ, filia Michaelis de Randon, in pura viduitate mea dedi et concessi, &c. Deo, et beatæ Mariæ, et beato Leonardo, et priorissæ, et conventui de Esseholt, pro salute animæ meæ, et pro anima patris mei, et pro animabus omnium antecessorum meorum, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, unum messuagium quod fuit patris mei, &c. Hiis testibus, domino Simone Ward, Johanne de Calverlay Chevaliers, et aliis. Datum apud Rowdon millesimo ccc°. quadragesimo nono regni regis Edwardi III. a conquestu Angliæ xxiii. Franciæ vero nono.

NUM. III.

Relaxatio omnium Debitorum, &c. Prioris et Conventus de Neuburgh Conventui de Esseholt, A. D. 1493.

[Ibid.]

NOVERINT universi per præsentes nos Johannem Latoner priorem et conventum beatæ Mariæ de Neuburgh remisisse, relaxasse, et omnino pro nobis et successoribus nostris quietum clamasse Johannæ priorissæ, et conventui domus, et ecclesiæ sancti Leonardi de Esseholt omnes actiones personales, sectas, querelas, calumpnias, debita, et demandas quæ vel quas versus prædictam priorissam sive conventum ejusdem Domus umquam habuimus seu quovismodo habere poterimus in futurum ratione quacumque, a principio mundi

charge these pensions, viz. to John Jenkynsonne 2*l.* Elizabeth Mawde, Joanna Burton, Agnes Woode, Joanna Huttone, and Agnes Dodger-sonne 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* each. See Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 270.

¹ Tanner says, "*Vide* inter Collect. v. cl. Rog. Dodsworth, vol. viii. fol. 54. Cartam Hugonis fil. Walthei de Yedon, pro sarto in Essagh, testibus Sym. de Montalto et Roberto fratre ejus; fol. 118. cartam Thomæ de Lumley, de terris in Esseholt, Yedon, Carleton, et Raudon, 41 Edw. III.; fol. 146. cartam Adæ fil. Petri de Birkin, pro tribus bovatis terræ in Culingworth, teste Hugone Priore de Pontefracto.

"Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 15 Hen. III. rot. 15. de commun. pastur. in Arden.

"Pat. 1 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 7. de maner. de Husholt perquirendo de Jo. Calverle. Pat. 34 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 11. pro ten. in Yedon. Pat. 47 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 17. pro ten. in Random.

"Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 9. pro septem bovatis terræ in Yedon."

usque in diem confectionis præsentium. In cujus rei testimonium huic præsentī scripto Sigillum nostrum commune præsentibus apposimus. Datum in domo nostra capitulari sexto decimo die Decembris anno regni regis Henrici septimi post conquestum Angliæ nono.

NUM. IV.

Præsentatio Priorissæ et Conventus de Assholt ad Ecclesiam Parochialem de Belton.

[Ibid.]

REVERENDO in Christo patri et domino domino Willielmo, permissione divina, Lincoln. episcopo, domina Elizabeth Pudsay, priorissa monasterii beati Leonardi de Asholt in Aredale, in comitatu Eborum, et ejusdem loci conventus, omnimodas reverentias tanto venerabili patri pro debito omni cum honore. Nos dicta priorissa et conventus ad ecclesiam parochialem de Belton infra insulam de Axholme, in comitatu et vestra diœcesi Lincoln. per mortem Ricardi Royston decretorum doctoris, nuper rectoris ibidem, jam vacantem, et ad nostram donationem ac præsentationem spectantem, dilectum nobis in Christo Willielmum Littster discretum et ydoneum clericum nostrum paternitati vestræ reverende tenore præsentium humiliter præsentamus, devote et humillime supplicantes quatenus eundem Willielmum ad dictam ecclesiam vacantem de speciali gratia vestra promoveri, et eum rectorem in eadem canonice instituere dignemini cum favore ac intuitu caritatis. In cujus rei testimonium præsentibus literis patentibus Sigillum nostrum commune est appensum. Datum apud monasterium nostrum prædictum . . . die mensis . . . anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo.

NUM. V.

Carta indentata de Commutatione Terrarum inter Moniales de Esholt et Willielmum filium Jordani de Ydel.

[Ibid.]

ANNO incarnationis Dominicæ m^o.cc^o.xlvj^o. facta est conventio inter priorissam et conventum de Esholt ex una parte, et Willielmum filium Jordani de Ydel ex altera parte, videlicet, quod prædicta priorissa et conventus dimiserunt præfato Willielmo et hæredibus suis pro vj. marcis argenti quas nobis dedit pro manibus unam carucatam quæ dicitur Aldredrode et Hustedes in excambio cujusdam terræ quæ dicitur Heholm usque ad finem xx. annorum; et si contingeret quod dictus Willielmus vel hæredes sui eis prædictam terram warantizare non poterunt eis pro qualibet acra duos denarios annuatim persolvēt, scilicet unum denarium ad Pentecostem et unum denarium ad festum sancti Martini; et ad finem xx. annorum completorum priorissa et conventus prædicto Willielmo et hæredibus suis vj. marcas argenti persolvent si prædictum excambium tenere recusa-verint. In hujus rei testimonium præsens scriptum sigillis suis partes roboraverunt. Hiis testibus, Willielmo Scotto, Serlone de Roudum, Hugone de Roudum, Rogero Alano, Stephano de Eclechil Johanne filio Jordani, Johanne filio Helix, et aliis.

NUM. VI.

Concessio Adæ Monhams de quatuor Libris Cere ad terminum sexaginta annorum Monialibus de Essholt.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS hoc scriptum visuris vel auditoris Adam filius Thomæ Monhams salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noveritis me concessisse pro me et hæredibus meis, et pro salute animæ Simonis de Braam et Walteri fratris ejus, priorissæ et conventui monialium de Essholt, ad terminum lx. annorum suum annualem redditum quatuor librarum cere in augmentatione et emendatione luminis beatæ Mariæ in ecclesia sua de Essholt, vero dictum redditum cere prædictis priorissæ et conventui de Essholt, de me, et hæredibus meis, et meis assignatis, in quolibet anno, ad Natale Domini, videlicet ad terminum sexaginta annorum plenarie completorum, incipiente anno primæ solutionis prædicti redditus ad Natale anno Domini m^o.ccc^o.xxiiij. ; et si contingat quod absit quod dictus redditus aliquo tempore a retro fuerit licentiam dedi, pro me et hæredibus meis, prædictis prio-

rissæ et conventui monialium illud toftum et illam bovatom terræ quam Symon de Wersay quondam tenuit in villa quæ dicitur Minor Yedon, et quam ego prædictus Adam Monham habui de dono Symonis de Monham, distringere et distractionem retinere per quemcunque ballivum seu dominum feodi donec de dicto redditu fuerit satisfactum. In cujus rei testimonium huic præsentī scripto sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus, domino Symone Ward, domino Johanne Ward, militibus; Waltero de Wenkesword, Laurentio de Arthington, Michaele de Roudon, Johanne de Cheltray, Johanne de Carleton, et aliis.

NUM. VII.

Testamentum Elizabethæ de Paytfin.

[Ibid.]

IN Dei nomine Amen. In vigilia sancti Bartholomei apostoli, anno Domini m^o.ccc^o. quadragesimo 1^o. ego Elizabeth relicta Thomæ Paytfin de Heddinglay condo testamentum meum in hunc modum. In primis, do et lego animam meam Deo, et beatæ Mariæ, et omnibus sanctis ejus, et corpus meum sepeliendum in abbathia de Eschewolde. Item do et lego melius animal meum ecclesiæ de Calverley nomine mortuarii in remissione peccatorum meorum. Item do et lego iv. libras cere ardend. circa corpus meum. Item lego xl. solidos fratribus prædicantibus de Pontefract. Item fratribus minoribus de Doncastre xl. solidos. Item fratribus sancti Augustini de Tykhell xl. solidos. Item fratribus Carmelitis de Eboraco xl. solidos. Item do et lego monachis de Kirkstall, &c. xl. solidos. Item do et lego priorissæ de Esschewolde totum bladum meum de Burlay et de le Stede. Item do et lego meliorem ollam meam emptam apud Calverlay prædictæ priorissæ. Item delego unicuique puerorum Wilfridi fratris mei xii. denarios. Item unicuique puerorum Willielmi fratris mei xii^d. Item delego Wilfrido fratri meo xiii. solidos iv. denarios. Item Agathæ sorori meæ xiii^s. iv^d. Item Luciæ sorori meæ xiii^s. iv^d. Item Willielmo filio dicti Wilfridi xiii^s. iv^d. Item Johannæ de Birton xiii^s. iv^d. Item do et lego domino Adæ capellano de Calverlay x^s. Item tribus capellanis celebrantibus per unum annum apud Calverlay cuilibet eorum sexaginta solidos. Et volo quod dominus de capella prædicta habeat totum residuum bonorum meorum ad celebrandum servitia pro anima mea quamdiu dictum residuum sufficere possit. Et idem dominus Adam poterit vel voluerit celebrare . . . per alium idoneum juxta cedantationem executorum meorum de dicto residuo celebretur. Hujus autem testamenti . . . executores meos, ordino, facio, et constituo Walterum de Haukesworth seniore, Johannem de Calverlay, et dominum Adam de Benclif capellanum, qui Deum habentes præ oculis istam meam ultimam voluntatem fideliter exequentur.

NUM. VIII.

Licentia Regis Ricardi Secundi ut Margareta Clifford possit concedere et dare Monialibus de Asholt Advocationem Ecclesiæ de Beston.

[Ibid.]

RICARDUS Dei gracia rex Angliæ et Franciæ, et dominus Hiberniæ omnibus ad quos præsentēs literæ pervenerint salutem. Sciatis quod nos de gracia nostra speciali concessimus et licenciam dedimus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris dilectæ nobis Margarete Clifford viduæ quod ipsa advocationem ecclesiæ de Belton in Insula de Axholm in comitatu Lincolnæ de suo patronatu existente dare possit et concedere dilectis nobis in Christo priorissæ et conventui monasterii sancti Leonardi de Asholt in Aredale in comitatu Eborum, habendum et tenendum eisdem priorissæ et conventui et successoribus suis in perpetuum, absque aliquo servicio seu aliquo alio nobis vel hæredibus nostris inde reddendo seu faciendo, et eisdem priorissæ et conventui quod ipse et successores sui advocationem ecclesiæ prædictæ a præfata Margareta recipere et tenere possint sibi et successoribus suis prædictis sicut prædictum est, in perpetuum, tenore præsentium, similiter licenciam dedimus specialem. Et ulterius de uberiori gracia nostra, concessimus et licenciam dedimus, ac per præsentēs concedimus et licenciam damus, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris prædictis, eisdem priorissæ et conventui, et successoribus suis, quod ipse et successores sui, postquam

dicta advocatio de Belton eis ut præmittitur, sic data et concessa fuerit, ecclesiam illam eidem prioratui de Asholt appropriare, unire, annectere, consolidare, et eam sic appropriatam, unitam, annexam, et consolidatam, in proprios usus recipere, habere, retinere, et gaudere possint sibi et successoribus suis in perpetuum. Et hoc absque fine seu feodo inde ad opus nostrum qualitercumque solvendo, sive reddendo, et absque aliqua inquisitione super breve de ad quod dampnum, seu aliquo alio brevis seu mandato regio quocunque modo capiendo, statuto de terris et tenementis ad manum mortuam non ponendis, aut aliquo alio statuto sive ordinatione inde in contrarium factis, editis, sive ordinatis, aut eo quod expressa mencio de vero valore annuo advocacionis ecclesiæ prædictæ, aut de aliis donis sive concessionibus per nos progenitores seu prædecessores nostros præfata Margareta sive prædictis priorissæ et conventui et eorum successoribus in præsentibus factis non existit non obstantibus. Proviso semper quod per capellanum mobilem et idoneum inibi sacramenta et sacramentalia curæ ejusdem ecclesiæ parochialis debite ministrentur, ac etiam quod portio certa per episcopum diocesanum ejusdem ecclesiæ ordinarium, limitandum inter pauperes parochianos, annis singulis distribuatur juxta formam statuti inde editi et provisi. In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste meipso apud Westmonasterium primo die Junii, anno regni nostri secundo.

Per breve de privato sigillo et de data prædicta auctoritate parlamenti Barolde.

NUM. IX.

Carta Nicholai Ward, de terra in Keukeswrde Monialibus Sanctæ Mariæ de Essold concessa.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus præsentibus et futuris, Nicholaus Ward salutem in Domino. Noveritis me pro amore Dei, et salute animæ meæ, et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum, dedisse, et concessisse, et hac carta mea confirmasse Deo et monialibus sanctæ Mariæ de Essold totam terram in Heukeswrde cum pertinentiis, quam emi de Roberto filio Martini de Heukeswrde, cum medietate tofti quod fuit Siwardi de Heukeswrde versus occidentem, scilicet dimidiam acram in Brakanbane, et essartum quod vocatur Fritscadrod, et essartum in bosco quod fuit Martini, et præterea pasturam in eadem villa ubique, extra pratum et bladum, ducentis ovibus per majus centum, cum agnis earum qui amovebuntur ab eadem pastura quolibet anno ad festum sancti Michaelis, et viginti vaccis, et uni tauro, cum sequela duorum annorum. Hæc omnia dedi prædictis monialibus tenenda et habenda in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, solutam, liberam, et quietam ab omni terreno servitio, exactione, et demanda. Et ego et hæredes mei omnia prædicta præfatis monialibus warrantizabimus, acquietabimus, et defendemus contra omnes homines in perpetuum. Hiis testibus, Hugone de Lelay, Alano de Datherton, Ada de Nairford, Johanne de Yedon, Nigell. de Horsford, Ada de Roudon, Serlone de Roudon, Thoma de Karleton, et multis aliis.

Sigillum appendet, sed comminutum.

NUM. X.

Carta Roberti filii Roberti de Plumpton, de terris in Idel Monialibus de Eschold concessis.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS ad quos, &c. Robertus filius Roberti de Plumpton salutem, &c. Noveritis me, pro salute animæ meæ, et antecessorum et hæredum meorum, concessisse, &c. Deo et sancto Leonardo de Eschold, et monialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, omnia terras et tenementa, cum pratis et boscis, et omnibus suis pertinentiis in territorio de Idel, cum pastura bovum et vaccarum, et cum sicco bosco et cum pessione in bosco de Idel, sicut cartæ antecessorum meorum quas prædictæ moniales penes se habent de prædictis tenementis, pastura, et pessione, et sicco bosco, plenius testantur, ita quod nec ego, &c. aliquid jus, &c. exigere poterimus, sed quod prædictæ moniales et earum successores habeant et teneant omnia prædicta tenementa et proficua in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Ita tamen quod prædictæ moniales invenient quandam capellanum celebrantem in perpetuum pro salute animæ meæ, antecessorum, et hæ-

redum meorum. Et si aliquo tempore cessaverint de dicta ccelebratione, licebit mihi et hæredibus meis prædictum feodum distringere, donec redeant ad dictam ccelebrationem. In cujus, &c. Hiis testibus, domino Simone Ward, Ada de Neyleford, Willielmo Mauleverer, Johanne le Scote de Calverlay, Hugone de la Wodehalle, Waltero de Midelton, Ada de Midelton, Johanne de Chellray, Waltero de Haukesword, et aliis.

Sigillum insignia de Plumpton.

NUM. XI.

Carta Nigelli de Plumpton, qua Monialibus de Escholt concedit Essartum de Idla, &c.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis tam præsentibus quam futuris, Nigellus de Plumton. Sciatis me dedisse, et hac mea carta confirmasse Deo et sancto Leonardo de Escholt, et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, unum essartum in Idla, in quo continentur xx. et una et dimidia acra terræ S; sive magis vel minus fuerit, pro tanto habeatur totum et integrum sicut metæ et divisæ illius exarti se habent, scilicet ex vivo molendini qui cadit in rivulo de Copeslaie et totum Linholmes usque ad rivulum qui currit juxta exartum Helia et cadit in Hair, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam, et quietam, et solutam ab omnibus serviciis secularibus, pro salute animarum patris et matris meæ, et pro salute animæ meæ, et sponsæ meæ, et hæredum meorum et successorum. Hiis testibus, Ada filio Noremanni, Nigello de Stokeld, Alano de Hadun, Willielmo Scotto de Idla, Richardo de Idla, Gerardo de Idla, Petro capellano, Richardo filio Nigelli, Willelmo clerico, Ricardo filio Amil.

Sigillum magnum, sed fractum.

NUM. XII.

Carta Nigelli de Plumpton, de Prato in Ydele concessio Monialibus de Escholt.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis ad quos, &c. Nigellus de Plumtone, filius Roberti, salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra me dedisse, &c. Deo et sancto Leonardo de Escholt, et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, unum pratum in territorio de Ydele, quod jacet propinquum terræ dictarum sanctimonialium quod habuerunt de dono Nigelli de Plumtone avi mei, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam, quietam, et solutam ab omnibus serviciis secularibus, pro salute animæ meæ, et animarum antecessorum, hæredum, et successorum meorum: præterea confirmavi dictis sanctimonialibus totam terram, cum omnibus pertinentiis quam habuerunt de dono antecessorum meorum in feodo de Ydele, prout continetur in cartis quas dictæ sanctimoniales penes se habent. Ego vero Nigellus et hæredes mei omnia prædicta prædictis sanctimonialibus in omnibus, et contra omnes homines in perpetuum warrantizabimus, &c. In hujus rei testimonium, &c. sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus, Rob. de Stapeltone, Nich. Ward, Rob. de Backestone, Ada de Fulford, Alano de Kayertone, Radulfo de Bestone, Willelmo Scotto, Ad. Scotto, Rogero Alain, Stephano de Ekeleshil, Ricardo de Ledes, Waltero de Heuekeswrth, Tho. de Carlton, Hugone de Horsforde, Waltero de Horsforde, et aliis.

NUM. XIII.

Carta Nigelli filii Roberti de Plumpton, de terris in Ydel Monialibus de Eschold concessis.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus præsentibus literas inspecturis, Nigellus, filius Roberti de Plumton, æternam in Domino salutem. Noveritis me dedisse, &c. Deo et sancto Leonardo de Eschold, et monialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, cum corpore meo, totam terram meam in prato et bosco infra essarta quæ vocantur Eholm, Strangford, et Aldrodode, in territorio de Ydel. Dedi etiam eisdem monialibus pasturam in bosco meo de Ydel ad triginta duos boves et ad viginti vaccas ad unum taurum. Concessi etiam eisdem monialibus habere sexaginta porcos quolibet anno in bosco meo de Idel, quiete et sine panagio. Concessi etiam eisdem mo-

nialibus sicco bosco in bosco meo de Ydel, per visum forestarii mei, ad ardendum in omnibus officiis suis apud Esseald, tenendam et habendam prænominatam terram dictis monialibus, cum prædictis pastura, et pessone, et sicco bosco, cum omnibus pertinentiis, libertatibus, et aysyamentis tantæ terræ spectantibus in Ydel, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, adeo libere et quiete, pure et absolute, sicut aliqua elemosina aliquibus religiosis liberius possit dari, absque omni servitio et seculari exactione, ad faciendum inde omnimodo commodum suum secundum quod melius viderint eis expedire. Concessi etiam eisdem monialibus prænominatam terram, edificare, infossare, et essartare pro voluntate sua quum voluerint. Et ego Nigellus et hæredes mei prænominatam terram cum pastura, pessone, et sicco bosco, et omnibus pertinentiis suis, prædictis monialibus ubique warantizabimus, et acquietabimus, et defendemus imperpetuum. Et pro ista concessione et donatione concesserunt dictæ moniales invenire quandam capellanum celebrantem in perpetuum, pro salute animæ meæ, antecessorum, et successorum meorum. Et si aliquo tempore cessaverint de dicta celebratione, licebit mihi et hæredibus prænominatum feodum extinguere, donec redcant ad prædictam celebrationem. In cujus rei testimonium præsentis scripto sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus, Domino N. Ward, Domino Simone Ward, Elia de Wytechyroke, Willielmo Scoto de Calverley, et aliis.

NUM. XIV.

Carta Alani, filii Walteri de Yedon, de terra in eadem villa Monialibus de Esseholt concessa.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, prælatis, et subditis, tam futuris quam presentibus, Alanus, filius Walteri de Yedon. Noverit universitas vestra me Alanum de Yedon dedisse, et hac præsentis carta mea confirmasse Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ, et sancto Leonardo de Esseholt, et monialibus ibidem Deo servantibus, totam terram inter rivulum currentem per medium Yedon, et alium rivulum qui dicitur divisa in territorio Yedon et Giselay, usque in aquam quæ dicitur Air, et in superiori parte, a principio cujusdam trenchee, quæ exit de prædicto rivulo, linialiter usque ad pedem montis Ravenclif, et idem usque ad Hassoshequer, et per rivulum inde currentem usque ad memoratum rivulum de Yedon, et sicut ille dictus rivulus de Yedon extendit se usque ad prædictum rivulum qui antea nominatur divisa territorii Yedon et Giselay, cum molendino infra divisas prædictas, salva firmacione unius stagni in superiori parte editioris viæ ubi apparuit stagnum. Et præterea prædictæ moniales de Esseholt habebunt liberum exitum subtus molendinum prædictum usque Yedon, in latitudinem duarum perticarum, et totam terram secundum fossam quandam excurrentem de rivulo prædicto, et extendentem se in aquam quæ dicitur Air, usque ad terram monialium prædictam de Esseholt. Et hanc donationem feci pro salute animæ meæ et animarum patris et matris meæ, et animarum meorum uxorum, scilicet Aviciæ, et Marjoriæ, et antecessorum meorum, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam ab omni seculari servitio et exactione. Et tenentur per hanc donationem, suscipere tres filias meas in religionem, scilicet, Hodam, et Helewit, et Sibiuam, Deo ibidem servituras. Testes Alanus sacerdos de Baildon, Gulielmus sacerdos de Otthelay, Alanus persona ecclesiæ de Weston, Reginaldus Diaconus, Willielmus filius Roberti, Simou de Mohalt, Jacobus de Benetley, Ricardus de Bicerton, magister Hubertus Wellius de Ilie et Radulphus frater ejus, Thomas de Dieto, Adam Pincerna, Normannus Clericus, Willielmus de Wickeson, et Willielmus servientes domus regis, Alanus de Denton, et aliis.

Walterus filius Alani prædicti confirmavit prædictam donationem.

Johannes de Yadun dedit eisdem monialibus redditum trium marcarum de molendino suo de Yadun annuatim percipiendarum, ad sustentationem unius capellani in domo de Esseholt, qui esset capellanus monialium, ita quod celebraret bis in septimana, pro anima ipsius Johannis, et pro animabus uxoris, et omnium antecessorum et hæredum ejus, et omnium fidelium defunctorum, et singulis aliis diebus diceret unam collectam pro fidelibus defunctis ad missam; et si aliqua

urgente necessitate non posset duas missas in hebdomada celebrare, pro una missa diceret unum psalterium, sed aliam missam nullo modo omitteret, et si ecclesia prædicta monialium aliquando per quindecim dies a celebratione missæ cessaret, liceret eidem Johanni et hæredibus suis prædictum redditum resumere, et tenere in manu sua quousque prædictæ moniales capellanum haberent qui posset celebrare, quem non liceret eis amovere nisi per consilium domini abbatidis de Kirkestal, et per fidele consilium amicorum ejusdem Johannis.

Idem Johannes de Yadun dedit eisdem monialibus de Esseholt unam bovata[m] terræ in Yadun, cum tofto et crofto, et pertinentiis, ut per cartam suam ibidem.

NUM. XV.

Carta Simonis de Braam, de transitu per Manerium suum de Esseholt Monialibus de Esseholt concessa, cum Confirmatione Assarti quod habuerunt de dono antecessorum suorum.

[Transcript. penes eundem.]

OMNIBUS hoc scriptum visuris vel auditoris, Simon de Braam, dominus de Yedon, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noveritis me concessisse, et pro me et hæredibus meis licenciam dedisse priorissæ et conventui monialium de Esseholt, bene et pacifice transire et redire per medium manerii mei de Esseholt et per totam terram meam usque ad assartum suum quod vocatur Nunnespies, quod quidem assartum prædictæ moniales habuerunt de dono antecessorum meorum, et jacet juxta Bakessauclyf cum uno portico quod vocatur Thuffelker, tenendum et habendum dictum assartum cum libero introitu et exitu prædictis monialibus ut possint inde commodum suum facere omnimode et omni tempore anni quocienscunque et quacunque eisdem placuerit; ita tamen quod nec ego, prædictus Simon nec hæredes mei habeamus dampnum in bladis vobis aut in pratis per ingressum et regressum bestiarum earum. Præterea ego dictus Simon concessi pro me et hæredibus meis prædictis priorissæ et monialibus edificare quoddam toftum jacens juxta le Gresscroft in villa de Esseholt, quod habuerunt de dono antecessorum meorum, liberum etiam introitum et exitum super solum meum ad eundem toftum habere et communem in communibus pasturis meis sicut alii tenentes mei habent in eodem villatu sine aliquo impedimento. Et ego prædictus Simon et hæredes mei et mei assignati liberum ingressum, transitum, et regressum per medium curiæ meæ cum plaustris, carris, et carucis, et omnibus animalibus suis per totam terram meam ducentem ad prædictum assartum, sine damno bladi mei et prati, prædictis priorissæ et monialibus, pro salute animæ meæ, antecessorum, et hæredum meorum, super solum meum, duntaxat warantizabimus imperpetuum. In cujus rei testimonium præsentis cartæ meæ sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus, domino Simone Ward, domino Johanne Ward, domino Roberto de Plompton militibus; domino Nicholao Ward rectore de Gyselay, Michaelae de Roudon, Thoma de Horsford, Johanne Carletou, et aliis.

NUM. XVI.

An Award for Esholt of the third Year of King Henry VII.

[Sir W. Calverley of Calverley, in the County of York, Bart.]

To all true cristien people to whom this present writing ended shall com, Thomas Warde, John Bateson, John Birstogh, and Tostyne Yedon greting. Know ye that divers tithes, trespasses, querels, causes, aud debates, late had and moved betwix Johan Warde priorese of the house of Seynt Leonerdes of Esseholt, and the convent of the same of that one partie, and Richard Yedon of West Carleton thelder in the parishing of Syesley of the other partie, were by thassent and agreement of the parties aforeseid put to the awarde, ordinance, and dome of hus the seydes Thomas Warde, John Bateson, John Birscoch, and Tostyen Yedon, as arbitrous indeferentlie chosen by the parties beforeseid, and to the nownprage of Sir Cristofer Warde, knight. Wherefore we the seid arbitrous, the x daye of Februarie, in the yere of the reigne of King Harri the vijth the third, att Esholt aforeseid, taking opon hus the seides awarde, dome, and ordynance by gode deliberacion, and by thassent of the seides parties ordeignes, domes, and awarades in thies premisses in the forme ensuyng, that is to saye that where dyverse traverse and

title was betwix the scides parties of certain lond called Stonehouse Hoxgang, itt is so nowe agreed and accord by hus the seides arbitrours, and specialle by the nownparage of the seid Sir Cristofer Warde, knyght, that the seid lond shall remayn unto the said Richard and his heires for ever, paing therfore unto the seid Johan, priorese of the seid hous of Seynt Leonerdes of Esholt and to hir successors evere yere iijs. x*d*. ob. of lawfull money, and the seid Richard to be preserved free for ever by the seid house and convent. Also the seid Johan Warde and the convent hath graunt, dimised, and to ferme, hath letten unto the seid Richard, his heires, and his assignes, certeyn parcels of land, parte therof lying in a close called the Holdrode, and other parte therof lying in the Hierode, and a third parte lying in a close called Armayn rode, lying in the township of Yedon, from the feste of Seynt Martyn in winter, in the yere above written, unto the hende and terme of lxxx yeres, xix paing therfore yerelie unto the seid Johan and hir successors ever yere ijs. 1*d*. ob. at the festes of Whitsondaie, and Scynt Martyne in wynter, by even porcions, and if it happen this seid yerelie rent of the hole some in all, or in part to be byhynde and unpaid at any fest or festes that itt hogh to be paid att or by the space of xv dayes then next folowing the seid festes, that then itt shall be lefull unto the seid Johan and hir successors into the seide hole, oxgang, or into any parcell therof, to distrein, and the distrese so taken to lede, carie, dryve away, and withhold unto tyme be the seid yerlie rent be fullie satisfied and paid. Into witnes hirof etther partie to other endenture have putt to thair seales, geven the daie, yere, and place before seid.

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Literæ Patentes Regis Edwardi Sexti situm Monasterii de Esseholt, &c. Henrico Thompson concedentes.

[Penes eundem.]

EDWARDUS Sextus Dei gracia Angliæ Franciæ et Hiberniæ rex, fidei defensor, et in terra ecclesiæ Anglicanæ et Hiberniæ supremum caput, omnibus ad quos præsentis Literæ pervenerint salutem. Sciatis quod nos tam in complementum et performationem testamenti et ultimæ voluntatis percharissimi patris nostri Henrici octavi, nuper regis Angliæ, ac quarundam promissionum, conventionum, et concessionum, contentarum et specificatarum in quadam tripartita indentura facta inter nos ex prima parte et avunculum et consiliarium nostrum Edwardum ducem Somerset, personæ nostræ gubernatorem et regnorum et dominiorum nostrorum protectorem, reverendum in Christo patrem Thomam archiepiscopum Cantuariæ, Willielmum Paulet nobilissimi Ordinis Garterii militem, dominum Seynt John, et magnum magistrum hospicii nostri, Johannem Russel, prædicti Ordinis Garterii dominum Russel, et custodem privati sigilli nostri, Johannem Dudley, dicti Ordinis Garterii militem comitem Warwick et magnum camerarium Angliæ, Thomam Wrythesley dicti Ordinis Garterii militem comitem Southampton, reverendum in Christo patrem Cuthbertum Tunstall episcopum Dunelmensem, Antonium Browne prædicti Ordinis Garterii militem et magistrum equorum nostrorum, Willielmum Padgett ejusdem Ordinis Garterii militem contrarotulatorem hospitii nostri, Antonium Denny militem, Willielmum Herbert militem, Edwardum Mountagu militem capitalem justiciariorum banci nostri, Thomam Bromley militem unum justiciariorum ad placita coram nobis tenendum, Edwardum North militem cancellarium curiæ augmentationum revencionum coronæ nostræ, Edwardum Wotton militem et Nicholaum Wotton legum doctorem executores testamenti et ultimæ voluntatis prædicti percharissimi patris nostri ex secunda parte, et Henricum Thompson generosum ex tertia parte, gerente datam decimo quarto die Julii anno regni nostri primo; ac in consideratione quod prædictus Henricus Thompson sursum reddidit in manus dicti patris nostri totum jus, titulum, et interesse sua quæ habuit in nuper hospitali communiter vocato de Measendiewe^a of Dover in comitatu Kantii quam in consideratione quingentarum quinquaginta quinque librarum sex solidorum et octo denariorum legalis monetæ Angliæ ad manus thesaurarii nuper curiæ augmentationum revencionum coronæ dicti patris nostri ad usum ipsius patris nostri per prædictum Henricum Thompson in vita dicti patris nostri solutorum, unde eundem Henricum Thompson exone-

ramus et acquietamus per præsentis ac in consideratione ducentarum triginta sex librarum quatuor solidorum et duorum denariorum legalis monetæ Angliæ ad manus thesaurarii curiæ nostræ augmentationum et revencionum coronæ nostræ ad usum nostrum per præfatum Henricum Thompson persolutorum unde fatemur nos plenarie esse satisfactos et contentatos dictumque Henricum Thompson hæredes et executores suos inde esse exoneratos et acquietatos per præsentis de gratia nostra speciali, ac de advisamento dicti protectoris et coexecutorum suorum prædictorum, ex certa sciencia et mero metu nostris dedimus et concessimus ac per præsentis damus et concedimus præfato Henrico Thompson totum illud manerium nostrum de Bromfeild et rectoriam nostram et ecclesiam nostram de Brumfeild cum suis juribus membris et pertinentiis universis in comitatu nostro Cumbriæ nuper monasterio Beate Mariæ juxta muros civitatis Eborum modo dissoluto dudum spectantia et pertinentia, ac parcellam possessionum inde nuper existentia, ac advocationem, donationem, liberam dispositionem, et jus patronatus vicariæ ecclesiæ parochialis de Brumfeild in dicto comitatu Cumbriæ, dicto nuper monasterio dudum spectantia et pertinentia, ac omnia ac singula grangia, molendina, messuagia, domos, edificia, tofta, cottagia, terras, tenementa, prata, pascuas, pasturas, comunias, vasta, jumpna, brucas, moras, mariscos, turbarias, boscos, subboscos, aquas, piscarias, piscationes, pensiones, portiones, decimas, oblationes, obventiones, redditus, reverciones, servicia, feoda, firmas, feoda militaria, warda, maritagia, eschacta, relevia, fines, amerciamenta, herietta, curias letas, visum franci plegii, catalla, waviata, extrahuras, catalla felonum et fugitivorum, liberas warrennas, ac omnia alia jura, jurisdictiones, libertates, franchises, privilegia, proficua, commoditates, emolumenta, possessiones, et hereditamenta nostra, quæcunque cum pertinentiis jacentia et existentia in Brumfeild in dicto comitatu Cumbriæ, dicto manerio de Bromfeilde et dictæ rectoriæ de Brumfeild seu eorum alteri quoquomodo spectantia vel pertinentia, vel ut membra vel parcella corundem manerii et rectoriæ vel eorum alterius antehac habita, cognita, accepta, usitata, seu reputata, existentia, ac omnia alia messuagia, terras, tenementa, redditus, reversiones, servicia, et cætera possessiones et hereditamenta nostra quæcunque in Brumfeild in dicto comitatu Cumbriæ dicto nuper monasterio dudum spectantia et pertinentia, aut ut parcella possessionum seu reventionum ejusdem nuper monasterii antehac habita, cognita, accepta, usitata, seu reputata existentia; ac cum prædictus percharissimus pater noster per quandam indenturam confectam sub sigillo suo curiæ suæ augmentationum revencionum coronæ suæ, gerente datam decimo sexto die Aprilis anno regni sui tricessimo primo, tradiderit, concesserit, et ad firmam dimiserit Willielmo Knevet armigero totum domum et scitum nuper prioratus de Esseholt in comitatu suo Eborum tunc dissoluti, ac omnia domos, edificia, stabula, columbaria, ortos, pomaria, gardina, terram, et solum, existentia infra scitum, circuitum, et præcinctum ejusdem nuper prioratus; ac etiam unum clausum terræ arabilis et pasturæ vocatum Seynte Leonardes-homeclose, continens per estimationem octo acras, unum clausum terræ arabilis et pasturæ vocatum North West Feild, alias dictum Oxe close, continens per estimationem sex acras terræ arrabilis et tres acras pasturæ, unum clausum pasturæ vocatum Farre-west-feild, alias dictum Shepe-close, continens per estimationem sexdecim acras, unum clausum pasturæ vocatum Crosseley Feild, continens, per estimationem decem acras, duo parva clausa pasturæ vocata Newe-close-hed, continentia per estimationem tres acras et dimidiam, unum clausum terræ arabilis vocatum Newe-close, continens per estimationem novem acras, unum aliud clausum pasturæ vocatum The little Pightel jacens ex parte occidentali de le Neweclose, continens per estimationem duas acras, unum clausum pasturæ vocatum Nunn-woodlez continens per estimationem duas acras, unum clausum pasturæ vocatum Colleroode continens per estimationem novem acras, unum clausum pasturæ vocatum Pel-flatte continens per estimationem sex acras, unum pratum vocatum Common-inge continens per estimationem decem acras, unum clausum terræ arabilis vocatum Stakeclose continens per estimationem duodecim acras, unum pratum vocatum Norman-holme continens per estimationem septem acras, unum clausum terræ arabilis vocatum Langerode continens per estimationem sexdecim acras, unum clausum terræ arabilis vocatum Milnefelde con-

^a Maison-Dieu.

tinens per estimationem octo acras, unum clausum terræ arabilis vocatum Dayet-crofte continens per estimationem decem acras, unum clausum terræ arabilis Stranghillfreth continens per estimationem septem acras, unum clausum terræ arabilis et prati vocatum Exholm continens per estimationem septemdecim acras, ac unum aliud pratum vocatum Briggrode continens per estimationem tres acras; quæ quidem omnia et singula præmissa in dicta indentura expressa et specificata jacent et existunt in Essholt, Gysley, et Otley in dicto comitatu Eborum, ac dicto nuper prioratui de Essholte spectabant et pertinebant, ac parcella possessionum inde existerunt exceptis et omnino reservatis dicto patri nostro hæredibus et successoribus suis omnibus grossis arboribus et boscis in et super eisdem præmissis crescentibus et existentibus ac omnibus talibus et hujusmodi edificiis infra scitum dicti nuper prioratus quæ dictus pater noster ante tunc mandaverat seu postea mandaret prosterni, habendum et tenendum prædictam Domum et Scitum ac cætera omnia et singula præmissa in indentura prædicta expressa et specificata cum pertinentiis (exceptis præexceptis) præfato Willielmo Knevet et assignatis suis a festo Sancti Michaelis Archangeli tunc ultimo præterito usque ad finem et terminum viginti unius annorum extunc proxime sequentium, et plenarie complendorum et finiendorum, reddendo inde annuatim dicto patri nostro hæredibus et successoribus suis quatuordecim libras novem solidos et quatuor denarios legalis monetæ Angliæ ad festa Annunciationis Beatæ Mariæ Virginis et Sancti Michaelis Archangeli, vel, infra unum mensem post utrumque festum festorum prædictorum, ad dictam curiam suam augmentationum revencionum coronæ suæ per æquales portiones annuatim solvendas, ut per eandem indenturam plenius apparet. Sciatis pro consideratione prædicta et de advisamento dicti protectoris et coexecutorum prædictorum suorum ex certa scientia et mero motu nostris dedimus et concessimus ac per præsentem damus et concedimus præfato Henrico Thompson reversionem et reversiones prædictorum scitus, messuagiorum, terrarum, tenementorum, et cæterorum præmissorum prædicto Willielmo Knevet per dictam indenturam concessorum et cujuslibet inde parcellarum ac dicti annualis redditus quatuordecim librarum novem solidorum et quatuor denariorum, per eandem indenturam dicto patri nostro heredibus et successoribus suis reservatorum, ac etiam totam prædictam Domum et Scitum dicti nuper prioratus de Essholt in comitatu nostro Eborum modo dissoluti, ac omnia domos, edificia, molendina, orrea, stabula, columbaria, ortos, pomaria, gardina, stagna, vivaria, terras, et solum nostra quæcunque, tam infra quam extra, ac juxta seu prope scitum, septum, ambitum, circuitum, et procinctum ejusdem nuper prioratus existentia aut eidem adjacentia, ac totum illud clausum terræ arabilis et prati nostrum cum pertinentiis vocatum Saynt Leonard's-home-close continens per estimationem octo acras, ac totum illud clausum terræ arabilis et pasturæ nostrum vocatum North-West Feild, alias dictum Oxcelose, continens per estimationem novem acras, ac totum illud clausum terræ et pasturæ nostrum vocatum Farre-West-Felde, alias dictum Shepeclose continens per estimationem sexdecim acras, ac unum clausum terræ et pasturæ nostrum vocatum Crosseley-Felde, continens per estimationem decem acras; ac omnia illa duo parva clausa terræ et pasturæ nostræ vocata Newcloschedde continentia per estimationem tres acras et dimidiam ac unum clausum terræ arabilis nostrum vocatum Newclose continens per estimationem novem acras, necnon totum illud clausum terræ et pasturæ nostrum vocatum le lytle Pyghtell continens per estimationem duas acras jacens ex parte occidentali de le Newclose prædicti, ac totum illud clausum terræ et pasturæ nostrum vocatum . . . continens per estimationem duas acras, ac unum clausum terræ et pasturæ nostrum vocatum Colleroode continens per estimationem novem acras, ac unum clausum terræ et pasturæ nostrum vocatum Pes-flatte, continens per estimationem sex acras, ac totum illud pratum nostrum vocatum Commen-Inge continens per estimationem decem acras, ac unum clausum terræ arabilis nostrum vocatum Stacks-Close, continens per estimationem novem acras, ac unum clausum prati nostrum vocatum Norman-holme continens per estimationem septem acras, ac unum clausum terræ arabilis nostrum vocatum Langerode continens per estimationem sexdecim acras, ac totum clausum terræ arabilis nostrum vocatum Milne-felde continens per estima-

tionem octo acras, ac unum clausum terræ arabilis nostrum vocatum Dayet-crofte continens per estimationem unam acram, ac unum clausum pasturæ et prati nostrum vocatum Longholme continens per estimationem decem acras, ac totum illud clausum terræ arabilis nostrum vocatum Stranghill firs continens per estimationem septem acras, unum clausum terræ arabilis et prati nostrum vocatum Exholme continens per estimationem septemdecim acras, ac unum clausum prati nostrum vocatum Briggrode continens per estimationem tres acras una cum omnibus et singulis communiis, proficiis, commoditatibus, et emolumentis quibuscunque præmissis in dicto comitatu Eborum seu alicui inde parcellæ quoquo modo spectantibus vel pertinentibus, aut cum eisdem seu cum aliqua eorundem parcella antehac habitis, cognitis, usitatis, seu occupatis existentibus; quæ quidem terræ prata et pasturæ et cetera præmissa in dicto comitatu Eborum vulgariter nuncupantur les Demcan Lands dicti nuper prioratus de Essholt ac in manibus, cultura, et occupatione propriis nuper priorissæ dicti nuper prioratus de Essholt tempore Dissolutionis inde reservata et occupata fuerunt, et jacent et existunt in Essholt, Gysley, et Otley in eodem comitatu nostro Eborum. Damus etiam pro consideratione prædicta et de advisamento prædicto per præsentem concedimus præfato Henrico Thompson omnes illos boscos nostros et terras nostras vocata Nunnewoode, Strangle, Hilforde Springe, Mabbæ Woode, et Baston Clyfte, cum pertinentiis, continentia per estimationem triginta duas acras, jacentia et existentia in Essholt prædicto nuper prioratui de Essholt dudum spectantia vel pertinentia, ac parcella possessionum inde nuper existentia; ac etiam damus pro consideratione prædicta de advisamento prædicto per præsentem concedimus præfato Henrico Thompson omnes et omnimodos boscos, subboscos, et arbores nostros quoscunque de in et super præmissis crescentes et existentes, ac terram, fundum, et solum dictorum boscorum et subboscorum; ac etiam reversionem et reversiones quascunque omnium et singulorum præmissorum et cujuslibet inde parcellæ, nec non redditus et annualia proficua quæcunque reservata super quibuscunque dimissionibus et concessionibus de præmissis, seu de aliqua inde parcella quoquo modo factis. Damus etiam, et pro considerationibus prædictis de advisamento prædicto per præsentem concedimus, præfato Henrico Thompson, prædictum manerium ac rectoriam de Brumfelde, ac prædictum scitum, messuagia, terras, tenementa, et cætera omnia et singula præmissa superius expressa et specificata, cum pertinentiis adeo plene, libere, et integre, prout ultimus abbas dicti nuper monasterii beatæ Mariæ juxta muros dictæ civitatis Eborum, ac ultima priorissa dicti nuper prioratus de Essholte, aut eorum alter aut aliquis, vel aliqui prædecessorum suorum seu eorum alterius in juribus nuper monasterii et prioratus illorum vel eorum alterius, aliquo tempore ante separales dissolutiones eorundem nuper monasterii et prioratus, vel antequam nuper monasterium et prioratus illa ad manus nostras separaliter devenerunt, aut dictus percharissimus pater noster, aut aliquis alius vel aliqui alii prædicta manerium, rectoriam, messuagia, terras, tenementa, et cætera præmissa, aut aliquam inde parcellam habuerunt, tenuerunt, vel gavisi fuerunt, habuit, tenuit, vel gavisus fuit, seu habere, tenere, vel gaudere, debuerunt aut debuit, et adeo plene libere et integre, prout ea omnia et singula ad manus nostras seu ad manus dicti patris nostri, ratione vel prætextu separalium dissolutionum, dictorum nuper monasterii et prioratus, aut ratione vel prætextu alicujus actus parlamenti, vel aliter quocunque modo devenerunt seu devenire debuerunt, ac in manibus nostris jam existunt seu existere debent vel deberent. Damus ulterius, et pro consideratione prædicta, de advisamento prædicto, per præsentem concedimus præfato Henrico Thompson, infra prædictum manerium, scitum, terras, tenementa, et cætera præmissa cum pertinentiis, et in qualibet inde parcella tot tanta talia eadem hujusmodi et consimilia, curiam letam, visum franci plegii, catalla, waviata, extrahuras, assisam, et assaiam panis, vini, et cerevisiæ, catalla felonum et fugitivorum, liberas warrennas, ac omnia alia jura, jurisdictiones, libertates, franchises, privilegia, proficua, commoditates, emolumenta, et hæreditamenta quæcunque, quot, quanta, qualia, et quæ, ac adeo plene, libere, et integre, prout ultimus abbas dicti nuper monasterii beatæ Mariæ juxta muros civitatis Eborum ac ultima priorissa dicti nuper prioratus de Essholte, aut eorum

alter aut aliquis, vel aliqui prædecessorum suorum seu eorum alterius, in jure nuper monasterii et prioratus illorum, seu eorum alterius, aliquo tempore ante separales dissolutiones eorum dictorum nuper monasterii et prioratus, vel antequam nuper monasterium et prioratus illa ad manus nostras seu ad manus dicti patris nostri sepealiter deveniunt, aut dictus percharissimus pater noster, aut aliquis alius, vel aliqui alii, unquam habuerunt, tenuerunt, vel gavisifuerunt, habuit, tenuit, vel gavisus fuit, seu habere, tenere, vel gaudere debuerunt aut debuit, in prædicto manerio, terris, tenementis, et cæteris præmissis, aut in aliqua eorundem parcella, ratione vel prætextu alicujus cartæ, doni, concessionis, vel confirmationis, aut aliquarum literarum patentium per nos seu per aliquem progenitorum nostrorum regum Angliæ antehac factam, vel concessam, seu confirmatam, aut ratione vel prætextu alicujus præscriptionis, usus, seu consuetudinis, antehac habitæ seu usitatæ, ac ratione vel prætextu alicujus actus parliamenti, vel aliter quocunque modo, jure, seu titulo. Quod quidem manerium de Brumfelde ac prædicta rectoria de Brumfelde, et cætera præmissa in Brumfelde prædicta, modo extenduntur ad clarum annum valorem triginta et quatuor librarum. Et qui quidem scitus dicti nuper prioratus de Esseholt, et cætera præmissa in Esseholt, Gysley, et Oteley prædictis, modo extenduntur ad clarum annum valorem quatuordecim librarum, novem solidorum, et quatuor denariorum, habendum, tenendum, et gaudendum prædictum manerium de Brumfelde, ac prædictam rectoriam de Brumfelde, et advocacionem vicariæ ecclesiæ de Brumfelde, ac prædictum scitum dicti nuper prioratus de Esseholt, ac omnia prædicta messuagia, domos, edificia, orrea, columbaria, stagna, vivaria, terras, tenementa, prata, pascua, pasturas, boscos, subboscos, pensiones, portiones, decimas, oblationes, redditus, reversiones, servicia, curias letas, libertates, franchises, privilegia, proficua, commoditates, et cætera omnia et singula præmissa superius expressa et specificata, cum omnibus et singulis eorum pertinentiis, præfato Henrico Thompson, hæredibus, et assignatis suis in perpetuum, ad proprium opus et usum ipsius Henrici Thompson, hæredum, et assignatorum suorum in perpetuum, tenendum de nobis, hæredibus, et successoribus nostris in capite, per servicium quadragesimæ partis unius feodi militis, ac reddendo annuatim nobis, hæredibus, et successoribus nostris, de et pro prædictis manerio et rectoria de Brumfelde, et cæteris præmissis in Brumfelde prædicta, tres libras et octo solidos. Et de et pro prædicto scitu dicti nuper prioratus de Esseholt, et cæteris præmissis in Esseholt, Gysley, et Oteley prædictis, viginti octo solidos, undecim denarios, et unum obulum, legalis monetæ Angliæ, ad curiam nostram augmentationum et reventionum coronæ nostræ, ad festum sancti Michaelis Archangeli singulis annis, solvendo pro omnibus redditibus, serviciis, et demandis quibuscunque proinde nobis, hæredibus, vel successoribus nostris quoquo modo reddendis, solvendis, vel quoquo modo faciendis. Et ulterius damus, et pro consideratione prædicta de advisamento prædicto per præsentem concedimus præfato Henrico Thompson, omnia exitus, redditus, reversiones, et proficua omnium et singulorum prædictorum manerii, rectoriæ, scitus, terrarum, tenementorum, et cæterorum præmissorum, cum pertinentiis et cujuslibet parcellis, a festo sancti Michaelis Archangeli, anno regni dicti patris nostri tricesimo sexto hucusque provenientium sive crescentium, habenda eidem Henrico ex dono nostro, absque computo seu aliquo alio proinde nobis, hæredibus, vel successoribus nostris quoquo modo reddendo, solvendo, vel faciendo. Et insuper de ampliori gracia nostra volumus, et pro nobis, hæredibus, et successoribus nostris, pro considerationibus prædictis, de advisamento prædicto, per præsentem concedimus præfato Henrico Thompson, hæredibus, et assignatis suis, quod nos, hæredes, et successores nostri in perpetuum annuatim et de tempore in tempus exonerabimus, acquietabimus, et indemnes conservabimus tam præfatum Henricum Thompson, hæredes, et assignatos suos, quam prædictum manerium, rectoriam, scitum, messuagia, terras, tenementa, et cætera omnia et singula præmissa, cum pertinentiis, et quamlibet inde parcellam versus nos, hæredes, et successores nostros, et versus quascunque alias personas, de omnibus et omnimodis eorodis, redditibus, feodis, annuitatibus, et aliis oneribus, et denariorum summis quibuscunque, de præmissis quoquo modo exeuntibus, seu persolvendis, vel superinde oneratis vel onerandis, præterquam de separalibus redditibus,

et serviciis superius per præsentem nobis, hæredibus, et successoribus nostris, ut præfertur reservatis. Et præterquam de dimissionibus de præmissis, seu de aliqua inde parcella factis, et præterquam de oneribus quæ firmarii præmissorum pro tempore existentes exoncrare tenentur ratione indenturarum suarum. Volentes etiam, et per præsentem firmiter injungendo præcipientes, tam cancellario et generalibus supervisoribus a consilio dictæ curiæ augmentationum et reventionum coronæ nostræ, quam omnibus receptoribus, auditoribus, et aliis officiariis et ministris nostris, hæredum, et successorum nostrorum quibuscunque pro tempore existentibus, quod ipsi et eorum quilibet super solam demonstrationem harum literarum nostrarum patentium vel irrotulamenti earundem, absque aliquo alio brevi suo warranto a nobis, hæredibus, vel successoribus nostris, quoquo modo impetrando seu proseguendo, plenam, integram, debitamque allocationem et exonerationem manifestam de omnibus et omnimodis hujusmodi corrodiiis, redditibus, feodis, annuitatibus, et aliis oneribus et denariorum summis quibuscunque de præmissis ut præfertur exeuntibus, seu solvendis, vel superinde oneratis, seu onerandis (exceptis præexceptis), præfato Henrico Thompson, hæredibus et assignatis suis faciant, et de tempore in tempus fieri causabunt. Et hæc literæ nostræ patentes, vel irrotulamentum earundem erunt annuatim et de tempore in tempus tam dicto cancellario et generalibus supervisoribus, ac consilio dictæ curiæ nostræ augmentationum et reventionum coronæ nostræ, quam omnibus receptoribus, auditoribus, et aliis officiariis et ministris nostris, hæredum et successorum nostrorum quibuscunque pro tempore existentibus, warrantum, et exoneratio in hac parte. Et ulterius de uberiori gracia nostra volumus, et autoritate nostrâ regia qua fungimur pro nobis, hæredibus, et successoribus nostris, pro consideratione prædicta, de advisamento prædicto per præsentem concedimus, præfato Henrico Thompson, hæredibus, et assignatis suis, quod idem Henricus, hæredes, et assignati sui de cætero imperpetuum habebunt, tenebunt, et gaudebunt, ac in usus suos proprios convertent, ac habere, tenere, et gaudere, ac in usus suos proprios convertere valeant et possint, prædictam rectoriam de Brumfelde, ac omnes prædictas decimas, oblationes, obventiones, et cætera præmissa eidem rectoriæ spectantes et pertinentes, aliqua lege, statuto, actu, ordinatione, provisione, sive restrictione in contrarium inde antehac habitis, factis, editis, ordinatis, seu provisus, aut aliqua alia re, causa, vel materia quacunque in aliquo non obstante. Volumus etiam pro consideratione prædicta, ac ex certa scientia et mero motu nostris, per præsentem concedimus præfato Henrico Thompson, quod habeat et habeat has literas nostras patentes sub magno sigillo nostro Angliæ debito modo factas et sigillatas, absque fine, seu feodo magno vel parvo, nobis in hanaperio nostro, seu alibi ad usum nostrum quodammodo reddendo, solvendo, vel faciando, eo quod expressa mentio de vero valore annuo, aut de certitudine præmissorum, sive eorum alicujus, aut de aliis donis sive concessionibus, vel per nos, vel per aliquem progenitorum nostrorum, præfato Henrico Thompson, ante hæc tempora factæ in præsentibus minime facta existit, aliquo statuto, actu, ordinatione, provisione, sive restrictione inde in contrarium facta, edita, ordinata, seu provisâ, aut aliqua alia re, vel materia quacunque in aliquo non obstante. In cujus rei testimonium has literas fieri fecimus patentes. Teste meipso apud Hampton Court, vicesimo quinto die Augusti, anno regni nostri primo.

Adams

Per breve de privato sigillo, &c.

Irrotulatur in officio HUGONIS FULLER, auditoris.

NUM. XVIII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

ESSHOLTH PRIORAT' MONIALIU'.

Elizabeth Pudsay incumbens.

Temp'al valet in

Seit' abbathe iðm eū terr' prat' pasc' et pastur' dñic' eidm ptin' et in man' iþius priorisse occupat' p annū

10l. 0s. 0d.

Reddit' et firma in dīvs' villat' viz in Yeddon 7l. 6s.

Hawkeswyth 1*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. Rawdon 4*s*. Gyesley 4*s*. In toto
p annū 9*l*. 0*s*. 8*d*.
Sīma to' valor' p*3* . . . 19*l*. 0*s*. 8*d*.
D' quib*3*.

Resolut' redd' videl't in

Resolut' reddit' Vavaso' exeunt' de dñio p annū
2*s*. Feod' Robti Mennell scñ^{li} monastij p annū 1*l*. Salar'
uni' capellani ibm celebrant' p' anima Robti Plumton ex
fundaçõe ejusdm Robti 4*l*. Feod' Johis Colier balli p'orat'
p*3*dci p annū 13*s*. 4*d*. In toto p annū . . 5*l*. 15*s*. 4*d*.
Sīma to' rep's' p*3* . . . 5*l*. 15*s*. 4*d*.
Et valet clare 13*l*. 5*s*. 4*d*. cum 4*l*. p salar' uni'
capellan' sup'ius deduct' et 13*l*. 5*s*. 4*d*. de clar'
exit' dict' p'orat'. In toto . 13*l*. 5*s*. 4*d*.
X^{ma} ps inde 1*l*. 6*s*. 6½*d*.

NUM. XIX.

Paper Surveys, Augmentation Office.

ESSHOLTE NUPER PRIORATUS MONIALIUM IN COMITATU
EBORACI.

In rentalī renovat. de terris et tenementis pertinentibus
dicto nuper prioratui dissoluto 29^{no} die Augusti, anno regni
metuendissimi domini regis Henrici Octavi 31^{mo} inter alia
continentur sicut sequitur.

	£.	s.	d.
Situs dicti nuper prioratus cum pomarijs ortis et gardinis, ac cum uno clauso terræ ara- bilis et pasturæ, vocati Scynt Leonards Home- close, continen. per estimationem octo acras, valent ad firmam per annum	1	0	0
Item aliud clausum vocatum Northeſte felde, continens novem acras scx acras terræ arabilis et tres acras pasturæ, valet ad firmam per annum	1	0	0
Item unum aliud clausum vocatum Farre- westfelde, alias Shepeclose, continens sexdecim acras pasturæ, valet ad firmam per annum . .	1	0	0
Item aliud clausum vocatum Croseley felde, continens novem acras pasturæ	0	10	0
Item duo parva clausa vocata New Close Hede, cont. novem acras terræ arabilis, et valent ad firmam per annum	0	4	0
Item aliud clausum vocatum New Close, continens novem acras terræ arabilis, et valet ad firmam per annum	0	10	0
Item aliud clausum vocatum Little Pigh- tell, jacens ex parte occidentali de le New Close supradict. continens duas acras pasturæ, et valet per annum	0	2	0
Item aliud clausum vocatum Nunnewode Lez, continens duas acras pasturæ, et valet per annum	0	2	0
Item aliud clausum vocatum Collrods, con- tinens novem acras pasturæ, et valet per annum	0	13	4
Item aliud clausum vocatum Peſestall, continens sex acras pasturæ, et valet per annum	0	10	0
Item unum clausum vocatum Comen Ynge, continens decem acras prati, valet per annum .	1	6	8
Item aliud clausum vocatum Stakclose, continens duodecim acras terræ arabilis, et valet per annum	0	13	4

	£.	s.	d.
Item aliud clausum vocatum Normans- holme, continens septem acras prati, et valet per annum	0	16	0
Item aliud clausum vocatum Langerode, continens sexdecim acras terræ arabilis ultra unam acram terræ jacntem in angulo, Anglice dicto Southwest Corner dicti clausi modo dimiss. Thomæ Maude generoso et Roberto Titteswell, et valet per annum	1	6	8
Item aliud clausum vocatum Milnefeld, continens octo acras terræ arabilis, et valet per annum	0	13	4
Item aliud clausum vocatum Dayet crofte, continens unam acram terræ arabilis, valet per annum	0	2	0
Item aliud clausum vocatum Longeholme, continens decem acras pasturæ et prati, et valet per annum	1	0	0
Item aliud clausum vocatum Strangeſorth, continens septem acras terræ arabilis, et valet per annum	0	13	4
Item aliud clausum vocatum Oxholme, continens septemdecim acras terræ arabilis et prati, et valet per annum	1	6	8
Item unum clausum prati vocatum Brig- gerode, continens tres acras, et valet per annum	0	10	0
Summa	14	9	4

Per me HUGONEM FULLER, Auditorem.

Memorandum, that these parcells aforeseid doo lye
in the parishes of Essholt, Gersley, and Otley,
in the countye aforeseid.

Fiat dimissio WILLIELMO KNEVET.
RYCHARD RYCHE.

NUM. XX.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

ESSHOLTE NUPER PRIORATUS.

Com' Ebor'	£.	s.	d.
Essholte—Firma terrarum dominica- lium	14	9	4
Roods—Liber' reddit'	0	14	0
Mikilthwayte—Liber' reddit'	0	2	0
Yedden—Firma terrarum et tenemen- torum	10	18	11
Ydill—Reddit' dominicalium in tene- mento	0	0	6
Rawden—Reddit' tenementi	0	4	0
Hawkesworthe—Firma terrarum et tenementorum	1	17	2
Gyesley—Firma terrarum, molend', &c.	4	6	8
Calverley—Firma divers' claus' et pastur'	2	6	4
Essholte—Firma cotag' cum terr'	0	2	0
Nonnewode, Baston, et Middlewoode Spring—Firma herbagij boscorum	0	10	0
Mikilthwayte—Recept' forin'	0	8	0
Summa totalis receptæ	35	18	11

Abbey of Woburn, in Bedfordshire.



WOBURN ABBEY was founded, to the honor of the Virgin Mary, in 1145, by Hugh de Bolebec; as appears from Instruments in the Appendix.^a Henry the Second's Charter of Confirmation enumerates various other persons as early benefactors;^b and Dugdale has preserved a separate charter of Hugh Maleth bestowing upon the monks his land at Suaneburne.^c Still, how-

ever, the endowment must have been scanty, as in 1234 this monastery was so poor that the establishment was for a time broken up, and the monks dispersed into different convents till the debts which they had contracted could be discharged.^d

The return of the possessions of this monastery as they appear in Pope Nicholas's Taxation in 1291, will be found in the note below.^e

The following are the names which have come down of the

ABBATS of WOBURN.

ALAN appears to have been the first.^f He was brought from the abbey of St. Mary at York.

PETER occurs A.D. 1200.^g

RICHARD, A.D. 1217.^h

ROGER, A.D. 1233.ⁱ

ROBERT DE STOKE was elected A.D. 1297.^k

JOHN DE ESSEBY was elected A.D. 1458.^l

ROBERT CHARLET occurs A.D. 1463.^m

^a See the Charters Numm. II. III. Lel. Collectan. tom. iii. p. 107.

^b See Num. III.

^c Num. IV.

^d Chron. Dunstap.

^e The temporal possessions were,

Dioc. Lond. In paroch. S. Joh. Zach. 13s. 4d. *Dioc. Linc.* In Cestresham, in terris et reddit. 1l. 13s. 6d. ibidem, in fruct. greg. et animal. 18s. 8d. In Colewyk, in terr. redd. et molend. 2l. 15s. 11d. ibid. in fruct. greg. et animal. 4l. 3s. In Schenle de priore de Snelleshall de redd. 2l. 2s. In Wavenden in terris, pratis, &c. 4l. 13s. 4d. ibidem de exit. vacc. 2s. In Bolebrichull, in terris, redd. et pratis 3l. 9s. 8d. ibidem de fruct. animal. 3l. 8s. 8d. In Syndeley, Magna Brichull, Stok Hamand in terris, molend. redd. columb. 5l. 18s. 8½d. ibidem in Cranle et Woketon de redd. 2l. 19s. 11d. In Magna Brichuhull et Stok Hamund in pratis 6s. 3d. In Birchmore, Hudecote, in terris, reddit. mercat. cur. et heriett. 10l. 16s. 6½d. ibidem in fruct. greg. 3l. 13s. 9d. In Wytenho, in terris, redd. pratis, cur. et columb. 10l. 12s. 3d. ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal. 3l. 6s. In Pollokeshull in terris, pratis, cur. redd. 7l. 2s. 5d. In Husseburn Craule in terris, redd. pratis, 1l. 10s. ibidem in fruct. greg. 1l. 2s. In Holecote in terris, pratis, &c. 3l. 8s. 4d. In Todingdon Grange de Hare ibidem in terris r. cur. et vend. bosci 6l. 0s. 10d. ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal. 1l. 18s. 4d. In Middleton in terris, pratis, redd. cur. 4l. 15s. ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal. 3l. 6s. 11d. In Stratle, in terris et pratis, 1l. 13s. In Hecham et Pottesgrave in terris, redd. et pratis, 3l. 13s. 7½d. In Leytton, de mol. et pratis, 1l. 12s. ibidem de exit. vaccar. 6s. In Bedeford, de redd. 11s. In Hemmyngford, in terr. et fruct. arbor. 1l. 10s. 10d. ibidem de fruct. greg. 2s. In Parva Houtton de redd. 6s. *Dioc. Norwic.* In Norwico, 8s. 4d. In Rensingland de reddit. 1l. 8s.

The following spiritualities are entered:

Dioc. Linc. Eccl. de Chesham s. porc. abbatis de Woburn deduct. pens. 17l. 5s. Eccl. de Pichelesthorn, 10l. 13s. 4d. Eccl. de Swaneburn, 8l. 13s. 4d. Eccl. de Chedindon, 6l. 13s. 4d. appropri. abbati Woburn.

Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 12 b. 33, 33 b, 45 b, 46 b, 47 b, 48, 48 b, 49, 49 b, 52, 53 b, 93, 109, 124.

^f Lel. Collect. tom. iii. p. 107.

^g Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 4.

^h Ibid.

ⁱ Ibid.

^k Reg. Oliv. Sutton, Episc. Linc. an. pont. 16.

^l Inter Memorand. Joh. Chedworth, Episc. Linc. MS. Harl. 6952, p. 206.

^m Willis, Mit. Ab. ut supr.

ⁿ Reg. Smyth, Episc. Linc. MS. Harl. 6953, p. 31.

^o Stowe, Annales, edit. 1592, p. 970.

THOMAS HOGESON, A.D. 1499.ⁿ

ROBERT HOBBS, abbat of Woburn, who first occurs in 1524, with the prior of the same house, and the parson of Pudingtone, were executed at Woburn in the 28th of Hen. VIII. A.D. 1537.^o

The revenues of this House in the 26th of Hen. VIII. amounted in gross income to 430l. 13s. 11½d.; the net receipts to 391l. 18s. 2½d. per annum.

The site was granted in the 1st Edw. VI. to John Lord Russell, whose descendant the Duke of Bedford still possesses it.

References to DOCUMENTS relating to Woburn Abbey will be found in the note below, where they are placed for the purpose of compression.^p

No impression from the COMMON SEAL of this abbey has fallen in the way of the Editors of the Monasticon, nor has a single seal occurred to them of any of its abbats.

No part of the BUILDINGS of Woburn Abbey now exist. Cole, in one of his manuscript volumes, says, "The duke of Bedford has, this year, 1747, determined to pull down the old abbey house in his park, and build another more suitable to his taste." The present mansion house at Woburn was built soon after by Fliteroft. Cole conjectured that the pulpit in the parish church of Woburn, so remarkable for ornamented carving in the Gothic taste, came originally from the Abbey-church.

MEDMENHAM Abbey in Buckinghamshire was a Cell to Woburn.

^p Tanner says,

"Vide registra, computos, rotulos curiarum, cartas originales, &c. penes illustrissimum ducem Bedford.

"De appropriatione eccl. de Sudbury, A.D. 1501, in libro memorand. Gul. Smith episc. Lincoln. fol. 92.

"Cart. antiq. Joannis R. I. n. 28.

"Fin. Bucks, 3 Ric. I. n. 35. pro terris in Swaneburn.

"Fin. Bucks, 3 Joannis, n. 34, 35, pro terris in Swaneburn.

"Fin. Bucks, 3 Hen. III. n. 24 vel 25. pro terris in Wengrave. Fin. Bucks, 6 Hen. III. n. 32. pro com. past. in Stiveley. Fin. Oxon. 8 Hen. III. n. . . pro com. past. in Stokes. Fin. Bucks, 8 Hen. III. n. 64. pro terris in Cestresham. Fin. Bucks, 19 Hen. III. n. 232. Fin. Bucks, 20 Hen. III. n. 44, 45, 55, 56, 73. pro terris in Crawell. Fin. Bucks, 25 Hen. III. n. 102, 107, 112, 115. pro eisdem. Cart. 26 Hen. III. m. 6. de capella apud veterem Woburn de mercato et feria. Plac. de banco, 26 Hen. III. rot. 25. Rec. in Scacc. 29 Hen. III. Hill. rot. . . Fin. Bucks, 36 Hen. III. n. 106. Fin. com. ign. 36 Hen. III. n. 21. de terris in Brickill, m. . . Fin. Bucks, 38 Hen. III. n. 61. pro redd. in Chatendon. Fin. Bucks, 46 Hen. III. n. 61. Fin. Bucks, 53 Hen. III. pro terris in Cestresham.

"Pat. 12 Edw. I. m. 1 vel 2, et 6 vel 7. Pat. 19 Edw. I. m. . . Fin. Bucks, 22 Edw. I. n. 36. pro man. de Smewynsgrange. Cart. 27 Edw. I. n. 2. pro lib. war. in Woburn, Uttecote, Whitenho, et Middleton Brian. Pat. 35 Edw. I. m. . .

"Pat. 2 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 26. pro eccl. de Brichmore appropriand. Brev. 9 Edw. II. Trin. rot. 9.

"Plac. apud Bedford, 4 Edw. III. quo warr. rot. 14 pro libertat. in Woburn. Herlyndon, &c. Pat. 11 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 8. de taxatione bonorum in diversis archidiaconatibus. Brev. R. 11 Edw. III. Pasch. rot. 1. Pat. 14 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 31. de v. hidis in Swaneburn. Claus. 14 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 18. de dictis v. hidis tentis de manerio de Brehull. Pat. 18 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . . Pat. 24 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . . Pat. 37 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 45. pro ten. in Woburn chapel et Eversholt. Pat. 41 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 22. pro ten. in Husborn, Craveley, &c.

"Pat. 10 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 40. pro 2 mess. in par. S. Benedicti London. Pat. 12 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 13. Pat. 15 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 5. Cart. 15, &c. Ric. II. n. 24. pro lib. war. in Hare in par. de Tudington. Pat. 18 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 37. de ten. in Linchlade et Southcote. Pat. 19 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 7. et p. 2, m. 14. de mess. et terris in Middleton Brian. Pat. 21 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 21. pro ecclesia de Whitchurch appropriand.

"Pat. 1 Hen. IV. p. 8, m. 41.

"Pat. 4 Hen. V. m. 37. pro manerio de Pottesgrave.

"Pat. 1 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 3."

See also the printed Rot. Hundred. vol. i. pp. 4, 5, 6, 7, 21, 27, 42, 45, 47; vol. ii. pp. 335, 679, 680. Plac. de quo war. pp. 1, 36, 37, 87, 94, 95.

Cartae ad Woburnensem Abbatiam in agro Bedfordensi spectantes, fundatam Anno Mclv.^a

NUM. I.

[Ex MS. de orig. Fontanensis cœnobii in bibl. Arundeliana.]

— Et adjecit Dominus ampliare gentem suam, et dilatare terminos possessionis ejus. Erat vir quidam dictus Hugo de Bolebock, homo potens et magnarum rerum, inspiratus à Domino ut monasterium construeret ordinis Cisterciensis, venit Fontes, et ad consilium domini Henrici abbatis viculum quendam Woburniam nomine Line. diœcesi cum agris adjacentibus divinis usibus consecravit. Suseepit abbas munus de manu divitis et ædificiis de more constructis ad locum ipsum fratres regulares destinavit. Anno m.c.xlv. incarnationis Dominicæ, foundationis monasterii Fontanensis xij. divisus est monachorum conventus sub abbate Allano ad locum qui nunc Woburne nominatur.

NUM. II.

Confirmatio Foundationis per Regem Joannem.

[Cart. 2 Joh. n. 50, m. 17.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia, &c. Sciatis nos pro amore Dei concessisse, et præsentis carta nostra confirmasse monachis ecclesiæ Woburnensis ad construendam abbaciam ordinis Cisterciensis, manerium de Medmeham, eum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis quod habuit de dono Hugonis de Bolebec. Quare volumus, &c. Dat per manum S. Wellen. archidiac. apud Selveston, iij. die Januar. anno regni nostri secundo.

NUM. III.

Confirmatio Donationum per Regem Henricum Secundum.

[Cart. 9 Edw. II. an. 50.]

H. REX Angliæ et dux Norm. et Aquit. et comes Andeg. archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Seiatis me concessisse et in perpetuam elemosinam confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ de Woborna et monachis de ordine Cisterciensi ibidem Deo servientibus totum manerium de Woborna quod Hugo de Bolebee eis in elemosinam dedit, et locum in quo ecclesia illa fundata est; et omnes alias donationes et elemosinas et possessiones suas quæ eis rationabiliter datæ et factæ sunt sicut eartæ et scripta donatorum et fundatorum ecclesiæ suæ testantur. Ex dono Hugonis de Bolebec totum prædium manerium de Woborna cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et nominatim cum illa virgata terræ quæ vocatur Baghehella. Ex dono Radulphi Pyrot totam terram quam de feudo ipsius tenent sicut carta sua testatur. Et totam terram quam tenent eo dono Hugonis de Lucellis cum tota terra quam de eodem feodo tenent de Willielmo de Lucellis. Et totam terram quam tenent ex dono Willielmi de Flicton, et totam terram quam tenent ex dono Stephani de Pulotheshella. Et totam terram quam tenent ex dono Piroti Binnion. Et totam terram quam tenent ex dono Henrici de Pullocheshella, et totam terram quam tenent ex dono Walteri de Caisneto cum eommuni pastura villæ suæ de Pottesgrava. Quare volo, &c. Testibus, Philippo Baioe. et Arnulpho Lexov. episcopis, et Thoma Canc. et Frogero archid. et Ricardo de Humet constabul. et Roberto de Novoburgo et Warino filio Geroldi Cam. et Manass. Biset dapi-fero, et Waltero de Hereford, et Roberto de Donestr. apud Rotomagum, &c.

NUM. IV.

Carta Hugonis Maleth.

[Cart. 9 E. II. n. 50. per Inspex.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri quod ego Hugo Maleth, assensu et consilio uxoris meæ Margaretæ Passelewe, et hæredum meorum dedi et concessi, &c. Deo et ecclesiæ S. Mariæ de Woburne, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in perpetuam elemosinam, &c. totam terram meam, et totum

jus meum, et omnia servicia et consuetudines hominum meorum de Suaneburne et de Mursele, tam liberorum quam rustieorum cum omnibus pertinentiis, &c. præter unam virgata terræ quam dedi et carta mea confirmavi monialibus infirmis S. Mariæ de Prato. Totam hanc prædium terram eum omnibus supradictis pertinentiis et libertatibus excepta prædium virgata, tenebunt et habebunt prædium monachi de Woburne de me et hæredibus meis in perpetuam elemosinam, &c. Hiis testibus, Hamone Passelewe, Waltero Passelewe, Nicholao Passelewe, Roberto Passelewe, Radulpho Maleth, Petro Maleth, &c.

NUM. V.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONAST' DE WOBORNE.

Declarac' Annui Valoris omi' Dñioꝝ Mañioꝝ Terr' Teñent' Grang' et al' Possession' ac Spiritual' quoꝝeumq; ptin' Monastio ibm p uno anno integro fi' ad fm Sçi Michis Archi anno 26^{to} R^s Henr' 8^{vi} ut inferius videlt

Com' Bedford'.

D'niu' de Obo'ne cum Terr' D'nic' ibm.

Valet p annū in reddit' et firm' dim' diſs' pson' put pticlr pꝝ ren' eoram Frauncisco Brian milit' et al' eomis-sionar' ostens' et exāiat' sup saēm abbis ibm 67l. 1s. 5d.

Et in oblac' ad imaginē Bte Marie Virgis eoibꝝ annis 0l. 6s. 8d.

Et in redd' p^{ato}ꝝ et pastur' ptin' grang' de Uteote reſvat' in man' abbat' p expen' hospie' s' sie arentat' ad verū valorem p saēm p̄dēm put pticlr pꝝ ren' p̄diet', &c.

35l. 3s. 4d.

Et in cons' reddit' diſs' p^{at}' claus' et pastur' ptin' grang' de Whyghtnoo siſt reſ vat' ad usum hospie' sie arentat' ad verū valorē p saēm p̄dēm put pꝝ rentle p̄dēm

18l. 6s. 4d.

S̄m^a . . . 120l. 17s. 9d.

Byrehmo', Ev'sholt, Mylton Bryon, Pottesgrave, Hokclyffe, Harne, et Batellesden.

Valent p annū in reddit' et firm' cū 2l. 13s. 4d. de x^{is} eccie de Byrehmo' vꝝ granoꝝ put pꝝ ren' p̄dēm, &c.

5l. 19s. 9d.

Et in reddit' et firm' in dñio de Eſsholt p annū put pꝝ ren^{le} p̄d' . . . 31l. 6s. 0d.

Et in reddit' et firm' in Mylton Bryon p annū, &c. 24l. 6s. 3¼d.

Et in reddit' et firm' in Pottesgrave dim' diſs' tenent' ibm ut pꝝ ren^{le} p̄d' . . . 13l. 18s. 0d.

Et in reddit' in Okclyff cū lib' reddū ibm, &c. 0l. 8s. 4½d.

Et in reddit' et firm' in Harne dim' diſs' tenent' ibm ut pꝝ ren^{le} p̄dēm . . . 9l. 19s. 2d.

Et in uno teñent' et cert' terr' ibm dim' Walto Morres 0l. 10s. 0d.

S̄m^a . . . 86l. 7s. 6¼d.

Lynchelade, Hulcote, Byddyngham, Bedforde, Husbond, Crawley, Ryggemond cu' Segenho, Pullokshyll, Westonyng, et Grenefelde, et Tebworth.

Valent p annū in quodm molend' et cert' terr' in Lynchslade dim' Joſine Jeffreson p indentur', &c.

7l. 1s. 4d.

Et in reddit' et firm' in Hulcott dim' Riço Faire, &c. 3l. 13s. 4d.

Et in reddit' et firm' in Bedenham et Bedford dim' diſs' pson' put pꝝ ren^{le}, &c. . . 0l. 15s. 10d.

Et in reddit' et firm' in Husbond Crawley dim' diſs' pson' ibm put pꝝ ren' p̄dēm . . . 10l. 16s. 6¼d.

^a Annal. de Waverle in bibl. Cotton.

Et in reddit' et firm' in Rydgemonde et Segynho dim' diſs' pson', &c. 2l. 3s. 5d.
 Et in reddit' et firm' in Pulloxhyll et Grenslade diſs' pson' dim' put p3 rentle p̄dēm, &c. 30l. 18s. 7d.
 Et in reddit' et firm' in Westonyng dim' diſs' pson' put patet p ren^l, &c. 2l. 18s. 2½d.
 Et in reddit' et firm' in Tebworth dim' diſs' pson', &c. 0l. 5s. 11d.
 Sīm^a 58l. 13s. 1½d.

Com' Bukkyng^hame.

Swanbo'ne, Stuteley, Drayton, Pasloo, North Crawley, et Waunden.

Valent p annū v3 in reddit' et firm' in Swanbone dim' diſs' pson' put p3 ren^{le}, &c. 27l. 18s. 5d.
 Et in reddit' et firm' in Stewteley dim' diſs' pson' put p3 ren^l 9l. 19s. 0d.
 Et in reddit' et firm' in Drayton Pasloo dim' diſs' pson' &c. 8l. 3s. 1½d.
 Et in reddit' et firm' in North Crawley dim' Riċo Bechynhoo, &c. 2l. 0s. 0d.
 Et in reddit' et firm' in Waunden dim' Wiſſmo Burne, &c. 9l. 10s. 0d.
 Sīm^a 57l. 10s. 6½d.

Shedyngton, Bettloo, South-Waddon, Smewnes, Stokehamon, Magn' Brykhull, et Sulbo'ne.

Valent p annū v3 in reddit' et firm' in Shedyngton et Bettloo dim' diſs' pson' put p3 ren^l 2l. 2s. 8½d.
 Et in reddit' et firm' in Smewnes dim' Edward' Staunton, &c. 8l. 0s. 0d.
 Et in reddit' et firm' in Magn' Brykhyll dim' diſs' pson', &c. 0l. 13s. 1d.
 Et in reddit' et firm' in Sulbo'ne dim' diſs' pson' put p3 rentle p̄dēm, &c. 24l. 12s. 0d.
 Sīm^a 35l. 7s. 9½d.

Bolebrykehyll, Wyngave, Wynge, Woughton, Snelleshall, Colewyks cu' Dod'hyll, Chesh^am, Wobo'ne, et Whytchurch.

Valent p annū in reddit' et firm' in Bolebrykehyll dim' Wiſſo Burre et Edwardo Staunton, &c. 3l. 6s. 8d.
 Et in reddit. et firm' in Wyngrave dim' Wiſſo Duncombe et Riċo Pyngge, &c. 4l. 13s. 4d.
 Et in reddit' et firm' in Wynge dim' Nicċo Buckemaster et Robto Dorm' 0l. 14s. 10d.
 Et in reddit' et firm' in Woughton dim' Riċo Pott 0l. 13s. 4d.
 Et in reddit' et firm' in Snelleshall dim' priori et conventui iſm 2l. 2s. 0d.
 Et in reddit' et firm' in Colewyks cū Dod'hyll dim' Laurenc' Faierclyff 8l. 13s. 4d.
 Et in firm' rector' de Chesh^am Wobo'ne cū terr' et ten' iſm sic dim' Joſi Cheney armig' p indentur' 23l. 0s. 0d.
 Et in firm' rector' de Whitchurch dim' relict' Joſis Knyght 14l. 0s. 0d.
 Sīm^a 57l. 3s. 6d.

Com' Oxon'.

Fewcotts.

Valet p annū in reddit' et firm' dim' nup Wiſſmo Bylyngs, &c. 2l. 13s. 8d.

Sīm^a p3

Com' Huntyngd'.

Hemyngforde.

Valet p annū in reddit' et firm' iſm dim' Joſini Keche et Riċo Alb3, &c. 1l. 13s. 4d.

Sīm^a p3

Com' North^ampt'.

Houghton P^v.

Valet p annū in lib reddu exeunt' de terr' Thom' Chylde jun', &c. 0l. 6s. 8d.

Sīm^a p3

Com' Myddelsex.

London'.

Valet p annū in firm' aule aurefabril' cū hospic' nro iſm 0l. 13s. 4d.

Sīm^a p3

Vendic' Bose'.

Valent coib3 annis p sacrm dñi abbtis 7l. 6s. 8d.
 Sīm^a p3

Pquis' cur'.

Valent coib3 annis ex sacrmō p̄dict'. 2l. 0s. 0d.
 Sīm^a p3

Sīm^a totlis valoris omī' dñioz mānīoz terr' et tenēnt' ac spiritual' p̄dcoz 430l. 13s. 11½d.

D' quib3 in

Repris' videl't.

In reddit' resolut' v3 dno regi p certitudin' in Eſshold, Mylton Bryon, et Harne ant' 2l. 1s. 4d.
 Et in redd' res' dno Sċi Albani p terr' in Pottesgrave an^u 0l. 7s. 2½d.
 Et p'ori et conventui de Dunstable p molend' de Grenefeld p annū 1l. 0s. 0d.
 Et eisd prior' et convent' p terr' in Pullox Hyll p annū 0l. 5s. 0d.
 Et eisdm priori et convent' p tenēnt' in Husbond Crawley p annū 0l. 1s. 6d.
 Et priori de Tykeforde p reddit' Heremiūi p annū 0l. 3s. 0d.

Et priori Sċi Joſis Jerlem p Rolsam p annū 0l. 10s. 0d.

Et priori de Bradwell p terr' in Swannesnest et Smewenes p annū 0l. 2s. 0d.

Et priori de Marton p dñio de Mylton Bryon p annū 1l. 0s. 0d.

Et castro Oxon' p grangea de Fewcotts p fin' et ward' p annū 0l. 6s. 8d.

Et dno de Bryll p Bolla Mell' p annū 0l. 13s. 4d.
 Et dno de Westonyng p lib firm' iſm p annū 0l. 2s. 0d.

Et hered' M^{ri} Yngylton p terr' in Stokehamon p annū 0l. 9s. 0d.

Et Magistro Dyve p terr' in Harne p annū 0l. 3s. 4d.

Et hered' M^{ri} Broughton p terr' in Collyarshyll p annū 0l. 4s. 0d.

Et hered' M^{ri} Joſis Buttler p mundac' curs' aque in Polloxhyll p annū 0l. 1s. 6d.

Et hered' Leonardi Brok p reddit' botaz p annū 0l. 3s. 4d.

Et Honori Walyngford p fin' p annū 0l. 2s. 0d.
 Et baronie Bedff' p cons' fin' p annū 0l. 2s. 0d.

Sīm^a 7l. 17s. 2½d.
 Denar' sol' eſo Lincoln' p indempnit' ecclīaz monastij p̄dci v3 Chesh^am, Whytechurch, Sulburye, Swanbo'ne, et Byrchmore p annū 1l. 11s. 8d.

Et dno archidiacon' Bukk' p consili et p pcuracionib3 et sinodalib3 p̄dcāz iiii^{or} ecclīaz p annū 1l. 13s. 3½d.

Et dno archio Bedff' p cons' p ecclīa de Byrchmore p annū 0l. 5s. 3d.

Et vicar' de Sulbury p pencion' s' p annū 8l. 0s. 0d.
 Et dno abbti Sċi Albani p pencion' in ecclīa de Chesh^am p annū 0l. 15s. 0d.

Et priori et conventui de Dunstable p consili in eadm ecclīa p annū 2l. 0s. 0d.

Et priori et monachis de Tykefforde p pencion' in ecclīa de Sulbury p ann' 0l. 5s. 0d.

Et gardian' et socijs s' Nov' Colegij Sanct' Marie Oxon' p cons' in ecclīa de Swanbo'ne p annū 0l. 5s. 0d.

Sīm^a 14l. 15s. 2½d.

Feod' v3

Frauncisc' Bryon milit' capitlis senesc' iſm p annū 5l. 6s. 8d.

Et in feod' Edwardi Stanton ball' de Wobo'ne p annū 2l. 0s. 0d.

Et in feod' Thom' Johnson ball' de Eſsholt, Ryggemonde, et Crawley p annū 1l. 0s. 0d.

Et in feod' Robti Cook ball' de Mylton Bryon, Harne, Tebworth, et Hocelyff p annū 0l. 13s. 4d.

Et in feod' Laurenc' Faierclyff ball' de Doddhyll, Colwyks, et Fewcotts p annū 1l. 6s. 8d.

Et in feod' Riċi Kynge ball' de Swanbo'ne p a^m 1l. 0s. 0d.

Et in feod' Thom' Stokk sen' ball' de Drayton et
Stewcley p annū 0l. 13s. 4d.
Et in feod' Robti Stanton ball' de Hulcott, Bolebryk-
hill, Woughton, Pottesgrave, et Batyllesden p a^m
1l. 0s. 0d.
Et in feod' Johis Jeffreson ball' de Lynchslade, Sul-
bury, Wynge, et Wyngrave, p annū . . . 1l. 6s. 8d.
Et in feod' Riçi Mowse ball' de Shedyngton et Bettloo
p annū 0l. 3s. 4d.
Et in feod'. Johis Clympe ball' de Hemyngton p annū
0l. 3s. 4d.
Et in feod' Withi Borne ball' de Waunden et Pv'
Houghton p annū 1l. 6s. 8d.
Et in feod' Johis Baker ball' Bedford' p ann'
0l. 3s. 4d.
Sīm^a 16l. 3s. 4d.
Sīm^a oīni' alloc' p̃dict' 38l. 15s. 9d.
Et sic oīnia dñia maīia terr' et spirit'
p̃dict' valent clare ultra repris' 391l. 18s. 2d.
Ede p x^{ma} 39l. 3s. 10d.

NUM. VI.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll 34 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]
WOBURN NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Com' Bedf'	£.	s.	d.
Woburn—Dñium	163	6	10 ob'

	£.	s.	d.
Com' Bedf'			
Lynchelade et Brichill Magna— Reddit'	7	14	1
Wynge cum rectoria de White- church—Reddit'	15	6	2
Pottesgrave—Reddit'	13	4	4
Sulbury cum rectoria ibidem ac Wyngrave et Smewnes—Red- dit'	17	7	4
Betlowe, Chedyngton, et South Whaddon—Reddit'	2	2	8 ob'
Harlyngton, et Pulloxhill, et Grenfield—Reddit'	34	10	3 ob'
Swanneborne, Wavendon, et Dray- ton—Reddit'	39	15	7 ob'
Eversholt, Woghton, Husborne Crawley, Hulcote, Rygemonde, North Crawley, et Bowbrichill —Reddit'	49	5	3 ob' q'
Mylton Bryan, Heron, Teb- worthe, Wyngfeld, Hockcliff, et Bytlesden—Reddit'	35	16	4 q'
Fewcotts—Grangia	2	13	0
Shenley—Reddit'	2	2	0
Hemyngford—Reddit'	1	13	4
Colwycks et Stewkley—Reddit' .	18	13	7
Chessham—Rectoria	23	3	4
London—Reddit'	0	13	4

Merebal, or De Mīra valle Abbey, in Warwickshire.



EREVAL ABBEY has been so fully accounted for by Sir William Dugdale in the History of Warwickshire, that we shall make no apology for transcribing the particulars of his statement.^a “Westwards from Ather-ton, scarce a mile, stands Miravall, of which there is no particular mention in the Conquerour’s Survey, in regard it was involved with Grendon (lying on the other side of the river) whereto it then belonged as an out-wood, and therewith became pos-sess by Henry de Feriers, a great man in these parts (as I shall shew anon), whose grandson Robert Earl Ferrers, having a reverend esteem of the Cistertian monks, which in his time began to multiply in England, made choice of this moun-tainous and woody desert (as fittest for solitude and devotion) to found therein a monasterie of that order; which was begun accordingly in the xiiith year of K. Stephen’s reign;^b and being propagated with monks from Bordesley Abbey in Worcestershire^c had, by reason of such its situation, the name of Miravall attributed thereto; the lands wherewith he endowed it being these; viz. all his forest of Arden (id est, his out-wood in that part of the woodland, which then bore the name of Arden), and also what he had in Whitting-ton, together with the mannour of Overton (now called Orton on the Hill in com. Leic.), as also Herdwike in the Peake of Derbyshire, unto Cranokesdune; with common of pasture in Hertendon and Pillesburie, for sheep and other cattell, as the words of his charter do import.^d “But besides this, it had severall other benefactors; of which the principall were these; scil. Gerard de Limesi,

Walt. de Camvile, Raphe de Baskerville, and Pain de Basker-vile, as K. H. II.’s charter, whereby he ratified their grants, manifesteth: ^e To that about 30 H. II. there were the granges of More (now More-Barne), Broile, Seile, Litle Petling, the church of Overton (on the Hill), with the chapells of Gren-don, Twicrosse, Gopshull, and Baxterly (some in this countie and some in Leicestershire) belonging thereto, as the bull of Pope Lucius the third, wherby he confirmed them, doth manifest.^f Divers lands had these monks afterwards bestowed on them also through the countie of sundry other persons; viz. in Litle Sheyle by Henry de Appelby and others; in Overton subt. Ardern, by John de Overton and Rob. Stapleton. In Brantingthorp by Rob. de Branting-thorp and others: in Shepye by Nich. de Temple and others.^g In Hertingdon, as parcell of the mannour of Pillesburie, they obtained cxx. acres of land more, from Thomas Earl of Lancaster, in lieu of xxs. yearly rent, which they usually did receive at his exchequer of Tutbury.^h “In 2 Edw. III. they had a grant of two messuages, three shops, and xiis. rent in Leicester, by Petronill Oliver of Leicester, to finde a priest for celebration of divine service in the conventuall church of Miravale, for the soul of her the said Petronill, her ancestors, and all the faithfull de-ceased.ⁱ In 11th E. III. they had more lands bestowed on them, lying in Overton, Peatling, and Brantingthorpe before specified, by sundry persons.^k In 18th Edw. III. they purchased xvii. messuages and divers lands in Atherston, Bentley, and Baxterley, with the moytie of the mannour of Baxterley.^l In 31 E. III. they had a messuage and a yard land in Bentley, bestowed on them by John de L’isle, then lord of that mannour, to find xv. tapers in the chapell of our Ladie, near the gate of the abby.^m In 10 Ric. II. they purchased six other messuages in Atherston, and certain rents in Whittington and Baxterley.ⁿ In 16 Ric. II. four messuages and certain lands in Tamworth, and Wilnecote, as also two messuages more in Atherston.^o And in 28th

^a See Hist. Warw. edit. 1656, pp. 782, 783.
^b Annal. S. Werb. Cestriæ, in bibl. Cotton. ^c Ibid.
^d Ex ipso autog. penes Ric. Chamberlein ar. Vide Pat. 22 R. II. p. 2, m. 11, per Insp.
^e Cart. 21 Edw. I. n. 2, per Insp.
^f Ex Reg. de Merevale penes R. Chamberlein.
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^g Pat. 14 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 5. ^h Pat. 19 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 9.
ⁱ Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 27. ^k Pat. 11 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 2.
^l Pat. 19 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 12.
^m Ex autog. penes Joh. Lisle ar.
ⁿ Esc. de Ad. quod D. 10 R. II. n. 100.
^o Esc. de Ad. quod D. 16 R. II. p. 1, n. 140.
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Hen. VI. they obtained the church of Manceter,^a with an appropriation thereof.^b The value of all which lands and all other their possessions amounting unto ccliiijl. js. viijd. as appears by the Survey of 26 Hen. VIII.^c preserved it from ruin, when the lesser Houses went to wrack in 27 Hen. VIII. But in 30 Hen. VIII. it was overwhelm'd in the generall deluge, being surrendred to the king's use, by the then abbot and covent, as by their publick Instrument,^d under the conventuall seal, dated 13 Oct. the same year, whereunto their names are particularly subscribed, doth manifest; whose pensions during life, as they were by patent granted to them, I have here also added.

"Willielmus Arnold abbas	xl ^l .		
Joh. Ownsbe sub-prior	v ^l .	vj ^s .	vij ^d .
Edm. Bromley, alias Crockell	v ^l .	vj ^s .	vij ^d .
Will. Tunman	v ^l .	vj ^s .	vij ^d .
Rob. Fenne	v ^l .		
Thomas Benson	v ^l .		
Will. Robynson, sacrista	v ^l .	vj ^s .	vij ^d .
Joh. Dunne	v ^l .	vj ^s .	vij ^d .
Will. Bron	v ^l .		
Joh. Spey		ij ^s .	iiij ^d .

"After which, viz. 2 Dec. 32 Hen. VIII. was the site hereof, with the lands and woods adjacent, together with the New-House-Grange, and Pinwell-Grange, in com. Leic. As also Owsthirn-Grange in this countie, granted to Sir Walt. Devereux, kt. Lord Ferrers of Chartley, and to the heirs male of his body;^e so that there being a reversion in

the crown, for defect of issue male, in 4 Edw. VI. he obtained another patent (being then arrived to the dignitie of Viscount Hereford) for the same site, and the other lands, to himself and his heirs generall.^f Which Walter disposed thereof to Sir Will. Devereux, kt. his younger son, as it seems; for he was that patcht up some part of the ruins here, and resided thereon as I have heard; and by his testament^g bequeathing it to Joan his wife for life, gave the remainder to Walter Vicount Hereford (his nephew) and his heirs: which Walter (afterwards created earl of Essex) left issue Robert, earl of Essex, attainted in 43 Eliz.; whose son and heir Robert, in 1640, possessed the site, and much of the lands. Of the

ABBOTS,

I have not found the names of any more than these three:

JOH. BUGGELEY, 12 Hen. VI.^h

THOMAS ARNOLD, 23 Hen. VIII.ⁱ

WILL. ARNOLD, 26 Hen. VIII. and 30 Hen. VIII."^k

The revenues of this Abbey, as returned in the Taxation of 1291, will be found in the note below.^l

The COMMON SEAL, an imprcssion of which on red wax is in the possession of William Hamper, Esq. had for its subject the Blessed Virgin, sitting with the Infant on her lap, both crowned, between two slender pillars under a Gothic canopy; on her right side a hand holding a crosier, on her left a star surmounting a crescent; legend, s. ABBA-TIS . ET . CONVENTVS . SĒE . MARIE . MIREVAL'. The deed to which this seal was attached bears date 16 Edw. III.^m

Cartae ad Merebalensem Abbatiam in agro Warwicensi spectantes, fundatam Anno Mccxlvij.

NUM. I.

Carta Foundationis.

[Ex ipso autographo penes Ricardum Chamberleine armigerum a. 1640.]

ROGERO Cestriae episcopo, et omnibus filiis sanctae ecclesiae, Robertus comes de Ferrariis, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse pro anima Roberti comitis de Ferrariis patris mei, et pro salute animae meae et uxoris meae, Deo et beatæ Mariae, et ecclesiae de Miravall, ad construendam abbatiam

^a Pat. 28 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 14.

^b Bothe, f. 61 a.

^c MS. penes, S. A. eq. aur. f. 54 a.

^d Ex autog. in Cur. Augm.

^e Orig. 32 Hen. VIII. p. 1. Warr. Leic. Staff.—Rex secundo die Decembr. concessit Waltero Devereux mil. Domino Ferrers et de Charteley totum domum et scitum nuper monasterii de Mervale ac mesuag. &c. in Meryvale in com. Warr. et Leic. ac mesuag. &c. in Oureston, Sustocke, Crodworthe, Dunton, Tamworthe in com. Warr. ac terr. &c. in Croxhall et Shenston in com. Staff. except. rectoriis, &c. habend. ei et hæred. masculis de corpore suo legitime procreat. ro. cxxij.

^f Pat. 4 Edw. VI. p. 8.

^g Esc. 22 Eliz.

^h Pat. 12 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 25.

ⁱ Regist. coll. de knoll. f. 201 a.

^k MS. penes, S. A. eq. aur. f. 52 b.

^l *Dioc. Covent. et Lichf. Temp.* Abbas de Marivall habet apud Wodebern in dec. de Arden tres carucat. terr. et valet caruc. per annum, 15s. Ibidem curtilag. quod valet per annum, 3s. Ibidem duo columbar. quæ valent per annum, 3s. Ibidem unum molend. quod valet per annum, 6s. Ibidem novem acr. prati quæ valent per annum, 18s. De silva cedua, 1l. Apud Wytinton dim. car. terr. et valet per annum, 6s. Duas acr. prati quæ valent per annum, 2s. De pastura per ann. 4s. Apud Overeston dim. caruc. terr. et val. per annum, 8s. Ibidem tres acras prati, 6s. Molend. quod valet 4s. Apud Grangiam de Pillesbury in Dec. de Esseburne quatuor caruc. et val. caruc. per annum, 10s. Ibidem de profic. stauri per annum, 15l. Apud Crokesdone, de profic. stauri per annum, 12l. Apud Selmardon in Dec. de Alto Pecco unam caruc. terr. et val. per annum, 12s. Ibidem de profic. stauri per annum, 3l. 10s.

Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. pp. 257, 265.

^m Tanner gives the following references to records relating to this abbey.

"Vide Registrum hujus abbatiae laudatum sæpe in cl. Burtoni descriptione com. Leicestr. pp. 24, 61, &c.

"Registrum olim penes Ric. Chamberlain registrarium Curiae Wardarum.

"In bibl. Cotton. Otho C. viii. 11, 12. appropriationem ecclesiae parochialis de Mancestre, et ordinationem vicarie.

ordinis Cisterciensis, totam forestam meam de Ardena, et quicquid habeo in Wytinton, et manerium de Weston, et manerium de Overton, et unam Herdewicam in Pecco ad Crannokesdune, et communam pasturæ, scilicet de Hertendon, et Pillesbury, ad oves et animalia nutrienda. Test. Ricardo Peche archidiacono, magistris Edm. et Hugone de Ferrariis, Willielmo filio Nigelli, Henrico filio Sewali, Willielmo filio Herberti, Roberto de Bakepuiz, Galfrido de Bakepuiz, Ricardo de Curkun, Willielmo de Seyl, Henrico de Cambreys, Roberto Luvet.

"MS. Peck in Museo Britan. tom. iv. pat. 31 Edw. I. de terris in Brentingthorp, 14 Edw. II. in Brentingthorp, Over Sheyle, Nether Sheyle, et Wittington. 18 Edw. III. de mess. in Horkele et Leicestre.

"Fin. div. com. 12 Joan. n. 58, de reddit. in Weston.

"Fin. 3 Hen. III. m. 4 vel 7. Claus. 7 Hen. III. m. 26. Claus. 9 Hen. III. m. 12. Claus. 13 Hen. III. m. 23, de pastura in Fairfield et Maistonfeld. Fin. 13 Hen. III. m. 13, de eadeni. Plac. de banco, 27 Hen. III. Trin. rot. 19 de secta ad curiam abbatis de Overton Leicestr.

"Pat. 2 Edw. I. m. 17. Cart. 21 Edw. III. n. 2, pro foresta de Arden, terris in Witinton, Overton, &c. Pat. 28 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 31 Edw. I. m. .

"Pat. 14 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 4, et 9, pro terris in Shcile Magna et Parva, Overton, Brantingthorp, &c. Cart. 19 Edw. II. n. 9. Pat. 19 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 9.

"Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 27, pro shopis et ten. in Leicestre. Plac. in com. Derby. 4 Edw. III. quo war. rot. 2. Petit. parl. 4 Edw. III. n. 2, de terris in Mainstansfield cum housebote et commun. pastur. in foresta de Champaine. Plac. coram rege, 5 Edw. III. Hill. rot. 64. Derby. Pat. 11 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 2. Pat. 17 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 9, pro eccl. de Overton subtus Arden. Escaet. Leicestr. 17 Edw. III. n. 73, de mercat. et feria abbatiae concess. in maner. de Atherston. Pat. 18 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 43, licent. reg. pro maner. de Atherston a monachis Beccensibus perquirendo. Pat. 19 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 12.

"Escaet. Warw. 10 Ric. II. n. 100. Pat. 11 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 9. pro mess. et terris in Atherston, Witinton, &c. Escaet. Warw. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, n. 140. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 16, pro mess. in Tamworth et Wilmcote. Pat. 22 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 11.

"Pat. 20 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 19. Pat. 28 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 14, pro eccl. de Mauncestre approprianda. Pat. 37 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 10, pro cantaria et gilda in eccl. de Mancester."

See also the Rot. Hundred. tom. ii. pp. 229, 298. Abbrev. Plac. pp. 124, 221, 230, 296, 310. and Plac. de quo war. pp. 135, 383, 780, published by the Record Commission.

"Annal. de Derley in bibl. Cotton.

NUM. II.

Donationum Confirmatio per Regem Henricum Secundum.

[Cart. 19 Edw. II. n. 9. per inspex.]

HENRICUS rex Angliæ, et dux Normanniæ et Aquitaniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, episcopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et confirmasse, pro anima regis Henrici, et aliorum antecessorum meorum, et pro salute animæ meæ, et matris meæ imperatricis, et reginæ uxoris meæ, et puerorum meorum, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis Mirevallis, totam donationem illam, quam comes Robertus de Ferrariis illis dedit, in elemosinam, ad quandam abbathiam construendam ordinis Cisterciensis. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio, ut præfati monachi habeant et teneant omnes terras suas, cum omnibus appendiciis suis, de cujuscunque feudo sint, et omnes possessiones suas, benè et in pace, quietè et liberè ab omni consuetudine seculari; sicut aliqua ecclesia, in tota terra mea meliùs et liberius tenet. Præterea volo et firmiter præcipio ut sint quieti per totam terram meam, de theloneo, et de scires, et de hundredis, et de wapentachiis, et de kingeld, et de denegeld, et de murdre, et infangentheof, et de omnibus aliis secularibus infestationibus. Concedo itaque et confirmo cum tali libertate, quali Robertus comes de Ferrariis dedit et concessit eis, videlicet, totam forestam suam de Ardena, et quicquid habuit in Wintona et Overtonia, et Leam. Et totam terram quam Gerardus de Limese eis dedit; et quicquid Walterus de Canvilla concessit eis de terra sua; et quicquid Radulphus de Baschervilla, et Paganus de Baschervilla concesserunt eis; et quicquid hæredes Roberti comitis de Ferrariis, vel quicunque alii justè et rationabiliter dederunt, ad incrementum ejusdem abbatiæ, vel quicquid emerint, aut escambierint ad aisiamenta sua, in bosco et plano, in pratis et pasturis, in aquis et stagnis, in molendinis et minariis, et in omnibus aliis rebus. Et prohibeo ne quis clamet consuetudinem in bosco eorum, nemo mittat abbatem in placitum de terra aliqua nisi ante me. Præterea volo quod omnes qui amant salutem animæ, et diligant et manuteneant abbathiam illam. Teste Theobaldo archiepiscopo, et W. Cestrensi episcopo, et Thoma cancellario, et Rein. comite, et Rogero comite de Hereford, et Gocelino de Balliol, et Masero Byseth, apud Brugeam. Datum per manum nostram apud Tameorth xij. die Marci.

NUM. III.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONASTERIUM DE MERYVALL ORDINIS CISTERCIE.

D'n's Will'm's Arnold Abbas ejusd'm Monasterij.

Redd'us Eccl'iar' ap'p'iat' eid'm Monast'.

Idm s' comp'm 34l. 13s. 4d. de firma x^{me} garbar' et feni eccl'ie pochialis de Mancettur in com' Warr' p annū.Et de 38l. 11s. 4d. de firma x^{me} garbar' et feni eccl'ie parochialis de Oŵton cū capella de Twycrosse eidem annex' in com' Leic' p annū.S^ma 73l. 4s. 8d.

Redd'us Assis'.

Et de 6l. 2s. de reddu assis' in Adderston in com' Warr' p annū.

Et de 8l. 1s. de reddu assis' in Mancettur in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 3l. 7s. 6d. de reddu assis' in Baxterley in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 2l. 13s. 6d. de reddu assis' in Whittington in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 6l. 2s. de reddu assis' in Oŵton in com' Leicestr' p annū.

Et de 3l. 5s. de reddu assis' in Twycrosse in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 3l. 3s. de reddu assis' in Pva Shepey in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 5s. de reddu assis' Magna Shepey in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 1l. 10s. de reddu assis' in Ratclyff in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 6l. 6s. 4d. de reddu assis' in Oŵshall in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 4l. 0s. 4d. de reddu assis' in Netherhall in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 4l. 4s. 8d. de reddu assis' in Brantynghorpp in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 2l. 15s. 4d. de reddu assis' in Pva Petlyng in eodem com' p annū.

S^ma 51l. 16s. 8d.

Terr' Ten'ta Prat' Pasc' et Pastur'.

Et de 6s. de reddu terr' teñtor' et moñnor' in Ulston in com' Warr' p annū.

Et de 4s. de reddu terr' et teñtor' in Wyviltott in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 10l. de reddu terr' et teñtor' in Leegraunge in com' Leic' p annū.

Et de 1l. 14s. 8d. de reddu terr' et teñtor' in Oŵshayle in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 3l. 6s. 8d. de reddu terr' et teñtor' in Netherhayle in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 13s. 4d. de reddu terr' et teñtor' in Hardeshill in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 6l. 13s. 4d. de reddu terr' et teñtor' in Brantynghorpp' in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 22l. de firma mañij de Morebarne in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 1l. 6s. 8d. de reddu terr' et teñtor' in Worthington in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 2l. 0s. 4d. de reddu terr' et teñtor' in Tamworth in com' Staff' p annū.

Et de 18l. 13s. 4d. de reddu terr' et teñtor' in Pyllesbury et Crauxton in com' Derby p annū.

Et de 46l. 13s. 4d. de firma mañij de Aller in com' Lancast' p annū.

Et de 6s. de reddu uni^s mes' in civitate Norwic' p annū.

Et de 16s. de reddu terr' et teñtor' in Tympehorn in com' Staff' p annū.

Et de 6s. 8d. de reddu terr' et teñtor' in Okeley in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 6s. 8d. de reddu terr' et teñtor' in Barton in eodem com' p annū.

Et de 4s. de reddu terr' et teñtor' in Shenston in eodem com' p annū.

S^ma 121l. 5s. 4d.

Terr' D'nical' rešvat' ad usum Hospicij.

Et de 50l. de reddu oñū terr' D'nicaliū ejusd'm monasterij non dimiss' sed rešvat' ad usum hospicij ejusd'm monasterij sic estimat' p discrecōem cōmissionar' et alior' p eor' visū cōibz annis p annū.

S^ma 50l. 0s. 0d.

Oblações infra Monasteriu'.

Et de 2l. annuatim recept' de exit' oblaconū ad imaginem Bte Marie Virginis infra eccliam monasterij p'dci p annū sic oñat'.

S^ma 2l. 0s. 0d.

Vendic' Bosci cu' Pquis' Cur' et al' exit' casualiū.

Et de 5l. 3s. 4d. an^{tim} recept' de vendic' bosc' cū pquis' cur' et alior' exit' casual' p discrec' cōmissionar' cōibz annis.S^ma 5l. 3s. 4d.S^ma to^{lis} oñis huj^s monasterij . . . 303l. 10s. 0d.

De quibz.

Resoluco Redd'us.

Idm computat in reddu resolut' hered' Withmi Kendall p annū 0l. 5s. 6d.

Et allo^r eidem p reddu resolut' Johi Sutton de Osbaston p annū 0l. 2s. 0d.Et allo^r eidem p reddu resolut' ad cur' dni reg^s de Quynburgh p annū 0l. 2s. 0d.Et allo^r eidem p reddu resolut' dño regi ad castrum suū de Rokyngh^m p annū 0l. 16s. 4d.Et allo^r eidem p reddu resolut' p'ori et convent' ordinis Cartus' de Mountgrace p terr^s in Aderston p annū 0l. 11s. 6d.Et allo^r eidem p reddu resolut' p'ori ecclie Xpi civitat' Norwic' p annū 0l. 1s. 8d.Et allo^r eidem p reddu resolut' p'ori Scti Johis Jerlm in Anglia p annū 0l. 0s. 1d.S^ma 1l. 18s. 7d.

Soluço Pençonu' P'curac' et Sinodal'.

Et allo' eidem p pençoē an^{tim} solut' p'orisse et convent' ordinis minorissar^l monial' ex^a Aldegate in civitat' London' p annū 3l. 6s. 8d.

Et allo' eidem p pençoē annuat' solut' vicar' de Mancett' p salar' sua p annū 10l. 13s. 4d.

Et allo' eidem p pençoē annuatim solut' vicar' de Oŵton p salar' sua p annum 2l. 0s. 0d.

Et allo' eidem p pençoē an^{tim} solut' rector' de Nether-shall p annū 0l. 13s. 4d.

Et allo' eidem p pençoē annuatim solut' aŵbi et convent' de Bordesley p annū 0l. 6s. 0d.

Et allo' eidem p pençoē an^{tim} solut' p'ori et convent' p'oratus de Maxstok p annū 0l. 8s. 0d.

Et allo' eidem p pençoē an^{tim} solut' rectori de Norton p annū 0l. 2s. 0d.

Et allo' eidem p pençoē an^{tim} solut' eŵo Coventren' et Lichfild' exeun' de ecclia pochiali de Mancett' p annū 1l. Decano et capitlo ejusdm ecclie cathedral' p app'acōe ejusdm ecclie 6s. 8d. P'ori et convent' ecclie cathedral' Coventr' p app'acōe p'dca p annū 6s. 8d. Archino Coventr' t^m p pençoē ex eadem q^m p pcurac' et sinodal' p annū 12s. 4d. In toto 2l. 5s. 8d.

Et allo' eidem p pençoē an^{tim} solut' eŵo Lincoln' exeunt' de ecclia pochiali de Oŵton p app'acōe ejusdm 1l. Decano et capitlo ejusdm ecclie cathedral' p consili pençoē p annū 1l. Et archino Leicestr' p pcuraconibz et sinodal' p annū de eadem ecclia 10s. In toto p annū 2l. 10s. 0d.

S^ma 22l. 5s. 0d.

Elemosina.

Et allo' eidem p quadm elemosina dat' ad mandatū in Cœna' Dñi p ordinacōem et fundacōem gēnalis capiŵli sui videlt in denar' nuŵnat' 5s. In p'cio 12 q^atior^l p'vis' et fact' in pan' et dat' paupibz eodem die ad port' et infra monastīū p'ciū q^atij 4s. 8d. In p'cio 3 q^at' brasij fact' in cervic' et dat' eisdem ad 4s. Q^ater et in p'cio 30^e allec' p'vis et dat' eodem die ad 1s. 8d. 100th in toto p annū 6l. 3s. 0d.

Et allo' eidem p quadm elemosina dat' paupibz p eb-domadam infra monastīū p'dcm ad 3 bz siligin' fact' in pane ad 17 q^at' di' p annū p'ciū q^atij 4s. 8d. Et 8 q^atior^l bras' fact' in švic' et dat' eisdem in eodem monastio ad 4s. q^at' p annū 5l. 13s. 8d.

S^ma 11l. 16s. 8d.

Vad' et Stipend' Officiarior^l.

Et allo' eidem p feod' dñi Henrici M'chionis Dors' capitlis sen^{ti} ejusdm monastij p annū 4l. 0s. 0d.

Et allo' eidem p feod' Thome Fowler auditoris iŵm p annū 3l. 0s. 0d.

Et allo' eidem p feod' Roŵti Alen receptoris gēnalis oŵni' terr' et teŵtor^l p annū 3l. 0s. 0d.

Et allo' eidem p feod' Thome Bradgate baŵli de Petlyng et Brantynghorpp p annū 0l. 13s. 4d.

Et allo' eidem p feod' Thome Vernon baŵli de Oŵshayle et Nethershayle p annū 0l. 13s. 4d.

Et allo' eidem p feod' Thome Spere baŵli et custod' boscor^l ptin' eidem monastio p annū 1l. 6s. 8d.

Et allo' eidem p feod' Roŵti Dawkyns baŵli de Pylles-bury et Crofton p annū 1l. 6s. 8d.

Et allo' eidem p feod' Wiŵlmi Grene baŵli de Mancett^r Atherston et Baxterley p annū 1l. 6s. 8d.

S^ma 15l. 6s. 8d.

S^ma oŵniū alloc'ac' huj^s monasterij 49l. 8s. 4d.

Et sic valet clare ultra oŵnes allo^c

p'diet' p annū 254l. 1s. 8d.

X^{ma} ps inde 25l. 8s. 2d.

NUM. IV.

Meryvale.

[From a Book of Inventories, &c. Aug. Office, temp. Hen. VIII.]

Herafter ensueth the names of all and eŵy suche pson and psons as was by Thomas Ligh, doctor in the lawe and Wyŵlms Cavendyshe, auditor, commissiono's appoynted by the Kyng o' Soŵaigne Lorde, for the Dyssolucon of thes Monasterycs foloweng by them indiferently chosen and sworne of and for the valuyng, ratyng, and app'syng of all and singler the gooddes and catell^l cumyng and beyng

found at the surrenders, taken in the same late dyssolvyd monasteries and p'orics wthin sundry sheres or counties the names as well of the seyd howses as of the psons so sworne foloweng herunder wryghten in order.

That ys to say.

MERYVALE.		
Rob ^t Greene	} Jur.	Raffe
John Blunt		Willelm Swyft
Ryc. Hytson		Henry Coke
John Ramson		Xpofor Dryaton
John Abell		Willelm Hokekyns
Willelm Rop		Edmūd Stokton
The late Mon. of Merivale in the Count. of Warr.		
Herafter folowith all suche pcell ^l of implement ^l or house- hold stuffe, corne, catell, ornament ^l , of the curche and suche other lyke founde within the late monasterie ther at the tyme of the dyssolucion of the same house solde by the kyng ^l cõmissyoners to the ryght honorable Lorde Ferres as pticularly and playnlie folowith.		

That ys to say.

The Church.	£.	s.	d.
Fyrst, a table of allablaster	0	5	0
It. ij. candelstyke of latten	0	5	0
It. onne laumpe of latten	0	0	8
It. the monk ^l seat ^l of tymbr	0	1	0
It. a payre of organnys	1	0	0
It. vj. olde alters with imagis	0	2	0
It. the pticion of olde tymber in the body of the curche	0	1	0
It. thre iron candelstyke before the alters	0	1	0
It. a holywater stoke of brasse	0	1	0
It. the glasse and the iron in the wyndoys of the curch	2	0	0
It. all the pavent in the curche	0	10	0
It. vj. grave stones wyth brasse in them	0	5	0
	4	11	8

The Westrie.			
It. iiij ^{or} . olde single tynacles of counŵfeit bawdkyn	0	4	0
It. a suite of olde red taffyta paynted	0	1	8
It. a suite of old purple taffita	0	1	0
It. ij. tynacles of tawney taffita	0	1	4
It. a suite of crimnessen velvct, and a cope suteable to y ^e same	2	13	4
It. a suit of whit bawdekyn lakyng y ^e vestment w ^t a cope to y ^e same	0	15	0
It. ij. copes of red bawdkynne	0	13	4
It. ij. suyt ^l of šcenett	0	3	4
It. a suyte of whyt lynnyne clothe	0	1	0
It. a cope of grene satten w th a bosse of copper on the breste	0	10	0
It. a cope of crymsen velvct	1	0	0
It. an alter cloth of olde blue danmaske w ^t imagis inbroderyd	0	3	4
It. certayne olde alter clothys payntyd	0	1	0
It. v. olde alter clothys paynted and ij. towell ^l	0	0	8
	6	9	0

The Cloyster and the Chap ^t house.			
It. xxviij. panys of payntyd glasse	0	5	0
It. the paving of the same wyth the roffe tymbr and slate	0	16	8
It. a laver of ley mettall and lcade before the same laver	2	0	0
It. a great dragge or nett there	1	0	0
It. in the Chapter House three wyndoys of glasse	0	3	0
	4	14	8

The Hall.			
It. iiij. tables and vij. formes. It. ij. coub-berd ^l	0	3	4

The Buttery.			
It. ij. almcryes. It. viij. plaync table clothys.			

It. iij. towell℥. It. v. tubbys for ale. It. a pece
of leade in the intre 0 2 0

The Cheffe Flor.

It. a olde countpoynt and a coverlett. It.
ij. blankett℥ and a bolster. It. a fetherbedde
and a mattres. It. a tester of payntyd clothe
wyth courteins of dornyx. It. the hangyng of
olde grene sey. It. one olde carpett for the ta-
bull. It. vj. cushhyns. It. tow charys. It. a
payre of aundyrons. It. a tabull and three
formes 1 6 8

The Inner Chamber.

It. a fetherbedde and a bolster. It. a coſlett
and one blankett. It. a matteres 0 10 0

The greate olde Chamber.

It. a fetherbedde and a bolster. It. two mat-
tress℥. It. a coſyng lynyd. It. olde hang-
yng℥ payntyd. It. iij. olde chest℥. It. ij. olde
coſlett℥ and a bolster 0 13 4

The Chamber next the olde Chaſ.

It. an olde table. It. a forme and ij. olde
coubberd℥ and one payntyd clothe 0 1 0

The Chamber callyd y^e Bredonnes.

It. iiij^{or} fetherbedd℥ and a mattres. It. ij.
bolsters. It. a payre of blankett℥. It. a coſyng.
It. a testor of blue lynnynne cloth. It. a chayre
and ij. olde cubberd℥. It. ij. mattresses. It. ij.
coſlett℥ ij. pyllowys. It. one blankett 0 10 0

The Whyte Chamber.

It. iiij^{or} fetherbedd℥ and a mattres. It. ij.
countpoynt℥. It. vj. coſlett℥. It. v. bolsters 0 10 0

The Porters Chamber wth other Servant℥ bedd℥.

It. a matteres and a bolster. It. a coſlett
and a wynowe shete. It. ij. matteres, ij. bolsters,
and iiij^{or} coſlett℥ 0 3 4

The Kechyne.

It. iiij^{or} brasse pott℥ 0 7 0
It. ij. kettell℥ and a panne 0 5 0
It. vj. spytt℥ 0 4 0
It. a payre of iron rack℥ 0 5 0
It. ij. barres of iron to hang pott℥ on 0 2 0
It. ij. pott hangſ 0 1 0
It. a morter of brasse and a pestell 0 1 0
It. a possenett of brasse 0 1 0
It. xxvij. platers 9s. Sawcers viij. 1s. 4d.
Dysshys xv. 2s. 4d. Chargers iij. 3s. 0 15 8

The Larder House.

It. a powdereing troffe. It. a hoggeshedde
of verjoyce. It. ij. othere tubbes there 0 2 0

The Brewhouse.

It. ij. leade pannes of brasse 2 0 0
It. ij. fatt℥ 0 2 0
It. a xj. worte lead℥ in 0 11 0
It. ij. masshe fatt℥ and a 0 3 0

The Malte House.

It. a cesterne of leade to stype malt in 0 13 4
It. a to drye malte with 0 1 0

The Bake House.

It. iij. troves to bould and to knede in. It.
a It. iij. tubbes. It. tow bultyng
clothys. It. a mouldyng tabell. It. a rounde
table. It. skypp to bere breade in 0 3 4

The Lyme House.

It. vj. busshell of whyte salte in a chest 0 3 0

Implement℥ of the Barne.

It. vj. syves and ij. skypp℥. It. a busshell.
VOL. V.

It. a wynnowyng clothe and a mare to wynow
wythall 0 2 4

Cart℥ and Carte Ware.

It. a wayne and a carte shodd wyth iron 1l.
It. v. payre of geres for horses 4s. It. iij. ox
yok℥ 1s. It. iij. temes and a payre of clenges 2s. 1 7 0

The Smythy.

It. an andevylde 10s. It. iiij^{or}. payre of
tongys 1s. It. iij. hammers 1s. It. a pare of
bellowys 3s. 4d. It. ij. grydestones 2s. 0 17 4

Grayne at the Monasterye.

It. whete ther lying togyther lx. q^{rt}ers at
5s. 8d. the q^{rt}. 17 0 0
It. barley lx. q^{rt}℥ at 3s. 4d. le q^{rt}. 10 0 0
It. more whete and rye together xx. q^{rt}℥ 5 0 0
It. xij. q^{rt}℥ of malte in the bruchouse 2 0 0
It. myskelen xij. stryk℥ 0 4 0
It. whete iij. stryk℥ 0 2 8
It. pese and barley ij. stryk℥ 0 1 0

Grayne at the Newhouse Graunge.

It. barley
It. whete xx. q^{rt}. at 6s. 8d. the q^{rt}. 6 13 4
It. rye iiij. q^{rt}. at 7s. the q^{rt}. 1 8 0
It. pese xij. q^{rt}. at 4s. the q^{rt}. 2 8 0

Hey in the Monasterye.

It. hey l. lod℥ at 3s. 4d. the lode. 8 6 8

Catall at the Monasterye.

It. vj. drawing oxen 5l. It. v. drawing
horses 1l. 6s. 8d. It. vj. yonge swene 6s. 6 12 8

Catall at the Newhouse Graunge.

It. ix. kyne, wyth a bull 5l. It. vj. draw-
ing oxen 5l. It. v. drawing horses 4l. It. viij.
swyne and a bore 8s. 14 8 0

Shepe at Crouxston in y^e Peeke.

It. at Crouxstonne in the Peke in the tenure
holdyng of Rycharde Slyght and Will^m Hary-
son iiij^{or}.^{xx} shepe at 1s. 8d. the pece 6 13 4

Whyte Plate sould.

It. xlvij. ounce℥ of whyte plate sould
whereof xxxvij. ounce℥ at 3s. 4d. the ounce 6l.
15s. 8d.; and x. ounce℥ at 3s. 8d. the ounce 1l.
16s. 8d. in all 8 12 4

The Summe totall of all the gudd℥
founde within the seid late mon. w^t

8l. 12s. 4d. for whyte plate sould 133 12 2
Certayn gudd℥ or stuffe belongyng to the seid late Monastery
remaynyng as yet unsolde.

Gylte Plate.

Fyrst broken sylver of a crosestafe, ij.
chaleses, one standyng peece all gylte, wayeng 132 oz.

Whyte Plate.

It. chales on lytell salte wythowt a coſ and
x. sponys, wayeng 26 oz.

Leade.

It. ther remaynyth in leade by estimacon
viij fothers, valuyd at 32 0 0

Bellys.

It. ther remanyth iiij^{or} bell℥ valuyd by
estimacon at 30 0 0

M^d. there remayneth all the houses and edificez of the
scite of the said late moñ the glasse, yron in the wyndoweꝝ,
pavēnt℥, and vj. gravestoneꝝ, in the churche the rofe slatte
pavemēt℥, and glasse in the cloyst̃, and glasse in the chapit̃
house only exceptyd and sould.

M^d. the seid honorable Lord Ferris was putt in pos-
session to o^r Sovereign Lord the Kyng℥ use of the cite of
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the seid late moñ, and all the demayne3 to yt apptayng the xvth. day of October, in the xxx. yere of o^r seid So^vaign Lorde Kyng Henry the viijth.

NUM. V.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 34 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

MERYVALE NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Com' Warr'	£.	s.	d.
Mancestre — Reddit' tenen' ad vol'			
Dñi	2	9	4
Mancestre—Firma pasturarum et pra-			
torum	8	2	8
Mancestre—Rectoria	45	16	4
Overton cum Twycrosse et Gopsell—			
Rectoria	40	2	1
Ratclyff—Firma unius messuagij . .	1	10	0
Croxton—Diversæ firmæ	2	3	4
Kyngesmede, Fulwood, et al'—Decima			
reservata	4	5	2
Pyllesbury—Diversæ firmæ	15	6	8
Chylverton—Terr' et tenementum . .	2	3	4

Com' Warr'	£.	s.	d.
Flagg—Unum tenementum vocatum			
le Flagg Howse	0	10	0
Com' Lanc'			
Alker—Firma manerij	46	13	4
Salford—Burgag' et terr'	0	3	8
Kynnesbury—Reddit'	0	2	0
Shaxton et Odeston—Reddit'	0	2	0
Worthyngton—Reddit' et molend' . .	1	6	8
Com' Warr'			
Tamworth—Reddit' ten' ad volunt' .	1	10	4
Tamworth—Firma unius burgagij . .	0	10	0
Com' Staff'			
Tymehorne et Elford Medow—Terr',			
prat', &c.	0	16	0
Barton subtus Nedewode — Firma			
placcæ	0	6	8
Curdesworth—Reddit'	0	1	8
Shorneford—Reddit'	0	1	0
Com' Leic'			
Leicester—Firma unius domus . . .	0	6	8
Pokethorpe—Firma			
Com' Warr'			
Meryvale — Scitus nuper monasterij			
cum terris dominicalibus, &c. . . .	69	8	3

Hanepole, or Hampole, Priory,

In the Deanry of Doncaster and Archdeaconry of the West Riding of Yorkshire.



HANEPOLE Priory was built by William de Clarefai and Avicia de Tany, his wife, about the year 1170, for fourteen or fifteen Cistercian Nuns.: and was dedicated to the Virgin Mary.
Burton, in the Monasticon Eboracense, has given an alphabetical list of the places where the lands of this monastery lay, with the names of the respective donors. These were:
The church of *Adwyk* or *Athewyk* given by Albrede de Lisures, and afterwards appropriated; with free warren in *Adwyk*: the grants of both were confirmed by Ralph, son of Ralph de Tilli, and Roger, his brother, by Sibilla de Clarefai, daughter of William de Clarefai and Avice de Taneia his wife.^a
Free warren in *Brampton*, near Doncaster.^b
The mill, together with the church of *Bretewell*, and three oxgangs of land.^c
A moiety of the town of *Clayton*, held by a rent of the Vesey family.^d
The town of *Hanepole*, with free warren.^e
A manse or dwelling in *Lincoln*.^f
A messuage and one oxgang of land in *Marr*, given by John Bossevill, or Rossevill.^g

The church and mills of *Melton*, by Avicia de Tanai and Sibilla de Clarefai:^h and
An annuity of a pound from *Plomtree*, near Scroby.ⁱ

PRIORESSES of HAMPOLE.

AGNES DE PONTEFRAC^{to}, a nun of this house, was confirmed prioress 2 kal. Mart. 1312.^k Upon whose death MARGARET DE HECKE succeeded. Her election was confirmed by the archbishop of York, 2 id. Mart. 1319.^l
ELIZABETH FAIRFAX succeeded, according to Burton, after 1380.^m
MARGARET BARCESTRE:ⁿ upon whose death MARGARET NORMANVILLE succeeded, May 11th, 1445.^o
Upon whose resignation ALICE CLAREL, sub-prioress, succeeded, and was confirmed in the office Nov. 28th, 1452.^p
ELIZABETH RAWDON was the next prioress. Upon her resignation, ISABELLA WHATELEY succeeded. Her election was confirmed Sept. 23, 1483.^q
ELIZABETH ARLEY succeeded upon Whateley's death. She was confirmed in the office Jan. 10th, 1503.^r Upon Elizabeth Arley's death AGNES YUCHE was confirmed May 5th, 1512.^s Burton calls her Agnes Inche.
ISABELLA ARTHINGTON was confirmed prioress April 27, 1518.^t She was the last of the list. She surrendered her monastery to the king Nov. 19, 31 Hen. VIII.^u Willis

^a Compare Burton, p. 264. See also the Append. Num. III.
^b Ibid. from Cart. 19 Edw. I. n. 58.
^c Burton, ut supr. ^d Ibid. from Kirby's Inquest.
^e Burton, ut supra. See also the Charter, Num. I.
^f Ibid.
^g Burton, from a Register of Deeds of the Metham family.
^h Append. Num. I. ut supr.
ⁱ See Num. III.
The following is the Return made to the assessors of the Taxation of 1291. "*Temporal. Dioc. Linc.* In villa Lincoln. 13s. 4d. In *Dioc. Ebor.* 16l. 10s. *Spiritual. in Dioc. Ebor.* Ecclesia de Melton monialibus appropriata 7l." Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 74 b, 300, 305.

^k Reg. Ebor. sed. vac. post Corbridge. MS. Harl. 6972, p. 3.
^l Reg. Ebor. Melton. MS. Harl. ut supr. p. 12.
^m Burton, Monast. Ebor. p. 265, from Metham's Reg. an old Book of Evidences belonging to the family of Metham, then in the possession of alderman Constable, of York.
ⁿ Burton, p. 265, e Reg. Kemp Archiep. Ebor. p. 407.
^o Ibid. ^p Reg. Bothe. MS. Harl. 6972, p. 33.
^q Reg. Rotherham. MS. Harl. ut supr. p. 37.
^r Reg. Savage. MS. Harl. ut supr. p. 42.
^s Reg. Christoph. Bainbridge. MS. Ibid. p. 44.
^t Reg. Tho. Wolsey, archiep. MS. Ibid. p. 45.
^u Burton, p. 269.

calls her Elizabeth Arthington.^a At the Dissolution she had a pension of 10*l.* 10*s.* per annum, which she still enjoyed in 1553.^b

In the 26th of Henry the VIII. the gross income of this monastery amounted to 83*l.* 6*s.* 11*d.* the net income to 63*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.* The site with the demesnes of the House were granted, 6 Edw. VI. A.D. 1552, to Francis Aislaby.

In 1278 Archbishop Giffard wrote to the Prioresses of Hampole, Appelton, Syningthwaite, and the rest of the houses of the Cistercian Order in the diocese of York, that they should admit the Minorites and Preaching Friars for their confessors (who, he says, "in ecclesia Dei fulgent velut splendor firmamenti"), notwithstanding the inhibition those nunneries had received from the abbat of the Cistercian Order, who, he adds, "in vos nullam habeat jurisdictionem ordinariam, vel etiam delegatam."^c

The following are Tanner's references to manuscripts and records relating to Hampole:

"*Vide* in Collect. Dodsworth, vol. viii. fol. 149, duas cartas ineditas de prato de Smedehall. vol. ix. fol. 318. bullam P. Innocentii, confirm. ecclesias de Adwick, Melton, et Gretonwelle.

"Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 15 Hen. III. rot. 28, pro ii. bovatis in Kileholm. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 52 Hen. III. rot. 3, d. pro tertia parte maner. de Hanepolburgh.

"Cart. 19 Edw. I. n. 50, pro lib. war. in Adwick, Hanepoll, et Brampton.

"Pat. 19 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 33."

Compare also Rot. Hundred. tom. i. p. 109.

The fragment of an impression of the Common Seal to a conventual lease in the Augmentation Office, 21 Hen. VIII. represents, as far as can be conjectured, a bird: no part of the legend remains but the words UM . COMMUNE

Burton gives the following account of the situation and remains of Hampole in his time, A. D. 1758.

"This nunnery stood in a pleasant vale lying east and west, in a fine country, near to the high-road leading from Wakefield to Doncaster. At present there is an old hall, which seems either to have been part of the priory, or to have been built out of its ruins, on the north side of the village, wherein is an old bow window on the south side, on the top of which are four escutcheons in stone; in one are two hands in chief, two birds in bass, and a crown or heart in the middle; in another a fess between three escallops; and in a third five fusils in fess; the fourth defaced. The Chapel stood on the north side of the hall, betwixt that and the little beck; and the ground is now called Chapel-Green."^d

Cartae ad Hanepolensem Abbatiam in agro Eboracensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Radulphi de Tilli.

[Ex autographo penes Darcy Washington de Hampole ar.]

OMNIBUS filiis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ, tam futuris, quam præsentibus, qui hanc cartam viderint, vel audierint, Radulphus de Tilli, filius Radulphi de Tilli, et Sibillæ de Clerefai, salutem. Præsentibus literis istis vobis notum facio, me pro salute animæ meæ concessisse et hac præsentī cartā meā confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Hanepole, et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, omnes donationes et concessionēs quas Avicia de Tanai avia mea, et Sibilla mater mea, de sua hæreditate fecerunt eisdem sanctimonialibus, et cartis suis, confirmaverunt; scilicet totam villam de Hanepol, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et ecclesiam de Mealtona, et molendina ejusdem villæ, &c. et ecclesiam de Bretewelle cum tribus bovatis terræ, et unam mansuram terræ in Lincolnia juxta aquam ubi mansit Radulphus de Lundoniis, &c.

NUM. II.

Carta Rogeri de Tilli.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS, &c. Rogerus de Tilli, filius Radulphi de Tilli, et Sibillæ de Clerefai, salutem. Universitati vestræ notum facio me pro salute animæ meæ, &c. dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentī cartā meā confirmasse ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Hanepol et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus omnes donationes et concessionēs quas Avicia de Taneia avia mea, et Sibilla mater mea, fecerunt eisdem monialibus in ecclesiis, et terris, et molendinis, sicut Radulphus de Tilli frater meus eis postea confirmavit per cartam suam; scilicet totam villam de Hanepol, &c. Teste Hugone de Tilli avunculo meo, Jordano de Pikeburne, &c.

Rogerus archiepiscopus Eboracensis confirmat sanctimonialibus de Hanepole cartas et instrumenta patronorum ecclesiæ de Adwich; scilicet Willielmi de Clarafai, et Aviciæ de Tanai uxoris suæ, et Albrede de Lisuris, de ecclesiis de

Adewich, et Meltun, et præter dictas ecclesias confirmat situm loci de Hanepol, &c. ex donatione Willielmi de Clerefai et Aviciæ uxoris suæ, et Willielmi Painel, et aliorum advocatorum suorum. Test. Rodberto decano, &c.

NUM. III.

Carta Willielmi filii Willielmi, Antecessorum Donationes confirmans.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS, &c. Willielmus filius Willielmi dominus de Sprotbrugh salutem. Noveritis me inspexisse cartas et feoffamenta antecessorum meorum Deo, et beatæ Mariæ, et sanctimonialibus de Hanepole, ibidem Deo servientibus, facta de diversis tenementis in comitatibus Eboracen. et Nottingham; videlicet imprimis cartam Albredæ de Lisours, testantem quod prædicta Albreda dedit eis ecclesiam de Athewiks. Et etiam inspexi cartam Johannis constabularii Cestriæ filii dictæ Albredæ, testantem, et confirmantem donationem dictæ Albredæ, prædictæ ecclesiæ de Athewiks. Insuper inspexi cartam Willielmi filii Willielmi, filii et hæredis prædictæ Albredæ de Lisours, testantem quod idem Willielmus filius Willielmi confirmavit donationem matris suæ Albredæ, de ecclesia de Athewyks, et de annuo redditu viginti solidorum, de redditu suo apud Plomtre, juxta Scroby, quem quidem redditum concessit, ad pitantiam dictarum monialium, et ad oleum emendum, ut lampas una, nocte dieque indesinenter sit ardens ad tumbam Matildis quondam uxoris suæ. Inspexi etiam confirmationem Thomæ filii Willielmi, testantem quod idem Thomas confirmat donationem Albredæ de Lisours aviæ suæ, et Willielmi patris sui, de supradictis, &c. Et inspexi etiam cartam Willielmi filii Thomæ, domini de Sprotbrugh, patris mei, testantem quod idem Willielmus confirmat sanctimonialibus de Hanepola triginta solidos redditus de redditu suo de Athewyks. Quas concessionēs, ego prædictus Willielmus filius Willielmi confirmo, &c. Datum anno millesimo trecentesimo trigesimo primo. Test. dominis, domino Johanne de Eland, Rogero de Novo-mercato, Thoma de Metham, militibus, &c.

manne, Joan Pulleyn, Isabel Cocksonne, and Elizabeth Arthington 2*l.* each. See Willis, Mit. Ab. ut supr. Burton, and Mr. Sharpe's Roll, so often quoted.

^c Reg. Giffard archiep. Ebor. P. ii. fol. 128.

^d Burton, p. 264.

^a Mit. Ab. vol. ii.

^b At which time 2*l.* were still payable in fees; with the following pensions to surviving nuns: Joan Gascoigne 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Katherine Stokes and Joan Ratclyff each 2*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.* Maud Walton, Isabel Lasinge, Elenor Standish, each 2*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Agnes Cutlet, Agnes Hors-

NUM. IV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

HAMPALL PRIORAT' MONIAL'.

Temp'al' valet in

Sit' priorat' iſm eum gardin' pomar' et eolumbar' infra p̄inet' ejusdm p annū 1l. Clausur' p^at' pase' et pastur' eidm prioratui adiacen' et in man' ejusdm occupat' p annū 8l. Duobz mollend' blad' iſm consilr ad usum priorat' occupat' 1l. 6s. 8d. Oblae' infra eceliam iſm cōit' 1s. 8d. Pençõe annuat' recept' ex^a manū terr' et teñt' nup Georgij Fitz Will^m milit' in Athewike vocat' Pilehesilv' p annū 1l. 10s. Vendie' sive pstrae' bose' et subbose' iſm cōibz annis 13s. 4d. Ae in minut' et privat' decim' ſviene' infra priorat' p̄diet' cōibz annis 3s. 4d. In to^o 12l. 15s. 0d. Terr' teñt' in Clayton 7l. 15s. 5d. Hotton Pannel 4s. 8d. Elmesall 13s. 4d. Morehouse 4l. 16s. 8d. Slepeshill 2l. Wrangbroke 4s. Skelbroke 2s. 4d. Ouston 4s. Cantley 19s. 3d. Brokhoill^s 1l. 4s. 8d. Brampton 2l. 5s. 2d. Kilhome 18s. Doneastre 9s. Stubbes 4s. 4d. Helloughby 9d. Hoghelandswayn 14s. Ae in pquis' cur' iſm cōibz annis 1s. In to^o 22l. 16s. 7d.

Not'.

Temp'al' valet in

Terr' et teñt' in Stirropp in eom' Nottingh' p annū 5s.

Derb'.

Temp'al' vale't in

Terr' et teñt' in Hoghton in Skarsdall in eom' Derby p annū 22l. 17s. 0d.

Lane'.

Temp'al' val' in

Annuat' sive an' redd' recept' de abbte et conventu de Salley in eom' Lancastr' p a^m 0l. 2s. 0d. 36l. 15s. 7d.

Ebor'

Sp'ual' val' in

Exit' et p̄fie' rector' diet' prioratui appropri' videlt in exit' rectorie de Athewik eum Marr' v3 in gleb' 2l. 13s. 4d. Redd' uni^a elaus' in Marr' 10s. Lib' redd' iſm re' de her' Thome Meth^m milit' 8s. Cons' redd' re' de terr' in Barnburgh 1l. Decim' garb' in Athewike 4l. Dee' garb' in Hanthwaitt 13s. 4d. Decim' feni reet' iſm 6s. 8d. Lan' dee' 1l. Agnell' decimal' 13s. 4d. Oblae' cōibz annis 1l. Minut' et privat' decim' 1l. Dee' garb' de Marr' 11l. Dee' lan' iſm 10s. Dee' agnell' iſm 16s. Minut' et privat' decim' iſm 10s. Et oblae' infra capell' de Marr' 13s. 4d. In toto eomun' annis 26l. 14s. 0d.

Sp'ual' vale't in

Exit' rectorie de Melton videlt in mançõe eum gleb' 2l. 13s. 4d. Unius molli aquatie' iſm 2l. 6s. 8d. Redd' tenene' et eotag' iſm p a^m 2l. 1s. Decim' garb' cōibz annis 12l. 13s. 4d. Dee' feni 3s. 4d. Dee' quadragesimal' 14s. 4d. Oblae' 7s. Lan' dee' 5s. Agnell' 2s. 4d. In toto eomun' annis 21l. 17s. 4d.

Ae in minut' decimae' cōibz annis 11s.

48l. 11s. 4d.

Sin^a to' valoris priorat' 85l. 6s. 11d. D' quibz

Resolut' redd' videlt in

Redd' annuatī resolut' diſs' psonis videlt priori S^te Trinit' Eboz 2s. Priori et convent' monasterij S^ti Johinis Evang' de Pont' 1s. Baffio dni Regis de Straforth 2s. Baffio dni R^s de Osgaiterosse 6d. Priori S^ti Johis Jerlm in Anglia 2s. Dño Regi eastro s' de Pontefr' 5s. Priori S^ti Johis Jerlm in Anglia 1s. 1½d. Abbtī mon' B^te Marie Eboz 3s. In toto p annū 0l. 16s 7½d.

Pene' sive Salar' p'pet v3 in

Pene' sive salar' annual' diſs' caplor' videlt capello capell' de Athewike 4l. 13s. 4d. ca-

peſſo capell' de Marre 4l. 8s. 4d. Pençõe annuatī solut' eecelie cathedral' Eboz exeunt' de ecelia de Athewike 1l. 6s. 8d. cap^{lo} eecelie de Melton 4l. 13s. 4d. Et de- can' et cap^{lo} Eboz eecelie metripo' 1l. 6s. 8d. In to^o 16l. 8s. 4d. 17l. 4s. 11d.

Sinod' et P'eur' vidz in

Denar' annuatī solut' archiepo Eboz p sinod' p eecelijs de Athewike 4s. Et Melton 4s. Ae archidiaçō iſm p peur' eeceliaz p̄diet' 15s. In toto p annū 1l. 3s. 0d.

Feod' vidz in

Feod' diſs' pson' videlt Willmi Persy milit' sen' priorat' p̄dci 1l. Willmi Arthington auditoris comp̄toz iſm 13s. 4d. Cristoferi Huseroft ballivi et eoll' redd' iſm 2l. P annū in toto 3l. 13s. 4d.

Sin^a repris' 22l. 1s. 3d.

Et valet elare 63l. 5s. 1d.

X^{ma} ps inde 6l. 6s. 7d.

NUM. V.

From a Pension Book, Augmentation Office.

COMITATUS EBOZ.

Hampall nup prioratus Monial.

Penções assignat' nup p̄orisse et monialibus iſm sup dissoluçõe dieti' nup prioratus p comissionar' dñi regis decimo nono die mensis Novembris anno regni p̄dicti dñi regis Henrici Octavi xxxj^{mo}.

Videlt

Penções.

Izabelle Arthyngton nup p̄orisse iſm	x ^{li}		
Johne Gaston nup subp̄orisse iſm	ij ^{li}	vj ^s .	vij ^d .
Alieie Alan'	ij ^{li} .	xij ^s .	ij ^d .
Johane Haryson	ij ^{li} .	xij ^s .	ij ^d .
Katerine Stokes	ij ^{li} .	xij ^s .	ij ^d .
Elizabeth Wetherall	ij ^{li} .	xij ^s .	ij ^d .
Johane Roelyffe	ij ^{li} .	xij ^s .	ij ^d .
Magdalene Walton	ij ^{li} .	vj ^s .	vij ^d .
Agneti Furbyssher	ij ^{li} .	v ^s .	vij ^d .
Izabelle Lazyng'	ij ^{li} .	vj ^s .	vij ^d .
Margarete Thurland	ij ^{li} .		
Alieie Pykhaver	ij ^{li} .		
Agneti Cutler	ij ^{li} .		
Katerine Tyas	ij ^{li} .		
Elene Standiche	ij ^{li} .	vj ^s .	vij ^d .
Agneti Horsseman	ij ^{li} .		
Johanne Pullane	ij ^{li} .		
Izabelle Coxson	ij ^{li} .		
Elizabeth Arthyngton	ij ^{li} .		
Sin ^a	lij ^{li} .		

WALTER HENDLE.
THOMAS LEIGH.
RYCHARD BELASSYS.
R. WATKYNs.

NUM. VI.

From the Original in the Augmentation Office.

Hampale nuper Prioratus in eom' Eboz visus computi Johannis Warde collectoris omnium et singulorum reddituum et firmarum pertin' dieto nuper prioratui sursum reddit' et dissolut' 19^{no} die Novembris anno regni excellentissimi princeipis Henrici 8^{vi} Dei gratia Angliæ et Franciæ regis, &c. 33^{tio}.

£. s. d.

De firma seitus dieti nuper prioratus eum terris dominicalibus ibidem per annum nuper in manu et occupatione nuper priorissæ et conventus ibidem existen' prout per rentale inde super hunc computum examinatum apparet 22 12 6

De redditu unius cotagij juxta portam anteriorem dieti nuper monasterij per annum 0 6 8

De reddit' et firm' in Clayton per annum 3 13 0

De reddit' et firm' in South Elmesawle per annum 0 13 4

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
De reddit' et firm' in Morehouse per annum	4	12	8	De reddit' unius clausi juxta finem villæ de			
De reddit' et firm' in Stubbz per annum	0	4	4	Melton in tenura Thomæ Ellys per annum	0	10	0
De reddit' et firm' in Wrangbroke per annum	0	4	0	De libero redditu et firm' in Thornesco per			
De reddit' et firm' in Slepchill per annum	2	0	0	annum	0	3	4
De reddit' et firm' in Skelbroke per annum	0	2	0	De libero redditu in Clayton per annum	4	2	8
De reddit' et firm' in Holebyc per annum	0	1	6	De libero redditu in Hutton per annum	0	4	8
De reddit' et firm' in Blyth per annum	0	2	4	De libero redditu in Skelbrook per annum	0	2	4
De reddit' et firm' in Steroppe per annum	0	1	8	De libero redditu in Sterope per annum	0	3	4
De reddit' et firm' in Brookholes per annum	1	8	0	De libero reddit' et firm' in Dongcaster per			
De reddit' et firm' in Brainton per annum	2	0	8	annum	0	15	9
De reddit' et firm' in Canteley per annum	1	14	4	De libero redditu in Kyllome per annum	0	7	0
De reddit' et firm' in Kylholme per annum	0	12	6	De libero redd' et firm' in Barneburgh per			
De reddit' et firm' in Adwyk per annum	2	13	4	annum	1	0	0
De reddit' et firm' in Hampule per annum	2	13	4	De libero redditu in Brampton per annum	0	4	7
De reddit' exeunt' de nuper monasterio de				De redd' et firm' in Marre per annum	0	8	0
Salley per annum	0	2	0	De libero redditu in Brokeholde per annum	0	0	8
De reddit' et firm' in Ouston per annum	0	4	0	De firma rectoriæ de Marre per annum	11	6	8
De reddit' et firm' in Hutton per annum	0	8	0	De firma rectoriæ de Melton per annum	12	13	4
De reddit' Henrici Ryecrofte pro uno tene-				De firma rectoriæ de Adwyke per annum	10	15	4
mento cum pertin' in Houghton in Skardysdale				De venditione bosci ibidem hoc anno	nihil.		
per annum	0	17	0	De perquisitis curiæ ibidem hoc anno	nihil.		
De firma grangiæ de Melton per annum	2	13	4	De redditu unius tenementi cum pertinentijs			
De reddit' et firm' in eadem villa per annum	1	19	8	juxta Barnsley in tenura Ricardi Calverde	0	14	0

Abbey of Vaudey, or de Valle Dei, in Lincolnshire.



THE Abbey of Vaudey, dedicated to the Virgin Mary, was founded by William, earl of Albemarle, about A.D. 1147, three years before he founded Meaux Abbey in Yorkshire. He is stated to have brought from Fountains in Yorkshire to Bitham, or Biham, in the county of Lincoln, a convent of Cistercian monks, who finding some inconveniences there, quickly removed their

Abbey to a more pleasant place in the parish of Edenham, called Vaudey, or De Valle Dei, given them by Jeffry de Brachecourt, or by his lord Gilbert de Gant, earl of Lincoln, by the charity of whom and other benefactors the Abbey was amply endowed.

Jeffrey de Brachecourt's charter to this monastery is a curiosity. He gives all his possessions in Brachecurt to the monks, on condition of their supplying him and his wife, during their lives, with all things necessary for their diet and clothing, linen and woollen, and as far as diet only went for two servants. The quantity and quality of the diet for himself and his wife, the same as for two monks. The servants to fare as if they were the servants of the convent. The clothing for Jeffrey was to be *griseng* or *halberget*, and lambskins; the dearest for his wife was to be *bluet*, and lambskins also.^a

In King Richard the First's charter of confirmation, which will be found in the Appendix, the possessions of this House are enumerated to a very large extent. It was granted at St. Alban's, Sept. 7th, in the first year of his reign. In this Instrument, beside William, earl of Albemarle, Gilbert

de Gant, Roger Fitz Reinfrid, the Countess Alicia de Gant, Robert de Gant, and Gundreda his wife, Adam de Amundevill, Robert de Gant, and Alicia Parnell his wife, Baldwin Fitz Gilbert, William Fitz Walding, William Fitz Alger, Simon de Rochford, and Roger de Moubray, appear as principal benefactors.^b

The subsequent endowment of Vaudey, by other benefactors, will be seen by a comparison of King Richard's charter with the Transcript of the Valor Ecclesiasticus of the 26th of Henry the Eighth.^c

ABBATS of VAUDEY.

GUARINUS occurs as the first abbat.^d

WILLIAM occurs A.D. 1219.^e

A. and

NICHOLAS also occur as abbats.^f

In the Taxation of 1291 the Abbey of Vaudey is twice mentioned among the spiritualties of the diocese of Lincoln: viz.

"Decanat. de Frameland. Ecclesia de Bokemynstr' cum duabus marcis receptis de Valle Dei pro decimis 16*l*."

"Porcio abbatis de Valle Dei in eadem in decimis de dominico 13*s*. 4*d*. Its temporalties are thus enumerated:

"Abbas de Valle Dei habet in decanatibus. Lincoln 10*s*. Graham 35*l*. 1*s*. 9*d*. Avelund 12*l*. 4*s*. 8½*d*. Nesso 15*s*. Staunford 1*l*. 13*s*. Hoyland 2*l*. 5*s*. 3*d*. Lufford 2*l*. 8*s*. 4*d*. Belteshawe 95*l*. 1*s*. 5*d*. Gaytre 4*l*. 2*s*. Gosecote 6*l*. 10*s*. Framelund 57*l*. 9*s*. 3*d*. Roteland 13*l*. 13*s*. 10½*d*.

Summa 231*l*. 14*s*. 7*d*."^g

In the 25th Hen. VIII. the net income of this monastery amounted to 124*l*. 5*s*. 11½*d*.; the gross revenue to 177*l*. 15*s*. 7½*d*.^h

At the Suppression here was an abbat and thirteen monks.ⁱ The site was granted in the 30th of Henry VIII. to Charles, duke of Suffolk.

lxxxix. fol. 62. de terris in Roppele: fol. 63. de terris in Linsthorp.

"Cart. 11 Hen. III. p. 1, m. 34, et p. 2, m. 7. de maner. de Edenham. Plac. apud Westm. 14 Hen. III. rot. 6. Cart. 15 Hen. III. m. 7. de nemore de Oustiche. Fin. Norf. 41 Hen. III. n. 30, pro mess. et ij. carucat. terræ in Barton.

"Plac. in com. Linc. 9 Edw. I. assis. rot. 15 et 40. de terris in Irneham. Pat. 27 Edw. I. m. . pro xxx. acris contiguas abbatiæ includendis. Cart. 27 Edw. I. m. 24. pro lib. war. in Edenham, Welleby, Ropesle, Byrton, Coreby, et Byham Parva. Pat. 30 Edw. I. m. .

"Pat. 7 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 15 vel 16. Pat. 17 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 8. Claus. 19 Edw. II. m. 12. de maner. de Linsthorp.

"Pat. 17 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 5. pro ten. in Ingoldesby, Levington, et Cretton."

See also the printed Rot. Hundred. tom. ii. p. 54. Abbrev. Plac. pp. 123, 124. and Cart. antiq. Harl. Mus. Brit. 43 A, 19.

^a See the charter in the Appendix, Num. II.

^b See the Append. Num. III. ^c Append. Num. V.

^d MS. Lansd. 207 E. p. 596. Collect. Gervas. Holles.

^e Ibid. p. 206. ^f Ibid. pp. 210, 219.

^g Taxat. P. Nich. IV. fol. Lond. 1802, pp. 65, 66 b, 67, 68.

^h Compare the Append. Num. V.

ⁱ The following are Tanner's references relating to this monastery:

"Vide inter collect. Francisci Peck in Museo Britannico tom. iv. Inquisit. 34 Edw. I. de terris apud Seusterne, Bockminster, et Estwelle in com. Leicestr.

"Evidentias ad hanc abbatiam spectantes penes Montague com. Lindsey apud Grimesthorp, A.D. 1646." Tanner adds, "Quære annon nunc in bibl. Harleyana, ubi consulat lector MS. Cod. 38 C. 6. f. 101," old arrangement.

"Collect. e Rot. Hundred. in com. Lincoln. MS. Dodsw. tom.

VOL. V.

Cartae ad Abbatiam de Valle Dei (vulgariter Waudey appellatam) in agro Lincolnensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

[Ex MS. de orig. Fontanen. cœnobii in bibl. Arundel. fol. 11 a.]

ANNO incarnationis Dominicæ M.CXLVIJ. in territorio Lincolnensi fundata est Biham, quæ mutato in melius nomine, nunc Vallis Dei vocatur, domus inclita et secundum nomen suum plena benedictione. Fundator ejus fuit Willielmus comes Albemariæ qui postmodum Melsam fundavit, vir magni nominis, et clarissimus in generatione sua. Anno xv. foundationis monasterii de Fontibus, missus est conventus monachorum sub abbate Warino ad locum qui nunc Vallis Dei vocatur x. kal. Junii ipso anno foundationis nostræ.

NUM. II.

Carta Gaufridi de Brachecurt.

[Ex autog. penes prænobilem comitem Lindsey.]

GAUFRIDUS de Brachecurt consensu Alani de Mortuna nepotis, et hæredis mei dedi mansuram, cum pomerio, ubi abbatia fundata est, et omnia quæ possedi in Brachecurt: et præsentem domino meo, comite Gilberto, hæc omnia tradidi, ipso consentiente et carta sua confirmante. Mihi et uxori meæ, quamdiu vixerimus, procurabunt monachi quæ necessaria sunt in victu et vestitu, lineo, et laneo, et duobus servientibus nostris in victu tantum. Mihi autem et uxori victum providebunt eodem modo, et mensura quo duobus monachis, et servientibus nostris, sicut duobus ex servientibus suis. Vestimenta autem dabunt mihi de griseng, vel halberget, et pellibus agninis; uxori autem meæ, ad carius bluet, et pellibus similiter agninis. Ego verò Alanus confirmo terras quas Gaufridus avunculus meus tenet et Warnoth. Hiis testibus, David abbate, et capitulo canonicorum de Brunna, Alueredo sacerdote, et Willielmo fratre de Aslachebi, Roberto clerico de Stoke, Willielmo filio Alexandri, Turpin de Billingheia, Hugone de Scaldeford, Ada de Bukaminster.

NUM. III.

Donationum Confirmatio per Regem Ricardum Primum.

[Cartæ antiq. litera W. nu. 6.]

RICHARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dux Normanniæ, Aquitaniæ, comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse et præsentem carta confirmasse, Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Valle Dei, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, locum ipsum in quo abbatia eorum sita est in territorio de Edenham, qui locus vocabatur Braethuait, quem comes Gilbertus de Gant dedit eis, in terris, et pratis, pascuis, aquis, molendinis, et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis; quasdam etiam culturas de dominio suo de Edenham; scilicet, Erleshagewang, Limpudewang, Watcroft, et Rathuait, et alias culturas quas ipsi habent ex dono ipsius Gilberti. Duo etiam nemora, eum terris in quibus sita sit; scilicet, unum quod vocatur Erleshage et aliud Biscopeshage. Et insuper communem pasturam totius terræ suæ, molendinum quoque de Mannetorpe, et stagnum, et alnetum, et pratum, et unum toftum, cum una bovata terræ, et omnibus pertinentiis suis, sicut idem Gilbertus comes eis prius dedit, et Rogerus filius Reinfridi postea confirmavit, ex dono comitissæ Aliciæ de Gant, nemus quoddam, quod olim dicebatur Baidacre, et aliud nemus, quod dicitur Aithage, cum terris in quibus sita sunt, et quietanciam quatuor solidorum de terra Pagani. Ex dono Roberti de Gant, et Gundredæ uxoris ejus, unam bovatom terræ in territorio de Edenham. Præterea xvij. acras terræ, quas Adam de Amundevill eis dedit, cum una via ad quarrariam eorum, in territorio de Edenham, et novem acras, et unam perticatam, et unum pratum quæ Hugo filius Gillæ eis dedit in eodem territorio, et una via ad exitum porcorum suorum, et quatuor acras quas David Presbyter, et duas acras quas Robertus Roie, et dimidiam acram quam Willielmus Morant eis dederunt in eodem territorio, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. In territorio de Bresseburg, quatuor acras quas Willielmus filius Nicholai dedit eis.

In territorio de Luttebre, duas acras et dimidiam, cum uno tofto quas Ivo filius Ricardi eis dedit, et tres acras quas Wulstanus de Longtoft, et Farstanus filius ejus eis dederunt in territorio eodem. In territorio de Mannetorp quatuor acras terræ quas Helias et Henricus filius ejus eis dederunt. Et ex dono Walteri de Mannetorp duodecim acras terræ et unam prati in eodem territorio. In territorio de Ernham, quater viginti acras terræ, dimidia acra minus, cum pastura ad trecentas oves, et commune nemus quod dicitur Ostiche, cum terra super quam situm est, quam Robertus de Gant, et Alizia Painell, uxor ejus dederunt eis, et quatuor acras in territorio de Boleby, quas Robertus de Langetun dedit eis, et in territorio de Swinesteede, quæ Henricus de Stainegrave dedit eis, in terra, prato, et pastura, et aliis pertinentiis. Et unam bovatom quam Gozelinus homo illius dedit eis in eodem territorio, cum pertinentiis suis. In territorio de Flet, unam salinam quam Augerus de Flet, et unam aliam quam Gerdus in territorio de Bikne dederunt eis. Locum etiam qui dicitur Escroft, in marisco de Mortuna, cum communi pastura, et omni usu marisci, et unam mansuram foris Brunnam, inter villam et ortum abbatis, quæ Baldwinus filius Gilberti dedit eis, et decem acras in marisco de Brunna, ubi domus eorum sita est, quas Hugo Wac dedit eis. Et ex dono Baldewini Wac filii ejus, commune usagium marisci de Brunna, et ut ea quæ de eodem marisco collegerint, et quæ in villa de Brunna emerint, liberè et quietè carient et abducant per ipsam villam absque omni exactione et teloneo. Et ex dono ejusdem pasturam ad septies viginti averia in marisco de Estdeping.

In territorio de Biham, ex dono Willielmi comitis Albemarl. Suthgrangiam, scilicet sexies centum acras terræ arabilis, et nemus quod vocatur Ousthage, cum terra in qua situm est, et sedem cujusdam molendini juxta Bihamel, cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Radulfi de Norfolk, unam acram terræ in eodem territorio. Ex dono Gilberti de Brinencourt, communem pasturam terræ suæ de Witham. Ex dono Reineri de Sally grangiam quæ dicitur parva Lanintona, scilicet, quatuor carucatas terræ, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et quietanciam, et libertates ejusdem terræ, quas Alizia de Gant comitissa, et Robertus de Gant eis concesserunt. Et duas rodas prati quas Richardus Dispensator dedit eis in territorio de Ingoldeby. Grangiam quoque de Ropesleia, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, scilicet terram quam Robertus de Ropelle dedit eis, et Simon filius ejus confirmavit, per easdem metas et divisas quæ nominatæ sunt in cartis ipsius Symonis, cum terra quæ vocatur Westling, et communem pasturam ad quadragentas oves, et boves trium carucatarum in pastura sua de Ropelle. In territorio de Heidur, quatuor bovatas terræ, cum prato et pastura ad ducentas oves, et unam culturam quæ vocatur Riding, et quinque acras terræ, quæ Walterus de Rudstan dedit eis, et unam bovatom et dimidiam acram prati, eum pastura ad sexies viginti oves, quæ Osbertus de Diva dedit eis in eodem territorio. Ex dono Willielmi filii Waldingi, tertiam partem dominicæ terræ suæ, super quam bercaria eorum sita est, eum pastura ad ccc. oves, et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis in territorio de Asseby. Et in eodem territorio tres acras terræ, quas Thomas de Aseby dedit eis, et terram quam habent ex aquilonari parte bercariæ eorum, cum uno stagno prati, et undecim acras terræ quas Thomas de Pikeworth eis dedit, et Robertus filius ejus eis confirmavit, scilicet illam culturam quæ vocatur Stapelborwand. Ex dono Nigelli filii Alexandri pratum quoddam in territorio de Beltona.

Ex dono Willielmi filii Aszumuri, unam carucatam terræ, et unam acram terræ in territorio de Lundertorum, cum pastura ad trecentas oves et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Johannis filii Rogeri, decem bovatas terræ et dimidiam in territorio de Welleby, et duo nemora, quæ vocantur Albenhage et Hallefuthwud, et præterea nemus quod fuit Roberti filii Arnaldi, cum terris in quibus sita sit, cum toftis et croftis, pratis et pasturis, et omnibus aliis, quæ idem Johannes dedit eis. In eodem territorio duas bovatas terræ, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, quas Robertus filius

Wimari et Dionisia uxor Alueredi de Wilgeby eis dederunt, et in eodem territorio portiones terræ, quas Johannes filius Ingebr . . . in bosco et plano et brueria dedit eis, cum communi pastura totius terræ suæ, et in prædicto territorio quædam portiones terræ quas Robertus Spron et Johannes filius ejus, et Alanus clericus, et Fegge, et Willielmus filius Osberti dederunt eis, in prato, in pastura, in brueria, et aliis pertinentiis suis. Et unam bovata[m] terræ quam Nicholaus presbiter dedit eis, cum culturis et aliis pertinentibus terræ, et terram quam Rogerus, et Hugo filii ejus, et Johannes frater ejus dederunt eis, cum bosco, prato, et pastura, et aliis pertinentiis suis. In territorio de Birton, terram quæ vocatur Tror et Northwood, quæ super grangia eorum sita est, quam tenent de monachis sanctæ Mariæ Eboraci. Et in eodem territorio tenementum quod fuit Walteri monachi quod Robertus de Founcezim, et Willielmus filius ejus, et Ranulf de Bellavill dederunt eis, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, præter illam terram quam sanctimoniales de Stikeswald tenent de eodem feodo. Ex dono Radulfi de Waltervill nemora quæ vocantur Asketelhage, et mora, cum terris super quas sita est, et terra eisdem nemoribus adjacente, quæ vocantur Sleetes, et culturam unam in Scraphthuit. Ex dono Roberti filii Conani et Aliciæ uxoris suæ novem acras in Emerlund. Ex dono Walteri filii Hugonis novem acras, et sex seliones ad unam viam faciendam, et lij. perticatas terræ in longum, et tres et dimidiam in latum in mora.

Ex dono Radulfi de Bakerun in territorio de Stokes unam culturam, Estriding, cum pastura ad centum oves. Ex dono Willielmi Palestre, et Thomæ filii ejus, triginta tres acras terræ, et pastura ad boves viij. carucatarum, et centum oves in territorio de Eston. Ex dono Willielmi filii Algeri in territorio de Billesfeld viginti acras terræ, in nemore quod vocatur Collehage. In territorio de Coreby ex dono Aliciæ Peverell, et Gaufridi et Gilberti Pêche filiorum ejus, nemus, quod vocatur Algerhage, et Almesend, cum terra in qua situm est. Ex dono Petri presbiteri de Corby unam viam ad idem nemus. Ex dono Jordani de Panton viginti acras terræ, et duos toftos in territorio de Panton, cum pastura ad centum oves et ad tot aruras, quibus eadem terra coli posset. In territorio de Salteby. Ex dono Aviciæ de Ruinely, et confirmatione Roberti de Gant, et Aliziæ Pagnell uxoris ejus, unam carucatam terræ, cum prato, et pastura ad quingentas oves, et uno molendino. Ex dono Simonis de Rocheford, et Emmæ uxoris suæ unam carucatam terræ, cum pertinentiis suis in eodem territorio. Ex dono Helicæ de Salter unam carucatam terræ, et xl. et unam acram cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Ogeri filii ejus unam bovata[m] terræ, et unam acram et unum selionem et unum molendinum cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Rogeri Briton in territorio de Eston xij. acras, et xvj. denaratas redditus. In territorio de Chilinton sex acras, una pertica minus.

Ex dono Willielmi de Seures, et ex dono Richardi de Seures unam carucatam, et pasturam ad sexies viginti oves, cum aliis pertinentiis, et terram quæ vocatur Frith, et unam acram, loco tofti, et viginti seliones ad locum bercariæ faciendæ. Ex dono Thomæ de Seures duas acras et dimidiam. Ex dono Osberti de Soeby et Osberti nepotis ejus decem acras. Ex dono Roberti et Petri de Schileng quatuor acras in territorio de Scusterne. Ex dono Adæ militis duas bovatas terræ, cum duobus toftis, et tres acras, et pasturam ad trecentas oves, et usus cæterorum animalium, cum aliis pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Willielmi de Scusterne quatuor bovatas terræ, et tres seliones loco tofti, et quinque acras cum pratis, et pasturis, et aliis pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Richardi de Seures duas bovatas terræ quæ fuerunt Briclinæ in territorio eodem cum tofto, et crofto, et prato, et pastura. Ex dono Acardi Ammbery, et confirmatione Richardi de Susterne, et Aliciæ filiæ suæ unam carucatam terræ, cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Acardi Monach in mora de Wundham, decem acras prati. In territorio de Burton unam carucatam terræ una bovata minus, quam Walkelinus de Dereby dedit eis in territorio de Burton, cum pertinentiis suis.

Ex dono Rogeri de Mulbray decem acras terræ. Ex dono Warini filii Simonis unam bovata[m], cum prato, et communi pastura totius terræ suæ et aliis pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Hamonis Beler duas bovatas terræ et septem seliones infra turrem grangiæ, et extra, cum prato, pastura, et aliis pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Gerardi de Lampcota duas bovatas, et duas acras. Et ex dono Walteri fratris sui quinque bovatas, et xvj. acras, et xvij. seliones. Et ex dono

Roberti filii ejus unam bovata[m], et duas acras in territorio de Burton, et novum pratum in campis de Torp. Ex dono Matildæ de Aumari, unam bovata[m] cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Willielmi de Corby, et Walteri fratris ejus duas acras terræ, et tres rodas prati. Ex dono Henrici de Perers quatuor bovatas terræ, cum uno tofto, et crofto, et aliis pertinentiis suis, in territorio parvæ Dalby. Ex dono Hugonis Norris duas acras prati in territorio magnæ Dalbie. Ex dono Galfridi de Torp quinque bovatas terræ, et tres acras, et duas seliones, cum pastura ad quingentas oves, et prato, et aliis pertinentiis suis. Præterea omnia fidelium dona sicut à predictis viris præfatæ ecclesiæ rationabiliter sunt concessa, cum communis, et libertatibus, quas eorum cartæ testantur, eidem ecclesiæ in puram atque perpetuam elemosinam confirmamus, et corroboramus. Quare volumus, &c. Hæc omnia eis concessimus pro anima patris nostri regis Henrici, et omnium antecessorum nostrorum, et pro salute nostra, et matris nostræ reginæ Alienoræ, &c. Dat. per manum Willielmi de Longocampo cancellarii nostri, primo anno regni nostri, septimo die Septembris, apud sanctum Albanum.

NUM. IV.

Descensus de Gaunt.

[In Cartis nuper in Turri apud Northkyme reservatis, 1640.]

GISELBERTUS de Gaunt, filius Baldwini comitis de Flandria, venit cum Willielmo conquestore avunculo suo in Angliam, de cujus dono habuit terras ejusdam domini vocati Tour ex natione Danorum; qui cepit in uxorem Aliciam de Monteforti, et habuit exitum, Walterum, et Robertum, et tenebat dominium per xxvij. annos, et moriebatur in tempore Willielmi Rufi regis Angliæ, et sepultus est apud Bardeney. Et Walterus suus primogenitus cepit Matildam, filiam comitis Stephani Britanniae, cum Swaldale in liberum maritagium, et genuit Gilbertum filium suum primogenitum, postea comitem Lincolniae, in jure uxoris suæ, et Robertum. Qui quidem Gilbertus cepit in uxorem Roesiam, comitissam Lincolniae, tempore regis Stephani, et genuit Aliciam sepultam apud Bredlington; quæ Alicia nupta fuit Simoni de sancto Licio, comiti Huntingtoniae et Northamptoniae, et obiit sine hærede de corpore: per quod hæreditas de Gaunt legitimè descendebat Roberto filio Walteri prædicto. Qui quidem Robertus genuit Gilbertum bonum, et moriebatur anno Domini mclxij. et sepultus fuit apud Vawdye. Gilbertus bonus genuit Gilbertum, postea captum apud Kenilworth, inter barones in castro, et exhæreditatus pro prodicione et redemit terras suas, pro 3000 marcarum tempore Edw. primi, et moriebatur an. Dom. 1274. nonas Januarii, apud Falkingham, et sepultus est apud Bridlington, et habuit filium Gilbertum quartum. Gilbertus quartus, pro eo quod nullos habuit filios, fecit regem Edwardum filium regis Henrici, hæredem suum de baronia de Gant, nullas terras penès se retinendo, nisi Swaledale, et portionem de Skendelby. Qui quidem Gilbertus quartus tunc habuit duas filias, Margaretam et Nicholaam, ex Lora, uxore sua, sorore Alexandri Balioll, quas quam quidem magister Willielmus de Kerdeston nupsit. Willielmus genuit Rogerum, Rogerus genuit Willielmum.

[Ibid.]

Alicia de Gaunt, filia Gilberti de Gaunt, fuit nupta Symoni de sancto Licio comiti Northamptoniae, de qua Alicia venit Roesia, comitissa, nupta cuidam comiti; post decessum cujus comitis, nupta fuit Roberto dapifero. De quo Roberto, et Roesia, veniebat Roesia de Bulington nupta Simoni de Kyma, de quibus Symone de Kima et Roesia de Bulington venit Philippus de Kyma, qui duxit in uxorem Agnetem Waleys, de quibus venit Symon de Kyma qui duxit in uxorem Matildam de Ferrars, et obiit sine hærede de se; et Willielmus de Kima frater ejus ei successit in hæreditate, qui duxit in uxorem Luciam de Roos, de quibus venit Philippus de Kyme, infra ætatem, et in custodia domini regis existens, post mortem patris sui; cujus custodiam et maritagium dominus rex concessit Hugoni Bigot, et duxit filiam suam, de quibus venit Willielmus de Kyma, qui obiit sine hærede de se, per quod hæreditas successit Luciæ sorori suæ, nuptæ Roberto de Umphravill, comiti de Anguishe: de quibus venit Gilbertus Umphravill comes de

Anguishe, qui obiit sine hærede de se, unde hæreditas descendebat Waltero Taylboys filio filie sororis suæ.

NUM. V.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONAST' IUM B'TE MARIE DE VALLE DEI INFRA DIOC' LINCOLN'.

Valor omn' et singloꝝ Dñioꝝ, Mañioꝝ, Terr', Ten', Pençõnũ' et al' Possession' tam Tempal' q^m Sþual', Monastio pcrtin' sive spectan' t^m in diſs' Com' q^m in diſs' Dios' infra regnũ anno integro finien' ad fm Sçi Michis Archi anno regni regis tempe Willmi Wobo'ne tunc Abbis iſm.

Tempal' ptin' Monast'io pdet' in Com' Lincoln'.

Terr' dnical' ptin' monastio p̃deto vdlit North G^aunge et Southg^aunge 24l. Eddenh^ame et Scotilthorpe 9l. 13s. 4d. Swynsted 3l. 16s. 10d. Creton 10l. 1s. 10d. Morton 1l. 5s. 4³/₄d. Wyth^ame cũ Manthorppe 7l. 12s. 10d. Brasyngbrughe 13s. 4d. Thurleby 1s. 4d. Stamford 1l. 3s. 6d. Burton 15l. 0s. 3d. Southstocke 7s. 4d. Colsterworth 3s. 4d. Steynby 2s. 4d. Westby 1l. 8s. 10d. Eston 2l. 19s. 2¹/₂d. Swafeld 2s. 4d. Sewstern 5l. Skyttyngton 6s. Granth^ame 12s. Yngoldsby 11l. 5s. 2¹/₂d. Lavyngton cũ Hambeke 21l. 0s. 4d. Welby 5l. 1s. 10d. Gunwardby 1s. 6d. Heido' cũ Osby 10s. Lounderthorppe 10s. Roppesley 3l. 15s. M' Humby 4s. Pva Humby 6s. Water Willoughby 9s. Sapton 11s. 6d. Et Pynchebeke 1l. 10s. In toto p librũ inde ostens' et examiat' cũ pquis' cur' et vendic' bosc' 125l. 19s. 3³/₄d.

Leicestri'.

D' redd' et firm' in Burton Lazar' 22l. 6s. 4d. Leis- tho'pe 3l. 6s. 8d. Dalby Magna 1s. 4d. Dalby Pva 1l. 10s. Thorppe Segefeld 1l. 10s. Salteby 5l. Et Bukmenster 13l. 6s. 8d. In toto cũ pquis' cur' et vendic' bosc' put patz p librũ p̃dẽm inde ostens' et examiat' . . . 47l. 1s. 0d.

D' redd' et firm' in Barrowe 4l. 13s. 4d. Ketton 1d. Et Helpeton 1s. 10d. In toto p libr' dẽm inde ostens' cũ pquis' cur' et vendic' bosc' 4l. 15s. 3d.

Sĩm^a valor 177l. 15s. 7³/₄d.

Repris'

In pençõe solut' priori de Brydlington exeunt' de Northe Grange supradict' 9s. Duci Norffochie ad castrũ de Folkyngh^ame exeunt' de Scotelthorpe 8d. Vic' com' Lincoln' iſm 1s. Feod' Alex' Elyot baſſi iſm 1l. Duci Richemond' exeun' de Swynsted 1l. Feod' Henr' Lacy sen^{li} iſm 6s. 8d. Feod' Riçi Michilson baſſi iſm 13s. 4d. Pençõe dat' ij^{bz} capellan' novi opis Leicestr' p cõie sigill' exeunt' de Creton 6l. 13s. 4d. Vic' com' Lincoln' p auxil' iſm 19s. Feod' Willi Wynell baſſi iſm 1l. Redd' resolut' abbati de Burne exeunt' de Morton 1s. 10d. Pençõe solut' p'ori de Brid- lyngton exeũt' de With^ame 6s. 8d. Feod' Simon' Burne baſſi iſm 1l. Redd' resolut' regine Anglie exeunt' de Stamford 7s. 2d. Pençõe solut' capell' de Burton exeunt' iſm 4l. 13s. 4d. Pençõe solut' gardian' de Tatishalle exeũt' iſm 4l. Feod' Henr' Lacy sen^{li} iſm 6s. 8d. Feod' Petri' Symson baſſi iſm 1l. 6s. 8d. Redd' resolut' priori de Huntygton exeũt' de Southstocke 2s. Redd' resolut' aŕẽpo Eboꝝ exeunt' de Eston 1l. 13s. 4d. Vic' com' Lincoln' p auxilio iſm 1s. 8d. Redd' resolut' dñe regine Anglie exeunt' de G^aunth^ame 6s. 8d. Redd' resolut' duci Norffochie exeunt' de Yngoldesby 11d. Redd' resolut' duci Suffok' iſm 1s. 10d. Pençõe solut' capell' canċie de Eddenh^ame exeunt' iſm p compositionẽ 5l. Feod' Henric' Lacy sen^{li} iſm 6s. 8d. Feod' Joñis Todde baſſi iſm 1l. Redd' resolut' aŕb̃ti de Newbo exeũt' de Welby 2¹/₂d. Feod' Henr' Lacy sen^{li} iſm 6s. 8d. Feod' Joñis Hykson baſſi iſm 1l. Redd' resolut' Thome Repyngale exeunt' de Heido' et Osby 4s. Redd' resolut' Johi Thymelby milit' exeunt' de Lundertho'pe 6s. 8d. Redd' resolut' dno Roose exeũt' de Roppesley 2s. 6d. Pençõe solut' an^{tim} rectori iſm 6s. 8d. Redd' resolut' p'ori de Spaldynge exeunt' de Pynchebeke, 6s. 8d. Redd' reso- lut' dño Wylloughby exeũt' iſm 3s. 4d. Redd' resolut' dño Barkeley exeunt' de Burton Lazar' 2s. 8d. Redd' resolut' Johi Vyllars milit' exeunt' iſm 10s. Feod' Henr' Lacy sen^{li} iſm 6s. 8d. Feod' Henr' Clay baſſi iſm 2l. Redd' resolut' aŕb̃ti de Wolston exeunt' de Leictho'pe 10s. Redd' resolut' p'ori de Blythe exeunt' de Salteby 10s. Redd' resolut' aŕb̃ti

Sçe Marie Eboꝝ exeũt' iſm 15s. Redd' resolut' mañio de Tykhylle 2s. 6d. Redd' resolut' Thome Sharrard ar' exeunt' de Barrowe 13s. 4d. Feod' Joñis Russell milit' capit^{lis} sen^{li} monastij iſm p cõie sigill' 4l. Feod' Thome Jakson sen^{li} aule iſm 1l. 6s. 8d. p cõie sigill'. Feod' dño de Husey sen^{li} de Haubeke 1l. Feod' Riçi Ogle sen^{li} de Pynchebeke 1l. Feod' Antonii Myssenden sen^{li} cur' in com' Rutlaund' 1l. Et feod' Henr' Lacy audit' dẽi monastij 2l. In toto p librũ inde ostens' et examiat' 51l. 3s. 0¹/₂d.

Et in denar' assign' et distribut' paupibz in die Cœne ex antiquo fundat' 0l. 13s. 4d.

Denar' solut' p allicibz pan' et c'vis' paupibz temp'e q^{ad}agesime 2l. 0s. 0d.

Pençõe an^{tim} solut' magistro Colleg' Sçi Barnard' in Oxon' p conċbuçõibz 0l. 13s. 4d.

Pençõe solut' visitat' in singlis visitaçõibz jux^a ordinat' et statut' relig' an^{tim} 1l. 0s. 0d.

2l. 6s. 8d.

Sĩm^a rep's' 54l. 0s. 8d.
55l. 9s. 8¹/₂d.

Et sic valet clar' 124l. 5s. 11¹/₄d.
Inde p x^{ma} 12l. 8s. 7¹/₄d.

NUM. VI.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 28 Hen VIII. Augmentation Office.]

ABBATHIA DE VALDYE.

Com' Linc'	£.	s.	d.
Valdye—Firma querrur'	4	13	4
Valdye—Firma terr' dnical'	24	9	0
Swynnsted—Reddit' assis' liber' ten'	0	3	3
Swynnsted—Reddit' ten' ad vo- lunt'	1	15	0
Swynnsted—Firm' terr'	2	16	8
Pynchbek in Holland—Firm' terr'	1	10	0
Swynnsted—Molend' ventrit'	0	13	4
Swynnsted—Perquis' cur'	0	10	4
Morton—Reddit' assis'	0	16	4ob'q'
Edenham—Reddit' et firm' terr'	5	6	0
Edenham—Tenementa, &c.	1	17	4
Scotelthorp—Tenementa, &c.	2	10	8
Morton—Mcsuag' et ten'	0	16	0
Borne—Pastur', &c.	1	10	0
Wrenham—Firma maner'	1	16	8
Edenham, &c.—Perquis' cur'	0	3	8
Ingoldesby—Reddit' assis'	1	12	2 ob'
Ingoldesby—Terr' et ten'	4	2	8
Lavyngton—Reddit' assis'	0	4	4
Lavyngton—Terr' et ten'	0	16	0
Ingoldesbye—Terr' et ten'	6	15	8
Ingoldesbye—Perquis' cur'	0	14	8
Burton Lazars, &c.—Reddit' assis'	0	4	8
Burton Lazars, Dalbye, et Salby— Firma terrar'	53	5	4
Welby cum membris — Reddit' assis'	3	9	3
Welby cum membris—Firma terrarum, viz.			
Belton—Prat'	0	3	0
Farhumby—Terr'	0	4	0
Welby—Ten' et terr'	0	6	0
Gunwardby—Prat'	0	1	6
Water Willoughby—Terr'	0	9	0
Welby—Terr' et ten'	0	18	10
Haytherne—Terr'	0	10	0
Lundthorp et Cowthorp — Toft' et terr'	0	10	0
Roppesly—Grang'	1	10	0
Roppesly—Terr'	2	5	0
Saperton More et Pykeworth More—Prat' et pastur'	0	11	6
Bylchfeld—Claus'	1	6	8
Welby—Perquis' cur'	1	0	4
Creton—Reddit' assis'	0	11	0
Creton et Cowthorp—Firma ter- rarum	28	15	0

Com' Line'	£.	s.	d.
Creton—Perquis' cur'	0	5	0
Manthorp—Firma terr'	10	14	10
Byrton cum membris—Reddit' assis'	1	4	8

Com' Line'	£.	s.	d.
Byrton—Reddit' ad volunt' . . .	4	5	1
Westbye—Reddit' ad volunt' . .	0	8	0
Byrton cum membris—Firma terrarum	14	12	4

Swine, Swinhey, or Swina Abbey,
In the Deanry of Holderness, in Yorkshire.



SWINE ABBEY, founded by Robert de Verli, before the end of the reign of King Stephen, was dedicated to the Virgin Mary. Its establishment was for a prioress and fourteen or fifteen nuns.^a Erenbroch de Burton's charter to this House, bestowing upon it a carucate of land in Freistingthorp; Pope Alexander's bull, granting to the nuns exemption from tithes; and Hugh de Pusac's

charter as treasurer and archdeacon of York, confirming the grant of the church of Swine by Robert de Verli, are given by Dugdale in the Appendix;^b with the convention between the nuns and Alexander de Hilton concerning nine bovates of land in Swine.^c

Burton enumerates the possessions of this House alphabetically, in Beningholme East and West, Biford, Drypoll Grange, Duvethorp, Friestingthorp, Hedon, Holme in Spaldingmore, Lanthorp Grange in Swine, Lunde on the Wolds, Riston, Skirlow, Sutton, Swine, Thorkilby, Thorpe in Holderness, Wilstorpe, and Wolherg or Walburgh.^d

The principal benefactors beside Robert de Verli, were Hawise de Surdevile, Peter, son of Anketin, Isabel de Spineto, Erenburch de Burton, Richard Long of Hedon, Gilbert, son of Astin, Walter Skirlaw, bishop of Durham, Nicholas de Chawincourt, Richard Holme, Peter de la Hay, Ralph de Amundevil, and Isaac, clerk to William, earl of Albemarle.^e

In Pope Nicholas's Taxation, A.D. 1291, among the spiritualities of the diocese of York, the church of Swine, appropriated to the abbey, is rated at 53*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*: and the temporalities of the prioress of Swine at 48*l.* per annum.^f

From an entry in one of the archiepiscopal registers of York, relating to a dispute between the prioress and nuns of the abbey, and the parishioners of Swine, we learn that some time before 1308 the church and monastic buildings here were destroyed by fire.

The following are the names of the

PRIORESSES of SWINE,
as far as they can be recovered:

MAUD occurs prioress after 1230: she vacated her office by resignation.^g

GUNDREDA.^h CECILIA DE WALKINGTON was confirmed prioress 4 kal. Oct. 1290.ⁱ Upon her resignation,

JOSIANA DE ANELAGBY, or ANGLATBY, succeeded; who in 1303 had licence, on account of ill health, to absent herself from her monastery: a little scandal, also, appears to have been attached to her character.^k

JOANNA DE MOUBRAY succeeded in 1308.^l She resigned, on account of infirmity, in 1309.^m

JULIANA DE ANLAGHBY, probably the next prioress, resigned in September 1320.ⁿ

MATILDA WADE was the next prioress. Upon her resignation

JOHANNA KELK was elected. She received the archbishop's confirmation March 4th, 1482.^o On the death of Joan Kelk

BEATRICE LOWE succeeded. She was confirmed in her office Dec. 22, 1498.^p

CECILIA ELAND was confirmed prioress Sept. 23, 1506.^q

ELEANOR DENE received confirmation March 8th, 1520.^r

DOROTHY KNIGHT was the last prioress. She surrendered her house to the king Sept. 9th, in the 31st Henry VIII. when a pension was allotted to her of 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* which was still payable in 1553.^s

The revenues of this house in the 26th of Henry VIII. appear to have been rated at 134*l.* 6*s.* 9½*d.* gross income: the net produce of the rents was 82*l.* 3*s.* 9½*d.*^t

According to Burton, the site of Swine Abbey was granted by King Henry the Eighth, in 1540, to Sir Richard Gresham, knt.^u Be this as it may, another grant was made of the site by the same king to Sir Richard Gresham in the 35th year of his reign, the abstract of which will be seen in the note below; including numerous other lands elsewhere.^v How the sight of this monastery came again to the crown is not

thall, Elizabeth Arte, and Elizabeth Grimston 2*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* each; Elizabeth Ellysbye, Cecily Swale, Mary Bankes, Dorothy Thomlinson, Elizabeth Tyas, Alice Nicholson, Dorothy Stapleton, and Elizabeth Patrick, each 2*l.*

^t See the Append. Num. IV. ^u Burton, Monast. Ebor. p. 254.

^v Orig. 35 Hen. VIII. Cestr. Angl.—Rex xvij. die Aprilis in consideratione scit. nuper prioratus de Swyne, ac mesuag. &c. in Swyne, Lamphthorpe, Dripole, et Sutton in com. Ebor. de maner. de Estwalton et mes. &c. in Saham in com. Norff. concessit Ricardo Gressham mil. manerium de Norbury et Alehurst ac etiam rectoriam, &c. de Drayton in Hales in com. Salop. et Staff. ac etiam manerium de Batisforde, et terr. &c. in Badley, Combes, Fynbarowe, Ryngsell, Wattisham, Brisett, Flocton, et Batisford, necnon manerium de Thorpe in le Fallowes in com. Linc. necnon manerium de Bavent Combes in com. Suff. ac etiam grangiam in Esthorpe, ac terr. &c. in Walton in Linc. necnon mesuagium, &c. in civit. Ebor. ac etiam manerium de Toft. in com. Cant. necnon rectoriam, etc. de Nunkeling in com. Ebor. et in Foston in com. Leic. ac vicariorum, &c. de Batisford in com. Suff. ac de Thorpe in le Falowes in com. Linc. ac etiam scit. &c. nuper preceptorie de Carbroke, ac etiam man. et rector. de Carbroke habend. &c. ro. cxv.

^a So generally in the deeds, and at the time of the dissolution; but Erenbroch de Burton's charter is granted FRATRIBUS et SORORIBUS; and cart. 33 Edw. I. is "MAGISTRO, FRATRIBUS CANONICIS, et MONIALIBUS." See Tanner, Notit. Monast.

^b Compare the Append. Numm. I. II. III. Hugh de Pusac, from treasurer of the church of York, was made bishop of Durham, A.D. 1153.

^c Num. IV. ^d Burton, Monast. Eboracense, pp. 252, 253, 254.

^e Ibid. ^f Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. pp. 304 b, 305.

^g Burton, p. 254. ^h Ibid.

ⁱ MS. Harl. 6970, p. 105. e Reg. Romane archiep. Ebor.

^k Ibid. p. 145. ^l Ibid. p. 224. e Reg. Grenef.

^m Harl. MS. 6972, p. 10. e Reg. Ebor. sede vac. post mort. Corbridge.

ⁿ Harl. MS. 6972, p. 5. e Reg. Ebor. Romane. ^o Ibid. p. 37.

^p Ibid. p. 38. ^q Ibid. p. 42. e Reg. post mort. Rotherham.

^r Ibid. p. 45. e Reg. Wolsey.

^s Beside smaller pensions to sixteen other females belonging to the convent. These were Eliz. Clifton 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Margaret Whitfield and Elizabeth Thorne 3*l.* each; Isabel Jenkinson 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Martha Bur-

stated; but, according to Burton, in the 3d and 4th of Philip and Mary, the queen granted it, together with its appurtenances in the town and fields of Swine, to Sir John Constable, knt. to be held of her by military service.^a

Tanner, referring to materials for the history of this house, says:

"*Vide* in MSS. Dodsworth, vol. vii. foll. 247, 251, 252, 259, 304, 330, cartas quasdam ineditas.

"Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 15 Hen. III. rot. 8, de xxx. acr. terræ in Denhal. Fin. Ebor. 20 Hen. III. lig. A. n. 144, pro advoc. eccl. de Dripol. et lxxx. acris marisci. Fin. Ebor. 24 Hen. III. lig. F. n. 32, de terris in South Skirlaghe et Arahale. Fin. Ebor. 30 Hen. III. lig. E. n. . de terra in Lamberthorp. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 52 Hen. III. rot. 49 d. pro libera piscaria in aqua de Swina.

"Cart. 33 Edw. I. n. 4. Pat. 34 Edw. I. m. . .

"Cart. 18 Edw. III. n. 17. Escaet. Ebor. 23 Edw. III. p. 2, n. 100, de terris in Winton. et S. Skirlawgh. Escaet. Ebor. 26 Edw. III. n. 30.

"Pat. 3 Hen. V. p. 1, m. 7 vel 8.

"Pat. 28 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 7 vel 8."

See also the Rot. Hundred. of the Record Commission, vol. 1, p. 130.

An impression of the COMMON SEAL of this Nunnery, on red wax, is attached to the surrender still remaining in the Augmentation Office: it is oval, representing the Virgin crowned, sitting, and having in her lap the infant Jesus, in a niche; underneath is a nun praying. The inscription is S. PRIORIS. SÆ. MARIE. DE. SVINA.

No traces of the Buildings of the Abbey of Swine were extant even when Burton wrote.

Cartae ad Suinensem Abbatiam in agro Eboracensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Erenburch uxoris Ulberti Constabularii de una carucata terræ in Freistingthorp.

[Ex autogr. in turri S. Mariæ Ebor.]

OMNIBUS has literas visuris et auditoris Erenburch de Burtona uxor Ulberti Constabularii salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et dedisse, et præsentis carta confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Suina, et fratribus et sororibus ibidem Deo servientibus, unam carucatam terræ in Freistingthorp cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, in pratis et pasturis, in marisco, in aquis, in viis et semitis, et in omnibus ejusdem villæ aisiamentis; videlicet illam carucatam terræ quæ apud Breilinton in parte aquilonari prædictæ villæ jacet exterior cum hominibus in eadem terra manentibus, in perpetuam elemosinam liberam, et quietam ab omni servicio et consuetudine humana ad me et ad hæredes meos pertinente, faciendo forinsecum servicium regis et superiorum dominorum meorum quantum pertinet ad unam carucatam unde septem faciunt servicium unius militis. Hanc donationem feci de patrimonio, et hæreditate meâ, Deo et sanctæ religioni pro salute animæ meæ, et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum. Ego etiam et hæredes mei debemus eam manutene-
re et warrantizare ad opus prænominatæ ecclesiæ contra omnes homines imperpetuum. Hii sunt testes, Isaac clericus, Thoroldus presbiter sancti Nicholai in Beverly, Willielmus de Kaitona, Willielmus Halthen, &c.

NUM. II.

Bulla Alexandri Papæ.

[Ibid.]

ALEXANDER episcopus servus servorum Dei, venerabili fratri Eboracensi archiepiscopo, et dilecto filio Lincolniensi episcopo, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Significaverunt nobis dilectæ filiæ nostræ moniales de Swina, et de Cotum, quod cum eis, sicut fratribus Cisterciensis ordinis indultum sit de clementia sedis apostolicæ, ut de laboribus suis, quos propriis manibus, vel sumptibus excolunt nemini decimas solvere teneantur, quidam ecclesiastici viri capitulum ipsum prava, et sinistra interpretatione pervenerunt asserentes labores novalia intelligi, et sic contra privilegium apostolicæ sedis prædictæ, moniales decimarum exactione gravantur: quoniam igitur horum interpretatio ab intellectu nostro et aliorum qui id sanè intelligere volunt est penitus aliena, cum secundum capitulum illud à solutione decimarum, tam de terris quas deduxerunt ad cultum, quam etiam de terris cultis quas ipsæ propriis manibus vel sumptibus excolunt liberæ sint, et immunes, fraternitati vestræ, et discretionis vestræ, per apostolica scripta præcipiendo mandamus, quatinus à prædictis monialibus quæ in episcopatibus vestris consistunt de laboribus vel de terris suis, quas propriis manibus vel sumptibus excolunt, decimas nullatenus exigatis nec ab ali-

quibus exigi permittatis, quia non est conveniens, nec honestum, ut contra privilegia sedis apostolicæ veniatur, quæ optinere debent inviolabilem firmitatem. Si qui autem clerici vel laici contra privilegia sedis apostolicæ cas decimarum exactione gravaverint, laicos excommunicationis sententia percellatis, et clericos contradictione et appellatione cessante, ab officio suspendatis, et tam excommunicationis quam suspensionis sententiam faciatis, usque ad dignam satisfactionem inviolabiliter observari. Dat. Venet. in Rivalto quarto nonas Augusti.

NUM. III.

Carta Hugonis de Pusac, Ecclesiæ Eborum Thesaurarii.

[Ibid.]

HUGO de Pusac, Dei gratia Eboracensis ecclesiæ thesaurarius, necnon archidiaconus, omnibus sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis, tam præsentibus quam futuris, cum Dei benedictione salutem. Notum vobis sit, ecclesiam sanctæ Mariæ de Suine meo archidiaconatui attinentem, cum omnibus rebus eidem pertinentibus atque concessis, sanctimonialibus, secundum institutionem sancti Benedicti Deo devotè ibidem servientibus, divinæ respectu remunerationis, ac concessione fratris Roberti de Verti, cujus ipsa ecclesia esse dinoscitur, me firmiter concessisse. Hoc itaque piæ devotionis inceptum, quatinus ad honorem Creatoris convenientius instituetur, atque perficiatur, præsentis scripturæ aminiculo, ac proprio sigillo communiri feci. Valete.

NUM. IV.

Conventiones inter Moniales de Swina, et Dominum Alexandrum de Hilton.

[Ex autogr. penes Miklethwait medicinæ doctorem an. 1653.]

OMNIBUS hanc cartam visuris vel auditoris, Matilda priorissa de Swina et ejusdem loci conventus salutem. Noverit universitas vestra nos convencionasse domino Alexandro de Hilton militi, qui novem bovatas terræ cum pertinentiis nobis dedit in Swina, si fortè contigerit (quod absit) quod anno ab incarnatione Domini milesimo ducentesimo quadragesimo primo obierit, quod si fortè contigerit (quod absit) quod in secundo anno proximo sequenti obierit tunc tres bovatae terræ de prædictis bovatis terræ hæredibus prædicti Alexandri redibunt. Quod si in tertio anno obierit tunc sex bovatae terræ prænominatæ hæredibus dicti Alexandri redibunt post terminum completum in cyrographo inter nos confecto, solutæ et quietæ sine ullo impedimento. Et si prædictus Alexander nos indemnes custodierit per prædictos tres annos, secundum quod continetur in prædicto cyrographo, nos reddere tenemur hæredibus ipsius Alexandri cartam de feoffamento quam inde nobis fecit, et terram prædictam, una cum aliis terris, post terminum completum sex annorum. Et si fortè contigerit (quod absit) quod prædictus Alexander

^a Burton, ut supr.

infra tres extremos annos obierit, et ejus hæredes non warantizaverint nobis manerium de Swina, eum terris et tenementis in Otringham quæ omnia nobis dimisit usque ad terminum sex annorum, sicut continetur in cyrographo inter nos inde confecto, exeeutores dieti Alexandri nobis omnia damna pro defectu warantizationis illorum nobis illata, infra illos tres annos plenariè et sine dilatione restaurabunt. Et in hujus rei testimonium huic scripto cyrographato dictus Alexander et nos sigilla nostra vieissim apposuimus. Hiis testibus. Willielmo Constabulario. Willielmo de sancto Quintino. Ricardo de Wullingham. Ada de Cothun. Petro de Benyngholm. Simone de Preston. Henrico Coleman. Johanne de Bilthan. Roberto Cocco, et aliis.

NUM. V.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONAST'IU' DOMUS MONIALIS DE SWYNA.

Valet in

Seitu manij eū tris dnicalibz eotag' et alijs teñt' eidm ptin' p ann' 14l. 0s. 0d.

Exit' terr' et ten' in vill' et grangis de Ulburgh 9l. Farom 2l. Dripole 6l. Benyngholm Grange 6l. 13s. 4d. Lamphorp Grange 2l. 13s. 4d. Belagh Grange 2l. 13s. 4d. Empthorp 12s. Conyngeston 2l. Gauntstet 1l. Chereburton 8s. Suthskirlagh eū North Skirlagh 11l. 11d. Ob' Thorgulby 3l. Riston eū Arnold 5l. 2s. 3d. Marton 2l. 9s. 8d. Sutton 4s. Mapilton eū Hornse Burton 1l. 9s. 3d. Wynested eū Danelands 1l. 12s. Beford 16s. Northburton 3s. 9d. Willesthorp 1l. 1s. 3d. Awburn 2s. 6d. Ruddes-ton 3s. Bevely 4s. Thorp in le Streit 8s. Harlesthorp 5s. 3d. Spawdynton 1l. York 4s. 3d. Holm sup Waldam 2l. 17s. 8d. Myddilton 3s. Et Lound 11s.

65l. 17s. 9½d.

Exit' garbagij et feni decimaliū de Swyn Conyngeston et Gauntsted p ann' 8l. Suth Skirlagh 5l. North Skirlagh Rowton eū Arnold 5l. Bilton 5l. Benyngholm eū Dowthorp 4l. Benyngholm Grange 1l. 6s. 8d. Lamthorp 1l. Marton 2l. 13s. 4d. Burton Constable 3l. 6s. 8d. Thorgulby 2l. Wyneton 1l. 6s. 8d. Elwardby 1l. Dripole 2l. In decis 40l. Poch' iñm 6l. 13s. 4d. Decis lani et agnoz toei^a poch' 3l. 7s. Decis minut' et alijs casual' 2l. 15s. 4d.

54l. 9s. 0d.

Sñ^a p3 134l. 6s. 9½d.

Repris' in

Annual' soluc' Thome Wynter clieo ppoit' ecelie coll' Sñi Johis Bevlaci p avenis 16l. Dño archiepo Eboz p pecu- racoe et sinod' 18s. 6d. Dño Wlho Newton vicario de Swyn p salario suo p annū 8l. Dño Wllo Waller presbit' cantar' Bē Marie Virgis iñm ex fundacoe epi Dunelm' impptm 4l. 13s. 4d. Dño Johi Slowley cap^{no} divia celebrant' in capell' de Dripole p composicōem in p^{ma} fundacoe domus monial' de Swyn p salar' suo p ann' 4l. 13s. 4d. . 34l. 5s. 2d.

Elemosinis dat' in die obit' Mñi Robti Virley pms fun- dat' hui^a domus tñm in vietual' q^{am} in pecunijs viz unū bovē 16s. Unū q^{art} frument' 5s. Et in monet' impptm 2l.

2l. 1s. 0d.

Elemosina dat' in die obit' Riçi Virley nepot' dñi Robti inpeñm 1l. 13s. 4d.

Elemosina dat' in die obit' Mñi Walteri Skirlagh epi Dunelm' p compos' 3l. Et in elemosina dat' in Cena Dñi ex fundacoe dom^a 17s. 3l. 17s. 0d.

Liñr' reddit' Johi Melton milit' dno de Swyn p ann' 1l. 15s. 6d. Et pno reg' p ann' 11s. 2l. 6s. 6d.

Feod' Thome Darcy milit' dno Darcy capital' seneseall' pñdce dom^a p annū 13s. 4d. Wñi Babthorp armiço senes- call' liñfat' 13s. 4d. Robti Hogeson audit' domus pñd' p ann' 1l. 6s. 8d. Johi Hogeson ballio dñi domus p ann' Rado Babthorp recept' domus pñdce p ann' 4l. 8l. 0s. 0d.

Sñ^a p3 52l. 3s. 0d.

Et valet elare 82l. 3s. 9½d.

X^{ma} ps inde 8l. 4s. 4¾d.

NUM. VI.

From the Original in the Augmentation Office.

SWYNE NUPER PRIORATUS.

Visus Computi Thomæ Constable, Collectoris Reddituum et Firmarum pertinentium dicto nuper Prioratui sur- sumreddit' et libere resignat' et dissolut' 8^{vo} die Septem- bris, anno dieti Domini Regis Henrici Octavi 33^{mo}.

£. s. d.
2 6 0

De arreragijs De 50l. 1s. 11d. nuper de firma diversorum terrarum et tenementorum ibidem, viz. Scitus Prioratus cum terris dominicalibus per annum 23l. 11s. 11d. Reddit' et firm' in Dræpoole per annum 6l. 18s. Firm' grangiae de Lain- thorpe 3l. 4s. 4d. Firm' terr' in Holme super Spaldyngmoore 1l. Firm' grangiae de Wol- burgh cum pertinentijs 10l. 5s. Firm' 37 aer' prati jacen' in Sutton Ynges 2l. 9s. 4d. Firm' de lez Somergranges 1l. 6s. 8d. Firm' terr' in Gunthorpe 1l. 6s. 8d. non respond' quia inter alia conceduntur Ricardo Gresham militi nihil.

De redditu rservato super literis patentibus pñfato Ricardo Gresham 5 0 4½

De redd' et firm' tenene' ad volunt' in Swyne per annum 9 2 4

De redd' et firm' in Southskerlaugh per annum 13 3 2

De redd' et firm' in Riston per annum 8 2 10

De firma unius mesuagij cum pertin' in Holme super le Wolde per annum 4 6 8

De firma grangiae de Benyngholme per an' 11 9 4

De firma rectoriae de Swyne cum capella de Drypoole et alijs capellis annexis per annum 64 12 0

De libero redditu Roberti Mountney pro certis terris in Swyne per annum 0 4 0

De redditu assiso Elenæ Wilkynson pro uno cotagio cum pertinentijs in Southskulaugh per annum 0 1 0

De reddit' et firm' certorum tenentium ad voluntatem in Southskirlaugh per annum 1 13 4

De reddit' et firm' in Mappleton per annum 0 6 0

De reddit' et firm' in Bansted per annum 1 2 0

De reddit' et firm' in Winster per annum 1 4 0

De reddit' et firm' in terr' vocat' Davyland per annum 2 0 0

De reddit' et firm' in Middleton per annum 0 3 4

De reddit' et firm' in Londe per annum 0 13 4

De reddit' et firm' in Thorpe in le Street per annum 0 12 0

De reddit' et firm' in Beforth per annum 0 16 0

De reddit' et firm' in Cherryburton per an' 0 15 0

De reddit' et firm' in Willesthorpe per an' 1 6 4

De reddit' et firm' in Awborne per annum 0 2 6

De reddit' et firm' in Northskirley per an' 2 12 4

De reddit' et firm' in Arnolde per annum 0 18 6

De reddit' et firm' in Morton 2 11 4

De reddit' et firm' in Thorkylby per annum 4 2 0

De reddit' et firm' in Hornesey Burton per annum 2 1 8

De reddit' et firm' in Estbenyngholme per annum 0 14 0

De reddit' tenementorum in civitate Ebor' per annum 0 15 0

De reddit' et firm' in Rudston per annum 0 5 0

De reddit' et firm' in North Burton per annum 0 10 0

De redditu unius cotagij eum gardino infra villam Beverley per annum 0 4 0

De reddit' et firm' in Farome per annum 3 0 0

De reddit' et firm' in Belaugh per annum 2 13 4

De libero redditu certarum terrarum perti- nen' nuper Hospitali Saneti Leonardi infra ei- vitatem Ebor' 0 2 6

De libero redditu Hugonis Langley pro certis terris in Harlethorp per annum 0 6 8

De reddit' et firm' in Dewthorpe per annum 0 3 0

De reddit' et firm' in Cunnyngston per au' 2 17 4

Abbey of Bruerne, in Oxfordshire.



BRUERNE, or Brucra Ab-
bey, in Oxfordshire, dedi-
cated to the Virgin Mary,
was founded by Nicholas Bas-
set, in 1147.^a

Very few particulars of
the History of this House
have reached us. Its most
important charter is that
which Dugdale has given in
the Appendix to the present
account, dated in 1234;^b
whence we learn that King

Henry the Second, King
Richard the First, and Roger earl of Warwick, were amongst
its early benefactors.

The possessions of Bruerne Abbey, as they stood in
1291, will be found in the note below.^c

ABBATS of BRUERNE.

JOHN, without date.^d

DAVID occurs in 1163.^e

^a See Tanner, *Notit. Mon. Ox.* ii. *Lel. Collect. tom. i. p. 77.*
tom. iii. p. 161.

^b *Append. Num. I.*

^c SPIRITUAL. *Dioc. Linc.* Porcio in ecclesia de Schipton 6s. 8d.
Dioc. Wygorn. Porcio dec. in grang. de Huuchewik 6s. 8d. Porcio
in eccl. de Lech. S. Andreae 6s. 8d.

TEMPORAL. *Dioc. Linc.* In Holewell in redd. terr. fruct. greg. et
animal. 1l. 8s. In Sandbroc, Middleton, Tenge Cercell, Dunthrop,
terr. curtilag. columb. 16l. 14s. 11d. Item in fruct. greg. et animal. 23l.
17s. 4d. *Dioc. Bathon. et Well.* In Westharptre 2l. *Dioc. Wygorn.*
Apud Estleck tres caruc. terræ et val. caruc. duodecim solid. Et de
reddit. assis. quadraginta solid. Et de staur. sexaginta solid. Et una
columbar. quod valet duos solid. Summa in Estleck 6l. 18s. Item
apud parvam Colesburn unam caruc. terr. et val. per annum decem
solid. Et de staur. decem solid. Item apud Westelssirpton tres
virgat. terræ et val. per annum septem solid. et sex denar. Et de staur.
viginti solid. Item apud Cornden unam caruc. terr. et val. per annum
decem solid. Et unum columbar. quod val. per annum duos solid.
Item apud Nethergutyng duas caruc. terr. et val. caruc. decem solid.
Et de staur. viginti solid. et unum molendinum quod val. decem solid.
Item apud Lunchewyk tres caruc. terr. et val. caruc. decem solid. Et
de staur. trigint. solid. Et unum columbar. quod val. duos solid.
Item apud Senescot tres caruc. terr. et val. caruc. duodecim solid. Et
de redd. assis. viginti sex solid. et octo denar. Et de staur. triginta
solid. Summa in Coleburn, Westelssirpton, &c. 13l. 4s. 2d. See the
Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 32 b, 44, 45, 203, 219 b, 222, 236.

^d *Tann. Notit. Monast. edit. Nasmith, p. xlv. Madox, Formul.*
Anglic. p. 218.

^e *Tann. ut supr.*

^f He was made Abbat of Waverley the next year. *MS. E. R.*
Mores.

^g *Tanner, ut supr.*

ⁱ *Ibid.*

^l *Tanner, ut supr.*

ⁿ *Ibid.*

^p *Tanner, ut supr.*

^r *Tanner, ut supr.*

^s *Madox, in his Formulare Anglicanum, has printed numerous*
Deeds relating to the property of Bruerne Priory, viz. 1. A Composition
between the Canons of Oseney and the Monks of Bruerne, concerning
the tithes of the lordship of Treaton and the church of that name. pp.
27, 28. 2. A Confirmation of William, Earl of Gloucester, as superior
lord of the fee of a donation made to the monks of Bruerne by Robert
de Lamara. p. 46. 3. A demise of a half hide of land for two years
from Richard de Dittlesdona. p. 131. 4. An exchange of a moiety of a
messuage 31 Hen. III. in the vill of Senescot. p. 157. 5. An exchange
of land in Cundicote, A.D. 1258. p. 161. 6. An exchange in fee-
simple of land in Inslade with John Tylly. p. 162. 7. A grant of land
in Over Indecumb to the monks from Juliana de Solers. p. 183. 8. A
feoffment in fee-simple of a messuage made by the master of the Tem-
plars to the monks of Bruerne. p. 185. 9. A fine between Roger de
Sanford and the monks of Bruerne of land in Midelton. p. 218. 10. A
donation in frank-almoigne to the monks in Rindcumbe from Robert
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ville of a close and an essart in Collesburn. p. 257. 14. A grant from
Richard de Stockes of land in Sualewclive soon after 1230. p. 258.
15. A grant from William de la Mare of land in fee-farm in Over Inde-
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lain, of service due for a hide of land in Estlech. p. 278. 17. A grant
from Walter Looht of pasture for sheep, and a bercary in Colesburn.

CHRISTOPHER in 1186.^t

RICHARD, 1196.^g

GEFFRY, 1216.^h

RICHARD, 1218.ⁱ

JOHN in 1246, 30 Hen. III.^k

JOCELINE, 1270.^l

ROGER was deposed in 1279.^m

ROBERT DE ESTAT succeeded in the same year.ⁿ

JOH. DE DUNSTERRE occurs in 1365.^o

WALTER, about 1417.^p

JOHN ASTLEY, or ASSHELY, in the 32d Hen. VI.^q

ROBERT KING, in 1515.^r

The gross amount of the revenues of this Abbey at the
Dissolution amounted to 153l. 3s. 10d.; the clear income to
134l. 10s. 10d.

The site was granted in the 8th of James I. to Sir
Anthony Cope.

No impression from the COMMON SEAL of this Abbey
has as yet been discovered by the Editors of the *Monasticon*;
nor have they as yet found a REGISTER of this Monastery.^s

p. 299. 18. A charter of fraternity and participation of suffrages with
Bruerne from the Abbey of Cirencester. p. 301. 19. A grant from
William, the son of William de Sceldesley, of two turbaries. *ibid.*
20. An assignment of the homage and service of a villan or tenant in
Langeburuwe from William le Brun. p. 302. 21. An indulgence from
the bishop of St. Asaph for thirteen days to votaries praying or offering
at the chapel of Bruerne, 1250. p. 309. 22. A grant to enlarge their
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the son of Ethewi de Esthull, concerning certain arrears in a payment
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Tanner says,

"*Vide Cartas quamplurimas originales ad hanc abbatiam spec-*
tantes in Officio nuper Curia Augmentationis.

"*Munimenta quædam hujus abbatia in Thesaurario Coll. Ænei*
Nasi Oxon.

"*In Aspilogia cl. Anstis, n. 283, cartam Almarici com. Glocestr.*
de terris in Est Lech, Glocestr. quæ exstat etiam cum duabus aliis ad
hoc cœnobium spectantibus in MS. Maro 12. ii. 2 a. 16 b.

"*In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 6784, fol. 9. cartam Hen. II.*

"*Cart. antiq. R. n. 1, scil. Ric. I. confirm. (MS. Dodsworth, vol.*
xxv. fol. 49.) T. n. 29, scil. Hen. II. confirm. donationes Nicolai Basset
de loco in quo abbatia fundata est, &c.

"*MSS. Dodsworth, vol. xxiv. fol. 59. cartam 46 Edw. III. vol.*
lxxvi. fol. 109. cartam Will. fil. Will. de Seldesleigh.

"*Fin. 6 Joan. m. 4. pro una hida in Lech.*

"*Fin. Oxon. 6 Hen. III. n. . pro vi. virgatis terræ in Duntrop.*
Fin. Oxon. 14 et 15 Hen. III. n. . . pro eisdem. Cart. 17 Hen. III. n. .
Fin. Oxon. 25 et 30 Hen. III. m. 4. quod habeat abbas singulis diebus
duas carcetat. bosci in foresta de Whichwood.

"*Plac. in com. Oxon. 13 Edw. I. quo war. rot. 18. de secta ad*
hundred. de Wutton. Pat. 27 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 35 Edw. I. m. .

"*Pat. 5 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 18. Cart. 8 Edw. II. n. 21.*

"*Pat. 33 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 14. pro eccl. de Denchesworth, Berk.*
approprianda. Cart. 39 Edw. III. n. 1. pro lib. war. in Bruer, Treton,
Samroke, Nethercote, Tenge, Iddeburys, Fifhide, Shupton, Middle-
ton, Ewelme, Field, Charlebury, Shorthampton, Churchall, Cerceden,
Hethrop, Duntrop, Swalecliffe, Holewell, et Sewell, Oxon. Pridye et
Herpetre, Somerset. Rindcomb, Mersden, Chedworth, Querryrindcomb,
Colesburne, Shupton, Solers, Astleghte, Guyting, Guytingpoer, Shesnes-
cote, Hunchewyke, Langberew, Wynchcomb, et Cornden, Gloucestr.
Pat. 39 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . Pat. 40 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 22, vel 23, et
p. 2, 7. Pat. 41 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 5, d. de furcis apud East Lech.
Cart. 46 Edw. III. n. 7, vel 9.

"*Pat. 3 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 8. Pat. 4 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 5. pro terris in*
Lyncham. Pat. 5 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 22. pro maner. de Fifhyde. Pat.
15 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 29. pro eccl. de Grimesby, Linc. approprianda.
Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 11. de prato vocat. Cupron Mead, in Shipton
Underwood. Ibid. p. 2, m. 27. de reddit. in Broad Rysington, Glouc.

"*Pat. 18 Hen. VI. p. 3, m. 8. pro advoc. eccl. de Wotton juxta*
Woodstock ex dono regis cum licentia approprianda.

"*Rec. in scacc. 15 Hen. VIII. Mich. rot. 61. pro terris in Felde."*

Compare also the printed *Rotuli Hundredorum*, vol. i. pp. 172,
173, 174, 182. vol. ii. pp. 34, 709, 730, 732, 737, 738, 746, 847, 875.
Plac. de Quo War. pp. 243, 663.

The Harleian MS. 6952, fol. 197. contains a copy of the Petition

Cartae ad Abbatiam de Brueria in agro Oxoniensi spectantes, fundatam Anno M^clviij.^a

NUM. I.

Carta Regis Johannis Donatorum Concessionones recitans et confirmans.

[Pat. 3 R. II. part. 3, m. 8. per Inspex. Et cart. 46 E. III. n. 7, m. 6. Vide etiam cart. antiq. R. n. 1.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse et præsentī carta nostra confirmasse in puram et perpetuam elemosinam ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Bruera et monachis Cisterciensis Ordinis ibidem Deo servientibus ipsum locum qui vocatur Brueria in quo abbatia eorum fundata est; et Tretoniam cum ecclesia et omnibus appendiciis suis; scilicet Tengele, et Nethercote cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et unam quadrigatam ex dono regis H. patris nostri in bosco de Wichewode ad focum suum, ex dono R. fratris nostri aliam quadrigam in eodem bosco cotidie, et universas terras et tenuras suas quas aliquis eis justè et rationabiliter dedit vel est daturus, et emptiones suas quas justè mercati vel mercaturi sunt. Ex dono Rogeri comitis de Warewic totam Mersdenam cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Roberti de la Mare et Galfridi fratris ejus unam virgatam terræ in territorio de Huvervidecumbe in costera montis juxta Mersdenam, et croftam Brightwoldi. Ex dono Willielmi de la Mare sexaginta et sex acras de dominico de Huvervidecumbe à Berecrofte versus boscum de Cliffordham et eundem boscum totum liberum ab aliorum communione, et pratum cum terra culta inter boscum et aquam et duas virgatas terræ de villenagio de Huvervidecumbe cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et alias terras et pasturas quas idem Willielmus eis carta sua confirmavit. Ex dono Eliæ Loholt, et Matildis de Watevill terras quas eis dederunt in territorio de Collesburne. Ex dono Walteri filii Roberti unam virgatam terræ in Siptona. Ex dono Radulfi de Albemarle unam dimidiam hidam terræ cum sex acris in Cordena cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Radulfi de Suthleia unam hidam quæ fuit Nicholai de Bosco et Kentwini. De feodo Willielmi filii Bernardi unam hidam in Hunchewic. Ex dono Hugonis de Cundicote terram illam quæ fuit David sacerdotis cum cultura Paylesgare. Ex dono Eliæ unam virgatam terræ ex feodo Rogeri de Dikelesdone. Ex dono Ricardi de Stoke Holewellam cum xxx. acris, et alias terras quas idem Ricardus eis confirmavit. Ex dono Willielmi de Sibeford quinque virgatas cum pertinentiis in Sibeford cum viginti acris, et terras quas Robertus Chenanchesul eis dedit et cartis confirmavit. Ex dono Willielmi de Fifhida in territorio de Fifhida centum et quinquaginta et duas acras in waldo juxta le Stret et totum le Stret et tres virgatas terræ de dominio de Fifhide, et alias terras et pasturas quas idem Willielmus eis cartis suis confirmavit. Ex dono Willielmi filii Ricardi terras in territorio de Middeltone quas eis dedit et confirmavit. Ex dono Walteri de Wichindone unum mesuagium apud Glocestriam. Ex dono Willielmi filii Willielmi filii Johannis omnes terras et pasturas apud Harpetre et Pridiam quas eis dedit et cartis suis confirmavit. Ex dono Lefwini Lamb duo burgagia in Bureford sicut cartæ regis H. patris nostri et regis R. fratris nostri et nostra quam eis fecimus dum essemus comes Moretoniæ quas inde habent rationabiliter testantur. Concessimus etiam eis et confirmavimus ex dono Willielmi Camerarii ad feodi firmam totam terram suam de Lech cum omnibus pertinentiis suis sicut carta ejusdem Willielmi quam inde habent rationabiliter testatur. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum Joscelini de Welles, apud Oxon. xxix. die Marcii anno regni nostri sexto.

from the Abbat and Convent of Bruern to the king begging for the advowson of the church of Woodstock, of the royal patronage, Anno Dom. 1464, from the Register of Chedworth bishop of Lincoln. This, as appears from a Patent already quoted, they obtained.

In the Cottonian Volume Cleop. E. iv. fol. 100. is a letter from the Abbat of Bruern to Lord Cromwell, about the time of the Dissolution, VOL. V.

NUM. II.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

BRUERN' MONAST'IUM IN COM' OXON' LINCOLN' DIOCES'.

Extinct' Valor et Annual' Reddit' oīmi' Maner', Grangiaz, Terraz, et Teñtoz Monasterio Bte Marie Virginis de BRUERA, in Com' Oxon' Lincoln' Dioc' ptinent' sive spectant' infra Regnū Anglie scdm antiquū annual' reddit' et verum valorem eozdm. Ac prout Abbas et Convent' ejusdem Monastij ea perceperunt seu percipere debuissent. In Anno Dñi Henrici Octavi Angliæ et Franc' Regis, Fidei Defensoris, et Dñi Hibern' post Conquestum vicesimo sexto patz modo et forma put sequit', &c.

Com' Oxon', Lincoln' Dioc'.

Bruern' Monast'iu' in Decanatu de Chepyngnorton.

Scitum et mansio monasterij p̄dict' cum orto gardino' stagnario et clauso adjacent' valet p annū ultra repris' n^l.

Oblaçōnes ecclie ejusdem monastij valent p a^m n^l.

Unū pratum ibm vocat' Tangley Mede v̄z p an^m aliū prātū ibm vocat' Cokkysmore v̄z p annū molendin' aquaticū ibm valet p annū . . . postea oñat' infra tr' dñic'.

Ter' dñic' in man' dñi abbis exist' . . . n^l hic.

Johes Kyng tenet tenementū ibidem vocat' Lez Tanshowse et redd' dño p annū . . . 3l. 1s. 0d.

Ričus Kȳght ten' aliū teñtū ibm et redd' p an^m . . . 0l. 10s. 0d.

Et est quædam pastura ibm vocat' Bruern' Heth et valet dño p annū . . . de tris dñic' p'ea oñat'.

Et est quædam capella construct' in dca Bruera vulgariter nūcupat' Seynt Katheryns chapell . . . 0l. 13s. 4d.

Et est ibm aliud prātū vocat' Laund cont' ij. acr' p'ati p'ec' acr' 2s. . . 0l. 4s. 0d.

S̄m^a . . . 4l. 8s. 4d.

Sandebroke Decanat' de Chepyngnorto'.

Maneriū sive grangia ibm cum omibz terris pratis pascuis ac pastur' et suis p̄tinent' in man' dcoz abbatis et convent' existen' ad utilitatē et sustentacōnem monasterij p̄dci valent p an^m . . . n^l hic q̄ oñat' postea infra tr' dñic' monastij.

Et q^d est ibm quædam capella S̄ci Pet' Apli olim ecclia parochialis et quia nulla oblaçō neq̄ decima eidm capelle sp'cat valet p annū . . . n^l

S̄m^a patet.

Milton Monachor' Decanatus suprad'c'i.

Custumarij et libe tenent' ibm predco manerio et grang' ex antiquo tempore annexat' reddant p an^m put sequit'.

Johes Ivettoo t̄z teñtum custim' ibm et r' p an^m . . . 1l. 7s. 11d.

Wilts Hyat custimar' tenen' redd' p annū 1l. 0s. 0d.

Ričus Perret custimar' tenen' redd' p an^m . . . 1l. 1s. 10d.

Wilts Perret custimar' tenens reddit p an^m . . . 0l. 16s. 2d.

Johes Collyng tenens custimar' redd' p an^m . . . 0l. 14s. 8d.

Johes Hyat custimar' tenen' redd' p annū 0l. 11s. 8d.

Wilts Tonnys custimar' tenen' r' p annū 0l. 13s. 4d.

Alicia Toīnys vid' custim' tenen' r' p an^m 0l. 6s. 0d.

Danyelus Ashwell custimar' tenens r' p an^m . . . 0l. 4s. 0d.

Robtus Camy custimar' tenens r' p an^m 0l. 10s. 0d.

desiring protection against the sheriff of Oxfordshire, who prosecutes him for stopping one of his monks from going privately to London.

See also MS. Cotton. Titus B. i. fol. 389.

Among the ancient charters of the Harleian Collection 45 C. 28. is Carta Amauriensis Comitiss Gloucestriæ monachis de Bruern de terris in Est Lech. Without date.

^a Annal. de Winchecumbe in bibl. Cotton.

Edwardus Harberd custimar' tenen' r' p an^m 0l. 4s. 0d.
 Plius Barret custim' tenen' r' p annū 0l. 3s. 4d.
 Georgius Coke custim' tenen' r' p an^m 0l. 2s. 0d.
 Predci tenent' custim' tenent ibidm quoddm p^{atū} dci
 abbaſ et convent' vo' Raymede r' p annū 2l. 0s. 0d.
 Thom^as Fryday ten^t quarriam sive quarinā ibidem et
 reddit inde p annū 0l. 10s. 0d.
 Ricardus Sewell lib tenens redd' p annū 0l. 3s. 0d.
 Johaſes Sessions lib tenens redd' p annū 0l. 3s. 0d.
 S^m^a 10l. 10s. 6d.
 10l. 10s. 6d.

Shypton subt' Whichwood Decanat' an'dict'.

Predict' abbas et convent' hient ibm et tenent in mani-
 bus suis pprijs quodd^m pratum vocat' Capron Mede ad
 utilitatem et sustentacōnem monastij predict' et valet p
 annū 0l. 7s. 0d.

S^m^a patet.

Lyneham Deca^{tus} ejusdem.

Riçus Colyns ten^t teñtum ibm et r' p an^m sic di^r p
 indentur' 2l. 6s. 0d.

Felde Deca^{tus} ejusdem.

Riçus Brodeshaw tenet capi^{le} mesuag' sive tenementum
 ibm et reddit p annū 1l. 4s. 0d.
 Riçus Turnor t3 teñtum ibm et r' p an^m 0l. 8s. 0d.
 Thom^as Honyborn ten^t teñtū ibm r' p a^m 0l. 8s. 0d.

Johes Hychman t3 teñtū ibm r' p an^m 0l. 3s. 0d.
 Thom^as Doege t3 teñtū ibm r' p a^m 0l. 2s. 0d.

Sic di^r p cōp' p annū.

S^m^a 2l. 5s. 0d.
 4l. 0s. 11d.

Shorth^amton Decanat' ejusdem.

Riçus Freman t3 teñt' ibm r' p an^m 1l. 8s. 0d.

Nwellme Deca^{tus} ejusdem.

Predcūs abbas et conventus hient quandam capellam
 vulgarit' nūcupat' Nwellms Heremytage infra forestm de
 Whychwood cum pluribus domibus et edificijs ij^{bz} clausis
 et alijs terris capelle pertinent' que olim reddere solebat p
 annū nihil sed fiat petiçō dñi regi.

Et nūc detent' est et occupat' per ministros dñi reg^s et sic
 forest' predict' ad opus et usum ejusdem domini reg^s et sic
 adiu fuit racōne ejus inde reddit^r p^{fat}s abbatī et convent'

nihil sed fiat petiçō dñi regi.

S^m^a nihil.

Sarysden Deca^{tus} ejusdem.

Elyzabeth Horn vidua t3 ibm terr' et tent' reddit' et
 servic' p annual' reddit' sic di^r p indentur' mag^ri Horne
 3l. 6s. 8d.

S^m^a patet.

Churchhyll Deca^{tus} ejusd'm.

Willm̄s Salcome et Alicia ux' ejus tenēt maner' sive
 grāgiam ibm cū cert^a terris et tēnt^a pratis pasc' et pastur'
 reddit' et švic' cum suis pertinen' et redd' p annū sic di^r p
 indent' Wiffo Salcombe 6l. 13s. 4d.

S^m^a patet.

Kyngh^am Deca^{tus} ejusd'm.

Johaſes Becham tenens ibm r' p an^m 0l. 4s. 0d.

S^m^a patet.

Fyffhyde.

Robertus Secoll ten^t mansionem manij cum terris pratis
 pascuis et pasturis dñical' et suis pertinent' p annual' redd'
 p indentur' dimiss' 3l. 6s. 8d.

Johes Humfrey tenens custim' r' p an^m 1l. 0s. 0d.

Wiffo Brokwell tenen' custim' r' p an^m 1l. 2s. 0d.

Wiffo Hukkys tenen' custim' r' p an^m 0l. 14s. 0d.

Riçus Smyth tenen' custim' r' p an^m 0l. 9s. 0d.

Thom^as Byrge custim' tenen' r' p an^m 0l. 5s. 0d.

Robtus Chamblen tenen' cust' r' p an^m 0l. 5s. 0d.

Wiffo Grene tenen' cust' r' p an^m 0l. 6s. 0d.

Thom^as Lynsecombe tenen' cust' r' p an^m 0l. 4s. 0d.

Riçus K tenen' cust' r' p an^m 0l. 3s. 4d.

Johes Grene tenen' custim' r' p an^m 0l. 3s. 4d.

Thom^as Coke ten' cust' r' p a^m 0l. 2s. 0d.

Johes Humfrey lib tenen' r' p an^m 0l. 0s. 0¹/₂d.

Robtus Payn lib tenen' r' p an^m 0l. 1s. 1¹/₂d.

Procuratores ecclie sive capelle ibidm reddant p annū 0l. 0s. 4d.

Johes Perley lib tenens reddit p annū unū garland de
 Perywyncle seve 0l. 0s. 1d.

S^m^a 8l. 1s. 11d.

Wytney Deca^{tus} de Wytney.

Thom^as Smyth tenen' ibm r' p an^m 0l. 6s. 0d.

S^m^a patet 0l. 6s. 0d.

Dunthrope Deca^{tus} de Woodstok.

Elyzabeth Ashfeld vidua ten^t manū sive grang' ac terr'
 et teñta cum suis ptinenc' ibm et redd' p annū
 S^m^a pat3.

Sewell Deca^{tus} ejusd'm.

P'dcūs abbas et convent' habent parcellam ejusdam
 pastur' ibm cū suis ptinen' q' tenent in manib3 suis pprijs ad
 utili^{tem} et sustentacōem monastij p'dci q' valet p annū et nup
 locat' fuit p annual' redd' 38l. 10s. 0d.

Sic dimiss' p indentur'.

S^m^a patet.

Eppwell Deca^{tus} de

Diet' abbas et convent' hient de libo reddu exeunt' de
 quodam molend' aquatico annuatim 0l. 3s. 4d.

S^m^a patet.

Swaleclyff Deca^{tus} ejusdem.

Johes Potter t3 teñtū ibm et r' p a^m 1l. 6s. 8d.

S^m^a patet.

Holowey Graunge De^{tus} ejusdem.

Thom^as Watts tenet grang' ibm cum suis ptinen' et
 redd' p annū. Sic di^r p indentur' ad tñios an^{or}' 4l. 0s. 0d.

S^m^a patet.

Sequit' Com' Berk' Sar' Dioc'.

Denchworth Decanat' de

Alexandr' Unton armiger t3 rçoriam ibm et redd' p
 annū 1l. 6s. 8d.

P indentur' dimiss'.

S^m^a patet.

Sequit' Com' Somers' Bathon' et Wellen' Dioc'.

Predy.

Johes Sawndres firmar' oñi' terr' et teñt' ibm redd'
 inde p an^m 4l. 0s. 0d.

Dimittir' p indentur' ad tños an^{or}'.

S^m^a patet.

Sequit' Com' Glowcestr' Wigorn' Dioc'

Estlatch.

Thom̄s Kebull firmar' ibm redd' inde annuatim p ma-
 nio et tñis dñic' cū pastur' oviū ibm 6l. 1s. 0d.

Walterus Grene cust' ten' r' p an^m 0l. 10s. 0d.

Riçus Lyffholy jun' cust' ten' r' p an^m 0l. 10s. 0d.

Johes Lyffholy ten' custim' r' p an^m 0l. 10s. 0d.

Johes Robyns ten' r' p a^m

Riçus Lyffholy sen' cust' ten' ten' r' p an^m 0l. 7s. 0d.

Tenent' quarriam sive quarinam de lapidibus tegulat'
 ad fodend' redd' inde annuatim n^l.

Thom^as Lyffholy cust' ten' r' p a^m 0l. 5s. 0d.

Edmūdus Thame armiger redd' annuatim p Rokis
 Lond' de libo redd' 0l. 4s. 0d.

S^m^a 13l. 13s. 8d.

Pred'cūs abbas et convent' tenent ibm in manibus suis
 pprijs annualem pasturam 500 oviū in estate videli't a festo
 Invençōnis Sancte Crucis usq' ad festu' Sçi Martini in hyeme
 que valet p annū on'at' infra redd' co3.

D'cūs abbas et conventus tenent ibm annualem pastu-
 ram in yeme videli't a d'c'o festo Sçi Martini usq' ad p'd'c'm
 festum Invençōnis Sçe Crucis p' 400 ovib3 sive feno que v'3
 p annū ult^a on'a feni et vadij pastoris on'at' ut sup^a.

Marysden Deca^{tus} de
 Joñes Mayse tenet mañiū sive firmā cū oñibz ĩris et
 teñt^s ĩbm et r' p an^m p indentur' . . . 14l. 0s. 0d.
 Sīm^a patet.

Collysborn Parva.
 Thom^as Prydy tenens ĩbm r' p an^m p indentur'
 . . . 1l. 7s. 4d.
 Sīm^a patet.

Shipton Solas.
 Will^s Bray tenens ĩbm r' p annū p indentur'
 . . . 0l. 13s. 4d.
 Sīm^a patet.

Nether Getyng De^{tus} de
 Robtus Dean tenet firmam cum terris et molend' aquat'
 p annual' redd' p indētur' . . . 2l. 13s. 4d.
 Joñes Crokker t3 past' 400 oviū in estate ac pastur' 300
 in hyeme cū feno račō^{li} falcat' et p^eparat' diet' firmar' sumpt'
 ppriis dēi firmar' et redd' p annū p indētur' . 6l. 0s. 0d.
 Sīm^a . . . 8l. 13s. 4d.

Hynchwike Deca^{tus} de
 Joñes Roch firmarius ĩbm r' p an^m cum pastur' oviū
 ĩbm p annū p indentur' . . . 1l. 13s. 8d.
 D'e'us abbas et convent' in manibz suis pprijs tenent
 ĩbm pastura' p' 500 oviu' in estat' et p' 300 in hyemic cū feno
 račōnali ĩbm an^{tim} falcand' et p^eparand' sumptibz pprijs diet'
 firmarij q' valet p annū ult^a vad' pastor' . . .
 Sīm^a

Sesyncote Decanat'
 Hæredes et assignati Edwardi Grevile milit' defunct'
 tenent terr' et teñta prat' pasc' et pastur' cum suis pertinen'
 ĩbm p annual' reddit' p indētur' . . . 6l. 13s. 4d.
 Sīm^a patet.

Langborough Deca^{tus}
 Walterus Cokrell tenens ĩbm r' p a^m p indētur'
 . . . 1l. 1s. 0d.
 Sīm^a patet.

Stowe Deca^{tus}
 Ričus Gervis tenens ĩbm r' p an^m p indētur'
 . . . 0l. 6s. 8d.
 Sīm^a patet.

Rysyngton Parva Decat' de
 Ničus Barret tenens ĩbm r' p a^m . . . 0l. 10s. 0d.
 Sīm^a patet.

Rysyngton Magna Deca^{tus} de
 Robtus Lambe tenens ĩbm r' p a^m p indētur'
 . . . 2l. 13s. 4d.
 Sīm^a patet.

Slaughter De^{tus} de
 Adam Fenfeld tenens ĩbm r' p a^m . . . 0l. 6s. 8d.
 Sīm^a patet.

Baryngton Pva De^{tus} de
 Joñes Chadwell tenens ĩbm r' p an^m . . . 0l. 6s. 0d.
 Sīm^a patet.

Weseot Deca^{tus} de
 Thom^as Smyth tenens ĩbm r' p an^m . . . 0l. 8s. 0d.
 Sīm^a patet.

Tangley.
 Antedēus abbas et convent' ĩent maneriū et grang' ĩbm
 cum suis ptin' que tenent in suis pprijs manibz ad usum opus
 et sustentačōnem monastij predēi et valent p an^m ad lo-
 cand' . . . 4l. 0s. 0d.
 Sīm^a . . . 4l. 0s. 0d.

Sīm^a to^{lis} annual' redd' et valor' oñi'
 mañioz grang' terraz et teñt'
 redd' et servic' monastij p̃dict'
 tam in s̃pualibus q^am in tem-
 poralibz . . . 139l. 17s. 1d.
 Unde d' S̃pualibz . . .
 Temporalibz . . .

139l. 13s. 1d.
 Cū 0l. 17s. 10d. de redd' ĩr' dñic' et
 Cū 0l. 18s. 0d. vend' bosci ĩbm vendit'.

In to^o 157l. 3s. 1d.
 Clar' 127l. 18s. 1d.

Bruerne.

Terr' D'nical' ad p'dēm Monast'iu' p'tin' et in manibus d'ni
 Abb'is existen' ad usum Monast'ij p'dēi.

In primis unū molendinū aquaticū ĩbm infra p̃cinctū
 monastij dimiss' ad firmam annuat' p . . . 1l. 0s. 0d.
 ĩbm unū p^atum voc' Tangly Mede continent' p estimac'
 deeam acr' p^ati ad 2s. le acr' . . . 1l. 0s. 0d.

ĩbm unū al' pratū voc' Cokkysmore cont' duas acr' ad
 1s. 8d. le aker unde ps inde est Water Mede et residuū inde
 Londc Mede 4 acras ad 1s. le aker in to^o 6 acr' ap̃pē' p annū
 ad . . . 0l. 6s. 4d.

ĩbm le cōmyn heth callyd Bruern Heth sup eret' cum
 firses fern et spinis cont' 14 acras ad 2d. le aker p annū
 . . . 0l. 2s. 4d.

ĩbm unū clausū p^ati voc' le Launde Medowe cont' p est
 duas acras ad 1s. le aker . . . 0l. 2s. 0d.
 Sīm^a . . . 2l. 11s. 8d.

Sadebroke Graung'.

Est ĩbm una pastur' voc' le Shepe House Leese cont'
 7 acras de p^ato et pastur' ad 1s. 10d. le aker 0l. 12s. 10d.

ĩbm una pastura voe' Bayards Leesc cont' 8 acr' p^ati et
 pastur' ad 1s. 8d. le acr' . . . 0l. 13s. 4d.

ĩbm unū p^atum voc' le Longc Mede cont' sex acras ad
 1s. 8d. le aker . . . 0l. 10s. 0d.

ĩbm unū aliud p^atum voc' Depe Pole Medowe cont'
 tres acras ad 1s. 6d. le aker . . . 0l. 4s. 6d.

ĩbm unū p^atum voc' Black Pitt Medowe cont' tres acr'
 ad 1s. 6d. le acr' . . . 0l. 4s. 6d.

ĩbm le Cow Leese pastur' cont' 8 aer' ad 1s. le acr'
 . . . 0l. 8s. 0d.

ĩbm le Calves Leese cont' sex acr' ad 1s. 4d. le acr'
 . . . 0l. 8s. 0d.

ĩbm Ox Lees cont' octo acr' ad 1s. le acr' 0l. 8s. 0d.

ĩbm una al' pastur' voc' Hatche Leese cont' 9 acr' ad
 1s. le acr' . . . 0l. 9s. 0d.

ĩbm le Barne Felde eont' 10^{cem} acr' ad 6d. le acr'
 . . . 0l. 5s. 0d.

ĩbm le Infelde pasture cont' 12^{cem} acr' ad 8d. le acr'
 . . . 0l. 8s. 0d.

ĩbm le New Felde cont' sex acr' de ĩra vasta supcreta
 eum lez firses ad 4d. le acr' . . . 0l. 2s. 0d.

ĩbm le Brode pasture cont' 40 acr' de ĩra vasta supcret'
 ut sup^a ad 6d. le acr' . . . 1l. 0s. 0d.

ĩbm unū claus' pastur' voc' Treton Chapell Close cont'
 di' acr' ad . . . 0l. 0s. 8d.

ĩbm 160 acr' ĩre arrabil' in campis de Sandbroke p̃dict'
 vidz in le South Felde et North Feld de ĩra ad 2d. le acr'
 . . . 1l. 6s. 8d.

ĩbm in uno p^ato in Shipton Mede cont' tres acr' p esti-
 mac' voc' Capron Mede coīe jac' p^t primā vesturam inde ad
 2s. 4d. quat acra p a^m . . . 0l. 7s. 0d.

Sīm^a . . . 7l. 7s. 6d.

Copicia Bosci.

Ad p̃dict' monastīū spectan' et valores eoꝝdm ut cres-
 cunt an^{ti}

Sīm^a terr' dñic' . . . 9l. 19s. 2d.
 ĩbm p pprijs x^{mis} . . . 0l. 19s. 11d.
 . . . 10l. 19s. 1d.

In primis copie' voc' Ovhay valor inde quoñt xvij^o a^o ut
 eresc' 12l. et sic quoñt a^o 10 ps de 1l. 4s. est dividend'
 . . . 1l. 4s. 0d.

ĩbm al' copie' p spac' 18 annoz eresc' valor ejusdem 6l.
 et sic sūma de 12s. p 18 annos an^{ti} est dividend'
 . . . 0l. 12s. 0d.

ĩbm alia copie' ĩbm voc' Cokks More Copice valet quoñt
 18^o anno 6l. Et decima ps de 12s. est dividend'
 . . . 0l. 12s. 0d.

ĩbm al' copie' Middilhay valet quoliñt decimo octavo a^o
 2l. et sic an^{ti} extend' ad . . . 0l. 4s. 0d.

ĩbm copie' voc' Chapell Copice quoñt 18^o anno valet
 2l. et sic app̃oiat' an^{ti} extend' ad . . . 0l. 6s. 0d.

ĩbm le South Copice quoliñt 18^o anno valet 1l. et sic
 10^a ps an^{ti}, &c. . . 0l. 2s. 0d.
 Sīm^a . . . 3l. 0s. 0d.

Sīm^a to^l ĩraz dñicaliū clausuraz pastur'
 et boscoz sup^adcoz . . .
 Sīm^a redd' omni' mañioz ĩraz et teñtoz
 p^atoz pasc' pastur' et alioz possession'
 monastio p̃dco ptin' p annū . 154l. 16s. 2d.
 153l. 3s. 10d. Unde.

Bruern' cu' Membr'.

Annuales resoluções unde monasteriū necnon maneria grangia ac cetera terras et teñta antediet' onerat' existūt et allocand' sunt juxta formā statuti inde edit' et provis' patet ut sequitur.

Comitat' Oxon'.

In p'im' resolut' est annuatim ballivo dñi reg's hundred' sui de Chadlyngton ex^a maneriū de Fyffhide p'diet' p sect' eur' relaxand' p annū 0l. 2s. 0d.

Item resolut' est p'posit' dñi regis manerij sui de Shyp-ton subtus Whichwood p capitali reddu annuatim exeunt' de parcellis terr' et teñtoz in Myllton monachoz predict' an^{ti} 0l. 5s. 0d.

Item resolut' est an^{tim} ballivo dict' dñi regis hundred' sui de Wotton p capitli reddu forinseeo serviço et sect' eur' de manerio de Dunthorp p'diet' an^{ti} 1l. 0s. 0d.

Item resolut' annuatim maġro et socijs reg's Collegij nūcupat' Brasynnose in universit' Oxon' annuatim exeunt' de et p terris et tenementis in Dunthorp predča . 0l. 10s. 0d.

Item resolut' annuatim priori et convent' domus Car-thusiens' de Shene p libo reddu exeunt' p terris in Dunthorp p'diet' 2l. 10s. 0d.

Item resolut' est baġtio dñi reg's hundr' de Wotton p sect' cur' hundred' predict' p terris in Sewell relaxand' p annū 0l. 1s. 0d.

Item resolut' est archino Oxon' p p'euraçōn' et sinodal' de Treton Chapell predict' in cour' Oxon' . 0l. 6s. 8d.

Item resolut' est annuatim abbati et convent' monastij de Osney p quadam antiqua pensione exeunt' de Treton p'dict' 0l. 4s. 0d.

Sīm^a resoluç' sup^adict' 4l. 18s. 8d.

Bruern' Monast'iu' eum Membr's.

Sequit' de feod' capital' seneseallor' ac alior' officiar' et mi-nistror' monasterij predict' allocand' secundu formam ejusdem statuti.

In prim' resolut' est maġro Henrico Norrys armig' eapi^{li} seneseall' monastij predict' p feod' suo annuatim sibi concess' sub sigillo conventuali monasterij predict' 3l. 13s. 4d.

Item resolut' Robto Wye et Robto Whytney armiġis p officio senescall' quor'dam mañior' terrar' et teñtor' in com' Gloucestr' ac p eor' consilio eidm monastio fiend' de feod' eis annuatim conceess' sub sigillo conventual' ejusdem monasterij 1l. 0s. 0d.

Item resolut' an^{tim} Edmūdo Powell geñoso attornat' monastij p'dci ad eo'em legem p feodo sibi conceess' offiço illo annuatim exequend' 0l. 13s. 4d.

Item resolut' an^{tim} Thome Nowers geñoso s'bsenesç' mo-nastij p'dci p feod' suo offiço illo exequend' sibi annuatim concess' 1l. 0s. 0d.

Sup^a includ' in feod' M. Norrys.

Item resolut' Robto Huevale auditor' trar' monastij predict' p feod' suo officio illo exequend' sibi an^{tim} concess' 1l. 0s. 0d.

Item resolut' Johi Bogye receptori annual' redd' et al' exit' monastij p'dci p feod' suo officio illo exequendo sibi cōeess' an^{tim} 2l. 0s. 0d.

Item resolut' Thome Kyng baġtio quor'd^am mañior' grang' terr' et teñt' monastij p'dci in com' Gloue' sibi an^{tim} coneess' sub sigillo conventuali monasterij predict' p feod' suo officio illo exequend' cū libata sua 3l. 0s. 0d.

Item resolut' est an^{tim} Johi Humfrey baġtio quor'd^am mañior' grang' terrar' et teñtor' monasterij p'dci in com' Oxon' sibi coneess' p feod' suo offiço illo annuatim exequend' eum libata sua p annū 3l. 0s. 0d.

Sīm^a feodor' p'dcor' 14l. 6s. 8d.

Alloc' in to^o 19l. 5s. 4d.

Bruern' Monast^m cum Membr'.

Pensiones ac annuitat' et annual' reddit' concess' sub sigillo conven^{ti} ejusdm monastij annuatim exeunt' de monastio

illo ac de qubusd^am mañijs grang' terr' et teñt' eidm monastio ptinent' et spectant' patet inferius script'. Et sunt allocand' p formam statut' antedci.

In prim' resolut' est annuatim dompno Johi Chaffeomb nup abbati monastij predict' p pensione sua annuali sibi concess' sub sigillo conven^{ti} 13l. 6s. 8d.

Fiat petiço dño regi.

Item resolut' et annuatim Thome Arūdell armiġo de annuali redd' sibi concess' durant' tñio vite sue p dcm dompnū Johem Chaffcombe nuper abbat' sub sigillo conven^{ti} monastij p'diet' 2l. 13s. 4d.

Fiat petiço.

Item resolut' est an^{tim} Edwardo Fetypaece armiġo de annual' reddu sibi concess' durant' termino vite sue p eundem dompnū Johem Chaffeomb nup abbatem sub sigillo conven^{ti} monasterij predict' 2l. 13s. 4d.

Fiat petiço.

Nichil hic in allocaçõe.

Sīm^a to' re^{te} oñi' mañior' trar' teñtor' et aliar' possession' tam spūal' q^am temporal' dco monastio spectan' sive ptin' 153l. 3s. 10d.

Sīm^a oñi' alloce' 19l. 5s. 4d.

Et reman' elar' 134l. 10s. 10d.

Deeina ps dño regi an^{ti} 13l. 9s. 1d.

13l. 7s. 0d.

NUM. III.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 29 Hen VIII. Augmentation Office.]

BRUERN NUPER MONASTERIUM.				
Com' Oxon'		£.	s.	d.
Felde—Reddit' mesuag' et terr'		2	5	0
Wydney—Reddit' unius tenementi		0	6	0
Epprell alias Sybforde Mill—Reddit' molendini		0	3	4
Eastlaeche—Reddit' liber' ten'		3	8	8
Shipton Solas—Reddit' mesuag' et terr'		0	13	4
Com' Glouc'				
Langborough—Reddit' ten' et columbar'		1	1	0
Stone—Reddit' unius ten'		0	6	8
Kyngham—Reddit' unius ten'		0	4	0
Rysington Magna—Redd' ten' et terr'		2	13	4
Rysington Parva—Reddit' unius ten'		0	10	0
Slaughter—Reddit' unius ten'		0	6	8
Baryngton Parva—Reddit' unius ten'		0	6	0
Weseote—Reddit' unius ten'		0	8	0
Com' Oxon'				
Mylton et Sanbrok—Redd' mes' et terr'		10	0	6
Fyfelde—Reddit' ten' et terr'		4	15	2
Shorthampton—Firma terr'		1	8	0
Lyneham—Firma ten' et terr'		2	6	0
Collesborn Parva—Firma terr'		1	7	4
Maresden—Firma maner'		13	6	8
Swaelyf—Firma terr'		1	6	8
	et j. lib' piperis.			
Saresden—Firma rector'		1	6	8
Hynehewyke—Firma maner'		1	14	8
Sesyncote—Firma maner'		6	13	4
Churchill—Firma maner'		6	13	4
Holwaye—Firma grangiae		4	0	0
Eastlathe—Firma maner'		4	0	0
Nether Gyting—Firma maner'		2	13	4
Bruern—Firma terr' dominieal'		101	7	10
Stanbridge—Firma tannar' et terr'		3	11	0
Fyfelde—Firma maner'		3	6	8
Predye—Firma maner'		4	0	0
Dunthorp—Firma maner'		30	10	0

Abbey of Roche, or de Rupe,

In the Deanry of Doncaster and Archdeaconry of West Riding,
IN YORKSHIRE.



ROCHE ABBEY was founded by Richard de Builli and Richard Fitz Turgis, or de Wikerelai, A.D. 1147, and dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The respective charters of these joint founders are given in the Appendix of Instruments: the lands of Eilrichetorp, it appears, formed the earliest endowment.^a

John, the son of Richard de Builly, aforesaid, confirmed his father's grant.^b

Richard de Boyvil took his oath, by the truth, by the baptism he had received, and by his knighthood, that, on St. Giles's day, in the year 1241, his lady Ydonea de Builly had freely and deliberately given to the monks of Roche all the manor of Sandbec, with whatever was on or appertained to it.^c

Maud Luvetot, relict of Gerard de Furnival, gave these monks all her land in the territory of Tatewich.^d

Edmund Lacy, constable of Chester, confirmed all donations made in his barony of Pontefract, his constableness, his barony of Tikehill, and his socage of Snaith.^e

William, earl of Warren, granted to the monks here the tithe of all his eels and fisheries at Hoffeld, Thorne, and Fislak.^f

John Lyvet, son and heir to William Lyvet, made over the estate, right, and title, which he had in the advowson and patronage of Roche Abbey, to Richard Barry, citizen and merchant of London. This deed is dated in the 51st of Edw. III.^g

After another grant, which has been already referred to, Dugdale has given a long account of the lords of the manors of Elreton and Tadewyke; lands in one of which at least belonged to the Abbey of Roche.^h

Halesia, countess of Eu, confirmed to the monks the seat of their abbey, the town of Aggicroft, the wood of Lundric, and all their possessions in the barony of Tikehill.ⁱ

Pope Urban III. by his bull dated in 1186, ratified all grants made to these monks, and exempted them from tithes.^k

Burton has given references to various other charters granted to this monastery, of lands of inferior consequence. The following he gives as the alphabet of their possessions: Aggicroft-grange, Alvarlay, Anes or Anhes, Anestan, Arneldthorpe, Arnethorpe now Armthorpe, Ashoure, Balne, Barneby-grange, Bilham, Botyldewellewange, Bradewelle or Braithwell, Bramley, Bramwith, Brawith, Brantclive, Bridlington now Burlington, Buggethorpe, Carleton in Linderic co. Nott. Cattewic, Chatterworth co. Derb. Conesbury now Consborough, Cuddleworth, Ehus, Eilrichetorp, Farewad, Fishlac, Flikesburch, Frithebec now Firthbeck, Goderic-Ridding, Hatfield, Hatewic, Helchby now Hellaby, Holme, Hoton-Livet, Hoton-North, Innessby, Lacton or Laghton in Le Morthing, Lindric, Loversal, Lumby, Malteby, Maniesh in Pecco, Marr, Mikelbrug or Mikelbring, Mulewrac, Neusom, Nottingham, Oversle, Oustrop, Rawmarsh, Riseby, Rokesby in Lindesay, Sandbec, Scauceby, Serlby in Nottinghamshire, Sezacres, Smetheton, Stainton, Styrap now Tristrop, Tatewic or Todewick, Thirnesco, Thorne, Tick-

hill, Tortheworthe or Torworth, Ulcotes, Waddesworth, Walkeringham, Well, Wellengly now Willingley, Wilgsic, Wintringham, and some small possessions of land at York.^l

Other benefactors, beside those already named, of consideration, were Richard de Vernun, William, earl of Ferrars, Nicholas de St. Poll, Henry de Arnethorpe, Robert son of Glai, John earl of Warren, Andrew de Lutterel, and Robert Fitz Pain.^m

In the 12th Hen. III. the king granted the monks here free warren in Roche, Arnethorpe, and Brentclive.ⁿ They had also a grant of confirmation from King Richard the Second, who to soc, sac, thol, theam, and infangtheof, exempted them from payment of toll throughout the kingdom.^o

ABBATS of ROCHE.

DURAND was the first abbat of Roche: he is called *Frater Durandus* in the "Successio Abbatum," printed in the Appendix, which Burton has interpreted into FRANCIS DURAND. He became abbat in 1147; and ruled the monastery twelve years.^p

DIONISIUS succeeded in 1159. He also ruled twelve years.^q

ROGER DE TIKEHILL became abbat in 1171. He ruled the monastery eight years.^r

HUGH DE WADDEWORTH succeeded in 1179: and ruled five years.^s

OSMUND, cellarer of Fountains, was the next abbat. He succeeded in 1184, and ruled thirty-nine years.^t

REGINALD, who became abbat in 1223, presided fifteen years.^u

RICHARD, who became abbat in 1238, presided sixteen years.^x

WALTER succeeded in 1254: and ruled the monastery fourteen years.^y

ALAN succeeded Walter as abbat in 1268.^z

JORDAN.^a

PHILIP.^b

THOMAS professed canonical obedience as abbat to the archbishop, on the 7th non. Nov. 1286.^c

STEPHEN professed obedience as abbat 3 non. Nov. 1287.^d

JOHN made his profession 3 kal. Jun. 1300.^e

ROBERT made his profession at Scroby, 15 kal. Jan. 1300.^f

WILLIAM became abbat 5 id. Dec. 1324.^g

ADAM DE GYKELESWYK was elected in 1330.^h

SIMON DE BANKEWELL professed obedience as abbat Oct. 25th, 1349.ⁱ

JOHN DE ASTON professed obedience Nov. 23, 1358.^k

ROBERT became abbat in 1396.^l

JOHN WAKEFIELD became abbat June 7, 1438.^m Upon his death

JOHN GRAY became abbat 7th Aug. 1465.ⁿ

WILLIAM TIKEL became abbat in the month of July, 1479.^o

THOMAS THURNE, Dec. 19th, 1486.^p

WILLIAM BURTON received benediction Feb. 28th, 1487.^q

JOHN MORPETH received benediction August 15th, 1491.^r

JOHN HESLINGTON, Dec. 13th, 1503.^s

^a Compare the Appendix, Numm. I. II. III.

^c Num. V. See also the Deed, Num. X.

^e Num. VII.

^f Num. VIII.

^g Num. IX.

^h Num. XI.

ⁱ Num. XII.

^k Num. XIII.

^l See Burton, Monast. Ebor. p. 319—323.

^m Ibid.

ⁿ Ibid. p. 323.

^o Ibid.

^p See the Append. Num. XV.

^q Ibid.

^r Ibid.

^s Ibid.

^u Ibid.

^x Ibid.

^y Ibid.

^z Ibid. ^a Ibid. ^b Ibid. ^c Reg. Joh. Romaine archiep. Ebor.

^d Reg. Corbridge archiep. Ebor.

^e Ibid.

^f Ibid.

^g Reg. Melton Ebor.

^h Ibid.

ⁱ Harl. MS. 6972, p. 6. Reg. Will. la Zouch, archiep. Ebor.

^k Reg. Ebor. Thoresby.

^l Burton, Monast. Ebor. p. 324.

^m Reg. Joh. Kempe, archiep. Ebor.

ⁿ Reg. Nevil, archiep. Ebor. Pt. i. fol. 11.

^o Burton, p. 324. ^p Reg. Boothe Ebor.

^q Reg. Tho. Rotherham.

^r Ibid.

^s Burton, ut supr.

HENRY CUNDAL was the last abbat: at the time of the Dissolution he had a pension granted to him of 33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*^a which he still enjoyed in 1553.^b He, with seventeen monks, surrendered this monastery to the king June 23, 1539.^c

The only spiritual possession belonging to Roche Abbey named in Pope Nicholas's Taxation, is the church of Haytefeld, which was appropriated, entered as of the annual value of 46*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* The total of the temporals amounted to 138*l.* 11*s.* 10*d.*^d

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the revenues of this abbey amounted in the gross to 271*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.* The clear income was 224*l.* 2*s.* 5*d.*^e

The site was granted in the 38th Hen. VIII. to William Ramesden and Thomas Vavasor.^f

No REGISTER of this Monastery is at present known to the Editors of the Monasticon.^g

For the SEAL, see Pegge on the Matrices of Conventual Seals, in the *Archæologia* of the Society of Antiquaries, vol. v. p. 349.

The RUINS of Roche Abbey are placed in a deep and narrow vale; they are not extensive; the chief remain being the ruin of the church, the architecture of which be-

speaks the time of Edward the Second or Edward the Third. The abbey gateway, at a short distance, north-west from the church, appears to be of later origin; the arches, low and obtuse, designating it as of a date little earlier than the reign of Henry the Seventh.

The present owner of the site is the earl of Scarborough.

DUNSCROFT in Yorkshire was a CELL to ROCHE ABBEY. Of this Cell the Editors know little more than is in Bishop Tanner's *Notitia Monastica*; who says,

"*Vide De la Pryme's History of Hatfield, MS. penes Joh. Warburton Somerset Heraldum, p. 85, 89.*

"*Sigillum hujus monasterioli æri incisum sumptibus Edw. Rowe Mores arm.*"

Nasmith adds in the margin below, "MSS. Notes of the late learned doctor Tanner. With the situation of this Cell I am unacquainted, but from the MS. History of Hatfield above referred to, it may be conjectured to have been placed in or near the parish of Haytefeld in the diocese of York, the church of which was given 19 Edw. III. to the Abbey of Roche, for the support of twelve additional monks, as MS. Dodsworth, vol. viii. p. 211.

It has been since ascertained that Dunscroft, which now contains farm-houses only, is in the township and parish of Hatfield.

Cartae ad Rupensem Abbatiam in agro Eboracensi spectantes; fundatam anno M^cxlviij.^h

NUM. I.

Carta Richardi de Builli Foundatione Abbatiae de Rupe.

[Ex autogr. in turri S. Mariæ Ebor. Vide Pat. 20 Edw. IV. part. 1, m. 6. et Pat. 24 Hen. VI. part. 2, m. 17. et cart. 5 Edw. II. n. 12.]

NOTUM sit omnibus videntibus vel audientibus literas has quod ego Richardus de Builli, cum consensu uxoris meæ, et hæredum meorum, dedi Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, et monachis de Rupe, pro salute animæ meæ, et omnium antecessorum meorum, boscum totum sicut media via vadit de Eilrichetorp usque ad Louuetueit, et sic usque ad aquam, quæ est divisa inter Maltebi et Hotun; et duas sartas quæ fuerunt Gamel, cum magna cultura, quæ ibi juxta adjacet, et communem pasturam ad centum oves, numero sexies viginti, in sochogia de Maltebi; eo tenore, ut construant abbatiam suam ex quolibet parte aquæ voluerint, secundum quod situs loci melius condonabit, Richardo de Bulli, et Ricardo filio Turgis, inter se concordantibus et concedentibus, ut ambo fundatores ab-

^a See the Append. Num. XVI.

^b The other pensions were, to Thomas Twell 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; John Dodesworth 6*l.*; to Richard Fishburne, Thomas Harrison, Nicholas Tolles, Thomas Middleton, Henry Wilson, William Carter, and Thomas Wells, each 6*l.*; to John Robinson and Richard Morysley each 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*—See Willis, Mit. Ab.

^c Willis, Mit. Ab.

^d "*Linc. Temp.* In Lincoln, 8*s.* Manlak, 29*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.* *Coventr. et Lich. Temp.* Apud Knafe in Dec. de Alto Pecco quatuor bovatas terr. val. per annum 1*l.* Ibidem unum molinum quod valet per annum 6*s.* 8*d.* Ibidem de perquis. mineræ per annum 10*s.* Ibidem de profic. stauri 6*l.* 12*s.* *Dioc. Ebor.* In archidiacon. Ebor. 100*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*

^e "*Spiritual. Dioc. Ebor.* Ecclesia de Haytefeld, Ab. et Conv. appropriata 46*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*"—Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 72, 262, 299 b, 305, 325.

^f See Num. XV.

^g Tann. Notit. Mon. *Yorksh.* cii.

^h Tanner's references to documents concerning Roche Abbey were as follow:

"*Vide inter Collectan. v. cl. Rogeri Dodsworth in bibl. Bodl. Oxon.* sunt apographa quamplurimarum cartarum de terris ad hoc cœnobium spect. hactenus ineditarum, scil. vol. viii. foll. 30, 31. Ibid. fol. 211. Carta Joannis de Warren comitis Surr. admirantis magnificentiam operis lapidei hujus abbatiae, necnon paucitatem monachorum, quapropter dedit abbatiae ecclesiam de Haytefeld Ebor. dioc. post cujus appropriationem xiii. viri et honesti, et idonei competentis literaturæ capientur in religionem ultra numerum assign. a fundatore, dat. 1 Dec. 19 Edw. III. Ibid. fol. 245, 271—286, 288, 319. vol. ix. 165, &c. vol. xxv. fol. 83. Cart. Ric. I. vol. lxxvi. fol. 114. vol. lxxxix. fol. 41. de baronia de Roxby, et Rot. Hundred. in com. Linc. 3 Edw. I. vol. cxvii. fol. 17. out of the chest of Roche Abbey in St. Mary's tower York. vol. clii. fol. 120.

"Cart. antiq. Y. n. 25.

"Fin. Ebor. 3 Joan. n. . de terris in Bramwith. Fin. Ebor. 4 Joan. n. 187. de terris in Steinton. Fin. Ebor. 5 Joan. n. . de terris in Thirnescow. Fin. Ebor. 10 Joan. n. de terris in Barneby.

batiae sint, in cujuscunque parte abbatia everit, in perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam ab omni seculari servitio, sive dono. Testibus Ada de Novoforo, Hugone de Steintun, Odone filio Johannis, Willielmo filio Raven, Jordano Peinel, Gamel filio Besing. Hugone de Langetueit, Roberto de Scalzebi, Willielmo le Buteiler, Willielmo de Mileri, Roberto filio jun. Richardo Barbot, Gervasio de Barnebi, Sueni filio Tor et Jurdein filio suo.

NUM. II.

Carta Richardi filii Turgis, de Foundatione Abbatiae de Rupe.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit omnibus videntibus vel audientibus cartam hanc, quod ego Richardus filius Turgis, cum consensu uxoris meæ, et hæredum meorum, dedi Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, et monachis de Rupe, pro salute animæ meæ, et omnium antecessorum meorum, totam terram de divisio de Etriche-

"Fin. 6 Hen. III. m. 5. de maner. de Rokesby Lincoln. Fin. Ebor. 10 Hen. III. n. 49. de bovata terræ in Bramwic. Fin. Ebor. 31 Hen. III. lig. E. n. . de terris in Haworth. Pat. 31 Hen. III. m. 8. de terris in Carleton. Cart. 35 Hen. III. m. 12. pro lib. warr. in Arnethorp et Brentclive. Fin. Ebor. 37 Hen. III. lig. F. n. 52. de prato in Brampton. Pat. 37 Hen. III. m. 26. de libertatibus.

"Plac. coronæ apud Ebor. 7 Edw. I. rot. 19. de ten. in Arnecliff. Fin. Ebor. 8 Edw. I. lig. B. n. 82. . de terris apud Sandbec. Plac. de quo war. apud Ebor. 8 Edw. I. rot. 11. allocat. libertatum in Arnethorp, &c. Plac. assis. in com. Lincoln. 9 Edw. I. rot. 33 d. pro servitiis in Torkesey. Fin. Ebor. 11 Edw. I. lig. A. n. 13. pro terris in Thornescow. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 14 Edw. I. rot. 28. de mess. et terris in Thornescow. Pat. 21 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 23 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 28 Edw. I. m. .

"Pat. 2 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 2. de terris in Tottewyke. Cart. 5 Edw. II. n. 12. Pat. 6 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 7. de terris in Walkringham, Shapwyk, &c. Pat. 7 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 8. de terris in Roxby, Lincoln. Pat. 13 Edw. II. m. 44. pro terris ibidem.

"Cart. 2 Edw. III. n. 34. Plac. de quo war. in com. Nottingham. 3 Edw. III. rot. 17 d. allocat. libertat. in Blyth, Farnwath, &c. Pat. 19 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 9. pro eccl. de Haytefeld. Cart. 27 Edw. III. n. 34. "Pat. 3 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 29 vel 30. pro eccl. de Haytefeld.

"Pat. 2 Hen. IV. p. 3, m. 4 vel 5.

"Pat. 24 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 17. Rec. in Scacc. 32 Hen. VI. Mich. rot. 4.

"Pat. 20 Edw. IV. p. 1, m. 6 et 8."

Among the Cottonian charters xxx. 17. is one of William, earl of Warren; and Harl. 58 H. 43. an Inspecimus and Confirmation of possessions in the 16th Hen. III.

See also the printed Rot. Huudredorum, vol. i. pp. 108, 109, 113, 312, 339, 340, 373. Abbrev. Plac. pp. 66, 67, 130, 136, 202, 287. Plac. de quo war. pp. 201, 208, 640.

^h Annal. Cestr. in bibl. Cotton.

torp, usque ad supercilium montis ultra rivulum qui currit de Fogswelle, et sic ad acervum lapidum qui jacet in sarta Elsi, et sic ultra viam usque ad Wlvepit, et sic per caput culturæ de Herteshou, usque ad divisas de Slednotun. Totam istam terram, et totum boscum infra has divisas, et communem pasturam totius terræ meæ, et quinginta carræctas unoquoque anno in bosco meo de Wichereslei, ubi ego providebo, vel aliquis de parte mea, in perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam ab omni seculari servitio, eo tenore, ut construant abbatiam ex qualibet parte aquæ voluerint, secundum quod situs loci melius condonabit, Richardo filio Turgis et Richardo de Bulli inter se concordantibus et concedentibus ut ambo fundatores abbatiæ sint, in cujuscunque parte aquæ evenerit. Testibus Ada de Novo-foro, Hugone de Stentune, Odone filio Johannis, Willielmo filio Raven, Jordano Paniel.

NUM. III.

Carta Richardi de Bulli de Ailrictorp.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, tam præsentibus quam futuris, Richardus de Bulli, salutem. Notum sit omnibus videntibus et audientibus literas has, quod ego Richardus de Bulli, consilio et consensu uxoris meæ, et hæredum meorum, dedi Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, et monachis de Rupe, pro salute animæ meæ, et omnium amicorum meorum, Eilrichetorp et quicquid ad illam pertinet in omnibus rebus. Et concessi eis terram Willielmi de Alz, quam pater meus dedit illis, et terram quam habent de Roberto milite meo de Scalzbi prædicti monachi, et concessi tenere in perpetuam elemosinam liberam et quietam ab omni seculari servitio sive dono. Hujus donationis testes sunt Willielmus filius et hæres meus, et R. filius meus, Radulfus presbyter, Hugo clericus de Roderham, Robertus de Bulli, Willielmus de Sandebi, magister Willielmus de Duningetun, Richardus Barret, Willielmus Barbot, Radulphus de Turlavestun.

NUM. IV.

Carta Johannis de Builli filii Richardi de Builli.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris Johannes de Builli salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et hæc carta mea confirmasse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Rupe pro salute animæ meæ et animarum patris et matris et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum, omnes donationes et libertates sine ullo retinemento quas Ricardus de Builli pater meus eis dedit et cartis suis confirmavit; ita quod fossatum prædictorum monachorum sicut factum est circa boscum suum remanebit in bono et pace sine omni clamore commune de me et hæredibus meis præter eria sperueriorum quæ prædicti monachi mihi concesserunt. Concessi etiam prædictis monachis fossata facere et includere circa campos suos inter boscum de Maltebi et inter campos de Sandbec infra terminos suos secundum voluntatem suam salvis duabus viis; scilicet Bolgate et via quæ venit de Blida. Hæc omnia concessi et confirmavi prædictis monachis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam liberam et quietam ab omni seculari servitio et ab omni re quæ ad terram pertinet. Ita quod ego et hæredes mei warantizabimus eis et defendemus istam elemosinam contra omnes. Hiis testibus Nicholao persona de Tikehill, Humfrido clerico, Willielmo capellano de Castello, Roberto filio Pagani, Radulpho filio ejus, Hugone Scancebi, Hugone filio Roberti, Roberto de Bereus, Hugone le Engleis, Thoma serviente. In curia de Tikehill.

NUM. V.

Testificatio Ricardi de Boyvill de Manerio de Sandebec.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS has literas visuris vel audituris et præcipue duodecim militibus electis ad faciendam magnam assisam inter Robertum de Veteriponte et abbatem de Rupe, Ricardus de Boyvill salutem in Domino æternam. Volens vos certificare super sacramento quod facturi estis vobis præsentibus testifcor in veritate quod Deus est, et per baptismum quo baptizatus et per militiam quam indutus, quod die sancti Egidii, anno Domini mcccxlj. domina mea Ydonca de Bulli, mera et spontanea voluntate et libera potestate corporis sui

cum magna deliberatione mentis dedit ecclesiæ de Rupe totum manerium de Sandbec cum carucis, et omnibus aliis in eo existentibus, et cum omnibus ad illud pertinentibus, coram pluribus ex amicis et fidelibus suis tunc ibi præsentibus, domino Johanne de Croxton, domino Thoma de Bury, domino R. de Boyvill, militibus; domino J. de Monby. In crastino sancti Egidii scripta fuit carta hujus donationis, et signata magno sigillo dominæ, et privato, in crastino nativitatis beatæ Mariæ proximo sequenti.

NUM. VI.

Carta Matildis de Luuetot relictæ Gerardi de Furnivall.

[Ex autographo in turri beatæ Mariæ Ebor.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris Matildis de Luuetot, quondam uxor Gerardi de Furnivall, salutem. Noverit universitas vestra, quod ego in viduitate mea, et in propria potestate corporis mei, concessi, et hæc carta mea confirmavi Deo, et beatæ Mariæ, et monachis de Rupe pro salute animæ meæ, et domini mei Gerardi de Furnival, et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum omnes terras in territorio de Tatewich, cum omnibus pertinentiis, quas Radulphus Tortemains, et Willielmus Tortemains, et Willielmus de sancto Paulo, et Nicholaus de sancto Paulo eisdem monachis dederunt, tenendas et habendas, sicut cartæ eorum, quas inde habent, testantur. Hiis testibus, Roberto persona de Misterton tunc seneschallo, Radulpho de Eccleshale, Philippo Scrop, Waltero de Heyr, Rogero Wiston, Willielmo de Lindrich, Radulpho de Bauuent.

NUM. VII.

Carta Edmundi de Lascy, Constabularii Cestriæ.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentibus et futuri, quod ego Edmundus de Lascy constabularius Cestriæ, concessi et hæc præsentibus carta mea confirmavi Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et abbati et conventui de Rupe, ordinis Cisterciensis, omnes donationes et venditiones eis factas in baronia mea de Pontefracto, et in constabularia mea, et in baronia mea de Tikehill, et in socagio meo de Snaid; quas scilicet donationes tenuerunt in Pascha, anno gratiæ millesimo ducentesimo quinquagesimo octavo, secundum tenorem cartarum donatorum vel venditorum; hæc concessionem feci eis et confirmationem pro salute animæ meæ, et patris mei Johannis de Lascy, et Margaretæ matris meæ, et Alesie uxoris meæ, et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum. Hiis testibus domino Ada, tunc abbate de Kirkestall, domino Johanne de Hoderode, tunc seneschallo de Pontefracto, Roberto de sancto Andrea, Johanne Beke militibus, domino Osberto tunc rectore ecclesiæ de Silkeston, domino Roberto de Notingham tunc rectore ecclesiæ de Almanbury, magistro Willielmo de Lichefeld, rectore ecclesiæ de Braiton, et multis aliis.

NUM. VIII.

Carta Willielmi Comitis Warenn de decima Anguillarum in Hoffeld.^a

[Ibid.]

WILLIELMUS comes Warenn mareriis suis de Brademarc salutem. Sciatis me caritatis intuitu dedisse Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Rupe, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, decimam de toto residuo meo anguillarum mearum de omnibus piscariis meis, quæ sunt in parochia de Hoffeld, de Thorne, et de Fislak, præter plenam decimationem anguillarum mearum quæ pertinet ad monachos de Lewis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Quare mando vobis quod prædictam decimam eis habere faciatis annuatim sine omni dilatione et occasione. Et in cujus rei testimonium mitto vobis has literas meas patentes.

Valete.

NUM. IX.

Carta Johannis Lyvett filii et hæredis Willielmi Lyvett, de toto statu suo in Fundacione Abbatie de Roche.

[Ex autographo penes Thomam Levet nuper de Tikesover in com. Rutl. armigeri.]

SCIANT præsentibus et futuri quod ego Johannes Lyvett, filius et hæres Willielmi Lyvett de Hoton-Lyvett, dedi, con-

^a Vulgo Hatfeld.

eessi, et hae præsenti carta mea confirmavi Richardo Barry civi et mercatori London. totum statum meum quem habeo vel antecessores mei unquam habuerunt in fundatione abbatiæ de la Roche in comitatu Eboraci, simul eum patronagio et vacatione ejusdem abbatiæ cum vacaverint, et eum toto dominio meo quod habeo vel quod prædicti antecessores mei unquam habuerunt in prædicta abbacia ratione fundationis ejusdem, vel alicujus alterius tituli. Do etiam et concedo eidem Richardo quendam redditum duorum solidorum et sex denariorum exeuntem de omnibus illis terris et tenementis eum pertinentiis suis quæ data fuerunt per antecessores meos prædictos in fundationem abbatiæ prædictæ, simul eum uno obolatu redditus eum pertinentiis suis exeunte de quodam molendino fullonio scituato in abbacia prædicta dato in parellam fundationis ejusdem abbatiæ, qui quidem redditus fuerat reservatus per antecessores meos prædictos et hæredes suos imperpetuum de prædictis terris et tenementis, et de molendino prædicto eum pertinentiis suis super donationem earundem terrarum simul eum tenementis et molendino prædicto, in fundationem abbatiæ prædictæ. Do etiam et concedo eidem Richardo omnimoda alia servicia mea eum omnibus commoditatibus temporalibus et spiritualibus, cum omnibus proficiis, et pertinentiis suis quæ habeo vel aliquammodo habere debeo de prædicta abbacia causa cujuscunque reservationis super fundatione abbatiæ prædictæ. Habenda et teueda omnia prædicta, scilicet statum meum in fundatione prædicta simul eum patronagio et vacatione prædictis, et eum toto dominio meo supradicto, et prædicto redditu, cum omnibus aliis prænominatis et eorum omnium pertinentiis, præfato Richardo hæredibus et assignatis suis, ita liberè, integrè, et quietè, sicut ego vel aliquis antecessorum meorum unquam aliquem statum in eisdem habuimus vel ea habere possimus imperpetuum. Percipiendum redditus prædictos in forma prædicta; scilicet prædictos duos solidos et sex denarios de omnibus terris et tenementis prædictis, excepto prædicto molendino et obolatu redditus de eodem molendino cum pertinentiis suis, ad terminos usuales: et ego prædictus Johannes et hæredes mei totum statum meum in fundatione prædicta simul eum patronagio et vacatione prædictis, et eum toto dominio meo supradicto et prædictos redditus eum omnibus aliis serviciis, et proficiis temporalibus et spiritualibus supradictis eum omnibus eorum pertinentiis et omnia alia prænominata in hac præsenti donatione mea contenta præfato Richardo hæredibus et assignatis suis in forma prædicta contra omnes gentes warrantizabimus et imperpetuum defendemus. In cujus rei testimonium huic præsenti cartæ meæ sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus, dominis Johanne Fitzwilliam, Willielmo de Meleton, Thoma de Meteham militibus, Henrico de Grendon, Willielmo de Haloghby, Roberto de Merssh, et aliis. Datum apud Hoton vicesimo die Februarii anno regni Regis Edwardi tertii post conquestum quinquagesimo primo.

NUM. X.

Carta Ydoneæ de Veteriponte de Manerio de Sandbec.

[Ex autog. in turri beatæ Mariæ Ebor.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri, quod ego Ydonea de Veteriponte, in viduitate mea, et in libera potestate corporis mei, dedi, concessi, et hac præsenti carta mea confirmavi, Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et monachis de Rupe, pro salute animæ meæ et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum in dotem ad dedicationem ecclesiæ suæ de Rupe, totum manerium meum de Sandbec, cum corpore meo, cum homagiis et servitiis tam liberorum hominum quam eustumariorum, et cum omnibus communis, et libertatibus, et aisiamentis ad dictum manerium pertinentibus, ubique infra dictam villam Sandbec, et extra sine retinemento; tenendum et habendum in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam ab omni servitio, consuetudine, exactione, et demanda. Et ego Ydonea et hæredes mei warrantizabimus dictum manerium de Sandbec eum omnibus pertinentiis suis dictis monachis, et adquietabimus et defendemus in perpetuum versus omnes. Ad majorem autem hujus rei securitatem huic scripto sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus, Johanne de Croyton, Thoma de Bug, Johanne de Steinton, Richardo de Horbiri, Roberto de Wykersby militibus, Waltero camerario tunc seneshallo de Tykehill, Petro de Waddeworth, Willielmo de Steinton, Johanne de Monteby, Hugone de Seelhal, Johanne de Wluthwait.

NUM. XI.

Antiqui Domini Maneriorum de Elreton et Tadewyks.

[Ibid.]

ANTE tempus Willielmi Bastard in Angliam erat quidam dominus integer de maneriis de Elreton, et Tadewyks, qui vocabatur Symon filius Thorn. In ejus tempore venit Willielmus Bastard conquestor. Qui Symon habuit tres filias, et hæredes; videlicet Mariam, Matildam, et Cassandram. Quæ Maria fuit data et desponsata per conquestorem, cuidam Humfrido de Bassingburne, ac militi comitis de Westmorlandia. Et habuit dictus Humfridus, eum dicta Maria in hæreditate, totum dominium de Elreton, cum omnibus wardis, releviis, eschaectis, &c. De quibus domino Humfrido et Maria, venerunt duo filii, videlicet Mathæus, et Edwardus. Cui Mathæo, dicta Maria mater ejusdem, dederat et concesserat omnes terras, et tenementa quæ habuit in Elreton eum pertinentiis, excepto Galfrido Topynge nativo suo, cum sequela sua, cum uno tofto et crofto, et duabus bovatis terræ, quæ idem Galfridus tenet de ea in villenagio in eadem villa; habendum et tenendum prædictas terras et tenementa eidem Mathæo et hæredibus suis de corpore suo legitime procreatis de eadem et hæredibus suis; reddendo inde annuatim sibi, ad totam vitam suam viginti libras argenti ad terminos, in carta sua ei inde confecta contentos. Et etiam si obierit prædictus Mathæus, sine hærede de se legitime procreato, quod prædicta tenementa remanerent Edwardo fratri suo, et hæredibus suis de corpore suo legitime procreatis. Ita tamen quod si dictus Edwardus obierit sine hærede de se legitime procreato, quod ex tunc dicta tenementa dictæ Mariæ et hæredibus suis revertentur in perpetuum. Postea idem Mathæus, cum assensu et confirmatione Mariæ matris ejus, omnia prædicta tenementa, quæ habuit ex dono matris suæ prædictæ ut prædictum est, excepto boso suo in eadem villa, dederat et concesserat per scriptum suum cyrographatum, domino Aseulpho de Clesby, et Aseulpho nepoti suo, tenenda ad terminum vitæ eorum Aseulphi et Aseulphi, vel alterius eorum diutius viventis, tantum, sicut in scriptis cyrographatis, inter præfatum Mathæum, Aseulphum, et Aseulphum continetur. Qui verò prædictus Mathæus habuit tres filios, scilicet Hugonem, Andrigdam, et W. sed fuerunt extra matrimonium geniti. Tunc infra prædictos annos, discessit prædictus Mathæus ab hoc seculo. Et sic desiit sanguis dicti Mathæi de corpore suo legitime procreatus. Tunc venit superstes, et succedit in hæreditate junior frater, videlicet Edwardus. Qui Edwardus genuit duas filias et hæredes, scilicet Isabellam et Julianam. Prædicta verò Isabella senior soror, desponsata fuit Roberto, ac filio et hæredi Thomæ de Stanlay. De quibus venerunt tres filiae, scilicet Ydonia, Avicia, et Isabella, in matrimonio legitime procreatæ, quæ quidem Ydonia et Avicia infra duodecim annos, ab hoc seculo migraverunt ad Dominum, et tertia filia, scilicet Isabella, remanens ut hæres, desponsata, fuit W. ac filio T. Baldinsun, de quibus venerunt tres filii, et duæ filiae, scilicet Robertus, Nicholaus, Willielmus, Alicia, et Juliaua, in matrimonio legitime procreati. Item Juliana junior soror desponsata fuit cuidam armigero, nomine Roberto, ac filio domini Willielmi de Haringeton. De quibus venerunt duo filii, et tres filiae in matrimonio legitime procreati; scilicet Jacobus, Andreas, Frethsand, Alieia, et Isabella, et sic remanet totum dominium de Elreton rectis hæredibus, E. filii Mariæ, ac uxoris domini Humfredi de Bassingburn.

Item de secunda sorore, scilicet Matilda, quæ fuit data et desponsata per dictum conquestorem cuidam Radulfo Tortemayns, ac armigero domini Lovetofte. De quibus Radulfo et Matilda, venit alius Radulfus Tortemayns filius et hæres, qui vendidit domui de Rupe parvam Tadewyke, et quicquid ad villam pertinet. Et de illo secundo Radulfo, venit W. Tortemayns filius et hæres, qui vendidit manerium de Tadewyke Radulfo Horebiry militi, de quo Radulfo venit dominus Johannes Horbiry filius et hæres, qui iterum vendidit prædictum manerium Edwardo Wastenays, qui modo est.

De tertia sorore, scilicet Cassandra, quæ fuit desponsata cuidam armigero, per prædictum dominum Lovetofte, W. de sancto Paulo nomiuc, de quibus W. et Cassandra, venit Nicholaus de sancto Paulo filius et hæres. Qui W. et Nicholaus contulerunt domui de Rupe totam terram suam iuter Botyldewelewange, et grangiam, et totam dominationem, et

omnia servitia pertinentia de septem bovatis terræ, et etiam totam terram et boscum et redditum quæ dirationavit de Michaelc de Mawoners. Item de illo Nicholao venit Gilbertus filius et hæres, et duravit in hæreditate sex annis tantum, et de illo Gilberto venit Alicia filia, et hæres, et desponsata fuit Gregorio de Tadewyke, de quibus Alicia et Gregorio venit Willielmus de S. Paulo qui nunc est.

NUM. XII.

Carta Hælesie Comitissa de Augy.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris Hælisia comitissa Augy quondam uxor Radulfi de Ysundun comitis Augy salutem. Noverit universitas vestra quod ego in viduitate et in propria potestate corporis mei constituta, pro salute animæ dicti Radulfi domini mei et pro salute animæ meæ et Radulfi filii mei et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum concessi et hac carta mea confirmavi monachis abbatiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Rupe, situm ejusdem abbatiæ, et grangiam de Aggicroft cum pertinentiis, et boscum de Lundric sicut fossato includitur, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Et præterea omnes terras et possessiones quas habent in baronia de Tikehill cum omnibus pertinentiis libertatibus communis et aesiamensis in boscis et planis et in omnibus locis sicut rationabiles cartæ donatorum et venditorum suorum continent et testantur. Hiis testibus, domino Willielmo comite Warennæ avunculo mco, Philippo de Ulecotes, Willielmo de Cressi, Mavesin de Hersy, Baldewino fratre ejus, Matheo Shepeleya, militibus. Dat. apud Tikehill anno gratiæ millesimo ducentesimo nonodecimo.

NUM. XIII.

Confirmatio Donationum, per Papam Urbanum Tertium.

[Ibid.]

URBANUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis Osmundo abbati de Rupe ejusque fratribus tam præsentibus quam futuris regularem vitam professis, in Christo salutem. Religiosam vitam eligentibus apostolicum convenit adesse præsidium ne fortè ejuslibet temeritatis incursus aut eos à proposito revocet aut robur quod absit sacræ religionis infringat. Eapropter dilecti in Domino filii vestris justis postulationibus elementer annuimus, et præfatum monasterium de Rupe, in quo divino mancipati estis obsequio, ad exemplar fælicis recordationis prædecessoris nostri Lucii Papæ, sub beati Petri et nostra protectione suscipimus et præsentis scripti privilegio communimus : in primis siquidem statucentes ut ordo monasticus qui secundum Domini et beati Benedicti regulam atque institutionem Cisterciensium fratrum in eodem monasterio institutus esse dinoscitur, perpetuis ibidem temporibus inviolabiliter observetur. Præterea quascunque possessiones quæcunque bona idem monasterium in præsentiarum justè et canonicè possidet, aut in futurum concessione pontificum, largitione regum vel principum, oblatione fidelium, seu aliis justis modis præstante Domino poterit adipisci, firma vobis vestrisque successoribus et illibata permaneant : in quibus hæc propriis duximus exprimenda vocabulis.

Ex dono Ric. de Builli, et Richardi de Wikerclai, locum ipsum in quo abbatiæ vestra sita est. Ex dono domini Henrici regis secundi, centum acras in Lyndric juxta eandem abbatiæ. Ex eorundem dono grangiam Aggicroft eum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono ejusdem Ricardi de Builli et Hug. de Drigwrt Lambecroft cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Leonis de Manners Brantecliva cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Radulfi Tortesmanse, Tatewic cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Willielmi Avenell, Anes cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Walteri de Scoteni, Rokesbye cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Symonis filii Symonis, terram in Insscebye, cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Hamelini Bardoufe, et Roberti filii Eudonis, terram de Wintingtona cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Roberti de Scalecbye, et Adæ de Novo-foro et Rogeri de Mar, Newsum cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Willielmi Vavassoris, Thirnesco cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Gervasii de Barneby grangiam in Barneby et Brawith. Ex dono Thomæ de Arneltorp, grangiam in eadem villa. Ex dono Roberti filii Pagani, Wellingleia cum pertinentiis suis, et totam terram quod ha-

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betis in territorio de Wadburthe. Ex dono Willielmi de Moles et Willielmi filii Gerardi, Sezacres cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Symonis de Pleslai, Ashoure cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Roberti filii Glai terram et nemus de Cumresbruig usque apud Witewelle inter viam et rivulum. Ex dono Willielmi Flandrigene totam terram quam tenuit Ligulf et quoddam essartum suum proprium quæ est inter Hestwelle et essartum Ormi hominis Adæ filii Swani cum omnibus pertinentiis. Ex dono Girardi de Stirap quandam turbariam in territorio ejusdem villæ. Sane laborum vestrorum quos propriis manibus aut sumptibus colitis tam de terris cultis quam incultis sive de nutrimentis animalium vestrorum nullus à vobis decimas extorquere præsumat, &c. Dat. Veron. per manum Alberti S. Romanæ ecclesiæ presbiteri cardinalis et cancellarii, vij. Idus Aprilis, indictione quarta, incarnationis Dominicæ anno m.clxxxvj. pontificatus verò dompni Urbani Papæ tertii anno primo.

NUM. XIV.

Successio Abbatum.

[Ex vetusta membrana in turre S. Mariæ Ebor. a. 1147.]

MEMORANDUM, quod in anno gratiæ millesimo centesimo quadragesimo septimo fundata est domus de Rupe tertio kalendas Augusti, in qua primo abbatizavit frater Durandus xij. annis ; post eum Dionisius aliis xij. annis : et post eum Rogerus de Tikehilla viij. annis ; et post eum Hugo de Waddeworth v. annis ; cujus tempore emptæ fuit grangia de Koreby, et domus obligata in magnis debitis in Judaismo. Item post eum Osmundus cellerarius de Fontibus xxxix. annis, cujus tempore remisit rex Richardus dictæ domui mille et trecentas marcas de Judaysmo ; cujus autem anno septimo vel octavo factus est procurator dictus abbas Osmundus, Stephani cardinalis, de omnibus proventibus suis in Anglia ; ita quod tam ipse, quam Reginaldus qui quindecim annis abbatizavit, et Richardus qui sextemdecem annis, et etiam Walterus qui quatuordecem annis, usque ad undecimum annum suum, receperunt de bonis dicti cardinalis ad diversos terminos annuatim ad summam cccc. marcarum ; de qua pecunia sibi competentè providerunt, tam in nutricia, quam in omnibus terris, tenementis, redditibus multiplicandis, et ex dictis bonis illius cardinalis, per quinquaginta tres annos, in tantum ditati sunt, quod quasi sapientes, et nullius boni temporalis indigentes comprobantur. Præterea habuimus præbendam de Lacton pro centum marcis per tantum tempus.

Durandus primus abbas de Rupe 12 Stephani. Dionisius. Rogerus de Tikehula. Hugo de Waddewurth. Osmundus 13 Joh. Reginaldus. Richardus. Walterus. Alanus abbas. Jordanus. Philippus.

NUM. XV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONASTERIU' DE RUPE.

Temp'al val' in

Sit' monasterij ibm unacum gardin' columbar' et claus' infra p̄cinctū ejusd' monasterij p annū . 1l. 0s. 0d. Terr' clausur' p'at' pasc' et pastur' eidm monasterio annex' et in man' dēi mon' occupat' p annū 6l. Teñt' voc' le Novo Hospic' 2l. Mollend' aquatic' jux^a p̄cinct' monasterij ibm 2l. 3s. 4d. Vendic' sive pstrac' bosc' et subbose' jux^a dict' monasteriū cōibz annis 2l. Grangea de Barnoldeswike in manibz et occupac' dēi monasterij 8l. An' reddit' recept' de mollendo voc' Wodhousemyll 1l. 9s. Ac oblac' infra dict' monasteriū cōibz annis 1l. Reddit' et firm' in Armethorpp cum 2l. De vendic' de bosc' et cū v^s de pquis' cur' ibm cōit' 23l. 10s. Barnby sup Dun cum Bramwith cū 3s. 4d. De pquis' cur' ibm cōit' 12l. 15s. Marr' cum Bilh^m cū 8d. De pquis' cur' cōit' 8l. 18s. 6d. Thirnescoigh cum 8d. De pquis' cur' ibm cōit' 12l. 10s. 8d. Smeton Skauseby Camsall et Askerne 11s. 5d. Rawmarshe Dpeccarr' Abdy cū Haugh 1l. 13s. 9d. Ikkels Kilnchirste et Hooton Roñt 1l. 7s. 8d. Bramley et Holloby 9l. 18s. 8d. Doncaster Stristerop et Steynford 4l. 5s. Hooton Levett Newall Ranefeld Slade Hooton Brokhhouse 17l. 11s. 6d.

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Frithbek Starnton Wadworth Lamcoit^s Braithwell Tikhill
Hesseley et Wellingley 5*l.* 19*s.* 11*d.* Sandbek cum 1*s.* De
pquis' cur' 14*l.* 1*s.* Lumby Auston Gildingwell Thropon
Laughton Todwike 5*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.* Cīas Eboz Thrustonland
Hilbright et Hope 27*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.* In to' in com' p̄dčō
27*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.*

Derb'.

Temp'al' val' in

Redd' et firm' terr' et teñt' in Quasshe et Calengelawe
in com' p̄dčō p annū 9*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Not'.

Temp'al' val' in

Redd' et firm' in Sturrop Bawtre Torworth Walkering-
h^am et Blithe in com' p̄dčō p annū . . . 8*l.* 2*s.* 10*d.*

Lincoln'.

Temp'al' val' in

Redd' et firm' in Rokesby et in civitate Lincoln' p annū
in com' p̄dčō 32*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.*
220*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.*

Ebor'.

Sp'ual' val' in

Exit' et p̄fic' rector' de Haitfeld appropriat' monasterio
p̄dict' videlt in mančōe iĥm 8*s.* 8*d.* Gleb' 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Claus'
et pastur' iĥm 5*s.* Decim' ĥibag' p̄ci iĥm cum pastur' 24^{or}
bestia^z iĥm 18*s.* Decim' pannag' porc' iĥm 1*s.* Decima
bosc' iĥm v^z j fuell tree ex delibac' ball' iĥm 1*s.* Gran' de-
cimal' videlt de Haitfeld 8*l.* Thorne 7*l.* Steynford 5*l.*
Decim' feni 1*l.* 10*s.* Lan' et agnell' 2*l.* Oblac' 2*l.* Minut'
et privat' decim' 12*l.* Mortuar' 6*s.* 8*d.* Decim' angwillaz
de Braithmere 11*s.* In to^o coñmuni^z annis 41*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.*
Sñ^a to^b valoris monastij p̄dčī 261*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.*

D quib^z

Rep'is'.

Resolut' Reddit' videlt in

Redd' annuatī resolut' diĥs' psonis videlt dno de Sprot-
burgh exeunt' de terr' in Marr' et Barnby 12*s.* 8*d.* Ballo
dñi R^s wappent' de Strafurth de dict' terr' 1*s.* Rogero
Fretwell de terr' in Bramley 7*d.* Prepos' dñi R^s de Connes-
burgh exeunt' de terr' in Doncastre cū membr' 11*l.* di' q^{art}'
. mollend' de Connesburgh 2*s.* 6*d.* Prepos' de
Steynforthe 4*s.* 2½*d.* In toto ac ballio dñi R^s de Strafurth
wapp' de terr' in Sladehoton 6*d.* Willo Fitzwill^am milit'
de j. teñt' iĥm 3*s.* 6*d.* Castro de Tikhill iĥm 6*d.* Hospiĥli
Sñi Leonard' Eboz de terr' in Raynesfeld 2*s.* 1 q^{art}' fru-
ment' solut' mollend' de Connesburgh de terr' in Brathewell
6*s.* 8*d.* Ballio de Tikhill p an^m hosp' Sñi Leonard' Eboz
de terr' in Sandebek 2*s.* Priori de Blida p pcell' terr' in
Sandebek 1*s.* Ballivo dñi reg' de Bers in honor' de Tikhill
10*s.* 10*d.* Ballio dñi regis wappen' de Straford 6*s.* 8*d.* De
terr' in Lumby et Auston cum membr' hered' Westines p
terr' iĥm 1½*d.* Dño de Haddon de terr' in Quasshe in com'
Derb' 1*l.* 10*s.* Ecclic cathedrali de Lichefeld de terr' p̄dict'
6*s.* Priori de Blida de terr' in Tortworth 1*s.* In toto p annū
4*l.* 12*s.* 2*d.*

Elemosīa vid^z in

Elemōia annuatī distribut' in Cena Dñi p annū 1*l.* cer'
cotidie comburat' ante sacrament' altaris iĥm ex fundac'o'e
Ric'i Furnivall p an^m 1*l.* 9*s.* distribut' in obit' celebr' p aīa
Tho'e de Bella Aqua p annu' 5*s.* In toto 2*l.* 14*s.* 0*d.*

Feod' vid^z in

Feod' diĥs' pson' videlt Wiĥmi Fitz Willi^am milit' sen'
de Armethorp 2*l.* Milonis Wyn baĥi iĥm 1*l.* Joĥis Grene
baĥi et rec' de Barnbye 10*s.* Thome Grene sen'^b de Thrus-
tonland cū membr' 1*l.* Henr' Gillott ball' iĥm 1*l.* Henrici
Whithede baĥi de Hilbright 1*l.* Thome dñi Burgh sen'
de Rokesby 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Roĥti Thornabye baĥi iĥm 1*l.* In
toto p annū Roĥti Burton baĥi de Sturrop cum membr' 10*s.*
In toto ut sup^a 9*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Penc' co' Sinod' et P'curac' vid^z in

Denar' annuatī resolut' ex^a rector' de Haitfeld videlt in

penčōe an^{ti}' solut' vicario iĥm 15*l.* penčōe annuatī solut'
archiepo Eboz cum sinod' 7*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.* et reddit' annuatī
resolut' p̄pos' dñi Reg' de Haitfeld 7*s.* 9*d.* In toto
22*l.* 18*s.* 1*d.*
39*l.* 10*s.* 11*d.*
37*l.* 16*s.* 11*d.*

Sñ^a to^b rep'is' p^z.

Et valet clar'	{ 222 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> 5 <i>d.</i>
X ^{ma} ps inde	{ 224 <i>l.</i> 2 <i>s.</i> 5 <i>d.</i>
	22 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i>

NUM. XVI.

*From a Paper Writing at the Chapter House, Westminster,
temp. Hen. VIII.*

Roche.

Th abbot for his penčōn xxxiiij^{li.} vj^{s.} viij^{d.}
The suppyour vj^{li.} xiiij^{s.} iiij^{d.}
The bourser vj^{li.}
xj prestes monk[℥] every v^{li.} lv^{li.}
iiij noveces every lxvj^{s.} viij^{d.} xiiij^{li.} vj^{s.} viij^{d.}
The abbot to have his book[℥] and the iiijth pte of the
plate the cattal the household stuff[℥] a challes a vestment
and xxx^{li.} in money at his depture w^t a convenient porčōn
of corne at discreation.
Every monke to have at his depture his hault yeres
penčōn by way of rewarde and xx^{s.} besides toward[℥] his
apparail. Every to have his penčōn and capacite ffree.
Every servaunt by way of rewarde to have his hault yeres
wages.
The kinges mat^e to paye the debt[℥] of the house.

NUM. XVII.

*Inventories of Monasteries temp. Hen. VIII. Chapter
House, Westminster.*

This be the inventorye of all the lands and guds pteneng to
the monestarie of Roche by estimation.
Imprimis lands and tenements pteninge to the same
monestarie in divers places, some ccxxij' or thereabouts by
estimation.
Item playte att the same monestarie.
A cross wth a shanke pcell gilt.
Item vij chalice whereof one lent.
Item one croche pcell gilt.
Item a tabarnacle wyche lysis in plege for x^{l.}
Item ij salts gilt wth one covere.
Item a white bolte.
Item a alte cupe pcell gilt.
Item anasers vj.
Item spones xxxij.
Item catall pteneng to the same.
Item imprimis ij score oxen kyne and yong bests.
Item v carte horses.
Item ij mears and one fole and one stag.
Item vi score shepe yonge and olde.
Item xij feder beds wth all other thenges belongeng.
Item in whete and malte iiij score quarter.

Fees payd of the same lands and tenements as after folows.

The corody of John Keper and his wief, c^s.
Item to my lord of Hamton for stuardship of Arm-
thorpe, some xxvj^{s.} viij^{d.}
Item to Thomas Grene for keeping of the courts per-
teneng to the same monestarie, some xxx^s.
Item to the balye of Rokesbye, some xiiij^{s.} iiij^{d.} with a
livery cote.
Item to the balye of Armthorpe, some xiiij^{s.} iiij^{d.} with
a livery cote.
Item to James Banks for receving of rents at Sanbeke
and Hamton, and other places, some xx^s.

These be detts that is owing to the same monestarie.
Imprimis Master Robert Fundolte, some xvij^l.
These be the detts that the said monestarie dothe owe.
Imprimis to Master Roberd Stelte, some xl^l.
Item to Wylliam Hillingworthe, some xx^l.
Item to Wylliam Holte of the New Mylne, some vij^l.
xiiij^s iiij^d.

NUM. XVIII.
COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll 34 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]
ROCHE NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Com' Ebor'	£.	s.	d.
Roche—Firma scitus cum terris dominicalibus	8	12	6
Roche—Firma mol' aquat'	3	3	4
Branc lif—Firma grangiæ	20	0	0
Armthorpe—Redd' assis' ten' custum'	2	16	4 ob q'
Armthorpe—Redd' ten' ad volunt' .	21	19	2
Barneby—Lib' reddit'	1	10	1
Barneby—Reddit' et firm'	0	13	9
Bramwith—Redd' assis' cust' ten .	3	15	9 ob.
Barneby—Firma grangiæ	7	10	8
Barneby—Perquis' cur'	0	1	4
Hutton Slade—Redd' assis' lib' ten'	0	0	1 ob'

	£.	s.	d.
Hutton Slade et Carre—Reddit' custum'	9	8	1
Hutton Leveitt—Reddit' ten' ad volunt'	4	19	2
Hutton Robert—Firma terr' . . .	0	1	0
Thrustonlande—Lib' reddit' ten' .	0	4	3 ob'
Thrustonlande—Firma terr' . . .	8	15	4
Sandebek—Redd' ass' lib' ten' . .	0	0	3
Sandebek—Reddit' ten' ad volunt'	10	7	0
Thrusco et al'—Lib' reddit' . . .	6	16	0 ob'
Bramley, Wallynge, Ewes, Thrusco, et al'—Redd' ten' ad volunt' .	56	5	5
Walkeryngham, Torworth, Blithe, Stirrope, et Bawtre—Reddit' et firmæ	8	13	11 ob'
Com' Linc'			
Roxby—Lib' reddit' ten'	0	1	5
Roxby—Redd' et firm' tenentium	36	16	4
Winterton—Reddit' et firmæ . .	1	1	0
Wynttingham—Firma prati . . .	0	10	0
Flixburgh—Firma prati	0	10	0
Lincoln Civ'—Firma mansionis .	0	4	0
Roxby—Perquis' cur'	0	2	10
Com' Derby			
Onasshe—Firma grangiæ	5	13	4
' Lanc'			
Com' Hilbri thope—Reddit' et firmæ .	20	0	8
Com Ebor'			
Hatfeld—Firma rector'	41	0	0

Basedale, Hoton, Hutton, or Nun Thorp Priory,

In the Deanery and Archdeaconry of Cleveland, in Yorkshire.



HIS small Nunnery was first founded at Hoton, by Ralph de Nevil, about A.D. 1162.^a Afterwards the nuns were at Thorp; but, toward the latter part of the reign of King Henry the Second, by the benefaction of Guido de Bovingcourt, they settled at Basedale, in the parish of Stokesley. Thus far Tanner.^b Stevens calls this monastery Wasedale. It was dedicated to the Virgin

Mary, and had a prioress, and nine or ten nuns.^c Burton has given the following list of places wherein the lands of this monastery lay; they were Badersby, Basedale, Eseby, Ingleby juxta Grenehou, Kildale, Kirkeby in Cleveland, Marton in Cleveland, Neuby, Neuton, Normanby, Redmire, Skelderskew Grange in Calmandale, Stokesley, Thorp, Tolsby, Tunstal, Upsal, and Westerdale. Wido de Bovingcourt, Robert de Longo Campo, John de Ewer, Ralph de Nevil, and Lady Amice de Tunstal, were the principal benefactors.^d

PRIORESSES of BASEDALE.

ISABELLA.^e
JOAN, or JOANNA DE PERCI, was confirmed prioress in

1301.^f She occurs in 1317,^g and again in a charter printed by Graves, in his History of Cleveland,^h in 1338.
KATHERINE DE MOUBRAY was removed, and another prioress chosen in her room, March 18th, 1343.ⁱ
ALICE PAGE retired from the office from infirmity, June 9th, 1377.^k
ELIZABETH COTHOM was confirmed March 8th, 1461.^l At the time of her appointment, Basedale is spoken of as "Locus pauperum de quinque monialibus."^m Upon her death,
ELIZABETH DAVAL or DAREL was elected. She received the archbishop's confirmation March 5th, 1481.ⁿ Upon her resignation,
AGNES THOMLINSON was confirmed Aug. 22, 1497.^o
MARGARET BUKTON was confirmed Nov. 17th, 1523.^p
JOAN FLETCHER, Aug. 13th, 1524.^q
ELIZABETH RAIGHTON, or ROWTON, was confirmed prioress in 1527.^r She had a pension, upon the surrender of the house, of 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*^s

In the Taxation of Pope Nicholas, A. D. 1291, the temporalities of Basedale are rated at the annual sum of 5*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.*^t
In the 26th of Henry VIII. the gross income amounted to 21*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.* The clear revenue to 20*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.*^u

The site was granted in the 36th Henry VIII. to Ralph Bulmer and John Thinde.^x After various alienations, about

^a Not by Adam de Bruse, as Dugd. Baronage, tom. i. p. 448. The said Adam, who died 8th Hen. II. gave licence to Ralph Nevil to found this house.

^b Notit. Mon. *Yorsh.* viii.

^c Ibid.

^d Burton, Monast. Ebor. p. 250.

^e See the App. Num. VII.

^f Reg. Corbrig. archiep. Ebor. MS. Harl. 6970, p. 143.

^g Ibid. p. 262.

^h Graves, Hist. Clevel. Append. Num. V.

ⁱ Harl. MS. 6972, fol. 18 b.

^j Harl. MS. 6969, p. 63, e. Reg. Alex. Nevil archiep.

^k Harl. MS. 6972, fol. 30 b.

^m Ibid.

ⁿ Ibid. fol. 37.

^o Ibid. fol. 39.

^p Ibid. fol. 46. e Reg. Wolsey.

^q Ibid.

^r Ibid. fol. 46 b.

^s Burton, ut supr. This pension was still paid in 1553 : with others, to Joan Fletcher, of 4*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; and to Eliz. Cowper, Agnes Nelly, Barbara Bromley, and Agnes Tutely, of 4*l.* each.

^t Taxat. P. Nich. IV. foll. 305 b, 325 b, the valuation being twice entered.

^u See the Append. Num. X.

^x Tann. Notit. Mon. ut supr.

1729 it was purchased by Anne, daughter of William Pierson, Esq., of the Middle Temple, the descendant of whose brother, James Bradshaw Pierson, Esq. was the possessor when Graves wrote in 1808.

No REGISTER of this priory has hitherto been dis-

covered. Tanner, however, has given a few references relating to it in manuscripts and public documents.^a

No SEAL of Basedale is known.

The BUILDINGS of this house are now converted into farm holds, and retain little of their monastic appearance.

Cartae ad Basedalensem seu Hotonensem Prioratum, in agro Eboracensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Adami de Brus.

[Ex autographo penes...dominum Fairfax de Gilling in com. Ebor.]

ADAM de Brus omnibus amicis et hominibus, Francis et Anglis, salutem. Notum sit vobis omnibus me dedisse, et concessisse licentiam Radulfo de Nevill, facere abbatiam sanctimonialium ad Hoton; scilicet liberum matrimonium conjugis suæ. T. Priore de Giscburne, et Nicholao canonico, et uxore mea, Willielmo capellano, Waltero Engelram, Petro de Brus, Leone camerario, Petro Wrenghe, Roberto Escarbot, et Alano Cato, Gregorio Goce portario.

NUM. II.

Carta Willielmi filii Fulconis.

[Ex autog. in turri beatæ Mariæ Ebor.]

WILLIELMUS filius Fulconis omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, et hominibus et amicis suis præsentibus et futuris salutem. Sciatis me dedisse, et hac carta mea confirmasse Deo, et sanctimonialibus de Torp, duas bovatas terræ in Kildala cum omnibus pertinentiis in perpetuam elemosinam, tenendas solutas et quietas ab omni actione seculari. Teste, Roberto clerico de Marton, Richardo filio Willielmi de Tameton, Willielmo de Moubrai, Roberto de Hotun, Baldrico de Marton, et Willielmo filio Brien.

NUM. III.

Carta Ernaldi de Percy.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit omnibus istas literas audientibus, quod ego Ernaldus de Perci concedo Radulfo de Novilla donationem quam fecit sanctimonialibus de Hotona: scilicet duas carucatas terræ et unam bovatom, et molendinum unum in Torp, salvo servicio quod Radulfus, et hæredes sui debent mihi et hæredibus meis facere pro illo feudo, sicuti pro alio. Testibus hiis, Radulfo archidiacono et capitulo apud Stokeslai, et abbate de Beglanda, et priore de Gisburne, et priore de Nofbure, et Humfrido de Hotun, et Johanne Engeram.

NUM. IV.

Carta Johannis de Euer.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS hoc scriptum visuris vel auditoris Johannes de Euer salutem in Domino. Noveritis me concessisse, remisisse, relaxasse, et omnino de me et hæredibus meis vel assignatis imperpetuum quietum clamasse Johannæ priorissæ de Basedale et ejusdem loci conventui et earum successoribus, totum jus et clamium quod habui, vel habeo, vel aliquo modo habere potero in homagiis et sectis curiæ quibuscunque, mihi et hæredibus meis, vel meis assignatis pertinentibus, de omnibus terris et tenementis quas et quæ in villa et territorio de Kirkeby in Clieveland et Ingelby juxta Grenhaw de me tenent. Ita quod nec ego, nec hæredes mei, nec aliquis alius nomine nostro, aliquod jus vel clamium

in prædictis homagiis et sectis curiæ, de prædicta priorissa et conventu ejusdem loci, et earum successoribus de cætero exigere vel vendicare poterimus imperpetuum. Hiis testibus, dominis, Nicholao de Meynill, domino Arnaldo de Percy, domino Roberto de Euer, Willielmo de Mubray, Johanne de Redmereshill, et aliis. Dat. apud Basedale die Lunæ prox. ante festum sancti Laurencii, anno Domini mccciiij.

NUM. V.

Carta Willielmi de Percy.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Willielmus de Percy de Kildale salutem. Noveritis me concessisse et hac præsentis carta mea confirmasse pro me et hæredibus meis Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Basedale, et monialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, sicuti aliqua elemosina potest liberiùs conferri, duas bovatas terræ in villa de Upsale, cum tofto et crofto et omnibus pertinentiis suis; illas scilicet quas Stephanus filius Ustingi tenuit, jacentes propinquiores terræ dominæ Agnetis de Upsale per totum campum, et eundem Stephanum filium Ustingi cum catallis suis et tota sequela sua, sine contradictione aliqua; tenenda et habenda prædictis monialibus in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam, prout continetur in carta Amiciæ de Tunstall quam inde habent. Et ut hæc mea concessio et confirmatio rata et stabilis permaneat imperpetuum, huic scripto sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus, domino Roberto de Laysingby, domino Ricardo de Normaneby, domino Waltero de Skeftling, domino Walteto de Mubray, Thoma de Thornay tunc senescallo meo, Alano de Nevill, Roberto de Bayuse, et aliis.

NUM. VI.

Carta Regis Henrici Tertii, Donationes recitans et confirmans.

[Ex autographo in turri B. Mariæ, Ebor. Vide etiam cart. 20 Hen. III. n. 2.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, dux Normaniæ et Aquitaniæ, comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopus, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse, et hac nostrâ cartâ confirmasse, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monialibus de Basedale omnes donationes subscriptas; videlicet, ex dono Guidonis de Bovineurt, totum redditum suum de Baderesby. Ex dono ejusdem Guidonis, totam terram quam habuit in Neuby, cum pertinentiis, excepto tenemento Willielmi de Tameton. Ex dono ejusdem Guidonis totam terram inter Redemire, et Hawkemire, cum toto bosco, et cilio montis, usque in aquam quæ dicitur Basedalebec, et ipsam prænominatam Redemire, scilicet sicut Haffokemire cadit à cilio montis in Basedalebec. Ex dono Radulphi de Nevill, duas carucatas, et unam bovatom terræ, cum tanto terræ spacio ad ædificationem suam faciendam, quanta sunt mansa in Thorp adjacentia supradictæ terræ, et unum molendinum cum pertinentiis in eadem villa. Ex dono prædicti Guidonis sex bovatas terræ in Stokesley cum pertinentiis suis, exceptis toftis ad eas pertinentibus,

^a Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 52 Hen. III. rot. 32, de bovata in Tunstal.

^b Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 14 Edw. I. rot. 4 d. de mess. et toftis in Newby in Clyveland.

^c Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 8, de v. toftis et c. acris pastur. in Selby." See another charter in Graves's Hist. of Cleveland, in the Notes, p. 267.

^a He says, "Vide inter Collect. Rog. Dodsworth, vol. vii. fol. 47. cartam Will. Pinzun eccl. S. Jacobi de Torp et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, de ii. car. in Pinzun Thorp. Fol. 55. Walteri fil. Will. Percy de Kildale confirm. donationem Will. fil. Fulconis. Fol. 58. Cartam regis Hen. II. anno regni xxxii. pro protectione hominum et terrarum priorissæ et monialium de Basedale. Vol. cxxi. fol. 81. Cartas spectantes ad moniales de Basedale.

pro quibus dedit eis duas acras de cultura sua supra Rubera et quoddam pratum ad caput villæ de Westerdale, et pasturam ad viginti vaccas, et unum taurum, cum sua secta de duobus annis, et ad ducentas oves, sine secta, et ad duodecim porcos sine secta. Ex dono Willielmi filii Fulconis duas bovatas terræ in Kyldale. Ex dono Stephani de Rosel duas bovatas terræ cum toftis suis in Neuton cum tanto prato, quantum adjacet cisdem bovatis, et quandam partem terræ cultæ, latitudinis septem perticarum, cujus longitudo extenditur usque ad pratum versus Stapelho, et quoddam pratum de suo proprio, latitudinis perticarum, et pasturam ad sexaginta oves. Quare volumus, &c. Hiis testibus, venerabili patre W. Karl. episcopo, W. comite Albemarl, Petro de Malolacu, Godefrido de Cracumbe, Johanne filio Philippi, Amarico de sancto Amando, Richardo filio Hugonis, Willielmo Gernoun, et aliis. Datum per manum venerabilis patris R. Cicestrensis episcopi cancellarii nostri, apud Dunelmum, decimo die Septembris, anno regni nostri vicesimo.

NUM. VII.

Carta Isabellæ Priorissæ de Basedale.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, has litteras visuris vel audituris, Isabel priorissa de Basedale salutem. Cum ex gratia liberalitatis suæ nulli debeant dispendium sustinere, ad multiplices gratiarum actiones et orationes in Christo tenemur Roberto de Longo-Campo abbati, et monachis beatæ Mariæ Eboracensis, quod ipsi dictæ pictatis intuitu de voluntate Geraldî personæ de Stochesley, nobis cimiterium in Basdale, ad sanctimoniales, et sorores, et fratres nostros qui habitum nostrum susceperint, ibidem sepeliendum, liberaliter concesserunt. Servientes tamen, et homines sepulturam et omnia alia ecclesiastica sacramenta, a matrici ecclesia de Stochesley percipient. Domus vero nostra de Basdale, ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ Eboraci, in assumptione beatæ Mariæ, dimidiam libram incensi singulis annis persolvat. Et nihil amplius quam prædictam sepulturam sibi vendicabit de matrici ecclesia de Stochesley. Hiis testibus, domino Roaldo priore de Giseburn, domino Guidone de Bovingcort, Laurentio decano de Seilton, Helia decano de Rudale, Gerardo persona de Stocheslei, Roberto persona de Mortona, Alano de Wiltone, Willielmo de Perci, Radulpho de Neville, Willielmo de Thametou, Waltero de Boigton, Thoroldo capellano, Thugisio clerico, Roberto Bachelor, Richardo de Camera, Osberto janitore, et multis aliis.

NUM. VIII.

Carta Guidonis de Bovincurt, Fundatoris Monialium de Basedale, facta eisdem Monialibus, de sex bovatis terræ in Stokesley, et aliis rebus.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri, quod ego Wydo de Bovigecurt, dedi et concessi, et hac præsentî carta mea confirmavi Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Basedal, et monialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, pro anima Roberti Bovigecurt, et Bernardi de Baliol, et pro anima mea, et pro animabus omnium antecessorum meorum, et hæredum meorum, sex bovatas terræ in Stokesley, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, libertatibus, aysiamentis infra villam et extra, exceptis toftis ad easdem bovatas pertinentibus, pro quibus dedi eis duas acras de mea cultura super Ruber juxta domum W. fabri, scilicet illas duas bovatas terræ, quas Willielmus l'Enfant tenuit, et illas duas bovatas terræ, quas Robertus Ra. tenuit, et illas duas bovatas terræ quas Adam filius Huberti tenuit. Ad hæc autem dedi prædictis monialibus duas bovatas terræ in Westerdale, illas scilicet quas Augustinus tenuit, cum toftis et croftis cisdem bovatis pertinentibus, et eum aliis pertinentiis suis et libertatibus infra villam et extra, et in bosco ad sufficientiam ad ardendum et ædificandum apud locum suum de Westerdale. Dedi etiam præfatis monialibus quoddam pratum ad caput villæ de Westerdale apud austrum de sub Refholes, in proprio usu, et in clauso: in quo prato quatuor acræ continentur, et pasturam ad viginti vaccas, et unum taurum, cum sua secta de duobus annis, et ad ducentas oves, et ad undecim sues, et unum senglarium cum sua secta de duobus annis, et ad quinque jumenta ad unum stalonum, cum sua secta de duobus annis; et ad decem boves, et unum afferum ad caru-

cam suam per omne territorium præfatæ villæ de Westerdale, longè et propè absque ullo retenemento, exceptis pratis, et bladis, ubi post ablatam vesturam, libere pascentur. Hæc omnia prænominata dedi et concessi prædictis monialibus, tenenda et habenda de me et hæredibus meis in liberam et puram et perpetuam et quietam elemosinam ab omni seculari servitio, et consuetudine sicut aliqua elemosina liberius dari potest. Hiis testibus, Petro abbate de Whiteby, Radulpho priore de Whiteby, Ranulpho monacho de eadem, Roaldo priore de Gyseburn, Petro celerario de eadem; Willielmo de Percy, Rogero de sancto Germano, Willielmo de Tameton, Helya de Eston, Willielmo de Mowbray, et aliis.

NUM. IX.

Carta Johannis de Ever de Secta Curie Monialibus de Wasedale in comitatu Eboracensi concessa.

[Penes Rad. Thoresby de Ludes in Com. Ebor. Armig. Stevens, vol. ii. p. 216.]

OMNIBUS hoc scriptum visuris vel audituris Johannes de Ever salutem in Domino. Noveritis me concessisse, remisisse, relaxasse, et omnino de me et heredibus meis, vel meis assignatis in perpetuum quietum clamasse Johannæ priorissæ de Wasedale, et ejusdem loci conventui, et earum successoribus totum jus et clamium quod habui, vel habeo, vel aliquo modo habere potero in homagio et secta curiæ quibuscunque mihi et heredibus meis, vel meis assignatis pertinentibus de omnibus terris et tenementis, quas et quæ in villis et territoriis de Kirkeby in Clyveland et Suggeby juxta Trenchowe de me tenent. Ita quod nec ego, nec heredes mei, nec aliquis alius nomine nostro aliquod jus vel clamium in prædictis homagiis et sectis curiæ, de prædicta priorissa et conventu ejusdem loci, et earum successoribus, de cætero exigere vel vendicare poterimus in perpetuum. In cujus rei testimonium præsentî scripto chirographato partes in eodem nominatæ sigilla sua alternatim apposuerunt. Hiis testibus, domino Nicholao de Meyhill, domino Sybaldo de Percy, domino Roberto Gouer, Willielmo de Moubray, Johanne de Tedmereshill, et aliis.

Datum apud Wasedale die Lunæ proximo ante festum Sancti Laurentii, anno Domini 1304.

NUM. X.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

PRIORATUS MONIALIUM DE BASEDALE.

Johanna Raughton Priorissa ib'm.

Dict' Priorat' viz. in

Scit' dñi priorat' cū gardin' et alijs pvis claus' eidm adjacen' 1l. 0s. 0d.
Grangia ibm voc' le Noonho^s in nian' suis ppr' occupat' p annū 5l. 6s. 8d.
6l. 6s. 8d.

Divs terr' et teñt' cotag' claus' et alijs pcell' terr' cū ptin' viz. in Colby unū teñt' 5l. Tunstall unū teñt' 12s. In Newby duo teñt' husb' cum ptin' 3l. In Stokesley duo teñt' cum uno cot' 2l. 5s. 4d. Crathorne 1 teñt' 17s. 4d. Hotan Rudby 1 cot' 4s. Kyrkeby 1 cot' 6s. Ingleby unū ten' 18s. Kyldale unū ten' 10s. Westdale un' ten' 12s. Murton unū ten' 7s. Upsalez de pcell' terr' ibm 10s. Battersby unū ten' 9s. Et in liño redd' Thome Cooke p annū 2s. In toto p annū 15l. 12s. 8d.
Sṁ^a valoris prioratus pñdñi 21l. 19s. 4d.

Inde in Repris' in

Redd' resolut' in liño reddit' exeunt' de Noonthorp anti^{is} Radho Eure militi p an^m 0l. 3s. 0d.
Liño reddū exeunt' de Colby resolut' priori de Middleburgh p annū 0l. 5s. 0d.
Quod' an^{li} reddi' exeunt' de resolut' eidm p'ori de Middleburgh p annū nich' 0l. 8s. 0d.
Feod' Boḡti Bower sen^{li} ibm p annū 1l. 0s. 0d.
Feod' Nieñi Will^amson rec' firmar' dñi priorat' p annū 0l. 10s. 0d.
1l. 10s. 0d.

Sṁ^a repris' 1l. 18s. 0d.
Et valet clare 20l. 1s. 4d.
X^{ma} ps inde 2l. 0s. 1²/₄d.

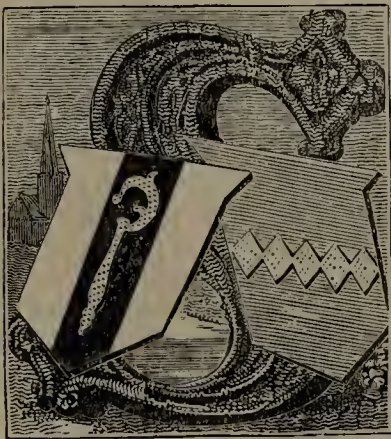
NUM. XI.		
From the Original in the Augmentation Office.		
BASEDALE NUPER PRIORATUS.		
Visus Computi Thomæ Yoward Collectoris Reddit' et Firm' ibidem pertin' dicto nuper Prioratui auctoritate Parliamenti dissolut. 24 die Augusti anno regni excellentissimi Principis nunc Henrici Octavi 33 ^{mo} .		
De arreragijs	nihil.	
	£. s. d.	
De firma scitus dicti nuper prioratus cum terris dominicalibus ibidem per annum . . .	3	6 8
De reddit' et firm' grangiæ de Nunethorp per annum, ut patet per rentale	6	13 4
De reddit' et firm' in Colby per annum . . .	5	9 4
De reddit' et firm' in Newby per annum . . .	3	16 8
De reddit' et firm' in Stoxley per annum . . .	2	17 0
De reddit' et firm' in Crathorne per aunum cum 12 ^d . solut. annuatim ballivo wapentagij dñi regis	0	18 8
De reddit' et firm' in Rudby per annum, etc.	0	4 0
De reddit' et firm' in Kirkeby per annum . .	0	6 0
De reddit' et firm' in Ingleby per annum . .	1	8 0
De reddit' et firm' in Westerdale per annum .	0	12 0
De reddit' et firm' in Lenthorpe per annum .	0	1 4
De reddit' et firm' in Tunstall per annum . .	0	12 0
De reddit' et firm' in Murton per annum . . .	0	7 0
De reddit' et firm' in Upsall per annum . . .	0	10 0
De libero redditu in Battersbye per annum .	0	17 0
De venditione bosci ibid. hoc anno. Nihil, quia nulla venditio facta fuit.		
De perquisitis curiæ ibid. hoc anno. Nihil, quia nulla curia tenta fuit.		
Summa oneris anno 33 ^{mo} 27l. 19s.		

NUM. XII.		
Paper Surveys, Augmentation Office.		
BASEDALE NUPER PRIORATUS MONIALIUM IN COM. EBOR.		
In Rentali renovato de Terris et Tenementis pertinentibus dicto nuper Prioratui dissoluto 24 ^{to} die Augusti Anno Regni metuendissimi Domini Regis Henrici 8 ^{vi} 30 ^{mo} inter alia continetur sic ut sequitur.		
Terræ Dominicales.		
	£. s. d.	
Situs dicti nuper prioratus cum pomarijs		

	£. s. d.
ortis et gardinis adjacentibus valet ad firmam per annum	0 3 4
Robertus Flecher tenet unam domum vocatam Nether House jacentem juxta Basedale cum tribus clausis prati et pasturæ ac cum duobus parvis intaks et reddit inde per annum . .	0 12 0
Willielmus Ridley tenet unum clausum vocatum Nuneparke jacens in communa ibidem et reddit per annum	0 4 0
Elizabetha Hodgeson tenet unum tenementum vocatum Middilhede house cum uno clauso adjacente et reddit per annum	0 4 0
Item unum clausum vocatum Whitethwayt continens per estimationem 16 acras prati valet ad firmam per annum	1 0 0
Item unum clausum vocatum le Cowe Close continens per estimationem 16 acras pasturæ valet per annum	0 5 4
Item unum clausum vocatum Oxe pasture continens per estimationem 10 acras pasturæ valet per annum	0 4 0
Item unum clausum vocatum Farmerry banke continens per estimationem duas acras terræ arrabilis valet per annum	0 1 4
Item unum clausum terræ arrabilis vocatum Halle flatte continens per estimationem quatuor acras, una cum communi pastura super moram ibidem, nuper in occupatione nuper priorissæ et conventus ibidem valet per annum .	0 7 8
Item unum clausum pasturæ vocatum Skalethwayte alias Lodge Grene, continens per estimationem tres acras valet per annum . . .	0 5 0
Inde annuatim resolut. Ricardo Evesey militi	0 3 0
Summa firmæ, terrarum dominicalium prædict'	3 6 8

Nunthorpe.	
Johannes Middilton tenet per indenturam de novo factam, sub sigillo communi dicti nuper prioratus, unum messuagium sive grangiam ibidem vocatum le Nunnehouse, cum omnibus terris, pratis, et pasturis eidem pertinentibus, et reddit inde per annum nisi 5l. 6s. 8d. tamen valet ad firmam per annum	6 13 4
Summa	6 13 4

Sallay, De Monte S. Andreae, or Sawley Abbey,
In Craven, in the West Riding of Yorkshire,



SALLAY ABBEY was founded, according to Tanner, A.D. 1146-7,^a by William de Percy the third.^b By his first charter he endowed this place with lands in Sallaym, Dudeland, and Helwinesthorp, beside one carucate at Rimington:^c and, by a second grant confirming the same added Crochum and Stainton.^d Matilda de Percy, countess of Warwick, the daughter of William, sets forth in a charter which she granted to this House, that the monastery having stood above forty years in the place

where it was founded, and being reduced to extreme want through the ill temperate of the air, which suffered nothing to thrive upon the ground, it had been resolved either to remove or destroy it: wherefore, to prevent its ruin, and that her father's charity might not be lost, she gave to the monks the church of Tadcaster, with the chapel of Heslewood, an annual pension from the church of Neuton, and one carucate of land at Catthor.^e This her grant was confirmed by Agnes Percy her sister,^f who by another deed gave to the monks two plough-lands at Litton, and liberty of grazing for six hundred sheep;^g confirming by a third grant the church of Tadcaster.^h Following these, in the Appendix, will be found another charter of William de Percy, called his fourth, again confirming his own and other benefactions.ⁱ A later confirmation from Henry de Percy, in the 7th of Edward the Second, has an earlier place.^k

^a Notit. Monast. Yorksh. cv. A.D. 1147, according to the reg. of Sallay, fol. 1. A.D. 1149, Annal. de Parco Lude.

^b Although the charter in the Append. Num. III. is inscribed "Carta Willielmi primi de Percy."

^c Append. Num. II.

^d Num. V.

^e Num. VII.

^f Ibid.

^g Num. III.

^h Num. VI.

ⁱ Num. IX.

^k Num. IV.

The other grants given by Dugdale in the Appendix to this monastery are of a minor kind: they are from Robert, the sewer of William de Percy, Roisia de Kimbe, William Vavasor, Malger Vavasor, Richard Oterington, Robert Laey, John, constable of Chester, and Henry de Puteaco or Pudsey.^a Confirmations from Robert, archbishop of York, and King Stephen, are also given,^b with a genealogy of the Percies from an ancient parchment formerly preserved in the tower of St. Mary's church at York.^c

In the Taxation of Pope Nicholas the Fourth there are two entries only relating to this monastery; one, of the church of Tadeaster appropriated to Sallay, valued at 36*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* the other of the temporalities of the monastery, amounting to 54*l.* 10*s.*^d

No return of Sallay occurs in the Valor of the 26th Henry VIII. except as follows:

“Deeanatus de Craven.

“Monasterium Beatæ Mariæ de Sawley valet elare in spiritualibus et temporalibus per annum 147*l.* 3*s.* 10*d.* Deima inde 14*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.* ob.” Speed places the gross amount at 221*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.*^e

ABBATS of SALLAY.

BENEDICT is mentioned as the first abbat.

GALFRIDUS DE ESTON, A.D. 1186.

ADAM, *t.* Rob. de Lacy.

STEPHEN, 1210.

WARINUS, probably early in the 13th century.^f

H.^g apparently in the same century. He was perhaps the same person with HUGO, whom Whitaker, Hist. of Crav. p. 56, mentions in 1265.

B. occurs abbat in 1277.^h

THOMAS occurs abbat in 1278; and again 7 Dec. 1290.ⁱ

JOHN made his profession of obedience as abbat March 25th, 1303.^k He was probably the same person with

J. DE HOVEDEN, who occurs in the deeds of the 4th of Edw. II.^l Hoveden was absolved with some of his monks from a sentence of excommunication 13 kal. April, 1314.^m

JOHN DE HETON received benediction from the archbishop 6 non. May 1322.ⁿ Apparently another

JOHN occurs in the 45th Edw. III.^o

^a Numm. X. XI. XIV. XV. XVI. XVII. XVIII. XIX. XXI.

^b Numm. XIII. XX.

^c Num. XXII.

^d Taxat. P. Nich. IV. A.D. 1291. pp. 299, 325.

^e Tann. Notit. Monast. ut supr.

^f Reg. of Sallay, Harl. MS. 112, fol. 39.

^g Ibid. fol. 69.

^h Ibid. fol. 12.

ⁱ Ibid.

^k Harl. MS. 6970. p. 142.

^l Reg. of Sallay, ut supr. foll. 15 b, 41.

^m Harl. MS. 6970. p. 214.

ⁿ Harl. MS. 6972, fol. 13 b.

^o Reg. de Sallay, fol. 51 b.

^p Harl. MS. 6972, fol. 28.

^q Ibid. fol. 33.

^r Ibid. fol. 34.

^s Ibid. fol. 35.

^t Harl. MS. 6972, fol. 43 b. e Reg. Wolsey.

^u Ibid.

^x Ibid. fol. 46 b.

^y Stevens's Contin. of Monast.

^z It forms a quarto volume of a hundred and ninety-eight leaves, on vellum. The charters in it are arranged under the following titles:

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| 1. Sallay, fol. 1. | 20. Preston, fol. 74. |
| 2. Gasegyle, fol. 4. | 21. Claiton, fol. 76. |
| 3. Rimington, fol. 5 b. | 22. Ducton, fol. 78 b. |
| 4. Gyseburn, fol. 7. | 23. Salesbiri, fol. 80. |
| 5. Staynton, fol. 12. | 24. Bradeford, fol. 83 b. |
| 6. Marton, fol. 15. | 25. Stamford, foll. 84 b, 102 b. |
| 7. Gairgrave, fol. 16 b. | 26. Langeclyf, fol. 102. |
| 8. Horton, fol. 21 b. | 27. Routhemell, fol. 107. |
| 9. Swynden, fol. 22. | 28. Litton, foll. 110, 116. |
| 10. Panhale, fol. 22 b. | 29. Preston, fol. 114 b. |
| 11. Elwenthorpp, fol. 25 b. | 30. Stockdale, fol. 117. |
| 12. Boulton, fol. 28. | 31. Bersebi, foll. 119, 138, 140. |
| 13. Malasis, fol. 47. | 32. Halton, fol. 137 b. |
| 14. Ragil, fol. 50. | 33. Illeclai, fol. 146. |
| 15. Haie, fol. 53. | 34. Farnelai, fol. 148 b. |
| 16. Akerland, fol. 56. | 35. Weston, fol. 149. |
| 17. Sunderland, foll. 60 b, 61 b. | 36. Ebor. foll. 150, 169. |
| 18. Meles, fol. 70 b. | 37. Tadeastr. fol. 155 b. |
| 19. Chipping, fol. 72 b. | 38. Oxtan, fol. 170. |

At the beginning of this volume are the names of Arthur and Thomas Darcy, to whom the site of Sallay Abbey belonged subsequently to the dissolution: and, on the lower part of the first leaf, “Thys booke aperteinthe to Arthur Darcy, knyght, of Sallay. Who soever finds ytt he schall have xs. so he bryng ytt agayn to hym and God's blyssyn.” At the close is a copy of the taxation of a part of Yorkshire, from Pope Nicholas's Valor of 1291.

^a “*Vide* in Append. ad registr. honor. de Richmond, p. 270. Joannis fil. Joannis de Boulton confirmationem attachiamenti stagni molendinorum suorum in Ribelle monachis de Sallay.

“In Madoxii Hist. Scacc. p. 338. de eccl. de Taucastre, ex magno rot. 7 Joannis.

WILLIAM is said by Dr. Whitaker to occur in 1418. Another

WILLIAM occurs in 1443:^p this was probably WILLIAM DE INGYLTON, upon whose death

THOMAS BRADLEY, S. T. P. was elected, April 10th, 1453.^q Upon his death

ROBERT WODDE was elected in the month of March, 1467.^r

WILLIAM HOLDEN was the next abbat. The commission for his benediction bore date Jan. 18th, 1468.^s

RICHARD occurs in 1480.

THOMAS BURTON received benediction as abbat Sept. 4th, 1503.^t

HENRY HAMOND received the benediction Sept. 27th, 1506.^u

THOMAS BOLTON received the benediction April 29th, 1527.^x

WILLIAM TRAFFORD was the last abbat. He was hanged at Lancaster for his opposition to the measures of the crown, in the suppression of the monasteries, in 1538.^y

No COMMON SEAL of this monastery has occurred to the Editors of the Monasticon. The arms will be found in the initial letter of this account. The house was dedicated to the Virgin Mary.

Copious extracts from the REGISTER of Sallay Abbey, now preserved among the Harleian manuscripts, Num. 112, will be found in the Appendix: and a detailed account of its contents below.^z

Tanner's references to other books, manuscripts, and records relating to this monastery are also given in a note.^a

The site of Sallay was granted in the 30th Hen. VIII. to Sir Arthur Darcy, knt. It belongs at present with the manor and demesnes to Lord Grantham.

Great part of the nave and transept of Sallay Church are yet standing. It was originally built in the form of a cross, without aisles. The gateway of the abbey is entire, converted into a cottage: and in the walls of the adjoining houses are several well-cut shields of Percy, Laey, &c.

“In Prynni Recordor. vol. iii. p. 1146. Claus. 34 Edw. I. m. 6. pro abbate et quibusdam monachis excommunicatis. p. 1198. Claus. 35 Edw. I. m. 16. pro manncaptione eorundem excommunicatorum ad instantiam rectoris de Gayrgrave.

“Inter collect. cl. Rogeri Dodsworth, in bibl. Bodl. vol. viii. fol. 4. Cartam Hen. Perci de terris in Bolton, 5 Edw. II. Ibid. fol. 20. Ibid. vol. ix. a fol. 178 ad 218. de fundatione hujus monasterii, et historia ejusdem. vol. lv. fol. 89. 96. ex cartulario. vol. lxxiv. fol. 5. cartam Will. fil. Henrici Percy, donantis maner. de Giseburn pro sustentatione vi. monachorum presbyterorum in abbacia de Salleia. vol. lxxxix. fol. 141, 142, 143. vol. xcii. fol. 1, &c. ex diversis originalibus sigillis pendentibus nuper ad monast. de Salley spectantibus penes Will. West de Middleton juxta Lancaster, A.D. 1646. vol. xciv. fol. 130. vol. cxvii. fol. 17. vol. clv. fol. 13.

“In bibl. Harleiana MS. 1499. fol. 67. of the foundation and arms of this abbey. MS. 2044. foll. 58, 65. collectanea ex cartulario.

“In registro Joannis Romani archiepisc. Ebor. fol. ordinationem vicariæ in eccl. de Tadeaster huic abbatiæ appropriata, A.D. 1290.

“Cart. 1 Joan. p. 1, m. 25, n. 65, 155, 219.

“Fin. Ebor. 10 Hen. III. n. 112. de iii. bovatis terræ in Scothorp. Cart. 26 Hen. III. m. 5, pro maner. de Giseburn in Craven. Cart. 45 Hen. III. m. 4. pro mercat. et feria apud Giseburn. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 52 Hen. III. rot. 8. de ii. bovatis terræ in Farneley. Cart. 54 Hen. III. m. 6. pro lib. war. in Salley, Hautgrange, Gisburn, Elwinthorp, Fulden, Staynton, Langecliffe, Staynford, Bolton. Cart. 55 Hen. III. m. 8.

“Pat. 2 Edw. I. m. 19 d. de commun. pastur. in Berghby. Fin. Ebor. 8 Edw. I. n. 161. de mess. et terris in Steynford. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 14 Edw. I. rot. 8 d. de terris in Bowland. Ibid. rot. 14 d. de medietate hayæ de Boulton. Plac. assis. in com. Lancast. 20 Edw. I. rot. 48. de terris in Clayton. Pat. 21 Edw. I. m. 1. Pat. 31 Edw. I. p. 1, m. 12 vel 13.

“Pat. 4 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 23. pro quarta parte maner. de Bolton in Bowland. Claus. 5 Edw. II. m. 3 et 4, de ann. reddit. x. marc. e terris in Temple Newsom et Haleton. Pat. 7 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 11 et 16. de eccl. de Gargrave in Craven. Claus. 15 Edw. II. m. 5 d. de reddit. e maner. de Cliderow. Claus. 16 Edw. II. m. 16 vel 26. pro reddit. in Halton.

“Claus. 2 Edw. III. m. 37. de terris in Halton. Pat. 15 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 40 vel 41. Pat. 17 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 22 vel 23. Cart. 28 Edw. III. n. 19, pro mercat. et feria apud Bolton in Craven. Pat. 30 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 18. pro eccl. de Kirkby Overblowers approprianda. Pat. 37 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 33, pro ten. in Tadeaster, Newsom, Bradford, Wadington, et Sutton.

“Pat. 3 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 16. pro ten. in Tadeaster, Wikelesworth,

Cartae ad Salleyensem Abbatiam in agro Eboracensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

[Ex registro de Sallaia in bibl. Deuvesiana.]

ANNO ab incarnatione Domini m^cxlviij. kal. Januarii, emissus est conventus, cum abbate Benedicto, ad construendam abbatiam de Sallcia, petente et præparante eis locum nobili viro Willielmo de Percy, viij. idus Januarii. Fundata est ipsa die, luna prima.

NUM. II.

Carta prima ejusdem Willielmi.

[Ibid.]

WILLIELMUS de Percy, omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis Francis et Anglis, clericis et laicis, præsentibus et futuris, salutem. Notum sit vobis omnibus me communi consilio et consensu uxoris meæ et liberorum meorum dedisse Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ et abbati Benedicto et monachis abbatiae de monte sancti Andreae quam ego ipse construxi, pro Dei amore et pro salute animæ meæ, et uxoris meæ, et liberorum meorum, et fratrum meorum, dominorum meorum, et omnium amicorum meorum, et pro animabus patris et matris meæ, parentum et amicorum meorum, cunctorum fidelium defunctorum, Sallaym, et Dudelant, et Helwinesthorp cum omnibus appenditiis et rebus eisdem terris pertinentibus, in bosco et in plano, in pascuis et in pratis, et in aquis, in puram et perpetuam elemosynam. Et præter hæc concedo eis unam earucam in Rimington quam Normanus Huetredi filius eis dedit et concessit in elemosynam perpetuam, ad duas bovatas terræ in Hilleclaia de donatione Roberti dapiferi mei. Ista et omnia illorum et aliorum meorum hominum dona illi ecclesiæ imperpetuum optinenda confirmo. Testes subscripti sunt, in quorum audientia hæc carta facta lecta et concessa fuit, scilicet Alanus filius Willielmi de Percy, Willielmus de Arches, Gilbertus de Arches, Bertramus Haget et Faricius frater ejus, et alii multi.

NUM. III.

Carta secunda Willielmi primi de Percy de Sallai, Dudeland, Crocum, Ailwinesthorp, Stainton.

[Ibid.]

IN nomine sanctæ et individue Trinitatis, Eboracensi archiepiscopo, omnique ejusdem ecclesiæ capitulo, et universis sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis nunc existentibus, et deinceps futuris, Willielmus de Percy salutes. Noverit igitur præsens ætas omniumque secutura posteritas me communi consilio et concessu uxoris meæ et liberorum meorum dedisse et concessisse Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ et abbati Benedicto, et monachis abbatiae de monte sancti Andreae Sallaia quam ego ipse construxi, pro amore Dei, et pro salute animæ meæ, et uxoris meæ et liberorum meorum, et fratrum meorum, dominorum meorum, et omnium amicorum meorum, et pro animabus patris et matris meæ, parentum et amicorum meorum, cunctorumque fidelium defunctorum, Sallaia et Dudelant, et Elwinuthorp, et Crocum et omne servitium de Stainton quod ad me pertinuit, cum omnibus appendiciis et rebus eisdem terris pertinentibus, in bosco et in plano, et in pascuis et in aquis, solutas et quietas et liberas ab omnibus terrenis servitiis, in puram et perpetuam elemosynam. Testibus subscriptis in quorum audientia hæc carta facta fuit lecta et concessa, Alano de Percy filio ejusdem Willielmi de Percy, Willielmo de Arches, Gilberto de Arches, et aliis multis. Et hii testes de Crocum, Gilbertus filius Fulconis, Robertus dapifer nepos ejus, Gilbertus de Arches, Robertus de Percy, et alii quamplures. Et hii testes donationis et confirmationis de Stainton, Gilbertus filius Fulconis, Robertus de Percy, Robertus dapifer,

Gilbertus de Arches, neenon et alii quamplures tam clerici quam laici, quorum nomina seriatim inserere perlongum foret.

Valete.

NUM. IV.

Carta H. de Percy de Ecclesia de Gargrave.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris, Henricus filius et hæres domini Henrici de Percy, salutem in Domino. Noveritis nos paupertatem, et causam paupertatis, abbatiae nostræ de Sallay in Craven, de fundatione antecessorum nostrorum, considerasse, eidemque abbatiae in aliquo subsidio, ut honestè sustentari possit, misericorditer providere cupientes, in honore Dei, et beatæ Mariæ virginis, et pro salute animæ nostræ et Alienoræ sponsæ nostræ, et omnium hæredum nostrorum, dedisse, et concessisse, et hæc præsentī carta nostra confirmasse Deo, et beatæ Mariæ, et abbati, et monachis nostris de Sallai ibidem Deo servientibus, ecclesiam sancti Andreae de Gairgrave in Craven, cum omnibus pertinentiis, integritatibus, et omnibus pensionibus, à quibuscunque religiosis, seu sæcularibus, qualitercunque debitis, cum omnibus juribus suis, et libertatibus, capellis, et capellanariis, una cum omnibus proficuis, quæ ad dietam advocacionem accidunt, vel aliquo modo accidere poterunt in perpetuum. Et bene liceat dicto abbati, et successoribus suis, dictam ecclesiam de Gayrgrave, cum omnibus juribus, et suis pertinentiis supradictis, capellis, et capellanariis in proprios usus acquirere, et possidere quandocunque poterunt, vel sibi viderint expedire, sine contradictione nostri vel hæredum nostrorum, tenendam et habendam, &c. Testibus, domino Thoma comite Lancastriæ, domino Humfrido comite Herefordiæ, domino Edmundo comite Arundeliæ, domino Roberto de Clifford, domino Johanne de Boteturte, domino Johanne de Hascleton, et aliis multis. Datum apud Lequenfeld in festo nativitatis beatæ Mariæ virginis, anno regni regis Edwardi filii regis Edwardi septimo.

Ecclesia de Gayrgrave appropriata in usus abbatiae de Sallai per Willielmum archiepiscopum Eboracensem, sexto decimo kalendas Aprilis, m^ccccxxj.

NUM. V.

Carta Matildis de Percy, Comitissæ de Warwic, de secunda Fundatione Abbatiae de Sallaia.

[Ex regist. de Sallai fol. 2 a.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, tam præsentibus quam futuris, Mathildis de Percy comitissa de Warwic, filia Willielmi de Percy et hæres, salutem. Noverit universitas vestra, quod pater meus abbatiam quandam Sallaia nomine fundavit in Cravena, in terra nebulosa et pluviosa, ita quod segetes jam albæ ad messem, per consuetudinem in culmo computrescant, et ubi conventus per quadraginta annos et amplius, propter aeris intemperiem, inedia, et omnium necessariorum inopia, attritus est, quod paupertatis eorum universitas, in contumeliam, et opprobrium patris mei, et omnium hæredum suorum redundat. Tandem verò cognita eorum paupertate, et causa paupertatis, per considerationem domini Clarevallensis abbatis et abbatum visitatorum, provisum fuit, ut memorata abbatia aut penitus destrueretur, aut per advocatum ejusdem loci, in aliquo ei, unde honestè sustentari possit, misericorditer provideretur. Inde est quod spiritu Dei proveeta, et tacta dolore cordis intrinsecus, præfatæ abbatiae destructione, tunc super prædictæ abbatiae destructione tunc super prædicti conventus miseria, et tam victus quam vestitus inopia intollerabili; nolensque elemosinam patris mei pro toto deperire: invocato nomine

Pathorn, Remington, &c. Pat. 15 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 5. de reddit. xx. marc. exeunte emaner. de Giseburn. Ibid. m. 15. pro ten. in Remington, Oxtun, Swindon, et Stanford.

"Claus. 28 Hen. VI. m. 5 d. de dimiss. terrarum in Insula de Axholm et in Stockwith."

See also Rot. Hundr. vol. i. p. 111. Plac. de quo war. p. 380.

sanctæ Trinitatis et vivificæ crucis Dei, et Domini salvatoris nostri Jesu Christi, sanctæque Dei genetricis Mariæ, in die annunciationis Dominicæ, consilio domini Juliani Igniascensis, et domini Willielmi de Mortuomari abbatum visitorum; præsentem, et assensum præbentem domino Nicholao persona ecclesiæ de Tatecastre, et consilio domini Willielmi Vavasoris, et aliorum virorum, et fidelium meorum, et totius curiæ meæ, Deo propitio, de ejusdem domus relevatione cœpi diligentius tractare, et quoniam in mente et proposito, ex longinquo habueram, ecclesiam beatæ Mariæ de Tattecastre ad viros religiosos transferre, ejusdem ecclesiæ beneficia, in usus bonos, et salubres, per gratiam, et misericordiam Jesu Christi convertere, communi omnium consilio, et assensu eandem ecclesiam beatæ Mariæ de Tattecastre, cum capella de Heslewode, et cum annua pensione ecclesiæ de Neuthon, et cum omnibus appenditiis, et libertatibus, ad præfatam ecclesiam beatæ Mariæ de Tatecastre pertinentibus; et unam carucatam terræ in Catthona, in qua secundum carnem nata fui, libera et soluta, et quietam ab omni servitio seculari, et ab omni operatione, et omni re ad terram pertinente, Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Salleia obtuli, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in liberam, in puram, et perpetuam elemosinam dedi, et concessi, et præsentem cartam meam confirmavi, ad præfatam abbatiam perpetuo in servitio Dei, et in conventus victus et vestitus administratione, et in pauperum, et peregrinorum susceptione, caritativè sustentandum, pro salute animæ meæ, et Willielmi comitis Warwieh, quondam sponsi mei, et carissimi domini nostri Henrici illustris Anglorum regis, et pro anima patris mei Willielmi de Percy, et Adalidis de Tunbrige matris meæ, et Alani de Percy fratris mei, et Agnetis sororis meæ, et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum, et omnium benefactorum præfatæ abbatiae. Quare volo quod antedicta abbatia, præfata omnia, ita liberè et plenariè, integrè, et honorificè possideat, sicut elemosina liberius dari et possideri potest. Et ego et hæredes mei perpetuo ea præfatis monachis garantizabimus, et contra omnes homines, sicut libera elemosina adquietabimus. Hiis testibus, Juliano Igniacensi, Willielmo de Mortuomari, Bernardo Rievallis, Gaufrido Novi-Monasterii abbatibus, Nicholao persona de Tatecastre, Petro de Ros, Gaufrido de Perci, Malgero de Gisburne personis, Willielmo Vavasore, Roberto et Malgero filiis ejus, Richardo Vavasore, Nigello de Plumptre, Nigello de Stockelde, Gilberto senescallo comitissæ, et multis aliis.

NUM. VI.

Confirmatio Agnetis de Percy de Ecclesia de Tadecaster, et pastura C. quadraginta ovibus in Litton de dono suo.

[Ibid. fol. 111.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Agnes de Percy salutem. Seiatis me divinæ pietatis intuitu, et pro salute animæ meæ et charissimi domini nostri regis Henrici et reginæ Alienoræ et Jocelini de Lodein quondam sponsi mei, et Willielmi de Percy patris mei et Adelidis de Tunebrigge matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum, concessisse et præsentem cartam confirmasse, Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Sallay et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, donationem ecclesiæ de Tadecaster, quam Matildis comitissa de Warwieke soror mea eis fecit, ita plenè et integrè, liberè et quietè, sicut in carta prædictæ sororis meæ (cujus ego legitima et propria hæres sum) plenius continetur. Præterea dedi præfatæ abbatiae de Sallay quam pater meus fundavit, concessi et præsentem cartam meam confirmavi, in pastura de Litton, ut habeant ibi ex propria donatione mea centum quadraginta oves. Et ego et hæredes mei præfatis monachis hanc cartam warrantizabimus. Hiis testibus, Rogero Arund. W. de Percy, W. de Murers, Richardo de Hadlai, B. de Gargrave, et aliis.

NUM. VII.

Carta Agnetis de Percy.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, hoc scriptum audituris vel visuris, Agnes de Percy salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me concessisse et præsentem cartam meam confirmasse, Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Sallay, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, duas bovatas terræ cum pertinentiis suis in Litton, et pasturam ad sexcentas oves in

eadem villa: illas scilicet bovatas, quas ego Ricardo Malchis nepoti meo pro homagio et servitio donavi, quas scilicet bovatas terræ prædictus Richardus prædictis monachis in puram et perpetuam et liberam elemosinam donavit, habendas et tenendas adeò liberè et quietè, sicut carta ipsius Ricardi testatur. Et ut hæc etiam concessio et confirmatio rata et stabilis inperpetuum permaneat, tam præsentis scripti serie, quam sigilli mei appositione confirmavi. Hiis testibus, R. Vavasore, et Malgerio, fratre ejus, Rob. de Mara, et aliis.

NUM. VIII.

Carta ejusdem Agnetis de Percy.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris, Agnes de Percy salutem. Seiatis me divinæ pietatis intuitu, et pro salute animæ meæ, et charissimi domini mei regis Henrici, et Jocelini de Lovein quondam sponsi mei, et Willielmi Percy patris et Adelidis de Tunebrig matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum, concessisse, et præsentem cartam meam confirmasse, Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Sallay, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, donationem ecclesiæ de Tadecaster, quam Matilda comitissa Warwicensis soror mea eis fecit, ita plenè, et integrè, liberè, et quietè, sicut in carta prædictæ sororis meæ, cujus ego legitima et proxima hæres sum, plenius continetur. Præterea dedi præfato abbati de Sallay quam pater meus fundavit, concessi, et præsentem cartam meam confirmavi in pastura de Litton, ut habeant ibi ex propria donatione mea centum et quadraginta oves: et ego, et hæredes mei præfatis monachis hanc cartam warrantizabimus. Hiis testibus, Rogero Arundell, W. de Percy, W. de Murers, Rad. de Hadelay, B. de Gaergrave, et aliis.

NUM. IX.

Carta quarta primi Willielmi de Percy.

[Ibid. fol. 145 b.]

IN nomine sanctæ Trinitatis, domino Eboracensi archiepiscopo, et omni capitulo sancti Petri Eborum, omnibusque sanctæ ecclesiæ fidelibus, præsentibus et futuris Willielmus de Percy salutem. Notum sit vobis omnibus, me, communi consilio et consensu Adelidæ uxoris meæ, et Alani hæredis mei, concessisse et dedisse, et hæc præsentem cartam confirmasse perpetua libertate et inviolabili jure Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Sallay quam ego ipse fundavi, villas istas, videlicet ipsam Sallayam, Dudelant, Crocum, Elwinesthorp, et Stainton pro amore Dei et salute domini regis et hæredum suorum, et pro redemptione animæ meæ et uxoris meæ, et heredis mei, et pro animabus patris et matris meæ, fratrum, sororum, parentum, dominorum, et omnium amicorum meorum, eunetorumque fidelium defunctorum. Et præterea concedo et confirmo prædictis monachis duas bovatas terræ in Illelaya, cum toftis et croftis et sartis eisdem terris pertinentibus ex donatione Roberti filii Fulgonis, et Strophescroft et Ackestales ex dono Widonis de Humez, ut stabilita et illibata permaneant et in æternum perseverent cum omnibus ad omnia supradicta pertinentibus in terris et aquis, in silvis et planis, in pascuis et pratis, et in omnibus necessitatibus humanæ usibus, solutas, quietas et liberas, sicut sanctam Christi altaris hostiam, ab omnibus terrenis servitiis, et absque universis secularibus exactionibus: et ne aliquis ullam molestiam abbati vel monachis prædicti monasterii inferre præsumat, aut ullas in aliqua re exactiones exigat, seu servitia aliqua ex eis exactet, sed sub perenni pace et quiete, Domino adjuvante, absque ullius gravamine, omnia quæ hic inserta habentur, rata et inconeussa illa permaneant, et sine omni perturbatione et vexatione, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam possideant, quatenus monachi in cœnobio supradicto, Deo secundum regulam sancti Benedicti liberè deservire valeant, et fideliter pro nobis orare queant nobisque pro rata donatione illa verò propria et sancta observatione mereas in perpetua compensetur beatitudine. Testibus subscriptis, in quorum audientia hæc carta facta lecta et concessa fuit, in magno placito apud Tadecaster, Alano de Percy filio et hærede Willielmi de Percy, Roberto de Percy, Roberto dapifero, filio Roberti dapiferi, G. cancellario filio Fulconis, R. cap. . . . de Samer, et multis aliis.

NUM. X.

Carta Roberti Dapiferi, &c.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris Robertus Dapifer Willielmi de Percy, salutem et reverentiam debitam. Notum sit omnibus has literas legentibus vel audientibus, quod ego Robertus Dapifer Willielmi de Perci, concessi et dedi duas bovatas in Illeclat cum duabus sartis, et omnibus ad eas pertinentibus, ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de monte sancti Andreæ Sallay, et abbati et fratribus ibidem Deo servientibus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam solutas et quietas ab omnibus terrenis servitiis et consuetudinibus, pro salute animæ meæ, et pro animabus patris et matris meæ, et omnium parentum meorum. Hujus concessionis et donationis testes sunt, Martinus Robertus clericus, Gregorius clericus, Willielmus præpositus de Thorp-ton, et alii multi.

NUM. XI.

Carta Roysæ de Kimbe de duabus Bovatis, &c.

[Ibid. fol. 146.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ, (&c.) Roysa uxor Simonis de Kima salutem. Noverint me pro salute animæ meæ et patris et matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum, in propria viduitate mea, dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Sallay, duas bovatas in Ylleclay cum duobus croftis et toftis propinquioribus terræ suæ, quam habent de dono patris mei versus suth in eadem villa, cum omnibus pertinentiis, libertatibus et communis, infra villam et extra ad tantam terram pertinentibus, tenendas et habendas de me et hæredibus mei in puram et perpetuam elemosinam liberè et quietè, sicut aliqua elemosina liberiùs et quietius dari aut teneri potest. Concessi etiam eisdem monachis et hominibus supra terras has manentibus, molere bladum suum ad molendinum meum de Illeclai, ad vicesimum vasculum. Et si contigerit quod per abundantiam, aquam vel aliquo defectu ipsius molendini ad prædictum molendinum molere non valuerint, ubicunque voluerint sine molestia et exactione de me et meis molere poterunt. Præterea confirmavi eisdem monachis omnes terras quas habent de dono patris mei, et Traveker quod habent de dono Simonis de Kyma sponsi mei in prædicta villa, sicut cartæ eorum quas inde habent testantur. Et ego et hæredes mei hæc omnia prædicta præfatis monachis contra omnes warrantizabimus et defendemus in perpetuum. Testibus, Philippo de Kima filio meo et herede, Thoma de Multon, et Lamberto filio ejus, Simone de Dribi, et aliis.

NUM. XII.

Finalis Concordia de Manerio de Stainton, &c.

[Ibid.]

HÆC est finalis concordia facta in curia domini regis apud Westmonasterium in crastino ascensionis Domini, anno regni regis Edwardi filii regis Henrici sexto, coram magistro Rogero de Scyton, magistro Radulpho de Frenygham, Thoma Weylond, Johanne de Lovetot, et Rogero de Leicestriâ justiciariis, et aliis domini regis fidehbus tunc ibi præsentibus; inter Thomam abbatem de Seleby petentem per Radulphum de Scotton, positum loco suo ad lucrandum vel perdendum, et Thomam abbatem de Sallay tenentem, per Richardum de Bouroland positum in loco suo ad lucrandum vel perdendum, de manerio de Stainton in Craven cum pertinentiis, unde placitum fuit inter eos in eadem curia; scilicet quod prædictus abbas de Seleby recognovit prædictum manerium cum pertinentiis, scilicet quicquid idem abbas de Sallay, et ecclesia sua de Sallay tenuerunt in eodem manerio de feodo ipsius abbatis de Saleby, die quo hæc concordia facta fuit, esse jus ipsius abbatis de Sallay, et ecclesiæ suæ de Sallay, habendum et tenendum eidem abbati de Sallay, et successoribus suis, et ecclesiæ suæ prædictæ de prædicto abbate de Saleby et successoribus suis, et ecclesiæ suæ prædictæ, imperpetuum; reddendo inde per annum apud Saleby quadraginta solidos sterlingorum, scilicet medietatem ad Pentecostem et alteram medietatem ad festum sancti Martini in

yceme pro omni servitio et exactione. Et pro hac recognitione fine et concordia, idem abbas de Sallay dedit prædicto abbati de Seleby unum spervarium sorum.

NUM. XIII.

Carta Ro. Archiepiscopi Eboracensis Confirmationis, &c.

[Ibid.]

Ro. Dei gratia universis, &c. sanctæ matris, &c. salutem. Ad pontificalis officii dignitatem constat pertinere, ea quæ ecclesiis a fidelibus justè collata fuisse noscuntur, vel in futurum, Deo authore, conferentur, auctoritate sua confirmare, et ut in perpetuum stabilia perseverent scripti sui munimine roborare. Inde est quod nos omnes possessiones quas ecclesia de Saleya donatione Willielmi de Percy, et Henrici de Lacy vel aliorum fidelium juste adeptæ est, vel in futurum justis modis poterit adipisci, necnon et terram quam tenent de abbacia de Seleby, sicut carta capellani de Seleby testatur, eidem ecclesiæ confirmavimus, et in perpetuum inconcussas conservari præcipimus: quas propriis duximus exprimendas vocabulis. De Willielmo de Percy, villam de Sallay, ubi abbacia fundata est, et omnia ad prædictam villam pertinentia; villas etiam istas Dundelant, Crocum, Elwinthorp. De Normanno filio Uctredi, unam carucatam terræ in Rimmington. De Roberto filio Fulconis dapiferi Willielmi de Percy, duas bovatas terræ in Ylleclay. De Henrico de Lacy saltus qui jacent contra abbatiæ. De abbacia de Seleby, villam de Stantuna, cum omnibus ad omnia supradicta pertinentibus, in terris, in aquis, et silvis, et planis, et pascuis, et pratis cum omni libertate, et absque omni seculari exactione, sicut cartæ Willielmi et aliorum supradictorum testantur. Si quis autem hanc nostræ confirmationis paginam, sciens contra eam temerè venire tentaverit, indignationem Dei omnipotentis et beatorum apostolorum Petri et Pauli se noverit incursum. Cunctis autem eidem loco sua jura servantibus, sit pax Domini nostri Jhesu Christi, quatenus et hic fructum bonæ actionis percipiant, et apud districtum judicem præmia æternæ pacis inveniant. Hujus nostræ confirmationis testes sunt, Johannes et Jordanus canonici Eborum, Willielmus capellanus, Jeremias, Rogerus Hurel, Petrus de Carthason, Nicholaus Archer, et alii.

NUM. XIV.

Confirmacio Willielmo Vavator de, &c.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, &c. Willielmus Vavator salutem. Noverit universitas vestra, me concessisse et præsentī carta mea confirmasse, Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Sallay, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus omnes donationes, scilicet, quas eis fecit pater meus Malgerus Vavator, in terris et rebus aliis, specialiter et molendinum de Huneftlet, dimidiam carucatam terræ in eadem villa, cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis, et omnes terras quas dedit eis in territorio de Boulton et de Wincrdlay cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in bosco et in plano, pratis et pascuis, et aquis et molendinis, et omnibus aliis libertatibus et aisiamentis. Confirmo etiam eis v. carucas terræ, in villa et in territorio de Halton, cum sartis et pratis, et nemoribus et pasturis, cum omnibus aliis libertatibus et aisiamentis, sicut in carta Adæ de Crideliger, et in carta patris mei quas inde habent continentur. Optuli etiam hanc confirmationem meam una cum corpore meo, super altare beatæ Mariæ de Sallay. Ita quod si infra regnum Angliæ in fata cessero, in domo de Sallay sepulturam habebo. Et ego et hæredes mei prænominatam concessionem et confirmationem warrantizabimus contra omnes homines. Testibus, Simone de Hale, Roberto de Percy, R. Vavator, &c.

NUM. XV.

Carta Malgeri Vavator de Molendino de Huneftlet, &c.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT omnes tam præsentēs quam futuri, quod ego Malgerus Vavator et hæredes mei, pro querela quam abbas et conventus de Sallay mihi moverunt super elemosinam patris mei Willielmi Vavator, scilicet de molendino de Huneftlet, et de triginta marcis argenti, et de dimidia carucata terræ, et sexdecim acris in Aswid unde placitum fuit inter nos in curia domini regis, annuatim quinque marcas

argenti in eodem molendino de Hunflet, dimidiam ad Pentecostem et dimidiam ad festum sancti Martini fideliter et legaliter, et sine dolo et malo ingenio, Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Sallay et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus pro salvanda elemosina patris mei, et pro salute animæ meæ, et pro salute animarum nostrarum, et omnium antecessorum, in perpetuum persolvemus. Et sciendum, quod si prædictas quinque marcas, ego vel hæredes mei aliquo eventu in eodem molendino persolvere non poterimus; de cæteris terris meis quinque marcas ad eosdem terminos perficiemus. Hanc autem quinque marcarum solutionem in prædictis terminis firmiter et fideliter, et sine fraude aliqua perpetuo tenendam de me et hæredibus meis, ego Malgerus in manu Alberti de Longo-Campo tunc vicecomitis Eboracensis affidavi; et abbas et conventus de Sallay versa vice, mihi et hæredibus meis totum quietum clamaverunt quicquid juris in Wlsingtona et in dimidia carucata terræ in Orton de venditione mea et uxoris meæ Agnetis habuerunt. Testibus, H. Dunelmensi episcopo, et Rogero filio Reinfridi, Osberto de Longo-campo, et aliis multis.

NUM. XVI.

Carta Malgeri Vavasor, de Halton.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus Malgerus Vavasor salutem. Noverit universitas vestra quod ego resignavi et quietam clamavi de me et hæredibus meis, abbati et monasterio de Sallay, molendina sua cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in Hunflet, quæ habent de dono patris mei W. Vavasor et ego Malgerus tenui de prædictis monachis ad firmam pro quinque marcis annuis; et quoniam iidem monachi resignaverunt et concesserunt mihi et hæredibus meis terram suam in Aswid quam habuerunt de dono Richardi de Otrington, et Walteri de Denton, tenendam et habendam cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in perpetuum: Ego Malgerus dedi etiam dictis monachis, totam terram meam cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in Halton, tenendam et habendam in perpetuam elemosinam; et ego et hæredes mei warrantizabimus et defendemus omnia prædicta præfatis monachis in perpetuum. Testibus, Olivero de Bugele, Waltero de Stokeld, Helia de Boulton, et aliis.

NUM. XVII.

Carta Ricardi de Otrington de dimidia Carucata Terræ, &c.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, &c. Ric. de Otrington, salutem. Notum sit universitati vestræ me licentia et concessione hæredis mei et domini mei, scilicet Henrici filii Ipoliti, concessisse et dedisse præsentique carta confirmasse Deo et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Sallay dimidiam carucatam terræ in Aswit, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in terris et aquis, in planis et silvis, in pascuis et pratis, in toftis et in croftis, et in omni qualitate eidem terræ pertinentibus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, solutam et quietam de me et de omnibus hæredibus meis, absque omni seculari servitio, et exactione, excepto quod dimidia carucata faciet forinsecum servitium quantum pertinet ad vicesimam octavam partem unius militis Henrico filio Hipoliti. Ad hæc omnia prædictis monachis manutenenda et warrantizanda, ego et hæredes mei, in manu domini Alani de Hiadune fide firmavimus; et ut hoc liberior libentiusque facerem, dederunt mihi præfati monachi in caritate sexdecim marcas argenti. Hujus confirmationis testes hi, R. sacerdos de Yelleclay, Henricus filius Ypoliti, Hugo frater ejus, et alii multi.

NUM. XVIII.

Carta Roberti de Laci.

[Ibid. fol. 56.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris, Robertus de Laci salutem. Sciatis me dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentique carta mea confirmasse Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Sallay, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, totam illam terram ultra fluvium de Ribell de contra abbatiam in bosco et plano quod R. Baret quandoque de me tenuit, scilicet tri-

ginta acras, pro salute animæ meæ, et Sabinae sponsæ meæ, et omnium antecessorum meorum, et hæredum meorum. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio ut prædicti monachi jam dictam terram habeant et teneant, bene et quietè, plenè et integrè, liberè et honorificè, cum omnibus libertatibus et aisiamentis ad liberam elemosinam pertinentibus, sicut aliqua elemosina liberior dari et concedi potest. Et sciendum quod omnes dumos in eadem terra memorati monachi sertare possint, exceptis illis, qui in cilio montis sunt, quos ad operandum abbati volumus reservare. Hiis testibus, Nicholao capellano, Galfrido Maunsel de Grillington, Henrico de Mungar, et aliis.

NUM. XIX.

Carta Johannis Constabularii Cestriæ.

[Ibid. fol. 57.]

JOHANNES de Lacy, constabularius Cestriæ, dilecto et fideli suo G. de Dutton, seneschallo suo salutem. Scias quod sicut prolocutum fuit inter nos quando fuimus in partibus illis, nos reddidisse abbati et monachis de Sallay, centum acras terræ in Akerland, cum pertinentiis contentis in carta patris nostri Roberti de Laci, exceptis triginta acris, quas Richardus de Bolton tenet de eisdem. Quare vobis mandamus, quatinus visis literis, facias mensurari sexaginta decem acras, incipiendo à prædictis triginta acris, extra terram monachorum et inde iisdem monachis plenariam facias seisinam. Scias tamen quod prædicti monachi concesserunt nobis quod homines qui modo sedent super terram illam, usque in æstatem proximam sustinebunt. Datum apud Pontemfractum in octavis sancti Martini, anno Dominicæ incarnationis millesimo ducentesimo vigesimo tertio.

NUM. XX.

Carta Regis Stephani.

[Ex vetusta membrana in Turre S. Mariæ Ebor.]

STEPHANUS rex Anglorum archiepiscopo Eboracensi, et justiciariis, et vicecomiti, et ministris et baronibus, et omnibus fidelibus suis Eboracensi salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et præsentique carta confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ de Salleya, se Benedicto abbati et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in perpetuam elemosinam, donationem, quam Willielmus de Percy eis fecit de Sallea, et Dudeland, et Elwinestorp, et Crocum, et servitium de Steintona. Præterea confirmo eis donationem illam quam Normanus filius Uctredi eis fecit de una carucata terræ in Rimintona, et illam donationem quam Robertus dapifer ejus eis fecit in Illeclea, et quam Henricus de Laci eis fecit de landis quæ jacent contra abbatiam suam. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio quod supradicta ecclesia et monachi ibidem Deo servientes hæc supradicta omnia bene et in pace, et libere habeant et teneant in perpetuam elemosinam, sicut Willielmus de Percy, et Henricus de Laci eis illa dederunt, et cartis suis confirmaverunt, et libera et quietam de omni seculari servitio et exactione. Testibus, Hugone episcopo Dunelmensi, et Richardo de Luci, et Hugone de Essartis, apud Eboracum.

NUM. XXI.

Carta Henrici de Puteaco, filii Matildis de Percy, de toto Stochedale.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Henricus de Puteaco salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et præsentique cartâ meâ confirmasse Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Salleia, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, totam Stochedale, in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ, et Adelidis de Percy matris meæ, et Dionisiæ sponsæ meæ, et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum sicut in cartis Richardi de Morevill, et Willielmi de Percy plenius continetur, &c.

NUM. XXII.

Genealogia Perciorum.

[Ex vetusta membrana in Turri B. Mariæ Ebor.]

WILLIELMUS de Percy dictus ove le Gernouns venit in Angliam cum Conquestore, et ipse genuit Alanum de Percy sepultum apud Radings. De Alano processit Willielmus,

qui quidem Willielmus fundavit abbatiam de Sallay et genuit Alanum, Matildem, et Agnetem, et sepultus est apud Whiteby. Alanus obiit sine hærede de corpore suo vivente patre suo, propter quod hæreditas dividebatur inter Matildem et Agnetem. Et Matilda prædicta fuit sponsata Willielmo comiti Warrewyk et qui obiit sine hærede de corpore suo exeunte vivente Agnete sorore sua; et prædicta Agnes fuit sponsata cuidam militi curiæ domini regis dicto Goselino Lovayn fratri Ducis Brabantiae. De qua genuit Henricum et Ricardum fratrem ejus. Qui quidem Ricardus quia vir animosus erat intravit in purpartiam matris suæ vivente matre sua de consilio regis et permissione matris suæ sine aliquo jure hæreditario, et petebat totam hæreditatem sororis matris suæ prædictæ, et sic tenuit ad vitam suam. Et prædictus Henricus in vita Agnetis matris suæ genuit Willielmum, cui post mortem Agnetis aviæ suæ et Ricardi avunculi sui descendebat tota hæreditas integraliter; et iste Willielmus sepultus est apud Sallay. Et idem Willielmus genuit Henricum de Percy, Walterum, Willielmum, et Ingeramum. Et idem Henricus hæres et primogenitus ipsius Willielmi genuit Willielmum, Johannem, et Henricum, et sepultus est juxta patrem suum apud Sallay. Willielmus primogenitus obiit sine hærede de corpore suo, et descendit hæreditas Johanni tanquam fratri et hæredi, qui quidem Johannes obiit sine hærede, et sic descendebat hæreditas prædicto Henrico fratri suo, qui dedit abbatiae de Sallay advocacionem ecclesiæ de Gairgrave, et sepultus est apud Fontes. Et iste Henricus genuit Henricum et Willielmum. Qui quidem Henricus sponsavit Idoniam de Clifford, de quo genuit Henricum, et Willielmum, et Ricardum, Alianoram, Matildem et Isabellam. Iste Henricus primogenitus sponsavit Mariam filiam domini Henrici comitis Lancastriæ. De qua natus est Henricus primogenitus suus, decimo die mensis Novembris, anno Domini millesimo trecentesimo quadragesimo primo, et Thomas secundus filius.

NUM. XXIII.

Deprædatio et Combustio Abbatiae de Salleya per Scotorum exercitum.

[Ex Chron. de Whaley. V. de cart. 55 H. III. membr. 8.]

SANCTISSIMO patri in Christo et domino, domino J. divina providentia sacrosanctæ Romanæ ac universalis ecclesiæ summo pontifici, suus devotus filius E. Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. cum devotione pedum oscula beatorum. Cum non modicum arbitremur esse pietatis obsequium, honestos viros, religiosorum mores, et pia opera, digno testimonio veritatis extollere, ac pauperum ministrorum Christi defectus, et inopias maximas personis dignis et potentibus, sub spe recuperationis habendæ studiosius intimare, hinc auribus vestræ pietatis, fidei relatione, referimus per præsentem, quod monasterium de Salleya in Cravene, in Anglia, ordinis Cisterciensis, Eboracensis diocesis, quasi in abjectionibus, et ultimis totius regni nostri finibus, versus mare Hybernicum, in patria scilicet mirabiliter silvestri, et montuosa, ac nimia tempestatum frequentia, ferè sterili et infructuosa fundatum et scitatum, ex multis causis, et variis eventibus infortunis, maximè tamen, præ crudeli et inhumana omnium bonorum suorum mobilium deprædatione, ac quorundam locorum suorum horribili nimis combustione, quam in eos malignus Scotorum exercitus, per totam illam patriam (nobis absentibus) diffusus, nuper exercuit, ad tam profundam paupertatem, et inopiam desperatam, præter omnimodam occasionem suam, sint deducti, ac sine spe respirationibus suppedi-

tati, ut nec ad suam propriam sustentationem, sicut deteret religiosos viros, et oporteret; nec ad confluentium ad eos, pauperum peregrinorum, et hospitum caritativam administrationem nisi citiùs eisdem subveniatur, de cætero, valere poterint vel sufficere; quod nobilis vir dominus Henricus de Perci miles, et baro præfati patronus monasterii oculata fide, perpendens et dolorosa pietate cordis commotus, intrinsecus, suique conventus expirationem, et progenitorum suorum elemosinam in alendis pauperibus, peregrinisque suscipiendis, non sustinens deperire, inspirante Deo, abbati et conventui monasterii prædicti, jus patronatus, et advocacionem ecclesiæ de Gergrave in spe appropriationis impetrandæ, pro dictis piis operibus finaliter sustinendis, liberaliter contulit, et concessit. Ad quam tandem semel vacantem, et scriptis nostris confirmatam, præfati abbas et conventus, ut veri patroni, et advocati legitimè præsentarunt. Quapropter vestræ piæ paternitati, cum affectione, et humilitate qua possumus, devotè supplicamus, et attentè, quatenus dictorum monachorum nostrorum defectus, et extremas paupertates oculis vestræ bonitatis et compassionis intuentes, eisdem in sua petitione coram vestra dominatione prosequenda, intuitu Dei, et istarum precumstrarum instantia, ad præsens si placet, favorabiles existere dignemini, et gratiosi, ut dictam ecclesiam in proprios usus optinendam, cedente, vel decedente rectore, de gratia vestra speciali, vestra clementia eisdem concedere dignetur, et gratiosè conferre.

NUM. XXIV.

John Danere admitted for ever to partake of the prayers and good works of the monks of Sallay, and a mass to be constantly said for him and his relations.

[Stevens, Contin. Monast. vol. ii. pp. 49, 50.]

BE it known to all men by these presents, that we brother John abbat of Salley, and the convent of the same place, of the Cistercian order, in the diocese of York, considering in our beloved in Christ, John Danere and his progenitors, the charitable subventions made to our monastery, and the sincere ever availing devotions conceived in the same monastery, for the reverence of the glorious Virgin, in honor of whom it is founded, and the great confidence of their salvation which they have placed in our prayers, being excited by these pressing stings of charity, we have with unanimous consent, of our own will, gratis, and of our free motion, granted to the aforesaid John, to partake of all the good works which the goodness of our Saviour shall vouchsafe to perform by us, or the monks of the said house, to the end of the world. Adding, and of our special grace, that some monk of our house shall for ever be assigned to celebrate, especially for the aforesaid John and his kindred, William Barthaël, Thomas Malghum, John Malghum, Anabella Mhalghum, all their progenitors, and the souls of all faithful departed, excepting those weeks and times when the aforesaid monk is obliged to say his masses according to the rule of his order. And lest our aforesaid charitable grant should be obstructed, forgotten, or which God forbid, totally omitted by our successors, we do firmly oblige ourselves, and our successors, to observe the same in future times for ever, under the determination of the divine judgement, and being liable to be compelled by our visitor, and by any other ordinary superior judge of our order aforesaid. In testimony whereof we have affixed our Common Seal to these presents. Given in our Chapter House, on the feast of St. Peter ad Vincula, in the year of our Lord 1377.

Rufford, Ruchford, Rutherford, or Rumford Abbey, IN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.



RUFFORD ABBEY was founded by Gilbert, Earl of Lincoln, according to the Manuscript Chronicle of Louth Park, in 1146, according to the Chester Chronicle, cited in the Appendix, in 1148.^a It was dedicated to the honour of the Virgin Mary, and was supplied with inhabitants by a colony from Rievaulx Abbey.^b This monastery was at first endowed with all the lands of Rufford,

and thirty acres upon the bank of the river Trent, as also the lands of Cratel, and others at Barton and Wilgeby.^c Robert de Gaunt, the brother of the founder, in a shorter charter, testified that his brother had given to the abbey all his lordship of Hering.^d The other benefactors were Hugh, the son of Ralph de Wilchebi, Thomas, son-in-law to Robert Filioll, John Burdon, Thomas de Bella-aqua, Avicia, the daughter of Amice de Stoke, and Gilbert de Stoke, who gave various smaller parcels of land, which will be found enumerated in their respective charters.^e All these grants, with some others mentioned in his charter, were confirmed by King Henry III.^f Another confirmation is extant of the 21st of Edw. III.^g

ABBATS of RUFFORD.

PHILIP DE KYME, abbat of Rugeford, occurs as witness to a charter of Gilbert, Earl of Lincoln, already printed in the Appendix to Pontefract Monastery. He was probably the first.

GUNFRIDUS was abbat "*t. Clementiæ de Filgeriis Comitissæ Cestriæ.*"^h

WILLIAM, 43 Hen. III.ⁱ

GALFRID.^k

SIMON, *t.* Hen. III. or Edw. I.^l

HENRY DE TRING occurs 7 kal. June 1315.^m

ELIAS, in the 5th Edw. III.ⁿ

ROBERT DE MAPELBECK received the commission for his benediction Aug. 2d, 1352.^o

THOMAS professed obedience as abbat Sept. 6th, 1366.^p

JOHN DE HARLESAY professed obedience Nov. 28th, 1372.^q Another

^a See the heading of the Appendix to the present account.

^b Tann. Notit. Monast. *Notit.* xvi.

^c See the charter Num. I.

^d Num. II.

^e Numm. III. IV.

^f Num. V.

^g Cart. antiq. Harl. Brit. Mus. 83 H. 36. per Inspex.

The following are the entries of the property of Rufford Abbey in the Taxation of 1291.

"*Dioc. Linc. Temporal. in Decanat. Grafhou 1l. 3s. Grymesby 6d. Jordeburch 3l. 7s. Hoyland 5s. Summa 5l. 1s.*"

"*Dioc. Coventr. et Lichf. Apud Abbeneye et Greytlechesfeld 10s. Ibid. de profic. stauri per annum 2l. Apud Brampton de redd. assis. 6s. 8d. Summa 2l. 16s. 8d.*"

"*Dioc. Ebor. In Archid. Nott. 110l. 5s.*"

Making a total revnue of 118l. 2s. 8d. See the Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 72, 262, 312.

^h MS. Cole, Brit. Mus. vol. xl. p. 87.

ⁱ Cart. antiq. Harl. 112 F. 38.

^k Ibid. 112 F. 37.

^l MS. Cole, Brit. Mus. vol. xl. p. 87.

^m Harl. MS. 6970, p. 243.

ⁿ Cart. antiq. Harl. 112 F. 42.

^o Harl. MS. 6971, p. 161.

^p Harl. MS. 6972, p. 20.

^q Ibid.

^r Harl. MS. 6969, p. 78.

^s Harl. MS. 6972, fol. 24 b.

^t Ibid. fol. 30 b.

^u Ibid.

^v Ibid. fol. 31.

^w Ibid. fol. 45.

^x See the Valor, Num. VI.

^y Ibid.

RUFFORD.

[From a Paper Survey annexed to the Ministers' Account 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

Rufford.	£.	s.	d.
In arrabill lands and leye 304 acres, prec. acre 4d.	5	1	4
Item in pasture 140 acres, prec. acre 12d.	7	0	0

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JOHN professed obedience as abbat Feb. 8th, 1394;^r perhaps this was JOHN DE FARNESFELD, upon whose cession

ROBERT DE WELLES was elected June 12th, 1421.^s

ROBERT WARTHILL was the next abbat, upon whose death

WILLIAM CRESSWELL was confirmed Oct. 14th, 1456.^t Upon his cession

JOHN POWMFRET, or POWNTFRET, was elected, April 14th, 1458.^u On his death

JOHN LILLY was elected, May 22d, 1462.^x

ROLLAND BLITON had a commission to receive the benediction as abbat, Sept. 21st, 1476.^y

THOMAS DONCASTER was the last abbat.^z

In the 26th of Henry the Eighth, Rufford Abbey was stated to have a gross income amounting to 254l. 6s. 8d. The clear revenue was 176l. 11s. 6d.^a

The House and Site of Rufford Abbey, with all buildings and lands belonging to it, viz. three hundred and four acres of arable, and six hundred and forty of pasture, and sixty of meadow, and three water-mills, with the whole fishing, were, by indenture, under the Great Seal of the Court of Augmentations, bearing date March 20th, 28 Hen. VIII., demised to Sir John Markham, knt. and his assigns, for twenty-one years from the feast of St. Michael, then next following, paying 22l. 8s. per annum. In the 29th, however, of King Henry the Eighth, the same king, by his letters patent, exchanged this house and site, together with other lands, with George, Earl of Shrewsbury, for certain castles, lordships, and manors in Ireland. The possession of the site afterwards descended to the Saviles.^b

Tanner refers to three REGISTERS of Rufford Abbey.

1. "Registrum penes . . . Strelley mil. A. D. 1633.

2. "Registrum penes Sam. Roper de Kirkby monach. in com. Warw.

3. "Apographum Registri Cartarum per dom. Joan. abbatem compilati A. D. 1471. MS. in illustris. bibl. Harleyana num. 1603."

The last is the only one to which the present Editors of the Monasticon have had access.^c

Tanner's other manuscript references will be found in the note.^d

	£.	s.	d.
Item in medowc 60 acres, prec. acre 18d.	4	10	0
Item 3 water mylls there	4	6	8
Item the fisshinge there by yere	0	10	0
Item the scyte of the monastery there by yere	1	0	0
Summa	22	8	0

^b See Thoroton's Nottingham. edit. 1677, p. 434.

^c This Register was presented to Lord Oxford by Mr. Anstis. It begins "*Liber Sanctæ Mariæ de Ruffordia. Hic incipit registrum compilatum a dompno Johanne Abbate Mon. B. M. de Ruffordia. Anno Domini millesimo cccc.lxxj.º de cartis sive munimentis præfato monasterio concernentibus. 11 Edw. IV.*" It is written on paper upon a hundred and eighty-eight leaves in folio.

^d Viz. "Vide MS. Harl. 1499. fol. 42. of the founder of the abbey. Ibid. 6111, fol. 168. grant of lands from Eustatius Rospear.

"In bibl. Bodl. MS. Dodsworth, vol. xxv. fol. 99. cartam Hen. II.

"*Cartas quasdam penes illustris. Thomam Ducem Norfolkiciæ, A. D. 1709. penes Petrum le Neve arm. Norroy, A. D. 1717.*"

"Cart. antiq. 18 Hen. II. CC. n.

"Claus. 6 Joan. m. 7. pro tofto in Grimesby. Pat. 6 Joan. n. 42. pro tofto ibidem. Fin. 13 Joan. Mich. rot. pro terris in Egrom.

"Pat. 17 Hen. III. m. 5, n. 15. pro assart. bosci in Shirwode foresta. Cart. 36 Hen. III. m. 22. Eschaet. Nottingh. 36 Hen. III. n. 46. de libertatibus in foresta de Shirwode.

"Pat. 4 Edw. I. m. 28. de communia pasturæ in Barton super Humber. Plac. in com. Nottingh. 8 Edw. I. Assis. rot. 14. pro ten. in S. Muskham. Pat. 8 Edw. I. m. . de trenchia per terras suas in foresta de Shirwode. Cart. 13 Edw. I. n. 78, 80. pro libera warrenna in Cratelc, Eykering, Almeton, Kirketon, Tokesford, Foxholes, et Morton, Nottingh. Brampton et Brichefeld, Derb. Roderham et Carlecotes, Ebor.

An Impression on green wax of the SEAL of the abbat of Rufford is attached to an Instrument without date, in the Office of the Duchy of Lancaster; it represents an abbat, with his crozier in one hand, and a book in the other; the legend is SIGILLUM : ABBATIS : RVFFORDIE.

Subsequently to the Dissolution a mansion-house of considerable size was erected upon and engrafted into the REMAINS of Rufford Abbey. This edifice, preserved with religious care, still belongs to the Savilles, the present owner being the Hon. and Rev. John Saville.

Cartae ad Ruffordensem Abbatiam in agro Nottinghamensi spectantes; fundatam anno M.cxlviij^o.^a

NUM. I.

Carta Gilberti comitis Lincolniae.

[Ex registro de Rufford in com. Nott. penes . . . Strelley militem, anno 1633, fol. 17 b.]

GILBERTUS comes Lincolniae omnibus filiis sanctae ecclesiae salutem. Seiatis me dedisse et concessisse in perpetuam elemosinam Deo et sanctae Mariae de Rufford, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro anima patris mei et matris meae, et pro animabus omnium parentum meorum, scilicet totam terram de Rufford eum omnibus pertinentiis in boso et plano, in pratis et aquis, in molendinis et pasturis, in viis et semitis, et nominatim triginta aeras prati super ripam Trentae. Concedo etiam et do praedictis fratribus, totam terram de Cratela eum omnibus eidem terrae pertinentiis, in boso et plano, in pratis et aquis, molendinis et pasturis, in viis et semitis. Pro qua terra de Cratela ego dedi Radulpho filio Remigii in escambium totam terram meam de Torpe, ad tenendum de me et haeredibus meis, et unam carueatam terrae in Bartonae, et hoc bona voluntate et concessione Radulphi filii Remigii, et Hugonis filii ejus. Concessi adhuc eis, et dedi terram eultam et ineultam in territorio de Bartonae, ubi grangia eorum sita est, cum terris adjacentibus, per divisas, et metas ibi designatas, et communem pasturam in duabus bovatis terrae in Wilgeby, quas Radulphus Silvanus tenuit de me. Omnes istas terras et tenementa dedi et concessi praefatis monachis de Rufford, liberas et quietas ab omnibus terrenis servitiis, et consuetudinibus imperpetuum. His testibus, Philippo dapifero, Gaufrido de Gaunt, Radulpho filio Richardi de Barehewile, Roberto filio Willielmi constabularii Cestriae, Thoma le Albalestre. Gerardo coeo.

NUM. II.

Carta Roberti de Gaunt.

[Ibid. fol. 5.]

ROBERTUS de Gaunt justitiarius domini regis, vicecomiti, et omnibus ministris regis de Nottinghamshire salutem. Seiatis quod ego praesens vidi et audivi, quod Gilbertus comes frater meus totum dominium suum de Hierung eum omnibus pertinentiis suis, in bosis et herbis, in curia sua

in бага de quo warr. in com. Ebor. 13 Edw. I. rot. 3. dorso, de libertatibus et confirmat. cart. Johannis Vescy. Plac. in com. Ebor. 21 Edw. I. quo warr. rot. 5, 6. dorso, et 18. Plac. in banco, 27 Edw. I. rot. 18. de grangia de Ekering, et communia pro porcis in Winkeborn.

"Pat. 1 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 5 et 6. de mess. et toftis in Roderham, &c. Pat. 3 Edw. II. m. 18. pro bosco de Beystall in foresta de Sherwode. Fin. Ebor. 3 Edw. II. lig. A. n. 57. pro mess. in Roderham, &c. Cart. 9 Edw. II. n. 38. pro mercat. et feria in Roderham relax. per Edm. de Dacre. Pat. 14 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 6, vel 7. Rec. in Scacc. 18 Edw. II. Hill. rot.

"Rec. in Scacc. 1 Edw. III. Trin. rot. Plac. in com. Nottingham. 3 Edw. III. assis. rot. 41. pro terris in Kirketon; quo war. rot. 13. dorso. Pat. 5 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 16 pro medietat. cccl. de Roderham. Plac. forestae apud Nottingham. 8 Edw. III. rot. 26. pro viridi in bosco suo infra forestam de Shirwode. Ibid. rot. 31, 32, et 34 saepe. Cart. 21 Edw. III. n. 12. Pat. 23 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 12, vel 13. Pat. 37 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 39, de licentia succidendi et asportandi brueriam, &c. e bosco suo in Shirwode foresta. Claus. 43 Edw. III. m. 11. de annua pensione xx^{li}. quam abbas de Rufford tenebatur solvere abbati de Clarevalle, retinenda ad opus regis.

"Pat. 2 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 2. Claus. 20 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 11 et 18. dorso, confirm. concordiae cum rectore de Knesale de decimis grangiae de Almeton.

"Pat. 2 Hen. V. p. 2, m. 12.

"Pat. 31 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 13. de Bestall in foresta de Shirwode.

"Pat. 1 Edw. IV. p. 5, m. 20."

See also the printed Rot. Hundred. vol. ii. pp. 26, 28, 303, 305, 307, 310. Abbrev. Plac. p. 77. Plac. de Quo War. pp. 206, 207, 214, 632.

disrationavit de purprestura sibi in eadem euria, totum praedictum dominium abbatiae de Rufford, ad honorem beatae Mariae in perpetuam elemosinam dedit. Hujus donationis testes sum ego, et paratus sum ubique inde facere, quod legitimus testis facere debet, et multi alii qui mecum fuerunt. Valete.

NUM. III.

Carta Hugonis filii Radulphi de Wilcheby.

[Ibid. fol. 47.]

Ego Hugo filius Radulphi de Wilchebi dedi monachis de Rufford, sedem unius molendini in Alreton, quod pertinet ad feudam et tenementum meum de Cratela.

NUM. IV.

Aliae Donationes.

[Ibid.]

THOMAS gener Roberti Filioll de Mapelbee (et Seryth uxor ejus, filia dieti Roberti) dedit monachis de Rufford, cum corpore suo, totum sartum suum Mapelbec.

[Ibid.]

Johannes Burdon filius Johannis Burdon dedit monachis de Rufford, Robertum filium Gaufridi carpentarii de Mapelbec. Testibus, domino Willielmo Punchardin abbate de Rievall, Gaufrido monacho ejusdem loci, Roberto de Bevercus, Rogero Burdon, Thoma Filioll de Mapelbec.

[Ibid. fol. 84.]

Thomas de Bella-aqua pro anima Alieiae uxoris suae confirmavit monachis de Rufford, unam aeram terrae in Stoekys, in campo de Erleshow in Calveton, quam habuerunt de dono Hugonis filii Willielmi de Calveton, &c. Testibus, domino Nicholao de Eyvill, &c.

[Ibid. fol. 66 b.]

Avieia filia Amiciae de Stoke, dedit monachis de Rufford totam illam donationem, quam Matheus filius Walleui de Poninton, et Amicia mater ejus eis dedit, scilicet totam medietatem terrae de Abeneia cum suis pertinentiis. Testibus, Ricardo le Archer, Matheo filio Roberti de Abeney.

The following original instruments are among the Cartae Antiquae of the Harleian Collection in the British Museum:

"44 I. 15. Conventio inter Abb. et Conv. Rufford. et Henricum Percy fil. Willielmi de Percy facta de terris in vill. de Covenham et Staltorph. A.D. 1252.—83 G. 55. Carta Hugonis de Muscamp de terris in Muscamp. circa A.D. 1150.—83 H. 6, 7. Inspeximus et confirmatio, 21 Edw. III.—111 A. 2. Bulla Adriani IV. Papae confirm. donationes et privileg. cum sig. plumb. A.D. 1156.—111 A. 3. Bulla Alex. III. Papae Fratrib. de Ruff. ut de laboribus quos propriis manibus aut sumptibus excolunt nemini decimasolvere teneantur. cum sig. plumb.—111 A. 4. Bulla Alex. III. confirm. grangiam quae dicitur Rahaga, et grangiam quae dicitur Martune, et scitum berchariae in Bodemelkis. cum sig. plumb.—111 A. 5. Bulla ejusdem de privilegiis an. pont. ii.—111 A. 15. Bulla Innocentii Papae quod sint a prestatione decimarum immunes, an. pont. i.—111 A. 26. Bulla Martini IV. Papae de libertatibus. cum sig. plumb. an. pont. iii.—111 A. 29. Bulla Innocentii IV. Papae de libertat. an. pont. viii.—Other charters, bulls, grants, and conventions of a minor kind will be found among the Cottonian Charters in the British Museum. xxi. 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39. xxvi. 166, 167. xxix. 1: and among the Harleian Charters, 83, D. 2, 25, 39, 49, 50, 54, 56.—83 E. 46, 49, 50, 52, 53, 54.—83 F. 17, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53.—83 G. 4, 16, 17.—84 A. 4, 11, 24, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 41, 52, 54, 55.—84 B. 14, 17, 23, 24.—111 A. 9, 10, 11, 12, 30, 31, 32, 33, 36.—112 B. 44.—112 F. 33, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 43, 44.—112 G. 8, 32.—112 H. 5, 10, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 28, 34.—112 I. 7, 12, 13, 14, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 49, 59.

* Annal. Cestriae in Bibl. Cotton.

[Ibid. fol. 67.]

Gilbertus de Stoka dedit medietatem de Abencia in bosco et redditu sexdecim solidorum, &c.

Omnibus, &c. Amicia domina de Stocha, salutem. Sciatis quod ego dedi monachis de Rufford, totam medietatem de Abeneia, in bosco et plano, &c. reddendo, &c. sexdecim solidos annuatim, sicut carta patris mei continetur, &c.

NUM. V.

Donationum Confirmatio per Regem Henricum tertium.

[Cart. 9 E. II. n. 34, per Inspex. Vide Pat. 1 E. IV. part. 5, m. 20.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, &c. archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse, et hac carta nostra confirmasse dilectis nobis in Christo abbati et monachis de Ruchford, omnes donationes et concessiones subscriptas, videlicet de dono Roberti de Furnell, totam medietatem illius Mortone, quæ proxima est villæ de Bomeshill, scilicet totam terram illam quam Adam de Wellum et cæteri homines sui quondam tenuerunt. De dono Radulphi de sancto Georgio, totam medietatem illius Mortone, quæ proxima est dictæ villæ de Bomeshill, scilicet totam terram illam quam Hugo de Stretton, et cæteri homines sui quondam tenuerunt. De dono Radulphi de Hertford totam terram quam habuit in Okering. De dono Radulphi de Furnell, totam terram illam quam tenent de dono antecessorum suorum in Bomeshill. De dono Radulphi filii Rogeri de Marsey quandam partem terræ, et prati in Hocton cum aqua de Hiddell, quantum terra illa se extendit. De dono Hugonis filii Radulphi totum dominicum suum in Birketon, Wilegby, Walesby, et Bestorp. De dono Willielmi filii Willielmi terram quam tenent in Bestorp. De dono Johannis Burdon, totam terram quam tenet in Mapelbec. De dono Eliæ de Whittechurch, et Idoniæ uxoris ejus, tres bovatas terræ in Kelum. De dono Thomæ de Rolleston, terram quam habent in Kelum. De dono Lancelini de Stoks, et Amiciæ uxoris ejus, medietatem manerii de Albeney. De dono Hugonis Folenfant et Richardi Folenfant quandam terram in Mortonia. Et de dono Roberti filii Waltheffi de Morne-shalle medietatem villæ de Brithrithefeud. Quare volumus et firmiter præcipimus, &c. Concedimus etiam et hac eartâ nostrâ confirmamus eisdem abbati et monachis, omnes donationes quas Gilbertus quondam comes Lincolnæ eis fecit, et quas Henricus quondam rex Angliæ, avus noster eis confirmavit, scilicet totum manerium de Ruchford, eum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et totam terram cum pertinentiis quam habent in Bartone, de dono ejusdem comitis, et duas bovatas terræ in Wilegheby, et donationes quas Hugo de Muscampo, Adam Tisun, Willielmus Tisun filius ejus, et Galfridus de Stanton eis in elemosinam fecerunt, et nominatim quinque bovatas terræ in Kelum, et donationes quas Malgerus de Rolleston, et homines sui de Kelum, et Radulphus Silvan et homines sui de Kelum, et Galfridus de Eytring, et Roscelinus et Radulphus frater eis fecerunt in Roage et etiam terram illam quam tenent de dono Radulphi de Hocreton quæ vocatur Wodehuse. Et quod idem abbas et monachi habeant et teneant omnes libertates, et liberas consuetudines et quietantias suas cum socka et saca, thol et theam, et infangenetheof, et quod quieti sint et liberi de omnibus terrenis consuetudinibus, servitiis, auxiliis, assisis, placitis, querelis, danegeldis, et murthero, pontagio et passagio, sicut in cartis præfati Henrici regis quas inde habent continetur, et sicut hucusque rationabiliter usi sunt.

Et quia accepimus per inquisitionem quam per dilectum et fidelem nostrum Galfridum de Langele justiciarium nostrum forestæ fieri fecimus, quod præfati abbas et monachi de Rufford à tempore præfati Henrici regis avi nostri, liberè et in pace capere solebant viride in bosco suo qui est infra regardum in foresta nostra de Shirewood, et quicquid eis necesse fuerit ad usus proprios, et ad omnia estoveria sua tam ad omnes grangias suas infra forestam et extra quam ad abaciā suam de Ruchford, et quod habent proprium forestarium suum ad custodiendum prædictum boscum suum, qui faciet nobis fidelitatem coram forestariis et viridariis, et habet potestatem liberandi eisdem abbati et monachis viride in dicto bosco suo ad omnia necessaria sua prædicta liberè et in pace, ita quod idem forestarius præsentabit ad omnia attachiamenta coram forestariis et viridariis ejusdem forestæ, captionem lignorum eaptorum per dictos monachos ibidem prout moris est: nos pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, volumus

et concedimus, quod iidem abbas et monachi hujusmodi libertatibus et consuetudinibus liberè et quietè utantur, et de cætero eas teneant, sicut in carta prædicti Henrici regis avi nostri quam inde habent testatur, et sicut hucusque usi sunt. Hiis testibus, Guidone de Lezingnian fratre nostro, magistro Willielmo de Kilkeni, &c. Datum per manum nostram apud Wodestock quarto die Februarii, anno regni nostri tricesimo sexto.

Inspeximus cartam quam dilectus et fidelis noster Johannes de Vesey fecit fratri Thomæ de Stayngrene abbati de Rufford, et ecclesiæ suæ sanctæ Mariæ de Rufford et monachis Cisterciens. ibidem Deo servientibus, octo bovatas terræ in villa de Roderham, et totum dominium meum totius manerii mei de Roderham, cum omnibus pertinentiis, et ad vocationem medietatis ecclesiæ ejusdem manerii de Roderham, habendum et tenendum eisdem abbati et monachis et eorum successoribus cum homagio et servitio Thomæ de Furnivall et hæredum suorum de terris et tenementis quæ prædictus Willielmus de Vesey pater meus dedit Willielmo de Furnivall avunculo ipsius Thomæ in Roderham, et cum homagio hæredum Guilielmi de Cantilupo de terris et tenementis quæ idem Willielmus pater meus sibi dedit in eodem manerio, et cum toto jure quod habuit, vel habere potuit in terris et tenementis quæ Hugo Frassel de Roderham quondam persona ecclesiæ de Penyeston tenuit de feodo meo in Roderham, et cum homagio Willielmi Lovel filii Willielmi Lovel pro tenemento quod de me tenuit in Roderham, et in molendino villæ ejusdem, et cum homagio, et servitio hæredis Johannis de Lexington quæ michi debebant pro terra quæ aliquando fuit Radulphi Tilly, et cum homagiis et serviciis aliorum liberorum hominum, consuetudinibus, serviciis, redditibus, et cum catallis et sequelis villanorum, et cum wardis, relevis, et escaetis qualicunque modo accidere poterunt, terris et tenementis, pratis, pasturis, boscis, aquis, stagnis, piscariis, molendinis, furnis, et sectis molendinorum et furnorum, sectis et exitibus curiarum, et eum dominio medietatis mercati et feriæ de Roderham, et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis, et rebus aliis tam nominatis quam non nominatis ad me ibidem pertinentibus. Præterea per hanc eandem cartam, concedo et confirmo pro mea et hæredibus meis, prædictis monachis, et eorum successoribus, quod liberè possint sibi appropiare terras et tenementa et redditus liberorum hominum et villanorum de eis tenentium in prædicto manerio de Roderham, sine calumpnia mei vel hæredum meorum, exceptis homagio Johannis de Dayvil de tenemento quod Thomas de Dayvil tenet in Anstan, et homagio Nicholai de Lyvet de feodis quæ de me tenet in Hoton juxta abbatiam de Rupe, quæ michi et hæredibus meis retineo. Omnia alia prædicta tenebunt et habebunt prædicti abbas et monachi et successores sui de me et hæredibus meis in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam imperpetuum. Et ego Johannes et hæredes mei, omnia et singula prædicta, sicut liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam nostram prædictis abbati et monachis, &c. warrantizabimus. Hiis testibus dominis Antonio Beekes archidiacono Dunelmensi, Waltero de Camhou, Rogero de Shirland, &c.

NUM. VI.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONASTER' BEATE MARIE VIRGINIS DE RUFFORD IN COMIT' NOTT' PRED'C'O.

Thoma Doncaster Abb'e ibidem viz. de anno d'ni regis nunc Henrici VIII. xxvj^{to}.

Nott' Comitatus.

Terre D'nical'.

Valet in exitibus et proficuis clausur' pasturarum pratorum et terrarum arabilium in manibz abbatis ibidem existen' eidem monasterio pertinen' prout particulariter p3 per billam de peellis inde factam coram co'missionarijs domini nri reg' in hac parte ostensam libat' et remanen' 19l. 16s. 8d. Rufforde. Valet in redditibus et firmis ibidem per annū 16l. 6s. 8d. Inde in repris'. Reddit' resolutis domino Hussey et dno de Kneschall 10s. 4d. Et in feodo Georgij Doddesworthe ballivi de Rufforde et al' per tras s' paten' sub sigillo co'muni 2l. 13s. 4d. In toto 3l. 3s. 4d. Et reman' elare 13l. 3s. 0d.

Ekeryng. Valet in redditibus et firmis ibidem per annum 12l. 4s. 1d. Et in exitibz et proficuis grangie de Snape

per annum 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* In toto 13*l.* 10*s.* 9*d.* Inde in repris'. Feodo Johannis Markeham militis senescalli ibidem per annum 1*l.* Et in feodo Laurencij Wyse ballivi ibidem per annum 13*s.* 4*d.* In toto 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Et reman' clare

11*l.* 17*s.* 5*d.*

Almeton. Valet in redditibus et firmis ibidem per annum 3*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* In proficuis ejusdam grangie ibidem per annum videlt in sex quarterijs tritici 1*l.* 10*s.* Et sex quarterijs ordeï 18*s.* 2*l.* 8*s.* In toto . . . 5*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*

Walysby et Wyllowby. Valz in redditibus et firmis ibidem per annum . . . 2*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.*

Kyrkton. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annum 2*l.* 14*s.* 1*d.* Inde in repris'. Reddit' resolut' priori de Novo Loco 13*s.* 4*d.* Et reman' clare . . . 2*l.* 0*s.* 9*d.*

Grangia de Kyrketon. Valet in proficuis ejusdam grangie ibidem per annum viz in sex quarterijs tritici 1*l.* 10*s.* Et 6 quarterijs ordeï 1*s.* 6*d.* In toto per annum 2*l.* 8*s.*

Warkesop. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annū . . . 0*l.* 4*s.* 0*d.*

Wellhaw. Valet in redditibus et firmis ibidem per annum . . . 0*l.* 8*s.* 0*d.*

Boughton. Valet in redditibus et firmis ibidem per annum . . . 2*l.* 1*s.* 0*d.*

Kellum. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annū 6*l.* 4*d.* In profic' grangie de Parkelath ibm 4*l.* In toto 10*l.* 4*d.* Per indent^{am}. Inde in repris'. Feodo Johannis Sutton ballivi ibidem per annū 1*l.* Et reman' clare 9*l.* 4*d.*

Bestrop. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annum 1*l.* 14*s.* Per indenturam.

Codyngton. Valet in redditibus et firmis ibidem per annum 10*s.* Per indenturam.

Nottyngh^m.

Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annum 17*s.* 4*d.* Inde in repris'. Reddit' resolut' priori de Lenton per annum 6*s.* Et reman' clare . . . 0*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.*

Est Retforde. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annum . . . 0*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*

Babworth. Valet in proficuis ejusdam grangie ibidem videlt in 12 quarterijs siliginis 2*l.* 4*s.* Precium quarterij 3*s.* 8*d.* et 14 quarter' avenarū 1*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* Precium quarter' 1*s.* 8*d.* 3*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.*

Southwell. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem viz de cantarista cantarie ibidem fundate per Andrean Baly per ann' . . . 0*l.* 1*s.* 0*d.*

Grangia de Foxcholys in parochia de Bodv'sell. Valet in proficuis ejusdam grangie ibm per annū . . . 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Litilbrugh. Valet in redditibus et firmis ibm per annum . . . 0*l.* 3*s.* 0*d.*

Grangia de Rohagh in poch' de Wynkeborne. Valet in proficuis ibidem per annum 1*l.* 2*s.* Inde in repris'. Reddit' deduct' resolutis priori de Newlonde et domino de Wynkeborne et domino Sancti Johannis Jrlm in Anglia pro omnibus decimis ibidem per annum 2*s.* Et reman' clare 1*l.*

Kyrshall. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibm per annum 0*l.* 1*s.* 0*d.*

Holme. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annum 0*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Mapilbek. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annum 3*s.* in proficuis grangie ibidem videlt 2 quarter' pisarum 4*s.* in duobz quarter' ordeï 6*s.* et in 2 quarter' tritici 10*s.* 1*l.* 3*s.* 0*d.*

Ste'therop. Valet in exitibz et proficuis ejusdam prati ibidem per annum in manū prioris de Novo Loco 0*l.* 4*s.* 0*d.*

Derb' Comitatus.

Sherbroke. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annū . . . 0*l.* 8*s.* 0*d.*

Chesterfeld. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annum . . . 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Palterton. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annum . . . 0*l.* 18*s.* 0*d.*

Brampton. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annum . . . 2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Abney juxta Tydyswalle. Valet in proficuis grangie ibm per annum . . . 2*l.* 0*s.* 8*d.*

Brechfeld. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annum 1*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.* Inde in repris'. Feodo Johannis Stevenson ballivi dci abbatis in omnibz predcis villis in com' Derb' per annum 13*s.* 4*d.* Et reman' clare 0*l.* 13*s.* 0*d.*

Linc' Com'.

Auburne al's Alburghe. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annum . . . 0*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Barton super Humber. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annum 2*l.* Repris'. Feodo Roberti Tyrwytt mi^{is} ballivi ibm per annū 6*s.* 8*d.* Et reman' clare 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Ebor' Comitatus.

Rothe^hm. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annum 53*l.* 5*s.* in perquis' curie ibidem coñunibz annis 1*l.* 12*s.* 3*d.* et in exitibz quinq. molendinorum sub uno tecto ibidem per a^m per indenturam coram coñmissionijs et auditoribz ostensam et examinatam per annum 31*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* In toto 86*l.* 3*s.* 11*d.* Inde in repris'. Reddit' resolut' domino regi ad hundred' suum de . . . in feodo domini Georgij comitis Salop' senescalli ibidem 5*l.* et in feodo Wiflmi Wynter ballivi ibm per annum 4*l.* In toto per annum 9*l.* 10*s.* Et reman' clare . . . 76*l.* 13*s.* 11*d.*

Peneston. Valet in redditibz et firmis ibidem per annum 2*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.* Inde in repris'. Reddit' resolut' domino regi per manus ballivi de Wakefeld per annum 6*s.* 8*d.* Et reman' clare . . . 2*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.*

Rotheram Rectoria. Valet in decimis et al' proficuis rcorie ibidem sic dimiss' Roberto Swyfte et Roberto et Wiflmo filijs per inden^{am} coram auditoribz ostensam et examinatam per annū 67*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Inde repris'. Stipendio . . . Wylson vicarij ibidem per annum 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* in quadam annuali pensione sol' custodi sive decano et canonicis libere capelle dñi regis Sñi Georgij infra castrum de Wyndesore quibz Rex Edwardus Quartus per tras suas paten' per quās dominus rex nunc p^{mo} die Decembris anno regni sui primo confirmavit dedit et conc' inter alia quandam annualcm pensionem sive quendam annuū redd' viginti librarum quem vel quam abbas de Rufforde regi reddere tenetur pro medietate ecclie de Rotherh^m predca fiend' et tenend' eidem custodi sive decano et canonicis ac success' suis in puram et perpetuam elimos' ut per acquiet' fact' extra sec^{am} dñi regis de anno 19^o Regis Henrici 7^{mi} plenius continet' in quadam annuali pensione solut' priori de Lewes 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* in consimili annuali pensione solut' archiepo Ebor' pro indempnitate ecclie predce causa appropriacōnis ejusdem per annum 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* in consimili pensione annuatim sol' decano et capitulo Ebor' 13*s.* 4*d.* in denarijs annuatim solut' pro sinodalibz 7*s.* 8*d.* et procuraconibz 5*s.* 8*d.* et in quodam salario solut' impptm Johanni Awbery cantar' cantarie de Laxton et success' suis sic eidem cantariste concess' per Johannem Lexyngton nuper fundatorem ejusd' cantarie 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* In toto per annum 44*l.* 6*s.* Et reman' clare 23*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Suma totalis valoris tam spūalium q^{am} temporalium monasterij predci 254*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* De quibus repris'. Feod'. Solut' Edmundo Asshefeld capitali senescallo monasterij predci pro feodo suo per tras paten' sub sigillo coñuni 2*l.* Wiflmo Clerkson auditori ibidem per annum pro feodo suo 1*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* In toto . . . 3*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

Pensiones annuatim sol' viz

Sexdecem vicarijs choralibz de Southwell per composicōem 4*l.* Johanni Ruyn cantariste de Upton juxta Southwell per composic' factam inter Johannem Braye et abbem et conventum dci monasterij 4*l.* Hugoni Coñen cantariste in Newarke per composicōem factam inter abbatem et conventum predcm et Robertum Cawdewell fundatorē dicte cantarie 4*l.* In toto per annum . . . 12*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Reddit' resol' viz

Ballivo domini regis infra libtatem de Tykell ad usum ejusdem domini regis 6*s.* 8*d.* ballivo dicti domini regis hundred' sui de Basset Lowe ad usum predcm 3*s.* 4*d.* In toto per annum . . . 0*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*
Suma totalis repris' . . . 15*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*
Et reman' clare . . . 176*l.* 11*s.* 6*d.*
Decima inde . . . 17*l.* 13*s.* 2*d.*

NUM. VII.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

RUFFORD NUPER ABBATHIA.

Com' Nott . . . £. s. d.
Rufford—Scitus nuper abbathie . . . 22 8 0

Com' Nott'	£.	s.	d.	Com' Nott'	£.	s.	d.
Rufford—Reddit' et firm'	25	15	0	Brampton, Briehefeld, Abney, et Chesterfeld—Reddit' et firm' terr' et grang'			
Ekeryng—Reddit' et firm'	12	15	9	voc' Abney Grange	7	6	8
Bildisthorp—Firma grangiae	1	16	8	Walesby—Reddit' et firm'	2	13	8
Allerton—Reddit' terr'	0	3	0	Sterthorp—Reddit' et firm'	0	4	0
Worsopp—Reddit' teñt' et terr'	0	4	0	Dudmandale alias Barton—Firma grangiae	2	0	0
Wellough—Reddit' et firm'	0	11	4	Est Retford—Reddit' terr' et ten'	0	10	0
Albane—Firma grangiae	0	13	4	Holme—Reddit' terr' et ten'	0	13	4
Shirbroke—Reddit' terr' et teñt'	0	8	0	Foxhoke—Reddit' terr'	1	6	8
Nottingham—Firma terr' mesuag', &c.	0	17	4	Litilburgh—Reddit' terr'	0	3	0
Almeton—Reddit' et firm'	5	12	4	Rohagh—Reddit' et firm'	1	2	0
Kyrsall—Reddit' terr'	0	1	0	Southwell—Reddit' &c. cartar'	0	1	0
Mapulbek—Reddit' et terr'	1	3	0	Morton—Reddit' et grangia	3	7	4
Besthorp—Firma grangiae	1	14	0	Rotherham—Reddit' et firm' et mansio			
Boughton—Firma grangiae	2	1	0	ibidem vocat' St. James's Chapil, &c.	58	3	11
Thurleston, Carlcotes, et Wynledon—Reddit' et firm' terr' et divers' claus'	2	8	3	Rotherham—Firma molendini aquatici	31	6	8
Kelham, Codynton, et Parkelathes—Reddit' et firm' grangiae voc' Parkehall	13	0	0	Rotherham—Firma rectoriae	67	13	4
Kyrketon—Reddit' et firm' et maner' vocat' Kyrketon Grange, in Kyrton				Rotherham—Firma' perquis' cur' profic' nundin' tolnet' feriar' et passag'	4	0	0
Droxford, et Walesby	4	7	6				

Saltrey or Sawtrey Abbey, in Huntingdonshire.



IMON Earl of Northampton, in 1146, brought hither a convent of Cistercian monks from the Abbey of Wardon or Sartis in Bedfordshire, erecting a monastery for them here to the honor of the Virgin Mary.^a The earl endowed this monastery with the church of this place, all his lands here, and his fisheries at and about Witlemare, all which had belonged to him and his an-

cestors from the time of King Canute, and which had been exempted from all kinds of burthens by King William the Conqueror, King William Rufus, and King Henry the First.^b

Malcolm King of Scotland also passed his grant as earl of Huntingdon for the said lands of Saltrey. This charter is dated at Roxburgh.^c

A Particular of other donations to this monastery, with the limits of the different lands, will be found, with the two preceding charters, in the Appendix:^d followed by the adjustment of a controversy between the abbats of Ramsey and Saltrey concerning their rights in Witlesmere and Hulsemere, of the 3d of Rich. I.^e

An enumeration of the possessions of this monastery, as recorded in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas, A.D. 1291, will be found in the note.^f

ABBATS of SAWTREY.

ALEXANDER occurs between 1193 and 1205.

RALPH before 1228.

ALARD in 1228.

RALPH BEVILLE in 1340.

JOHN FULBORNE, 22 Hen. VI.

WILIAM ANGELL was the last abbat.^g

No REGISTER of Saltrey Abbey is at present known.^h

^a The Annals of Louth Park, and Lel. Collect. tom. i. p. 71. iii. p. 73. say 1146. The Annals of Peterborough, 1147.

^b See the Appendix, Num. I.

^c Num. II.

^d Num. III.

^e Num. IV.

^f "Dioc. Lond. Temp. In paroch. S. Nich. Olaf 2l. 7s. S. Mich. ad Ripam 1l. 10s.

^g "Dioc. Linc. Temp. In Wylden de redd. 14s. 6d. In Dertford in terris et mol. 1l. 10s. In Salte in terr. pratis, redd. et cur. 16l. 6s. Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal. 6l. 1s. 2½d. In terris ad usus pauperum, 3s. 9d. Ibidem ad pitanc. de redd. 1l. In Cattewrth Magna in terris, redd. pratis, 9l. 13s. 11¾d. Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal. 2l. 0s. 4d. In Wynewyk in terris et redd. 19s. 4d. In Grafham in terris et redd. 2l. 19s. 4d. Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal. 1l. 6s. 8d. In Elington in redd. ad pitanc. 1l. In Overton in terris et redd. 2l. In Eynesbur. in terris, mol. et exit. vaccar. 2l. 2s. In Darneford in terris et pratis, 2l. Ibidem in fruct. greg. et animal. 1l. 5s. In Parva Paxton in terris, redd. et molend. 5l. 15s. In Gylling in terris, redd. pratis mol. 4l. 0s. 9d. In Parva Paxtone de exit. vaccar. 4s. In Decanatu de Hoyland, 6l. 6s. 8d.

^h "Dioc. Elen. Temp. In Parva Abington, 2l. 10s. 10d. In Badburham, 6l. 1s. In Stowe, 7s. In Hungerhattele, 5l. 6s. In Gamelinge, 12l. 5s. 11d. In Cantebr. 4s. In Teversham, 10s. In Basyngburn, 2l. 16s. 7d. In Pappeword Anneys, 2s. 8d." Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 12, 48, 49 b, 50 b, 51 b, 72 b, 94 b, 96 b, 101, 107 b, 269.

ⁱ See MS. Cole, vol. xlv. p. 203. Harl. MS. 6963, p. 67.

^j Tanner has the following references concerning Saltrey:

^k "Vide Cartas quamplurimas originales ad hanc abbatiam spectantes, in cl. bibl. Harleyana. In eadem bibl. MS. 60, fol. 14. taxationem possessionum abbatis de Sawtre.

^l Bullas papales de libertatibus hujus Monasterii, MS. in bibl. Cotton. Augustus A. II. p. 105, 109, 110, 116, 117, 121, 122, 123, 125, 126.

^m "Cart. antiq. Joh. K. n. 27. Cart. 7 Joh. m. 10, n. 84. pro bosco suo de Saltry claudendo. Fin. 7 Joan. m. 17.

ⁿ "Fin. Norf. 24 Hen. III. n. 6, et 152. de tenementis in Lynn. Fin. Norf. 31 Hen. III. n. 20. de ten. in Swafham.

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"Fin. Norf. 14 Edw. I. n. 83. de advoc. eccl. de Honingham. Plac. de banco, 23 Edw. I. Pasch. rot. 113 d. de firma eccl. de Fulburn.

"Pat. 4 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 12, pro manso elargando. Fin. 18 Edw. II. m. 9.

"Pat. 6 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 1. de metis et bundis, ibid. Pat. 12 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 6 vel 7. Claus. 14 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 6. de firma eccl. de Fulburn omn. Sanctorum Huningham, Costesey, et Fendraiton pro lxx. marc. abbati de Bona Reque. Claus. 35 Edw. III. m. 27, de eisd. eccl. pro lxxx. marc. Claus. 38 Edw. III. m. 30, dorso, pro eisdem pro eodem redditu.

"Pat. 15 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 38. pro ten. in Wodewalton et Huntingdon.

"Pat. 3 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 15. pro ten. in Grafham, Perry, et Bokeden. Pat. 10 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 25. pro ten. in Gamlingay et Sautrey. Pat. 11 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 19.

"Pat. 22 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 23. de xx. marc. concess. per Rog. Pigot.

"Rec. in Scacc. 6 Hen. VII. Hill. rot. 8. pro maner. de Grafham."

Among the ancient charters in the Cottonian Collection, xii. 78, we have Confirmatio Davidis fr. Regis Scotiæ de Saltreia. xii. 79, Confirmatio Alex. Regis Scotiæ de Satereia. There is one also among the Cottonian charters, vii. 3. Carta Simonis Comitis de Norhanton monachis de Saltreia ad construendam abbatiam tam ecclesiam. an. 11 Steph. Regis.

Among the Harleian charters in the Museum these occur: 83 A. 24. Confirmatio Steph. Regis de donatione Ilberti de Carencia Eccl. S. M. de Salteria de terr. in Gamelingeia.—83 A. 25. Carta Willielmi Comitis Boloniæ et Warreni de terris in Gamelingeia.—83 B. 30. Scriptum Radulphi de Gidding de fundatione Cantariæ in Mon. B. M. de Sautre. an. 17 Ric. II.—Other grants of a minor kind will be found in the same Collection, 83 A. 38, 39, 40, 41, 45, 46, 48, 51, 52, 53, 54.—83 B. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 33, 34, 35, 36, 41, 42, 46, 47, 49.—83 C. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9. See also the printed Rot. Hundr. vol. i. pp. 54, 196, 197, 418, 427, 436; ii. pp. 138, 374, 414, 423, 474, 476, 487, 526, 529, 532, 538, 623, 624, 625, 628, 630, 632, 651, 654, 659, 660, 663, 665, 668, 669, 673, 684, 686, 688. Abbrev. Placit. pp. 28, 30. Plac. de Quo War. pp. 300, 302.

The COMMON SEAL of this abbey was round, and the subject of it was the blessed Virgin with the infant Jesus on her lap, seated on an ornamented chair, under a rich gothic canopy between two pilasters, the centre of the seal diapered, the other parts plain, on the dexter side a vine, on the sinister a flower-pot, the legend thus: SIGILLVM. COMVNE. ABBATHIE. DE. SAUTREE. An impression of this seal on red wax is in the possession of Dr. Prattenton of Bewdley; it is attached to a conventual lease, dated in the eleventh year of Edward the Fourth.

At the Dissolution here were an abbat, twelve monks, and twenty-two servants.^a The revenues amounted in the gross to 199*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.*; the net income to 141*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.*^b

The site was granted in the 29th of Henry VIII. to Richard Cromwell, alias Williams.^c

The ABBEY BUILDINGS of Saltrey have been long destroyed.

Cartae ad Saltreensem Abbatiam in agro Huntendonsi spectantes; fundatam A.D. M^cclvi^o dⁱ

NUM. I.

Carta Foundationis per Simonem Northamptoniae comitem.

[Ex autogr. in bibl. Cottoniana. Vide Pat. 6 E. III. part. 1. memb. 1.]

OMNIBUS sanctae matris ecclesiae fidelibus Simon comes de Northamptona salutem. Notum sit tam praesentibus quam futuris me dedisse et concessisse et praesenti carta confirmasse Deo et sanctae Mariae de Saltreia et monachis ibi manentibus, de ordine Cisterciensi, in perpetuam elemosinam, ad construendam abbatiam, tam ecclesiam ejusdem villae cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, (eamque pro hoc versus Rotbertum Lineolliae episcopum et personam ejusdem ecclesiae perpetua-liter de me adquietavi ne quis in posterum inde contra eosdem monachos malignandi haberet facultatem aut quoquomodo eos inquietandi pereiperet occasionem:) quam totam terram meam de ipsa Salterea et in bosco et in plano, et marisco et piscariis versus Witlemare et in ipso Witlemari, sicut juratum est ad fendum meum pertinere, et ab antecessoribus meis à tempore Cnut regis usque ad hoc nunc tempus meum habitum et libere possessum fuisse, et sicut idem Cnut rex ipsum mariscum singulis villis juxta mariseum in illa parte positus proprium mariseum dividi jussit et constituit per Turkillum Danensem qui ipsam Salteream ab eodem rege Cnut sibi datam, certis terminis ac divisis tam in bosco et plano quam in marisco usque in Witlemare et piscariam in Witlemare habuit et possedit in vita sua. Ita scilicet ut unaquaque villa usque ad terminos et divisas ejusdem Turkilli circa eandem Salteream in marisco tantum de marisco ipso ad usus proprios propriè haberet quantum firma terra cujusque villae mariscum contra se positum tangeret, et sicut pater meus Simon comes et mater mea Mathildis comitissa et sicut avi mei Wallevus comes et Judeta comitissa post conquestum Angliae diebus suis ipsam Salteream eisdem terminis ac divisis quibus Turkillus Danensis per donationem regis Cnut eam habuerat, in bosco et plano et marisco certis divisis usque in Witlemare et piscationem in Witlemare jure haereditario habuerunt et possederunt, cum omnibus libertatibus quas habuit villa eadem temporibus praedictorum antecessorum meorum, et omnibus aliis appendiciis suis, per terminos ac divisas suas, sicut fideles homines mei liberi et senes et in eadem villa nati, coram Alexandro Malfe per cujus manum praedictos monachos de tota Salterea insaisiavi juraverunt et propriis corporibus probare voluerunt, praedictos antecessores meos et sub ipsis se et patres suos à tempore Cnut regis ipsam meam Salteream integre tenuisse, sicut et idem Alexander Malfe scripto suo quod de eorum juramento atque responso fieri volui, ne oblivioni traderentur, testatur.

^a Tanner, Notit. Mon. Huntingd. vi.

^b See Num. V.

^c Orig. 29 Hen. VIII. Hunt. Cant. Norf. Rex xvj^{mo} die Decembris concessit Ricardo Crumwell, alias Williams, reverentem manerium de Narford, Moynes, et Sawtrey, vocat. le Old Grange, necnon totum principalem sive capitalem scitum nuper monasterii sive abbathiae de Sawtrey ac omnia mesuagia et cetera in Sawtrey et Sawtrey Ivet in Com. Hunt. ac etiam manerium de Sawtrey Ivet ac advocacionem ecclesiae, ac advocacionem ecclesiae, &c. de Foulbourne in eom. Cant. necnon rectoriam, &c. de Hennyngham alias Honnyngham in eom. Norf. una cum omnibus mesuagiis in Sawtrey, Honnyngham, Fulbourne, Benies, Sawtrey Monachorum alias Sawtrey Moynes, Walton Wood, Walton, Huntynghdon, Magna Paxton, Parva Paxton, Sowtho, Offord Dareie, Offord Clunge, Dydyngton, Alconbury, Magna Stukeley, Parva Stukeley, Copemanford, Popyngford, Upton, Conyngton, Glatton, Holme,

His scilicet terminis ac divisis nominatim. A Slackemere directe ut corda tendi potest usque ad summitatem collis super divisam inter Salteream et aliam Salteream, ita quod quicquid de bosco infra cordae tensitudinis rectitudinem versus meam Salteream fuerit, mei juris est, et ad illam meam Salteream pertinet. De summitate collis per medium parvum pontem de Salterea et per medium Stanehille. Inde indirecte per medium Grundlesmere. Inde verò rectitudine qua corda tendi potest usque in Swerord in exteriori loco super Witlemarebanc. Hac divisa extitit terra mea temporibus antecessorum meorum à terra aliorum dominorum versus occidentem in sicco et in marisco divisata. A Swerord verò super Witlemarebanc debet homo ad hoc electus super pedes suos quo profundius potuerit intrare, et dum ultra ire nequiverit, avirunatum unum octo pedibus longum introrsus de diverso lanceando propellere, et à loco quo avirunatus ille transnatare desierit, spacium quadraginta pedum per cordam debet mensurari, ibique signum in aquam infigi à quo signo indirectè ut corda tendi potest usque in Chelfremerebeche. Totum verò illud spacium quod de signo illo ultra Witlemare usque in Chelfremerebeche in parte fuerit australi cum omni in ea parte adjacenti marisco, feudi et juris mei est ad Salteream meam pertinens, per quod praedicti antecessores mei omnes à tempore Cnut regis usque ad hoc nunc tempus meum navicellae unius piscationem ad eandem Salteream pertinentem in Witlemare habuerunt et possederunt, quam et ego jure haereditario habere et possidere debeo, et sic de Witlemare per in longum Chelfremerebeche, et Chelfremere, et Ubbemerelade, et Ubbemere, et Birchmere usque ad ejusdem maris exitum versus Waltune. His enim aquis à Swerord in Witlemare usque ad exitum de Birchmere versus Waltune cingitur et separatur mariscus Salteriae meae proprius a marisco abbatum de Bureh et de Torneia et de Raminesia versus aquilonem et orientem. Ab illo vero exitu de Birchmere indirectè per transversum marisei usque ad tertium hössocum à firma terra in aquilonali fine de Higgeneia, et sic deinde per omnem tertium hassocum à firma terra inter mariscum et Higgeneiam versus occidentem per denes et per Utshots usque in fossato Edwini firmæ terræ in heremitorio propinquiori, et sic per idem fossatum et per Higgeneielade usque ad Wilewenestubstede. Inde ad Waltuneholm.

His divisis undique circumcingitur et separatur mariscus meus ad eandem Salteream proprie pertinens ab aliorum mariseo, à ponte de Salterea usque ad Waltuneholm eum aquis quæ infra sunt, et ad ipsam Salteream pertinent. Inde per divisam usque ad Fisheresmere. Inde circa bos-

Hamerton, Elyngton, Catworth, Saint Nedes, Eynesbury, Abbottesley, Alnersley, Magna Grannesden, Ripton Regis, Ripton Abbatis, Grofham, Waresley, Yelyng, Wynwyke, et Toweslond, in eom. Hunt.: necnon in villis, &c. de Cantebr. Stowe, Borne, Fulborne, Babram, Everton, Hungrye Hatteley, Cokyng, Hatteley, Esthattley, Berkford, Westhorp, Yelyng, et Gamlyngnye, in eom. Cant.: ac etiam in villis, &c. de Wynwyke, Southwike, et Fotheringaye in eom. Northampton: necnon in villis, &c. de Holbeeke, Herne, et Lyne; ac etiam in villis, &c. de Narford, Swaffham, Market Stowe, Honnyngham, Narburghe, et Lynne, in eom. Norf.: necnon in villis, &c. de Barkford, Bareford, Everton, Potton, et Welden in eom. Bedford. ac in Civitate London. nuper monasterio spectantem habend. ei et haereditibus suis imperpetuum. Ro. cxvii^{mo}.

^d Annal. de Peterburgh in bibl. Cottoniana.

eum sicut Judeta comitissa illum sepe circumcludit; scilicet ab inde usque circum linguam de Walterhacche. Inde indirectè usque ad Pillesrodesende, et sic per deforis Holestoc, ad Dernelheigate. Inde ad Stangate. Inde ad Grenchirst. Inde ad Coupmannefordemer usque ad Prestescroft per quercus exteriores, et sic per inter campos de Saltereia et Coupmanneferdemere usque itidem in Slackemere.

His itaque terminis ac divisis dedi prædictis monachis totam Saltereiam meam, cum omnibus libertatibus et appendiciis suis et rebus prænominatis, et concessi et præsentì cartam confirmavi, quibus eam habuerunt et possederunt antecessores mei prædicti. Quare volo ut hæc omnia habeant et teneant et possideant, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam bene et in pace quiete et honorifice pro salute animæ meæ, et patris mei, et matris meæ, et uxoris meæ, et liberorum meorum, et omnium parentum meorum, libera et quieta et soluta de omni terreno servicio, et omni temporali exactione et omni seculari consuetudine versum me et hæredes meos et omnes homines, sicut et ego vel pater meus et mater mea, seu Wallevus comes et Judeta comitissa, vel quisquam antecessorum meorum cujuslibet regis tempore ipsam Saltereiam meliùs et quietiùs, propiùs ac liberiùs, longiùs et latiùs, per terminos prænominatos tam in bosco et plano, et marisco et piscaria in Witlemare, unquam habuimus et tenuimus, et ante conquestum Angliæ, vel post, jure hæreditario possedimus.

Sciendum vero quod Willielmus rex Angliæ adquisitor, per neptem suam Judetam, comitissam, quæ villam illam specialiter amavit et frequentavit, ipsam Saltereiam ab omnibus regiis consuetudinibus absolvit, etiam de murdris et danegeldis, et omnibus aliis, sic et filii ejus post eum rex Willielmus et rex Henricus, unde nec siram petit nec hundredos, fractos pontes non restaurat, ad foresta dissoluta vel facienda nova non adjuvat. Ad bellum commune nec hominem, nec arma, nec sustentationem aliquam præbet. Vicecomitum vel justiciariorum seu præpositorum aut forestariorum quorumlibetve regis ministrorum nullus præter forestarios et ministros antecessorum meorum à tempore quo Wallevus comes neptem regis Willielmi Judetam in matrimonio accepit, et præter ministros nunc meos de bosco sive de bestiis seu de rebus quibuslibet ad Saltereiam pertinentibus terminis prædictis comprehensis, se quicquam intromisit. Prædictorum etenim tempore regum antecessores mei omnes ejusque generis bestias agrestes infra terminos prædictos inventas liberè capiebant. Canum in ea pedes nunquam truncabuntur. Qui cum quadriga vel traga aut onere per licentiam forestarii de bosco fuisset egressus, inter boscum et illius hominis domum cum nullus inde inquietare vel disturbare ausus fuit per viam. Reos infra terminos prædictos interceptos ad siram vel hundredos non mittit sed infra se præsentem curia domini sui iudicium de eis facit et justitiam. Optinuit enim eadem comitissa Judeta ab avunculo suo rege Willielmo concedentibus hoc post eum filiis suis regibus Willielmo et Henrico, villam illam cum multis aliis libertatibus habere in se sake et soke, tol et tem et infanganthef, nichilque consuetudinis temporalis vel servicii secularis cuiquam hominum exhibere, nisi tantum dominis suis antecessoribus meis et michi illorum nunc hæredi. Si quis verò in posterum de quibuslibet horum sive de fossatis suis quæ jussi eos facere circa loca et habitacula sua, et de abbacia sua usque in Witlemare, seu ad quamlibet aquarum quæ mariscum quem eis dedi à marisco abbatum de Burch et Torneia et Rameseia dividit, infra terminos prænominatos prout sibi viderint inelius congruere, prædictos monachos inquietaverint, ego et hæredes mei eos et hæc omnia eis warentizabimus et manutenebimus et defendemus sicut de eo debemus quod me jubente fecerunt in suo proprio et meo feudo. De placitis etiam omnibus quæ de horum quovis contra eos emergerint, ad baronatum meum eos defendere pertinet. Hanc autem donationem et libertatem et confirmationem Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et prædictis monachis versus omnes homines warentizabimus. Hoc autem totum factum est per manum abbatis de Sartis. His testibus, Simone filio meo, Waltero abbate de Rammeseia, Henrico archidiacono, Hugone capellano, Waltero de Dant, Rotberto Grimbold, Rotberto Foliot, Turgisio de Avarencis, Radulfo de Normannevilla, Hugone Grimbold, David de Essebi, Willielmo Olifard, Geroldo de Normannevilla, Alexandro Malfe, Ricardo Walensi, Gilberto de Blossmevilla, Simone de Latur, Thoma fratre ejus.

NUM. II.

Carta Malcolmi Regis Scotiæ de Fundatione ejusdem.

[Ex autographo in bibl. Cottoniana.]

M. REX Scotiæ episc. abbat. justiciariis, comitibus, vicecomitibus, baronibus, ministris, et omnibus probis hominibus totius regni sui et honoris de Huntedune clericis et laicis salutem. Sciant tam posterì quam præsentès me dedisse et concessisse, et per hanc meam cartam confirmasse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis ordinis Cistercii qui sunt de domo de Sartis, in perpetuam elemosinam, ad abbatiā construendam, pro salute animæ meæ et antecessorum et successorum meorum, totam Saltreiam cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, in bosco et in plano, in pratis et aquis, et pasturis, et mariscis, et omnibus aliis rebus sicut eam tenuit bonæ memoriæ David rex avus meus, et sicut eam reddidit michi Henricus rex Angliæ cum aliis rectis meis de Huntedune. Quare volo, &c. His testibus, Herberto episcopo Glast. Waldevo abbate de Melros, Ernaldo abbate de Ruchb. Osberto abbate de Jeddewrd, Waltero cancellario, Adam capellano de Rochb. Nicholao, Osberto clerico, Willielmo fratre meo, Waltero fil. Alani, Richardo de Morevilla, Rand. de Sulis, Willielmo de Morevilla, Willielmo de Sumervilla, Liolfo filio Maccus, Ormo filio Eilavi, David Olifard, Roberto Freb. David de Boevilla, H. de Perci. Apud Rochesburg.

NUM. III.

De Fundatione ejusdem et Terrarum Bundis.

[Ex registro cartarum abbatiæ de Ramsey ex parte Rememoratoris regis in Scaccario, fol. 36 b.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ fidelibus Alexander Maufe salutem. Sciant omnes hoc scriptum attestationis meæ videntes audientesque, quando dominus meus Simon comes Northamptoniæ dedit monachis ordinis Cisterciensis pro construenda abbacia, in perpetuam elemosinam, totam terram de Saltreia in bosco et in plano et in marisco per proprias divisas cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis et libertatibus et quitantiis et omnibus aliis rebus prout meliùs et liberiùs et largiùs et longiùs ipsam Saltreiam tenuit ipse et habuit, vel pater ejus Simon comes, vel avus ejus et avia, Waldevus scilicet comes, Judeta comitissa, et sicut Thurchillus Daneys cum Hurogonda uxore sua et alii prædecessores sui habuerunt et tenuerunt, et sicut Wilferus rex qui monasterium de Burch fundavit cartâ suâ quam de illa fundatione fecit mariscum cum stagnis et lacis, Chelwremare et Witlemare et aliis quamplurimis ad hoc pertinentibus dimisit, ipsam Saltreiam monachis prædictis dedit per proprias divisas, et carta sua confirmavit. Unde idem Simon comes monachorum paci et quieti et libertati providens, ut quamdiu hoc sæculum duraverit sciatur quomodo ipsam Salteriam vel ipse vel antecessores ejus liberiùs et longiùs et largiùs tenuerit, præcepit mihi et Ricardo Walensi, qui per ejus præceptum prædictos monachos de ipsa Saltreya insaisavimus et tradidimus, ut faceremus homines ejusdem villæ jurare, quod verum dicerent, quibus terminis et divisis et libertatibus ipsi vel patres eorum sub dominis suis ipsam Saltreiam tenuerunt: sicque illi jurantes et post juramentum consilium secum habentes, et nominatim Levetus villæ præpositus qui prius juravit, et Humfridus de Huptona, et Willielmus de Aspes, et Lambertus et alii quamplures, post juramentum sic responderunt. Patres nostri qui in hac villa fuerunt tempore Turkilli Daneys et Huregundæ terram istius villæ istis terminis et divisis et libertatibus in bosco et plano et marisco, et Wittlesmere tenuerunt, sicut nos ab eis audivimus; et nos eorum filii sub Waldevo comite et Judeta comitissa, et Simone comite qui filiam prædictorum Waldevi et Judetæ cum toto feudo, per donationem regis Williel. qui Angliam adquisivit, in matrimonio accepit, et sub David rege Scotiæ, qui eandem eorum filiam Matildam post mortem Simonis comitis domini sui in matrimonium accepit, tempore regis Henrici, et huc usque sub domino nostro Simone comite, priore Simonis comitis filio, tenuimus, et ita terram istam supradictis dominis tentam esse et teneri debuisse, modo quem lex patriæ servaret, præsto essemus dirationare, si opus esset, et securè dirationare poterunt qui eam post nos tenuerint et habuerint.

His scilicet terminis tam de tota terra quam de toto bosco quæ vocatur Ewingswode et marisco, et parte de Withlesmere, quibus terminis et divisis prædictorum dominorum

tempore, et patres nostri et nos Saltreiam tenuimus; scilicet de Slakemare ut antiquitus dicebatur, quod ibi possunt quatuor domini super terram suam sedere, et de uno scuto comedere, inde usque ad summitatem collis eorda tendatur, et quereus omnes quæ extra cordam inde ad divisum supra eollem prætensam fuerint ad Saltreiam sint pertinentes; et sic per magnum divisum quod est inter Saltreiam et Saltre ultra eollem usque ad permedium pontis parvi de Saltreia; et inde usque per medium locum qui dicitur Stonehille in directum, et inde in directum usque ad Grundelesmare per medium, et inde rectitudine qua eorda tendi potest usque in exteriorem locum Swerdeshorde super Withlesmere.

Hoc est divisum antiquitus constitutum inter paludem de Saltre, et inter paludem de aliis villis a parte occidentali; ibi scilicet in Swerdeshorde super Withlesmere homo ad hoc electus infra aquam quò profundius poterunt intrare pedibus debet, et tunc amrimum unum octo pedibus longum de diverso se tota vi lanceando propellere, et quantum transnataverit cum addito adhuc ultra spatio quadraginta pedum, quo signum fieri debet tantum de Withlesmere usque Chelfrebecche versus austrum eum omni in ea parte adjacenti mariseo, inter eomit. est quod habuit Turkillus et Huregunda, Waldevus eomes et Judeta comitissa, Simon eomes cum eorum filia Matilda. Rex etiam David eum eadem Matilda unam naviculam piscantem in Withlesmere dirationatam. Præter hæc omnes piscatores ejusdem maris, qui retia sua in hac parte maris sicebant, de captura sua sæpius in anno prædictis dominis præsentationem congruam faciebant. Hoc et oculis nostris tam de navicula quam de piseatione et præsentatione vidimus, et sic ab orientali parte de Withlesmere, id est ab exitu versus Ramesiam per Cheluremerebeche usque ad Cheluremere, et inde per Ulbermerelada usque per de foris Ulbemere et Birehemere, scilicet ad exitum ejusdem Birehemere versus Walton, et ab illo exitu per transversum paludis usque ad tertium hassocum a firma terra, et in aquilonari fine de Hygeney, et sic per omnem tertium hassoeum à firma terra eirea Hygeney per denes-Hutshites usque in interiori fossato Edwini heremitæ versus Hygeney, ultra quod prædictus heremita pontem vertentem fecit: nam exterius quidem fossatum in marisco de Saltre pro pastoribus domum suam comburere volentibus cepit, sed prohibentibus et fugantibus eum inde hominibus de Saltre non profecit donec Berengarius Engayne illud fossatum exterius in marisco de Saltre ei pro numine suo facere permisit; et sic per illud interius fossatum usque in Hygeney-lade, et per Hygeney-lade usque ad Wilevestoc super Hygeney-lade prope terram, et sic per omne tertium hassoeum usque ad Walton-holm, et sic per divisum quod est inter terras de Saltre et Walton usque ad boscum per intra Fisseresmere.

De his divisis hic nominatis sciendum est, quod tempore regis Henrici primi orta est inter nos et homines de Walton discordia, unde die constituto ad Wylawe convenimus, et alternatis rationamentis utentes, et nos nostris et illi suis consiliis adquiescentes, ne inde lis vel discordia oriretur inter nos, ita terminos nostros certificavimus; hominem unum statuimus pro signo in medio divisi sub boso contra Fisseresmere, et alium ad Strache et tertium ad Walton-holm, et quartum ad Wilvestoc super Hygeney-lada, et sic de homine primo per singulos ad quartum in directum ambulantes, et sicut ambulavimus sic divisum inter nos et illos esse concessimus, eum prænominatis divisis inter mariscum nostrum et suum ultra Hygeney versus maria, sieque nos et illi ad Wilawc bene pacati discessimus. De Fisseresmere verò eirea boscum, sicut Judeta comitissa illud boscum circumcludit sepe, et est de ipso Fisseresmere per divisum inter boscum de Saltre, et boscum de Waltone usque ad amulingum de Waltonbaech, et inde in directum rectitudine qua tenditur corda usque ad Pilleseodeshude, et de Pilles usque ad Holestock ad Derneley-gate, et inde usque ad Stangate, et inde usque ad Grenehyrst, et inde per Stangate usque Copmanfordemere, inter boscum de Copmanfordemere et boscum de Saltrey usque ad Epaselcroft, per quereus exteriores, et inde per viam quæ dividit campos de Saltrey et Copmanfordemere usque ad Slakemere.

Hiis terminis ac divisis quibus Turkillus Daneys Saltrey certificavit et munivit, qui quia et censu suo et expensis suis tantum de marisco usque in Withlesmere per divisas prænominatas, et partem de Withlesmere et piscationem, ut prædictum est, sibi adquisivit, et disaisavit, et in vita sua cum pace tenuit, quantum de sicca terra habuit, et post eum

tenuerunt et habuerunt per easdem divisas benè et in pace et absque omni diminutione prædicti domini Waldevus eomes et Judeta comitissa, Simon comes et eorum filia Matilda comitissa, David rex Seotiae eum eadem Matilda, et sub ipsis patres nostri et nos usque ad hunc diem eam tenuimus liberam et quietam versus omnes homines de omnibus servitiis et exactionibus universis præter tantum versus dominos nostros prædictos, libera et quietam extitit hueusque villa sub ipsis de omnibus regni consuetudinibus et exactionibus, et de murdris et de danegeldis, ne quis schyram vel hundred petant vel ad pontem fractum de Hunteodon pro restauratione quicquam exhibuit, rei in ea inventi infra eam judicabantur, et justi omnia patiebantur, canum pede in ea nunquam truncabantur, viceomitum vel justiciariorum seu præpositorum aut forestariorum quorumlibetve regis ministrorum nullus, præter forestarios et ministros prædictorum dominorum nostrorum, de bosco sive de bestiis se quicquam intromisit.

Seientes quod Willielmus rex Angliæ adquisitor pro neptis suæ comitissæ Johetæ amore, Saltreiam quam illa specialiter amavit et frequentavit, ab omnibus regis consuetudinibus absolvit, et omnibus exactionibus liberam et quietam esse fecit et concessit. Hoc idem fecerunt et concesserunt post eum filii ejus rex Willielmus et rex Henricus; unde et prædictorum tempore regum domini fundi eervos et eervas et omnes agrestes bestias infra terminos prædictos inventas eorundem regum concessione, et donatione, retibus et canibus et modis quibus volebant, libere capiebant, sed et infra terminos inventas et extra eorum venationem egressas libere persequabantur et capiebant, ubicunque attingere poterant. Hanc libertatem habebant domini fundi non solum a David regis tempore, sed etiam a conquestu Angliæ, quando de boso nostro homines eum quadrigis vel tragis seu oneribus per licentiam forestariorum exhibant inter boscum et eorum domum, nullus eos inquietare vel viam prohibere ausus fuit prædictorum tempore regum, infra prædictas divisas per regem Cnud a Turkillo Daneys in sicco et marisco constitutas, et a Waldevo eomite et Joeta comitissa, et Simone eomite et Matilda comitissa, et David rege et eadem Matilda comitissa, et domino nostro Simone comite liberè habitas et possessas liberè potuimus falcare et fodere, et per forestam domini nostri ligna cadere, et omnia nobis necessaria perquirere: extra verò hos terminos hoc, sine aliarum villatarum licentia, facere non potuimus, sicut nec ipsi infra nostros sine nostra licentia potuerunt, nec in marisco plusquam in bosco; sic enim Turkillus per regem Cnud constituit, ut nulla villata in alterius marisco foderet vel falcaret sine licentia; villis enim singulis juxta mariscum positas, per jussum regis Cnut ipse mariscum divisit, et quantum unaquæque villa de marisco in proprium habere debuit; ut videlicet quantum unius-enjusque villæ sicca terra de marisco tangeret, tantum usque ad terminos manerii sui de Saltre prænominatos, unaquæque villa in proprium haberet, tam pro pastura ad paseendum, quam ad faleandum et fodiendum. Pastores verò nostri super exteriores hassocos versus Walton inter pratum et mariscum debent stare et animalia sua usque ad pedes suos venire permittere.

Pro nimis verò et multis perturbationibus quæ per pastores inter villas acciderant, milites vicini hoc nostro tempore convenerunt; scilicet, Berengarius Engayne, Hervæus le Moygne, et Eustachius de Waltone, et dominus de Cunytune, et dominus de Glattone; et ut pastura eis esset omnibus communis, id est, cornu sub cornu pro pace et concordia inter se tuenda, per se sine seitu et permissu aliorum dominorum concesserunt. Hoc autem sciendum, quod homines abbatis de Thorney nihil omnino habere debeant in australi parte de Withlesmere sive Cheltiremerebeche vel Chelumere nec quicquam proprium ibi unquam habuerunt. Robertus vero abbas de Thorney jure loquens, eum de comunione pasturæ verba apud aliquos movisset, die statuto convenerunt contra eum ad Withlesmerewilen validi et homines de Saltrey, Hervæus le Moygne cum suis de Saltrey, et ex singulis villis ex hac parte positas multi alii qui cum in aquilonali parte de Beche sedens inde abbas ille causaretur, ut nostrorum in australi parte Beehe sedentium rationamentis et veris antiquitatis ostensionibus suis causatio adnullaretur, in hoc gaudebant, quod eorum rationamentis suum esse mariscum in parte tantum aquilonali usque Chelumerebeche advertit; sicque discedenti ab omni causatione, vera rerum ostensione deinceps omnino cessanti, Hervæus le Moygne pater Oliveri dixit abbati Roberto, de aliorum paupertate

hic tuas divitias non potes multiplicare; sicque discessit, et quia tunc rerum veritatem didicit, ejus causatio inde adnoluta remansit, nec inde nos ultra convenire voluit. Præter hoc nullis prædictorum dominorum temporibus nunquam inde causationem à quoquam hominum audivimus, neque patres nostri à tempore Turkilli Daneys. His itaque terminis et libertatibus tenuerunt et habuerunt Saltreiam prædicti domini nostri usque ad diem hunc, et hæc ita fuisse, si fuisset opus propriis corporibus probaremus, et securè probare possunt, qui eam post nos habituri, et possessuri sunt. Post juramentum quod prædicti homines sub bosco ad Stangate fecerunt, hoc responderunt. His igitur terminis et divisis et omnibus libertatibus jussu domini mei Simonis comitis, monachis de Saltreia in saisinam tradidi in perpetuum clemosinam possidendis, et in abbatiam construendam. Sed quoniam nova vetera a memoria expellunt, et per veterum negligentiam alii aliena sibi quasi in juris possessionem convertunt, ne monachos nuper insaisiatos aliquis de his, quæ infra terminos prænominatos perceperunt inquietet, in monasterio de Burch, quod quidem multis annis antequam Thorneya vel Ramesia vel Croylandia fundata fuit, quæsitum est, et in carta Wlferi regis, qui illud fundavit, inventum, quomodo mariscus etiam ab initio christianitatis fuit divisus, in qua carta confirmante papa Agathone præcepit idem rex ut abbas de Burch, et habitatores Huntingdoniensis provinciæ debeant et mariscum et aquas medium partiti. Cum enim terminos eorum ab aqua quæ Bradenea nomine vocatur, usque ad Pakkelode descripsissent, præcepit et sic in medium partitis stagnis plurimis et immensis paludibus cum habitatoribus Huntingdonensis provinciæ, una cum stagnis et lacis Chalveremere et Whitelemere et aliis plurimis ad hæc pertinentibus, cum terris quoque et mansionibus quæ jacent in australi parte Chalveremere. Manu igitur mea monachos de Saltrey insaisavi, et insaisatione illa præsentiscripto sigillo meo signato in ævum contestor, unde et hæredibus meis præcipio quod de his quæ dicuntur loco mei pro tuitione monachorum securè faciant, quicquid ego, si opus fuisset facere debuisssem. Huic juramento et responso et insaisationi et traditioni præsentis testes in villa tunc fuerunt Malgerus presbiter, Ricardus Walensis, &c.

NUM. IV.

Cirographum de Lada Monachorum apud Walton.

[Ex registro de Ramesey, fol. 38 b.]

Hæc est finalis concordia facta in curia domini regis apud Huntendon in octavis assumptionis beatæ Mariæ, anno regni Ricardi tertio, coram Gaufrido filio Petri, et Osberto filio Hervæi, et Willielmo Ruffo, et Michaele Beleth, et Willielmo filio Ricardi, et Simone de Pateshill justiciariis domini regis, et aliis fidelibus domini regis ibi tunc præsentibus, inter abbatem de Ramesia, per Walterum de Stivecle senescallum ejusdem abbatis positum in loco suo in curia domini regis ad lucrandum vel perdendum, et abbatem de Saltreia et conventum utriusque loci per Rogerum celerarium de Saltreia, et fratrem Willielmum monachum positos in loco ejusdem abbatis in curia domini regis ad lucrandum vel perdendum, de marisco inter Withlesmare et Ulbemare, unde placitum fuit inter eos in curia domini regis, scilicet quod omnes ladæ quas monachi de Saltreia fecerant in illo marisco obstupabuntur, excepta illa magna lada quæ vadit de Withlesmare versus Saltreiam, quæ remanebit aperta, per quam ipsi monachi de Saltreia adducent lapides et cætera necessaria ad constructionem monasterii sui et aliarum officinarum suarum, et monachi de Saltreia habebunt unam parvam casam tantum super ipsam ladam, in qua adductores lapidum quiescere possunt cum opus fuerit, et nullam aliam casam nec domum in marisco illo facient præter illam solam, nec arbores plantabunt, nec curtilagium, nec ladas nec trencheias ulterius facient ibi, nec patientur ut piscatores sui intrent in maras monachorum de Ramesia piscandi causa. Pratum quoque quod Willielmus Brito falcare solebat quietum remanebit abbati et monachis de Ramesia. Ita quod omni tempore quo prata in defensione esse solent et debent, fratres Saltreia averia sua ab illo custodient, nec illud scienter depasci sinent. Custodient etiam averia sua ne dampnum faciant in retibus piscatorum de Ramesia, quæ suspendi solent juxta maras de Hulbemare et de Withlesmare, et si dampnum fecerint fratres de Saltreia, solvent dampnum, sicut piscatores de Ramesia probare poterint per testes et per juramentum.

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Valet in reddit' duoꝝ teñtoꝝ jacen' in Bredstrete dim' Thome Levyn et Riçd Horsted per annū 13l. 6s. 8d.

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Valet in proficuis provenien' de ecclia paroch' Bte Marie Virginis de Sawtre Juet videlt in decimis garbaz feni vitul' agnoꝝ lane et oblacion' proven' crescen' et renovan' de ppr' terr' prat' pascuis et pastur' tam in man' et occupacion' predict' abbt' et convent' qam prat' et pastur' in tenura diſs' tenenciū iðm cōibus annis put in valore predco plenius continet' . 8l. 0s. 0d.

Com' Cant'.

Valet in proficuis provenien' de rectoria Oñi' Sçoꝝ de Fulborne ut in oñibus proficuis eidem rectorie ptinen' appropriat' monasterio predco dim' Joñi Scarguyll p termino annoꝝ ex dono dñi Reg^s . 24l. 0s. 0d.

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Valet in proficuis provenien' de rectoria de Honyngham cū decimis garbaz et feni ac cum uno claus' silit monasterio predco appropriat' dim' Thome Barne per annū . 8l. 0s. 0d.

Suñia totalis tam temporalium quam spūaliū predict' . 199l. 11s. 8d.

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Repris'.
Reddit' Resolut'.

In reddit' resolut' dño Regi pro certe silver ad man' Wiłłmi Parre militis 2s. 6d. Abbt' de Ramsey de redd' exeunt' de Sawtre Moynez 4l. Dño Regi ad hundrm suũ de Normaforosse extra dñium de Conyngton 8s. Hered' Robti Broughton exeunt' de terr' in Greffeham 3s. 4d. Dño Regi pro serte silver et auxil' vicecomit' exeunt' de Groffeham predict' 2s. 8d. Ballivis ville Hunt' pro le high-gabull 1s. 6d. Priori canonicorũ Hunt' pro libo reddit' 1s. 10d. Wiłłmo Bevell exeunt' de terr' et teit' in Walton 6s. 1d. Abbt' de Burgo Sçi Petri 5s. Hered' Wiłłmi Knevet 3s. 4d. Priori Sçi Johis Jerłm in Anglia 1s. 3d. Et gardianis eccie de Wynwyke 2d. Exeunt' de terr' in Wynwyke pdict' 9s. 9d. Dño Regi ad hundrm suũ de Leightonstone 4s. Dño Rose p quieto reddu exeunt' de teit' in Eynesbury 6d. Dño Regi pro terr' in Yelling 6s. 8d. Priori de Ely 13s. 4d. Necnon abbi Sçi Johis de Colcestr' 6s. 8d. Pro quiet' reddit' exeunt' de terr' in Baboram Thome Saintgeorge pro reddit' exeunt' de Gamlyn-gay 1s. 6d. Priori de Pentney et duci Richemond' exeunt' de terr' in Sossham et Narford 2l. 4s. Dño Regi p man' major' de Lynne pro quieto reddit' in Lynne 1s. Abbt' de Swyneshed p quieto reddit' in Holbeche Horne 1s. 6d. Alicie Rosse vidue pro quieto reddit' exeunt' de Foderinghay 2s. Et abbi de Barmesey pro quiet' reddit' exeunt' de teit' in London' 1s.

In toto per annũ prout in valore pdco plenius anno-tant' et specificant' . . . 10l. 8s. 10d.

Feod'.

Feod' Wiłłmi Castell senesc' omn' dñiorũ et manerioz predcoz per annũ 2l. Et Robti Charleton recept' et bałłi oĩi' reddit' et revencion' pertinen' dco monasterio per annũ 2l. 4l. Os. Od.

Alloc' p' Warro.

Denar' dno Regi solut' ad Scēm suũ Westm' ad usum Aule Regalis infra universitatē Cant' virtute łraz dci dñi Regs paten' inde confect' p annũ . . . 33l. 6s. 8d. Consilibz denar' solut' dco dno Regi ad Scēm suũ pre-dcēm ad usum domus sive collegij Xpi voc' Crist' College infra universitatem predcām vigore łraz paten' ejusdm dñi Regs inde confect' per annũ . . . 6l. 13s. 4d. 40l. Os. Od.

Vicario eccie de Fulbo'ne in com' Cant' p annual' et perpetua pencone sicut continetur in valore predco 2l. 10s. Od.

Penc' Porc' et Elemos'.

Rectori eccie Sancti Vigoris de Fulbo'ne predict' p quibusdam x^{mis} exeunt' de rectoria Omn' Scorum iłm ad rectoriam Vigoris predict' per annũ et percell' firm' xxiiij^{li} superius oĩat' . . . 1l. 6s. 8d.

Denar' solut' ut in elemos' dat' suĩmo altari eccie de Gamlingay ex donacione Henrici Mampac' benefac' predicti monasterij et donat' ter' et tenement' iłm per annũ

	0l.	2s.	6d.
	1l.	9s.	2d.
Suĩna totalis repris'	58l.	8s.	Od.
Et reman' clare	141l.	3s.	8d.
Decima inde	14l.	2s.	4½d.

NUM. VI.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Transcript of Roll 30 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

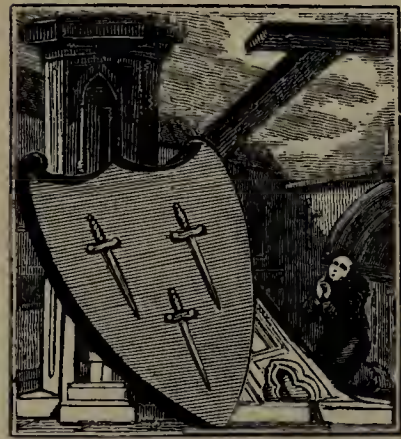
SAWTRE NUPER ABBATIA.

Sawtre cum scitu nuper abbathie ibidem.

DE aliquibus denariorum summis provenientibus sive crescentibus de exitibus dominiorum, maneriorum, terrarum, ac aliarum possessionum et hæreditamentorum quarum-cumque tam temporalium quam spiritualium eidem nuper monasterio de Sawtre pertinen. videlicet infra tempus hujus computi non respondet eo quod dominus rex Henricus octavus per litteras suas patentes, quarum dat. est apud Westmo-nasterium 16^{mo} die Decembris anno regni sui vicesimo nono, dedit et concessit dominia, maneria, terras, possessiones, et hæreditamenta quæcumque tam temporalia quam spiritualia monasterio sive nuper abbathie de Sawtre prædict. unacum omnibus et singulis juribus, commoditatibus, et pertinentiis universis dicto nuper monasterio sive abbathie pertinentibus, sive quoquomodo spectantibus, dilecto et fideli servienti suo Ricardo Williams alias vocato Ricardo Crumwell, armigero, hæredibus et assignatis suis, imperpetuum habend. a festo Sancti Michaelis archangeli ultimo præterito, ac tenend. de dicto domino rege, hæredibus et successoribus suis, in capite, per servitium militare, videlicet per decimam partem unius feodi militis, ac per annum redditum 14l. 12s. 8d. ad curiam augmentationum revencionum coronæ domini regis sol-vendum, &c.

Kirkstall Abbey,

In the Deanery of Skyrak, and West Riding of Yorkshire.



IRKSTALL ABBEY has had its history so copiously treated by Dugdale, Stevens, Thoresby, and Burton, that little additional matter of im-portance can be expected from Sir William Dugdale's present editors.
Henry de Lacy, A.D. 1147, placed at Barnoldes-wick, on the Lancashire side of Yorkshire, a convent of Cistercian monks from Foun-tains, who, having struggled with great inconveniences for several years, at last desired to be removed to a place in Aierdale, called Kirkstall, which their founder procured for them of William of Poitou, and where they settled and began to build a fine abbey, A.D. 1152, to the honor of the blessed Virgin Mary.

The details of the foundation of this monastery at both places will be found in the Appendix, Numm. I. II. to-gether with two charters of Henry de Lacy, Numm. III. IV. and a history of the Lacies as patrons of the abbey.^a
Hugh Bigot, earl of Norfolk, claiming the manor of Bernoldeswic as its superior lord, was first prevailed upon to let it be held by the abbey by a payment of five marks per annum, but afterwards remitted the payment, and gave the land to be held freely by the monks.^b
During the time of the first abbat, that is before the year 1182, the church of Kirkstall, the two dormitories, one for the monks and the other for the lay brethren, the refectory, the cloister, the chapter-house, and the requisite offices for the establishment appear to have been completed: a progress not often made, it is probable, in so short a time in the construction of a large monastery.^c
Burton has given an alphabetical list of the places wherein the lands of this monastery lay, together with the names of the donors. The places were Adle, Aldefeld,

^a See Num. VI. ^b Compare Num. II. ^c Ibid.



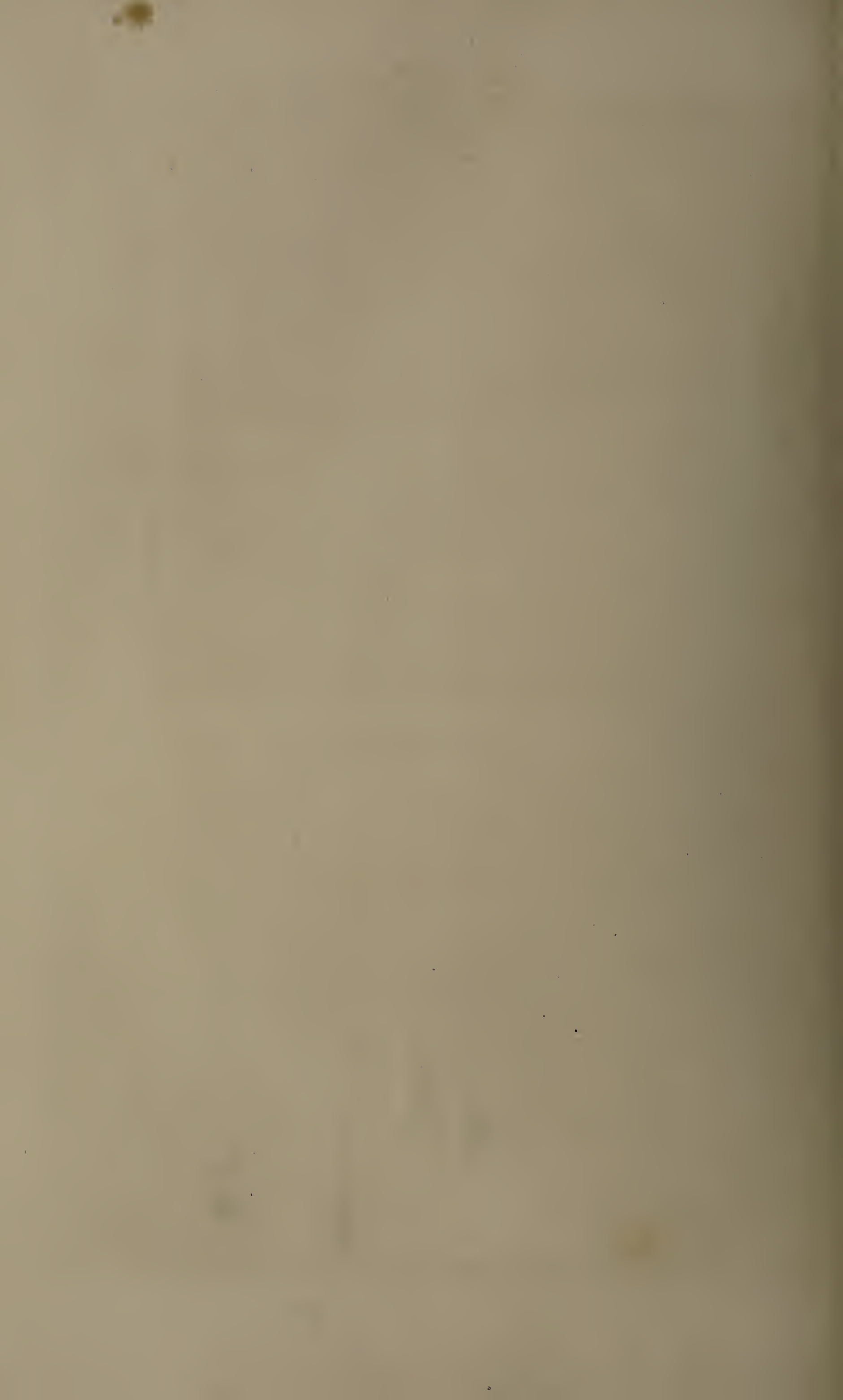
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The Great Court of the Temple of Amun at Karnak



Aldewyk, Aldwaldlay, Alkerington or Akerington, Allerton or Alreton West, Allerton Chapel, Allerton-Gledhow, Allerton-more, Altofts, Ardeslow, Arnley or Armley, Arthington, Aston in Cheshire, Barneby, Berdeshay, Bernoldswic, Besacle in Brantun-soc, Besecre, Beeston, Birstal Priory, Bolling near Bradford, Bracewell in Craven, Brachinel or Brachenley, Bramhop, Bramley, Brantun, Brerehagh, Bretby or Byrtby, Breytwell, Brocadene, Bardun, Burgedun or Byrthden, Burley near Leeds, Burley in Whardale, Calverley, Cliderhow in Lancashire, Clifford, Clivecher, Collingham, Cookeridge, Creskeld, Darthingtona, Eccop, Elscerton, Elwynthorp, Esseley, Farnley, Fletehage, Folyfait, Garford-west, Halberd, Hanepol or Hampoll, Hechelton, Heddingley, Helewic, Horseford now Horseforth, Hortwait-lower, Hoton, Hulum, Kighley, Kirkstall, Kyddal, Leeds, Lofthouse, Marchesden, Marton, Menhal or Wurhal, Middleton in Pickering-Lythe, Morton, Neuhale near Otley, Neuton, Pontefract, Pool, Pudsey, Raudon, Riddlesden, Rigton, Riston in Bockland, Roundbay-grange, Seacroft, Shadwell, Snithale, Staney, Stoke, Thorpe, Thoshu or

Thousom, Wyke, Ycadon, Yveker, and York. The names of the greater benefactors will be seen by referring to the heads of the various charters in the Appendix. King John was one of its early benefactors.^a

By inquisition taken 7 Edw. III. it was found that the monks of Kirkstall had been unjustly dispossessed of lands appertaining to their manor of Bernoldeswick, the gift of their founder, Henry Lacy, lord of Blackburnshire, by Henry Lacy, Earl of Lincoln; which Blackburnshire afterwards falling to the king, the said lands had also been unjustly detained by the crown; wherefore the jurors thought they might, without prejudice to any person, be restored to the monastery.^b

Thoresby's Lives of the

ABBATS of KIRKSTALL

are given in the note below, from Stevens's Continuation of Dugdale, for the sake of compression:^c but as the exact dates of their appointments are omitted, it seems necessary

^a Num. VII.

^b See Num. V. Besides the Deeds quoted by Stevens from Mr. Thoresby's Manuscripts (see the Numbers in the Appendix XIII. to LII.) he has given the following, in an abridged form in English.

"William, the son of Hugh Lelay, gave to the Knights Templars six plow-lands at Horsford, with their tofts, which gift was confirmed by his son Hugh; and brother Aimeric of St. Maura, minister of the Templars in England, with the consent of his brethren in Yorkshire, resigned and quitted claim to the same six plow-lands to the abbat and convent of Kirkstall.

"William, the son of William, the son of Hugh Lelay, gave to God and St. Mary and the monks of Kirkstall all the land he had at Horsford, with the men on it, and all their followers, in perpetual alms, without any service or demand; and William, the father of the aforesaid William, by his deed confirmed the said gift of his son. By another deed, William, the son of Hugh Lelay, grants to the said monks two carucates of land at Horsford. There follows another deed of Hugh Lelay, the son of William, granted by William as aforesaid.

"By another deed William Lelay gave to the same convent, together with his body to be buried, 10 plow-lands, with their appurtenances at Horsford, being all his land at Horsford, except the six plow-lands he had given to the Templars, and which we have seen above they also gave to the said monks, with all the men on them and their families, and all their chattels, free from all service and demand. Adam, the son of Adam, the son of Hugh Lelay, gave to the same monks two carucates of land at Horsford, with appurtenances within and without the town. All these several deeds are without date, but witnessed by many persons.

"Adam Fitz-Peter gave to the nuns and canons of St. Gilbert, of Sempringham, at Haverholm, one carucate of land at Horsford, and two carucates of land and a mill at Kikeley, all which the said nuns and canons made over to the monks of Kirkstall, who were to pay them 4*l.* a year for the same, and this contract was confirmed by the donor Adam Fitz-Peter, which three deeds may be seen where we speak of the Order of Sempringham.

"Walter Fitz-Nigell, of Horsford, gave to the monks of Kirkstall eleven acres and one rood of land in the territory of Horsford, and all the land of Nethergill, and one house with a garden, &c.

"William Pouill gave to the same monks one toft in the town of Horsford, with a house standing in it.

"Robert Pouell gave to them two plow-lands, with their appurtenances, in the town and territory of Horsford.

"Robert, the son of William Britton, of Pouill, gave to the same monks half an acre of land at Horsford.

"Vincent Bracewell, and his wife Sibill, gave to the same monks one acre of land in the territory of Horsford.

"Ralph Maleverer granted and confirmed to the same monks all the land they had at Horsford, with the appurtenances belonging to his fee of the gift of Robert Fitz-Hubert for ever.

"Nigell, of Horsford, gave one essart at Horsford.

"Thomas, the son of Nigell, of Horsford, assigned Thomas Green, of Horsford, and his heirs and assigns, to pay for him and his heirs for ever to the same monks 4*s.* 6*d.* out of 5*s.* the said Green and his heirs were to pay to him and his heirs for two plow-lands.

"William Horbery and John Chapman granted and confirmed to the monks all the lands, tenements, meadows, woods, and pastures, with their appurtenances, which they had in the town and territory of Horsford, of the gift and fee of Hugh Green.

"Note that this deed is dated the 7th of April, in the year of our Lord 1392, and the 15th of King Richard the II*d.* after the conquest, whereas all the others before have no dates.

"Adam, the son of William le Vute, gave to the same monks all his meadows, with appurtenances, at Welkar —, in the territory of Horsford.

"Adam, the son of William Huritte, gave two acres of land in the territory of Horsford, on the east side of that town, at the place called Windeketecliffe, with their appurtenances.

"Elizabeth, the daughter of Thomas Bendy, of Horsford, gave a messuage, a toft, and two plow-lands, with the meadows, woods, and pastures, and their appurtenances.

"Roger Cook, of Kirkstall, gave to the monks of the same place two messuages and two plow-lands and seven acres, with all their appurtenances in the town and territory of Horsford.

"Maude, the daughter of Hugh Burre, released and quitted claim to the abbat and monks of Kirkstall of all demands or suits she might have on the lands and tenements, &c. which her father, Hugh Burre, once held in the town and territory of Horsford. This release dated at Kirkstall, on the feast of the Assumption of the blessed Virgin Mary, in the year of our Lord 1306."

^c Stevens, Contin. vol. ii. p. 37, speaking of the former edition of this work, says

"The *Mouasticon*, vol. i. p. 854. in the history of the foundation of this monastery, mentions only Alexander, Ralph, Lambert, and Helias, whom he makes the fourth, but in the manuscript, communicated by that learned antiquary Ralph Thoresby, of Leeds, in Yorkshire, Esq. I find Turgisius the fourth abbat, and Helias the fifth. I shall therefore give them in the same order I find them in the said manuscript, saying the less of the first of them, in regard that so much is said of him in the *Monasticon*.

"1. ALEXANDER, prior of Fountains, was the first abbat of Kirkstall, and underwent all the toils and difficulties of a new foundation, coming from his settled monastery to establish this with 12 monks, and 10 lay-brothers, on the 14th of the calends of June, in the year 1147, Henry Murdac, who had before been abbat of Fountains, being then archbishop of York, and a great favourer of this new monastery. Alexander governed the monastery 35 years, a true abbat not only in name but in reality, and being in a good old age, dying was succeeded by the venerable

"2. RALPHY HAGETH, before monk of mountains, prior of the same place, a religious man, and renowned for all sanctity, a lover of justice, and most zealous for his order. Being made abbat, he began to act vigorously according to his power, having indeed a good will, but not so much regarding the poverty of the house, much extending himself beyond what a small competence would allow. He found the house neither very wealthy nor involved in debt, and likely to do well and prosper in its way, if providence were not wanting. He wanted not temptations in his government; God, as is believed, so ordering, that he might learn by a little how to act in greater matters. Many tribulations came upon him; contentions abroad, apprehensions at home, mortality among the cattle, tearing away of his possessions, want of necessities, scarcity of victuals. About this time was taken away the grange of Micklethwayte, the greatest and best support of the monastery, for King Henry, being ill advised by his counsellors, in hatred to Roger Mowbray, caused them to be dispossessed, that grange having been before of his fee, and he gave the grange, with its appurtenances, and all the fee of Collingham and of Bardsey, to Adam Bruis, in exchange for the castle of Danby, which the said king had before taken from him. There was therefore no small trouble among the brethren; some interpreting the unlucky events of things according to their fancies, charged all cross accidents, and the whole misfortune of the house on the abbat, blaming him for the loss of the grange, and their being robbed of some sacred vessels, viz. a gold chalice, and the text of the gospels, which he, with a good intention, had given to gain the king's favour, and recover the grange; but his conscience being clear, he patiently bore whatsoever was cast upon him, and by his great faith overcame the assaults of adverse fortune. At length the monks were dispersed about into the neighbouring houses of the order, as well by reason of the difficulties they were reduced to by poverty, as chiefly because they hoped by these means to incline the prince to compassion; but this was in vain, for the king's heart was hardened, and he always protracted that affair with empty promises, till being snatched away, the abbat lost all hopes, and he the power of showing mercy. The abbat therefore coming to himself, relied on the advice of his brethren, and moderated the expenses as was requisite, he more diligently managed the affairs of the house; nine years he lived at Kirkstall, continually struggling with the difficulties of poverty, and being thence translated, took upon him the government of the church of Fountains. His successor was

"3. LAMBERT, a man of extraordinary innocence and simplicity, and one of them that were sent out of the house of Fountains under the abbat Alexander; having been 42 years in the order, he never had any hand in their temporal affairs, but always leading the life of the cloister, sate with Mary at the feet of our Lord, to hear the word of him. When made abbat, he ordered no temporal affairs of himself, but committing all to God, relied on the advice of the brethren, and the Lord was with him. There was in those days peace among the brethren, with virtuous

to repeat the list (with some ADDITIONS) in a compressed form in the next.

ALEXANDER, the first abbat, was appointed May 21st, 1147.

RALPH HAGETH succeeded in 1182.

LAMBERT, A.D. 1191.

TURGESIUS.

HELIAS, a monk of Roehe abbey, occurs in 1209.

concord, a sufficiency in temporals, in spirituals a pious and religious emulation. But that he might not want some temptation for his advantage, it happened that a certain knight, by name Richard of Eland, claimed to himself the grange of Clivacher, and the abbat understanding that the knight justly claimed it, he resigned the said grange to his patron Robert Lacy, having the village of Akerington given him in exchange. This village, removing the inhabitants, he converted into a farm or grange, to serve for the use of the monastery, if he had possessed it in peace; but some wicked neighbouring inhabitants, whose predecessors had formerly been possessed of Akerington, by the instigation of the devil, burnt the grange with all its furniture, and cruelly murdered three lay-brothers, viz. Norman, Umfridus, and Robert, who managed the grange. The abbat grieved at this unlucky accident, recommended the souls of the deceased to God, and committed their bodies to the grave. Then repairing to Robert Lacy, the patron of his house, he recommended his cause to him with tears. That noble man being provoked by such great presumption, took in hand the malefactors, and banished not only them, but all their relations, till falling down at the abbat's feet, by permission of the lord Robert Lacy, they made satisfaction to God and the brethren for so enormous a sin; they also swore to abjure the said grange, for themselves and their successors, resigning to God, and the monks, all the rights they had therein, and giving money over and above for the damage they had there done. Peace being made with their adversaries, the abbat rebuilt the grange that had been destroyed, and having fitly finished all things, he also finished his course in a good old age, the 30th year of his stewardship. Upon his death succeeded

"4. TURGIUS, abbat of holy memory, a man of singular abstinence, and most severe chastiser of his body, being always clothed in sackcloth, to suppress the unlawful motions of the flesh by harsh clothing, carrying in his mind those words of the Gospel, 'They that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses.' His garment at all times was but one coul, and one tunick, without any addition; he had no more in winter and no less in summer. Thus he yielded to neither season, so that you would neither think him to be chilled with the cold, nor inflamed with the heat. In the dead of winter, when the sharpness of the cold was most vehement, he never took care for any defence against the hardness of the weather; he would not wear socks upon his feet, nor permit straw to be laid for him to lie on. He stood at the night watches, when we having double garments on were almost frozen stiff, as if he felt no uneasiness, and we say that he repelled the cold of the season with the ardour of the inward man. No man pleasanter than he, none more temperate; he never tasted wine, unless in those parts where no other drink can be found. There is no need to talk of flesh, fish he permitted to be set before him, for the sake of those that sate by him, only to look at, not to eat. He was frequently weeping and in compunction, when discoursing he seldom refrained from tears; never at the office of the altar without devotion, never said mass without tears, whereof he shed so great a flood, that he did not seem to weep but to rain down tears, insomuch that the sacerdotal vestments he wore could scarce be used by any other. Having spent nine years at Kirkstall, and returning to Fountains, he made an happy end, and rested in peace. The Monasticon wants this abbat, and makes his successor the fourth, whom the learned Mr. Browne Willis has also followed; but this is as we have found it in the ancient manuscript above mentioned, and so we proceed to his successor,

"5. HELIAS, of worthy memory, formerly monk of Rupe, an industrious man, and well versed in temporal affairs, having taken upon him the charge of the government, had enough to do according to time and place, to gather what had been scattered, and to preserve what had been gathered, and the Lord was with him. Nor did he want tribulation at his first promotion; for the noble Roger Lacy, patron of the monastery, being ill advised by some persons, conceived so much anger against the said abbat, that he would not vouchsafe to see nor admit him into his presence; but the Lord, in whose hand are the hearts of princes and their counsels, assuaged his passion and rancour, and converted it into perfect favour and affection, for he afterwards was very familiar and intimate with the abbat, and not a little promoted the affairs of the house. The abbat therefore relying on the grace of God and his patronage, had recourse to King John about the grange of Micklethwaite, which his father King Henry had formerly taken from the monks. He was assisted by Roger Lacy, constable of Chester, and all the great men of the court who were his friends; but the king would not by any means consent to grant the grange, unless he would take the manor, an appurtenance whereof it was, to a farm as a fee. Being reduced to this necessity, he took the aforesaid grange, with the manors of Collingham and Bardsey, to farm as a fee at the king's hand, paying yearly fourscore and ten pounds, as the king's charter testifies. In his days the rock of Adle was added to the monastery of Kirkstall, and the town of Allerton, viz. half a knight's fee, with some other places. In his time also was taken away the grange of Hoton, by the violence of King John, and the land of Thorpe, granted to one Laurence, clerk of Witon.

"6. RALPH, of NEWCASTLE, succeeded him, and died in the reign of King Henry III. on the 9th of the ides of April.

RALPH DE NEWCASTLE.

WALTER.

MAURICE occurs about A.D. 1221.

ADAM, A.D. 1249.

HUGH MICKELAY was confirmed in his office March 16th, 1259.

SIMON, 40th Hen. III. A.D. 1262.

WILLIAM DE LEDES, March 6th, 1269.

"7. WALTER was the next, in the reign of King Henry the III. and died on the 2d of the ides of October.

"8. MAURICE succeeded in the year 1222, and died in the year of our Lord 1249, on the 7th of the calends of April, in the reign of King Henry the III.

"9. ADAM succeeded him on Friday sevennight after Easter, the same year.

"10. HUGH MICKELAY was created the 17th of the calends of April, 1159, and died on the calends of June, 1262, in the reign of King Henry the III. His successor was

"11. SIMON, created the 15th of the calends of June in the same year, died the 13th of the calends of March, 1269, and the 53d of King Henry the III. He was succeeded by

"12. WILLIAM LEEDES on the 2d of the nones of March, being then a Thursday, the same year, and was abbat till the Assumption of the blessed Virgin Mary, in the year of our Lord 1275. After whom

"13. GILBERT DE COTLES was created on the morrow after the octave of the Assumption of the blessed Mary, the same year, was abbat three years, one month, and four days. He was also created a second time, on the second of the ides of December, and was abbat till the feast of St. Peter ad Vincula 1280. Then

"14. HENRY KARR was chosen, on the eve of St. Andrew the apostle, the same year. And next

"15. HUGH GRIMSTON was created on the day of St. Lambert bishop, in the year of our Lord 1284, and died in the year 1304, on the calends of May, the 32d year of the reign of King Edward the First. The state of the house of Kirkstall at the time of the creation of the lord Hugh Grimston, abbat, on the day of St. Lambert, bishop and martyr, anno Domini 1284, imprimis, draught oxen 16, cows 84, yearling and young bullocks 16, asses 21, sheep none. The debts which are certainly due, by a recognizance made before the Barons of the Exchequer, 4402l. 21s. 7d.* Besides the writings, lying in the custody of the society, of James de Fistolis of 500 marks; besides one writing, in the hands of the abbat of Fountains, of the abbat Henry of 50 marks; besides 59 sacks of wool, and 9 marks due to Bernard Talde; and besides the acquittances in the hands of John Saelden for 340 marks. In testimony whereof we the brothers, and Henry, called abbat of Fountains, have affixed our seal in these presents.

"The sum of all the debts 5248l. 15s. 7d. besides 59 sacks of wool.

"The following appears to have been the state of the abbey of Kirkstall at the visitation on the Sunday next before the feast of St. Margaret the Virgin, in the year 1301. Imprimis, draught oxen 216, cows 160, yearlings and bullocks 152, calves 90, sheep and lambs 4000. The debts of the house 160l. In testimony hereof Richard abbat of Fountains affixed his seal.

"16. JOSEPH BRIDESAL succeeded Hugh Grimston in the year of our Lord 1304."

"Thus far we have followed the manuscript of Mr. Thoresby; we must now borrow the following abbats from the second volume of that great antiquary Browne Willis, Esq.'s History of Abbeys, p. 276: they are as follows.

"Mr. Willis makes Joseph Bridesal, last abovementioned, the 15th abbat: the reason of the disagreement has been above shown to be his omitting (as the Monasticon does) Turgius, the fourth abbat. And now again, Mr. Willis says that this Joseph Bridesal was substituted abbat in the room of Hugh Grimston, who he also tells us was created abbat in the year 1304, and either died or surrendered the same year; whereas it appears by the aforesaid manuscript of Mr. Thoresby, that Grimston was elected abbat in the year 1284, and died in 1304. Thus mistakes seem to be rectified, and we go with Mr. Willis's catalogue, wherein the next abbat is

"17. ROGER DE LEEDES, confirmed abbat the 15th of December, 1349. He was succeeded by

"18. WILLIAM GRAYSON, and he by

"16. THOMAS WYMBERSLEY, confirmed in this abbacy the 6th of April, 1468, vacant by the death of his predecessor Grayson. Here must of necessity be another error, for Roger Leedes is set down confirmed in the year 1349, then succeeds William Grayson, and next to him this Thomas Wymbersley in 1468; by which the two abbats Leedes and Grayson must be made to hold that dignity from 1349 to 1468, that is for the space of 119 years, which is not only improbable, but almost impossible; so that in all likelihood the catalogue must be there imperfect. But we will proceed to the next, who was

"20. ROBERT KELYNBECK, elected the 21st August, 1499. He presided not above two years, and was then succeeded by

"21. WILLIAM STOCKDALL, on the 10th of December, 1501, and he by

"22. WILLIAM MARSHALL, on the 5th of December, 1509, and he by

"23. JOHN RIPLEY, the 21st July, 1528, the last abbat, whose name I also conceive, was Browne, for one John Browne is said to have surrendered this convent, 22d November, 1540, 31 Henry VIIIth, and to have had a pension of 66l. 13s. 4d. per annum assigned him at the Dissolution, which he enjoyed anno 1553."

* The 21s. are so in the manuscript, that is, thus, xxis. Perhaps there may be one x too much, and then it would be but 11s.

GILBERT DE COTLES, or COTHES, 3 Edw. I. A.D. 1275.

HENRY CAR, A.D. 1280.

HUGH DE GRYMSTON, 12th Edw. I. A.D. 1284.

JOSEPH OR JOHN DE BRIDESAL, 16 kal. Jun. 1304.

WALTER on the feast of the Holy Trinity, 1313.

WILLIAM occurs in 1341.

ROGER DE LEDES was made abbat Dec. 15th, 1349.

JOHN DE THORNBURG, according to Whitaker in his History of Craven, occurs in 1378.

JOHN DE BARDSEY occurs in 1396, and again in 1399.

WILLIAM GRAYSON.

THOMAS WYMBERSLEY, April 6th, 1463.

ROBERT KELINGBEC, August 21, 1499.

WILLIAM STOCKDALE, Dec. 10th, 1501.

JOHN RIPLEY, July 21st, 1508.

WILLIAM MARSHALL, Dec. 5th, 1509.

The Surrender of this House, Nov. 22d, 1540, will be found in the Appendix.^a

In 1291, the temporalities of this monastery appear to have been valued at 68*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.*^b

Tanner says that a later time it was endowed, according to Dugdale, at 329*l.* 2*s.* 11*d.* per annum; according to Speed, at 512*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* No return, however, of its possessions occurs in the Valor so often quoted.

The site was granted, in exchange, to archbishop Cranmer and his heirs, 34 Hen. VIII. and 1 Edw. VI.^c

In the 26th of Elizabeth, we find it granted to Edmund Downynge and Peter Asheton.^d

The present proprietor of the Abbey of Kirkstall is the Earl of Cardigan.

References to the different REGISTERS and RECORDS of this priory will be found in the note below, to which they are assigned for compression's sake.^e

The SEAL and Counter-Seal of abbat Hugh de Mickelay, of Kirkstall, are engraved in Whitaker's History of Craven, edit. 1812, p. 55.

Stevens, speaking of Kirkstall Abbey as it stood in his

^a See Num. LIII.

^b Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. p. 325.

^c Tann. Notit. Monast. *Yorksh.* lxviii.

^d Repert. Orig. 26 Eliz. p. 2. Regina concessit Edmundo Downynge et Petro Asheton gen. totum illum scitum nuper monasterii de Kirkstall alias Kyrkestall modo dissolut. in com. Ebor. habend. eis et hæredibus suis in perpetuum. ro. clxij. et ultimo.

^e Tanner says,

"*Vide* Chronica de Kirkstall a Bruto ad finem regni Regis Henrici V. MS. in bibl. Cotton. Domitian. A. xii. 2. This is a general history, nothing relating to the abbey.

"Miscellanæ quædam de monasterio de Kirkestall, MS. Ibid. Titus A. xix. 10, 16.

"Registrum sive Librum Nigrum hujus Abbatæ in Officio Ducatus Lancastrensis apud hospitium Grayense.

"Registrum penes Joannem Walker de Hospit. Grayensi arm. 1707.

"Inter Collect. cl. v. Rog. Dodsworth, in bibl. Bodl. apographa cartarum fere centum de terris et reddit. hujus abbatæ ineditarum, scil. in vol. vii. fol. 237, &c. vol. viii. fol. 29, 42—59, 64—78, 80—83, 142, 244, 249, 259, 305, 306; vol. ix. fol. 267; vol. xxx. fol. 33; vol. xxxix. fol. 24, &c.; vol. lxxxii. fol. 127; vol. cxvi. fol. 1, &c.; vol. cxvii. foll. 13, 88; vol. cxviii. fol. 47; vol. cxxi. fol. 104; vol. cxxii. fol. 56.

"In eadem bibl. MS. Lansd. G. 9, n. 13, de fundatione hujus abbatæ.

"In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 2060, p. 216, e cartis autographis huic abbatæ spectantibus penes Ricardum Hartley de Bernelswickcotes A.D. 1655, et Ricardum Towneley de Towneley arm. A.D. 1658, MS. 2101, fol. 228; Robert de Lacy's confirmation of Bernoldeswick and many other things; fol. 229, abstract of Robert Lacy's charter of lands in Killinghall; fol. 230, abstracts or copies of divers original charters; MS. 6111, fol. 47, de fundatione abbatæ.

"Abstract of the grants of five hides of land, with a mill in Kelinghall (except the toll of all corn and ground for the hospital of St. Mary at Westwood) and of the mill of Nether Esteroft, to this abbey by Rob. de Lacy of Pontfract, MS. penes Cox Macro S. T. P. Misc. xii. ii. 6, 17.

"In registro Grenefeld archiepisc. Ebor. p. ii. fol. 140. Ordinationem inter abbatem et rectorem de Normanton super decimis grangiæ Synchale, A.D. 1310.

"Fin. Ebor. 4. Joan. n. 164, 207, de terris in Besacre. Fin. 6 Joan. m. 1.

"Fin. Ebor. 3 Hen. III. lig. B. n. 62, pro dimid. carucata terræ in Bargeden. Plac. assis. apud Donecastra, 15 Hen. III. rot. 29, de xxvi. acr. in Snythale. Cart. 21 Hen. III. m. 10, pro lib. war. in Hedingby, Adele, Horseford, et Bramley; Fin. Ebor. 24 Hen. III. lig. F. n. 184,

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time, says, "By the ruins it appears to have been a stately fabrick. There were at the east end of the church seven altars, as appears by the distinct chapels, three on each side of the high altar; but to what saints dedicated, I cannot learn; nor is there any assistance from the chronicle of Kirkstall, as it is called in Sir John Cotton's famous library, which was only so denominated because it once belonged to Kirkstall library, but has nothing in it relating to the same. The roof has been off the church ever since the dissolution of the house; but the dortor, or dormitory, and some other places that have been converted to private uses, are covered. The tower also, which was built in Henry the Seventh's time, is perfect, the stone smooth and good. Whatever was the primitive state of the place, (for the Cistercian monks always founded their monasteries in places that had never before been cultivated or inhabited), it was afterwards a most pleasant seat, adorned with gardens, dovecotes, &c. and whatever was either for use or ornament, and all conveniently seated on the banks of a delicate river, calm and clear, which perhaps has contributed to the general misnomer of the place, which is frequently called Christall instead of Kirkstall, not only by the vulgar, but some persons of more liberal education, and by that name printed in the best maps that were ever made for the county. Some historians also, and particularly Baker, Bale, and Selden, confound this place with Kirkstede in Lincolnshire, as may be seen in the Monasticon; and the animadverter on Baker has not taken notice of this error; the true name being Kirkstall, from *kirk* a church, and *stall* the seat."

Gray, in his Letters, 4to. edit. p. 379, has given an impressive description of the ruins of Kirkstall.

The following is Doctor Whitaker's account, in the second edition of the History of Craven, 4to. 1812:

"Among the monastic remains in the north of England, Kirkstall may claim the second place, whether it be considered as a feature in a landscape, or as a specimen of architecture. In the former view, it must perhaps yield the palm to Bolton; in the latter, indisputably to Fountains.

"The lead and timber only were removed at the Dissolution; and nearly the whole building yet remains, with few

de servitiis in Donecaster. Fin. Ebor. 31 Hen. III. lig. E. n. . de pratis in Folyfait, ex dono Alani de Folyfait. Fin. Ebor. 36 Hen. III. lig. G. n. 26, de ii. bovatis terræ in Wetecroft. Fin. Ebor. 52 Hen. III. lig. I. n. 23, de iii. bovatis terræ in Bramby. Fin. Ebor. 53 Hen. III. n. 128, 131.

"Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 14 Edw. I. rot. 8 d, pro terris apud Hedingby. Cart. 15 Edw. I. n. 7. pro lxxx. marc. ann. reddit. de scaccario Henrici com. Lincoln. apud Pontefract. Rec. in scacc. 16 Edw. I. Mich. rot. . de maner. de Colingham et Berdesey ad feodi firmam. Plac. de quo war. apud Ebor. 21 Edw. I. rot. 17, 31, de maner. de Berdsey, Compton, Colingham, &c. Pat. 34 Edw. I. m. .

"Pat. 1 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 5 vel 6. Pat. 5 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 17 et 18. Pat. 6 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 5, pro terris in Bramley. Brev. reg. 10 Edw. III. Mich. rot. de cccx^l solvendis per abbatem Edmundo de Woodstock, fratri regis pro maner. de Colingham. Pat. 12 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 14. Claus. 16 Edw. II. m. 29, pro lxxx. marc. ann. percipiendis de scaccario com. Lancast. apud Pontefract, pro terris abbatis in Acrinton, Clinerker, &c. in com. Ebor. et Lancast. Pat. 16 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 1, p. 2, m. 6, de decimis maner. de Colingham et Berdesey, pro quibus abbas concessit Wodenete et Applegarthing sacristæ S. Angelorum. Cart. 16 Edw. II. n. 3, de firma maner. de Colingham et Berdesey. Pat. 17 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 25, pro maner. de Hedingley. Pat. 19 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 30, pro mess. et terris in Allerton Gledhow.

"Cart. 1 Edw. III. n. 37, 63. Claus. 2 Edw. III. m. 34, de maner. de Bernoldswyke in Blackburnshire, Brev. reg. 4 Edw. III. n. 28, de metis ejusdem manerii. Pat. 4 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . d. p. 2, m. 41. Pat. 5 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 36. Pat. 6 Edw. III. p. 2, m. . Pat. 8 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . Pat. 9 Edw. III. p. 1, m. ult. Claus. 13 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 31. Pat. 14 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . p. 2, m. 18, et 27, quod Bernoldwick sit extra chaceam, sive forestam de Blakesborn. Pat. 16 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 3 vel 4, et 39. Pat. 18 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 7 vel 8, et m. ult. Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 20, pro ecclesia de Braccwell. Pat. 24 Edw. III. m. 15 vel 16.

"Pat. 1 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 26, pro ten. in Allerton, Burton, Horsford, &c. Pat. 15 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 18, pro ten. et mess. in Ebor. Bardesey, Ecop, &c. Fin. Ebor. 16 Ric. II. n. . de tribus mesuagiis in Ebor. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 22, p. 3. m. 5, pro mess. et terris in Brerehagh, Arthington, &c. Pat. 18 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 2, pro maner. sive prioratu de Birstall perquirendo de abbate de Albamarlia. Pat. 19 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 22, pro mess. et terris in Adele et Ecope. Pat. 22 Ric. II. pro mess. et terris in Pudsey.

"Pat. 9 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 16, pro ten. in Purley juxta Leeds. Pat. 12 Hen. IV. m. 44, pro messuag. in Ebor."

See also Rot. Hundred. vol. i. pp. 105, 106, 109, 110, 111, 127, 250, 317, 365, 372, 378, 379, 390, 398, 400. Abbrev. Placitorum, pp. 226, 226. Placita de quo waranto, pp. 216, 223, 434, 435.

additions to the structure of abbat Alexander; and fewer losses by removal or decay.

"The whole exhibits that struggle between the Norman and early Gothic styles which took place in the reign of Stephen. The windows are single, round-headed lights; the doors are of the same shape, adorned with zig-zag or rectangular mouldings; the columns of the church massy, but clustered with pointed arches and with Saxon capitals, each varying in pattern from the rest. The cloister quadrangle, with the various apartments surrounding it, is nearly entire. The original refectory (for there is another of much later date) has been a magnificent vaulted room, supported

on two fine cylindrical columns, each of a single stone. The chapter-house is partly of the original structure, and partly an enlargement, little prior to the Dissolution. The tower, according to the practice of the twelfth century, was carried at first little higher than the roof; and a lofty and graceful addition made to it, apparently about the time of Henry VII. so loaded the columns on which it stood, that, about twenty years ago, the north-west pillar suddenly gave way, and drew after it an enormous ruin of two sides of the whole tower; which has, perhaps, contributed to the picturesque effect of the whole. The cloister court was the monks' cemetery."

Cartae ad Kirkstallensem Abbatiam in agro Eboracensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

[MS. de orig. Fontensis cœnobii in bibl. Arundeliana, fol. 11 b.]

ANNO M.CXLVIJ. incarnationis Dominicæ, homo quidam nobilis, Henricus de Lacey nomine in territorio Eborac. monasterium ordinis nostri suscepit construendum, assignat locum, erigit officinas, et mittitur ad eum monachorum conventus sub abbate Alexandro. Iste Alexander unus erat ex primis patribus nostris, frater uterinus domini Ricardi abbatis de Fontibus, qui apud Claram-Vallem (ut dictum est) quievit in pace. Inter hos monachos ego Serlo emissus sum, homo jam decrepitus, ut ipse vides, et ætate confectus. Locus habitationis nostræ primò Bernolswie dicebatur, quem nos mutato nomine, montem S. Mariæ fecimus appellari. Mansimus ibi per aliquot annos multa perpassi incommoda famis et frigoris, tum quia turbato regno bona nostra multoties diriperent grassatores, tum propter aeris inelementiam, et imbrium importunitatem, qui in finibus illis, ut nosti, et fruges destruunt et habitatores reddunt egenos. Displieuit proinde nobis locus habitationis nostræ, et abbatia in grangiam redacta, de assensu et consilio Henrici fundatoris nostri, ad locum alterum migravimus, qui nunc Kirkstall nominatur. Anno xv. foundationis monasterii de Fontibus, xiiij. kal. Junii emissi sumus sub Alexandro xij. monachi et x. conversi.

NUM. II.

Foundationis Historia.

[Ex MS. in bibliotheca Bodleiana, inter codices per Willielmum Cantuar. archiep. collatos. G. 9. fol. 129 a.]

FACTUM est post mortem Henrici regis Angliæ filii Willielmi cognomento Bastardi, ut regnaret pro eo Stephanus Blesensis, nepos regis ex sorore sua. Tumultuante siquidem milite et turbato regno diadema sibi imposuit, fretus auxilio Henrici Wintoniensis episcopi fratris sui.

Fuit autem in his diebus in provincia Eboracensi vir quidam magnarum rerum et inter proceres regni notissimus, et nominatissimus, nomine Henricus de Lacy, et factum est ut egrotaret diebus multis. Compunctus homo sub flagello Dei votum fecit Domino quod abbatiam construeret ordinis Cisterciensis in honore gloriosæ virginis et matris Dei Mariæ. Convaluit, et voti sui non immemor, abbatem de Fontibus mox fecit accersiri, revelat ei propositum, ostendit votum et ad abbatiam construendam villam quandam nomine Bernolswyk cum appendiciis suis donatione solempniter facta ei assignat et carta sua confirmat.

Erat autem prædicta villa de feodo Hugonis Bigot comitis de Norfole, quam prædictus Henricus tenuerat, reddendo comiti annuatim quinque mareas et unum accipitrem de soragio. Sed jam multis annis cessaverat à solutione. Suscepit abbas munus oblatum de manu viri, ignorans rem esse litigiosam, et missis fratribus officinas humiles crexit secundum formam ordinis, novum nomen loco imponens montem sanctæ Mariæ. Officinis igitur de more dispositis, anno incarnationis Domini M.CXLVIJ. ordinatus est in abbatem ejusdem loci venerabilis dompnus Alexander prior de Fontibus, et ipso die videlicet xiiij. kal. Junii de monasterio Fontanensi emissus cum monachis xij. et conversis x. ad abbatiam novam quæ mons sanctæ Mariæ dicebatur. Erat tunc tem-

poris Eboracensis archiepiscopus bonæ memoriæ Henricus Murdæ abbas quondam de Fontibus qui locum ipsum cum pertinentibus et ecclesiam ejusdem loci solutam et quietam et ab omni calumpnia liberatam monachis ibidem Deo servitibus pontificali auctoritate concessit et confirmavit.

Fuit autem ecclesia de Bernolswick antiqua nimis et ab olim fundata, habens villas parochiales quatuor, videlicet Martonam, et aliam Martonam, Bracewellam, et Stokam, excepta villa de Bernolswick et duabus villulis appendentibus Elswynetrop et Broecadene, quas amotis habitatoribus jam dicti monachi possidebant. Convenerunt parochiani ad ecclesiam de more diebus festis cum presbitero et clericis et erant molesti monasterio et fratribus ibidem commorantibus. Volens igitur abbas quieti monachorum et paci providere, licet minus consultè, à fundamento ecclesiam ipsam evertit reclamantibus clericis et parochianis. Facta est itaque quæstio non levis de tam insolita præsumptione, clericus siquidem qui rector erat et persona ecclesiæ ipsam molestè ferens eversionem, abbatem et monachos coram metropolitano in jus trahebat. Tandem partibus in præsentia archiepiscopi constitutis, hinc inde ad sedem apostolicam est appellatum, ubi in præsentia domini papæ terminatum est pro monachis, et parti adversæ silentium impositum. Pium enim videbatur et dignum favore ut ecclesia caderet dummodo abbatia pro ea construeretur, ut minus bonum majori cederet, et illa pars optineret in causa quæ uberiores proferret fructus pietatis. Pace igitur reddita et lite sopita, utilitati monasterii fratres quietius insistebant, duplici tamen incommodo laborabant. Nam grassatores, quia tempus guerræ erat, bona eorum frequenter diripiebant et importunitas imbrium omni ferè anno fruges eorum suffocabat. Sex annis et amplius ibidem manserunt in paupertate continua et penuria vietus et vestitus. Videns abbas quod locus habitationis suæ minus erat idoneus monasterio construendo, cogitare secum cœpit de sede mutanda et monasterio alias transferendo. Et contigit tempore quodam ut iterum agens pro negotiis domus suæ, transiret per vallem quandam tunc temporis nemorosam et umbrosam et nomen vallis Aierdale, id est vallis aquæ quæ vocatur Air, et invenit in ipsius vallis planicie fratres quosdam in habitu religionis heremiticam vitam ducentes. Delectatus loci amœnitate divertit ad eos seiseitans ab eis de modo vivendi et forma suæ religionis, unde illuc advenerint, vel quis eis locum contulerit ad inhabitandum. Respondit ei unus ex eis cui nomen Seleth et ipse quasi magister eorum. Ego inquit natus in australi parte regni hujus, revelatione celitus ad me facta huc adveni. Nam cum essem in terra nativitatis meæ, facta est ad me vox per sompnum tertio dicens, Surge Seleth et vade in provinciam Eboracensem et quære diligenter in valle quæ vocatur Aierdale locum quandam qui dicitur Kirkestal, ibi enim prævidebis habitationem futuram fratribus ad serviendum filio meo. Et tu, inquam, dic quis sit filius tuus cui servire debemus. Ego inquit sum Maria et filius meus vocatur Jesus Nazarenus salvator mundi. Evigilans exco-gitavi meum de revelatione facta quid agerem, et jaetans Domino spem meam, relieta domo et domesticis meis nil eunctatus, iter arripui. Eaque ducente quæ me vocavit, ad hanc vallem quam vides non sine difficultate perveni, hic autem à pastoribus armentariis primò accepi, locum istum

in quo nunc habitamus Kirkestall nominari. Solus eram diebus multis, radicibus victitans et herbis, et elemosinis quas mihi christiani caritatis intuitu ministrabant. Adjunxerunt se mihi postea fratres isti quos nunc vides me habentes pro regula et magistro, vitam ducimus in commune secundum formam fratrum de Leruth, nichil habentes proprium, victum et vestitum quæritantes labore manuumstrarum. Audiens hæc abbas cogitare secum cœpit de situ loci et circumstanciis ejus, de vallis amœnitate et aqua ibidem præterfluente, de silvis adjacentibus ad fabricas erigendas. Et visum est ei quod locus satis amœnus est et opportunus ad abbatiam inibi construendam. Cœpit igitur leniter monere fratres de salute et profectu animarum suarum proponens ei propriæ voluntatis periculum, paucitatem fratrum, discipulos sine magistro, laicos sine sacerdote, suadens eos ad majorem perfectionem et ad meliorem formam religionis. Et valedicens fratribus profectus est ad fundatorem monasterii Henricum de Lacy. Susceptus ab eo cum honore condigno suggerit ei de negotiis domus suæ, de paupertate fratrum et loci incommoditate, difficultates varias et gravamina, invenisse se locum valdè accommodum et amœnum, posse de facili rem illam in ejus dominium devenire. Miles autem qui erat dominus fundi illius vocabatur Willielmus Pictavensis. Igitur de communi consilio tractant secum abbas et fundator qualiter res ad effectum facilius et celerius perducatur. Abbas itaque heremitas conveniens alios ad se traxit ordini incorporandos, alii accepta pecunia suum ei jus cesserunt et habitationem.

Henricus de Lacy, Willielmum Pictavensem ad se vocans, suum impetravit assensum, et sopita simultate et discordia quæ inter eos extiterat, facti sunt amici in die illa.

Igitur Willielmus Pictavensis ad instantiam Henrici dictum locum heremitarum cum aqua et bosco adjacente per metas et certas divisas Deo et monachis contulit et carta sua confirmavit imperpetuum possidendum, sub annuo tamen redditu quinque marcarum sibi et hæredibus suis persolvendo.

Abbas itaque securus de sede ubi locus erat commodior, basilicam erigit in honore matris Dei semper virginis Mariæ et dispositis ex ordine humilibus officinis, monasterium suum, mutato nomine, Kirkestall nominavit. Anno Dominicæ incarnationis mclij. regnante in Anglia rege Stephano, præsidente sedi Eboracensi archiepiscopo Rogero, xiiij. kal. Junii, ipsa die Potentianæ virginis venit conventus monachorum de sede prima jam in grangiam redacta, ad locum qui nunc Kirkestall nominatur, locum nemorosum et frugibus infecundum, locum bonis ferè destitutum præter ligna et lapides et vallem amœnam cum aqua fluminis quæ vallis medium præterfluebat. Porrò aqua illa discriminabat limites inter feodum Willielmi Pictavensis et feodum Willielmi de Ramevilla. Monachi ex aquilonari parte fluminis residentes, ex australi plaga nullam habebant possessionem. Sed favente Domino et abbate procurante terram à medio fluminis usque ad clivum montis per certas metas et divisas tandem sunt adepti. Accepto igitur ferro succiderunt silvas et novalia sibi novantes cum filiis Effraim fecerunt sibi locum ad habitandum et spineta condensa ad cultum redigentes anarum globam lætis frugibus luxuriare cogeabant. Et vidit Dominus labores eorum et benedixit eis, et multiplicati sunt in brevi numero, fratrum et nomine possessionum. Abbas vero homo religiosus et prudens cum sollicitudine et sagacitate circa domus suæ promotionem modis omnibus invigilabat, et justis quantum potuit titulis dilatabat.

Astitit ei per omnia fundator monasterii Henricus de Lacy nunc annonam tribuens, nunc commodans pecuniam prout domus necessitas exigebat. Ipse edificiis providendis interfuit. Ipse manu sua ecclesiæ fundamenta jecit. Ipse totam ecclesiæ fabricam impensis propriis consuminavit.

Interea mota est controversia super grangiam de Bernolswyk. Comes enim de Nortfolc Hugo cognomento Bigot cam sibi in dominicum vendicavit et in curia domini regis sibi dirationavit, et monachos pro defectu warranti per iudicium curiæ fecit disseisiri. Consternatus abbas dampno rei familiaris adiit comitem ejusque pedibus provolutus movit hominem ad pietatem, tandem convenit inter eos ut ex donatione comitis grangiam cum pertinentiis susceperent tenendam de eo et hæredibus suis in perpetuam elemosinam, reddendo annuatim antiquam firmam v. scilicet marcarum vel palefridum ad valentiam et unum accipitrem. Sed tunc annuum redditum bonæ memoriæ rex Henricus fecit amo-

veri, movens diligenter et inducens comitem ut pro redemptione peccatorum suorum grangiam dictam cum pertinentiis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam Deo et monachis conferret, quod et factum est sicut carta prædicti comitis testatur et confirmacio regis quas inde habent, ita tamen quod in diebus suis hunc annuum censum ei solverent, post decessum ejus liberi ab omni præstatione sint quieti imperpetuum.

Redit ergo abbas ad propriam domum cum carta comitis et confirmatione regis, et rebus prosperè peractis benedicatur Dominus in omnibus donis suis. Et aucta est domus in pecoribus in pascuis in terris et tenementis. Et hæc locorum nomina quæ favente Domino temporibus suis adquisivit.

Inprimis Bernolswyk cum Elstwythorp et Brocadene cum pertinentiis suis. In Clivacher unam carrucatam terræ cum pertinentiis suis, et pasturam equis et armentis amplam nimis, Aldefeld, Cokerick, Brerchay, Horsford, Alreton, Rondehaia, Mikilthwayt, Thorpe, messuagium in Eboraco, Hotonam et Besecra cum duabus grangiis vicinis abbatiae quæ sunt de feodo Willielmi Pictavensis.

In diebus illis erecta sunt edificia de Kirkestall ex lapide et lignis delatis. Ecclesia videlicet et utrumque dormitorium monachorum scilicet et conversorum, utrumque etiam refectorium, claustrum, et capitulum et aliæ officinæ infra abbatiam necessariae, et hæc omnia tegulis optimè cooperta. Officinas grangiarum ipse disposuit et omnia foris et intus sapienter ordinavit. Ampla nemora quæ favente Deo adquisierat ita diligenter adquisivit posteris profutura, ut nil unquam ad ædificandum inde sumeret, sed aliunde omnia comparavit.

Triginta et quinque annis præfuit monasterio de Kirkestall, verus abbas et re et nomine, et consummatus in senectute bona homo senex et grandævus appositus est ad patres suos.

Successit ei vir venerabilis dominus Radulphus cognomento Hageth monachus primo de Fontibus, &c.

Ablata est sub his diebus grangia de Mikilthway major et melior sustentatio monasterii. Rex enim Henricus malè suasus a suis consiliariis in odium Rogeri de Moubray eos fecit disseisari, quia grangia prædicta fuit de feodo ipsius, et ipsam grangiam cum pertinentiis et totum feodum de Colingham et de Berdeleya dedit Adæ de Brus in escambium pro castello de Daneby quod dictus rex ei ante abstulerat.

Successit ei abbas Lambertus, &c. Fuit in diebus illius pax inter fratres cum vicinis, &c. Sed ne viro deesset temptatio ad profectum, accidit ut miles quidam Ricardus nomine de Eland grangiam de Clivacher cum pastura sibi vendicaret. Intelligens abbas quod miles justè eum impetebat, advocato suo scilicet domino Roberto de Lacy ipsam grangiam resignabat data sibi villa de Alkerington in escambium. Hanc villam, amotis habitatoribus, redegit in grangiam usibus monasterii profuturam, si cum pace eam possederet, sed maligni quidam in vicinia habitantes quorum antecessores Alkeringtonam olim possederant, instinctu diaboli ipsam grangiam cum supellectile combusserunt, ei tres conversos, Normannum Unfridum et Robertum qui grangiam regebant crudeliter interemerunt. Contristatus abbas casu adverso, defunctorum Deo animas, corpora commendabat sepulturæ. Et Robertum de Lacy, advocatum domus suæ expetens causam suam cum lacrimis ei commendavit. Indignatus vir nobilis ad tantam præsumptionem, aggressus est ipsos malefactores, et tam eos quam omnem cognationem eorum exulare compulit, donec ad abbatis genua provoluti, de licentia domini Roberti de Lacy, Deo et fratribus pro tam enormi peccato satisfacerent, ipsam etiam grangiam pro se et successoribus suis adjurare jurarent, quicquid juris in ea habuerunt Deo et monachis conferentes, data insuper pecunia pro dampnis quæ eis intulerunt.

Facta igitur pace cum adversariis reedificat grangiam quæ corruerat, &c.

Successit ei bonæ memoriæ abbas Helias monachus olim de Rupe, &c. Nec defuit temptatio initio creationis suæ. Nam vir nobilis Rogerus de Lacy, advocatus ipsius monasterii, malè suasus à quibusdam, tantam erga dictum abbatem concepit indignationem quod nec videre quidem hominem, nec in sua præsentia dignabatur admittere. Sed Dominus, in cujus manu sunt corda principum et consilia eorum, mitigavit motus ejus et rancorem illum in plenam gratiam et amorem convertit. Nam et abbatem ipsum deinceps familiarem habuit et privatum, et negotia domus non

mediocriter promovit. Abbas igitur de gratia Dei et adiutorio illius confidens, convenit regem Johannem super grangia de Mikelthwayt, quam pater ejus rex Henricus olim monachis abstulerat. Adjuvabant partes ejus Rogerus de Lacy, constabularius Cestriæ, et omnes magnates curiæ qui amici ejus erant; sed rex nullatenus grangiam concedere adquevit nisi manerium in cujus pertinentiis sita erat ad feodi firmam accipere voluisset. Hac igitur necessitate inductus prædictam grangiam cum maneriis de Colingham et de Berdseya, ad feodi firmam de manu regis accepit, reddendo annuatim quater viginti libras et decem, sicut carta regis testatur.

In diebus suis adjecta est soca Adel monasterio de Kirkestall et villa de Alreton, scilicet dimidium feodi militis eum quibusdam aliis locis.

Ablata est tempore suo grangia de Hoton, violentia regis Johannis, et terram de Thorp euidam Laurencio clerico de Wyton concessit.

Inventum est in chronicis abbatiæ de Kirkestall, quod anno regis Henrici quarto, et anno Domini MCXCIII. mensis Augusti die xxj. viz. kal. Februarii, obiit bonæ memoriæ dominus Robertus de Lascy, secundus fundator monasterii de Kirkestall, et ibi sepelitur.

NUM. III.

Carta Henrici de Laci, de Fundatione Abbatiæ de Kirkestal.

[Cartæ A. 1. E. III. n. 37.]

NOTUM sit omnibus præsentibus et futuris, me Henricum de Laccio dedisse et concessisse, et hac præsentem cartam meam confirmasse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, et abbati Alexandro de Kirkestall et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, ad ædificandam abbatiam de ordine Cisterciensi, ipsum locum de Kirkestall, et Bernoldeswich, cum omnibus appendiciis suis in bosco, et plano, in pratis, et pascuis, et aquis, et in omnibus quæ eisdem terris appendent, et Brachmcleiam, vaccariam juxta le Rundeheiam, et pasturam. Et hæc eis concedo, et præsentem cartam confirmo, libera, et soluta, et quieta ab omnibus consuetudinibus, et terrenis servitiis, pro salute animæ uxoris meæ, et Ilberti avi mei, et Hawis uxoris suæ, et hæredum meorum, et patris, et matris, et fratrum meorum sororumque mearum, et Matildis amitæ, et omnium parentum meorum, et omnium fidelium defunctorum. Concedo etiam eis, et hac cartam confirmo donationem quam Willielmus de Reinavilla, et uxor ejus fecerunt eis, per conventionem, et per divisas, et metas, quas ipse eis statuerit, et carta sua confirmavit. Concedo insuper eis, et hac eadem cartam confirmo illam donationem terræ quam fecit eis Willielmus de Hedigleia, et uxor ejus, et filius ejus, per conventionem, et per divisas, et metas quas idem Willielmus eis fecit, et statuit, et sicut ipse, et Robertus filius suus, per cartas suas confirmavit; sub eadem quoque confirmatione, eis concedo donationem quam fecit eis Samson de Alretuna, per conventionem, et per divisas, et metas quas idem Samson eis statuit, et carta sua confirmavit. Precor autem et præcipio omnibus hominibus meis, quatenus hunc locum, et hujus loci habitatores, et omnia eis pertinentia diligant, et honorificent, et manuteneant. Testes dominus Henricus archiepiscopus Eboraci, Otto de Tilli, Richardus grammaticus, Jordanus frater ejus, Richardus filius Gubaldi, Radulphus filius Nicholai, Willielmus de Mungci, Robertus Pictaviensis, Willielmus de Hedingleia, Lambertus medicus, Adam presbiter de Pontefracto, Arnaldus presbiter, Gamellus filius Besing, Adam presbiter, Alanus camerarius, Asketillus Maluerer, Robertus Barbu, Henricus Gualensis, Adam filius Petri, Willielmus filius Adelini, Hugo de Cleituna, Henricus Hathericrist, Thomas filius Petri, Alexander de Rid.

NUM. IV.

Carta Henrici de Laci divisas inter Bernolveswic et Blakeburnescire indigitans.

[Ex autographo in bibl. Hattoniana. Vide cart. 1 Edw. III, n. 37 et 63.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris filiis præsentibus et futuris H. de Laci salutem. Sciatis has esse rectas divisas inter Bernolveswic et forestam meam de Blakeburnescire quas ego et homines mei perambulavimus ea die qua tradidi Bernolveswic cum omnibus appendiciis suis monachis ordinis Cisterciensis

ad abbatiam construendam, et prædictam Bernolveswic per easdem divisas perpetuo possidendam eisdem monachis assignavi, scilicet per rivum qui vocatur Blakebroc et ita sursum ultra moram in directum usque ad Gailmers, et ita in directum usque ad caput de Eleslaghe et ita in transverso montem qui vocatur Blachou, et ita usque ad Oregile, et ita per Oregile sursum usque ad Pikedelawe qui vocatur Alaincete, et de Pikedelawe usque ad antiquum fossatum inter Midhop et Colredene. Et ideo ne inter eosdem monachos et hæredes meos possit de eisdem divisis aliqua in posterum oriri contentio, hanc cartam dedi eis in testimonium prædictarum divisarum. His testibus, Ottone de Tilli, Osberto archidiacono, Jordano Foliot, Willielmo elemosinario, Ketel filio Ulberti, Gamelino fratre suo, Ricardo de Cliderhou, Johanne coco.

NUM. V.

Inquisitio super eisdem divisis.

[Ibid. 7 Edw. III.]

INQUISITIO capta apud Eboracum die sabbati proxima post festum purificationis beatæ Mariæ virginis anno regni Regis Edwardi tertii post conquestum septimo, coram Willielmo de Denum, Johanne Giffard, Adam de Hoperton, et Thoma Deyvill, secundum formam commissionis domini regis eis inde directæ, et huic inquisitioni consutæ, in præsentia Petri de Saltmarsh vicecomitis Eboraci ad hoc ex parte domini regis interessendi præmuniti, per Willielmum de Marton, Petrum Gilyot, &c. juratores electos et triatos. Qui dicunt super sacramentum suum quod quidam Henricus de Lacy quondam dominus de Blakeburneshire, et manerii de Bernolveswik, in fundatione abbatiæ de Kirkstall, per cartam suam dedit cuidam Alexandro tunc abbati ejusdem loci et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus manerium de Bernolveswik cum suis pertinentiis per certas metas et divisas inter forestam tunc ipsius Henrici de Blakeburneshire et manerium illud factas, quæ quidem metæ et divisæ in eadem carta continentur et in dicta commissione domini regis plenius annotantur. Virtute cujus donationis idem Alexander tunc abbas et successores sui abbates loci prædicti manerium prædictum cum pertinentiis per metas et divisas prædictas habuerunt tenuerunt et inde seisiti fuerunt pacificè ut de jure ecclesiæ suæ prædictæ, et commodum et voluntatem suam ut in terris tenementis boscis pasturis et aliis ad idem manerium pertinentibus sine impedimento aliquorum seu alicujus fecerunt, quousque dominus Henricus de Lacy nuper comes Lincolnæ tempore regis Edwardi avi domini regis nunc quondam Hugonem de Grymstun quondam abbatem loci prædicti prædecessorem istius abbatis qui nunc est impedivit et ipsum per dominium suum ejecit tam de solo quam de communa habendis circiter in octingentis et quadraginta acris bosci moræ et pasturæ de pertinentiis manerii prædicti infra dictas metas et divisas existentibus incipiendo ad caput de Ellerslaghe et sic usque Blachou, et de Blachou usque Oregile, et de Oregile usque Pykedelawe quæ vocatur Alaincete et de Pykedelawe usque ad antiquum fossatum inter Midhop et Colreden, eaque occupando et ad forestam prædictam sic attrahendo quominus dictus Hugo tunc abbas et successores sui commodum suum de tenementis illis facere aut communam in eisdem habere potuerunt, minus justè. Et dicunt quod tenementa illa per hujusmodi impedimentum sic ad prædictam forestam tracta valent per annum triginta et quinque solidos, scilicet acra obolum et non plus, quia nullum extat ibi aliud proficuum capiendum nisi morosa pastura frisca pro grossis animalibus inde pascendis, et debilis existit.

Dicunt etiam quod idem nunc abbas nec prædecessores sui post prædictum impedimentum per dictum comitem præfatum Hugoni abbati factum nullam communam in prædictis tenementis sic ad dictam forestam tractis habuerunt, sed inde hucusque minus justè impediti sunt. Et dicunt quod Thomas nuper comes Lancastriæ et Alesia uxor ejus post discessum prædicti Henrici comitis, ac dominus Edwardus nuper rex Angliæ pater regis nunc ad ejus manus prædicta foresta de Blakeburneshire post mortem ipsius Thomæ devenit, per ministros suos, necnon et domina Isabella regina Angliæ mater domini regis nunc, per Willielmum de Tatham custodem terrarum ipsius reginæ de Blakeburneshire et Ricardum de Merclesden capitalem forestarium dictæ reginæ forestæ prædictæ, hujusmodi impedimentum de dictis tenementis sic ad forestam illam tractis continuaverunt versus ipsum nunc ab-

batem et prædecessores suos à tempore obitus prædicti Henrici comitis. Requisiti juratores qua de causa. Dicunt quod voluntariè et injuriosè et per vim dominii. Et dicunt similiter jurati quod idem nunc abbas nec aliquis prædecessorum suorum jus quod habuit in prædictis tenementis ad forestam prædictam sic tractis, præfato Henrico nuper comiti nec alicui alii domino ibidem postea remisit quictum clamavit nec statum suum in aliquo inde mutavit. Et dicunt etiam quod non est ad dampnum seu præjudicium aliquorum nec alicujus si idem dominus rex nunc et præfata domina Isabella regina restitutionem eidem nunc abbati de tenementis prædictis sic ad forestam prædictam tractis habere faciant, eo quod tenementa illa sunt de pertinentiis manerii prædicti, et nullus habet jus in tenementis prædictis nisi dominus nunc abbas et successores sui ut de jure ecclesiæ suæ supradictæ. Et sciendum est quod Willielmus de Tatham custos terrarum prædictæ reginæ de Blackburnshire et Ricardus de Mercesden capitalis forestarius ibidem præmuniti fuerunt essendi captioni hujusmodi inquisitionis per Petrum Giliot, et Johannem de Bolington et non venerunt. In cujus rei testimonium prædicti jurati huic inquisitioni sigilla sua apposuerunt.

NUM. VI.

Historia Laceiorum.

[Ex codice MS. penes Ric. Lacy armiger.]

MEMORANDUM quod tempore Ethelbart regis Angliæ qui cœpit regnare anno Domini quingentesimo nonagesimo sexto, eo viz. tempore quo beatus Augustinus Anglorum apostolus missus per beatum Gregorium papam in Angliam, et fidem docuit Christianam, fuerat apud Whalley in Blackburnshire ecclesia quædam parochialis constructa, in honorem omnium sanctorum, in cujus quidem ecclesiæ cimiterio, erant cruces quædam lapideæ tum erectæ, et vocatæ à populo cruces beati Augustini, quæ sub eodem usque hodie ibi durant, appellataque fuerat tempore illo ecclesia prædicta, Alba ecclesia subtus lege. Infra fines autem et limites parochiæ ejusdem ecclesiæ continebantur tunc temporis tota Blackburnshire, et tota Boland, et sic annis plurimis perduravit. Posthæc, crescente fidelium devotione numeroque credentium augmentato in illis partibus, constructæ aliæ tres ecclesiæ parochiales in Blackburnshire, videlicet, ecclesia de Blackburn, ecclesia de Chepin et de Ribchester, parochiæque ecclesiarum earundem ab invicem distinctæ, et certis undique limitibus designatæ, prout usque in præsens continuè perseverant, et apud omnes de illis partibus innotescunt. Et quia parochia ecclesiæ de Blackburne tam sterilis tunc fuerat, et exilis quod ad sustinendum onera incumbentia sufficere non valebat, extitit per loci diocesanum de rectorum ecclesiæ de Walley licentia et assensu pro futuris temporibus ordinatio, quod rectores dictæ ecclesiæ de Blackburne perpetuis annis percipient quartam partem omnium proventuum ecclesiæ de Whalley predictæ, pro sua porcione sufficientius amplianda, quod et usque in præsens, tanquam jus ecclesiæ ejusdem obtinet. His autem temporibus, dum dictæ ecclesiæ taliter fuerant ordinatæ, non erant in Blackburnshire apud Cliderhow vel alibi castrum aliquod ædificatum, neque capella quæcunque præter ecclesias supradictas, nec dominus aliquis qui patronatum dictarum vel alicujus earundem ullatenus vendicaret; sed rector quilibet, terram et villam in qua ecclesia sua fuerat situata, tanquam dotem ecclesiæ suæ tenuit, et possedit, ipsamque ecclesiam sic dotatam, tanquam patrimonium suum, et hæreditatem propriam, successoremque sibi de filiis vel amicis suis, liberè inrogavit, interveniente duntaxat acceptatione seu institutione episcopi Lichfeldensis. Fueruntque dicti rectores de Whalley et Blackburne, præcipuè homines uxorati, et domini villarum, et illi quidem de Whalley, decani non personæ fuerant appellati. Ac per hunc modum ordinabantur ecclesiæ illæ, usque ad tempus regis Willielmi conquestoris, cognomento Bastard, scilicet per sexcentos ferè annos, et post tempus ejusdem regis, usque ad concilium Lateranense, prout ex antiquis et veracibus cronicis satis liquet. Quis dominium de Blackburnshire tenebat ante tempus dicti regis Willielmi sub certo cronicis non habetur, vulgaris autem opinio tenet et asserit, quod quot fuerant vel mansa seu maneria hominum, tot fuerunt domini, nedum in Blackburnshire, verum etiam in Rochedale, Totington, et Bowland, et toto convicinio adjacenti; quorum nullus de alio

tenebat, sed omnes in capite de ipso domino rege. Post conquestum autem in unum dominium omnia sunt redacta; quod quidem dominium de Blackburnshire præfatus Willielmus rex conquestor dedit cuidam Ilberto de Lacy militi qui secum venerat de Normannia in conquestu suo, cum dominio et honore de Pontefracto, et alias terras multas, hæredibus suis jure hæreditario possidendas. Iste autem Ilbertus in castro suo quod fecerat apud Pontefractum, capellam quandam construxit in honorem sancti Clementis, per dominum Thomam archiepiscopum Eboracensem dedicari fecit, et in eadem capella cantariam quandam ordinavit, et canonicos ibidem, cum decano constituit perpetuò servituros; ipsamque capellam terris, redditibus, decimis garbarum et pullorum armenti sui, ac multis aliis dotavit, et capellam liberam eandem per dominum Alexandrum papam tertium universali tunc ecclesiæ præsentem decerni et fieri procuravit, prout in bullis ejusdem domini papæ plenius continetur. Iste Ilbertus Lacy genuit ex Hauisia uxore sua Robertum Lacy.

Robertus Lacy ex Matilda uxore sua genuit duos filios, Hilbertum et Henricum: et iste Robertus fundavit monasterium apud Pontefractum, in honorem Dei, beatæ Mariæ virginis, et beati Johannis apostoli et evangelistæ, transferens illud de loco ubi nunc est hospitale sancti Nicholai constructum in locum ubi corpus gloriosi Thomæ Lancastrensis jam humatum. Obiit tempore Willielmi Rufi regis et sepultus est in monasterio prædicto.

Nota quod prædictus Ilbertus cui prædictus Willielmus conquestor dedit dominium et honorem de Pontefracto et alias terras jure hæreditario possidendum, sepultus fuit ad dextrum cornu altaris sancti Benedicti, et uxor ejus ad sinistrum cornu ejusdem altaris sub lapidibus marmoreis. Ilbertus Roberti filius duxit Aliciam Gaunt, et obiit sine prole, qui sepultus ad sinistrum cornu altaris sancti Benedicti ejusdem inter sepulchrum Matildis matris suæ et murum, unde hæreditas transiit ad Henricum fratrem suum.

Henricus Lacy fecit dedicari ecclesiam monasterii ejusdem, anno Domini millesimo centesimo quinquagesimo nono, qui etiam fundavit monasterium sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkstall, ordinis Cisterciensis, primo apud Bernolwike, postmodum autem conventum eundem transtulit ad locum vocatum Kirkstall, scilicet tempore regis Stephani, anno regni ejus decimo tertio, et anno gratiæ millesimo centesimo quadragesimo septimo. Iste Henricus duxit in uxorem sororem Willielmi Vesci rectoris de Berwic, et genuit ex ea Robertum. Nescitur ubi sepultus fuit, creditur quod ipse in terra sancta obiit vij. kalendas Octobris.

Robertus Lacy patri suo Henrico successit, regnante Henrico rege secundo, qui quidem Robertus ædificare cœpit castrum de Cliderhow in Blackburnshire, in quo castro construi fecit quamdam capellam in honorem beati Michaelis archangeli, in qua capella, per assensum et licentiam Galfridi tunc decani ecclesiæ de Whalley senioris, fecit divina celebrari, et tenentibus suis domesticis, ac pastoribus et forestariis sacramenta ecclesiastica ministrari, unde iidem tenentes sui domestici, pastores, forestarii, et alii servientes ejus distanter a prædicta ecclesia manentes possent in dicta capella per capellanum ibidem servientem ecclesiastica percipere sacramenta, et jura parochialia persolvere, prout alii parochiani infra dictam ecclesiam in diversis capellis alibi faciebant, et per consensum decani prædicti ad hoc facilius obtinendum, eidem capellæ nomine dotis terras et redditus assignavit. Dictus tamen Galfridus, et alii decani et rectores successores sui, de prædictis terris, redditibus, et proventibus dictæ ecclesiæ taliter assignatis una cum eadem capella, non obstante quod infra castrum domini fuit situata, tanquam de capella annexa, et rebus et proventibus ad suam ecclesiam de Whalley pertinentibus pro suo libito disponebant. Unde dictus Galfridus senior, eandem capellam, cum terris, redditibus, et proventibus prædictis, concessit cuidam Waltero capellano ad totam vitam suam, post mortem autem cujus Walteri, Galfridus decanus junior, filius, hæres et successor Galfridi senioris, eandem capellam cum pertinentiis ut jus et parcellam suæ ecclesiæ recepit et tenuit ut annexam. Dictus autem Robertus Lacy dedit monachis de Fontibus, pasturam in foresta sua de Marchesden, ad decem libras. Iste Robertus, de Isabella uxore sua hæredem non habuit, unde hæreditas ejus totalis venit post ejus mortem, ad hæredes domini Richardi constabularii Cestriæ, et domini de Halton, qui disposaverant sororem ejus, ex parte matris

Albredæ. Obiit anno regis Richardi quarto, et anno Domini millesimo centesimo nonagesimo tertio, xij. kalendas Septembris, sepultus est apud Kirkstall, cum epitaphio, et dedit monachis ibidem habitationem et grangeam de Staney et villam de Aston, et quosdam redditus in Cestria.

Successit dicto Roberto, Albreda, vel Aubreia, filia Roberti Lisours, soror ex parte matris, unde et illa post mortem ipsius utramque hæreditatem, scilicet de Lacy et de Lisoures occupavit, unde et dominium de Blackburnshier, ac totalis hæreditas ejusdem Roberti, post mortem ejus ad hæredes domini constabularii Cestriæ et domini de Halton (qui desponsaverat dominam Aubreiam) descendit, et sic hæreditas dominorum de Lacy, et hæreditas constabulariorum Cestriæ sunt conjunctæ.

Richardus constabularius Cestriæ genuit ex prædicta Albreda duos filios, Johannem constabularium Cestriæ fundatorem domus de Stanlaw, et Robertum hospitalarem, et duas filias: scilicet Saram, et Aubreiam. Sara fuit data Roberto de Aldeworth, Aubreia data fuit Henrico Biset.

Johannes de Lacy dictus constabularius Cestriæ prout sui posterius propter conjunctionem hæreditatum supradictarum, semper se postmodum instilabatur, filius et hæres eorum, duxit in uxorem Aliciam Vere uxorem Willielmi Mandevill, et genuit Rogerum de Hell (à Vallensibus ita cognominatum, eo quod eosdem Wallicos regi Angliæ rebelles, tanquam inferni, undique devastavit) et alium filium nomine Eustachium et plures alios. Iste Johannes post mortem patris sui Richardi, fundavit monasterium de Stanlaw in Wirall in comitatu Cestriæ, anno regni regis Henrici secundi dicti filii imperatricis decimo quinto, anno Domini millesimo centesimo sexagesimo octavo. Post cujus foundationem idem Johannes profectus est in terram sanctam ad expugnandum inimicos fidei Christianæ, et in illa expeditione fuerat pro Christi nomine interfectus, et ut legitur in historia terræ sanctæ in obsidione civitatis Samy et Egypti, quod si Blandus vel Oliverus quorum fama per mundum dilatatur, interfuissent non potuissent, nec de jure tenerent reputari eorum facta ad majorem probitatem vel audaciam quam ipsius Johannis de Lacy animositatis invasionem. Quinto Idus Octobris anno Domini millesimo centesimo octuagesimo tertio obiit.

Cui successit filius suus Rogerus de Lacy, et licet jus hæreditarium dominorum de Lacy ad hæredes domini Richardi constabularii per modum prædictum translatus esset, iste tamen Rogerus primus fuit de progenie dicti Richardi, qui eandem hæreditatem corporaliter apprehendit. Hujus autem Rogeri tempore, quidam comes Cestriæ Ranulphus nomine, exiit in Walliam cum exercitu suo, et contigit quod deficiente exercitu, fugeret ad quoddam castellum, et ibi est à Wallensibus obsessus. Quod audiens idem Rogerus constabularius, qui non erat illa vice cum domino suo (nam remansit in Cestria) per nuncios idem comes ei mandavit necessitate compulsus quod quam citius ei faceret succursum. Qui continuo accessit sutoribus Cestriæ et histrionibus et festinato, cum exercitu suo venit domino suo facere succursum. Wallenses verò videntes multitudinem magnam venientium, relicta obsidione fugerunt; comes verò cum constabulario suo et exercitu exeuntes, venerunt, et pervenerunt ad Cestriam. Et propter hoc dedit comes antedictus Rogero constabulario dominationem et advocationem directorum sutorum et histrionum. Constabularius verò retinuit sibi et hæredibus sui dominationem sutorum et histrionum. Dedit verò senescallo suo, scilicet ex hæredibus dicti Hudardi, quas libertates hæredes eorum tenuerunt usque in præsentem diem.

Iste autem Rogerus habuit quendam fratrem nomine Richardum cui dedit villam de More, et hic postmodum fuit leprosus, et sepultus in capitulo canonicorum de Norton. Iste Rogerus de Lacy duxit in uxorem Matildam de Clare sororem thesaurarii Eborum ecclesiæ, de qua genuit Johannem, secundum constabularium, et comitem Lincolniam. Hic dedit domui de Stanlawe advocationem ecclesiæ de Ratchdall, Brindwas, et quatuor bovatas terræ in Castelton. Item concessit monachis de Fontibus, quicquid ad eum pertinuit in Bradley ut patet in carta duodecima. Hujus autem Rogeri tempore, fuit apud Whalley decanus quidam Rogerus nomine, filius Galfridi decani junioris, qui quidem decanus propter constitutionem concilii Lateranensis (quod tunc temporis recenter fuerat celebratum) continentiam clericis imponens beneficiatis, primus rectorum seu decanorum de Whalley continenter vixit, et ad sacerdotalem se fecerat

ordinem promoveri. Consideransque quod beneficia ecclesiastica juxta ordinationem concilii supradicti non debebant ex tunc per successionem hæreditariam occupari, cuidam fratri suo Richardo postmodum domino de Tounley, saltem in parte sui patrimonii de Whalley providere volens, cum in toto non posset, dedit, eidem Richardo capellam beati Michaelis in castro de Cliderhow per assensum dicti domini Rogeri de Lacy, cujus consanguineus erat, una cum decimis, oblationibus, et proventibus eidem capellæ (ut præmittitur) assignatis. Dedit et eidem Richardo, jure hæreditario, quæ adhuc tenet. His ita dispositis, moritur dictus Rogerus de Lacy, anno Domini millesimo ducentesimo sexto, et regni Regis Johannis tertio, in festo sancti Remigii, et cum domina Matilda uxore sua sepultus est in choro monachorum de Stanlaw cum epitaphio.

Cui successit Johannes de Lacy (primus comes Lincolniam) filius ejus et hæres, et duxit in uxorem Aliciam filiam Gilberti de Aquila, quæ defuncta et sepulta apud Norton, desponsavit idem Johannes Margaretam filiam Roberti Quincy comitis Wintoniæ nepotem Ranulphi comitis Cestriæ, et per illam factus est comes Lincolniam anno Domini millesimo ducentesimo vigesimo primo, et regni Regis Henrici tertii quinto, et genuit ex ea Edmundum de Lacy comitem, constabularium Cestriæ, sed non comitem Lincolniam, quia obiit ante matrem suam. Iste Johannes dedit monachis de Stanlaw advocationem medietatis ecclesiæ de Blackburne Stanyges, manerium de Hordern, Newton, et Calderstach cum molendino. Item confirmavit monachis de Fontibus quicquid habent de Jordano del Rid, et quicquid habent de dono Rogeri de Lasci patris sui ut patet in cartis Edwardi primi, de Bradley. Hujus autem Johannis tempore, dominus Rogerus decanus de Whalley, volens eidem domino et cognato suo placere, jus patronatus totius ecclesiæ suæ de Whalley sibi et suis hæredibus confirmari imperpetuum et transferri, cessit rectoriæ et decanatu ecclesiæ prædictæ, solum sibi retinens (per assensum episcopi) ejusdem ecclesiæ vicariam; unde dictus dominus Johannes de Lacy comes Lincolniam, ad personatum dictæ ecclesiæ de Whalley præsentavit quendam clericum suum Petrum de Cestria, qui quidem Petrus extitit primus ejusdem ecclesiæ persona nominatus, atque ad præsentationem ejusdem domini ab episcopo Liechfeld Alexandro admissus ad eundem personatum, et institutus canonicè et inductus. Obiit Johannes primus comes Lincolniam xj. kalend. Augusti anno Domini millesimo ducentesimo quadragesimo, et regni regis Henrici tertii vigesimo quarto, sepultusque est apud Stanlaw cum epitaphio.

Cui successit Edmundus filius ejus constabularius Cestriæ, sed non comes Lincolniam, quia mater ejus supervixerat ei. Natus erat anno Domini millesimo ducentesimo vigesimo nono, et anno decimo tertio regni Henrici tertii. Vixerat post mortem patris tredecim annis, desponsaverat dominam Aleciam filiam marchionis de Salves in Italia, cognatam reginæ Angliæ ex parte Sabinensi, quam in juventute sua duxerat in uxorem. Mater verò prædictæ Aliciæ uxoris Edmundi (mortuo marchione de Salves viro suo) desponsata fuit. Johannes primus comes Lincolniam mutavit cognomen prædecessorum suorum, in cognomen fundatorum nostrorum, cujus cor.

De quo Edmundo processit Henricus de Lacy comes Lincolniam, de quo Henrico processit Alicia, quæ desponsata erat Thomæ filio comitis Lancastriæ, qui quidem Thomas feoffatus erat cum dicta Alicia filia Henrici Lacy, in omnibus terris, &c. Et si contigerit eos obire sine hæredibus de corporibus suis, tunc hæreditas dictæ Aliciæ remaneret rectis hæredibus dicti Thomæ: et sic hæreditas dicti Henrici de Lacy reversa est ad quendam Henricum comitem Leicestriensem fratrem dicti Thomæ. De quo Henrico processit Blanchia, quæ desponsata erat Johanni de Gaunt filio Edwardi tertii regis Angliæ, de quibus Johanne et Blanchia processit Henricus rex Angliæ quartus, de quo processit Henricus quintus, de quo processit Henricus sextus rex Angliæ, &c.

NUM. VII.

Carta Regis Johannis.

[Ex autographo in turri beatæ Mariæ Ebor.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dux Normanniæ et Aquitaniæ, comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopus, &c. salutem.

Sciatis nos concessisse et præsentī earta nostra confirmasse abbati et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Kyrkestall, manerium nostrum de Colyngham, et Berdesley cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, habendum et tenendum de nobis et hæredibus nostris ad feodi firmam; reddendo inde annuatim nobis, et hæredibus nostris, quater viginti et decem libras, ad duo scaecaria per annum, pro omni servitio et scilicet unam medietatem ad seaccarium Paschæ, et alteram medietatem ad seaccarium sancti Michaelis. Quare volumus, &c. Datum anno sexto regni nostri quarto die Maij.

NUM. VIII.

Carta Richardi Tempest, filii Rogeri Tempest de Bracewell.
[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Richardus Tempest filius Rogeri Tempest de Braicewell, salutem. Sciatis quod ego Richardus Tempest, intuitu Dei, et pro salute animæ meæ relaxavi et quietum elamavi de me et hæredibus meis imperpetuum abbati et conventui sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkestall totum jus et elamium quod ego et antecessores mei unquam habuimus in advocatione ecclesiæ de Braicewell, eum tota terra ejusdem ecclesiæ, et aliis pertinentiis ad eandem ecclesiam pertinentibus. Ita quod nec ego, nec hæredes mei, aliquid juris in eadem ecclesia de cætero clamare vel calumpniam erga eos movere poterimus. Ut autem hæc mea concessio, et quietam elamatio, robur et firmitatem habeat imperpetuum, hoc præsens scriptum sigillo meo roboravi, hiis testibus, Hugone de Lelay, Richardo grammateo, Simone de Martune, Johanne de Stoe, Rogero de Kyehelay, Richardo et Ranulfo filiis ejus, Paulino tunc ballivo domini archiepiscopi de Ottelay, et multis aliis.

NUM. IX.

Carta Roberti de Laci.
[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit omnibus præsentibus et futuris quod ego Robertus de Lacy, pro amore Dei, et pro salute animæ meæ, et Ysabel uxoris meæ, hæredum et antecessorum meorum, dedi et concessi, et hæc præsentī eartā confirmavi Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, et monachis meis de Kirkestal, totam Akarinton, cum bosco qui vocatur la Haia de Akarinton, et eum omnibus suis pertinentiis ubique sine aliquo retinemento, tenendam de me et hæredibus meis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam, et solutam ab omni terreno servitio et seculari exactione, per istas videlicet metas et divisas versus Hunecotes, usque ad rivulum qui vocatur Wirmeleia-cloche, et sic in directum per medium cilium montis usque ad Hameldon, et inde in tranversum moræ, usque ad Ormestanes, et inde usque ad Warineden, et inde usque ad caput rivuli qui vocatur Blacabroe, et inde sicut ille rivulus descendit in Bestane cloch, et inde usque ad caput de Esseneclach, et inde usque ad Readde-lache, et inde in directum usque ad Oreethes, et inde per rivulum qui vocatur Amteleiasie, usque in aquam quæ vocatur Hindeburn. Et ego hæredes mei, has prædictas terras, cum præscriptis metis et divisis, præfatis monachis warrantizabimus et defendemus ubique et erga omnes homines. Testibus Samsone de Wridlesford, Ada de Ranervill, et Thoma filio ejus, Thoma filio Petri, Willielmo de Lunguillers, Henrico de Moniaic, Galfredo Hanselin, Helia Camerario.

NUM. X.

Carta Henrici de Laci.
[Ibid.]

HENRICUS de Laci, omnibus hominibus suis, Francis, et Anglis, et omnibus filiis sanctæ ecclesiæ salutem. Sciatis me dedisse, et concessisse, et præsentī earta confirmasse, Deo et abbatiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkestall, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus dimidiam marcam argenti, de firma de Cliderhou unoquoque anno ad quandam lampadem accendendam die noctuque coram altari in præsentia sacrosancti corporis Domini, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ et hæredum meorum. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio ballivis meis de Cliderhou, qui firmam meam colligunt, ut omni anno, remota omni dilatione et occasione, prædictis monachis præfatam dimidiam marcam

reddant in die assumptionis sanctæ Mariæ in autumnō. Hujus rei testes sunt, Henricus medicus, Robertus Gaunt, Otto de Tilli, Hilbertus Painel.

NUM. XI.

Carta alia Henrici de Lacy.
[Ibid.]

HENRICUS de Laci, omnibus hominibus suis Francis et Anglis, omnibus filiis sanctæ ecclesiæ salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et concessisse, et præsentī earta confirmasse Deo et abbatiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Kerkestal, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, unam marcam argenti de firma mea de Cliderhou, unoquoque anno ad vestiendum abbatem suum, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ, et hæredum meorum; et volo et firmiter præcipio ballivis meis de Cliderhou, qui firmam meam colligunt, ut omni anno, remota omni dilatione et occasione prædictis monachis præfatam marcam reddant in die assumptionis sanctæ Mariæ in autumnō. Hujus rei testes sunt, frater Walterus de Templo, Willielmus de Hallai, Osbertus archidiaconus, Willielmus elemosinarius, Willielmus de Clerfai, Adam filius Swani, Robertus Pietavus, Willielmus de Rainvil, Otto de Tilli, Jordanus Foliot.

NUM. XII.

Carta Roberti de Lacy.

[Ex autographo penes Steph. Tempest de Broghton ar.]

SCIANT omnes præsentēs et futuri, ego Robertus de Lacy pro amore Dei, et pro salute animæ meæ, et uxoris meæ et hæredum meorum dedi et concessi, et hæc mea carta confirmavi Deo et monachis meis de Kirkestall imperpetuum, vaccariam juxta la Rondehaia, quæ appellatur Brakineleia, et communitatem totius moræ quæ vocatur Winnemor, et pasturam de la Rundehaia, omnibus averiis suis quæ pertinent ad grangiam suam de la Rundehaia. Et boscum in la Rundehaia ad omnes usus suos, apud præfatam grangiam, tam ad arandum quam ad ædificandum, et sepes faciendas, tenere de me, et hæredibus meis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberè, et quietè ab omni servitio. Præterea dedi eis et hæc eadem carta confirmavi unam aeram terræ in Wenet, cum masagiis super eandem aeram factis, quam Warinus Lorimer tenuit ex occidentali parte pontis, super ripam aquæ, tenendam de me et hæredibus meis in puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam ab omni servitio, ita quod ego et hæredes mei debemus warrantizare et defendere et adquietare prædictis monachis prædictas terras et pasturas ubique et erga omnes homines imperpetuum. Concessi etiam et hæc eadem carta confirmavi tam ipsis monachis, quam omnibus hominibus suis, qui manebunt super terras quas eis dedi, quietantiam de theloneo et omni alia consuetudine, super terram meam ubique, et in omnibus locis. Testibus istis, Osberto archidiacono, Radulfo filio Nicholai, Roberto de Stapeleton, Willielmo de Bulli, Hugone de Tilli, Adam de Reinevill, et Richardo fratre ejus, Eudone de Lungvillers, Willielmo fratre ejus, Burnell, Helia camerario, Richardo de Lewes, Gilberto de Lacy, Radulpho coco, Adam pincerna, et aliis multis.

NUM. XIII.

Carta Regis Henrici II. Monachis de Kirkstal, confirmatoria Loci illius et aliarum Donationum.

[Penes Rad. Thoresby de Leedes, arm.]

HENRICUS rex Angliæ, et dux Normanniæ et Aquitaniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, episcopis, &c. et omnibus suis fidelibus Francie et Anglie salutem. Sciatis me concessisse, et hæc præsentī carta mea confirmasse Deo et abbatiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkstal, et monachis Cisterciensis ordinis ibidem Deo servientibus pro salute animæ meæ, et reginæ, et hæredum meorum, et pro anima patris mei, et avi mei regis H. et omnium prædecessorum meorum, ipsum locum de Kirkstal quem habent ex dono H. de Lacio, et vaccariam quæ vocatur Braehenley juxta Rundhey, et pasturam; ex dono Hugonis comitis de Norfolke Bernoldeswicke cum omnibus appendiciis suis assensu et petitione Henrici de Laeye; ex dono W. de Weddingleye et filii sui Thomæ terram de Heddingley sicut carta ejus continet; ex dono W.

de Rainville Esseleyam cum terris et boscis et aqua, sicut carta illius continet; ex dono Jasonis de Alretune et filii sui W. duas carrucatas terræ et unam bovatom in Alretun; ex dono Herberti de Morville et Ricardi filii sui terram de Miche-tutitz, assensu et confirmatione domini sui Rogeri de Mubrey; ex dono Adæ filii Gospatæ terram de Halefeild cum omnibus appendiciis suis sicut carta ejus continet; ex dono W. de Besode et W. de Millerey et Gaufridi de sancto Patricio totam terram in Besaclem et in soca de Brantuna sicut eorum cartæ et chirographiæ testantur; ex dono Adæ filii Petri et W. de Methelia et Roberti filii Huberti terram in Horsford, cum pastura, sicut eorum cartæ testantur; ex dono Engelran forgiam et terram in Ardeslowe, sicut carta illius continet. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio quod præfati monachi teneant omnes prædictas terras, et cæteras omnes quæ ab aliis hominibus rationabiliter eis collocatæ sicut ante fuerunt, ita bene, quiete, honorifice, libere et quiete sicut donatorum cartæ testantur, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in bosco, in plano, in pratis, in pasturis, in assartis, in aquis et stagnis, in viis et semitis et omnibus locis, cum saca et soca, et tol et tem et infangtheefe, et cum omnibus aliis libertatibus, et liberis consuetudinibus suis et quietantiis de scira et hundred, et tementale, et danegild, et omnibus geldis et plattis, et omnibus querelis, assisis et auxiliis, scutagiis et operibus, et omnibus occasionibus et omni terreno servitio et seculari exactione, et quod de nulla terra de qua cartas vel chirographa habent pro nullo brevi disseisentur, nec inde placitentur nisi eoram me, et quod homines, equi et animalia et omnes res suæ sint quietæ de telonio et passagio et omni alia consuetudine quocunque venerint, et nullus eos super hoc injuste vexet, nec disturbet super forisfacturam 10%. Teste Thoma cancellario.

NUM. XIV.

[Ibid.]

ADRIANUS episcopus, servus servorum, &c. dilectis filiis Alexandro abbati de Kirkstal quod in episcopatu Eboracensi situm est, &c. Confirmavit omnes donationes, et ecclesiam suam, et suos sub sua protectione suscepit, et confirmavit etiam quasdam compositiones pro decimis et aliis rebus factas inter dominum prædictum et alias ecclesias, dedit illis quædam privilegia et libertates, et interdixit ne quis eorum possessiones aliquialiter perturbet seu minuat, &c.

Semper ad Dominum oculi mei sanctus Petrus, sanctus Paulus Adrianus P. iiii iiii.

Data anno Domini 1156, anno 2^{do} Adriani quarti.

NUM. XV.

Confirmatio Privilegiorum ordinis Cisterciensium per Honorium Papam.

[Ibid.]

HONORIUS episcopus, &c. venerabilibus fratribus Cantuariæ sanctæ Romanæ ecclesiæ cardinalis et Eborum archiepiscopis, et eorum suffraganeis, ac dilectis filiis aliis ecclesiarum prælatis per Cantuariæ et Eborum provincias constitutis, salutem, et apostolicam benedictionem. Cum abbates Cisterciensis ordinis tempore consilii generalis ad comminationem fælicis memoriæ Innocentii papæ, prædecessoris nostri, statuerunt, ut de cætero fratres ipsius ordinis (ne occasione privilegiorum suorum ecclesiæ ulterius gravarentur) de alienis terris et ab eo tempore acquirendis, si cas propriis manibus aut sumptibus colent, decimas persolverent ecclesiis quibus ratione prædiorum antea solvebantur, nisi cum eisdem ecclesiis aliter ducerentur componendum. Idem prædecessor noster, quia sperabat ut ecclesiarum prælati promotiores et efficaciores existerent ad exhibendum eis de suis malefactoribus justitiæ complementum et eorum privilegia diligentius et perfectius observarent, statutum hujusmodi gratum habens et ratum, hoc ipsum ad alios regulares qui gaudent similibus privilegiis extendi voluit mandavit. Sed quo dolentes referimus, in contrarium res est versa, ex inculcata querela abbatum ipsius ordinis frequenter audivimus, nonnulli ecclesiarum prælati, et alii clerici eorum privilegia temere contempnerent, et contententes malitiose ipsorum pervertere intellectum eosdem multipliciter inquietant. Nam cum sit ipsis indultum ut de novalibus quæ propriis manibus aut sumptibus excolunt, sive de ortis et virgultis et piscationibus suis, vel de suorum animalium nutrimentis, nullus ab eis de-

cimas exigere vel extorquere præsumat, quidam perverso intellectu consulto dicentes quod non possunt nec debent intelligere nisi de his quæ sunt ante generale consilium acquisita, ipsos super his multiplici exactione fatigant. Nos igitur eorum quieti, paterna sollicitudine providere volentes, universitati vestræ per apostolica scripta firmiter præcipiendo mandamus, quatenus abbates et fratres ejusdem ordinis a præstatione decimarum tam de possessionibus habitis ante consilium generale quam de novalibus sive ante sive post consilium acquisitis, quæ propriis manibus aut sumptibus excolunt, neenon de ortis et virgultis, pratis, pascuis, nemoribus, molendinis, salinis et piscationibus suis, et de suorum animalium nutrimentis singuli vestrum omnino servetis immunes, contradictores per censuram ecclesiasticam appellatione postposita compescendo. Datum in Laterano, 7 kalendas Julii, pontificatus nostri anno sexto.

NUM. XVI.

Confirmatio Bullæ suprascriptæ.

[Ibid.]

INNOCENTIUS episcopus, &c. dilectis filiis abbatibus atque conventibus monachorum Cisterciensis ordinis in Cantuariæ et Eborum constitutorum provinciis salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Significastis nobis, quod cum vobis a sede apostolica sit indultum, ut de ortis, virgultis, pratis, pascuis, nemoribus, salinis, molendinis, piscationibus, ante et post consilium acquisitis, et de vestrorum animalium nutrimentis, nullus a vobis decimas exigere vel extorquere præsumat, injuncto nihilominus ab eadem sede venerabilibus fratribus archiepiscopis, episcopis, et aliis ecclesiarum prælatis per regnum Angliæ constitutis, ut vos et alios præfati ordinis regni ejusdem immunes a præstatione decimarum hujusmodi conservarent; nonnulli tamen ecclesiarum prælati et clerici provinciarum ipsarum, dicentes, dietam indulgentiam ad acquisita post concessionem ipsius aliquatenus non extendi, vos super hoc multiplici molestatione fatigant; nos igitur credentes præfatam indulgentiam ad acquisita postmodum extendendam, ut nullus vos super hac hujusmodi occasione fatiget auctoritate præsentium inhibemus. Nulli ergo, &c. Siquis autem, &c. Datum in Laterano quinto kalendas Februarii, pontificatus nostri anno primo.

NUM. XVII.

Protectio Regis Henrici tertii concessa Abbati et Monachis de Kirkstal.

[Ibid.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, et dux Aquitaniæ, omnibus ad quos præsentis literæ pervenerint, salutem. Sciatis quod suscepimus in protectionem et defensionem nostram dilectos nobis in Christo abbatem et conventum de Kirkstal Cisterciensis ordinis, et homines, terras, res, redditus, et omnes possessiones suas, et ideo vobis mandamus quod ipsos abbatem et conventum, homines, terras, res, redditus et omnes possessiones manuteneatis, protegatis, et defendatis, non inferentes eis vel inferri permittentes injuriam, molestiam, damnum aut gravamen, et si quid eis forisfactum fuerit, id eis sine dilatione emendari faciatis. In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras eis fieri fecimus patentes per biennium duraturas. Teste meipso, apud Sanctum Paulum, London, 12^o die Maii, anno regni nostri 45^o.

NUM. XVIII.

Protectio Regis Edwardi primi eisdem concessa.

[Ibid.]

EDWARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, et dux Aquitaniæ, omnibus ballivis et fidelibus suis ad quos præsentis literæ pervenerint, salutem. Cum abbatia de Kirkstal, quæ de fundatione nostra existit, accumulatis pænis gravibus, tanta premitur sarcina debitorum, quod nisi pro celere remedium succurrat, vix poterit ab onere hujusmodi relevari, nos statui monachorum ejusdem domus providere cupientes domum illam recepimus in manum nostram, et eam dilecto et fidei nostro Henrico de Lacy comiti Lincolnæ concessimus custodiendam prout ei injunximus, donec alium inde duxerimus ordinandum, et monachos prædictos, homines, terras, res, redditus et omnes possessiones

suas in protectionem et defensionem nostram suscepimus, et ideo vobis mandamus quod monachos prædictos, res, redditus et omnes possessiones suas manuteneatis, protegatis, et defendatis, non inferentes eis, nec inferri permittentes, molestiam, injuriam, damnum aut gravamen, et si quid eis forisfactum fuerit, id eis sine dilatione emendari faciatis. In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes per quinquennium duraturas. Teste meipso, apud Westmonasterium, 16^o die Novembris, anno regni nostri 4^o.

NUM. XIX.

Regis Edwardi Primi Confirmatio Compositionis factæ inter Henricum de Lacy Comitem Lincolnæ, et Hugonem Abbatem et Conventum de Kirkstal.

[Ibid.]

EDWARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, et dux Aquitaniæ omnibus ad quos præsentis literæ pervenerint salutem. Sciatis quod conventionem et compositionem factam inter dilectum et fidelem nostrum Henricum de Lacy comitem Lincolnæ ex una parte, et dilectum nobis in Christo fratrem Hugonem abbatem de Kirkstal, Cisterciensis ordinis, Eborascensis diocæseos pro se et conventu suo dicti loci ex altera super eo, viz. quod præfatus comes recognovit et concessit pro se et hæredibus suis solvere singulis annis prædictis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus in perpetuum, pro terris, tenementis et redditibus de Akerington, Clivacher, et Huncotes in comitatu Lancastriæ, et in la Ronredhay, Secrofte, et Shadwell in comitatu Eborum, quos idem abbas pro se et conventu suo prædicto, et eorum successoribus remisit et quietum clamavit præfato comiti et hæredibus suis in perpetuum, quater viginti marcas sterlingorum percipiendas ad Scaccarium ejusdem comitis de Pontefract, ad duos anni terminos, viz. pro prædictis terris, tenementis et redditibus in prædicto comitatu Lancastriæ quinquaginta marcas, unam scilicet medietatem in festo Sancti Martini hiemalis, et aliam medietatem in festo Pentecostes, termino inde incipiente anno Domini 1293, et pro prædictis terris, tenementis, et redditibus in comitatu Eborum prædicto triginta marcas ad terminos prædictos per equales portiones, termino inde incipiente, anno Domini 1298, donec præfatus comes vel hæredes sui, si de ipso, quod absit, humanitus contigerit, dederint, et per cartam suam confirmaverint prædictis abbati et conventui, et eorum successoribus in perpetuum pro prædictis terris, tenementis et redditibus in comitatu Lancastriæ quinquaginta marcas sterlingorum annui redditus in eodem comitatu, habendas in proprios usus puram et perpetuam elemosinam possidendas, ac de prædictis quater viginti marcatis annui redditus proportionaliter dandis, confirmandis in utroque comitatu, ut dictum est plenam et pacificam seisinam et confirmationem regiam habere fecerint; et etiam si per prædictum comitem, vel hæredes suos cessatum fuerit in præmissis, quod liceat eisdem abbati et conventui, et eorum successoribus terras, tenementa et redditus prædictos ingredi prout in literis chyrographatis inter eos confectis super præmissis, quas inspeximus, plenius continetur, ratam habentes et acceptam eam pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, quantum in nobis est concedimus et confirmamus. In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste meipso, apud Sanctum Severum, 27^o die Octobris, anno regni nostri 15^o.

NUM. XX.

Confirmatio Roberti de Lacy de Donationibus a patre suo Henrico de Lacy Monachis de Kirkstal factis.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis tam præsentibus quam futuris quod ego Robertus de Lacio pro animabus patris et matris meæ, et omnium prædecessorum meorum, et pro salute animæ meæ, et uxoris meæ, et hæredum meorum, concedo et hac mea carta confirmo Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Kirkstall in perpetuum donationem illam quam fecit eis pater meus Henricus de Lacio, videlicet, illum locum de Kirkstall et Bernoldswick, cum omnibus appendiciis eorum, in bosco et plano, in pratis et pasturis, in aquis et in omnibus quibus ad easdem tenuras appendent, et Brachmeliam vaccariam juxta Rundeheim, et pasturam unam, etiam medietatem argenti de firma mea de Cliderhow annuatim, die assumptionis sanctæ Mariæ, ad vestiendum abbatem suum, et aliam dimidietatem de eadem

firma, et prædicto die, ad unam lampadem ardentem invenendam, die noctuque in præsentia sacrosancti corporis Domini nostri, coram altare sanctæ Mariæ in ecclesia in Kirkstall. Hæc omnia eis concedo et confirmo libera, et absoluta, et quietam ab omni terreno servitio, et seculari exactione et consuetudine, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, sicut cartæ patris mei eis testantur. Concedo etiam eis, et hac eadem carta confirmo donationem illam terræ quam Willielmus de Remevill et uxor ejus fecerunt eis per conventiones et divisas et metas, quas ipse Willielmus eis statuit et carta sua confirmavit. Concedo etiam eis et confirmo donationem terræ quam fecerunt eis Willielmus de Haddingleia, et uxor, et filius ejus per conventiones et divisas, et metas quas idem Willielmus fecit et statuit, et sicut ipse Robertus Peiteum dominus suus per cartas suas confirmaverunt. Concedo insuper eis et confirmo donationem quam fecit eis Sampson de Alretune per conventionem et divisas et metas quas idem Sampson eis fecit et statuit, et carta sua confirmavit. Concedo etiam eis et hac eadem carta confirmo donationem terræ quam eis fecerunt Rogerus de Wrangebroc et Henricus Wallensis in Secroft, et quadraginta duas acras terræ in ea villa quas dedit eis Willielmus Summerville, cum pastura, et carta sua confirmavit. Precor autem et præcipio omnibus hominibus et ballivis meis quatenus hunc locum et habitatores ejus, et omnia ad eos pertinentia diligant et honorificent, ac manuteneant, sicut nostra dominia. His testibus Galfrido Hagath, Adam de Lawill, Willielmo de Bulli, Bucnello, Thoma filio Petri, Ivone de Longville.

NUM. XXI.

Carta Henrici Comitis Lancastriæ confirmatoria omnium Immunitatum Monachorum de Kirkstall, in Manerio de Bernoldeswick et in Chacea de Blackburnshire.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum indentatum pervenerit Henricus comes Lancastriæ, Derby, Leycestriæ, et Lincolnæ, ac seneschallus Angliæ, salutem in Domino. Noveritis quod cum Henry de Lacy dudum dominus de Blakeburnshire et de Bernoldeswick per cartam suam dedisset et concessisset monachis ordinis Cisterciensis ad abbatiam construendam manerium de Bernoldswick cum pertinentiis in com. Ebor. necnon quandam placeam vasti infra liberam chaccam ipsius Henrici de Lacy de Blagburnshire in com. Lanc. habendam per certas metas et bundas, &c. in carta prædicta contentas, viz. per rivum qui vocatur Blakebrooke et ita sursum ultra moram in directum usque ad Gailmers, et ita in directum usque ad caput de Ellessaghe, ita in transversum montis qui vocatur Blakow, et ita usque ad Oxegill, et ita per Oxegill sursum usque ad Pikedlaw, et de Pikedlaw usque ad antiquum fossatum inter Midhope et Colredene. Ad postmodum pro eo quod quidam domini de Blakeburnshire, qui pro tempore extiterunt, metas et bundas prædictas nimis obscuras existimantes, multotiens clamum suum in quandam partem vasti infra dictas metas et bundas apposuerunt; clamantes etiam puturam ad quatuor forrestarios et garcionem et equos suos pro uno repastu quolibet die Veneris per annum. Religiosos viros abbatem et monachos de Kirkstall super possessione sua manerii et vasti prædictorum istis occasionibus impetierunt, et multipliciter gravari et inquietari fecerunt, sicque eo prætextu contentiones et discordia retroactis temporibus super præmissis oriebantur indebite ut accepimus. Nos præfatus comes dominus de Blakeburnshire et chacea prædictorum, pietate ac misericordia moti, volentes ad honorem Dei et pro pace et tranquillitate sanctæ ecclesiæ, quod hujusmodi contentiones, discordiæ, gravamina, seu inquietationes ratione præmissorum de cætero non fiant, pro majore securitate prædicti abbatis et monachorum, concessimus, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, quod præfatus abbas et conventus ejusdem loci et successores sui habeant et teneant dietam parcelлам vasti prædicti, tam in comitatu Lancastriæ, quam in comitatu Eborum, libere quiete et in pace, sine contradictione seu calumpnia nostra, seu hæredum nostrorum, vel assignatorum nostrorum, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam in perpetuum. Remisimus etiam, relaxavimus, et quietum clamavimus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris præfatis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus in perpetuum tam omne jus et clameum, si quæ in dicta parcella vasti, aut residuo vasti prædicti, seu aliqua parte eorundem, quam

omne jus et clameum, si quæ in prædicta putura forrestariorum, garcionum et equorum causa prædictorum habeamus vel aliquo modo habere poterimus in futurum : ita quod nec nos nee hæredes vel assignati nostri quicquid in prædicta parcella vasti, seu residuo vasti prædicti, vel etiam quod nos, vel hæredes aut assignati nostri prædicti, vel aliquis forrestariorum nostrorum vel hæredum nostrorum, qui pro tempore erunt quicquid in putura supradicta de cætero exigere non poterimus vel vendicare quovis modo, et in futurum sic ab omni actione in pæpetuum sumus exclusi per præsentem; salvis nobis et hæredibus nostris in placea vasti prædicti infra comitatum Lancastriæ salvagio nostro seu venatione nostra, absque damnificatione, vel molestatione dictorum abbatis et conventus, seu servientium nostrorum; et nos præfatus comes et hæredes nostri totam placeam vasti prædicti cum pertinentiis præfatis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus warrantizabimus et in pæpetuum defendemus contra omnes. In cujus rei testimonium uni parti scripti prædicti indentati penes nos præfatum comitem residenti prædicti abbas et conventus sigillum commune domus suæ apposuerunt, alteræ vero parti scripti prædicti indentati, penes præfatos abbatem et conventum residenti, nos prædictus comes sigillum nostrum apposuimus. His testibus, fratre Johanne de Lyndsey, abbate de Walley; Hugone de Berewicke; Adam de Houghton; Nicholao le Bottiller, militibus; Willielmo Laurence; Alan de Folisate; Willielmo de Ratcliffe, Johanne de Alnetham, et aliis. Dat. apud manerium nostrum de Sanney juxta London, 22 die Februarii, anno regni regis Edwardi tertii a conquestu Angliæ vicesimo quinto, regni vero sui Franciæ duodecimo.

NUM. XXII.

Carta Abbatis de Kirkstall facta Waltero Capellano de Tunlay de Tenementis in Clivacher.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentem et futuri quod ego frater Adam abbas de Kirkstall, et ejusdem loci conventus per commune consilium nostrum, dedimus et concessimus, et hac carta nostra confirmavimus Waltero capellano de Tunley pro homagio et servicio suo totam terram suæ fuit Henrici filii Michaelis de Liethness in territorio de Clivacher, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, secundum antiquas divisas, et unam dimidiam acram terræ de augmento ultra divisas, super quam ædificia prædicti Walteri sunt illic ædificata; exceptis quatuor acris terræ in eodem territorio, quas dictus Henricus dedit Sabinæ sorori suæ in maritaggio, tenendam et habendam de nobis et successoribus nostris dicto Waltero capellano in tota vita sua liberè, quietè, integrè, et pacificè, cum libero introitu et exitu, et cum omnibus libertatibus et aisiamentis prædictæ villæ de Clivacher pertinentibus; et post decessum prædicti Walteri capellani, duobis alumniis suis, scilicet, Adæ et Serloni, et hæredibus eorum; ita quod si unus fratrum moriatur sine hærede de corpore suo tota terra remanebit quietam et solutam cum ædificiis, et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis et libertatibus altero fratri et hæredibus suis, sine impedimento, et sine contradictione nostra, reddendo inde annuatim nobis et successoribus nostris quinque solidos argenti et sex denarios ad festum sancti Ægidii pro omni servitio seculari, secta curiæ et demanda. Et prædictus Walterus et dicti alumni sui et hæredes eorum habebunt porcos suos sine pannagio in bosco de Clivacher, et nos et successores nostri warrantizabimus et defendemus totam prædictam terram, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus et aisiamentis prædictis præfato Waltero capellano, et duobus alumniis suis, et hæredibus eorum contra omnes homines in pæpetuum. Salvo nobis relevio post obitum uniuscujusque. His testibus. Simone capellano, Gaufrido capellano, Henrico de Tunlaye, Richardo fratre ejus, Roberto eonstabulario, Radulpho de Clayton, Nicholao de Hopton, Johanne de Briddestwistel, Willielmo et Mattheo Sprote, Mattheo præposito, Stephano fabro, Johanne Carpenter, Willielmo filio Henrici de Tunley, et aliis.

NUM. XXIII.

Carta Rogeri filii Hugonis de Leley, de quatuordecim bovatibus terræ in Bramhop Monachis Beatæ Mariæ de Kirkstall concessis.

[E codice MS. penes Clar. Walterum Calverley de Calverley, in Co. Ebor. Baronetum.]

SCIANT omnes qui hanc cartam viderint vel audierint,

quod ego Rogerus, filius Hugonis de Lelay, pro amore Dei et salute animæ meæ, pro animabus Hugonis patris mei et Christianæ matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum, dedi, concessi, et hac mea carta confirmavi Deo et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkstall undecim bovatas terræ in Bramhop, cum toftis et croftis et edificiis, cum hominibus in eadem terra manentibus cum tota sequela et cattallis eorum, et cum omnibus rebus et aisiamentis ad prædictam terram pertinentibus in bosco, in plano, in pratis et pasturis, in moris et mariscis, in viis et semitis, intra villam et extra, et in omnibus locis sine ullo retenemento; scilicet, dimidiam carrucatam terræ quam Johel tenuit et dimidiam carrucatam quam Alanus præpositus tenuit, et duas bovatas terræ quas Radulphus de Tivellinge tenuit, et unam bovatom quam Serlo filius Serlonis tenuit cum prato quod vocatur Stambriggelic et cum alio prato quod vocatur Brienfall, et cum esserto quod vocatur Arkilridinge. Hæc omnia prædicta dedi ego Rogerus Deo et prædictis monachis tenenda et habenda de me et de hæredibus meis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam liberam, quietam, et solutam ab omni terreno servicio et demanda. Præterea dedi Deo et dictis monachis tres bovatas terræ in eadem villa; duas scilicet quas Johannes filius Hugonis tenuit et unam bovatom quam Helias Pullus tenuit, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, sine ullo retenemento, tenendas et habendas de me et hæredibus meis in perpetuam et liberam elemosinam, faciendo totum forense servitium, quod pertinet ad tres bovatas unde viginti carrucatæ terræ faciunt feodum unius militis. Et ego et hæredes mei hanc donationem prædictis monachis warrantizabimus ubique et contra omnes homines in pæpetuum. Testibus Hugone de Lelay, Hugone filio ejus, Nicholao Ward, Adam fratre ejus, Hugone de Withon, Adam filio ejus, Willielmo de Castelea, Henrico de Westscoth, Gaufrido de Ardington, Nigello de Hoveford, Henrico de Alwaldley, et aliis.

NUM. XXIV.

Carta Adæ filii Adæ filii Hugonis de Lechelay, de Confirmatione omnium Donationum Antecessorum et Tenentium suorum.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS hoc scriptum visuris vel auditoris Adam filius Adæ filii Hugonis de Lechelay æternam in Domino salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me concessisse, et hac præsentem carta mea confirmasse Deo et monachis beatæ Mariæ de Kirkestall omnes terras et possessiones et donationes quas eisdem monachis antecessores mei et retenentes eorum fecerunt in villa de Bramehope sine aliquo retenemento; tenenda et habenda de me et hæredibus meis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam libere et quiete soluta ab omnibus terrenis serviciis sicut eartæ antecessorum meorum et eorum tenentium quas inde habent testantur. Ita quod nee ego nee aliquis hæredum meorum aliquod jus vel clameum versus dictos monachos de prædictis terris possessionibus donationibus nunquam in posterum habere poterimus. Sic ut hæc mea concessio et præsentis cartæ confirmatio sint stabiles et rata præsens scriptum sigilli mei appositione roboravi. His testibus, domino Ricardo de Thornehill, domino Ricardo de Tanghe, Willielmo Warde, Simone fratre ejus et persona de Gisley, Radulpho de Arthington, Willielmo Pictavensi, Hugone de Iasci, Hugone de Horsford, Ada de Thomis, Serlone de Rondona, et aliis.

NUM. XXV.

Carta Radulphi filii Balduini de Bramhope, de dimidia Carucata Terræ in Bramhope Deo et Monachis de Kirkstall concessa.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentem et futuri quod ego Radulphus filius Balduini de Bramhope dedi, concessi, et hac carta mea confirmavi Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Kirkstall pro amore Dei et salute animæ meæ et hæredum meorum et prædecessorum meorum dimidiam carucatam terræ in Bramhope cum omnibus pertinentiis suis ubique sine retenemento, videlicet de illa carucata quam Willielmus de Castelay tenuit Idem Willielmus recepit escambium inter sap et pasturam ducentis ovibus sufficientem quod jacet ad caput Wimunderidinge versus occidentem. Et sex bovatas terræ in cadem

villa et unum toftum trium acrarum et unam rodam et dimidiam et Stainbrigge quarum bovatarum Rogerus Relle tenuit duas et Willielmus filius Raney tenuit duas et Willielmus filius Heward tenuit duas cum pratis et essartis ad prædictas bovatas pertinentibus et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis ubique sine aliquo retenemento. Et pasturam in eadem villa tenentibus omnibus in omnibus pasturis ad eandem villam pertinentibus, dedi etiam et concessi eis pasturam et redditum tenentibus omnibus de bercaria sua de Cuckerick in omnibus pasturis quoad prædictam villam de Bramhope pertinet. Hæc omnia prædicta dedi eis et concessi et hæc carta mea confirmavi in puram et perpetuam elemosinam imperpetuum; tenenda et possidenda de me et hæredibus meis libere et quiete ab omni servicio et consuetudine et demanda. Præterea concessi et hæc carta mea confirmavi eisdem monachis quicquid Balduinus pater meus eis donavit et carta sua confirmavit; has autem prænominatas terras et pasturas et confirmationes et concessiones ego et hæredes mei prædictis monachis warrantizabimus imperpetuum contra omnes homines. His testibus, Roberto Vavasore, Walanio fratre suo, Ada de Remenvill, Serlone de Pouele, Petro de Adington, Willielmo de Lelay, Hugone filio suo.

NUM. XXVI.

Carta Radulphi filii Balduini, de una Bovata Terræ in Bramhope Monachis de Kirkstall concessa.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT omnes tam præsentibus quam futuri quod ego Radulphus filius Balduini dedi et hæc carta mea confirmavi Deo et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkstall unam bovatom terræ in Bramhope cum omnibus pertinentiis et aisiamentis suis infra villam et extra, illam scilicet quæ fuit Ricardi Mobert, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam quietam ab omni servicio et omni consuetudine, et omni re ad terram pertinente. Et ego et hæredes mei prædictam bovatom cum omnibus pertinentiis eisdem monachis warrantizabimus, acquietabimus, et defendemus de omnibus contra omnes imperpetuum. His testibus, Hugone de Baldwind, Serlone de Pouele, Willielmo filio ejus, Nigello de Horsford, Alano de Pruerehay, Henrico de Mora, Hugone de Creskeld.

NUM. XXVII.

Carta Radulphi de Bramhope, de uno Villano Monachis de Kirkstall concessa.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT omnes præsentibus et futuri quod ego Radulphus de Bramhope pro amore Dei et salute animæ meæ dedi, concessi, et quietum clamavi Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Kirkstall Radulphum filium Normanni de Bramhop eum tota sequela et catallis suis. Et ne ego vel hæredes mei de prædicto Radulpho filio Normanni vel sequela sive catallis ejus aliquid in posterum possimus exigere præsentem cartam sigilli mei munimine roboravi. His testibus, Hugone de Witon, Galfrido de Ardington, Alano de Brerchage, Henrico de Alwaldley, Galfrido de Stubhus, et multis aliis.

Post suprascriptam sequuntur in eodem codice aliæ quinque cartæ donationis aliorum villanorum, quas non duximus operæ pretium hic transcribere.

NUM. XXVIII.

Carta Baldwinii de Bramhope, de Terra Monachis de Kirkstall concessa.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT omnes præsentibus et futuri quod ego Baldwinus de Bramhope pro amore Dei et salute animæ meæ, dedi, concessi, et hæc mea carta confirmavi Deo et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkstall totam terram quæ jacet inter Stanbrigge quod est Elsy de Bramhope et pratum quod vocatur Ordringeng ad prædictum pratum, tenendam et habendam prædictis monachis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam liberam et quietam ab omni terreno servicio et demanda. Et ego et hæredes mei prædictam terram eis in perpetuum warrantizabimus. Testibus Nigello de Horsford, Henrico de Alwaldley, Galfrido de Ardington, Thoma le Esquier, Henrico Nordeby, Hugone de Creskelde, et multis aliis.

NUM. XXIX.

Carta Radulphi filii Umfridi de Bramhope, de Prato eisdem Monachis concessa.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT omnes præsentibus et futuri quod ego Radulphus filius Umfridi de Bramhope pro amore Dei et salute animæ meæ, dedi, concessi, et hæc mea carta confirmavi Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Kirkstall totum pratum quod habui in territorio de Bramhope ad caput de Thistilriddinge versus occidentem, tenendum et habendum de me et de hæredibus meis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam libere et quiete ab omni servitio et demanda. Et ego et hæredes mei prædictum pratum præfatis monachis ubique et contra omnes homines imperpetuum warrantizabimus. His testibus, Hugone de Witon, Ada filio ejus, Henrico de Alwaldell, Nigello de Horseford, Henrico de Nordeby, Thoma le Squier, Roberto Scoto, Willielmo de Alreton, et aliis.

Sequitur in eodem codice alia carta de eodem prato, sed aliis testibus; et post eam alia carta ejusdem Radulphi de dimidia aera terræ in territorio de Bramhope eisdem monachis concessa; etiam tertia et quarta carta ejusdem Radulphi quorum prima de una aera terræ et dimidia in eodem territorio, et alia de prato quod vocatur Ordrideng ibidem, eisdem concessis.

Ricardus filius Gilberti de Bramhope per cartam suam dedit dimidiam acram terræ in eodem territorio in loco qui dicitur le Toftes.

Robertus de Bramhope unam acram terræ in cultura quæ vocatur Calnebram in eodem territorio.

Radulphus filius Ceciliæ de Bramhope tres pertieatas terræ arabilis in loco qui vocatur mariseus ex occidentali parte ejusdem villæ de Bramhope, et unam pertieatam prati in eodem loco.

Robertus filius Roberti del Sel duas bovatas terræ in villa de Bramhope, quam donationem filius ejus Walterus confirmavit.

Emma de Wauney vidua unam acram terræ in eadem villa.

Thomas filius dietæ Emmæ totam terram cum pertinentiis quam habuit in loco qui nominatur Sunebrade in territorio de Bramhope, juxta grangiam dietorum monachorum versus orientem.

Simon de Bothland dimidiam earucatam terræ in eadem villa de Bramhope; quam donationem Enima quondam uxor Henrici de Morton in viduitate sua per duas cartas suam confirmavit, idem fecit per unam cartam Alicie uxori dieti Simonis.

Margareta filia Radulphi et quondam uxor Heliæ ad Fontem in viduitate sua dedit eisdem monachis dimidiam acram terræ in Bramhope; et per aliam cartam dedit eum corpore suo terram quæ jacet propinquior prædictis monachis in campo qui dicitur Toftis in eodem territorio, quam donationem Margareta et Agnes filiæ prædictæ Margarete per cartam suam confirmaverunt.

Serlo Belle de Bramhope dedit tres rodas terræ in campis de Bramhope, et filius ejus Petrus illam donationem confirmavit.

Radulphus filius Serlonis de Bramhope dedit pratum Stainbriggenge et Langeraine in territorio de Bramhope.

Idem Radulphus dedit duas aeras terræ et unam pertieatam in territorio de Bramhope, scilicet in Brianfall; et unam acram in le Westfield in loco qui vocatur Westgobetro, et unum toftum ex orientali parte ejusdem villæ; et unam acram terræ in occidentali parte ejusdem villæ, et sic ex quatuor partioulis et quartam partem unius prati quod vocatur Pucaderidinge; et unam acram prati et unam pertieatam terræ arabilis; et unam acram terræ in occidentali parte villæ de Bramhope; et totum pratum quod habuit in occidentali parte de Bramhope.

Idem Radulphus per aliam cartam dedit unum toftum ex orientali parte villæ de Bramhope; per aliam cartam dedit unam acram terræ quæ jacet in Castle Riding in Bramhope, et dimidiam acram de crofto suo in parte occidentali ejusdem villæ; per aliam cartam unam acram prati et unam pertieatam terræ arabilis; per aliam cartam duas aeras terræ in Castle Riding ad Stambrighesthahead in eadem villa: et iterum per aliam cartam totum pratum suum in occidentali parte de Bramhope; per aliam cartam

totam terram quam habuit in campo de Bramhope versus le
East.

Matildis filia Serlonis de Bramhope confirmavit donationem fratris sui Radulphi de tribus bovatis terræ.

Henricus Northiby de Bramhope dedit totam terram suam quæ vocatur Little Riding in territorio de Bramhope.

Willielmus filius Petri de Durguses dedit dimidiam
acram terræ super bercariam in Bramhope et totam terram
suam in Sunnembrotes in villa de Bramhope.

Balduinus filius Radulphi, et Margāreta uxor ejus, et Radulphus filius et hæres eorum, dederunt eisdem monachis de Kirkstall totam terram cum bosco quam habuerunt in Heselwood, et monachi receperunt Adam filium donatorum in domum suam, et eos et animas omnium prædecessorum suorum fecerunt participes omnium beneficiorum domus et ordinis sui.

Adam et Honesta uxor ejus et Ricardus Tuntecauch
et Emma uxor ejus dederunt eisdem monachis totas terras
et omnia prata quæ eis contingebant in Bramhope cum per-
tinentiis.

NUM. XXX.

*De Decimis ut habetur in Registro quodam ad Abbatem
de Kirkstal pertinente.*

[Inter transcripta nobilis Walteri Calverley baronetti.]

SCIANT insuper posterius et successores nostri quod omnia prædicta asserta debent semper imposterum censi novalia, quia quod semel est novale semper erit novale quantum ad decimarum solutionem vel retentionem. Et ex consequente dummodo novalia fuerint in manibus religiosorum erunt libera et immunia ab omni et omnimoda solutione decimarum prout manifeste patet in jure, videlicet, titulo de decimis capitulo ex parte, et titulo de privilegiis capitulo consultationem; ac etiam titulo de novaliis, capitulo quid per novale. Et ex hoc liquide patet, quod de omnibus præscriptis debemus imperpetuum esse immunes a solutione decimarum. Et erunt etiam duæ aliæ causæ propter quas debemus esse immunes a decimis solvendis pro dictis assertis ut manifeste patere potest. Primo per hoc quod omnia loca in quibus prædicta asserta in terram arabilem et defalcabilem redacta fuerint, monasterio nostro data sunt et concessa ante concilium Lateranense, prout evidenter patet per cartas et feoffamenta et feoffatos nostros monasterio nostro inde facta et concessa. Et est alia causa propter quam debemus esse immunes ac firmarii nostri a solutione decimarum præscriptorum assertorum prout clare patere potest per quandam compositionem ab antiquo tempore inter nos et priorem Sanctæ Trinitatis Eborum rectorem ecclesiæ parochialis de Ledes inde pro judice confectam. Et quod firmarii nostri debent esse immunes a solutione decimarum de hujusmodi assertis patet aperte per quoddam speciale privilegium ordini nostro concessum per Bonifacium papam octavum cujus tenor hic inferius est insertus.

Bonifacius episcopus servus servorum Dei dilectis filiis universis abbatibus et abbatissis et conventibus ordinis Cisterciensis tam præsentibus quam futuris, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. In ecclesia vester ordo nitore claro eoruscans universalem gregis Domini aulam illuminat, et currentibus in stadio rectum iter insinuat, quo ad salutis bravium faeilius perveniant. Nos quidem ob hoc et propter magnum devocionis affectum quem ad nos et apostolicam sedem habetis ordinem ipsum et vos et alios ejusdem ordinis professores intima caritate prosequimur, ac sinceris affectibus excitamur ad vestrum et illorum commoda in quibus honeste possumus promovenda. Ideoque præmissorum intuitu et optentu dilecti filii nostri Roberti N. Sanctæ Prudentiæ presbiteri cardinalis, qui tanquam præfati ordinis cujus professor existit promotor assiduus, necessitates vestras et dicti ordinis reverenter nobis exposuit, et super illis nostræ provisionis auxilium imploravit, vobis auctoritate præsentium indulgemus, ut de terris vestris cultis et incultis ad ordinem vestrum spectantibus, quas aliis concessistis vel concedetis in posterum excolendas, de quibus tamen aliquis decimas se primicias non percepit, nullus a vobis seu cultoribus terrarum ipsarum, aut quibuscumque aliis decimas seu primicias exigere vel extorquere præsumat. Nos enim nihilominus irritum decernimus et inane quicquid contra tenorem hujus nostræ indulgentiæ fuerit attemptatum. Nulli ergo, &c. Si quis, &c. Dat. Lateranensi quinto decimo kalendas Januarii, pontificatus nostri anno octavo.

NUM. XXXI.

*Carta Johannis de Calverlay, de Manerio de Heddinglay
concesso Abbatiae de Kirkstall.*

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego Johannes de Calverley dedi concessi et hac præsentī carta mea confirmavi religiosīs virīs abbati et conventui beatæ Mariæ de Kirkstall, et eorū successoribus manerium meum de Heddinglay cum omnibus suis pertinentiis sine ullo retenemento in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam cum wardis releviis homagiis fidelitatibus escaetis et maritagiis et servitiis omnium tenentium liberorum et villanorum, et omnes villanos cum tota sequela eorū et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Videlicet in viis semitis boscis planis mariscis hagiis fossatis gardinis molendinis pratis pascuis pasturis et turbariis et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis exceptis terris et servitiis tenentium meorum in Altoftes et Brakanhill habendum et tenendum prædictum manerium cum omnibus pertinentiis suis prædictis abbati et conventui et eorū successoribus simul cum wardis releviis homagiis fidelitatibus escaetis maritagiis et serviciis omnium liberorum tenentium et villanorum et omnes villanos cum tota sequela eorū de capitalibus dominis feodi illius libere quiete et jure hæreditario per servitiis quæ ad illa tenementa pertinent in perpetuum, exceptis prædictis terris et serviciis tenentium meorum in Altoftes et Brakanhil, et ego Johannes et hæredes mei prædictum manerium, &c. warrantizabimus, &c. exceptis prædictis terris, &c. In cujus, &c. His testibus, dominis Simone Ward, Adamo de Swillington, Willielmo de Beston, Rogero de Ledes, militibus. Laurentio de Arthington, Thoma de Monte alto, Roberto de Burghlay, Thoma de Neuton, Thoma le Wayt de Ledes, Michaelae de Raudon, Johanne de Carleton, Thoma de Allerton, et aliis. Datum apud Heddinglay die Jovis proximo post festum sancti Ambrosii episcopi anno Domini millesimo trecentesimo vicesimo quarto et anno regni regis Edwardi filii regis Edwardi septimo decimo.

Sigillum.

NUM. XXXII.

*Carta Johannis le Scot de Calverley, per quam remittit
Priori et Conventui de Kirkestal annuum redditum
duarum marcarum.*

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS Christi fidelibus, &c. Johannes le Scot de Calverlay salutem, &c. Cum Willielmus le Patefyn dominus de Heddinglay et Thomas filius et hæres ejus dicti Willielmi relaxaverunt et quietum clamaverunt abbatiæ et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkestall quendam annuum redditum duarum marcarum argenti ad certum terminum annorum quem dicti abbas et monachi solvere tenebantur dicto Willielmo Paitefyn, &c. ad Pentecosten et ad festum sancti Martini in hyeme &c. pro quibusdam terris et tenebris &c. — Ae postea dictus Thomas filius et hæres dicti Willielmi &c. hunc &c. redditum mihi &c. dedit in perpetuum. Unde ego dictus Johannes le Scot &c. prædictum annualem redditum duarum marcarum &c. a die Epiphaniæ Anno Domini m°. cc°. tercio decimo usque ad terminum viginti trium annorum &c. dictis abbati et monachis contra omnes gentes acquitabimus. Ita quod nullus nomine meo &c. usque ad terminum viginti trium annorum &c. de prædictis abbati et monachis aliquid exigere vel vindicare poterit. In ejus &c. præsentis scripto cyrographato sigilla utriusque partis sub alternatione sunt apposita. Datum apud Kyrkestall die Jovis in septimana Paschæ anno Domini m°. ccc°. tercio decimo. Completo autem termino viginti trium annorum prædictus annuus redditus duarum marcarum &c. Johanni &c. sine aliqua conditione plenarie revertetur.

Sigillum imperfectum.

NUM. XXXIII.

*Licentia Walteri de Calverlay concessa Nicholao Adamson,
ut possit dare et assignare unum Messuagium et 33 acras
terræ Abbatæ de Kirkstal.*

[Ibid.]

PRÆSENS indentura testatur quod ego Walterus de Calverlay miles concessi et licentiam dedi Nicholao Adamson de Yedon capellano quod ipse dare et assignare possit abbati

et conventui monachorum beatæ Mariæ de Kirkstall et successoribus suis unum messuagium et triginti tres acras terræ cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in villa de Pudesay quæ quondam fuerunt Thomæ de Byrell ibidem tenend. de me et hæredibus meis per servitia debita et consueta hoc specialiter — et observato quod dicti abbas et conventus et successores sui et tenentes messuagii et terrarum prædictarum non facient sectam ad curiam meam de Pudesay nisi tantummodo semel in anno et similiter eisdem abbati et conventui quod ipsa prædicta messuagium et terras cum omnibus pertinentiis suis recipere et tenere — de prædicto Nicholao sibi et successoribus suis in perpetuum, statuto de terris et tementis ad manum mortuam non ponendis edito, non obstante. Et ego, &c. omnia præscripta in forma præscripta warrantizabimus in perpetuum. In cujus, &c. sigilla partium alternatim apponuntur, &c. Datum apud Calverley vicesimo die mensis Septembris anno regni regis Richardi secundi post conquestum Angliæ vicesimo secundo.

Desunt sigilla.

NUM. XXXIV.

Carta Abbatis de Kirkestal concedens Johanni Caverlay communem pasturam in Bramley.

[Ibid.]

Hæc indentura testatur quod frater Johannes abbas de Kirkestall et ejusdem loci conventus concesserunt pro se et successoribus suis Johanni de Caverlay et hæredibus suis pro homagio et servicio ejusdem Johannis et hæredum suorum ac etiam pro duobus solidis argenti quos idem Johannes et hæredes sui annuatim solvent eisdem abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus, scilicet medietatem ad Pentecosten, et alteram medietatem ad festum sancti Martini in hieme quod idem Johannes de Caverley et hæredes sui et eorum tenentes de Caverley et rector ecclesiæ ejusdem villæ et tenentes sui communicare possint cum omnimodis averiis suis de Caverley (exceptis capris) per totum annum in illa communi pastura de Bramley quæ jacet ex occidentali parte ejusdem villæ, quæ se extendit a rivulo qui vocatur Baggelaybeck versus Caverlay, qui quidem rivulus est divisus inter solum de Caverley et solum de Bramley usque ad novum fossatum versus Branlay, cujus unum caput abutatur super caput orientale prati quod vocatur Hibberodieng et aliud caput supra assartum quod vocatur Nicolrode, exceptis divisis, clausis, et assartis dictorum abbatis et conventus et eorum hominum ante diem confectionis præsentium inclusis et apprivatis. Ita tamen quod si animalia dicti Johannis, hæredum suorum, et eorum tenentium, vel rectoris ecclesiæ de Calverley vel tenentium suorum (exceptis capris) aliquo tempore in divisis clausis vel assartis prædictorum abbatis et conventus vel eorum hominum de Bramley juxta prædictam pasturam jacentibus pro defectu clausuræ intraverint non importabuntur sed sine læsione refugabuntur, nisi in bladis vel pratis aliquod dampnum fecerint, quod si factum fuerit amicabiliter emendetur. Concesserunt etiam prædicti abbas et conventus pro se et suis successoribus, quod prædictus Johannes et hæredes sui libere possint attachiare duo stagna pro duobus molendinis et ea amovere et renovare super antiquum et rectum cursum rivuli de Baggelaybeck in solo ipsius abbatis de Bramley ubi et quando sibi viderint expedire, in locis tamen ubi pro hujusmodi attachiamento dicti abbas et conventus vel eorum successores nullam exhæredationem seu grave dampnum incurrerint. Et prædictus Johannes concessit pro se et hæredibus suis prædictis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus quod si ipse vel hæredes sui in prædicto homagio faciundo vel in servicio prædictorum duorum solidorum annuatim solvendorum ut prædictum est defuerint (quod absit) bene liceat prædictis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus districtiorem facere per averia quæcunque dicti Johannis et hæredum suorum super prædictam pasturam inventa, donec de dictis homagio et redditu prædictis abbati et conventui plenarie fuerit satisfactum. Et si contingat quod averia dicti Johannis vel hæredum suorum in prædicta pastura inveniri non contigerint per quæ districtio fieri possit pro prædictis servitiis si saltem per unum annum ad minus a retro fuerint, ex tunc bene liceat prædictis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus prædictum Johannem et hæredes suos ubicunque infra Calverley distringere quousque eis fuerit satisfactum. Hoc addito quod salva sint in omni-

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bus et conservata dictis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus in perpetuum omnia servicia quæ habent et habere debent de Johanne de Rothelay et hæredibus suis pro prædicta communia pasturæ; et etiam omnia servicia quæ habent et habere debent de una carucata terræ in Farsley pro evasione animalium in prædicta pastura ad eandem carucatum terræ pertinente sine contradictione prædicti Johannis vel hæredum suorum. Præterea prædictus Johannes concessit pro se et hæredibus suis quod si animalia dictorum abbatis et conventus seu tenentium suorum de Bramley (exceptis capris) in campis seu pasturis de Calverlay intraverint præter amotionem bladi vel prati, exceptis dictis terris et toftis prædicti Johannis et hæredum suorum sine impar-eacione amicabiliter refugabuntur, nisi in bladis vel pratis aliquod dampnum fecerint, quod quidem dampnum cum factum fuerit amicabiliter restaurabitur et rationabiliter emendetur. Concessit etiam prædictus Johannes remisit et omnino pro se et hæredibus suis quietum clamavit prædictis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus in perpetuum totum jus et clameum si quod habuit communicandi in toto residuo pasturæ de Bramley. Ita quod nec dictus Johannes nec hæredes sui nec aliquis alius nomine eorum aliquam communiam in prædicta villa alibi quam in loco superius eis concesso de cetero exigere clamare vel vindicare poterint in perpetuum. In cujus rei testimonium præsentis indenturæ partes prædictæ alternatim sigilla sua apposuerunt. His testibus domino Simone Ward, Henrico de Kychelay, Willielmo de Beston Miller, Ricardo de Tange, Rogero de Ledes, Willielmo Patefyn, Michael de Hornby, et aliis. Datum apud Kirkestall in festo annunciationis beatæ Mariæ Virginis, anno Domini millesimo trecentesimo undecimo.

NUM. XXXV.

Carta Adæ filii Stephani de Yedon de duabus acris terræ Monachis de Kirkstall concessis.

[Transcriptum penes D. Walter. Calverlay Baronettum.]

SCIANT omnes tam præsentis quam futuri quod ego Adam filius Stephani de Yedone, pro amore Dei et salute animæ meæ hæredum et omnium antecessorum meorum dedi, concessi, et hac mea carta confirmavi Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Kirkestal imperpetuum duas acras terræ in campo de Yedone, unam de terra arabili, et alteram acram de prato, scilicet in essarto quod fuit Thomæ inter duas villas, tenendas de me et hæredibus meis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam liberas et quietas ab omni terreno servicio et seculari exactione, ita quod ego et hæredes mei prædictas duas acras prænominatis monachis adquietabimus et warrantizabimus ubique et erga omnes homines. His testibus Adam de Kikleson, Walduno filio Stephani de Yedone, Roberto Air de Menlingre, Hugone filio Irkwini, Rogero de Hill, Ricardo filio Roberti Gerbose, Roberto de Austrop.

NUM. XXXVI.

Carta Walteri filii Adæ de Puddesay de redditu duorum solidorum Monachis de Kirkstall concesso.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quorum notitiam præsens scriptum pervenerit Walterus filius Adæ Samson de Puddesay salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me pro amore Dei et salute animæ meæ et omnium antecessorum meorum dedisse concessisse et hac præsentis carta mea confirmasse Deo et conventui monachorum beatæ Mariæ de Kyrkestall cum corpore meo annum redditum duorum solidorum singulis annis percipiendorum in villa de Puddesay de terra Richardi de Puddesay carpentarii quam de me tenet; scilicet medietatem ad festum sancti Martini et medietatem ad Pentecosten, tenendum et habendum prædictum redditum de me et hæredibus meis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam liberam quietam et solutam ab omni terreno servicio exactione et demanda. Ita tamen quod licebit prædictis monachis prædictam terram pro prædicto redditu ad libitum suum restringere si contigerit eum qui prædictam terram tenet tenturusque pro tempore fuerit in dicta solutione ad prænominatos terminos deficere. Et ego prædictus Walterus et hæredes mei prædictum annum redditum prænominatis monachis contra omnes homines warrantizabimus adquietabimus et defendemus in perpetuum. In cujus rei testimo-

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nium hoc præsens scriptum sigilli mei munimine roboravi. His testibus, Willielmo de Stapelton persona de Swinlington. Radulpho Heyden de Armelay. Thoma Samson de Farne-
lay. Simone de Puddesay. Jordano de la Wode Halle. Simonc filio Clariter. Johanne filio Galfridi de Puddesay, et aliis.

NUM. XXXVII.

Confirmatio Roberti de Stapelton de Terra Monachorum de Kirkstal in Brameley.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris Robertus de Stapeltona filius Willielmi de Stapeltona æternam in Domino salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me concessisse et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse, Deo et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Kyrkestall tōtam terram cum omnibus pertinentiis quam habent in villa et territorio de Brameley ex dono Willielmi de Stapeltona fratris mei, quæ terra quondam fuit dominæ Emmæ matris meæ, tenendam et habendam dictis monachis in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, cum homagiis, wardis, releviis, eschaetis et omnimodis aliis servitiis hominum liberorum, et rusticorum, et cum omnibus aysiamētis ad prædictam terram pertinentibus ubique infra villam de Brameleya et extra sine aliquo retinemento in perpetuum, exceptis homagio et servicio hæredum Johannis de Lunghevilers et Roberti de Coyngheers et hæredum suorum de Westarmelcy, faciendo tantummodo forinsecum servitium quantum ad dictam terram pertinet pro omnibus serviciis, sectis, consuetudinibus, exactionibus, et demandis. Et ego dictus Robertus et hæredes mei totam prædictam terram cum omnibus pertinentiis et aysiamētis suis dictis monachis warrantizabimus, adquietabimus, et defendemus contra omnes homines in perpetuum. Pro hac vero concessione, et præsentis cartæ confirmatione, et warrantia, adquietancia et defensione dederunt mihi dicti monachi per manus quadraginta et quinque marcas argenti. In cujus rei testimonium hanc præsentem cartam sigilli mei munimine roboravi. His testibus. Domino Johanne de Hoderode tunc senescallo Pontisfracti. Domino Ricardo Grammatico. Domino Johanne de Sothil. Domino Ricardo de Thornhil. Hugone de Swynlingtona. Ricardo de Tanghe. Willielmo Pictavensi de Hedinglay. Alexandro de Ledes——Ricardo de Hayeto. Philippo filio Ysaac de Rimingtona, et aliis.

NUM. XXXVIII.

Carta Nicholai Adamson de messuagio et terris concessis Monachis de Kyrkestall.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego Nicholaus Adamson de Yedon capellanus dedi concessi et hac præsentī carta mea confirmavi abbati et conventui monasterii beatæ Mariæ de Kyrkestall et eorum successoribus, unum messuagium triginta et tres acras terræ et quatuor acras prati cum pertinentiis in Pudsay, quæ habui ex dono et concessione Roberti Atkynson de Byrom et Matildis uxoris ejus, et quæ quondam fuerunt Johannis de Byrel et Thomæ filii sui in prædicta villa de Pudsay; habenda et tenenda omnia prædicta messuagium et triginta et tres acras terræ et quatuor acras prati cum omnibus suis pertinentiis, præfatis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus, de capitalibus dominis feodi illius per servieia inde debita et de jure consueta. Et ego prædictus Nicholaus Adamson de Yedon capellanus et hæredes mei omnia prædicta messuagium triginta et tres acras terræ et quatuor acras prati cum omnibus suis pertinentiis, præfatis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus contra omnes gentes warrantizabimus et in perpetuum defendemus. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum meum huic præsentī cartæ meæ apposui. His testibus. Domino Roberto de Nevyll. Rogero de Slaybington. Roberto de Plumton. Waltero de Calverlay, militibus. Johanne de Bollings. Thoma de Thornor. Thoma de Tyressal. Thoma de Rothelay, et aliis multis. Datum apud Pudsay sexto decimo die mensis Februarii, anno Domini millesimo trecentesimo nonagesimo octavo, et anno regni regis Ricardi secundi post conquestum Angliæ vicesimo secundo.

NUM. XXXIX.

Confirmatio ejusdem Cartæ et Concessionis.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS hoc scriptum visuris vel audituris Nicholaus Adamson de Yedon capellanus salutem in Domino sempiternam. Sciatis remisisse relaxasse et omnino de me et hæredibus meis in perpetuum quietum clamasse abbati et conventui monasterii beatæ Mariæ de Kyrkestall et eorum successoribus totum jus et clameum, quæ unquam habui habeo seu quovis modo habere potero in futurum in uno messuagio triginta tribus acris terræ et quatuor acris prati cum omnibus suis pertinentiis, quæ habent ex dono et feofamento meo in Pudsay et quæ quondam fuerunt Johannis de Byrel et Thomæ de Byrel filii ejusdem Johannis in Pudsay. Ita quod nec ego prædictus Nicholaus nec hæredes mei, nec aliquis alius nomine nostro, aliquod jus vel clamium in prædicto messuagio triginta et tribus acris terræ et quatuor acris prati, seu in aliqua parcella eorum exigere clamare vel vindicare poterimus in futurum, sed a bomni actione juris et clamei sumus inde exclusi in perpetuum. Et ego prædictus Nicholaus Adamson capellanus et hæredes mei omnia prædicta messuagium triginta et tres acras terræ et quatuor acras prati cum omnibus suis pertinentiis præfatis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus contra omnes gentes warrantizabimus et in perpetuum defendemus. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum meum præsentibus apposui. His testibus. Thoma de Thornor. Thoma Tyressal. Thoma de Rothelay. Thoma de Onlecotes. Johanne Attewell de Pudsay. Willielmo Rogerson de Bamlay, et aliis multis. Datum apud Pudsay secundo die mensis Marci, anno Domini millesimo trecentesimo nonagesimo octavo, et anno regni regis Ricardi Secundi post conquestum Angliæ vicesimo secundo.

NUM. XL.

Confirmatio Margeriæ, viduæ Willielmi Drerehage, de annuo redditu tertiæ partis octo solidorum Monachis de Kirkstall concessio.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quorum noticiam præsens scriptum pervenerit, Margeria quondam uxor Willielmi de Drerehage salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noverit universitas vestra me in viduitate et ligia potestate mea pro amore Dei et salute animæ meæ remisisse et quietum clamasse Deo et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkstall tertiam partem annui redditus octo solidorum quæ me contingebant nomine dotis, quem redditum dictus W. quondam vir meus dedit monachis in vita sua in puram et perpetuam elemosinam pro salute animæ suæ prout carta quam inde habent plenius testatur. Ita plane quod ego Margeria clamium vel calumniam de tertia parte prædicti redditus erga prædictos monachos nunquam movere potero in tota vita mea. In cujus rei testimonium præsentī scripto sigillum meum apposui. His testibus. Willielmo de Alwaldel, Willielmo de Allerton, Stephano Spregonel, Alano de Haruas, Ada de Enkerbey, Willielmo Gille, et aliis.

Deest sigillum.

NUM. XLI.

Carta Abbatis de Kirkestall de terra dimissa Galfrido filio Adæ, in Villa de Aryngton.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus hoc scriptum visuris vel audituris. Fr. A.^a dictus abbas de Kyrkestall et ejusdem loci conventus salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra nos dedisse concessisse Galfrido filio Adæ de Balne pro homagio et servicio suo totam terram cum pertinentiis quam Willielmus Herwar de nobis tenuit in villa de Aryngton et unumcroftum in Creskeld quod scilicet jacet subtus gardinum Walteri filii Hugonis juxta terram magistri Gilberti de Dingelay, tenendum et habendum dicto Galfrido et hæredibus suis, libere, quiete, pacifice, et integre cum omnibus aysiamētis suis, reddendo inde nobis et successoribus nostris duodecim denarios medietatem ad Pentecosten et medietatem ad festum sancti Martini. Et nos et successores nostri prædicto Galfrido et hæredibus suis prædictam

^a Hic Alexander fuit primus abbas conventus de Kirkstall; impressio sigilli in cera flava, ut videtur, Iris flos.

terram warantizabimus quam diu nobis warantizaverint unam bovatom terræ in Wodehus quam habemus ex clamatione dicti Galfridi. In cujus rei testimonium huic scripto sigillum nostrum apposuimus, et transcriptum penes nos retinuimus. His testibus, magistro G. de Bingelay, Radulpho de Aryngton, Hugone de Lasey, Roberto de Pouel, Ricardo de Cukeriz, Willielmo Neal de Wodehus, Willielmo Surais de eadem, et aliis.

NUM. XLII.

*Carta Willielmi Bakester de terris in Brerehagh Arthyngton, concessis Conventui de Kyrkestall.**

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego Willielmus Bakester persona ecclesiæ de Adel concessi et hac præsentī carta mea confirmavi abbati et conventui monasterii beatæ Mariæ de Kirkestall et successoribus suis omnes terras tenementa prata boscos pasturas et servicia cum omnibus pertinentiis suis quæ habui in Brerehagh Arthyngton, et Atherton Gledhow ex dono et feoffamento Johannis de Brerehagh, habenda et tenenda omnia prædicta terras tenementa prata redditus boscos pasturas et servicia cum omnibus pertinentiis suis præfatis abbati et conventui et successoribus suis de capitalibus—————. ^a

NUM. XLIII.

Carta Walteri Abbatis et Conventus de Rupe.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod Walterus abbas et conventus de Rupe concesserunt, et præsentī carta confirmaverunt Roberto filio Rogeri de Tineslowe, pro homagio et servicio suo duas bovatas terræ cum pertinentiis in villa de Wineleye quas habuit de dono Walteri fratris sui, tenendas et habendas sibi et hæredibus suis, de dictis abbate et conventu de Rupe libere et quiete, reddendo inde per annum dictis abbati et conventui de Rupe octo solidos in grangia de Rupe, scilicet quatuor solidos ad Pentecostem, et quatuor solidos ad festum sancti Martini in hyeme pro omni servicio, et demanda salvo forinseco quantum pertinet ad duas bovatas terræ ejusdem feodi in eadem villa. Tali quidem tenore quod dicti abbas et conventus non tenentur ad warrantiam feofamenti dictæ terræ dicto Roberto vel hæredibus suis faciendam. In cujus rei testimonium dicti abbas et conventus et dictus Robertus partibus hujus cartæ sigilla sua alternatim apposuerunt. His testibus, Johanne de Stevinton, Jacobo de Richardo fratre ejus, Roberto Bruerton, Petro de Lettewell, Johanne de Galfrido de Helghcby. ^b

NUM. XLIV.

Conventio inter Ecclesias de Kirkestal et Sanctæ Trinitatis Eboracensis de Decimis in Parochia de Ledes.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis tam præsentibus quam futuris hanc conventionem factam esse inter ecclesiam de Kirkestal, et ecclesiam sanctæ Trinitatis Eboracensis consilio et consensu utriusque capituli, quod ecclesia de Kirkestal singulis annis in perpetuum reddet ecclesiæ sanctæ Trinitatis xx. solidos pro recompensatione decimarum, quas habere solebant de terris quas monachi de Kirkestal tenent in parochia de Ledes, scilicet, quatuor carrucatas terræ in West Hadigleia, dimidiam in Est Hadigleia. duas carrucatas in West Alretunæ, unam bovatom in Est Alretunæ, cum illam propriis carrucis coluerunt; essartum de Linleia, de Midaleia, le enclos Westrode, vallum de Bramleia; ita ut iidem xx. solidi reddantur ad festum sancti Martini; et si monachi de Kirkestal amplius terræ cultæ in prædicta parochia adquiescerint, garbas reddant. Quod si forte terræ illæ prædictæ aliquo casu decreverint, rationali intuitu redditus decrescat. Hujus conventionis testes sunt:

Ricardus abbas de Fontibus, et Richardus monachus ejus; Thomas filius Wlfieti, et Thomas et Adam filii ejus; Ramerius filius Marani; Willielmus Sarracenus, et Heweus filius ejus; Robertus de sancto Jacobo; Willielmus Presby-

ter, et Robertus filius ejus; Thomas et Andreas famuli sanctæ Trinitatis.

NUM. XLV.

Carta Willielmi filii Alexandri de Alreton de terra in Menewude Monachis de Kirkstall concessa.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS hoc scriptum visuris vel audituris Willielmus filius Alexandri de Alreton salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra me pro salute animæ meæ et omnium antecessorum meorum, dedisse, concessisse, et hac mea carta confirmasse Deo et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkestall totam terram meam cum bosco et cum omibus petris super terram et subtus terram quæ habui in Menewude in territorio de Alreton sine retenemento, salvis mihi et hæredibus meis bosco del Ker subtus molendinum de Heddingeleya et communitate herbagii et fugerii in Menewude. Et salva Ricardo de Grimeston et hæredibus suis parte sua bosci de Menewude pertinente ad tres bovatas terræ in eadem villa de Alreton, tenendam et habendam dictis monachis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, libere et integre cum omnibus pertinentiis suis usque ad molendinum de Heddingeleya quietam et solutam ab omni servicio et demanda in perpetuum. Et ego prædictus Willielmus et hæredes mei warantizabimus, adquictabimus, et defendemus prænominatis monachis omnia prædicta cum pertinentiis suis contra omnes homines in perpetuum. His testibus, domino Roberto de Stapleton, Petro de Alta Ripa, Galfrido de Ardington, Willielmo Scotico de Newton, Ricardo de le Aye, Alano de Grimelton, Roberto de Wudeling, Alano de Brerehathe, et aliis.

NUM. XLVI.

Carta Roberti de Bernes de redditu decem Denariorum Monachis de Kirkstall concessa.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego Robertus de Bernes pro amore Dei et salute animæ meæ et omnium antecessorum meorum dedi concessi et hac præsentī carta confirmavi Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Kyrkestall cum corpore meo redditum decem denariorum annuatim in villa de Calverlay cum homagiis et relevis et aliis serviciis sine retinemento prædicto redditui pertinentibus. Redditum scilicet illorum sex denariorum quos Henricus Citharista et illorum quatuor denariorum quos Thomas filius Jordani reddere solebat Jordano filio Hugonis de Secrof, tenendum et habendum sibi et successoribus suis de me et hæredibus meis in perpetuum, libere, quiete, et pacifice, in liberam, et puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Et ego præfatus Robertus et hæredes mei prædicto conventui præfatum redditum cum pertinentiis ubique et contra omnes homines in perpetuum warantizabimus et defendemus. His testibus, Willielmo Scotto de Calverlay, Roberto persona ejusdem villæ, Roberto de Horton, Hugone de Wdehalle, Willielmo fratre ejus, Henrico Scotto, Symone de Fersel, Nigello de Honford, et multis aliis.

NUM. XLVII.

Carta Jordani de Scorchys de terra in Wurhall et Balling Monachis de Kirkstall concessa.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT omnes præsentēs et futuri quod ego Jordanus de Scorchys filius et hæres Suani de Leycester dedi concessi et hac mea carta confirmavi Deo et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Kyrkestall totam terram cum omnibus pertinentiis suis quam habui in villa et territorio de Menhall et Bolling sine aliquo retinemento, tenendam et habendam dictis monachis in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam liberè, quietè, pacificè et integrè cum omnibus pertinentiis suis ubique, reddendo inde annuatim pro me et hæredibus meis Roberto de Fernil et hæredibus suis duos solidos et tres denarios pro omnibus serviciis et demandis et pro omni re ad terram pertinente, medietatem ad Pentecostem et medietatem ad festum sancti Martini. Et pro hac donatione, concessione, et

* Quod reliquum est cartæ lacerum et comminutum, nihil aliud continet præter formam usitatam, warantizationem, testes, &c.

^b Desunt sigilla, et carta valde obesa, qua de causa desunt duo nomina testium, ut supra.

præsents cartæ confirmatione dicti monachi dederunt mihi præ manibus sex marcas argenti. Et ego dictus Jordanus et hæredes mei totam prædictam terram cum omnibus pertinentiis suis et asiamentis præfatis monachis in perpetuum contra omnes homines warantizabimus, adquietabimus, et defendemus. In hujus rei testimonium et robur hanc præsentem cartam sigilli mei appositione roboravi. His testibus, domino Johanne de Thornill, Ricardo de Tanghe, Rogero de Thornton, Roberto de Fernil, Roberto de Bolling, Hugone de Horton, Ricardo de Ledes, Arnaldo de Menhall, Hugone de Rodis, Radulpho de Braforht, Ada filio ejus, Ada de Bolling, et aliis. Datum anno gratiæ m^occ^oxlviij.

NUM. XLVIII.

Carta Regis Edwardi III. de divisio inter Bernoldeswicke, et Forestam de Blackburnshire.

[Ibid.]

EDWARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, et dux Aquitaniæ, archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, prioribus, comitibus, baronibus, &c. Inspeximus etiam literas patentes quas idem Henricus fecit præfatis monachis in hæc verba. Henr. de Lacy, salutem. Sciatis has esse rectas divisas inter Bernoldeswicke et forestam meam de Blackburnshire, quas ego et homines mei perambulavimus in die qua tradidi Bernoldeswicke, cum omnibus appendiciis suis monachis ordinis Cisterciensis, ad abbatiam construendam, et prædict. Bernoldeswicke per has easdem divisas perpetuo possidendam monachis assignavi, scilicet, per rivum qui vocatur Blackbrooke et ita sursum ultra motam indirecte usque ad Gailmers, et ita indirecte usque ad caput de Ellessaghe, et ita in transversum montem qui vocatur Blackowc, et ita usque ad Oygill, et ita per Oygill sursum usque ad Pikedlawe, qui vocatur Alainsett, et de Pikedlawe, usque ad antiquum fossatum inter Midhope et Colredene. Et ne inter eosdem monachos et hæredes meos possit de eisdem dimisis aliqua in posterum oriri contentio, hanc cartam dedi eis in testimonium prædictarum divisarum. His testibus, Otto de Tilli; Osberto archidiacono. Jordano Folliot; Willielmo Eleemosyn. Katello filio Ulba, et Gamel fratre suo; Richardo de Eledge, Johanne Coco. Nos autem perceptum, prohibitiones, donationem, concessiones, confirmationes, et dimisis prædicta rata habentes et grata, ea pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, quantum in nobis est dilectis in Christo nunc abbati et conventui loci prædicti, et eorum successoribus concedimus, et confirmamus, prout cartæ et literæ prædictæ testantur, et prout idem abbas et conventus, et prædecessores sui, terras, vacariam, et pasturam prædicta hætenus tenuerunt, et quietantiis prædictis rationabiliter usi sunt et gavisi. His testibus, venerabilibus prioribus W. archiepiscopo Eboracensi, Angliæ primati; J. Eliensi episcopo cancellario nostro; Hen. Lineolnensi episcopo thesaurario nostro; Thoma comite Northfolk, et marescallo Angliæ, avunculo nostro; Johanne Warren comite Surrey; Rogero de Mortuo Mari; Johanne de Ros, senescallo hospitii nostri, et aliis. Datum per manum nostram apud Eborum, 29 die Junii, anno regni nostri primo.

NUM. XLIX.

Ex Rotulo Clausarum anno secundo regni Regis Edwardi tertii, pro Abbate de Kirkestall, de exactione puturæ in Manerio de Bernoldeswicke desistendo.

[Ibid.]

EDWARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, et dux Aquitaniæ, dilecto clerico suo Johanni Giffard senescallo terrarum et tenementorum Isabellæ reginæ Angliæ matris nostræ, circa Trentam, salutem. Cum Henricus de Lacy, quondam dominus de Blackburnshire, per cartam suam quam inspeximus dedisset, concessisset, et confirmasset Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, et Alexandro tunc abbati de Kirkstall, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, manerium de Bernoldeswicke cum pertinentiis, in comitatu Eborum, in fundatione abbatiæ prædictæ, habendum et tenendum eisdem abbati et monachis et successoribus suis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, ab omnibus consuetudinibus et terrenis serviciis liberum, solutum, et quietum; ac nos nuper ad prosecutionem dilecti nobis in Christo nunc abbatis loci prædicti nobis per petitionem suam coram nobis et concilio

nostro exhibitam, suggerentis, quod licet manerium prædictum cum pertinentiis extra liberam chaceam prædictæ matris nostræ de Blackburnshire existat; nihilominus Richardus de Marchesden capitalis forestarius ipsius matris nostræ chaceæ illius, et quidam alii ministri sui ejusdem chaceæ puturam ab ipso abbate per diem Veneris in qualibet septimana ratione manerii prædicti exegerunt, ipsum inde injuste onerare intendendo in ipsius abbatis dispendium non modicum, et contra tenorem cartæ prædictæ; vobis pluries mandavimus, quod si prædictum manerium extra chaceam prædictam fuerit, tunc exactioni quam prædicti ministri præfato abbati in putura hujusmodi ratione manerii prædicti fecerunt omnino supersederi, et ipsum inde pacem habere, et districtiones, si quæ præfato abbati occasione prædicta factæ fuissent indilate relaxari faceretis, vel si causa subesset, quare mandatis nostris hujusmodi parere non deberetis, tunc nos de causa illa redderetis sub sigillo vestro indilate certiores. Ac vos nobis inter alia retornaveritis, quod licet manerium prædictum sit extra prædictam liberam chaceam de Blackburnshire, exactionem tamen deberi quam prædictus Richardus capitalis forestarius dictæ chaceæ, et alii forestarii ejusdem faciunt de putura sua prædicta, pro eo quod super exactione illa per ministros dictæ matris nostræ quæ chaceam illam tenet ad vitam suam ex concessione nostra, et per alios veritatem quævivitis et accepistis, quod dictus Richardus et alii forestarii prædicti et prædecessores sui forrestarii chaceæ prædictæ ab antiquo, viz. a tempore et per tempus quo Johannes de Lacy quondam comes Lineolniæ, Edmundus filius ejus, Henricus filius ejusdem Edmundi, Thomas nuper comes Lancastriæ, ac dominus Edwardus nuper rex Angliæ pater noster, et præfata mater nostra fuimus successores domini de Blackburnshire, hujusmodi putura a præfato abbate et ejus prædecessoribus percipere consueverunt apud manerium prædictum, tanquam pertinentem ad forestarios antedictos pro custodia chaceæ prædictæ, et quod prædictus Richardus capitalem custodiam ejusdem chaceæ habet ad terminum vitæ suæ ex concessione nostra: sed an forestarii antecessorum prædicti Johannis in prædicta chaeca de putura prædicta seisciti extiterunt necne nondum vobis constat, pro eo quod non invenistis ibidem aliquem superstitem, qui de aliquo domino ejusdem chaceæ ante tempus ejusdem Johannis recolit, nobis et dictæ matri nostræ inconsultis supersederi facere non audebitis, prout in returno nostro prædicto plenius continetur. Nos nolentes præfatum abbatem indebite in hac parte prægravari, vobis mandamus, quod non obstante causa prædicta, quæ nulla est, præfatum Richardum et alios forestarios prædictos ab exactione hujusmodi puturæ de præfato abbate ut prædictum est omnino desistere, et ipsum abbatem inde pacem habere et districtiones si quæ ei ea occasione factæ fuerint sine dilatione relaxari faciatis eidem. Teste meipso, apud Eboracum, vicesimo quinto die Februarii, anno regni nostri secundo.

NUM. L.

Alia Carta de Anno Quarto ejusdem Regis Edwardi Tertii, de Possessionibus Abbatiae de Kirkstall.

[Ibid.]

EDWARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, et dux Aquitaniæ, dilectis et fidelibus suis Henrico le Scroope, Johanni Travers, et Willielmo de Demun salutem. Cum Isabella regina Angliæ mater nostra charissima ad prosecutiones dilectorum nobis in Christo abbatis et conventus de Kirkstall suggerentium, quod Henricus de Lacy in fundatione abbatiæ illius per cartam suam dedit tunc abbati et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus manerium de Bernoldeswicke, quod inter forestam ipsius Henrici de Blackburnshire, et prædictum manerium certas metas et divisas fieri fecerit, prout per scriptum ejusdem Henrici metas et bundas illas continens, quod per cartam nostram confirmavimus, plenius poterit apparere, et quod idem tunc abbas et successores manerium illud per metas et bundas prædictas tenuerunt ad commodum et voluntatem suam in terris, boscis, pasturis, et aliis ad prædictum manerium pertinentibus absque impedimento faciendo, quousque Henricus de Lacy nuper comes Lineolniæ quendam Hugonem de Grimeston, quondam abbatem loci prædicti, prædecessorem ipsius nunc abbatis, quominus commodum suum in aliquibus de dietis terris et tenementis infra metas et divisas illas existentibus facere potuerint, ea ad prædictam forestam sic attrahendo impedivit.

Ac quod idem nunc abbas per aliquos ministros ipsius matris nostræ forestæ illius, quamvis communem in dictis terris et boscis ad forestam illam sic tractis habere debuerit, sicut ipse dictus abbas et prædecessores sui ante prædictum impedimentum eidem Hugoni quondam abbati factum, consueverunt, impeditus fuit, et prædictæ matri nostræ supplicaverunt restitutionem eidem nunc abbati fieri, præcipue de terris et tenementis supradictis, mandasset Johanni Giffard seneschallo terrarum suarum ultra Trentam ad inquirendum super præmissis plenius veritatem, et licet per inquisitionem per præfatum seneschallum de mandato ipsius matris nostræ, in præsentia Richardi Oldrough et Thomæ Deyvill, necnon Willielmi de Tatham custodum terrarum ejusdem matris nostræ in Blakeburnshire, et Richardi de Manlesden magistri forrestæ, ibidem captam, et eidem matri nostræ retornatam, compertum sit, quod dicta suggestio ipsius abbatis continet veritatem, dicta tamen mater nostra, eo quod post mortem suam reversio forestæ illius ad nos et hæredes nostros pertinet, hujusmodi restitutionem præfato abbati facere distulit, sicut ex parte ipsius abbatis intelligi nobis datur, super quo tam nobis quam matri nostræ est supplicatum per præfatum abbatem de remedio providere: Nos volentes plenam et celerem justitiam fieri in præmissis, assignavimus vos et duos vestrum, quorum præfatum Henricum alterum esse volumus, ad inquirendum in præsentia custodum dictæ terræ de Blakeburnshire, et seneschalli, sive capitalis forrestarii sui prædictæ forrestæ, super hoc, ad inveniendum, per sacramentum proborum et legalium hominum de comitatu Lancastriæ, per quos rei veritas melius sciri poterit, si præfatus Henricus de Lacy prædictum manerium tunc monachis abbatiae de Kirkstall per divisas in eodem scripto contentas dederit, et divisas et metas illas fieri fecerit, videlicet, per rivum qui vocatur Blakebrook, et ita sursum ultra motam in directum usque ad Gailmers, et ita in directum usque ad campum de Elleshage, et ita in transversum montem qui vocatur Blancoc, et ita usque ad Oxegil et ita per Oxegil sursum ad Pickedlaw qui vocatur Allansette, et de Pickedlaw usque ad antiquum fossatum inter Midhop et Colredene; et si idem abbas et antecessores sui manerium illud per metas et bundas tenuerint, et commodum et voluntatem suam in terris, boscis, pasturis, et aliis ad idem manerium pertinentibus absque impedimento fecerint, quousque dictus Henricus de Lacy nuper comes Lincolniae, præfatum Hugonem de Grimston tunc abbatem, prædecessorem ipsius nunc abbatis, quominus commodum suum in aliquibus de dictis terris et tenementis infra metas et divisas illas existentibus, facere posset impediret, necne; de quibus terris et tenementis, boscis, sive pasturis eidem Hugoni quondam abbati impeditum fuit, sive ejectum, et qualiter et quomodo, et quantum continent perticorum sive acrarum; et si idem nunc abbas, sive antecessores sui post prædictum impedimentum, eidem Hugoni quondam abbati ut præmittitur factum in prædictis terris, tenementis, boscis et pasturis ad forrestam illam sic tractis aliquid habuerunt, quousque dictus nunc abbas per ministros ipsius matris nostræ de commune illa impeditus fuit, et si sic tunc quam communem habuerunt, et per quos ministros idem nunc abbas inde impeditus fuit, et ex qua causa, et qualiter et quo modo; et si idem nunc abbas, vel aliquis prædecessorum suorum jus quod habebant in prædictis terris, tenementis, boscis et pasturis eum prædicta foresta sic tractis prædicto Henrico, nunc comiti seu alicui alii domino ibidem postea remiserint, quietum elamaverint, vel statum suum inde in aliquo mutaverint, necne. Et si sit, tunc quis vel qui, quo tempore, qualiter et quomodo; et si nos et præfata mater nostra absque dampno seu præjudicio aliquorum seu alicujus ejusmodi restitutionem eidem abbati de terris, tenementis, boscis et pasturis prædictis facere valcamus, necne. Et si sit, tunc quorum vel cujus, et qualiter et quomodo, et quantum terra, tenementa, bosci et pasturæ prædictæ per se, et communia illa per se valent per annum in omnibus exitibus juxta verum valorem corundem, et de aliis articulis præmissis contingentibus, et in hac parte necessaria plenius veritate. Et ideo vobis mandamus, quod ad certos diem et locum quos vos vel duo vestrum, quorum vos præfatum Henricum unum esse volumus, ad hoc provideritis, inquisitionem inde faciatis, et eam districte et apte factam, nobis sub sigillis vestris, vel duorum vestrorum, quorum vos præfatum Henricum unum esse volumus, et sigillis eorum per quos facta fuerunt sine dilatione mittatis; et per hoc breve mandamus viccomiti nostro in comitatu prædicto, quod ad certos diem et locum,

quos vos vel duo vestrum, quorum vos præfatum Henricum unum esse volumus, ei scire faciatis, venire faciat coram vobis, vel duobus vestrum, quorum vos præfatum Henricum alterum esse volumus, tot et tales probos homines de balliva sua per quos rei veritas in præmissis melius sciri potest et inquiri, et quod captio inquisitionis illius personaliter nota sit ad proponendum quo jure nostro, si quod habeamus in hac parte, et quod in terris in balliva sua ubi expedire viderit proclamet, quod omnes illi qui per hujusmodi restitutionem eidem abbati ut præmittitur, præjudicium sive dampnum habere potuerunt, captioni ejusdem inquisitionis intersint, ad exponendum ibidem tunc pro jure suo quod fore viderint faciendum. Mando etiam ut prædictus seneschallus, in cujus custodia cartæ, scripta, et alia memoranda honoris de Pontefract, necnon dictas terras et forestam de Blackburn contingentia existunt, ut dicitur, quod has scrutationes sub sigillo suo certificet, si quod scriptum, vel aliud factum ibidem inveniatur, quod nobis in exclusionem ipsius abbatis valere poterit in hac parte. In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste meipso, apud Wynton. 16 die Martii, anno regni nostri quarto.

NUM. LI.

Carta Ricardi II. Regis Monachis de Kirkstall facta.

[Ibid.]

RICARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ et Franciæ, dominus Hiberniæ, omnibus ad quos præsentis literæ pervenerint salutem. Licet in communi concilio regni Angliæ provisum sit quod non liceat viris religiosis seu aliis ingredi feodum alicujus, ita quod ad manum mortuam deveniat sine licentia nostra et capitalis domini de quo res illa immediate tenetur; de gratia tamen nostra speciali, et pro sex marcis et dimidia, quas dilecti nobis in Christo abbas et conventus de Kirkstall nobis solverunt in hanaperio nostro, concessimus et licentiam dedimus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris quantum in nobis est Johanni Maliverer Chivaler, quod ipse unum messuagium, duas bovatas et tres acras terræ, et tresdecim solidatas et quatuor denariatas redditus cum pertinentiis in Horsford et Roudon, et Elizabethæ filiæ Thomæ Bendy quod ipsa unum messuagium, unum toftum et duas bovatas terræ, cum pertinentiis in eadem villa de Horsford, quæ de nobis non tenentur, dare possint et assignare præfatis abbati et conventui, habenda et tenenda eisdem abbati et conventui et successoribus suis ad inveniendum quandam cereum ardentem singulis diebus ad altam missam coram summo altari in ecclesia ipsorum abbatis et conventus beatæ Mariæ de Kirkstall in perpetuum. Et eisdem abbati et conventui, quod ipsi messuagia, toftum, terram et redditum prædicta cum pertinentiis a præfatis Johanne et Elizabetha in forma prædicta recipere possint, et tenere sibi et successoribus suis prædictis in perpetuum sicut prædictum est tenore præsentium, similiter licentiam dedimus specialem, statuto prædicto non obstante; nolentes quod prædicti Johannes et Elizabetha vel hæredes sui, aut præfatus abbas et conventus seu successores sui ratione statuti prædicti per nos vel hæredes nostros, justitios, escactores, viccomites, aut alios ballivos seu ministros nostros vel hæredum nostrorum quoscunque inde occasionentur, molestentur in aliquo, seu graventur. Salvis tamen capitalibus dominis feodi illius servitiis inde debitis et consuetis. In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste Edmundo duce Eborum, custode Angliæ, apud Westmonasterium, vicesimo nono die Januarii, anno regni nostri decimo octavo.

NUM. LII.

Registrum Parvum Terrarum Abbatiae de Kirkstall.

[Penes dominum Walterum de Calverley baronettum.]

Allertones Lofthus.

IN Allertones de multis donatoribus habemus terram, videlicet de Sampson de Allerton duas carucatas in puram &c. cum molendino et servicio liberorum et rusticorum.

Item de Jordano filio Petri de Allerton unam acram terræ in West Allerton sicut carta ejus testatur.

Item de Simone filio Jordani de eadem unam bovatom terræ cum pertinentiis in Allirton in pastura, &c.

Item de Astino filio Jordani de Allirton duas bovatas terræ quas emimus de eodem.

Item de Roberto filio Petri unam bovatom terræ.

Item de Roberto filio de Cymiterio duas acras terræ in territorio de Neuton quæ jacent juxta Pipersyke.

Item de Roberto filio Roberti Cymiterio Calwaynrode.

Item quietum clamatum de Alano de Brerhagh de una clausa infra Menwod juxta Wlstanes.

Item Henricus de Paulino filius Willielmi de Allirton tres acras terræ cum corpore suo videlicet.

Item de Alexandro de Ledes filio domini Alexandri de Ledes militis unam bovatom terræ cum pertinentiis in Gledhow Allerton cum quadam area bosci qui vocatur Sampsongrene.

Item de Alina filia Willielmi Morwill de Allerton Gledhow unam bovatom terræ cum pertinentiis.

Item de Ricardo Brown de Allirton septem acras terræ quæ vocantur Buttes ex dono Willielmi filii Willielmi de Allirton.

Item idem Willielmus nobis dedit totam terram quæ vocatur Lagbram juxta grangiam dictorum monachorum cum corpore suo.

Item ex dono Alexandri de Allirton tres acras quas Willielmus Attewod tenuit reddendo nobis unum par albarum cirotecarum duorum denariorum.

Item unam carucatam terræ de Willielmo filio Radulphi de Loftuhum.

Item unam bovatom terræ et unam acram ex dono Henrici Sacdot de Allirton.

Item de Roberto filio Hugonis de Allirton unam bovatom quæ fuit Ricardi Hare in parochia, et præterea habemus dimidiam carucatam et sex acras terræ cum edificiis in More Allirton de magistro et fratribus Miliciæ templi Salomonis in excambium tredecim acrarum terræ in territorio de Secrofte, videlicet, cum redditu trium solidorum et cum attachiamento stagni de Wedderly Milne sicut patet per indenturam inter nos factam.

Item totam terram de Menwode cum bosco ex dono Willielmi filii Alexandri de Allirton in puram, &c.

Item habemus unam carucatam terræ in More Allirton de Jacobo de Secrofte.

Item tria essarta terræ arabilis de Thoma filio Alexandri de Allirton Morwyk in puram, &c.

Item servicium Hervey de Lofthous et hæredum suorum qui tenent duas carucatas terræ de feodo de Allirton.

Item de Adam Sampson terram in Pudesay quietam ab omni servicio facto pro Allirton domino Pontefract scilicet pro dicto feodo militis.

Item de Willielmo filio Willielmi de Allirton totum boscum cum fundo qui vocatur Gervaysgreffe in puram. &c.

Item de eodem totam terram cum bosco quam habuit in Menewod.

Item unam bovatom et dimidiam terræ de Willielmo Cowtherp in Gledhou.

Præterea dabimus pro terra Willielmi Morwyk Ricardo de Allirton et hæredibus ejus ix denarios per annum pro omni servicio, ac etiam eidem Ricardo dimidiam libram cum mini pro terra Willielmi Canthorp ad Natale tantum.

Item unam bovatom terræ cum tofto et crofto de Willielmo Morwyk.

Item Colswaynrod de Willielmo de Allirton et Agnete uxore sua.

Præterea habemus unam bovatom terræ in Lofthous ex dono Roberti le Sawser reddendo Johanni de Camera Pontefract' xx denarios per annum pro omni servicio.

Item de eodem unam bovatom terræ in Lofthouse in puram, &c.

Item Johannes de Lofthouse faciet nobis homagium et servicium pro terra sua in Lofthouse, et dabit annuatim nomine firmæ xvi denarios. Et xviii denarios fine comitatus et wappentachii.

Horsford et Kykley.

De terris et tenementis quæ et quas habemus in dominio de Horsford.

In primis unam carucatam in Horsforde et duas carucatas in Kighley quas habemus de priorissa de Haverholm in excambium ad feodi firmam reddendo inde sex marcas argenti per annum; sed modo tenemus prædicta de domino Adam de Everygham reddendo inde iiii marcas faciendo sectam curiæ de Harwod pro carucata in Gersforde et homagium domino de Harwod.

Præterea faciemus homagium domino de Everygham pro duabus carucatis in Kyghlay, quas dominus Ricardus de

Kyghley tenent de nobis ad feodi firmam reddendo nobis per annum sexaginta duos solidos pro omni servicio.

Item habemus unum toftum in Kighley quod Johannes Bewayr tenuit reddendo nobis ad finem Martii duos solidos et duos denarios; et id quod habemus in Kyghlay est de feodo Johannis Byrkyn.

Item habemus in Horsford ex dono Walteri filii Nigelli duas bovatas terræ quas Wylkys natus ejusdem tenuit, cum ipso Wylkys et tota sequela sua.

Item de eodem sex acras terræ cum pertinentiis in Furthag quas Robertus pater dicti Wylkys tenuit, et unam acram terræ in Triprod super viam de Calverlay, et duas acras terræ quas Sitherith vidua tenuit; et unum toftum in Horsford quod Gervasius le Corner tenuit; et unum toftum quod Willielmus Manuchur tenuit et totum pratum meum in Furthage quod fuit Muthelott, et totam partem meam prati et bosci in Welker, et unum toftum quod Anabel tenuit.

Item confirmacione Hugonis filii Nigelli quicquid habemus ex dono Walteri fratris ejusdem scilicet capitale messuagium cum tofto et cum illo prato quod jacet juxta croftum et toftum quod Johannes de Sallaye tenuit et totam terram quam dictus Walterus habuit in Estrodes, et in Butyldrode cum prato juxta stagnum, molendinum quod vocatur Smallenge in puram, &c.

Item de Vincente de Brayswell unam acram terræ quæ vocatur Hulotrode cum buttis suis rectis reddendo unum par albarum cirotecarum Willielmo de Poule.

Item de Roberto de Poule filio Willielmi de Breton de Poule duas bovatas terræ cum pertinentiis in Horsforde quas Nigellus de Horsforde dedit dominæ Amyæ prædicti Roberti in liberum maritagium reddendo inde Hugoni de Horsforde tres obolos pro forensi servicio et viginti denarios nomine firmæ pro omnibus serviciis et demandis. Et pro hac confirmacione et concessione prædicti monachi relaxaverunt mihi et hæredibus meis redditum octo solidorum quem solebam reddere eis pro quadam terra in villa de Poule.

Item de Roberto filio Britonis de Poule dimidiam acram terræ in Horsforde quæ vocatur le Crokedcrofte cum tofto et crofto in pastura, &c.

Item unum alium toftum de eodem quod Constancia uxor Walteri quondam tenuit in puram, &c.

Item ex dono Roberti filii Huberti culturam de Withage et assartum de Deva cum adjacente silva pertinente ad suas duas carucatas terræ cum communi pastura in bosco et plano in puram, &c. de feodo Radulphi Mauleverer.

Item de Ricardo Venatore unam viam sexaginta trium pedum partiarum in longitudine et trium in latitudine, videlicet a terra Nigelli de Horsford usque ad terram Moachor in Furdhage in puram, &c.

Item de Willielmo Lelay decem bovatas terræ.

Item de fratribus Miliciæ Templi sex bovatas terræ.

Item de prædicto Willielmo Leyley duas carrucatas terræ cum pertinentiis in puram, &c.

Item de Roberto et Thoma de Brainlay totam terram suam in le Brigrode in territorio de Rawdon.

Item de Nigello de Horseforde redditum xii. denariorum quem solebamus reddere pro terra in Northcroftes.

Item de eodem Nigello redditum xii. denariorum quem solebamus reddere pro Dengrange.

Item de eodem totam terram quæ jacet a Coltfal usque ad viam quæ ducit ad Denbrigge.

Item de eodem totam terram a parte rivuli qui vocatur Gryndstanwell sicut rivulus decurrit usque in aquam quæ vocatur Ayre in puram, &c.

Item de eodem attachiamentum stagni molendini ibidem et totum pratum juxta prædictum molendinum cum liberis introitibus et exitibus, et ad cætera necessaria facienda, et Gryndstanwellsyke juxta Flethage in puram, &c.

Item de eodem Nigello redditum xii. denariorum de terra Willielmi Fabri.

Item de eodem locum unius fossati infra culturam quæ vocatur Aylsirode in extrema parte illius culturæ versus Fletchage; ita quod fossatum incipiat ad aquam quæ vocatur Ayre usque perveniat ad culturam Stephani quam tenuit de Willielmo Lelay latitudine vero quinque pedum.

Item de eodem totam terram inter dominium Willielmi Pigott et dominium Thomæ Colfox ex orientali parte magnæ viæ in puram, &c.

Item de eodem unum essartum quod Robertus filius Staunolf tenuit, in puram, &c.

Item de eodem Wyndeclyff et essartum quod Hugo Murrell tenuit.

Item de eodem totam terram et boscum inter Wyndeclyff et rivulum de Horsforde in puram, &c.

Item confirmationem Walteri filii Nigelli de Butilrode et Esteroftes a juxta molendinum in puram, &c.

Item de eodem unum toftum quod Robertus Coblyng quondam tenuit, et totum pratum quod habuit in Estkerr in puram, &c.

Præterea habemus de Willielmo filio Ricardi Venatoris essartum quod vocatur Gundrode.

Item de Willielmo filio Godfridi de Selbye rodam quæ fuit Stephani in Flethage cum pertinentiis et unam acram et dimidiam de novis essartis quæ sunt ad caput ejusdem terræ, et duas acras ibidem juxta Agerlane.

Item confirmationem Willielmi filii Godfridi de xii. acris terræ in Furthage.

Item de Roberto filio Heliæ de Bramley redditum viginti denariorum quem solebamus reddere Nigello de Horsford pro terra et tenemento ibidem.

Item de Adam filio Willielmi le Hunute totum pratum suum in Welker et duas acras terræ in loco qui vocatur Wyndeclyffe in puram, &c.

Memorandum quod Mauricius quondam abbas de Kyrkestal dedit et concessit et earta sua confirmavit Hugoni filio Nigelli de Horsforde pro homagio et pro servicio suo capitale messuagium cum edificiis quæ habuimus ex dono Walteri de Horsforde cum crofto et prato et tota terra quam habuimus de eodem Waltero in Butyllderode et Estrodes reddendo inde annuatim domui de Kyrkestal iiij. solidos et sex denarios.

Item de Willielmo filio Willielmi de Breton de Poule unum croftum quod vocatur Northcrofte cum una acra terræ quæ vocatur Estecrofte reddendo unum par cirothecarum ad Pentecostem.

Cokryk, Adill, Thoshus.

De feodo Willielmi Paynell plures terras habemus, videlicet de Rogero Mustel baroniam de Cokryge cum molendino et cum omnibus pertinentiis in puram, &c.

Item de Willielmo Mustell filio ejus totam socam de Adyll et advocationem ecclesiæ de Adill cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in bosco et plano. Et cum omnibus serviciis liberorum hominum in eadem soca, cum wardis, relevis et escaetis, videlicet de dominio de Aryngton dimidio feodo militis de dominio de Brerhagh pro Brerhage et pertinentiis de dominio de Thosus pro duabus carrucatis quas tenentes liberi ibidem reddent nobis per annum nomine firmæ duas marcas et xij. denarios pro fine comitatus et wapentagii et pro firma stagni molendini ex parte nostra de Wyke sex denarios cum wardis, &c.

Et sciendum quod dabimus pro baronia Cokryk tantum xl. solidos per annum Adæ Waverwyle et hæredibus suis pro omni servicio, ita quod prædictus dominus de Waverwyle defendet prædictum dominium versus Willielmum Paynell et omnes alios pro prædicto redditu de omnibus serviciis, exactionibus, et demandis.

Item de liberis tenentibus in prædicto feodo plures terras habemus, videlicet de Willielmo Wytherton duas bovatas terræ, unam cum confirmatione Willielmi Paynell.

Item de Ricardo filio Andreæ dimidiam acram quæ vocatur Bradland in puram, &c.

Item redditum duorum denariorum de Andrea filio Henrici de Adyll de una acra et prato quæ jacent ad fontem sanctæ Elenæ.

Item de Andrea de Adill redditum unius denarii de terris quas habemus de Eufemia sorore ejusdem.

Item de prædicto Andrea unum toftum cum edificio et fossato quo includitur in puram, &c.

Item de dicto Andrea de Adill filio Henrici de Mora dimidiam bovatom terræ in Adyll quam Eugenia soror ejusdem tenuit in puram, &c. reddendo unum denarium tantum domino feodi.

Item de Willielmo filio et hærede Roberti de Altarypa unam carrucatam terræ in Cokryk una cum confirmatione fratrum Hospitalis Ierosolimitani.

Item de Willielmo Paynell dimidiam carrucatam terræ in Cokryk quam Adam filius Hucke tenuit cum homagio et servicio ejusdem.

Item de Adam filio et hærede Willielmi de Cokryk

omnes terras et tenementa quæ et quas habuit in Cokerykhous cum omnibus pertinentiis suis de capitali domino una cum confirmatione ejusdem terræ de Johanne filio Willielmi de Cokerykhous cum warrantizatione.

Item duas bovatas terræ de Adam Bayldon quæ fuerunt Amiciæ de Adyll.

Item de Henrico de Kaldworth et uxore unum toftum illud videlicet quod Radulphus de Adyll dedit prædicto Henrico.

Item de Henrico Hunter de Adyll unum tenementum cum octo acris terræ et una roda in territorio de Adyll quæ vocatur Ricardrode.

Item de Radulpho filio Ricardi Aldredi unum assartum octo acrarum terræ quod jacet ex australi parte de Adyll in pastura de qua terra debemus habere duos solidos per annum cum homagio, &c.

Brerhage, Ecopp, Burdun, Ardyngton.

De domino de Brerhage habemus unam carrucatam in Brerhage reddit per annum eidem viij. solidos pro omni servicio.

Item de eodem iiij. bovatas terræ in Burdun reddunt eidem iiij. solidos per annum pro omni servicio.

Item de Alano de Ecopp redditum x. denariorum de terra quam Walterus filius Galfridi de Stubbis tenuit in essarto de Ecopp.

Item unam carrucatam terræ in Burdun de Helwysia filia Samuelis.

Item de Willielmo filio domini Alani de Kayerton homagium et servicium Hugonis filii Willielmi Fabri de Ecopp scilicet redditum duorum denariorum.

Præterea habemus de Petro domino de Ardyngton sex acras terræ quæ vocatur Estcrofte pro tribus acris terræ et una roda apud Sourpoule et Birxerkell in puram, &c.

Item de Petro de Ardyngton unum toftum in Burdun in puram, &c. Et pasturam trecentis ovibus super cilium montis de Aryngton banke in longitudine et latitudine in parochia, &c. Item de eodem dimidiam carrucatam terræ in Aryngton, videlicet duas bovatas quas Adam filius Aschetini tenuit cum ipso Adam et tota sequela et dimidiam acram in in medio Moyslaya et alias duas bovatas quas Willielmus filius Berengarii tenuit cum ipso Willielmo et tota sequela et terram infra Qwerf ad Rontanfurd et unam acram prati in Siwardmar quod Willielmus filius Berengarii terram etiam quæ vocatur Calnefall et quoddam pratum inter Pyckell et Micheleholm, has prædictas terras dedit prædictus Petrus in puram, &c. cum omnibus suis pertinentiis, pasturis, et aysiamentis prædictæ villæ pertinentibus.

Item de eodem unam culturam terræ in Aryngton quæ jacet juxta croftum Hugonis Bercar propinquius ex occidentali parte in puram, &c.

Item unum toftum in Cryskeld et totam terram quam Willielmus Hardwar de nobis tenuit, quod toftum et quam terram concessimus et carta nostra confirmavimus Galfrido filio Adæ Balue pro homagio et servicio, reddit nobis xij. denarios annuatim.

Item unam acram terræ in Ecopp de Frebarn de Ecopp in Westcrofte quæ se extendit super Yuerkergrese in puram.

Item de Henrico del Stock messuagium et duas bovatas terræ quæ fuerunt Serlonis de Ecopp.

Item de Adam filio Hugonis de Wyton annum redditum x. solidorum quem solebamus reddere pro x. bovatis terræ cum pertinentiis in Burdun et Yverker in feodo de Adyll ex dono et concessione domini Willielmi de Wyton.

Item de Johanne filio Radulphi terram suam in le Newryddyng in puram.

De Willielmo Mauleverer et hæredibus quatuor denarios per annum pro pastura de Stubbis cum homagio et servicio.

Item de Roberto filio Petri le Scott octo bovatas terræ in Burdun pro quatuor solidis annuatim pro omni servicio quem redditum Johannes de Lek nobis dedit et quietum clamavit in perpetuum.

Item de Ricardo Attessche seniore duo messuagia cum duabus bovatis terræ et pertinentiis in Ecopp.

Alwaldlay.

Habemus in Alwaldlay unum messuagium et quatuor bovatas terræ una cum tertia parte molendini ejusdem villæ ex dono Willielmi filii Willielmi de Colyngham in puram, &c.

Kyddall.

In Kiddall habemus de Willielmo filio Thomæ de Ledes quondam rectore ecclesiæ Saxymtainthorp in Norwycensi diœcesi homagium et servicium Adæ de Kyddal et hæredum suorum scilicet annuum redditum septem solidorum pro quodam tenemento quod prædictus Adam tenuit in prædicta villa in puram, reddendo tunc prædicto Willielmo unum denarium pro omni servicio.

Barnbowe.

In Barnbowe habemus de Rogero filio Thomæ unum toftum cum messuagio et gardino quod Jordanus Carpenter tenuit in puram, &c. de quo tofto habemus duos solidos per annum.

Byrtby.

In Brettby habemus redditum xij. denariorum per annum pro tribus bovatis terræ in eadem cum tenemento.

Clyfford.

In Clyfford habemus duas bovatas terræ cum pertinentiis de Roberto filio Willielmi de Bridesale et pasturam ducentis ovibus macris in puram, &c. reddendo illi et hæredibus suis quatuor solidos ad duos anni terminos pro omni servicio.

Item de Simone de Sigillo unum essartum quod vocatur le Wra et unam acram in Clifforde quam Alwaldus tenuit, et redditum unius denarii quem solebamus reddere eidem pro prædicta acra per annum.

Item confirmationes Johannis filii et hæredis Gilberti de Byrdsale de la Wra et redditum xii. denariorum quem solebamus reddere eidem inde per annum in puram, &c.

Item de Adam Multhorp hermitorium quod vocatur Swyngart et communem pasturam x. vaccarum cum uno tauro in Clifford.

Item confirmationem Adæ de Byrdsale de communi pastura in Clifforde ccc ovibus macris vel masc. in omnibus pasturis in parochia, &c.

Item duas acras juxta Swyngartts in parochia.

Item confirmationem de dicta bovata in Clifforde de Eudone de Lagthwaite et Alicia uxore sua cum warrantiatione.

Bramlay, Arnlay.

De feodo Willielmi Raynwylye plures terras habemus, videlicet, totum dominium suum in Bramlay, scilicet totam terram cum bosco et aqua a semita vadi de Horsford per sepem eorum usque ad Esthlayam et totam Esthlayam cum omnibus quæ pater meus præfato loco dedit, videlicet, per sepem Maochor super pedem montis de Micherich usque ad pedem alterius montis juxta positi et sic per pedem ipsius montis usque ad fossatam juxta viam quæ descendit ad Armley in magnam aquam cum communi pastura in parochia, &c.

Item de liberis tenentibus in Bramlay, videlicet, de Adam filio Norasii toftum cum crofto jacens inter toftum prioris Trinitatis Eborum et toftum Willielmi de Wyton.

Item de Petro de Ferslay filio Rogeri Leysyng et uxore ejus unum messuagium cum crofto quod jacet inter toftum Roberti Sutoris et toftum Roberti filii Thomæ, et tres bovatas terræ, scilicet, illas duas bovatas quas Rogerus Leysyng quondam tenuit et unam bovata quam Adam Leysyng frater dicti Rogeri tenuit. Et jacent particulatim in campo de Bræmlay inter terras Ricardi filii Thomæ et terras Willielmi Fraunklayn et unum essartum quod vocatur Swaynrode juxta Bellehusgate et totam terram cum bosco et prato quæ jacent inter Swaynrode juxta Bellekussyke et totum illud essartum quod jacet juxta moram ex occidentali parte pontis novæ grangiae.

Insuper homagium et servicium Adæ de Hales et redditum sex denariorum et unum par albarum cirothecarum in

Item de Petro filio Willielmi de Bramlay quatuor bovatas terræ cum toftis et croftis in puram, &c.

Item de Willielmo Bech filio Willielmi Bech quicquid habuit in territorio de Bramlay, videlicet triginta et unam acras et dimidiam terræ propinquiores divisas, et molendinum de Farnlay et redditum xii. denariorum de Sislot de Branlay pro quinque acris terræ propinquioribus divisas de Wyrkelay in puram, &c.

Item de Henrico Fraunces quendam nativum qui vocatur Ive cum quinque acris terræ quas idem Ive tenuit in puram, &c.

Item confirmationes Adæ de Gales de uno messuagio

cum crofto in Bramlay quod jacet inter terram Roberti Sutoris et terram Roberti filii Thomæ in puram, &c.

Item de Ricardo Raynwylye dimidiam carucatam terræ in puram, &c.

Item de Adam Raynvile unum toftum cum crofto in villa de Bramlay pro pannis ecclesiæ ejusdem domus lavandis quod Willielmus Frauncays tenuit cum ipso Willielmo et tota sequela.

Item de Willielmo filio Willielmo Stapelton unum toftum cum crofto quod Henricus Reciator quondam tenuit et dimidiam acram quam Radulphus Bercarius tenuit, et unam acram quam Adam filius Adæ præpositi tenuit.

Item de Roberto Stapelton duas bovatas terræ illas quas Willielmus filius Bernardi tenuit cum ædificiis, et duo essarta unum scilicet juxta viam de Calverlay et aliud quod jacet inter essartum Jordani ad Fontem et essartum Willielmi filii Roberti Palmer.

Item de Roberto Stapelton toftum cum crofto quod Rogerus Sutor tenuit.

Præterea habemus de eodem Raynvyle unum toftum quod Thomas Pelliparius de eo tenuit cum ipso Thoma et tota sequela sua in parochia.

Item de Adam filio Norays unum essartum quod vocatur Millingleye in puram, &c.

Item de Adam Norays unam bovata quam Mauricius tenuit et unum toftum et croftum quæ jacent inter toftum Rogeri filii Willielmi et toftum quod Radulphus Morwyk tenuit et quoddam essartum quod vocatur Martini in puram, &c.

Item de Adam Raynvile duas bovatas terræ quas Adam præpositus tenuit cum tribus essartis.

Præterea habemus de Roberto Stapelton totam terram suam in Bramley et Arnlay, cum omnibus suis pertinentiis in puram, &c. faciendo tamen forense servicium Willielmo Skargille.

Item de Waltero de Gales duo essarta prati et bosci et duas acras terræ quæ jacent juxta viam molendini quæ se extendit de Bramley More usque in le Falle in puram, &c.

Item de Roberto Brade unum toftum cum crofto in Bramlay.

Item de Roberto filio Roberti filii Thomæ duo tofta cum duobus croftis et duas bovatas terræ et unum essartum quod jacet juxta Millelyes et unum aliud essartum quod vocatur le Pyghel sub Staynclyff.

Item de Johanne filio Adæ del Hole de Bramlay unum messuagium et unam bovata terræ quæ habuit ex dono patris sui.

Item de Willielmo Bercroft unam rodam sicut includitur quæ jacet supra boscum qui vocatur le Falle in parochia, &c.

Item de Roberto filio Eliæ unum essartum quod vocatur Maeynrode.

Item de domina Sara duo messuagia et unam bovata terræ cum uno essarto sicut carta ejus testatur reddendo hostelario Pontefract xl. denarios per annum.

Item homagium et servicium domini Johannis de Calverlay et redditum duorum solidorum per annum pro communi pastura averiis suis super Colhill.

Item redditum xx. denariorum de Johanne de Rodhlay et hæredibus pro communi pastura averiis suis super Colhyll et xii. denarios de terra Johannis de Rodhlay per annum.

Item de Roberto filio Eliæ de Bramlay tria tofta et xl. acras terræ et dimidium octo acrarum bosci et medietatem unius acræ prati, et viii. denariorum redditum in villa de Bramlay quæ et quas habuit ex concessione Willielmi Bercrofte in loco qui dicitur Bercroftrode et xii. acras terræ et quatuor acras bosci et unum toftum cum prato adjacente quas habuit ex dono et concessione Walteri de Hales et unum toftum et quinque acras terræ et dimidiam et medietatem unius acræ prati quas habuit ex dono Willielmi Mawcornays et Sibillæ uxoris suæ et unum toftum cum crofto et sex denarios redditus in villa de Bramlay quæ et quas habuit de Petro de Ferslay et Margareta uxore sua et septem acras terræ quæ dicitur Martynrode quas habuit ex dono Johannis filii Alani de Berdsay et unum toftum cum crofto et duos denarios redditus in Bramlay quæ habuit ex concessione Adæ filii Petri de Ferslay, et unam placeam terræ quam habuit ex concessione Johannis le Cowper de Bramlay et xx. denarios redditus in villa de Horsford quæ habuit ex concessione Roberti de Gypton.

Item de eodem unum messuagium eum omnibus edificeis superedificatis in suburbio Eborum in loco qui dicitur Mikilgate quod habuit ex dono et concessione Aliciæ Goudum uxoris Roberti de Mykilgate sicut carta donationis plenius testatur reddendo priori Trinitatis per annum xiii. denarios tamen ad festum ad vineula sancti Petri.

Eboracus.

Item habemus unum tenementum in suburbio Eborum scilicet in Mikilgate de Hugone filio Willielmi de Lelay in puram, &c. reddit tamen pro omni servitio.

Item habemus pratum de Folyfait de domino Alano de Folyfait pro septem marcis per annum prout ejus carta testatur post ejus decessum prædictus redditus fuit divisus inter tres filias de quibus prædictum redditum habemus in puram et perpetuam elemosinam reddendo tamen unum denarium ad Natale pro omni servitio sicut cartæ earum testantur.

Pudesay.

Habemus in Pudesay de Dionisia filia Adæ Sampson annum redditum duorum solidorum de Simone filio Clariæ et hæredum suorum pro una domo et tofto xii. denarios per annum. Et de Roberto filio Thomæ et hæredum suorum pro uno essarto vi. denarios per annum. Et de Johanne filio Johannis Pye pro domo et una aera terræ vi. denarios per annum. Et de Ricardo Carpenter et hæredum suorum de una domo et quatuor aeris terræ duos solidos per annum quos Walterus frater prædictæ Dionisiæ dedit prædictis abbati et conventui eum corpore suo sicut carta testatur, tenendos et habendos prædictis abbati et conventui eum homagiis singulorum serviciis wardis relevis et esactis in liberam puram, &c.

Item habemus in Pudesay de Waltero filio Adæ Sampson annum redditum duorum solidorum de terris Ricardi de Pudesay carpentarii ita quod licet distringere in prædicta terra pro firma.

^a Stevens, from the Appendix to whose continuation the greater portion of the above Instruments has been copied, has preserved, in another part of his work, the following translated deeds relating to Kirkstall.

1.

“Composition between Peter Arthington, and the Monks of Kirkstall.

“THIS is the final agreement made in the court of our lord the king at York, on the Wednesday next after the Assumption of the blessed Mary, in the third year of the reign of King Richard, before H. dean of York, and R. archdeacon of Hereford, and Hugh Bardulf, and William de Stateville, and William Fitz—, and Henry de Wicketun, justices of our lord the king, and other lieges of our lord the king then present there; between Peter Artington claimant, and the monks of Kirkstall, possessors of three carucates of land in Cuckery, about which there was suite in the court of our lord the king, viz. That the aforesaid Peter, for the health of his soul, and of his predecessors, did for ever quit claim for himself and his heirs, to the aforesaid monks of Kirkstall, all the right and claim he had in the aforesaid three carucates of land at Cuthery; and in consideration of this quitting claim, conclusion, and agreement, the afore mentioned monks of Kirkstall gave to the aforesaid Peter five marks of silver and an half.

“Note, That the third year of King Richard the Third above was 1191.”

2.

“The Agreement between the Church of Kirkstall, and the Church of Adel.

“THIS is the agreement between the church of Kirkstall, and the church of Adel, made in the year from the incarnation of our Lord, 1198, That the church of Kirkstall shall give to the church of Adel 20 shillings on the day of St. John Baptist, in consideration, and in lieu of all their tithes in the parish of Adel, viz. Of all Cukeriz with the mill, and with all its appurtenances, and of all the lands here underwritten, which the monks have for ever, viz. at Brerethath of the gift of Robert, one carucate of land, and of the gift of the same in Estburthedune, four plow-lands; of the gift of William de Witheton, four plow-lands at Burthedun, and four at Iverker, with the tofts and crofts; of the gift of Robert Scot, eight plow-lands at Burthed, and all the land that belongs to his carucate of land at Sutheroftes; of the gift of Helewis, all the land that belongs to his carucate of land at Sutheroftes of Burthedun, with other appurtenances of land, and additions according to the meres and divisions which he appointed to the said monks; of the gift of Robert the son of Helewis, all the land that belongs to his carucate at Estburtheaun, in the field of Iverker, on the south side, according to the boundaries that are between Estburthendun and Westburthendun, as far as Iveker, and so long Iveker to Stambrig, and from Stambrig as the rivulet runs to the monastery of the nuns, and so along the monks ditches; of the gift of Alexander the son of Helevis, at Burthendon, all that part of his arable land which he calls Lindlandes, and that part which is between the essart of Ketell, and the land of the nuns of Arthington; of the gift of the same, his four parts of the land which belong to his half carucate of land at Burched; of the gift of the same,

Item de Waltero filio Adæ Sampson de Pudesay unum pratum quod vocatur pratum Moachor.

Item de Adam Sampson totam terram a fonte qui est ad caput prati Moachor in campo de Pudesay in latitudine usque ad fossatum Ankerim et in longitudine a prædicto fonte usque ad terram Rogeri le Seott versus le North et a fossato Ankerim usque ad fossatum Johannis de Barkestone, similiter in longitudine totam terram quam habui in Grimflat inter terram Ricardi Tang et terram Agnetis sororis meæ, &c.

Item habemus de Rogero Bosse de Pudesay et Agnete uxore sua unam aeram terræ et dimidiam eum pertinentiis in Pudesay in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, scilicet dimidiam aeram propinquiorem Bereroft ex parte orientali et aliam dimidiam aeram propinquiorem ex parte occidentali, et dimidiam aeram quæ vocatur Stonewray quæ extenditur super Aldwuldgrue et est quæta, &c.

Item de Gregorio de Pudesay filio Ricardi deem et oeto aeram terræ, deem videlicet juxta rivulum de Fernelaybroke et oeto aeram in essarto meo ex parte de Pudesay; et unum toftum trium aerarum in Pudesay eum gardino suo eum libero communi ejusdem villæ, &c.

Item de Rogero filio Gregorii duas aeram terræ et dimidiam in territorio villæ de Pudesay quæ jacent juxta essartum suum versus West.

Item de Thoma unum essartum in boso de Pudesay juxta rivulum de Farnley illud quod Hugo de Bereroft et Willielmus filius ejus tenuerunt, &c.

Item de Adam Sampson quinque aeram terræ videlicet tres aeram quæ fuerunt Rogeri fratris sui quæ jacent in Piletoft et unam aeram in Coldweldayle et unum toftum in Fukelwell in quo sunt tres rodæ terræ et una roda terræ quæ jacet versus Bereroft in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, &c.

De Roberto Lumby pro Gospatrierod modo in manu Willielmi Lumby duos solidos.

De Willielmo Calverley xvi. denarios pro Jonecrosse in Pudsey.^a

two acres and an half in the place called Gowinestorth; of the gift of Adam and Robert, the Burthedun, and of Maud and Agnes their wives, their four parts, which belong to their half carucate of land; of the gift of Helias the son of Adam, one acre of land in the fields of Iverker, of the lands which he had for a term of years, viz. two plow-lands at Westburthedun, of the nuns of Arthington, and of half a carucate of land, which they hold of Serlo at Westburthedun, they shall give no tithes as long as they shall hold, and till them at their own cost, yet if those lands should happen sometime to be let, or should again come into the hands of their former lords, the monks shall nevertheless pay this present rent, or farm, that is, 20s. yearly for the other lands, or tillage of their own, which they shall have for ever in the parish of Adell; but if the monks shall acquire any other lands than what are contained in this writing, in the parish of Adell, either hired for a term of years, or for ever, they shall fully, and without any stop, pay tithes for such lands to the church of Adell. To the end that this agreement may be firm and unchangeable, it is confirmed with the seal of each party, and ratified in the word of truth.”

3.

“The Grant of William Mustell.

“BE it known to all present and to come, that I, William Mustell, for the love of God and the health of my soul, and of my heirs and predecessors, have given, granted, and by this my present deed confirmed, to God and St. Mary, and to the monks of Kirkstall all Adell, and all the soc of Adell, with all its appurtenances, in woods and plains, in meadows and pastures, in ways and paths, in moors and marshes, in essarts and parks, in waters and lakes and mills, in villages and villans, with all my farms and revenues in the aforesaid soc, with the services of my free-men, with the wards and reliefs and escheats, and with all things to me appertaining in the same soc, to be held and had of me and my heirs in perpetual alms, free and quit of all earthly services and exactions, paying to me, and to my heirs, yearly three marks of silver, the one half at the feast of St. Botolph, and the other half at the feast of St. Martin, and doing the duty as far as belongs to one knight's fee. Besides, I have granted, and by this my deed confirmed, to God and the same monks of Kirkstall, and the land they have of the gift of Roger my father, viz. all Kucheriz, and the appurtenances, and the mill of Shenself, as the deed of the aforesaid Roger, my father, which they have, testifies. And I and my heirs will for ever, every where, and against all men, warrant the above-mentioned to the aforesaid monks. The witnesses many.”

4.

“The Grant of Andrew de Adel.

“BE it known to those present and to come, that I, Andrew de Adel, son of Henry de Nora, have given, granted, and by this present deed confirmed, to God and the monks of St. Mary at Kirkstall, one half plow-land, with the appurtenances, at Adell, viz. as much as my sister Eugenia held of me, to be had and held by the said monks, of me and my heirs for ever, in free and perpetual alms, with all the liberties, and aisements wheresoever, without any diminution; paying for the

NUM. LIII.

Deditio Abbatiae de Kirkstal, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, in manus Regis Henrici VIII. 22 Novembris, Anno Domini 1540.

[Penes Radulphum Thoresby de Leedes in Co. Ebor. armig.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, nos Johannes Ripeley abbas monasterii beatæ

same yearly, to me and my heirs, one penny at the nativity of our Lord, and performing the foreign service, as far as belongs to the aforesaid land, for all demands. And I, Andrew, and my heirs, will warrant, maintain, and defend, all the aforesaid land, with all its appurtenances, to the above-mentioned monks, against all men for ever. These being witnesses, Henry, lord of Nora; Master Gilbert Bingeley; Adam de Wyton; Ralph de Aryngton; William de Alreton; William de Alwaldlay; Robert Scott, Stephen his brother, and others.

"This grant has no date, but the seal of green wax appending, whole, though defaced, being a flower-de-luce, the inscription not legible."

5.

"The Grant of Henry Hunter."

"BE it known to those present and to come, that I, Henry, the son of William Hunter, have given, granted, and by this present deed, confirmed to — abbat, and the convent of St. Mary of Kirkstall, and their successors, one messuage with an adjacent croft, with all appurtenances, in the territory of Adel, and eight acres of land, with their appurtenances, as they lie in an essart in the same town, called Richardrode; which messuage and essart, of eight acres of land, I had of the gift of William Hunter, my father, as my father's deed, which he made to me of the same, more fully testifies; to have and to hold all the aforesaid eight acres of land, with all appurtenances, to the said abbat and convent, and their successors, freely, well, and in peace, with all liberties and easements to the said land appertaining for ever. And I, the aforesaid Henry, and my heirs, as also my assigns, will warrant, and maintain the aforesaid messuage, and the aforesaid eight acres of land, with all their appurtenances, to the aforesaid abbat and convent, and their successors, against all men, and defend the same for ever. In testimony whereof, I have affixed my seal to the present deed. These being witnesses, Robert de Ardington, Hugh de Horsford, John de Carleton, William, the son of William Conhird, &c. In the year 1349.

"The seal in green wax appending entire, an head very perfect, but the inscription somewhat defaced, so as not to be read."

6.

"The Grant of William Painell."

"BE it known to all, as well present as to come, that I, William Painell, do give, and grant, and by this my deed confirm, to God and St. Mary, and to the monks of Kirkstall for ever, that land which I gave them in alms, and granted in the parish of Adel, that land which the villains of the same parish gave to the church of Adell, when dedicated, throughout all the parish, viz. as much as belongs to the lands they hold in the aforesaid parish, in pure and perpetual alms, as they hold the other lands, to which these lands belong. And I testify, and affirm, to all that shall see and hear this deed, that I neither granted, nor do grant, nor warrant, that donation which my villains made. The witnesses hereof are, Pole, priest of Hotune; William of Wichetune; Adam Painel; Wido de Insula; William, the son of Ralph de Insula; Richard, the son of Robert, the son of Asket; William, the son of Adam of Whitteley; Richard, the son of Adam Painel.

"The seal appending of yellow wax, much broken and defaced, seems to have been a flower-de-luce."

7.

"Another Grant of Andrew Adel."

"BE it known to those present and to come, that I, Andrew of Adel, have given, granted, and by this my present deed confirmed, to God and the monks of St. Mary of Kirkstall, one toft, with the building and the ditch with which it is enclosed, in the village of Adel, to wit, that which lyes between the toft of Stephen Sprigonell, which he holds of the church, and the land of William, the son of John, for a certain sum of money, which they paid me down in hand; to have and to hold, of me and my heirs, in perpetual alms, with all liberties and easements in the village of Adel and without it, to the said tenements appertaining, and I, Andrew, and my heirs, will warrant, maintain, and defend, to the said monks, the aforesaid toft, with all appurtenances, in all places and against all men for ever. These being witnesses, Adam of Wipton, Daniel of Ardington, William of Alewaldelay, William of Alreton, Edward of Enken, Robert Scot, William the son of Walter, of Landry, and others.

"The seal green wax, and the same as in the other above, of the same Andrew of Adel."

8.

"The Grant of Hugh Creskeld."

"BE it known to those present and to come, that I, Hugh Creskeld, for the love of God and the health of my soul, have given, granted, and by this my present deed confirmed, to God and to the monks of St. Mary of Kirkstall, all the service, claim, and right, that I had to two plow-lands, with the appurtenances at Adel, which Ramaldus of Adel held of me, with the same Ramaldus and all his family and chattels, to be had and held of me and my heirs, in perpetual alms, freely, honourably, and quietly, without any earthly service and demand. Yet so, as that the aforesaid Ramaldus, and his heirs, shall freely hold

Mariæ de Kirkestal in com. Ebor. et ejusdem loci conventus, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Novcritis nos præfatos abbatem et conventum unanimi assensu et consensu nostris, animisque deliberatis certa scientia et mero motu nostris et quibusdam causis justis et remobilibus (rationabilibus ut credo) nos, animos et conscientias nostras spiritualiter moventibus, ultro et sponte dedisse et concessisse, ac per præsentem damus et concedimus, reddimus, et deliberamus et confirmamus

those two plow-lands, with the appurtenances, of the same monks, paying yearly to the lay-keeper of the eell of the sick twelve pence at Pentecost; and the cellarer shall receive of that land wardship, with the old relief and escheat; saving to myself and my heirs, nevertheless, the foreign service, as far as belongs to two plow-lands in the town of Adel. And I and my heirs will warrant and defend all the aforesaid land, with all its appurtenances, liberties, and easements, within the town and without, to the said monks against all men for ever. These being witnesses, Nigell of Horsford; Adam of Witon; Henry of Alwaldele; Henry of Westscoth; Henry Stubbs, Thomas Esquier, &c."

9.

"The Grant of Adam Bayldon."

"BE it known to those present and to come, that I, Adam Bayldon, have given, granted, and by this my deed confirmed, to the religious men, the abbat and convent of St. Mary of Kirkstall, one messuage and ten acres of land, with the appurtenances at Adel, the which messuage and acres, Alice, my mother, in her pure widowhood gave to me by her deed, and enfeoffed me fully in the same by her attorney, John Hunter of Adel, before witnesses and neighbours, the said messuage, and the ten acres of land, with the appurtenances aforesaid, to be had and held by the said abbat and convent, and their successors for ever, freely, quietly, well, and in peace, with all the liberties and easements, to the said messuage and ten acres of land, which way soever appertaining; paying for the same to the head lords of that fee, the service thence due and usual. And I, the aforesaid Adam, and my heirs, will for ever warrant, maintain, and defend the aforesaid messuage, and the aforesaid ten acres of land, with the appurtenances, to the aforesaid abbat and convent, and their successors as aforesaid, against all mortals. In testimony whereof I have affixed my seal to this my present deed. Given at Kirkstall, on the Feast of St. Martin in the winter, in the year of our Lord 1346, and in the 20th year of the reign of King Edward the Second after the Conquest. These being witnesses, Hugh of Horsford, John Carleton, John the son of Michael of London, John Hunter of Adel, William Cowhird of the same, and others.

"The seal appending in yellow wax, not broken, but defaced."

10.

"The Grant of Ralph, the Son of Geoffry of Ardington."

"BE it known to all present and to come, that I, Ralph, the son of Geoffry of Ardington, have given, granted, and quitted claim for ever, to God and St. Mary, and to the monks of Kirkstall, all the right and claim which I had, or ought to have had, and whatsoever to me appertained, in two plow-lands, in the town of Ardington, with the appurtenances; to wit, in those plow-lands which Jordan of Bingelay holds, which were once of Hugh Vavasur; so that the said monks shall have the wardship, with reliefs, escheats, and with all services to the said plow-land belonging, without lett from the said Ralph and his heirs. And the said monks have granted to the said Ralph, and his heirs, that which is called foreign service, viz. scutage, fines of county and wapentake, and common, and whatsoever other service belongs to the said plow-lands, and to the said Ralph and his heirs, with the service that the said Ralph, and his heirs, are obliged to do to the said monks, for the tenements which he holds of them in the said town of Ardington. In testimony whereof he has caused his seal to be affixed to this deed. These being witnesses, Adam Wyton, William Castelay, Alan Brerhale, Robert Pouel, Symon Oliver of Ardington, Hervey Powell, Andrew of Adel, Hugh the son of Walter of Crekelde, and many others.

"The seal lost from this."

11.

"The Grant of Ralph Creskeld."

"To all the faithful of Christ, who shall see or hear this present charter, Ralph, brother and heir to William, the son of Hugh Creskeld. Be it known to you all, that I have granted and quitted claim for myself, and my heirs for ever, to God and St. Mary, and to the monks of Kirkstall, all the right I had, or could have to the homage and service of Adam of Wyton, and his heirs, on account of the tenement, which he held of my father and of me, in the town of Adel. Moreover, all the right and claim I had, or could have to William, the son of Reginald, on account of two plow-lands, with appurtenances in the same town; to be had and held of the said monks in free and perpetual alms, clear and quit of any thing to me, or my heirs appertaining, in such manner that I, the aforesaid Ralph, nor my heirs, shall not have it in our power to disturb the said monks, or exact any thing of them for ever. Witnesses, Mr. John Lungewylers, Mr. Robert Stapleton, &c.

"There are several more witnesses to this deed, but some part of it is torn off, and the imperfect names not so material. Neither is there any date to it; but the seal appending is perfect, being on black wax, oblong and very perfect, the impression a double flower-de-luce, and about it, S. RADULPHI DE CRESELDE."

12.

"The Grant of Richard of Adel."

"BE it known to those present and to come, that I, Richard, the son of Andrew of Adel, for the love of God, and for the health of my soul,

illustrissimo et invictissimo principi et domino nostro Henrico octavo Dei gratia Angliæ et Franciæ regi, fidei defensori, domino Hiberniæ, ac in terris supremo capiti ecclesiæ Angli- eanæ, totam domum et monasterium nostrum, ac etiam totum situm, fundum, circuitum, et procinctum, et ecclesiam ejusdem monasterii, cum omnibus debitis, catallis, et bonis nostris mobilibus, nobis, seu dicto monasterio nostro spectantibus, sive pertinentibus, tam ea quæ in præsentì possidemus, quam ea quæ obligatione vel alia quacumque de causa nobis vel dicto monasterio nostro quoquomodo debentur; necnon omnia et singula maneria, dominia, messuagia, gardina, curtila- gia, tofta, terras et tenementa nostra, prata, pascua, pasturas, boscos, subboscos, redditus, reversiones et servicia, molen- dina, passagia, feoda militum, wardas, maritagia, nativos, vil- lanos cum eorum sequelis, libertates, franchises, privilegia, jurisdictiones, officia, curias letas hundred, vis. franc. pleg. ferias, miccata, parcos, warrena, vivaria, aquas, piscarias, vias, chimina, wavia, vacua funda, advocaciones, nomina- tiones, præsentationes et donationes ecclesiarum, vicariarum, capellarum, cantariarum, hospitalium et aliorum beneficiorum quorumcumque, rectorias, vicarias, cantarias, pensiones, pro- curationes, annuitates, decimas, oblationes, et alia omnia et singula emolumenta, proficua, possessiones, hæreditamenta nostra quæcunque tam infra dictum com. Ebor. ac in com. Lancast. et civitat. Ebor. quam alibi infra regnum Angliæ, Walliæ, ac marches eorundem eidem monasterio nostro quo- quomodo spectantia, pertinentia, appendentia sive incumben- tia; ac omnia, et omnimodas cartas, evidencias, obligationes, scripta, munimenta nostra quæcunque nobis seu dicto mo- nasterio nostro, terris vel tenementis nostris quoquomodo spectantia vel pertinentia, habend. tenend. et gaudend. dictum monasterium nostrum, ac prædict. situm, fundum, circuitum et procinctum, ac ecclesiam nostram prædict. cum omnibus debitis bonis et catallis nostris, necnon omnia et singula ma- neria, dominia, messuagia, terras et tenementa, rectorias, pen- siones, ac cætera præmissa quæcunque cum omnibus et sin- gulis suis pertinentiis invictissimo principi regi nostro præ- dicto, hæredibus, successoribus et assignatis suis ad usum ejusdem domini regis, hæred. et successor. suor. in perpe- tuum in hac parte, ac ad omnem juris effectum, qui ex inde sequi poterit aut potest, nos et dictum monasterium nostrum eum omnibus et singulis præmissis, ac omnia nostra nobis qualitereunque acquisita ut decet subijcimus, dantes et con- cedentes, ac per præsentis damus et concedimus eidem regiæ majestati, hæred. successor. et assignat. suis, omnem et omnimodam plenam et liberam facultatem, authoritatem et potestatem, nos dictumque monasterium nostrum una cum omnibus et singulis maneriis, terris et tenementis, redditibus, reversionibus et servitiis et singulis præmissis, cum omnibus suis ritibus et pertinentiis quibuscumque, disponend. et pro sua libera voluntate et libito ad quoscunque usus majestati suæ placend. alienand. donand. committend. vel transferend. ac hujusmodi dispositiones, alienationes, donationes, conver- siones et translationes per prædictam regiam majestatem suam quovis modo fiend. ratificamus. Promittimus nos in- super rata grata ac firma perpetuo omnia et singula præ- missa per præsentis et ut omnia et singula præmissa suum debitum sortiri valeant effect. electionibus, litibus, et instan- tiis aliis quibuscunque nostris remediis et beneficiis nob. forsàn et successoribus nostris in ea parte prætext. disposi- tiones alicnationes translationes et conversiones prædict. et cæteror. præmissor. qualitereunque competend. et competi- turum, omnibus doli, terroris, metus, ignorantie, vel alterius materie, sive dispositionibus, exceptionibus, objectionibus et allegationibus prorsus semotis ac depositis palam, publice et expresse et certa scientia nostra, iisque sponte renuntiamus et cessamus prout per præsentis renuntiavimus et cedimus et ab eisdem recedimus in his scriptis. Et nos præfati abbas et conventus, successoribus nostri dictum monasterium nostrum, ac totum situm, fundum, circuitum, procinctum, mansionem et ecclesiam prædictam ac omnia et singula do- minia, maneria, messuagia, gardina, curtilagia, tofta, prata, pascuas, pasturas, boscos, subboscos, terras, ac tenementa, redditus, reversiones, servitia, ac cætera omnia et singula

have given and granted, and by this my present deed confirmed, to God and St. Mary, and the monks of Kirkstall, in pure and perpetual alms, half an acre of land, in the liberty of Adel, with all its appurtenance within the town, and without it, viz. one perch which I had untilled, which is called Bradeland; and one perch which I had by St. Helen's Well, on the east side; to be had and held by the said monks, of me

præmissa, cum omnibus suis membris et pertinent. præfato domino nostro regi, hæredibus, successoribus et assignatis suis ad usum prædict. contra omnes gentes warrantizabimus, et in perpetuum defendemus per præsentis. In quorum testimonium nos præfati abbas et conventus huic præsentì scripto nomine nostro manibus propriis subscripsimus, sigil- lumque nostrum commune præsentibus apposuimus. Dat. in domo nostra capitulari vicesimo secundo die mensis No- vembris, anno regni invictissimi principis et domini nostri regis Henrici octavi tricesimo primo, annoque Dom. 1540.

NUM. LIV.

Paper Surveys, Augmentation Office.

KYRKSTALL NUPER ABBATHIA IN COM. EBOR.

In rentalì renovato 22^{do} die Novembris anno regni regis Henrici 8^{vi}. 31^{mo}. inter alia continetur ut sequitur.

£. s. d.

Scitus dicti nuper monasterij cum ortis po- mariis gardinis et cimiterio et aliis commoditati- bus infra precinctum ejusdem, continen. inter se per estimationem 6 acras. Unum clausum prati vocatum Brewhouse Crofte continens per esti- mationem 6 acras. Aliud clausum prati vo- catum Overkirkgarth continens per estimationem 5 acras. Aliud clausum pasturæ vocatum Pen- tes Close continens per estimationem dimidiam acram. Aliud clausum pasturæ aretro stabiliu ibidem vocatum Colnan Croft continens per estimationem duas acras et duo molendina aqua- tica granatica infra scitum prædictum valet per annum	1	6	8
Item una grangia vocata New Graunge, cum orriis stabulis et aliis edificiis, ac una clausa pas- turæ adjacens vocata Oxmore continens per estimationem 40 acras valent per annum . . .	0	6	8
Item diversa clausa pasturæ vocata Ox pas- ture continentia per estimationem 32 acras valent per annum	1	1	4
Item unum clausum prati vocatum Frydaye Sike continens per estimationem 4 acras . . .	0	2	8
Item unum clausum prati vocatum Sawtree continens per estimationem 7 acras	0	4	8
Item unum clausum terræ arabilis voca- tum abuttans super venellam vocatam Abbey Lane continens per estimationem 10 acras	0	6	8
Item diversa clausa terræ arabilis vocata Highfeld continentia per estimationem 28 acras	0	18	8
Item unum clausum vocatum Conygarth continens per estimationem 10 acras	0	6	8
Item unum clausum vocatum West Abbey Feld continens per estimationem 12 acras . .	0	8	0
Item unum clausum terræ arabilis vocatum Bromerode continens per estimationem 8 acras	0	5	4
Summa terrarum dominicalium . .	5	7	4

NUM. LV.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 35 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

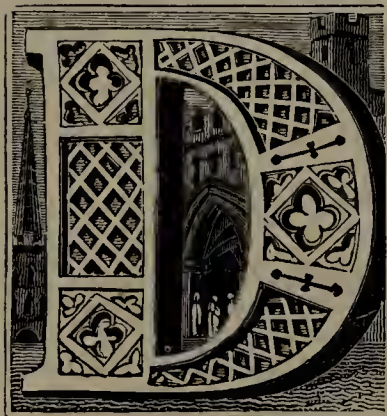
KIRKSTALL NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Com' Ebor'	£.	s.	d.
Kirkstall—Firma scitus cum terris dominicalibus	51	14	0
Heddyngley, Burley, Barr Grange, Ledes—Reddit' et firm' cum di- versis parcellis terr' wast' . . .	59	14	10
Heddyngley — Customwarks ibidem	0	14	0
Heddyngley et Burley — Custuma vocata Wapentakefines	0	5	9

and my heirs, in pure and perpetual alms, free and exempt of all earthly service and demand; and I and my heirs will for ever warrant to the aforesaid monks, the aforesaid alms, against all men in all places. Wit- nesses, Ralph Branhop; Geoffry Arthington; Hugh Wicon; Henry Al- waldet; Alad Brerehand, and others."

Com' Ebor'	£.	s.	d.	Com' Ebor'	£.	s.	d.
Heddyngley—Venditio bosci.	0	8	8	Beeseacre, Tyresalls, Loscoo, Sny-			
Heddyngley—Perquis' cur' ibidem . . .	0	8	11	dall, Barnehowe, Ossett Sands,			
Bramley, Armeley, Bolling, Wil-				Calcots, Osmond Thorpe, Burley,			
lesden, Calverley, Pudsey, et				Darryngton, Doncaster, Horbery,			
Horton—Reddit' de diversis ten-				Kighley, Wentbrigge, Ebor'			
nentibus ibidem	1	14	10	Civit' et Pontefract—Reddit' et			
Bramley, Armeley, Newall, Aller-				firm'	51	1	6
ton, Pudsey, et Woddley—Red-				Middilton—Firma rectoriæ	30	0	0
dit' et firm' dimiss' diversis tenen-				Bardesey cum Collyingham—Red-			
tibus	66	13	2	dit' assis' in Bardesey	0	11	8
Bramley et Armeley—Customwarks	0	8	1 ob.	Bardesey, Collyingham, Wyke,			
Bramley et Armeley—Wapintake-				Rowley, Folyfayte, Rigton, Mi-			
fines	0	6	2 ob.	kilthwate, et Clifford—Reddit'			
Bramley—Perquis' cur'	0	10	6	tenentium ad volunt'	99	5	8
Horsefurth—Lib' reddit' in Raw-				Bardesey et al'—Reddit' mobil' . .	0	4	8
den	0	2	10	Mikilthwate—Reddit' reservat' . .	1	0	10
Horscfurth, Rawden, Gawkethorpe,				Bardesey—Perquis' cur'	2	11	9
Yeddon, et Elome—Reddit' ten-				Bollande, Cotes, Ereby, et Remyng-			
en' ad volunt'	43	11	7	ton—Reddit' et firm'	33	18	0
Horsefurth—Customwarks	0	17	6	Gilkirke—Firma rector'	15	16	8
Horsefurth—Fines wapentagij	0	1	0	Bracewell—Firma rector'	6	13	4
Horsefurth—Profic' miner'			nihil.	Bollande—Perquis' cur'	0	7	10
Horsefurth—Perquis' cur'	0	9	1	Birstall, Skeffling, et Rysome—			
Cuckrigge—Reddit' de tenentibus				Reddit' ten' ad volunt' dimiss'			
in Adle, Alwodley, Cukrigge,				diversis tenentibus	40	8	6
Arthington, Burdon, &c.	38	8	10	Brustwik—Firma rector'	12	6	8
Brerehagh, Bramhope, Ecope, et				Kylrese—Firma rector'	20	6	8
Adle—Customwarks	0	19	3	Paule—Firma rector'	25	10	0
Arthington, Kereskeld, et Ecope—				Skeflynge Paule—Mortuar'	0	3	4
Fines wapentagij	0	9	8	Hompton, Holeym, et Waxham—			
Cuckrigge—Venditio bosci	0	10	8	Lib' redd' divers' ten'	0	6	6
Cuckrigge—Profic' carbon'	10	0	5	Withomsey, Outhorne, Hompton,			
Cuckrigge—Perquis' cur'	0	5	4	Holeym, et Waxham—Reddit'			
Chapell Allerton, Lofthouse, New-				ten' ad volunt'	7	14	8
ton, et Shipker—Redd' assis' lib'				Withornsey—Firma rector'	12	6	8
ten'	0	14	11 ob.	Owthorne—Firma rector'	17	16	8
Chapell Allerton, Shipker, Loft-				Withornsey et al'—Firma x ^{mar} . . .	3	6	8
house, Allerton Gledo, More Al-				Outhorne et Withornsey—Mortuar'	0	3	4
lerton, et Owthorpe—Redd' ten'				Aldburgh et Sprotteley—Redd'			
ad volunt'	34	14	6	divers' tenentium	0	4	0
Lofthouse, Chapell Allerton, et				Aldburgh et Hombleton—Reddit'			
Newton—Fines wapentagij	0	1	11	et firm'	12	11	4
Chapell Allerton—Perquis' cur' . . .	0	9	8	Aldburgh—Reddit' mobil'	0	2	0
Ledes—Reddit' et firm'	16	4	0	Aldburgh—Firma rector'	20	0	0
Snydall, Loscoo, Birthby, Secrofte,				Aldburgh—Mortuar'	0	3	4
Aberfurth, Darryngton, Gar-				Kirkstall Abb'—Pensiones et por-			
furth, et Kyldalls—Reddit' assis'				tiones in diversis villis	27	8	0
diversorum liberorum tenentium	2	5	5	Hompton—Le Third Sheafe	7	0	0

Abbey of Dore, in Herefordshire.



ORE ABBEY was founded by Robert de Ewyas, the youngest son of Harold, Lord of Ewyas, in the time of King Stephen, to the honour of the Virgin Mary.^a Robert, Earl of Ferrers, gave Oxmeod to this monastery in fee;^b and King John gave to it all the land between the water called Dore and the rivulet of Trivelbrook.^c Other deeds will be found in the Appendix from Alan de Plokenct, John la Warre, and Walter de

Clifford, bestowing on the monks the advowson of the church of St. Andrew, at Lugwardyn, in Herefordshire, the church of Wyketofte, in Lincolnshire, and lands in Nanteglas and Cantersclif.^d

In the Taxation of Pope Nicholas, the spiritualities of this monastery amount to 9*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* the annual amount of the temporal possessions to 120*l.* 16*s.* 11*d.*^e

What were the possessions of this abbey at the time of the Suppression will be seen in the Valor Ecclesiasticus and the Minister's Accompts.^f

Tanner, among his Lists of the Principals of Religious Houses, has given the following catalogue of the

^a See Tann. Notit. Monast. from Lel. Itin. vol. viii. p. 51.
^b See the Charter in the Appendix, Num. I.
^c Num. II.
^d Numm. III. IV. V. VI. VII. VIII.
^e Viz. "SPIRIT. Dioc. Heref. 3*l.* Dioc. Landav. de decimis de Marth 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* TEMPORAL. Dioc. Heref. 27*l.* 1*s.* 1*d.* Dioc. Meney. archid. Brecon. 69*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.* Dioc. Landav. 4*l.* 11*s.* and 19*l.* 17*s.* 8*d.*"
^f See Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 159 b, 172, 172 b, 174, 274 b, 278, 283, 284 b.
^g Tanner has the following references to materials for the history of this abbey:
"Vide Registrum, cartas, &c. penes præhonorabilem dom. Scudamore."

ABBATS of DORE.

ADAM the Ist.
 ADAM the II. d. A. D. 1200.
 GOTHEFRIDUS, A. D. 1240.
 STEPHEN DE WIGORN, A. D. 1251.
 HENRY, A. D. 1263.
 HUGH, elected A. D. 1293.
 JOHN, elected A. D. 1298.
 RICHARD STRADDEL, D. D., A. D. 1330.
 JOHN, elected A. D. 1361.
 RICHARD ROWCESTER, elected A. D. 1440.
 PHILIP DE LLUELLIN, elected A. D. 1478.
 JOHN GLYNN occurs 1523.
 THOMAS CLEBURY died in 1529.
 JOHN RADBORN was the next and last abbat. He had
 a pension of 14*l.* a year granted to him at the Dissolution.

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the gross revenue of this House
 amounted to 118*l.* 0*s.* 2*d.* The clear income to 101*l.* 5*s.* 2*d.*
 per annum.

The scite was granted, in the 31st of Henry VIII. to
 John Scudamore.^a

A very imperfect impression of the Common Seal of
 this Abbey is in the possession of one of the Editors of this
 work; its subject is, an abbat at full length, in one hand a
 crosier, in the other a book; and having on his dexter side
 a shield with the arms of the abbey, being those of the fa-
 mily of Tregoz, who married the heiress of the founder,
 Ewyas, viz. gules, two bars gemels, and in chief a lion
 passant, guardant or. The arms in the shield of the sinister
 side are, in this impression, wholly obliterated, nor can any
 more of the legend be made out than s. c.
 DE DORA.

Cartae ad Dorensem Abbatiam in agro Herefordensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Roberti Comititis de Ferrariis.

[Vincent contra Broke. p. 677.]

ROBERTUS comes de Ferrariis, omnibus filiis sanctæ
 ecclesiæ, et omnibus hominibus suis et amicis, tam præsen-
 tibus quàm futuris, salutem. Notum sit vobis omnibus,
 me dedisse et concessisse, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis,
 vallis de Dora, in perpetuam elemosinam, in feudum et
 hæreditatem, totam Oxemeodum, desuper viam et desuper
 terram, quam antea in elemosinam eis dederam, totam in
 circuitu sicut terra arabilis dividit, solutam et liberam et
 quietam ab omni seculari servitio, per tressolidos singulis annis
 reddendos ad festum S. Petri ad vincula, in recognitionem
 apud Kingestonam, donec inde melius faciam eis. Et con-
 cedo si voluerint fossare totam in circuitu, et arare, vel quid
 voluerint facere, sicut de feudo suo, et garantizabo contra
 omnes homines, sicut elemosinam meam. Hoc autem feci pro
 salute domini mei H. et mea, W. filii mei, et hæredum
 nostrorum, et pro anima regis H. et antecessorum nostro-
 rum, et pro anima Sibillæ de Braosa, uxoris meæ, matris
 W. filii mei, et sua, et pro salute Bertæ (fuit filia Milonis
 comitis Herefordiæ) matris uxoris meæ, quæ dedit mihi hanc
 terram, et pro pace et stabilitate totius Angliæ et Walliæ.
 Pro hac donatione de caritate ecclesiæ, habui duas marcas
 argenti. Testibus Nicholao de Cloptune, Waltero Giffardo,
 Waltero Baschervilla, Gaufrido Warisseden, et Johanne
 filio ejus.

NUM. II.

Carta Regis Johannis.

[Ex autog. in officio armorum]

JOHANNES Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ,
 dux Normanniæ, Aquitanniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, archie-

piscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, baronibus, justicia-
 riis, forestariis, vicecomitibus, præpositis et omnibus ballivis
 suis et fidelibus suis salutem. Sciatis nos intuitu Dei et pro
 salute animæ nostræ, antecessorum et hæredum nostrorum,
 dedisse, concessisse, et hac carta nostra confirmasse Deo et
 ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Dora, et monachis ordinis Cister-
 ciensis ibidem Deo servientibus, in liberam, puram, et per-
 petuam elemosinam, totam terram in bosco, et plano, quæ
 jacet inter aquam quæ appellatur Dore, et rivulum qui appel-
 latur Trivelbroc; scilicet à terra Ricardi filii Fulconis, sicut
 rivulus de Trivelbroc descendit usque ad terram hospitalario-
 rum Jerusalem, et ex alia parte terræ ejusdem Ricardi filii
 Fulconis, usque ad essartum Horn, deindè usque ad rivu-
 lum de Edesneshille, et inde sicut rivulus ille descendit, et
 cadit in Dore, et inde sicut aqua de Dora currit, usque ad
 terram de Heaume, et deinde sub bosco de Trivel per terram
 hospitaliorum, usque in Trivelbroc. Ita quod prædicta
 terra, tam in bosco, quam in plano, infra metas prædictas de-
 aforestetur, et quietam sit in perpetuum de regardo, et vasto,
 et de omnibus quæ ad forestam vel forestarios vel viridarios,
 vel eorum ministros pertinent. Manucepimus etiam quod
 adquietabimus prædictos monachos versus dominum de
 Kilpec, de quadraginta acris bosci quas exigit ab eis per
 cartam suam quam de eis habet, ut dicit. Et præterea con-
 cessimus eis latitudinem viginti pedum à capite de Trivel-
 broc usque ad terram hospitaliorum ex parte aquilonis, ad
 ampliandum stagnum molendini sui, quod de dono nostro,
 ibidem licet eis erigere. Quare volumus, &c. Testibus,
 domino Henrico Dublinensi archiepiscopo, domino W. Co-
 ventrensi episcopo, R. comite Cestriæ, Willielmo comite
 Sarresburiæ, H. de Burgo justiciario nostro, Waltero de
 Laci, Hugone de Mortuomari, Johanne de Monemuta,
 Waltero de Cliford, Gaufrido de Luterel. Datum per ma-
 num magistri Ricardi de Mariscis cancellarii nostri, apud

"An abstract of the Charters of Gerard de Canvilla, Roger Earl
 of Hereford, Miles of Hereford, Philip de Bruse, and Jeffery Genevile
 to this abbey, MS. Macro, n. 11, 12. fol. 9, 19, 21.

"In bibl. Bodl. Oxon. MSS. Dodsworth, vol. xxiv. fol. 83. Cartam
 I Edw. III. vol. xxx. fol. 41. cartam Margaretæ de Clifford. vol. lxiii.
 fol. 106. cartas factas monachis de Dora.

"MS. in bibl. Cotton. Vitellius, E. iv. 16. Bullam Johannis Papæ
 pro appropriatione ecclesiæ de Albrichton, Lich. et Cov. diœc.

"In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 2044, fol. 105. Transcripts and extracts
 from original deeds relating to this abbey. MS. 5804, fol. 44. Ex-
 tracts out of the records of this abbey. MS. 6748, fol. 17. cartam R.
 Joannis.

"Cartam 17 Hen. III. de libertatibus et privilegiis, originale penes
 Petrum le Neve.

"Rot. claus. 3 Joan. dorso, prope initium. Cart. 8 Joan. n. 11.
 pro d. acris in foresta de Trivall assartandis.

"Claus. 3 Hen. III. m. 4. Fin. 9 Hen. III. m. 6. Fin. 10 Hen.
 III. m. 5. de assarto de Trivell. Fin. 11 Hen. III. m. 9. Claus. 11
 Hen. III. m. 19. Plac. coram Rege, 25 Hen. III. rot. 32. Cart. 25
 Hen. III. m. 3. de Wendor, Nanteglass, et Canterscliph. Fin. div.
 com. 36 Hen. III. n. 51. de deafforestatione de Wendor, &c. Plac.

apud Hereford, 40 Hen. III. de bundis de Kingiston. Cart. 49 Hen.
 III. m. 3.

"Pat. 25 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 34 Edw. I. m. .

"Pat. 12 Edw. II. p. 2, m. . pro advoc. eccl. de Avenebiry.

"Cart. 1 Edw. III. n. 48. Pat. 1 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 9 vel 10.
 (bis.) Pat. 3 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 3 vel 4. pro ecclesia de Dontesborn
 approprianda. Pat. . Edw. III. p. 2, m. 36 vel 37. Pat. 5 Edw. III.
 p. 1, m. 38. pro eccl. de Wigtoft. Pat. 7 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 8 vel 9.
 Pat. 10 Edw. III. p. 2, m. . Pat. 25 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 9. pro advoc.
 eccl. de Ildesale. Pat. 27 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 4. pro eccl. de Wigtofte
 approprianda. Ibid. p. 2, m. 20, 21, vel 22. Pat. 50 Edw. III. p. 1,
 m. 33. pro eccl. de Albrighton approprianda."

See, also, Rot. Hundredorum, vol. i. pp. 121, 186. Abbrev. Placit.
 p. 15.

Among the ancient charters in the British Museum is one, L.F.C.
 xviii. 2. a deed indorsed "Dore Abbey. Determination by J. Dean, of
 Brecon, of right to lands at Cantrecliff against certain inhabitants there.
 A. D. 1251, 36 Hen. III."

^a Orig. 31 Hen. VIII. p. 2. Heref. "De homagio et fidelitate
 Johannis Skudemore pro Domo et Scitu nuper Mon. de Dore, et terr.,
 &c. in paroch. de Dore." ro. cexciiij. Repert. Orig. Mus. Brit. vol. iii.
 fol. 140 b.

Brug. xxx. die Julii anno regni nostri septimo decimo. Ut constet sacrosanctæ sedi apostolicæ quod domus de Dora tali gaudet instrumento, dominus Herefordensis episcopus et capitulum ejusdem ecclesiæ præsentī rescripto sigilla sua apposuerunt.

NUM. III.

Carta Gaufridi de Genevile.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS Christi fidelibus præsens scriptum visuris vel audituris Gaufridus de Genvyle dominus de Vaucolour miles, et Matildis de Lacy filia Gileberti Lacy uxor ejus, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Vestra noverit universitas nos de communi assensu et consensu nostro dedisse concessisse et hoc præsentī scripto confirmasse Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Dora Deo ibidem servientibus et eorum successoribus, pro salute animarum nostrarum et pro salute antecessorum nostrorum et successorum omnium, in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam, totam terram illam cum omnibus suis pertinentiis quæ jacet inter rivulum qui appellatur Redyvresbroc includendo semper et ascendendo usque ad terram quæ fuit Cradoc filii Meredith, et inde per terram semper circumeundo quæ fuit Jowan Gob, et inde semper per terram Lewelini filii Meredyth usque ad angulum terræ quæ fuit grangiæ monachorum tempore firmæ ipsorum de Pelboh; et inde semper includendo et per terram Philippi Vahhan descendendo totum dominicum nostrum usque ad prædictum rivulum de Kedyvresbroch. Totam itaque prædictam terram dictis monachis et eorum successoribus dedimus et concessimus, tenendam et habendam de nobis et hæredibus nostris sibi et successoribus suis liberè integrè et quietè in viis semitis planis pascuis et omnibus aliis libertatibus ad dictam terram spectantibus, à secta curiæ, seculari servicio, exactione onni et demanda, quæ ad terram pertinent vel pertinere possunt, sicut libera pura et perpetua elemosina liberius securiùs et quietius dari potest vel concedi. Concedimus etiam pro nobis et hæredibus nostris quod possint totam prædictam terram infossare includere excolere vendere et dare, et proficuum suum ad beneplacitum illorum facere sine impedimento et contradictione nostra, et hæredum nostrorum inperpetuum. Nos vero et hæredes nostri totam prædictam terram cum dictis pertinentiis suis, prædictis monachis et eorum successoribus contra omnes homines et fœminas warantizabimus defendemus et in omnibus adquietabimus inperpetuum. Et ut hæc nostra donatio warantizatio defensio et adquietatio robur firmitatis inperpetuum obtineant, præsentī scripto sigilla nostra apponi fecimus. His testibus, domino Johanne de Vaucolour milite, magistro Willielmo de Poywycke, Johanne le Normand tunc ballivo nostro de Ewyas, Ricardo del Hoc, Jervord ap Jowan, Roberto Wrod, Roberto le Botyller, et multis aliis.

NUM. IV.

Carta Alani de Plokenet.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Alanus de Plokenet dominus de Kylepek salutem. Noveritis me dedisse concessisse et præsentī carta mea confirmasse abbatiæ de Dore, et ejusdem loci conventui advocationem ecclesiæ sancti Andreæ de Lugwardyn in comitatu Herefordiæ, cum omnibus capellis sibi adjacentibus in Irchynefeylds cum pertinentiis suis quibuscunque; habendam et tenendam prædictam advocationem prædictæ ecclesiæ, cum capellis adjacentibus, ut præmittitur, prædicto abbati de Dore et ejusdem loci conventui, et eorum successoribus, de capitalibus dominis feodi illius, per servitia quæ ad eos pertinent jure et hæreditarie inperpetuum. Et ego dictus Alanus et hæredes mei prædictam advocationem dictæ ecclesiæ et capellarum, cum pertinentiis suis quibuscunque, præfato abbati de Dore et ejusdem loci conventui et eorum successoribus contra omnes mortales warantizabimus et defendemus inperpetuum. In cujus rei testimonium præsentibus sigillum meum apposui. His testibus, Thoma, le Petyt, Johanne de Barewe, Johanne de Buddeshawe, Edmundo le Galeys, Ricardo le Galeys, Johanne Marmyon, Ricardo de Penbrigge, et aliis. Datum apud Kylpec, die dominica proxima ante festum sancti Johannis Baptistæ anno regni regis Edwardi filii regis Edwardi duodecimo.

NUM. V.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod nos Johannes la Warre dominus de Ewyas dimisimus concessimus et hac præsentī carta nostra confirmavimus Deo, beatæ Mariæ, et abbati et conventui monasterii Vallis Dore unam acram terræ cum pertinentiis in Wyketofte in comitatu Lincolnæ cum advocatione ecclesiæ ejusdem villæ de Wygtoft; illam videlicet acram quam Robertus filius Alexandri de Westenges nuper de nobis tenuit in bondagio jacentem inter terram nostram quam Thomas filius Johannis tenet in bondagio, &c. habendum et tenendum eisdem abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus prædictas terram et advocationem cum suis pertinentiis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam de nobis et hæredibus nostris inperpetuum. Et nos, &c. warantizabimus, &c. Dat. apud Isefeld in com. Essexiæ die sabbati in festo nativitatis beatæ Mariæ anno regni regis Edwardi tertii à conquestu quarto.

NUM. VI.

Carta Walteri de Clifford de loco Nanteglus.

[Ex autographo in bib. Deuvesiana.]

SCIANT omnes sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filii præsentēs, et futuri, Franci, Anglici, et Walenses, quod ego Walterus de Clifford filius Walteri de Clifford, et filius Agnetis de Cundi, dedi et confirmavi, assensu hæredum meorum, et consilio legalium hominum meorum, pro anima mea et animabus patris et matris meæ, et omnium prædecessorum et successorum nostrorum, Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Dora, et abbati, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in puram, liberam, et perpetuam elemosinam, locum de Nanteglas, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ex utraque parte rivuli, qui vocatur Kaleturbolchan, scilicet supra prænominatum locum de Nanteglas, ex utraque parte rivuli, sursum usque ad Epint, et subtus, ex una parte prædicti rivuli, usque ad locum ubi Nankarntatherech cadit in Kaletur. Et ex alia parte Kaletur usque ad locum ubi Nantmanach cadit in Kaletur. Et ita tantam terram in bosco et in plano infra Nantmanach, et Kaletur-bochan usque ad caput Nantmanach, quod est enter Wuritkei et Epint, sicut Nantmanach descendit usque in Kaletur. Et præterea dedi, et concessi antedictis monachis totam terram in bosco et in plano ultra Kaletur-maur, sicut Kaletur-maur descendit ad Epint, usque in Waram, et usque ad fines de Buelt, scilicet per viam à Menivielm, usque ad Crinwedhanc, et a Crinwedhanc, usque ad Nantlethdunaitt, et sicut Nantelehdunaut cadit usque in Waiam. Omnes istas terras quas supra nominavi, dedi et concessi antedictis monachis in puram, liberam, et perpetuam elemosinam, in bosco et in plano, in pratis et in pascuis, in viis et in semitis, in stagnis, in aquis et in molendinis, ad assertandas, claudendas, et excolendas, et fossandas, et secundum beneplacitum eorum tractandas, libere et quiete ab omni servitio sæculari et exactione, quæ ad dominium pertinent, vel pertinere possunt. Et si aliquod servitium evenerit, ego, et hæredes mei prædictos monachos adquietabimus. Volo autem ut prædicti monachi habeant et teneant prædictas terras, in puram, liberam, et perpetuam elemosinam bene et in pace, libere et quiete, honorifice et plenarie, integre, et inconcusse, cum omnibus libertatibus, et liberis consuetudinibus ad prædictas terras pertinentibus, et ut prædicti monachi de supradictis terris, in bosco et in plano, in pratis et in pasturis, in viis et in semitis, in stagnis, in aquis, et in molendinis, omne beneplacitum suum faciant, et tam bosco, quam plano, secundum velle suum tractent; si autem feræ, de foresta mea, vel aliunde, infra supradictas terras monachorum transierint, venatus meus erit, et si accipiter nidum suum ibi fecerit, nidus meus erit. Præterea concessi prænominato abbati de Dora, et ejusdem loci monachis, et suis, liberum ingressum et exitum cum catallis suis per viam super Waiam, quæ dirigitur à Liswen usque Buelt. Si autem, aliqui in supradictis terris aliquod jus, vel aliquam libertatem clamaverint, ego, et hæredes mei prædictos monachos adquietabimus et warantizabimus. Et si aliqui prædictus terris, vel pascuis monachorum contra voluntatem eorum per vim, vel aliquam violentiam intrare voluerint, ego et hæredes prædictas terras monachorum, tanquam terras meas dominicas et forestam meam dominicam defendemus

et warantizabimus. Pro ista autem concessione, et confirmatione, dederunt mihi prædicti monachi viginti marchas. Et quia volo quod hoc ratum et inconcussum permaneat inperpetuum, præsentī scripto et sigilli mei impressione confirmavi. His testibus, Willielmo de Breosa et Willielmo filio suo, magistro Simone, Roberto de Clifford, canonicis de Herefordia, et toto ejusdem loci capitulo, Gilberto de Mans, Johanne le Puer, Laurentio clerico, Radulfo de Breinzun, Hugone de Kynardesley, Waltero fratre elus, Johanne de la Mersa, Geffrei de Normanvill, Waltero de Mouchegros, Rohard de Chauna, Johanne de Solers, Robin de Waleis, Willielmo de Gurney, Johanne Chinun, Henrico Brein, et multis aliis.

NUM. VII.

Alia Carta ejusdem Walteri de Clifford de terra de Cantersclyph.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod ego Walterus de Clifford, filius Walteri de Clifford et Agnetis de Cundy, pro me et hæredibus meis universis, ex bona voluntate mea concessi, et præsentī carta confirmavi Deo, et beatæ Mariæ, et abbati et monachis de Dora, pro salute mea, et antecessorum, et successorum meorum, omnes terras, et tenementa eorum, cum omnibus libertatibus, et pertinentiis, quæ habent de me, et antecessoribus meis in Canterscliph, plenè, et integrè, et pacificè possidenda, prout plenius, melius, et liberius eadem unquam tenuerunt. Et quod tota finalis concordia inter me, pro me, et hæredibus meis, et ballivis nostris ex una parte facta, et Stephanum tunc abbatem de Dora, pro se, et ecclesia sua et successoribus suis ex altera, in curia domini regis Henrici filii regis Johannis anno regni ejus tricesimo sexto à die sanctæ Trinitatis in quindecim dies, coram justiciariis de Banco, videlicet, magistro Symone de Wauton, Alano de Wassand, Egidio de Erdinton, et aliis domini regis fidelibus, tunc ibi præsentibus, in omnibus articulis plenè, integrè, et inviolabiliter observetur inperpetuum, sine impedimento mei, et hæredum meorum, vel ballivorum aut hominum nostrorum, absque ullo retenemento, vel calumnia. Et etiam quod nunquam, de cætero, occasione alicujus conventionis inter me, et dominum abbatem, vel prædecessores suos, aliquo modo prius factæ, feras, vel aves aliquas aut quicquam aliud in boscis, vel tenementis abbatis et ecclesiæ de Dora in Cantersclyf, apud Wendor, et Nanteglas, vel alicubi aliàs, contra plenam observationem et libertatem dictæ finalis concordie, de dictis terris et tenementis exigere possimus. Præterea remisi, et ex integro condonavi, pro me et hæredibus meis omnibus, in perpetuum, omnes querelas et contentiones motas inter me, et omnes meos, et dominum abbatem, et omnes suos, ante festum annuntiationis beatæ Mariæ anno regni domini regis Henrici quadragesimo primo, ita quod si aliquando, de cætero, quacunque occasione, aliqua querela, vel dissensio per me, vel hæredes meos, vel ballivos aut homines nostros contra dominum abbatem, et ecclesiam suam, vel suos, qui pro tempore fuerint, exorta fuerit, per providentiam et discretionem proborum et legalium virorum, ex utraque parte sine controversia electorum, secundum formam transgressionis, sine cavillatione, vel contradictione aliqua amicabiliter absque vexatione servientium, vel averiorum dictorum, abbatis, et monachorum emendabitur, et sopietur. Salvo tamen in omnibus dicto abbati, et ecclesiæ suæ de Dora, et omnibus successoribus suis, dicta finali concordia, cum omnibus articulis, et remediis suis, pro me, et hæredibus meis, et ballivis nostris inperpetuum. Et ego Walterus de Clifford, et hæredes mei omnes, dictum abbatem de Dora, et ecclesiam suam, et omnes successores suos, et omnia sua in omni pace, libertate, et honore, pro fideli posse nostro, manutenebimus, warantizabimus, et defendemus contra eorum malefactores et injuriatores. Ut igitur omnia in præsentī scripto contenta, firma et stabilia pro me omnibus hæredibus meis et ballivis et hominibus nostris in perpetuum, sine læsione, et diminutione aliqua serventur, præsens scriptum sigilli mei impressione confirmavi. His testibus, domino Roberto de Tregos, domino Rogero de Chaundos, domino Willielmo de Solers, domino Richardo Tirrell, domino Roberto le Bret, Johanne de Bretun, tunc vicecomite Herfordiæ, Hugone Muredak, Reso ap Meurik, Philippo Bras, Richardo de Boys, Waltero Walense, Johanne Tope, Hugone de Radenor, Johanne Ragun, Waltero de Badasanc, et multis aliis.

NUM. VIII.

Carta Walteri de Clifford, de Terra concessa Monachis de Val Dore.

[Stevens Contin. ex autogr. penes Joh. Smith de Acton Burnel in com. Salop. armig.]

WALTERUS de Clifford omnibus hominibus suis, Francis Anglis et Wallensibus, salutein. Notum sit tam futuris quam præsentibus, quod ego Walterus de Clifford, consensu Margaretæ uxoris meæ et omnium hæredum meorum, pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ, patrum et matrum nostrorum, filiorum et filiarum nostrarum, et Osberti filii Hugonis, et pro animabus omnium prædecessorum meorum et successorum, concessi Deo et beatæ Mariæ et abbati Val Dore et monachis suis terram quam Willielmus de Forda quæ in Cantersclif cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, scilicet in bosco et in plano et prato et aqua in perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam a decimis et ab omni servitio terræ et consuetudine servili, ad abbatiam construendam in honore Dei et beatæ Mariæ, ad incrementum ordinis monastici Cisterciensium. Concessi etiam eis præter hoc et dedi communem pasturam terræ meæ, et ut catalla in foresta mea omnia quæ eis sunt necessaria ad ædificia sua construendum de feodo meo quod pertinet ad Brenteis. Concessi etiam et dedi decimam meam de redditibus meis de toto feodo meo de in denariis et decimam piscium de omnibus piscariis meis et retibus propriis. Hæc omnia supradicta eis concessi et dedi de me et hæredibus meis libere et quiete et in pace tenenda; ita tamen ut abbatia in Cantersclif cum abbate et conventu in perpetuum fixa permaneat. Si quis vero super hac terra eis calumpniam imposuerit ego et hæredes mei eam omnino eis acquietabimus. His testibus, David venerabili episcopo Menevensi, Willielmo de Bracy, Osberto filio Hugonis, Margareta de Clifforde, Waltero de Clifford juvene, et Losamunda sorore sua, Rad. de Bascherevilla, Helya de Marun, Hugone de Gaye, Willielmo de Bonhelle, Symone monacho, et Ricardo capellano, et multis aliis.

Indorsamentum hujus scripti
Carta Walteri senioris de
Clifford et Margaretæ uxoris.

NUM. IX.

Carta Rogeri de Clifford, de Corpore suo in Cænobio Dorensi sepeliendo.

[Ex Collect. Rob. Glover, Somerset Herald. Miscell. lib. v. fol. 20 b.]

OMNIBUS, &c. Rogerus de Clifford, consilio et assensu Sibillæ (de Ewias) uxoris meæ, dedi et concessi corpus meum Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Dorâ, ad sepeliendum in ecclesia de Dorâ, juxta filium suum. Et propter hoc, nomine dotis, cum corpore meo, et corpore filii mei, dedi dictis monachis totam terram quam habent ex dono Willielmi de Ewyas, de quâ aliquando vexavi eos, &c. Testibus, Ricardo de Clifford, Willielmo de Ewyas seniore, Willielmo de Ewyas juniore, filio Sibillæ, &c.

NUM. X.

Donationum Confirmatio per Regem Henricum Tertium.

[Cart. 16 Hen. III. m. 13. Cart. 1 Edw. III n. 48. per Inspex.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, dux Normaniæ, Aquitaniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos intuitu Dei, concessisse et hac carta nostra confirmasse, Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Dora, et abbati, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, omnes donationes, concessiones, et venditiones subscriptas, eisdem abbati, et monachis rationabiliter factas; videlicet de dono Roberti de Ewias ad abbatiam suam construendam, terram de Blancharbesal et communem pasturam, per totam terram suam. De dono Roberti secundi de Ewias, totam planam terram quæ est inter Blakapolam, et Broc Justini, et dimidium boscum qui est inter quarrariam, propinquiorem prædictæ abbacie. De escambio ejusdem Roberti pro piscaria de Eaton et dimidia virgata terræ quæ pertinet ad ipsam piscariam; totam longam moram, in bosco, in plano, et totam Schepeneforlingham, et forliugam unam juxta moram longam de duodecim acris, et in summitate ipsius forlongæ unam acram, et novem perticatas terræ, undique usque addivisam factam, et omnes assartas de Mascott,

usque ad Brocestyn. De dono Walteri de Ewias duas acras terræ subtus Blakapolam. Et de dono Gilberti de Bakyntune dimidiam hidam terræ de Bautre, de tenemento Roberti de Chaundos à foresta usque ad Doram. Et de dono Henrici de Hereford terram in villa Kyngeston, usque ad forestam; et communem pasturam in bosco, et plano, per totam terram de Kyngeston. De dono Laurencii de Kyngeston terram à grava de Kiperlegh usque ad quercum quæ stat in foresta, et pratum unum juxta grangiam suam, et quandam mansiunculam, cum tribus acris terræ. De confirmatione ejusdem Laurencii sex acras terræ, quas dedit eis Brianus. Et de dono Walteri filii Margaretæ de Clifford, terram quæ fuit Willielmi de Forda in Cantercliff, in bosco, et plano, in aquis, et pratis, et omnibus pertinentiis suis, et pascuam totius Epii, et communem pasturam totius terræ ejus. Et ut monachi capiant in foresta ejus omnia quæ eis sunt necessaria ad ædificia facienda, et ad ignem, et ad sepes faciendas et totam terram Canan clerici. De dono Walteri junioris de Clifford, locum de Nantegliis, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ex utraque parte rivuli, qui vocatur Caleturboththan, et totam terram in bosco et plano ultra Caleturmaur, et liberum ingressum et egressum cum catallis suis, per viam super Waian, quæ dirigitur à Lyswey usque Buel; et de dono Radulfi de Baskervili totam terram desuper parcum de Bredeworthyn; scilicet virgatam terræ, quæ fuit Nicholai senescalli; et totam terram desuper illam usque ad fontem Moredic; et duas acras prati, et propter hoc totum Benefeldum ad pasturam ovium suarum, et pecorum suorum, et communem pasturam de Bredeworthyn, in bosco et plano. Et præterea ut prædicti monachi capiant in bosco ejus, extra parcum claustrum ad sepes suas faciendas, ad focos, et ad ædificia et ad cætera essiamenta, quæ eis fuerint necessaria: et piscationes habeant in Waya, liberas; necnon et libertates molendi in molendino ejus sine theloneo; et totam pasturam in parco ejus ad pullos suos nutriendos; et de dono Radulfi de Scudemore duas acras terræ de dominico ejus in villa de Puseyton. De dono ejusdem totam gravam ejusdem Radulphi in Kesty, quæ est ad fontem qui vocatur Wythewell: et totam culturam inferiorem quæ fuit Willielmi filii Enimæ, usque ad terram Richardi Belsire. Et totam communem pasturam, per totam terram suam, et liberum ingressum et egressum, de prædicta terra monachorum in Kesty, usque ad totam prædictam pasturam. De venditione Thomæ de Aneseya, totum molendinum ejusdem Thomæ in Puseyton, cum bibulco quodam juxta idem molendinum; et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et duas acras in prædicta villa. De dono ejusdem Thomæ desuper villam de Linhale totam terram illam in latum quæ jacet inter terram monachorum Malvernæ, et terram Muriel, et in longum inter viridem viam, et divisas quæ sunt versus Malfeld, et decem acras terræ inter prædictam viridem viam et Simonis filii Madoc; et communem pasturam per totam terram suam, et liberum ingressum et egressum de prædicta terra, ad totam prædictam pasturam. De dono Johannis de Ebroicis totam terram ejusdem Johannis de dominico suo in Godweye, et communem pasturam per totam terram de Maubache, et liberum ingressum et egressum per totam terram suam usque ad prædictam terram monachorum. De confirmatione Gilberti de Lacy totam terram, quam habent ex dono Radulfi de Scudemore in Kesty et communem pasturam per totam terram de Kesty; eadem integritate, et libertate, per omnia, qua ea habent per cartam prædicti Radulphi de Scudemor; et communem pasturam per totam Eskelyn. Et ut dicti monachi habeant omnia aisiamenta sua in terra et bosco de Mascoyt in omnibus locis, libertatibus, et rebus sicut cartæ avi et patris sui testantur, quas inde habent. Et ex concessione et confirmatione Walteri de Lacy, totam terram illam quam Robertus clericus, frater Danielis sacerdotis, tenuit in foresta de Mascoyt, quando se monachis de Dora reddidit. Et de venditione Warneri filii Radulfi, terram quæ vocatur Cheuenerounem, et prata per arabiem qui est super montem, à rivulo usque ad rivulum à dextris et à sinistris; de dono Huberti de Burgo tunc justiciarii Angliæ, terram de Linchoit, et pasturam in terra de Grosmunt, tam in bosco, quam in plano, ad omnia pecora sua. Et quociens persona fuerit in foresta de Grosmunt penant, et habeant ibi porcos suos, sine pannagio. Et ad ædificia sua facienda in grangia de Linchoit, et ad sepes claudendas, capiant omnia necessaria rationabiliter per visum forestariorum in prædicta foresta de Grosmunt, et mortuum boscum ad focum suum. De dono

ejusdem Huberti heremitorium beatæ Mariæ in foresta de Grosmunt quod vocatur Lanneir, et placeam circumjacentem, et sex bovatas terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem foresta, &c. Dat. per manum venerabilis patris Radulfi Cicestriæ episcopi cancellarii nostri. Apud Hereford, quinto decimo die Decembris, anno regni nostri septimo decimo.

NUM. XI.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

ABBATHIA DE DORE IN P'DICT' DECANAT' DE WEBLEY.

Valet in

Temp'alibz v3 in

Mansione sive domo dict' abbat' cū terr' dñic' p annū	10l.	0s.	0d.
Redd' assis' firmis infra vall' de Dore et alibi infra			
com' Hereford	55l.	6s.	8d.
Pquis' cur' ibm cōibz annis	0l.	6s.	8d.
Redd' assis' et firmis infra dñia de Ewyas Harold Ewy-			
aslacy Whitcastell et march' Wall' p annū	9l.	18s.	8d.
Redd' assis' et firmis in Gwendor et Trescoit infra dñiū			
de Cant'celly in march' Wall' p'dict' p annū	16l.	0s.	0d.
Pquis' cur' ibm cōibz annis	0l.	3s.	4d.
	91l.	15s.	4d.

Sp'ualibz.

Rectoria de Avenbury.

Valet in gross' p scrutin' et exāiaçōem cōmissionar'			
cōibz annis	2l.	0s.	0d.

Rectoria de Dunsborne.

Valet in gross' p scrutin' et exāiaçōem cōmissionar'			
cōmunibz annis	0l.	13s.	4d.

Rectoria de Wiglost.

Valet in gross' p scrutin' et exāiaçōem cōmissionar'			
cōmunibz annis	10l.	0s.	0d.

Rectoria de Albrighton.

Valet in gross' p scrutin' et exāiaçōem cōmissionar'			
cōmunibz annis	6l.	13s.	4d.

Rectoria de Gwendor.

Valet in gross' p scrutin' et exāiaçōem cōmissionar'			
cōmunibz annis	5l.	0s.	0d.

Capella de Dora.

Valet in gross' p scrutin' et exāiaçōem cōmissionar' cōmu-			
nibz annis	2l.	0s.	0d.
	26l.	6s.	8d.

118l. 2s. 0d.

Inde in

Rep's.

Temp'alibz v3 in

Feod' Thome Baskerville ar' sen ^u de Dore	3l.	6s.	8d.
Feod' Johis ap Watkyn bañi ibm	1l.	10s.	0d.
Feod' Riçi Warmecombe auditor' ibm	1l.	0s.	0d.
Feod' Roñti ap Glin sen ^u de Gwendor	1l.	13s.	4d.
Feod' Thome Turno' bañi ibm	0l.	13s.	4d.
In distribuçōnibz paupū in cena Dñi v3 in deñijs	13s.	4d.	
et in pan' 4 q ^{rt} ia fri pñj	1l.	2s.	8d.
	1l.	16s.	0d.
Redd' resolut' v3 p'ori de Llanthony	5s.	p'ori de Aber-	
gevenny	16s.	8d.	et dño de Ewyas Harold 2s. 6d.
	1l.	4s.	2d.
	11l.	3s.	6d.

Sp'ual' v3 in

Pençōn' v3 choristis ecclie cath' Hereford	6s.	8d.	Epo
Lincoln' 3l. 6s. 8d.	3l.	13s.	4d.
Augmentac' ecclie de Gwendor'	2l.	0s.	0d.
	5l.	13s.	4d.

16l. 16s. 10d.

Et valet clare cōmunibz annis	101l.	5s.	2d.
X ^{ma} ps	10l.	2s.	6½d.

NUM. XII.

From the Original in the Augmentation Office, 32 Hen. VIII.

DOORE MONASTERY.

Hereaftur followythe the nombre of acres and yerely value of the arable land, pastures, and medowes of the demeanes of the late monastery of Doore, in the county of Hereford, and now in the manuraunce of John Scudamore, esquier, and to hym by the kyng our sovaigne lord, lately demysed, at the yerely rent of 14*l.* 11*s.* sterling, and also the nombre of acres and value of the woodds of the sayd demeanes.

The arable land.	£.	s.	d.
Ther be in sefall fylds of the sayd demeanes of arable land 420 ^u acres, valued cōibȝ annis at	4	0	0
S ^m annui valoris terr' arabit	4	0	0

The pastures of the sayd demeanes.

Fyrste a pasture ther called Bactons Home, withe a pcell of pasture unyted to the same, and closyd with on hedge, bothe contaynyng 22 acres and a halff, valued by yere at

On other pastur ther called the Oxelesne, contayning 12 acres, valued yerely at

One other pasture ther called Colverhouse close, contayning 6 acres, and valued yerely at

One other pastur ther called the Barne close, contayning 2 acres and a halff, valued yerely at

One other pastur ther called Sextens close, contayning 6 acres, and valued yerely at

One other pastur ther called the Myll close, contaynyng 3 acres, and now showed withe barley, and valued yerely at

The orchard ther contayning 5 acres and more, valued yerely at

One pcell of ground ther called Homcshephehowse, lately usyd for a pastur, and now converted to arable land, contayning 20^u acres, and valued as a pasture at

And if the same ground be hereafter usyd for tillayge, yet eȳy acre therof is no les worthe then 2*s.* the acre by yere.

Therbayge of a wood ther called Gylbert^ē Hyll, and contaynyng a 120^u acres, with a pcell of ground, contayning 18 acres, tynde and closed with the sayd wood as one pasture, valued yerely at

One pastur ther called Phyllyp Gwyns land, contayning 4 acres, valued yerely at

One other pasture ther called the Langet, contayning 8 acres, valued yerely at

One other pastur ther called the Colte Lesne, contayning 4 acres and a halff, valued yerely at

One howse scytuat behynd the old barne, and a close therunto belonging, valued yerely at

S^m annui valoris pastur

The medowes of the demeanes.

Fyrste a medow ther called the Long Moore, contaynyng 22 acres, valued yerely at

One other medow ther called Havard^ē medow, contaynyng 13 acres, valued yerely at

One other medowe there streychyng frome the Oxelesne to the orchard, being now in 3 part^ē, contaynyng 19 acres, valued yerely at

One pcell of medow, lyeng in Masepightle, contaynyng 2 acres and a halff, valued yerely at

S^m annui valoris prator^ē

One watyr myll belonging to the sayd demeanes, valued yerely at

S^m total reddit' terr' arabil' pastur' prator' doīcaī p̄dict' ac molend p̄dict' p annū

And oȳ thys the parte of the demeanes of the foresaid certificate beyng in sefall occupacyon of Thomas ap Rychard, and others of the towne of Doore, is worthe yerely

The woodds of the sayd demeanes.

Fyrste on sefall wood ther called Gylbert^ē Hill, closyd withe a hedge, contaynyng 120^u acres, wherof 13 acres be of fyfty yeres groweng, and the resydue of on hundreth yeres groweng and above, valued to our judgment^ē and estymacyon 13*s.* 4*d.* the acre

S^m valoris hujus bosci

NUM. XIII.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

MONASTERIUM MONACHORUM DE DORA.

Com' Heref'	£.	s.	d.
Morehampton—Firma grangiae	15	6	8
Kyngston—Firma grangiae . . .	6	13	4
Morlez—Firma grangiae . . .	3	0	0
Lyncoyte—Firma grangiae . . .	2	0	0
Llanvayre—Firma grangiae sive capellae	1	13	4
Blakemore—Firma grangiae . . .	2	11	8
Blakemore—Firma parcellae grangiae ibidem	0	15	0
Goodway—Firma grangiae . . .	1	13	4
Benfylde—Firma grangiae . . .	1	10	0
Hytewall infra dominium de Ewyas Lacy—Firma grangiae	1	6	8
Baketon—Firma grangiae . . .	0	15	10
Hollyn—Firma grangiae . . .	1	0	0
Sennerying—Firma grangiae vocatae Cold Grange	0	6	8
New Grange—Firma grangiae . . .	2	13	4
Dora—Firma grangiae de Newborough	1	13	4
Dora—Reddit' assis'	13	15	4
Dora—Firma unius molendini aquatici	0	16	8
Ewyas Harrold—Redd' burgagij . . .	0	0	8
Hoton—Redd' terr'	0	1	0
Dora et Hereford civ.—Redd' terr' et ten'	6	1	4
Skenfrith et Grosmount—Firma decimarum	0	13	4
Kavenbaugh in Dora—Firma decimarum	1	13	4
Kevenbaugh—Firma aliarum X ^{marum} . . .	0	8	0
Dora—Firma decimarum	2	10	0
Salop' Dunsborn—Firma ecclesiae . . .	0	13	4
Heref' Dora—Reddit' sit' monaster' cum terris, pratis, pascuis, et pasturis dominicalibus	13	11	4
Wallia' Glendore, Trescoyte et Llan Egloys—Firma mesuag' terr' prat' pasc' &c.	11	4	4
Trescoyte—Firma terr' et tent' . . .	4	19	2
Llan Egloys—Firmæ diversæ . . .	1	6	8
Glendowre—Firma rectoriae . . .	5	6	8
Heref' Avenbury—Firma rectoriae . . .	5	6	8
Salop' Albryghton—Firma ecclesiae sive rectoriae	6	13	4
Linc' Wygtofte—Firma rectoriae . . .	13	6	8

Sibton Abbey, in Suffolk.



SIBTON ABBEY was founded, according to the best authorities, in 1149,^a by William de Cayneto or Cheney, sometimes called "Willielmus fil. Roberti vicecomes."^b It was dedicated to the Virgin Mary. Its first inhabitants were a colony from Wardon in Bedfordshire.

Taylor, in his *Index Monasticus*, says, the revenues of this abbey received considerable additions from

the pious contributions of the Lady Margaret de Cressy, and a number of other benefactors; all which donations were confirmed by charters of King Henry the Second and King Henry the Third.

The following is given as the list of benefactors:

The Lady Margery de Cressy, daughter of the founder, about A.D. 1149; Robert Walensis; William, son of Robert the sheriff;^c William the Black; Geoffrey the Black; Ralph Walensis; Hugh de Cressy; Roger Bigod, earl of Norfolk; Richard Fylby and John Fylby; Robert Garnish of Heveningham; William Rous of Dynyngton; John Lawrence, chaplain of Westleton; Hubert de Derneford; John, son of Oliver de Vallibus or Vaux; master Alexander de Muncy; Basilia, prioress of Campsey; Roger, son of Ivo de Cranesford; Thomas de Donewic; Normannus Manne; John de Redenhale, clerk, rector of the church of Shippe-medue; Sir William de Bovile, knt.; Thomas de Donewyc; rector of Westleton; Roger de Melles, chaplain of Donewyc; Roger Bygod; Julianus de Braham; Hubert de Alencun; William of Westhaie; John de Verdon, lord of Bressingham; Ralph Loverd of Shelfanger; Thomas and Simon Sorel, *t.* Hen. III.; Robert Fitz Roger de Corbrug, *t.* Hen. III.; Reginald de Pynho, *t.* Hen. III.; Sir Walter de Senges, *t.* Hen. III.; Sir Robert Hovell, 1268; William de Tornello.

The value of the Revenues of Sibton in 1291, may be gathered from the note below.^d

Among the Lists of Principals of Religious Houses, prefixed to the last edition of Tanner's *Notitia Monastica*, we have the following

^a See Chron. Jo. Oxnade, MS. Cotton. Nero D. II. and the Chronicle of Louth Park: though other annals make it founded A. D. 1150.

^b Tann. Notit. Monast. *Suff.* xxxviii. His foundation was confirmed in the first instance by King Stephen. See the Appendix of Instruments, Num. I.

^c Taylor, here, makes this a different person from the founder.

^d TEMPORAL. *Dioc. Norwic.* In Archid. Norw. et Norf. In Norwico, 3*l.* 10*s.* 9*d.* In Tunstal, de redd. 16*s.* 8*d.* In Woddetone, de terr. et redd. 11*s.* 6*d.* In Siseland, de terr. et redd. 3*s.* 6*d.* In Kirkestede, de redd. 2*s.* 3*d.* In Mundham, de terr. redd. et cons. 1*l.* 8*s.* 11½*d.* In Sythingge, de terr. redd. et cons. 5*l.* 13*s.* 7½*d.* In Abetone, de redd. 10*s.* In Selfangel, de terra et fœtu animal. 5*l.* 4*s.* 10*d.* In Brisingham, de terr. et redd. 6*s.* 8*d.* In Roydone, de redd. 3*s.* In Illington, de redd. 11*s.* 3½*d.* In Crokeson, de terra, reddit. molend. et fœtu animal. 10*l.* 4*s.* 5*d.* Summa 29*l.* 7*s.* 5½*d.*

Archid *Suff.* In Halwetre, de terr. et fœtu animal. 3*l.* 10*s.* In Heneleye, de redd. 3*s.* In Buresyerd, de terr. 5*s.* 3*d.* In Oreford, de redd. 18*s.* In Rendham, de terr. redd. et molend. 2*l.* 9*s.* 9*d.* In Schadensfeld, de redd. 12*s.* 6*d.* In Ilket. S. Marg. de terr. et redd. 4*s.* 5½*d.* In Huntyngheld, de terr. 8*s.* 2*d.* In Cokeleye, de terr. redd. mol. et fœtu animal. 6*l.* 14*s.* 5*d.* In Bramfeld, de redd. 4*s.* In Halseworth, de terr. 6*s.* 8*d.* In Chedestan, de terr. 2*s.* In Linsted magna, de terr. et redd. 10*s.* 6*d.* In Linsted parva, de reddit. 16*s.* In Heveningham, de terr. reddit. 5*l.* 6*s.* 7*d.* In Westlevetone, de terr. redd. et fœtu animal. 4*l.* 2*s.* 11*d.* In Wysete, de reddit. 4*s.* 6*d.* In Wenbastone, de terr. redd. mol. et fœtu animal. 9*l.* 11*s.* 4½*d.* In Cortone, de reddit. 6*s.* 9*d.* In Sybeton et Pesehcl, de redd. terr. mol. et fœtu animal. 43*l.* 11*s.* 5½*d.* In Jokesford, de terr. redd. et fœtu animal. 6*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.* In Walpol, de terr. reddit. 1*l.* 6*s.* 6½*d.* In Donewic Sancti Marc. de reddit. 9*s.* 2*d.* Donewic Sancti Leonardi, de redd. 11*s.* 10½*d.* Donewic S. Johannis, de redd. 1*s.* Donewic Sancti Nicholai, de redd. 5*s.* 1½*d.* Donewic Omnium Sanctorum, de redd. 14*s.* 9½*d.* In Der-

ABBATS of SIBTON.

CONSTANTINE.

LAURENCE.

ALEXANDER DE WALPOLE.

RICHARD, 1279.

WALTER, 1287.

JOHN, 1303.

EUSTACHE, 1313.

EDMOND, 1320.

RALPH, 1337.

ROGER succeeded about 1364

JOHN, 1353 and 1363.

WALTER, 1375.

JOHN, 1391 and 1398.

THOMAS, 1457 and 1460.

ROBERT CAVE, 1479.

JEFFRY, 1487.

JOHN GODWIN, 1520.

HENRY EMERY, 1534.

WILLIAM FLADBURY, 1536. He was the last abbat; and, with seven monks, signed the Surrender.

The yearly revenues of this abbey, in the 26th Hen. VIII., amounted to 250*l.* 15*s.* 7½*d.*

Taylor says, "A. D. 1536, two years before the act for dissolving the greater monasteries, the abbat, prior, sub-prior, and convent, sold to Thomas, Duke of Norfolk, the Site and all the estates belonging to the Monastery of Sibton; which grant was confirmed to the duke by stat. 31 Hen. VIII. chap. 13; and after his attainder most part of the endowments were granted, A. D. 1547, to Sir Anthony Denny. The present owner is John, lord bishop of Salisbury, in right of Dorothea his wife, late Dorothea Scrivener."

There was a Hospital at the gate of this abbey, to the better support of which Simon, bishop of Norwich, appropriated the church of Crainsford, in Suffolk, A.D. 1264.^e

Tanner mentions two REGISTERS, one "penes Tho. Scrivener de Sibton arm." the other, as belonging, in 1645, to the Earl of Arundel, now in the library of the Royal Society, num. 221.^f

The first of these registers is probably the same with that which Taylor mentions as in the possession of Henry

sham, de redd. 2*s.* In Mendham, de redd. et terra 12*s.* In Keleshale, de redd. 1*s.* 7½*d.* In Weybred, de redd. terr. mol. et fœtu animal. 4*l.* 2*s.* 7½*d.* In Suttone, de redd. 1*l.* 10*s.* In Debach de redd. 5*s.* In Foxole, de redd. terr. mol. et fœtu animal. 5*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.* In Kessegrave, de redd. 4*s.* 4*d.* In Chipenham, de terr. mol. et fœtu animal. 8*l.* 8*s.* In Todenham, de terr. et fœtu animal. 4*l.* 17*s.* 8*d.* In Thrandestone, de terr. et reddit. 5*s.* 11*d.* In Gaysle, de reddit. terr. et fœtu animal. 4*l.* 5*s.* 2*d.*

SPIRITUAL. *Dioc. Norwic.* Porcio in eccl. de Stonham Lamberti, 6*s.* 8*d.* Eccl. de Sibeton, 4*l.* Porcio S. Fidis, 1*l.* 4*s.* Porcio de Rumburg, 13*s.* 4*d.* Capella de Pesenhale, 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Porcio Sancti Leonardi de Eye, 10*s.*

See the Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. pp. 91, 95 b, 99 b, 103, 103 b, 104, 104 b, 105, 108, 115, 118 b, 125, 125 b, 126, 126 b, 127, 127 b, 128, 128 b, 130, 132 b.

^e Registr. Prioratus Norwic. vii. fol. 80.

^f His other references to MSS. and records are as follows:

"*Vide Collect. ex eodem Registro inter Analecta Dodsworth. in bibl. Bodl. vol. lv. fol. 35.*

"MS. in bibl. Cotton. Vitellius F. xii. 5. lineam consanguinitatis de stripe fundatorum, cum excerptis e Cronico hujus Abbatiae. Ibid. n. 6. Veredicta et Placita pro diversis locis ad abbatem et conventum pertinent.

"In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 294. fol. 244. et MS. 2044, fol. 27. Collectanea ex Registro. MS. 2101, fol. 240. Abstract of old deeds relating to this abbey.

"Cartas quasdam originales ad hanc abbatiam spectantes, penes Joannem Anstis arm. Garter, et Petrum Le Neve arm. Norroy, reges armorum.

"Cartas de appropriatione eccl. de Cranesford abbatiae de Sibton, et de ordinatione vicariae ibidem, per Joannem episc. Norwic. A.D. 1309. Conventionem inter priorem S. Fidis Horsham et abbatem de

Jermyn, esq. and whence he has transcribed the list of benefactors to Sibton which has been already given.

Taylor, in his Index Monasticus, describes the SEAL of this abbey as elliptical, about two inches in length.

In the Gentleman's Magazine for 1806, p. 17, are engravings of some singular tiles dug up in the ruins of Sibton Abbey. A view of the REMAINS of this Abbey will be found in the Excursions in Suffolk, published in 1818.

Cartae ad Sibtoniensem Abbatiam in agro Suffolciensi spectantes; fundatum anno Mcl.^a

NUM. I.

Carta Regis Stephani.

[Cart. 16 E. I. n. . . . per inspex.]

S. REX Angliæ episcopo Norwycensi, et justiciariis, et vicecomit., et baronibus, et ministris, et omnibus fidelibus suis de Norfolk et de Suffolk salutem. Sciatis me concessisse illam donationem quam Willielmus filius Roberti filii Walteri fecit Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Sibton de toto dominico suo de Sibton. Quare volo, &c. Testibus, Roberto de Ver, et Rain. de Warren, et Willielmo filio Ricardi, et Hugone filio Eudonis, apud Sanctum Edmundum.

NUM. II.

Carta Regis Henrici Secundi.

[Cart. 52 Hen. III. m. 7. per inspex.]

HENRICUS rex Angliæ, et dux Normanniæ et Aquitaniæ, et comes Andegaviæ omnibus archiepiscopis, &c. Sciatis me concessisse et præsentî cartâ in perpetuam elemosynam confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Sibton et monachis de ordine Cistercii ibidem Deo servientibus qui de Wardona exierunt, totam illam donationem quam Willielmus filius Roberti vicecomes ejusdem ecclesiæ fundator eisdem monachis dedit in Sibton, et Wrabeton, et in Pesehal, et in Strikingland, ad censtruendam abbatiam de ordine Cistercii, scilicet, totum dominicum suum, tam in bosco quam in plano, in pratis et pascuis, et omnibus rebus; terras etiam quas rusticis de anno in annum locare solebant; illas quoque terras quas per mortem possessorum vel pro defectu mantenendi servicii in dominicum, ceciderunt. Et terram totam quæ fuit Ulfi de Wrabeton. Eas etiam terras quas jam dicti monachi rusticis sive vicinis suis escambiaverunt. Præterea omnes terras quas homines ipsius Willielmi in elemosynam illis dederunt vel quietas clamaverunt. Terram etiam de Cateclive, sed et incrementum quod eis accrevit,

scilicet totam terram quam Robertus Walensis illis vendidit pro xxx. marcis argenti in Wrabeton et in Pesehal, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, in bosco et plano, et in omnibus rebus. Omnia denique quæ prædictis monachis ipse Willielmus dedit in terris et in rebus, sicut ipse cartis suis eis statuit et confirmavit. Quare volo, &c. Testibus, Thoma Cantuariensi archiepiscopo, Rogero Eboracensi archiepiscopo, Hilario Cicestrensi, Roberto comite Legrecestriæ, Ricardo de Humez constabulario, Manassero Biset dapifero, Ricardo de Luci, apud Westmonasterium.

NUM. III.

Linea consanguinitatis, de Stripe Fundatorum Abbaciæ de Sybeton.

[Ex regist. de Sibton, in comitatu Suff. in bibl. Arundel. fol. 4. a.]

DOMINA Sibilla, soror Johannis de Cayneto, filia Radulphi de Cayneto qui venit ad conquestum Angliæ, maritata fuit domino Roberto filio Walteri fundatori domus sanctæ Fidis de Horsham, qui genuit ex ea filium nomine Rogerum, et Johannem Vic. et Willielmum de Cayneto fundatorem abbatiae de Sybeton. Rogerus et Johannes Vic. obierunt sine prole de se; Willielmus verò accepit uxorem, et genuit ex ea tres filias, videlicet Margaretam, Clemenciam, et Sarram. Clemencia et Sarra obierunt sine liberis. Margareta autem maritata fuit cuidam Normanno, Hugoni de Cressi, qui genuit ex ea filium nomine Rogerum. Rogerus de Cressi accepit uxorem nomine Isabellam de Ry, et genuit ex ea quatuor filios, videlicet Hugonem, Rogerum, Johannem, et Stephanum, qui omnes mortui sunt sine prole. Prædicta Margareta, mortuo primo viro suo, scilicet domino Hugone de Cressi, maritata fuit alio nobili viro, nomine Roberto filio Rogeri, qui genuit ex ea Johannem filium Roberti. Johannes genuit filium nomine Rogerum. Idem Rogerus genuit filium nomine Robertum filium Rogeri nunc patronum, qui post obitum Stephani de Cressi successit in

Sibton, de duabus partibus decimarum de dominicis dom. Joannis de Holebrook in Cransford, A. D. 1310. Sententiam arbitratorum in negotio augmentationis portionis vicarii de Rendbam inter vicarium et abbatem et conv. de Sibton, A. D. 1303. Appropriationem eccl. de Westleton isti abbatiae, A. D. 1356. Ordinationem vicariæ ibidem per Thomam episc. Norwic. A. D. 1361. Inhibitionem a decano de Arcubus episc. Norwic. ex parte abbatis et conv. de Sibton, de capella de Pesenhale, A. D. 1466, in registro principali D. D. episc. Norwic.

“Extenta terrarum et tenementorum abbatis de Sybton in villis de Wenhaston, Kukeley, Linstede, Jurdis Grange in Pesenhale, Rendham, Cranisford, South Grange in Sibton, Suff. et Croxton, Norf. fact. annis, 15, 16, 18, 19 Edw. II. ad finem notabilitatum factarum in curia abbatis temp. RR. Hen. III., Edw. I., et Edw. II MS. in pergam. [olim] penes Thomam Martin de Palgrave gen.

“Computos bursariorum abbatiae de Sibton a festo S. Michaelis 36 Edw. III. ad festum S. Michaelis, 46 Edw. III, scil. recepta et expensa de commun. bursa, MS. in pergam. [olim] penes eundem magistrum Martin.

“Cartas autographas plus minus Lxx. huius abbatiae spectantes, et Excerpta ex Registro, penes Thomam Astle arm.

“Claus. 13 Hen. III. m. 12. pro faldâ in Croxton, Norf. Fin. Suff. 13 Hen. III. n. 147. pro terris in Westleveton. Fin. Suff. 14 Hen. III. n. 13. de terris et reddit. in Thorp et Heningham. Fin. Suff. 19 Hen. III. n. 102. de terris in Ashfield Thorp. Fin. Suff. 35 Hen. III. n. 99. de terris in Heveningham. Ibid. n. 175. de quarta parte feodi militis in Wenhaston. Fin. Norf. 52 Hen. III. de monacho inveniendo in capella de Senges celebraturo pro animabus Hugonis de Windsor et Cecilie uxoris ejus. Cart. 52 Hen. III. m. 7. in cedula pend. Fin. Norf. 53 Hen. III. n. 154. pro eccl. de Ling. Fin. Suff. 53 Hen. III. n. 99. de advoc. eccl. de Cranesford.

“Fin. Suff. 1 Edw. I. n. 63. pro xx. redd. ex maner. de Huntingfeld. Ibid. n. 83. de advoc. eccl. de Westleton. Escaet. Suff. 18 Edw. I. n. 67. Escaet. Norf. 18 Edw. I. n. . de terris Theberton,

ex dono Joan. Livermore. Fin. Suff. 18 Edw. I. n. 173. de terris in Pesenhale. Plac. in banco, 27 Edw. I. rot. 77. de maner. de Westleton et advoc. eccl. ib.

“Inquis. Suff. 4 Edw. II. n. 65. Pat. 5 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 25. Inquis. Suff. 6 Edw. II. n. 102. de terris in Pesenhale, ex dono Joannis de Redenhale. Pat. 6 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 12. Pat. 8 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 18. de terris in Pesenhale. Pat. 13 Edw. II. m. 9. pro. eccl. de Tunstall et Cransford appropriand. Cart. 16 Edw. II. n. 1.

“Rot. Rom. 5 Edw. III. m. 5. pro eccl. de Westleton approprianda. Escaet. Suff. 14 Edw. III. n. 24. Pat. 15 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 17. Pat. 23 Edw. III. p. 3, m. . Pat. 24 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 23, vel 24. Pat. 25 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 35. Escaet. Suff. 37 Edw. III. n. 30. de terris in Rendham, &c. Pat. 37 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 48. pro ten. in Rendham, Pesenhall, &c. Plac. coram reg. 38 Edw. III. rot. 25. quod abbas debet reparare Foxley bridge. Pat. 40 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 8. pro ten. in Sweftling, Yoxford, et Westleton. Escaet. Suff. 41 Edw. III. n. 5. Pat. 42 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 25. pro xx. sol. annui redditus in Moneden.

“Rec. in seacc. 8 Hen. IV. pasch. rot. II. de terris in Sething.”

See also Rot. Hundr. vol. ii. pp. 147, 148, 154, 197, 198, 329, 501. Plac. de Quo Waranto, p. 727.

There are no Ministers' Accompts of this abbey in the Augmentation Office.

^a Annal. Norwic. in bibl. Cottoniana.

^b Maximus est hic error de Sarra filia Willielmi de Cayneto, quod obiit sine liberis. Indubie enim apparet placitis de banco de termino sancti Michaelis, anno 7 H. III. incipientibus anno 8, rotulo 9. Suff. quod dominus Willielmus de Caineto, sive de Chednay, qui obiit tempore H. II. duas reliquit filias cohæredes, Margeriam nuptam Hugoni de Cressi tempore regis ejusdem, et Sarram in uxorem ductam a Ricardo Engane tempore R. I. Et filium et hæredem habuerunt Vitalem Engane, &c. cujus posteri per femellas hæredes in hunc usque annum 1648, vitales existunt.

hæreditatem baroniæ de Horsford quasi hæres dominæ Margaretæ de Cheney, quæ duobus nupsit viris, ut prædictum est. Prædictus verò Robertus duxit uxorem nomine Margeriam de la Suche, de qua genuit multos filios et filias, videlicet Johanaem, cujus cognomen rex Edwardus filius regis Henrici fecit vocari Claving, à principali manerio suo; Alexandrum, Rogerum, Robertum, Alanum, Henricum, et Edmundum. Johannes duxit uxorem nomine Hawisiam, de qua genuit filiam nomine Evam, quæ nunc se clamat advocatam domus de Sybeton, de Langele, sanctæ Fidis, et de Bliburg, et hoc jure hæreditario, quæ quidem Eva nupsit cuidam nomine qui mortuus est sine prole de se. Item nupsit cuidam militi nomine Radulfus de Ufford, qui genuit ex ea tres filios, videlicet dominos Johannem, Robertum, et Edmundum milites. Prædicto Radulfo mortuo nupsit de Audle, qui genuit ex ea duos filios et duas filias, videlicet Jacobum et Petrum, Aviciam, et Hawisiam.

NUM. IV.

Narratio Foundationis Abbatiae de Sibton, in agro Suffolc.

[Ex registro de Sibton penes Tho. Scrivener gen.]

ANNO Domini millesimo sexagesimo sexto Willielmus dux Normannorum venit in Angliam, et, occiso Haraldo tempore conquestus, coronatur in regem: quo tempore quidam Walterus de Cadomo venit, cum Roberto Malet comite Cornubiæ, et domino Honore de Eye, qui post conquestum tenuit baroniam de Horsford, quam tenuit de prædicto comite ut de Honore prædicto. Idem Walterus habuit quendam filium et hæredem, Robertum nomine, qui in fundo et solo proprio fundavit ecclesiam sancti Petri de Sibton tempore Willielmi Rufi regis Angliæ; qui habuit tres filios, viz. Rogerum, Johannem, et Willielmum. Rogerus et Johannes obierunt sine prole de se. Defuncto itaque prædicto Roberto, Johannes filius ejus, qui postea dictus est Johannes vicecomes, successit ei in hæreditate prædictæ baroniæ de Horsford. Evoluta autem aliquanto tempore, idem Johannes, gravi infirmitate percussus, cognovit vovisse se Deo construere abbatiam de ordine Cistercienci in fundo suo, propter multa mala quæ gesserat, tam tempore pacis quo regebat vicecomitatum, quam tempore belli. Et quia ex eadem infirmitate, qua laborabat, sensit se vivere non posse, rogavit et conjuravit Willielmum fratrem suum quem suum reliquit hæredem, qui postea dictus est Willielmus de Chethney, L. Willielmus de Cayneto, ut pro ipso votum quod voverat, perficeret et abbatiam de ordine Cisterciensi construeret. Mortuo itaque Johanne, Willielmus hæres extitit in prædictâ baroniâ; et postea vicecomitatum rexit, unde Willielmus vicecomes voca batur. Hic autem Willielmus, prout ordo consanguinitatis exigebat, pro animâ fratris sui sollicitus, votum quod voverat, devotè implevit; et, Deo volente, fundavit ecclesiam monasterii S. Mariæ de Sibton de ordine Cistercii, in solo proprio, per manus abbatis de Sartis, quod modo vocatur Wardon; et terram suam de Sibton ad perficiendam abbatiam dedit, et cartâ suâ confirmavit, anno Domini millesimo centesimo quadragesimo nono, tempore Stephani regis Angliæ: quæ carta sic incipit:

NUM. V.

Carta Prima Willielmi Vicecomitis fundatoris Monasterii antedicti.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Willielmus filius Roberti vicecomes salutem. Sciatis me dedisse, ac concessisse, atque præsentî cartâ meâ confirmasse Deo et S. Mariæ, et omnibus sanctis, ad faciendam abbatiam monachorum de ordine Cistercii, per manus abbatis de Sartis, totum dominium meum, et omnia quæ juris mei et donationis meæ sunt, tam in ecclesiis, quàm in terris et aliis rebus, cujuscumque feodi sunt, in Sibton, et Wrabeton, et Pesehall, et Stikinglond, cum terra de Catclivâ et Manacokesacre in Donewico, in bosco et plano, in pratis et pascuis, et omnibus rebus, excepto homagio, cum redditu xxviij. solid. in parochiâ de Wrabeton, quæ ego in propriâ manu et potestate retinui. Dedi etiam totam Chulagh et totam Algareshagh per divisas suas, et omnes terras eschaetas, et omnes terras, quas homines mei, quos in manu mea retineo, in prædictis possessionibus, sive quas alii homines mei eidem abbatiae dederunt, vel vendiderunt, sive escambiaverunt.

Et quisquis ex hominibus meis ad conversionem religionis venire ad eos voluerit, liberè ac licetè faciat. Concedo etiam et confirmo escambium quod fecerunt cum Roberto de Raimes, et cum Mainardo de Pesehall, sive cum vicinis suis. Hæc omnia monachis de Sibton dedi atque concessi pro animabus patris et matris meæ, et uxoris meæ Gillæ, et hæredum meorum, et amicorum vivorum et defunctorum, in perpetuam et puram eleemosynam, libera et quieta de omni servicio, de scutagio, et de exactionibus regis, de wardis, et de omnibus auxiliis, et de omni penitus terreno servicio et seculari exactione. Hujus autem donationis testes sunt Thomas capellanus, Harwinus presbyter, Walterus de Blumvill, Johannes clericus, magister Gaufridus, Gilla uxor mea, et multi alii.

NUM. VI.

Carta secunda Willielmi Vicecomitis fundatoris Monasterii antedicti.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Willielmus filius Roberti vicecomes salutem, Sciatis me dedisse ac concessisse, atque præsentî cartâ meâ confirmasse Deo et S. Mariæ, et omnibus sanctis, ad faciendam abbatiam monachorum de ordine Cistercii, per manus abbatis de Sartis, totum dominium meum in Sibton, et in Wrabeton, in Pesehala, et in Stickingeland, in bosco, et plano, in pratis, et pascuis, et in omnibus rebus, cum omnibus libertatibus et consuetudinibus, et cum omni jure ad illud pertinentibus. Et totum Chuhæ, et totum Algareshæ, per divisas suas, et omnes terras quas rustici de anno in annum locare solebant. Et omnes terras eschaetas, et omnes terras quas homines mei qui ad religionem venerint eidem abbatiae dederint, sive alii homines dederint, vel vendiderint, sive escambiaverint. Et quisquis ex hominibus meis ad conversionem religionis ad eos venire voluerit, liberè ac licetè faciat. Et omnes terras quas dedi et concessi monachis escambiatas cum Roberto de Reimes, sive cum aliis vicinis. Et terram de Catteclivâ in Dunewico, quam nominatim fratribus monachis de dedi. Et terram quæ fuit Godwini et Weenild, quæ est de feodo Walteri filii Roberti; et totam terram quam Mainardus de Pesehal de meo feodo tenuit. Hæc omnia monachis de Sibton dedi atque concessi pro animabus patris et matris meæ, et fratris mei Johannis; et pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ Gillæ, et hæredum meorum, et omnium parentum et amicorum meorum, vivorum et defunctorum, in perpetuam et puram eleemosynam, libera et quieta de omni servicio, de scutagiis, de exactionibus regis, de wardis, et de omnibus auxiliis, et de omni penitus terreno servicio et seculari exactione. Hujus autem donationis testes sunt Thomas capellanus, Hardwinus presbyter, Walterus de Blomvill, Johannes clericus, magister Gaufridus, Gilla uxor mea, et multi alii.

Et notandum; Willielmus vicecomes habuit filiam et hæredem nomine Margaretam, quæ primò nupsit se cuidam Hugoni de Cressy, quæ confirmavit nobis donationem patris sui Willielmi per suam cartam, quæ hic sequitur in hunc modum:

NUM. VII.

Carta Margaretæ de Cressy.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, Margarita de Cressy salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et præsentî cartâ meâ confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ S. Mariæ de Sibton, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, totam donationem quam Willielmus de Cayneyton dominus et pater meus eis dedit, &c.

NUM. VIII.

Carta Abbatis de Sibton, facta Thomæ Duci Norfolk, de scitu Abbatiae, et de omnibus terris eidem pertinentibus.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentibus et futuri, quod nos Willielmus abbas monasterii Beatae Mariæ de Sibton, in comitatu Suff., et ejusdem loci conventus, ex spontaneâ nostrâ voluntate, et unanimi nostro assensu pariter et consensu, dedimus et concessimus, et hac præsentî cartâ nostrâ confirmavimus, præpo-

tenti principi Thomæ duci Norfolk thesaurario Angliæ, et comiti marescallo ejusdem Anthonio Rous armigero et Nicholao Hare generoso totum situm ambitum et præinctum monasterii nostri prædicti, cum omnibus domibus et ædificiis infra eundem situm existentibus. Ac omnia illa maneria nostra de Sibton cum Pesenhal, Yoxford, Rendham Glemham, Parvâ Linsted, Wenhaston, Westleton, Weybred, Cokely, Fresingfield, cum suis pertinentiis in comitatu prædicto. Ac manerium nostrum de Sething cum grangiâ de Tunstal in comitat. Norfolk. Necon omnia alia terras et tenementa nostra, redditus, reversiones, servicia, advocaciones, feoda militum, ac cætera hæreditamenta nostra quæcunque, cum omnibus et singulis suis pertinentiis jacentibus et existentibus in Sibton, Peasenthal, Yoxford, Rendham, Glemham, Parvâ Wenhaston, Westleton, Cokely, Fresingfield, Orford, Middleton, Walpole, Halesworth, Heveningham, Huntingfield, Debach, Sproughton, Darsham, Thorington, Shadingfield, Ilketshal, Wisset, Rumborough, Holton, Denington, Larfield, Hopton, Mendham, Metfield, Weybred, Limborne, Tostoke, Chedeston, Thrandeston, Yaxley, Dernford, in Foxhul, Ingulveston, Nacton, Hallowtree, et alibi in prædicto comit. Suff., Sething, Tunstal, Croxton, Illington, Pulham, Mendham, Nedeham, et alibi in prædict. comit. Norfolk, unacum advocacionibus ecclesiarum et vicariarum de Sibton, Westleton, Rendham, et Cranesford in dicto comitatu Suff. et Tunstall in prædict. comitat. Norff. Habendum et tenendum prædictum scitum, ambitum, et præinctum, maneria, terras, et tenementa, ac cætera præmissa cum suis pertinentiis quibuscunque præfatis duci, Anthonio et Nicholao, hæredibus et assignatis suis, ad usum ipsius ducis hæredum et assignatorum suorum imperpetuum de capitalibus dominis feodi illius per servicia inde debita et de jure consueta in perpetuum, Et insuper sciant, quod nos præfat. abbas et conventus unanimi assensu pariter et consensu nostris prædictis, ordinavimus, constituimus, et in loco nostro posuimus dilectos nobis in Christo Thomam Heydon generosum, et Robertum Whinwery nostros veros et legitimos attornatos, conjunctim et divisim, ad deliberandum pro nobis vice et nomine nostris præfatis duci, Anthonio et Nicholao Hare hæredibus et assignatis suis plenum et pacificum statum et seisinam, de et in prædictis situ, ambitu, et præinctu, necon de et in omnibus et singulis prædictis maneriis, terris, et tenementis, ac cæteris præmissis cum suis pertinentiis, juxta vim, formam, et effectum hujus præsentis cartæ nostræ. Ratum et gratum habentes et habituri quicquid dicti attornati nostri fecerint, aut eorum alter per se divisim fecerit in præmissis. In cujus rei testimonium, huic præsentis cartæ nostræ sigillum nostrum commune præsentibus apposuvimus; dat. ultimo die Julii anno regni Henrici octavi, Dei gratiâ Angliæ et Franciæ regis, fidei defensoris, et domini Hiberniæ, ac in terrâ supremi capitis Anglicanæ ecclesiæ vicesimo octavo.

Per me Willielmum abbatem.
Per me Robertum Bungey priorem.
Per me Johannem Facon suppriorum.
Per me Robertum Elmam.
Per me Thomam Hadliam celerarium.
Per me Willielmum Dunwich.
Per me Willielmum Bungey.
Per me Petrum Dewich.

NUM. IX.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return 29 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

SYBETON MONAST^{er}ium B^{er}te MARIE VIRGINIS idm
MONACHI ORDINIS CISTERCIENS^{is}.

Et quid^{am} Willms Cheney fuit p^{ri}mus fundator ejusdm
monast^{er}ij cujus heres modo est dñs Dacres de la South.

Et Willms Fladbury est modo abbas idm.

Temp^{or}al in com^{itatu} Suff^{re}.

Sybeton cū membr^{is}.

Valent^{er}.

In scit^{ur} dñi monast^{er}ij cū warren^{is} cunictoz ppe et circa
ejusdm cont^{ra} 28 acr^{is} terr^{is} 1l. 8s. 0d.

Firm^{us} terr^{is} dñic^{us} in man^u dñi abbt^{is} 23l. 16s. 4d. Redd^{us}
assis^{us} in Sybton 20l. 14s. 8½d. Pesynhale 22l. 3s. 8d.

Yoxford 5l. 17s. 7½d. Novo redd^{us} in Sibton 1s. Redd^{us}
mobil^{is} idm 2s. 3d. Pesynhale 1s. 3d. Et Yoxford 1s. 6d.
Redd^{us} forenc^{us} in hamlett^{is} de Sybeton 7l. 15s. 2½d. Firm^{us}
200 acr^{is} t^{er}r^{is} jac^{et} infra pcū Johis Hevenyngli^{am} milit^{is} 10l.
Et firm^{us} terr^{is} in Sybton et Pesynhale p annū 36l. 19s. 6d.
129l. 1s. 0d.

Inde repris^{us}.

In redd^{us} resolut^{us} Arthuro Hopton milit^{is} manijis s^{us} de
Wysett p annū 10s. Yoxford 19s. 10¾d. Abbitisse monial^{is}
de Brusyerd 12s. 5½d. Manio de Badyngham 2s. 1d. An-
thonio Rous 1s. 8d. Manio de Kelsale 2s. Manio de
Pesynhale Hall 4d. Honore de Eye 6s. 8d. Comendar^{us}
hospit^{is} Sti Johis Jerlm de Kyrbroke 2d. Manio de Che-
keryng Hall in Walpole 4d. Et ecclie de Walpole 2s.

2l. 17s. 7½d.

Et valet clare 126l. 3s. 4¾d.

Glemh^{am}.

Valet in redd^{us} assis^{us} p annū 9l. 14s. 3d. Redd^{us} cus-
tum^{us} tenenc^{us} idm 1l. 16s. ¼d. Redd^{us} mobil^{is} 6s. 3½d. Firm^{us}
scit^{ur} manij^{is} voc^{is} Glemh^{am} Hall cū terr^{is} dñic^{us} eidm ptin^{us}
6l. 1s. 8d. 17l. 18s. 2¾d.

Inde repris^{us}.

In redd^{us} resolut^{us} baffio hundr^{is} de Plumysgate p a 3s 1d.
Gilberto Colvyle 1s. Hered^{us} Will^{is} Sperke 1s. 4d. Et vic
Suff^{re} 1s. 1d. 0l. 6s. 6d.

Et valet clare 17l. 11s 8¾d.

Rendh^{am}.

Valet in redd^{us} assis^{us} idm p annū 14l. 16s. 6¼d. Redd^{us}
mobil^{is} 2s. 8½d. Firm^{us} terr^{is} dñic^{us} idm p annū 10l. 2s.

25l. 1s. 2¾d.

Inde repris^{us}.

In redd^{us} resolut^{us} manio de Ph^{am} p annū 3s. 4d. Ho-
nor de Eye 2s. 6d. Turn^{us} de Buxlowe 6d. Manio de
Hurt^{us} in Saxmūdh^{am} 1s. 8d. Manio de Virles in Sternfeld
1s. 4d. Ad lete de Rendh^{am} p Lonfed Sylv^{is} 1s.

0l. 10s. 4d.

Et valet clare 24l. 10s. 10¾d.

Cokeley cu^m Fyngs in Isted^{us}.

Valet in redd^{us} assis^{us} in Cokeley p annū 9l. 12s. 4d. In
Waybrede 5l. 17s. 3d. Nedh^{am} 3s. 7d. Pulh^{am} 2s.
Mendh^{am} 2s. 8d. Metfeld 15s. 6d. Haylyoke et Lym-
bo^{ne} 1s. 3½d. Et in Stradbroke 3s. 4d.

Ut^{ur} p3 comp^{ar}a ministroz 16l. 16s. 11½d.

Inde repris^{us}.

In redd^{us} resolut^{us} colleg^{us} de Metyngh^{am} 10d. Manio
de Metefeld Hall 2s. Et p^{ri}ori de Eye p molend^{us} in Way-
bred p annū 1l. 1l. 2s. 10d.

Et valet clare 15l. 14s. 1½d.

Wenaston.

Valet in redd^{us} assis^{us} idm p annū ut p3 comp^{ar}a ministroz
11l. 3s. 5½d.

Inde repris^{us}.

In redd^{us} resolut^{us} manio de Bramfeld p a 3s. 10d.
Manio de Wysett 1s. 6d. Dño Dacre de la South manio
s^{us} de Thoryngton p annū 1½d. 0l. 5s. 5½d.

Et valet clare 10l. 18s. 0d.

Westelton.

Valet in redd^{us} assis^{us} idm p annū 3l. 6s. 8d. Redd^{us}
mobil^{is} 6d. Firm^{us} terr^{is} dñic^{us} 2l. 13s. 4d. 6l. 0s. 6d.

Inde repris^{us}.

In redd^{us} resolut^{us} manio de Kelsale p annū 8d. Manio
de Westelton Hall 7s. Manio de Cleves 4s. 1d.

0l. 11s. 9d.

Et valet clare 5l. 8s. 9d.

Ufford Hall in Fresyngfeld.

Valet in redd^{us} assis^{us} idm p annū ut p3 comp^{ar}a ministroz
11l. 18s. 11¾d.

Inde repris'
In redd' resolut' manio de Stradbroke p annū 10s.
Pori de Eye manio s' de Fresyngfeld 2s. Manio de Che-
benhall in Fresyngfeld 1s. 6d. Et duci Suff' manio s' de
Benhall p warda castri 3d. . . . 0l. 13s. 9d.
Et valet clare 11l. 5s. 2½d.
Norff'.
Sethyng.
Valet in redd' assis' p annū ut pꝛ compa ministroꝝ
4l. 18s. 11½d.
Repris'.
In redd' resolut' manio de Sethyng p annū 1l. 0s. 0d.
Et valet clare 3l. 18s. 11½d.
Tunstale.
Valet in redd' assis' ibm p annū 15s. ½d. Firm' terr'
dñic' eidm manio ptn p annū 3l. 7s. 7½d. 4l. 2s. 8d
Repris'.
In redd' resolut' comiti Arundell' manio s' de Cantley
p annū 6s. 4d. Riçō Broke maner' de Tunstall Hall 3s.
Manio de Jarbeg' 1s. Teñt, Joñis Treman 9d. Vic'
Norff' 1s. 5d. Hundr' de Blofeld 2s. Dño rege p lete fee
p annū 1s. 6d. 0l. 16s. 0d.
Et valet clare 3l. 6s. 8d.
Pquis cur'.
Valentin exit' sive pñic' deplit' sive pquis' cur' inf' com'
pñdict' cōibꝝ ann' ut pꝛ rotul' eazdm coram comissionar' dñi
reg^a ostens' et examiat' 1l. 6l. 8d.
Sñ^a to^{lis} valor' oñi' manioꝝ pñdcoꝝ t^m de redd' et
firm' 227l. 1s. 11½d.
Q^m de pquis' cur' ibm 1l. 6s. 8d.
228l. 8s. 7½d.
Inde.
Resoluc' reddit'.
In redd' resolut' exeunt' de manijs pñdict' infra com'
sup'dict' p ut pñict^r supius apparet p annū 8l. 4s. 2½d.
Soluc' p' fundac'.
Et in denar' solut' p quad^m elimos' ann^u dat' paupibꝝ
in pot' et pan' ad diṽs' dies in anno 3s. 9d. In cibo de co-
quina 5s. Et in tempe quadragesim' dat' in pan' pot' allecis
rub' et allecis albis p annū 3l. 4s. ½d.
Et in cons' denar' ann^u solut' p' assignat' et volunt'
ejusdm Joñis Fynne nup' de Fresyngfeld defunct' monach'
existen' prsbiter' ejusdm monast'ij ad orand' p' anima
ejusdm Joñis 3l. 0s. 8d.
Necnon in p'petuam elimos' ann^u dat' p' assignat' et
voluntat' cujusm' Thome Porter capellani defunct' p'd c'i
mon^{chis} ut sup^a 1l. 14s. 8d.
Ac in p'petuam' elimos' annu^u dat' in pan' et pot' p'
fundat' in die obitus s' p' annum' 0l. 5s. 0s.
5l. 0s. 4d.
8l. 13s. 1½d.
3l. 12s. 9½d.
3l. 17s. 9½d.
Feod' offic'.
Et in feod' diṽs' offic' dco monasñio ptn' viz. in feod'
Wifmo Rowes milit' cap' sen' ejusdm monast'ij 2l. Joñi
Holdich auditor' 2l. Et Roñto Whynwerre batl' p coll'
redd' et firm' ibm p annū 3l. 10s. . . . 7l. 10s. 0d.
24l. 7s. 4½d.
19l. 12s. ½d.
Et valet clare de dict' tempal 208l. 16s. 7½d.

Sp'ual in com' Suff'.
Rector' eccl'iaꝝ d'.
Westelton.
Valet in firm' rector' ibm p a^m . . . 8l. 13s 4d.
Rendh^m
Valet in firm' rector' ibm p annū . . 4l. 0s. 0d.
Sybeton et Pesynhale.
Valet in firm' rector' ibm p a^m . . . 4l. 0s. 0d.
Craneford.
Valet in quad'm porc' ibm p a^m . . . 2l. 0s. 0d.
18l. 13s. 4d.
Vicar' eccl'iaꝝ d'.
Rendh^m.
Joñes Childerhouse vicar' ibm q' valet in terr' gleb' 12s.
In decimis hbag' lactag' oblac' et al' pñic' eidm ptn' cōibꝝ
ann' 6l. 11s. 7l. 3s. 0d.
Inde.
In sinodal' eþo Norwic' et pcur' archio Suff' p annū
0l. 9s. 2d.
Et valet clare 6l. 13s. 2d.
Sybeton cu' capell' de Pesynhall.
Joñes Chapman vicar' ibm q' valet in terr' gleb' 6s. In
decimis hbag' lactag' oblac' et al' pñic' eidm ptn' 5l. 13s. 6d.
Necnon de pñic' capell' de Pesynhalle 7l. 5s. 6d.
13l. 5s. 0d.
Inde.
In sinodal' eþo Norwic' 0l. 2s. 0d.
Et valet clare 13l. 3s. 0d.
38l. 9s. 6d.
Norff'.
Rector' d' Tunstall.
Valet in decimis g^{uoꝝ} eidm rector ptn cōibꝝ annis' 7l. 7s.
Vicar' d' Tunstall.
Edwardus Lyne monach' vicar' ibm q' valet in terr'
gleb' 1l. 7s. In decimis hbag' lactag' oblac' et al' pñic' eidm
ptin 1l. 16s. 11½d. . . . 3l. 3s. 11½d.
In pcur' et sinodal' p annū 0l. 9s. 1½d.
Et valet clare 2l. 14s. 10d.
10l. 1s. 10d.
Sñ^a to^{lis} valor' dcaꝝ eccliaꝝ . . . 49l. 12s. 3½d.
Inde.
In denar' solut' p sinodal' et pcurac' exeunt' de vicar'
pñdic' p ut supius specificat' p annū . . 1l. 0s. 11½d.
Et in denar' solut' eþo Norwic' p penc' porc' et sinodal
p annū
Et in denar' solut' sacriste ecclie Sñe Trinitat' Norwic'
p annū 4s. Priorat' de Rumburgh 16s. 8d. Prior Sñe Fid'
2l. P^{or} de Eye p annū 6s. 8d. . . . 3l. 7s. 4d.
Et in denar' solut' archio Suff' p pcurac' eccliaꝝ de
Sybton et Craneford cū capell' de Pesynhale 0l. 15s. 0d.
7l. 13s. 3½d.
Et valet clare de sp'ual' . . . 41l. 19s 0d.
Sñ^a to^{lis} clare valor' t^m de tempal' } 250l. 15s. 7½d.
q^m sp'ual' pñdict' p a^m } 246l. 0s. 3½d.
Inde p x^a dño regi { 24l. 12s. 0½d.
25l. 1s. 6½d.

Stanley Abbey, in Wiltshire.



TANLEY ABBEY has its history written to our hand, by the Rev. William Lisle Bowles, whose account we shall make no apology for adopting, as the best which it is probable can now be given.

"Before we proceed to illustrate the history and local antiquities of Stanley Abbey," he observes, "it will be proper to advert to all that we already know of it. This is contained in Dugdale, Leland,

and Tanner. The information which Dugdale has given^b is taken from the register of Lacock, in Biblio. Cottoniana, namely that, in the year 1161, the Abbey of Stanley was first founded at Lockswell, removed from Quarrie, in the Isle of Wight; that after three years it was removed from Lockswell to Stanleigh.

"By Leland we are informed that Matilda the empress first founded a religious house in a place called Lockswell; that afterwards Henry the Second removed the brothers from Lockswell to Stanley, where he founded the Abbey of Stanley, and gave the lordship to them^c.

"In Tanner's Notitia is contained as follows:

"'LOCKSWELL. This place, in the forest of Chippenham, was given by Henry, son to the Duke of Normandy, and Earl of Anjou, afterwards Henry the Second, to the monks of Quarre, upon condition that they should settle there a convent of Cistercians, which they did A. D. 1151; but three years after, that prince and his mother Maud, the empress, removed the religious from thence to STANLEIGH, where they built and endowed, to the honour of the blessed Virgin Mary, an abbey for thirteen white monks, whose revenues were valued, 26th Hen. VIII. at 177*l.* 0*s.* 8*d.* per annum, Dugd. 222*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.* Speed.^d The site was granted, 28th Hen. VIII., to Sir Edward Boynton.'

"This is the substance of all the knowledge we have of the foundation and the history of Stanley Abbey.

"The documents for the foundation of this knowledge are, first, the charter of Henry the Second, son of the Duke of Normandy, published by Dugdale, ex Officio Armorum^e; secondly, the charter of Henry the Second, and his mother Matilda, published in the Monasticon^f; thirdly, two charters of Richard the First, also published in the Monasticon^g.

"I am not aware," Mr. Bowles proceeds, "that there exist any other published authentic documents for the history of Stanley Abbey; the light, therefore, which I hope to throw on THE EARLIEST FOUNDATION of Lockswell and this abbey will be derived from personal investigation, and from authentic copies of all the *original grants* in the possession of the Baynton family, by whom the lands belonging to both abbeys were purchased from Henry the Eighth. The most important of these are, first, the charter of Henry, son of the Duke of Normandy, (afterwards king Henry the Second) copied in the Monasticon; secondly, a grant from Henry Duke of Normandy, of a hide of land at Lamburn, which Hugh Plugenet gave to the monastery at *St. Mary at Drownfont*, in the manor of Chippenham. This grant has never yet been published; upon this, therefore, it will be proper to make a few remarks. In the first charter, Henry is entitled the son of the Duke of Normandy; and therefore it must have been granted before the death of his father. In the second grant, Henry is entitled Duke of Normandy. The first grant from Henry, son of the Duke

of Normandy, gives the lands at Lockswell to the monks of St. Mary de Quararia in Insula, &c. to build there "*capitalem abbatiam*," for the soul of his father Geoffrey Duke of Normandy, his mother's, and his own, and for the welfare of the kingdom of England; this grant was in his father's lifetime, in the year 1150, as in that year his father died, and Henry had the title of Duke of Normandy soon after. Dugdale places the foundation of Stanley 1161, and Leland 1151; in fact, this latter date must have been the date of the earliest abbey at Lockswell.

"In the second charter of confirmation, when Henry was Duke of Normandy, we find a hide of land in Lamburn given by Hugh Plugenet (the name of Pinnegor very common in this county,) to the monks of Drownfont. There is no published account of Drownfont, or THE MONKS OF DROWNFONT; and therefore it was my first object to ascertain where this Drownfont was situated, and the origin of this forgotten name; and I flatter myself I have completely succeeded.

"It will be remembered that the land first granted in Wiltshire was for the foundation of Lockswell. I therefore naturally concluded, that in the neighbourhood of Lockswell (now Lockswell-heath, at the back of the Marquis of Lansdown's plantations at Bowood) there must be some remarkable spring or fountain; for the second unpublished charter gives so much land to the monks of St. Mary of Drownfont. In the third grant, conjunctively from Matilda and her son, of a meadow in the forest of Chippenham, near Lacock Bridge, this Abbey Drownfont is called *Abbatia de Drogonis fonte*. In further investigation of the place and the origin of the name, I was convinced that the abbey which had existed for three years in Lockswell, and then vanished, like Aladdin's palace, must, from the name, have been built near the spring or fountain in Lockswell, which must yet exist.

"Why it was called the Abbey de Drownfont, and 'de Drogonis Fonte,' must be equally clear, when, in turning to the first and earliest grant, we find this remarkable passage: 'Ego filius, &c. Ducis Normanniæ have given Lock'swell, (Lockwellam) with all the rights and customs which my mother and myself gave to *Drogo*, my mother's chamberlain, to the monks of Quarre;—*terras, cum consuetudinibus et libertatibus, quos et mater mea et ego dedimus Drogoni matris meæ camerario*.' It will therefore, I think, clearly follow, that Drogo, Matilda's chamberlain, having the first possession of Lockswell, the name of the abbey, as long as it then continued, was that of St. Mary de Drownfont, or de Drogonis Fonte. To this abbey the grants are made primarily of Henry and Matilda. There is also a grant to the same abbey from William Earl of Salisbury, son of Patrick, the founder of Bradenstoke Abbey, in the neighbourhood. All the other grants, from Richard I., dated Messina, when he went to the Crusades; from Edward I., dated Dumfermling, where he kept his Christmas after the conquest of Scotland; from Henry III., &c. are to STANLEY.

"The site of the earliest abbey at Lock'swell, the name, and the origin of that name, as I flatter myself, I have been the first to discover. I may perhaps, if you will give me leave, occupy a few more pages of your valuable Miscellany some future time, in communicating an account of the *other grants* which throw so much light on the history of the Abbey of Stanley, in this parish, and particularly in describing the beautiful fountain or spring at Lockswell, which has been nameless for centuries, and which, bursting from the top of a woody and romantic eminence, which commands a vast sweep of distant country in front, winds his way

^a Gent. Mag. Jan. 1823, p. 24.

^b See the Append. to the present Account, Num. 1.

^c Lel. Coll. tom. i. p. 60.

^d The following are the entries in Pope Nicholas's Taxation, A. D. 1291, which relate to Stanleigh:

TEMPORAL. Dioc. Sarum; in Ruteshale, 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*; in Stapelford, 0*l.* 8*s.* 0*d.*; in Decanat. Abingdon, 47*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*; in Decanat. Neubur. 8*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*; in Marleberg, 0*l.* 2*s.* 0*d.*; in Langedeneswith, 9*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

apud Ricardeston, 8*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; in Stodley, 11*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*; in Yattone, 7*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; in Lockeswelle, 4*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* Dioc. Wigorn. apud Cuderinton in redd. et terr. 13*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.*

SPIRITUAL. Porcio in Ecclesia de Lamburn, 0*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 185 b, 186 b, 187 b, 191, 191 b, 192 b, 193, 193 b, 236 b.

^e See the Append. Num. II.

^f Num. III.

^g Numm. IV. V.

through the wildest glades of the ancient forest of Chippenham.—W. L. BOWLES.”

Tanner's references to muniments and records relating to Stanley, with a few others, will be found in the note below.^a

A very fair and perfect impression of the COMMON

SEAL of this Abbey, attached to a deed dated in 1363, remains in the Augmentation Office: it is round, and has for its subject the Blessed Virgin and child on one side, and Saint John the Baptist on the other; between them is an olive tree. The legend is S. COMVNE. ABBIS. ET. C. VENTVS. DE. STANLEYA. The impression is on dark green wax.

Cartae ad Stanleghensem Abbatiam in agro Wiltoniensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

[Ex Registro de Lacok in bibl. Cottoniana.]

ANNO Domini MCII. hoc anno situata est domus primò de Stanlegh apud Lokeswell, et conventus de Quararia ibidem. Post annos tres translata est abbatia ad locum qui dicitur Stanlegh imperatricis; imperatrix eam primò fundavit.

[Lelandi Coll. vol. i. p. 63.]

Matildis imperatrix primò fundavit domum in loco vocato Lorwelle, deinde Rex Henricus secundus transtulit fratres ad hunc locum quem fundavit, et dedit eis dominium de Stanley.

Benefactores.

Philippus Basset. Dominus Radulphus. Filii Stephani regis. Ecclesia de Wotton-Basset appropriata. Hæc domus filialis monasterii de Quarrera in Insula Vecta.

NUM. II.

Carta Henrici ducis Normanniæ et comitis Andegaviæ filii, de fundatione hujus cœnobii.

[Ex autographo in Officio Armorum.]

HENRICUS ducis Normanniæ et comitis Andegaviæ filius, archiepiscopis, episcopis, comitibus, baronibus, vicecomitibus, justiciariis, et omnibus fidelibus Francie et Anglie salutem. Seiatis me dedisse, et concessisse Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ de Quadraria in insula de Wieh, in perpetuam elemosinam, Loewellam, ad faciendam ibidem capitalem abbatiam, pro salute et incolumitate domini Gaufridi Normanniæ

ducis, et Andegaviæ comitis, necnon pro salute dominæ imperatricis matris meæ, et mea, et pro statu regni Anglorum, et pro animabus Henrici regis avi mei, et M. reginæ, omniumque prædecessorum meorum defunctorum. Et ideo volo, et firmiter præcipio, quod præmemoratæ abbatiæ monachi, prædictum locum habeant, libere et quiete, et honorifice, et plenarie, cum omnibus illis libertatibus, et consuetudinibus, quas domina imperatrix, mater mea, et ego dedimus, et concessimus domino Drogoni dominæ matris meæ camerario, sicut nos donum illud eidem Drogoni eartis nostris, quas prædicti monachi habent dedimus, et confirmavimus. Testibus, Roberto deeano Saresberie, magistro Matheo, Gregorio Day, Humfrido de Bohun, Huberto de Vallibus, Humfrido filio Otonis constabularii, Willielmo filio Hamonis, Riolfo de Sessuns, Petro Boterello, apud Divisas.

NUM. III.

Carta Regis Henrici secundo.

[Cartæ antiquæ, litera X. n. 22. vide Pat. 2 H. VI. part. 3. n. 11.]

HENRICUS Rex Angliæ, dux Normanniæ, Aquitaniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, abbatibus et universo capitulo Cisterciensi, et omnibus ad quos præsens carta pervenerit salutem. Noverit universitas vestra quod cum, Deo largiente, adeptus fuero regnum Angliæ, reperi quod tempore regis Stephani ablitoris mei, multa dispersa fuerant, etiam à dominiis regni alienata, cum in feodis militum, tum in elemosinis ecclesiarum; inter quæ abbatia de Thama membrum quoddam manerii mei de Ferendon, quod vocatur Wurda, tenebat, ex dono inimicorum meorum, quod in integrum mihi resignavit, sed quia fuerat religiosæ domui quoquomodo collatum: ad petitionem imperatricis dominæ et matris meæ, et Gilberti,

^a Vide Chronicon sive Annales Angliæ, a Bruto ad A. D. 1270, a monacho quodam Cisterciensi de Stanley conscripti, MS. in bibl. Bodl. Digby xi. Excerpta ex eodem, MS. Dodsw. in bibl. Bodl. Oxon. vol. cii. fol. 130, et MS. in bibl. Harleyana, 258, fol. 152.

“Appropriationem eccl. de Rye, Sussex, abbati et monachis de Stanley, A.D. 1363, penes v. cl. Petrum Le Neve arm. Norroy: et una cum ordinatione vicariæ in registro Episc. Cicestr. C. fol. 76, 77.

“Librum Munimentorum domus religiosæ de Stanley, MS. penes Joannem Maddenum, coll. medicorum Dublin. præsidem, 1697.

“Cart. antiq. U. n. 5. W. n. 4. FF. n. 6. RR. n. 5.

“Liberat. 3 Joan. m. 2. Cart. 5 Joan. m. 3. n. 18, 19.

“Claus. 8 Hen. III. m. 11. Fin. Oxon. 8 Hen. III. n. . de terris in Hornington. Claus. 9 Hen. III. m. 7. de Alflet, sive de Alfreton More. Cart. 11 Hen. III. p. 1. n. 49, 50. Claus. 11 Hen. III. m. 9. Ibid. m. 11. pro meremio in bosco de Chippenham. Fin. War. 31 Hen. III. n. . de maner. de Staverton. Pat. 37 Hen. III. m. 29 vel 30. quod canes abbatis non expeditentur infra forestam de Chippenham. Cart. 49 Hen. III. m. 6. Pat. 50 Hen. III. n. 4. Plac. forestæ, 56 Hen. III. n. . pro mortuo bosco in foresta Chipenham.

“Claus. 1 Edw. I. m. 7. d. Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 32. d. Plac. in com. Wilt. 9 Edw. I. assis. rot. 52. Plac. in com. Berk. 12 Edw. assis. rot. 29. de v. virgat. terræ in Lamburn, ex concess. Oliveri Plunkenet. Plac. coram rege apud Westmonast. 13 Edw. I. Trin. rot. 5 et rot. 31. pro maner. de Staverton. Plac. in com. Glocestr. 15 Edw. I. quo war. rot. 7. d. pro libertat. in maner. de Codrington. Pat. 18 Edw. I. m. 18. pro includendo bosco la More prope abbatiam in foresta de Chippenham. Pat. 32 Edw. I. m. 28. pro xxv. acris terræ vasti in foresta de Pewesham.

“Cart. 4 Edw. II. m. 8. n. 31. pro mortuo bosco in foresta de Chippenham, &c. Pat. 4 Edw. II. p. 1. m. 12. pro terris in Suddrington et Sherstor Parva. Brev. reg. 6 Edw. II. Pasch. rot. 16. Pat. 10 Edw. II. p. 2. m. 9. pro maner. de Wadele. Pat. 13 Edw. II. m. 14. de ecc. acr. bosci in Braden concess. Hugoni de Spencer pro parco de Fastern elargando. Pat. 17 Edw. II. p. 1. m. 6. pro reddit. ex maner. de Staverton. Ibid. p. 2. m. 10. Pat. 18 Edw. II. p. 1. m. 31. de maner. de Wadele, Mighale, Mercumb, &c.

“Pat. 6 Edw. II. p. 3. m. 8. Cart. 6 Edw. III. n. 13. pro maner. de Staverton. Brev. reg. 6 Edw. III. p. 2. in medio bund. de terris pertinentibus manerio suo de Worthe. Pat. 25 Edw. III. p. 2. m. 2 vel 3. de exoneratione reparationis viæ vocat. Saltharpesway in hund. de Kingsbrugg. Pat. 28 Edw. III. p. 1. m. 3. Pat. 36 Edw. III. p. 1. m. 17. Pat. 37 Edw. III. p. 1. m. 4 vel 5. pro maner. de Worth, Wadele, &c. Ibid. m. 18, 21 et 22. pro eccl. de Rond. et Wottonbasset, Wilt. et Rye, co. Sussex, appropriandis, et pro decimis piscatorum vocat. Christeshare et Kingeshare in dicta villa de Rye. Pat. 45 Edw. III. p. 1. m. 23.

“Rec. in scacc. 8 Hen. IV. pasch. rot. 10. pro maner. de Goderington et hundred de Grombeldash, Glocestr. Plac. assis. in div. com. 8 Hen. IV. rot. 12, pro ten. in Barwick Basset. Ibid. 9 Hen. IV. rot. 15. pro reddit. xxx. sol. in Ugford juxta Wilton.

“Rec. in Scacc. 8 Hen. V. pasch. rot. 10. pro maner. de Goderington Glocestr.

Pat. 2 Hen. VI. p. 3. m. 11. Rec. in Scacc. 10 Hen. VI. Pasch. rot. 7. pro reddit. in Barwick Basset. Pat. 19 Hen. VI. p. 1. m. 31. de ccxi. acris in foresta de Pewesham assartandis et excolendis. Pat. 26 Hen. VI. p. 2. m. 9. Pat. 27 Hen. VI. p. 1. m. 3 vel 4. Pat. 31 Hen. VI. p. 2. m. 7. Pat. 33 Hen. VI. p. 2. m. . de maner. de Codrington Gloucestr. concedendo Joanni Codrington. Fin. div. com. 34 Hen. VI. n. 67. pro maner. de Cricket Thomas, Somers. et Tretryce com. Corn. Claus. 34 Hen. VI. m. 14. relaxat. pro maner. de Trevrys a will. Lucy mil.

“Pat. 13 Edw. IV. p. 2. m. ult. vel penult.

“Pat. 12 Hen. VIII. p. 2. m. . . .”

See also Rot. Hundr. vol. ii. pp. 225, 231, 232, 234, 243, 244, 250, 252, 262, 263. Plac. de Quo War. p. 799. Abbrev. Plac. pp. 10, 86.

In Hearne's Manuscript Diaries, in the Bodleian Library at Oxford, vol. cxxv. pp. 123, 129, are copies of two charters of King Edward III. to this abbey.

Cart. antiq. Harl. Brit. Mus. 111. C. 13. we have Carta Edw. III. regis a. r. xxxvii. Johanni Abbati de Stanlegh in com. Wiltes. de proficuo ad nos de navibus piscatorum villæ de Rye pertinente vocat. Kyngesshares. See also Cart. antiq. Harl. I. 14. art. 79. 45 C. 7. 46 E. 54. 48 C. 39. 29 F. 9.

tunc temporis, abbatis Cisterciensium et coabbatum suorum petitione, et assensu, dedi prædium membrum manerii mei Ferendonæ, Wurda vocatum, mihi prædeterminato ex toto mihi resignatum, abbatiae de Stanlega, quæ est de fundatione præfatæ imperatricis, dominæ et matris meæ, et mea, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, eum omnibus rebus, et libertatibus, et liberis consuetudinibus ad illud pertinentibus, in liberam, et puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, possidendum. Quare volo, &c. Testibus, H. Lincolniensi episcopo, Rogero, et Richardo, et Nicholao capellanis meis, Hugone de Norwich, Hugone Bardulfo dapiferis, Radulfo filio Stephani camerario, Roberto de Witefeld, Michaele Belet, apud Wudestoke.

NUM. IV.

Carta Regis Richardi primi.

[Cart. antiq. littera X. n. 23. Cart. 11 H. III. nu. 49. per Inspex. et Pat. 2 H. VI. part. 3. m. 11.]

RICHARDUS, Dei gratia Rex Anglorum, &c. Archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, baronibus, justiciariis, vicecomitibus, ballivis, ministris, et omnibus fidelibus suis Francis et Anglis totius Angliæ salutem. Sciatis nos suscepisse in manum, et custodiam et protectionem nostram, abbatiam de Stanlega, quam pater noster Rex Henricus, et mater ejus, avia nostra, domina Matildis imperatrix, fundaverunt, et omnem eorum donationem Deo et eidem abbatiae, monachisque ibidem Deo servientibus, in perpetuam et puram elemosinam concessisse, et carta nostra præsentem confirmasse: totam, videlicet, terram de prædicta Stanlega, quæ membrum erat manerii nostri de Chippeham, eum omnibus pertinentiis suis, quæ reddebat patri nostro xl. s.; et Migellam, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, quæ reddebat ei septem libras; et Heilandam, quæ est juxta pontem de Lakoc, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, quæ reddebat ei xx. sol.; et Werdam, quæ membrum erat manerii nostri de Ferendon, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis: et Lokeswellam, quæ est in foresta de Chippeham, eum omnibus pertinentiis suis, quæ reddebat ei xx. sol. sicut carta patris nostri et aviæ nostræ testatur; et totum dominium nostrum de Hedfeld, citra et ultra rivum, cum septem hominibus ibidem manentibus; et de mortuo bosco, in foresta de Chippeham, quantum necesse fuerit ad ignem monachorum, et ad eorum ædificia præparanda, eum necesse fuerit materiam in ipso bosco, per considerationem forestarii accipiendam; insuper et pasturam, et pannagium liberum et quietum sibi de prædictis septem hominibus in eadem foresta de suis dominicis porcis, et animalibus, et pecudibus, et pratum de Dunleg, quod est in foresta de Chippeham, super ripam fluminis Havenæ, et diebus singulis in perpetuum tres denarios de firma nostra de Chippeham. Concessimus etiam eidem abbatiae, et monachis in ea Deo servientibus, et confirmavimus terram quam comes Patricius dedit eis; totam videlicet terram quam ipse habuit in Hetfeld juxta forestam de Chippeham, quæ pertinebat ad Wyeolt, scilicet quatuor solidatas terræ. Ex dono Hugonis de Plugeneie, unam hidatam terræ, cum pasturis et omnibus pertinentiis suis, in Hup-Lamburne, et insuper decem acras terræ de Sepland, singulis anuis, et pasturam decem boum, et trium vaccarum, cum suis dominicis bobus, et unam virgam in bosco suo ad caulus suas faciendas; et totam terram domini sui de Godeswell, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Guidonis de Diva et Lucie sponsæ suæ, totam terram suam de Davinton, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis et libertatibus, sicut cartæ eorum testantur. Ex dono Radulfi filii Stephani, totam terram suam de Wappel et de Cudelinton, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, quam dominus Rex H. pater noster ei dedit pro homagio et servicio suo. Ex dono Henrici Hosati et Galfridi filii ejus, terram quam Faber tenuit in villa de Stapelford, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et septem acras de dominico suo in Breeha de Suhamtona. Ex dono Hugonis Hosati, totam illam terram de Mereumba, quam Robertus filius Martini dederat, pro servitio suo, eum omnibus pertinentiis suis, sicut eam Gervasius de Halwri melius, et plenius habuit, et tenuit. Ex dono Reginaldi de Payvelei, dimidium nemoris sui in Halwirth. Ex dono Aewisæ comitissæ de Romare, dimidiam virgatam terræ quam Ordgarus de Ponte tenuit de ea in villa de Feltham. Ex dono Thomæ de Lanvaleie, duas solidatas terræ quam Richardus le Lover in Chepmanesland quondam tenuerat, et terram illam totam quam Richardus Ches in

eadem villa tenuerat. Ex dono Walteri Croch, quarrariam suam de Haselberga, et terram Sampsonis Bigot usque ad antiquum fossatum, et usque ad veterem viam. Ex dono Willielmi de Hogland, terram illam in Penna quam Wilmundus tenuit. Ex dono Rogeri Burel, totamcroftam illam quæ Berlege appellata est. Ex dono Synonis de Coehelberga, et Petri filii ejus, totum redditum, et quicquid juris habuerunt, in illa virgata terræ quam Sewardus tenuit, et postea Nigellus de Stanlega, totamque medietatem molendini de Pechinilla, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Nigelli de Stanlega, terram illam quam Styleghe appellatur, et quicquid terræ habuit in Hotfelde. Ex dono Richardi filii Lueæ, slusagium unum, super terram suam, ad molendinum monachorum fullericum. Ex dono Willielmi comitis Glocestriæ, quietantiam theolonei in Bristoll. Ex dono Roberti filii Martini, ecclesiam de Blachedon, quam eis donavit in perpetuam elemosinam. Ex dono magistri Rogeri de Colne, burgagium unum in eadem villa. Ex dono Radulfi le Ethine, messuagium unum. Ex dono Richardi Withar, messuagium unum. Ex dono Walteri Pistoris, messuagium unum juxta pontem de Calna, et aliud messuagium ex dono Adæ Cochks. Et quæcunque alia pia donatorum, vel venditorum devotione adquisierint. Quare volumus, &c. Testibus, Hugone Dunelmensi, Godefrido Wintoniensi, &c. episcopis, &c. Dat. apud Westm. per manum Willielmi de Longocampo Eliensis electi, cancellarii nostri, xiiij. die Nov., regni nostri anno primo.

NUM. V.

Alia Carta ejusdem Regis Richardi.

[Cart. antiq. X. n. 6.]

RICHARDUS Dei gratia Rex Angliæ, &c. salutem. Sciat me concessisse, et præsentem carta nostra confirmasse, abbatiae de Stanlée, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, rationabile donum quod eis fecit R. filius Stephani, scilicet Covinton et Wapelée, cum omnibus pertinentiis, quæ pater noster bonæ memoriæ H. prædicto R. filio Stephani pro homagio et servicio suo dedit. Quare volumus et firmiter præcipimus, &c. Testibus, Rogero de Pratellis dapifero nostro, Richardo de Camvill, Willielmo Giffard, et pluribus aliis. Datum per manum magistri Rogeri Malicatuli clerici nostri, apud Messanam, tertio die Aprilis, anno regni nostri secundo.

NUM. VI.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

STANLEY IN COM' WILTES SAR' DIOC'.

Valores omni' dñioꝝ manioꝝ terraz et ten' an^{ti} ptin' abbatie ibm tam in com' Wiltes q'm in alijs com' infra regnū Anglie.

Stanley Man'iu' in com' p'diet.

D' redd' omni' terr' p ^{re} toꝝ et pastur' dñical' ibm' p an ^m	19l.	8s.	4d.
D' redd' tenenc' custum' ibm p an ^m	39l.	15s.	8d.
Pquisit' curiaz ibm p an ^m	0l.	13s.	4d.

Berwicke Basset eu' Richardston et

Langeden in com' p'dict'.

D' redd' omni' terr' p ^{re} toꝝ et pastur' dñical' ibm p an ^m	17l.	3s.	6d.
D' redd' tenenc' custum' et liboꝝ ibm p an ^m	8l.	1s.	9d.
Pquisit' curiaz ibm p an ^m	0l.	10s.	0d.

Chippenhām in com' p'dict'.

D' redd' assis' ibm p an ^m	4l.	2s.	10d.
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Henton et Bubton in com' p'dict'.

D' redd' ass' ibm p an ^m	1l.	6s.	8d.
D' redd' ass' in Bubton p an ^m	0l.	13s.	4d.

Loxwell et Nethermore in com' p'dict'.

D' redd' ass' ibm p an ^m	9l.	0s.	0d.
D' redd' in Nethermore p an ^m	4l.	2s.	4d.

Myghall in com' p'dict'.

D' redd' ass' ibm p an ^m	38l.	12s.	4d.
Pquisit' curiaz ibm p an ^m	0l.	6s.	8d.

Stodley Grange et Costowe in com' p'dict'.		
D' redd' ass' iſm p an ^m	16l.	8s. 4d.
D' redd' ass' in Costowe p an ^m	4l.	8s. 4d.
Godwell et Heywodde in com' p'dict'.		
D' redd' ass' iſm p an ^m	4l.	16s. 8d.
D' redd' ass' in Heywodd p an ^m	2l.	13s. 4d.
Heyforde cu' Stapulforde et Rutsall in com' p'dict'.		
D' redd' ass' iſm p an ^m	1l.	10s. 0d.
D' redd' ass' in Stapulforde p an ^m	0l.	8s. 0d.
D' redd' ass' in Rutsall p an ^m	1l.	0s. 0d.
Yatton et Clopcote in com' p'dict'.		
D' redd' ass' iſm p an ^m	2l.	13s. 4d.
D' redd' ass' in Clopcote p an ^m	0l.	4s. 0d.
Thyckewod et Haselbury in com' p'dict'.		
D' redd' ass' iſm p an ^m	0l.	4s. 0d.
D' redd' ass' in Hasulbury p an ^m	0l.	2s. 8d.
Calne et Stodley in com' p'dict'.		
D' redd' ass' iſm p an ^m	5l.	11s. 8d.
D' redd' ass' in Stodley p an ^m	4l.	2s. 4d.
Rowde in com' p'dict'.		
D' redd' ass' iſm p an ^m	1l.	10s. 0d.
D' redd' rectorie iſm p an ^m	5l.	13s. 4d.
Wotton Basset' in com' p'dict'.		
D' redd' rectorie iſm p an ^m	7l.	0s. 0d.
D' annua pensione vicarij iſm p an ^m	1l.	0s. 0d.
Cudry'gton in com' Glocest' Wygorn' dioc'.		
D' redd' ass' iſm p an ^m	11l.	0s. 0d.
Lambo'n in com' Berk' Sar' dioc'.		
D' redd' ass' iſm p an ^m	2l.	6s. 8d.
Mercombe cu' Eston et Buklondyna' in com' Som' Bathon' et Wellen' dioc'.		
D' redd' ass' iſm p an ^m	1l.	6s. 8d.
D' redd' ass' in Eston p an ^m	2l.	0s. 0d.
D' redd' ass' in Buklondynā p an ^m	0l.	2s. 3d.
Rye in com' Sussex' Cicestren' dioc'.		
D' redd' rectorie iſm p an ^m	3l.	0s. 0d.
S ^m a oñis	222l.	19s. 4d.
Allocações et resoluções. Resoluc' reddit'.		
Inde solut' dño regi p terris vast' in Stanley et Loxwell p an ^m		
Et eidm dño regi p spuario mua" p mañio de Bar- wycke Basset p an ^m		
Et solut' dñe regine p Langeden et Weke p an ^m 3l. 10s. 0d.		
Et solut' dño comit' Warwycke p quodm redd' in Costowe p an ^m		
Et solut' dño de Zowche p libo redd' in feod' suo de Calne p an ^m		
Et solut' rector' ecclie de Calne p libo redd' in feod' suo iſm p an ^m		
Et solut' p'ori de Bradenstocke p uno tenement' in Stanley et decimis de Costowe p an ^m		
Et solut' custod' Hospital S ^c i Bartholomei in Bristoll p terr' in Richardston p an ^m		
Et resolut' Walt'o Hungerford milit' p libo redd' p'tris in Chippenh'am p an ^m		
Et solut, Robto Hungerford p libo redd' clausi p'ti Langnā p an ^m		
Et solut' Robti Norman p quadm via in p'to de Lang- nā p an ^m		
Et solut' dñe de Pepclyve p libo redd' clausi p'ti de Kyngscrofte p an ^m		
Et solut' p'ori de Farley p decimis de Stanley p compo- sitionē p an ^m		

Et solut' rector' ecclie de Preshet p decimis de Lange- den et Weke p compositionē p an ^m		
Et solut' rector' ecclie de Wynt'bo'n Basset p decimis g'angie de Richardston p compositionē p an ^m		
Et solut' ballivo hundred de Sylkeley p sect' curie p g'angio de Richardeston p an ^m		
Penciones.		
Et solut' ad cantariā Wiltmi Ingram fundat' in ecclia de Hyworth exeunt' de Stodley G'ange' p an ^m 6l. 13s. 4d.		
Feod' officiar'.		
Et solut' Henrico Longe milit' capitali senescallo p feod' suo p an ^m		
Et solut' Thome Semayn subsenescallo p feod' suo p an ^m		
Et solut' eidm Thome auditor' p feod' suo' p an ^m 1l. 6s. 8d.		
Et solut' vicecom' Wiltes' p an ^m		
Et solut' escaetor' Wiltes' p an ^m		
Pencion'.		
Et solut' Thome Buryman receptor' geñal p feod' suo p an ^m		
Etsolut' Joñi Fysshare p corrodio suo p an ^m 4l. 13s. 4d.		
Et solut' Georgio Bregus p corrodio suo p an ^m 4l. 13s. 4d.		
Elemosin'.		
Et solut' tribz paupibz viz Edithe Lowce Agneti Mer- ler et Johanne Maynard cult illaz an ⁱ 1l. 6s. 8d. p corrodijis suis ex ordinacōe fundator'		
Adhuc feod' officiar'.		
Et solut' Wiltmo Morley ballivo mañioz et boscoz de Stanley et Loxwell p feod' suo p an ^m		
Et solut' Joñi Byggs ballivo libtats in Chippeham p feod suo p an ^m		
Et solut' Joñi Stratton ballivo mañioz de Berwycke et Myghale p feod' suo p an ^m		
S ^m a allocac' 47l. 8s. 8d.		
Et remanet clare 175l. 10s. 8d. 177l. . 0s. 8d.		
In' p x ^{ma}		

NUM. VII.		
COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.		
[Abstract of Roll 34 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]		
MONASTERIUM SIVE ABBATIA DE STANLEY.		
Com' Wilts'	£.	s. d.
Brodehenton—Firma tenementi, cum duobus clausis pastur, &c.		
Bubton—Prima vesturæ cujusdam prati vocati Kingescroft		
Uggeford—Firma duorum molendi- norum, cum terris, pratis, &c.		
Stapleford—Firma unius tenementi Rutsale—Firma certarum terrarum prat' pasc' et pastur'		
Clopcote—Firma unius parcellæ terræ		
Calne Cum Abbard—Reddit' tene- mentorum, terrarum, prat', &c.		
Wotton Basset—Firma rectoriæ, cum omnibus decimis, oblationi- bus, terris, tenementis, &c.		
Wotton Basset— Pensio solut' per vicarium ibidem		
Com' Glouc'		
Cudderington—Reddit' et firmama- ner' de Cudelington alias Codring- ton		
Rye—Firma rectoriæ, cum omnibus terrīs, tenementis, pratis, &c.		

Joreval, Gervis or Jervaux Abbey, in Yorkshire.



OREVAL ABBEY is situated in the parish of East Witton, in the deanry of Catterick, and archdeaconry of Richmond. The first foundation of the convent was at Fors. Burton says, "In the time of King Stephen, Akarias son of Bardolf, and nephew of Bodin, lord of many possessions in Yorkshire, having given to Peter de Quinciano, a devout man, and an able physician, and to some other monks of

Savigny, one carucate and an half of land in Wandesleydale at Fors, called Dalegrange, to which he gave three carucates in Worton, where the said friar Peter and his companions began at first to form an Abbey, and so erected simple edifices for their habitation, in A.D. 1145, which they at first called the abbey of Fors, then the abbey of Wandesleydale, afterwards the abbey of Charity. This was afterwards made subject to the abbey of Byland, from whence, in A.D. 1150, an abbat and twelve monks were sent, who, A.D. 1156, on account of the poorness of the place and intemperance of the air, were removed, with the consent of Herveus, son of Akarias their original founder, to a pleasant valley upon the river Eure, in East Witton, and the great pasture of Wandesleydale, given to them by Conan, duke of Brittany and earl of Richmond, taking the bones of their founder and his wife along with them. There John de Kingston their first abbat began to build a church (dedicating it to St. Mary), and other offices, calling it from its situation Joreval."^a

Alan, earl of Brittany, father of Conan, granted to these monks toll, theam, infangtheof, &c.^b

Burton has arranged the places alphabetically in which the abbey of Joreval had property. These were,

Aikesgarth, with the church there, which was appropriated to the abbey in 1423; tithes in *Ainderby-steple*; lands in *Alverton*, *Appleton*, and *Askerigge*; free warren in *Aykebergh*; land in *Barton*, *Boston*, or *St. Botolph* in *Holland*, *Braithwaite-grange* in *Witton*, in *Brigwath*, *Brumpton*, *Burgh*, and *Burton Constable*; a fishery in *Chambesgarth*; lands and rents in *Clifton*, *Clough* in *Sedberglic*, *Coleburn*, *Colling*, *Coldlongston*, and *Colsterdale-grange*; lands in *Croft*, *Dalton*, *Travers*, *Darlington*, *Didreston*, *Dykerberghe*, *Ellingstring*, *Ellington* or *Elkington*, *Engelby* or *Ingleby*, *Estleby* or *Exilby*, *Feldome*, *Ferriby*, *Fingal*, *Fors*, *Galtres*, *Gilling*, *Grisendene*, *Grisedale*, *Hawkeswell*, *Helfakal*, *Herneby*, and *Heselton*; fishery in *Higlamare*; lands in *Horton* in *Ribblesdale*, with free-warren; lands and free-warren in *Hoton-hang*; lanns and rents in *Hunton Kenerdley* in *Lancashire*, *Kilgrimhou-grange*, *Kneton*, *Langton upon Swale*, *Lasyngby on Wyske*, *Masham* and *Mashamshire*, *Melsamby*, *Merske*, *Middleton-querno*, *Middleton in the mires*, *Milnby*, *Miton*, *Morton*, *Murecote*, *Nappay*, *Newhouse*, *Newbiggin*, *Newstead-grange*, *Newton in the Willows*, *Ramshaw*, *Rich*, *Richmond*, *Ridmere*, *Rokwyke-grange*, *Ryswyke*, *Sudberge* or *Sedberge*, *Scuweton* alias *Scruton*, *Somercotes*, *Stanfield East*, *Stapleton East*, *Stratford*, *Tannar*, *Thirne*, *Thirnetoft*, *Thorenton*, *Thornton Steward*, *Todington*, *Tunstal-grange*, *Venflet*, *Ulnedale*, *Upledon*, *Walburn*, *Wendesley*, *Whitwell*, *Widdal*, *Winkesley*, *Witton East*, *Witton West*, *Worton* in *Wensleydale*, and *Yarum*.^c

Burton has given the following letter to Lord Cromwel from one of the visitors of this Abbey, in the time of Henry the Eighth.

"Pleasythe your lordship to be advertysed, I have taken down all the lead of Jervaux, and made it into pecys of half foddors, which lead amounteth to the number of eighteen score and five foddors, with thirty and four foddors and a half that were there before: and the said lead cannot be conveyt, nor carried until the next sombre, for the ways in that countre are so foul and deep, that no caryage can pass in wyntre. And as concerninge the raising and taking down the House, if it be your lordship's pleasure, I am minded to let it stand to the next spring of the year, by reason of the days are now so short, it would be double charges to do it now. And as concerninge the selling of the bells, I cannot sell them above fifteen shillings the hundred; wherein I wolde gladly know your lordship's pleasure, whether I sholde sell them after that price, or send them up to London; and if they be sent up, surely the caryage will be costly from that place to the water. And as for Bridlington, I have done nothing there as yet, but spayreth it to March next, because the days are now so very short; and from such time as I begin, I trust shortly to dispatch it after such fashion, that when all is finished, I trust your lordship hath appointed me to doo; and thus the Holy Ghost ever preserve your Lordship in honour. At York, this 14th day of November, 1538. By

Your lordship's most bounden beadnan,
RICHARD BELLYCIS."

ABBATS of JOREVAL.

JOHN DE KINGSTON, the first abbat, occurs, according to Burton, in 1141,^d and again in 1170.^e

JOHN BROMPTON; 1193.^f

WILLIAM, 1198.^g

EUSTACE, 1225.^h

RALPH, 1289.ⁱ

SIMON DE MIDGELEY was elected in 1304.^k

THOMAS DE GRISTHWAYT, elected in 1312.^l

HUGH, in 1342.^m

JOHN, in 1349.

RICHARD GOWER, became abbat in 1399. He died in 1425, when

PETER DE SNAPE was elected.ⁿ

JOHN BROMPTON was elected in 1436.^o

WILLIAM; on whose death

WILLIAM HESLYNGTON was elected in 1475.^p

ROBERT THORNETON, elected in 1510.^q

ADAM SEDBURGH, the last abbat, was elected in 1533.^r He was hanged in the month of June, 1537, for opposing the king's measures.^s

In Pope Nicholas's Taxation, A. D. 1291, we have, in fact, but one entry relating to Joreval, though it occurs in two places. Among the "Bona Religiosorum commoranc. in Archid. Richemond." "ABBAS DE JOREVAL habet 200l."^u

In the 26th Hen. VIII. Joreval revenues were valued, according to Dugdale, at 234l. 18s. 5d.; according to Speed at 455l. 10s. 5d.

The Site, in the 30th Hen. VIIIth. was leased for twenty-one years to Lancelot Harryson:^x and in the 36th

^a Monast. Ebor. p. 367.

^b Ibid.

^c Ibid. p. 367-372.

^d Ibid. p. 373.

^e MS. Cole, vol. xxvii. fol. 102 b.

^f Willis's Lists of Principals of Relig. Houses, in Tanner.

^g Ibid.

^h Ibid.

ⁱ Ibid.

^k Registr. Ebor. sede vac. post Corbrig. MS. Harl. 6970. p. 138.

^l MS. Harl. ibid. p. 245.

^m Tanner, ut supra.

ⁿ Harl. MS. 6972, fol. 25.

^o Ibid. fol. 29.

^p Ibid. fol. 35 b.

^q Ibid. fol. 44.

^r Ibid. fol. 47 b.

^s Willis, Mit. Ab.

^t Taxat. P. Nicholai. pp. 309 b, 329 b.

^u Orig. 30 Hen. VIII. Ebor. "Rex xiiij^o. die Februarii de advisamento Johannis Dauncy mil. et aliorum dimisit ad firmam Launceloto Harryson scitum nuper monasterii de Jarvaux et al. terr. dicto Monasterio spectant. habend. ei a festo S. Mich. Archangeli ult. præterito usque ad finem termini xxj. annorum." ro. xcix^o.

of Henry the VIIIth. granted to Matthew earl of Lenox, and Margaret his wife.

Tanner has given numerous references to books and records relating to Joreval, which will be found in the note below.^a

The COMMON SEAL, of which an Impression on red wax remains in the Augmentation Office, attached to a deed, dated in 1412, represents an abbat with his crozier, having on his dexter side, a shield with a saltier, and on his sinister, another shield, being a chief, in base three braces, the Legend entirely gone; the Counter seal, barry of six, three roundels in chief.

Cartae ad Jorebaultrensem Abbatiam, in agro Ebora- censi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

Historia Foundationis.

[Ex regist. de Bellalanda. f. 15.]

TEMPORE regis Stephani, qui Henrico primo successit in regnum Angliæ, fuit quidam miles generosæ prosapiæ, nomine Akarius filius Bardolfii, magnus dominus terrarum et possessionum in comitatu Eboracensi. Divina gratia inspiratus, hic dedit cuidam monacho servienti Deo, Petro de Quinciaco, in arte medicinæ valdè subtili et bene experto, et quibusdam aliis monachis de Savigneio, quandam partem terræ suæ in Wandesleydale, scilicet in Fors, et in Wrtona, ubi prædictus frater Petrus et socii sui, prout meliùs poterant initium cujusdam abbatiae ordinare cœperunt, et simpliciter ædificare, et primitus vocabatur illa habitatio abbatia de Fors, postea abbatia de Wandesleydale, deinde vocabatur abbatia de Charitate; et tandem juxta proprietatem aquæ currentis, et loci, vocabatur abbatia de Jorvalle. In quo loco prædicti monachi multiplices defectus laboresq; sustinuerunt. Qualiter autem, aut quibus ex causis idem frater Petrus cum cæteris sociis suis de Savigneio in Angliam venit, incertum habetur, nisi secundùm quod creditur ipsos moram traxisse in curia Alani comitis Britanniae et Rich-

mundiæ, prætextu artis medendi infirmitates et plagas, vel ut elemosinas aulæ colligerent, et egenis distribuerent. Donationes verò quas prædictus dominus Akarius et alii fecerunt prædictis monachis, confirmavit prænominatus comes Alanus per cartas suas sic:—

NUM. II.

Carta prima Alani comitis Britanniae et Richmundæ.

[Ibid.]

ALANUS comes Britanniae et Angliæ, omnibus prælatis S. ecclesiae, omnibusque baronibus suis, et hominibus suis de Anglia Francigenis et Anglicis, salutem. Volo vobis notum fieri me concessisse et confirmasse illam elemosinam quam Akarius filius Bardolfii dedit monachis de Savigneio, pro anima patris sui et matris suæ, et pro animabus antecessorum suorum; scilicet, totam terram quam habuit in Forsa, et in Wrton, et in Burtonica, solutam et quietam ab omni servitio quod ei pertinet, et tamen sic, quod prædictus Akarius mihi servitium plenariè faciat. Terram prædictam concessit eis, me vidente et audiente, cum omnibus rebus et pertinentibus, in bosco, et in plano, et in pratis, et in aquis, et in campis et pasturis. Et ego insuper concedo eis in honorem Domini

^a He says, "*Vide*, in Madox's Formulæ, p. 95. an Agreement for the advowson of the church of Ayscarth, in exchange for the manor of Wurton.

"Registrum Honoris de Richmond, pp. 30, 36. et Append. p. 51. de terris in Rokewik, p. 34. in Hoton Hang et East Crompton: p. 37. in Apilton Magna et Parva, et Asserigg: p. 39. in Ridmer; p. 40. in Eynstringe et Elyngton: p. 42. in East Witton, Hoton Hang, et Fynkall: p. 43. in Walburn: p. 44. in Herneby: p. 45. in Rysewik et Hesilton: p. 46. in Burgh: p. 52. in Melsamby et Didreston Graunge: p. 54. in Feldom: p. 56. in Langton Magna: p. 61. in Middilton: p. 69. quod terræ in Rodewick, Hoton Hang, et Tunstal reddunt scutagium: p. 83. de le Ryddyng juxta Wodhall: p. 97. cartam Ælidis ducissæ Britan. de bundis forestæ de Wandesleydale: p. 99. inquis. de maner. de West Witton, cum advoc. ecclesiae. p. 100. de commun. pastur. in Wandeslaidale: in Append. ad idem Registr. pp. 51, 52, 53. de warda ad castrum Richemondiae, pro terris in Rokkevit, Hoton Hangest, et Tunsta.: p. 53. de ij. carucatis terræ in Reeth: p. 87. Valorem omnium et singulorum reddituum, &c. istius Abbatiae, et repris. inde, ex rot. in Offic. Primit. p. 109. Cart. 12 Hen. III. m. 9. quod monachi de Jorevale sint quieti de theoloneo: p. 146. Cart. 35 Edw. I. m. 17, n. 46. pro mercat. die Lunæ et feria die S. Martini in hyeme, in maner. de East Wilton: pp. 58, 224, 233, et 263. de fundatione ad Fors, et translatione monachorum ad Jorevalle.

"Computos, Rentalia, &c. in bagaintit. Jervaulx, in superiore archa quintæ archæ in Officio Curiae Augmentationis.

"Cartas, Rotulos Curiae, &c. penes honoratiss. com. Aliesburiensem.

"Inter Collect. v. cl. Rog. Dodsworth, vol. xxiv. fol. 19. Cart. 4 Edw. II. vol. xxvi. fol. 12. Letter of Arthur Darcy to Cromwell, about the suppression of this Abbey, 8th Jun. 1537. vol. lxxiii. fol. 9, 41. vol. lxxiv. fol. 161: cartam Theobaldi Halton, de terra et pastura in Rokeswic, ex dono Hamonis de Valoins: cartam R. Edw. I. pro cantaria in abb. de Jorevall, ex fundatione Will. Thornton vic. de East Witton, vol. lxxvi. foll. 88, 113.

"In. bibl. Harl. MS. 1499, fol. 52. of the foundership of this abbey.

"In registro Corbridge archiepisc. Ebor. fol. . Confirmationem super appropriat. eccl. de East Wytton monachis de Jorevall, A. D. 1301.

"Fin. Ebor. 10 Joan. n. . de ij. carucat. terræ in Melsonby, Plac. incerti temp. R. Joan. notat. G. rot. 3. d. de commun. pastur. in Wensleydale.

"Cart. 20 Hen. III. m. 2. pro libertat. carandi per aquam e Pontebury ad Eborac. Fin. Ebor. 24 Hen. III. lig. F. n. 219. de iv. acris in Haselton. Cart. 37 Hen. III. m. 2. pro vaccaria in foresta de Wensleydale. Fin. Ebor. 38 Hen. III. lig. E. n. . de terris in Skimerton ex dono Pycoti de Lascells. Fin. Ebor. 38 Hen. III. lig. H. n. 83. pro

mess. et xxvi. acris in East Dalton. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 52 Hen. III. rot. 24 a.

"Pat. 2 Edw. I. m. 5, d. m. 19, vel 29. de terris in East Witton. Pat. 3 Edw. I. n. 32 d. pro ten. in Alverton. Pat. 4 Edw. I. m. 36 d. de commun. pastur. in Merske. Plac. de quo war. apud Ebor. 8 Edw. I. rot. 5 d. et rot. 16 d. pro ii. bovatis terræ in Appelton. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 14 Edw. I. rot. 4. de servitiis. Cart. 18 Edw. I. n. 43. pro lib. war. in maner. de East Witton, Nether Eblington, Over Rokewyke, Rysewike, Aikebergh, Finegale, Hoton, Hanger, et Horton in Ribblesdale Ebor. Plac. coram reg. 20 Edw. I. rot. 40. Plac. de quo war. apud Ebor. 21 Edw. I. rot. 33 d. allocat. libertat. in East Witton, Nether Eblington, &c. Cart. 35 Edw. I. n. 15. pro pastur. ad mc. averia et mcccc. bidentes in australi campo de Jorevall, et pro ii. logiis faciendis in foresta de Wendelesdale ad ferrum suum comburendum. Ibid. n. 46. pro mercat. die Lunæ et feria die S. Martini in hieme apud East Witton.

"Cart. 6 Edw. II. n. 49. pro pastur. d. ovium in Thornton salina in arenis de Wainflete, et bescha ad turbam fodiendam in marisco de Totington. Pat. 7 Edw. II. p. 1. m. 10. de excambio pro terris in Braithwait, Horneby, et Finigale. Ibid. m. 19. Pat. 10 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 26. de terris in Braithwaite.

"Pat. 1 Edw. III. p. 1, m. ult. vel penult. Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 20. vel 21. Cart. 4 Edw. III. n. 99. Pat. 4 Edw. III. p. 2, m. . Escaet. Ebor. 16 Edw. III. n. 76. de grangia de Diderston, et aliis villis et grangiis annexis spiritualibus in taxatione.

"Pat. 5 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 14. Pat. 14 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 3. pro ten. in East Wytton, Fingale, et Haselton. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 7. pro ten. in Tonstall, Ellingstring, Rippon, Merske, &c. Pat. 21 Ric. II. p. 1. m. 11. pro eccl. de Ayksgarth approprianda.

"Cart. 1 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 8. Pat. 1 Hen. IV. p. 6, m. 29, vel 30. Pat. 6 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 22. pro ten. in Ellingstring, East Witton, et Bainbridge.

"Pat. 1 Hen. VI. p. 6, m. 7, vel 27. de eccl. de Ayksgarth in ten. in Newbiggin. Pat. 10 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 5, vel 6. Pat. 22 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 15. et p. 2. m. 28. de maner. de Lasingby concess. per episc. Dunelm. Pat. 37 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 12. pro eccl. de Anderby, et capella de West Witton approprianda.

"Pat. 12 Edw. IV. p. 1, m. 3. pro eccl. de Anderby."

See also Abbrev. Plac. p. 69. Plac. de Quo War. p. 224.

In the Lord Treasurer's Rem. Office are,

1. Abb. de Jorevall. Finis solut. confirmatione quorundam scriptorum. Orig. 4 Edw. III. rot. 43.

2. Abb. et Conv. de Jorevall. Finis solut. pro confirmatione quorundam concessionum. Orig. 9 Hen. VII. rot. 60.

3. Abb. et Conv. B. Mariæ de Jorevall. Finis solut. pro confirmatione libertatum. Orig. 7 Hen. VIII. rot. 126.

nostri Jesu Christi, et pro animabus omnium fidelium, communam pasturarum mearum quantumcunque pecuniæ habeant, et præcipio quod bene et in pace et honorifice prædictam elemosinam teneant, et quod nullus eis contrarium vel molestiam faciat. Et precor omnes homines ut manuteneant eos. Teste Conano archidiacono.

NUM. III.

Alia Carta ejusdem Comitis.

[Ex eodum registro.]

ALANUS comes Britanniae et Angliæ, dapifero suo et constabulario suo de Ricomonte, et omnibus baronibus suis et hominibus suis, Franciset Britonibus et Anglis, salutem. Scire volo vos et posteros meos et vestros, quod ego, pro amore Dei et redemptione animæ meæ, et pro anima patris mei et matris meæ, et antecessorum meorum, concedo et confirmo donationem quam Akarius dedit monachis et fratribus de Wandesleydale, scilicet tres carucatas terræ in Wrton, et unam carucatam et dimidiam in Fors. Concedo et confirmo eisdem monachis et fratribus totam villam de Engilby, quam Rogerus de Gunymary, et Warnerus frater suus eis dedit. Concedo etiam et confirmo unam carucatam et dimidiam in Fors de Hugone filio Gernagoti. Si quis autem baronum meorum, vel hominum meorum ipsis terras vel aliquod aliud pro amore Dei dare voluerit, ego illas eorum donationes concedo libenter et confirmo, salvo tamen meo servicio, et ita salvo, quod per defectum illius servitii nec alicujus petitionis, supra eosdem fratres nec super homines illorum nanium capiatur, nec aliqua molestia eis inferatur. Ego eis do et concedo pasturam per totam forestam meam de Wandesleydale et prata falcanda, quantam eis opus fuerit. Do etiam eis et concedo ut capiant materiam ubicunque voluerint in eadem foresta, ad domos suas et ad omnia necessaria sua facienda, sine omni impedimento et perturbatione. Quod si minaria ferri vel plumbi in sua terra invenerint, concedo ut ad opus suum ea fodiant. Si vero fratres ipsi, vel aliqui suorum servientium carnem alicujus feræ in mea foresta invenerint, cum Dei benedictione illam accipiant, feræ dico quæ luporum morsu peremptarentur. Volo autem et concedo, et firmiter præcipio, ut omnia quæ memoratis fratribus dedi et concessi, bene et in pace, et honorifice, in nemore et in plano, in terris et in aquis, et pratis et pasturis, et exitibus et omnibus consuetudinibus suis liberis, in perpetuum teneant et possideant, cum tol et teame, infangentheof, &c. Test. &c.

Postmodum verò idem Alanus comes præcepit prædicto fratri Petro, quod ipsum certificaret quando deberet erigere primum ædificium suum, quia tunc ibidem voluit personaliter adesse. Omnibus autem præparatis ad erectionem primi ædificii, frater Petrus quæsivit comitem sicut præceperat. Qui veniens ad locum illum ubi domus illa deberet levari, advocavit sibi nominatim quatuor vel quinque de militibus qui secum advenerant, et dixit illis, jocundo vultu quasi in ludendo, “Nos omnes habemus terras magnas et possessiones; nunc ergo propriis manibus adjuvemus, et erigamus istam domum in nomine Domini nostri, et unusquisque nostrum terram vel redditum exhibeat, in perpetuam elemosinam et sustentationem partis quam levaverit.” Cui suggestioni quidam eorum satis bene concenserunt, et alii consentire noluerunt, nisi per conditionem. Et sic erexerunt primam domum ligneam in loco oratorii, scilicet anno Domini millesimo centesimo quadagesimo quinto.

Audiens autem dominus Rogerus de Molbray fundator noster quod quidam monachi de Savigneio inceperant construere de novo quandam abbatiam, volens esse particeps orationum suorum et beneficiorum spiritualium, sicut et aliorum religiosorum, cum magna devotione et liberalitate animi, dedit eidem fratri Petro terram, pasturam et boscum de dominio suo de Masham per talem cartam.

NUM. IV.

Carta Rogeri de Molbraio.

[Ibid.]

ROGERUS de Molbray, omnibus ministris suis et hominibus suis de Eborasciria, Francis et Anglis, salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et concessisse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Caritate, et Petro monacho, et fratribus suis de abbatia super Jor flumen, totam terram et boscum totum sicut semita vadit de Brigwath usque Witebercuade, et præter hoc ad piscandum

in Higlamar, et warrennam et pasturam totius nemoris mei. Et volo quod habeant hanc terram usque in Jor liberam et quietam sicut terra potest esse, libere et in elemosina. Teste Rogero abbate de Bellalanda.

NUM. V.

Alia Carta ejusdem Rogeri.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS qui has litteras sunt visuri Rogerus de Molbray, salutem. In veritate testificor quod antequam prima vice irem ad Jerusalem in peregrinatione, et quatuor annis antequam Walterus Bury haberet terram in Mashamshire, dedi abbatiae quæ tunc vocabatur de Caritate, nunc vocatur de Jorevalle, terram quam monachi tenent apud Bigwath, et pasturam et marenium de toto bosco meo de Mashamshire, in perpetuam et liberam elemosinam, sicut cartulæ meæ quas monachi inde habent testantur. Et si quis voluerit ipsas cartulas contradicere, vel falsificare, ego et hæredes mei parati erimus defendere et warrantizare ubique.

Non diu post ipsam donationem comes Alanus transfretavit in Britanniam ad terras suas. Qui veniens apud Savign. intimavit abbati et conventui, quod frater Petrus et alii monachi socii eorum inceperant unam abbatiam in dominio suo non longè a castello suo de Richo-monte in Anglia. Et idem comes statim dedit illam abbatiam qualicunque tunc metatam potius quam inceptam ipsi abbati Savign. qui illam domum suscepit, sed tanquam invitatus et renitens, et tenuit bene et in pace, sed per quantum tempus non constat. Prænominatus autem Petrus sedulus promotor illius novæ plantationis Benedicti, de die in diem adventum cujusdam abbatis cum uno conventu de domo Savign. desideratissimè præstolabatur, et sæpissimè scripsit abbati suo, ut abbatem et conventum sibi transmitteret, et ad inhabitandum ibidem per successionem. Sed abbas Savign. in animo suo revolvens pericula, labores, et defectus quos monachi sui sustinuerant qui in Angliam diversis in locis aliàs missi fuerant de Savign. ad abbatias incipiendas, et construendas, à quibus sæpius hortabatur ut ipsos domi revocaret, in auditorio suo coram pluribus cum magna indignatione juravit per virtutem summæ civitatis in cujus honore fundata extitit ecclesia Savign. quod nunquam voluit ibidem conventum destinare, et gratissimum haberet, si de donatione ejusdem loci bono in modo totaliter posset exui et liberari. Rescripsit etiam fratri Petro, quod stultissimè egit in hoc, quod abbatiam inceperant sine consilio domus Savign. et istud mandatum fratri Petro et sociis suis multum displicuit, et eorum animos deiecit, non tamen à bono incepto cessaverunt. Postea verò regni regis Stephani, secundum quosdam, undecimo sive duodecimo, eo scilicet anno quo abbas de Fontibus, Henricus Murdac nomine, fuit consecratus in archiepiscopum Eborum, anno Domini millesimo centesimo quadagesimo sexto, contigit quod abbas noster Rogerus processit ad capitulum generale apud Savign. et pro quibusdam negotiis hujus domus ulterius in Normanniam, ad dominum Rogerum fundatorem nostrum, qui tunc ibi morabatur. Audiens autem hoc frater Petrus accessit ad abbatem nostrum, ipsum exorando ut portaret unam litteram abbati Savign. ex parte sua, et illius litteræ responsum suum reportaret, ac suggereret et instaret provocando ut abbas Savign. litteratorie eundem Petrum certificaret quod sibi placeret fieri de illa nova plantatione abbatiae quam inceperat, et secundum quod abbas mandaret, ipse et socii sui libenter parere vellent in debita executione. Abbas noster litteram assumpsit, transfretavit, et usque Savign. venit, ubi inter cætera, negotia fratris Petri exposuit, ac litteram ejus abbati Savign. liberavit, qui abbatem nostrum recepit cum magno honore.

In ipso quidem Capitulo generali fuerunt abbates de Anglia, scilicet de Quarera et de Neth tantum, et denunciatum fuit ibidem quod Papa Eugenius proposuit celebrare concilium generale Rhemis, sed certitudinem nondum receperant, si illo anno vel anno sequente. Evoluta primo die capituli generalis, secundo die sermo quætionis ab ipso abbate Savign. coram quindecim abbatibus de sua gubernatione ibidem præsentibus, proponebatur, quid meliùs esset faciendum de negotio fratris Petri, quod plenè in audientia fuit recitatum. In qua sermocinatione diversi diversa dixerunt. Sed tandem quia abbas Savign. cui locus Jorevall datus fuit à comite Conano, nullo modo consentire voluit, quod abbas, cum uno conventu monachorum de Savign. ibi

mitteretur, ordinatum fuit ut idem abbas Savign. si sibi placeret, daret illam novam abbatiam juniore filiae suae de Bellalanda, quae illi loco propinquior erat in Anglia de sua propagatione, quod et factum postea fuit. Et quia abbas noster diutius expectare non potuit, volens se festinare ad dominum Rogerum fundatorem nostrum pro remedio impetrando contra multas injurias et dampna nobis illata per Robertum de Davidvilla, Willielmum et Hugonem de Malabissa, in absentia praedicti fundatoris nostri, constituit loco suo praedictum abbatem de Quarera, in omnibus quae ipsum tangebant, ac sic cum omni devotione et reverentia abbatis Savign. et totius capituli, non sine magnis donis licentiatum est, et sic recessit. Domum tandem prospere reversus est, sed diutius moram traxit in partibus Normanniae, cum domino Rogero fundatore nostro.

Finito capitulo generali, et abbatibus disgregatis, abbas Savign. Serlo nomine, fecit advocari abbatem de Quarera coram pluribus de domo sua, et de pluribus ipsum convenit, cui tandem tradidit illam cartam, quam habemus de donatione abbatiae de Jorevall, et injunxit ei, ut illo anno visitaret per totam generationem suam in Anglia, et si viderit quod unus conventus monachorum, cum abbate, posset apud Fors de terra et substantia ibidem sustentari, tunc eandem cartam et locum cum tota substantia traderet abbati nostro, ex sua et sui conventus donatione, ac ipsum poneret in plena possessione. Et si terra cum substantia sufficere non posset, quod tunc retineret illam cartam penes se, et diceret fratri Petro quod locum illum bene custodiret, ac promoveret ad proprios usus abbatiae Savign. Liberavit etiam eidem abbati de Quarera, alias litteras clausas sub tali tenore, quod si terra et substantia sufficere posset ad praemissa, quod tunc ipse frater Petrus et socii si vellent abbati nostro licite profiterentur aut apud Savign. remearent. Cum ergo tali mandato et praeepto venit abbas de Quarera in Angliam, et, in Pascha subsequente, visitavit domum nostram una cum domino Matthaeo monacho Savign. qui sibi imperanti fuerat destinatus et associatus, cum praenominato fratre Petro apud Jorevall commorante.

Peracta nostra visitatione, praedictus frater Petrus duxit secum abbatem de Quarera et abbatem nostrum usque Jorevallem, ubi idem abbas de Quarera tradidit eidem fratri Petro litteras clausas domini abbatis Savign. cui etiam ore tenus dixit, quod abbas de Savign. illam novam plantationem dederat abbatiae de Bellalanda, si tamen quidam abbas cum uno conventu monachorum de terra et substantia ibidem possent sustentari; ac cartam donationis illi demonstravit, dicens quod abbas et conventus Savign. nunquam ibidem voluerunt conventum destinare, et ideo talem fecerat donationem. Praenominatus frater Petrus, litteras clausas sibi transmissas, coram duobus monachis sociis suis, scilicet Conano et Himberto, produxit, qui advocabant sibi praenominatum D. Matthaeum, et sic diligenter et diu mutuò vicissim tractaverunt super negotio superius tacto. Inter quos consilium domini Matthaei tale fuit. Ut locus ille, cum pertinentiis et substantia, tanquam minus sufficiens abbati et conventui, remaneret abbatiae Savign. in proprios usus. Sed frater Petrus et socii ejus, qui multos et graves ibidem sustinuerant labores, una voce et voluntate dixerunt, quod magnus honor et commodum ecclesiae Savign. et ipsis coram Domino Deo meritum eveniret sempiternum, si in eorum labores, abbas et conventus possent induci, ac debita et justa successione ibidem perpetuari; nec aliquo modo consentire voluerunt, ut ille locus domui Savign. in proprios usus remaneret. Et sic eorum concilio soluto omnes pariter in oratorio ad abbates accesserunt, ubi frater Petrus ad abbatem de Quarera taliter est locutus. "Sancte pater de Quarera, super negotiis quibus huc advenistis, nunc et alias sufficienter tractavimus. Vos volo certificare in praesenti, quod ego et duo socii mei, quibus locus iste specialiter primitus donatus fuit ad servitium Dei, eundem locum pro viribus nostris hucusque interius et exterius promovimus et substantiam multiplicavimus. Nam nunc, benedictus sit Altissimus, habemus carucas quinque arantes, vaccas quadraginta cum secta, equas sexdecim cum sequela, de dono comitis, sues quinque cum secta, oves trecentas, et triginta coria in tanno, et plus ceram et oleum pro duobus annis cum parvo adjutorio; et certum quod nos inveniemus panem et cerevisiam, caseum et butyrum pro primo anno, et credimus quod quidam abbas et unus conventus monachorum de tanta substantia incipere possunt in hoc loco scilicet vivere, donec Deo placuerit illis

uberius providere. Et ego frater Petrus dico, tam pro me quam pro istis duobus sociis meis, quod ex quo placet abbati meo et conventui Savign. quod abbas de Bellalanda locum istum obtineat, ex eorum donatione, si idem abbas nobis fideliter promittat, quod abbatem cum uno conventu monachorum huc de domo sua destinare voluerit successione perpetua ad inhabitandum in servicio Christi, sicut à nostris superioribus ordinatum est, et nobis licite praeeptum, secundum tenorem cartae confectae, et litterarum nobis transmissarum, parati sumus locum istum cum tota substantia sibi reddere, et etiam profiteri."

His dictis abbas de Quarera secretè tractavit aliquantulum, cum abbate nostro et domino Matthaeo, ac postea in audientia omnium dixit, "Satis expresse liquet sancta voluntas cordium et animarum vestrarum, qua tam sincerè affectatis animarum salutem, et ordinis incrementum: et abbas de Bellalanda ore proprio hic coram nobis hoc quod petistis, benignè facere compromittit. Sed et ego subicio me et domum meam de Quarera vobis et domui vestrae de Savign. ad complendam, si vestram petitionem non adimpleverit, cum viderit melius oportere." Et tunc coram omnibus legit cartam donationis quae talis est.

NUM. VI.

Carta Serlonis Abbatis Savignei.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctae Dei ecclesiae filiis et fidelibus Serlo abbas monasterii Savign. totiusque loci ejusdem conventus, salutem. Sciatis nos omnium fratrum nostrorum consilio, et consensu, dedisse et concessisse, Deo et ecclesiae sanctae Mariae de Biland, abbatiam de Wandesdale, quae et Jorevalls dicitur, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, habitis et habendis, liberam et quietam, sicut comes Alanus de Richmond eam nobis dedit et concessit. Hæc etiam hærede suo Conano, cum baronibus suis, concedente et confirmante eo scilicet tenore et intuitu ut hæc ecclesia praedicta de Beyland sicut filia matri sit subjecta, et secundum ordinem nostrum eidem obediat per omnia. Testibus iis, Henrico archiepiscopo Eborum, Aldredo abbate Rievallis, Turolde abbate de Fontibus, et fratribus eorum plurimis.

Quae carta perlecta, praedictus frater Petrus, locum cum tota substantia reddidit abbati nostro, et eidem cum praenominatis duobus sociis suis et uno converso, in oratorio, suam fecit professionem. Alius conversus ibidem fuit, qui profiteri noluit, et ideo cito post cum domino Matheo apud Savign. remeavit. Deinde abbas de Quarera ulterius processit ad officium sibi, injunctum prosequendum, et abbas noster, curam ejusdem loci, sicut prius, eidem fratri Petro tunc monacho suo commisit, et sic domum reversus est, ac quotiens sibi placuit ibidem accessit, et negocia loci pro libitu suo disposuit, et ordinavit, unum monachum ad officium hostellariae et quendam conversum tannatorem ibidem destinavit. Post circulum unius anni secundum dictum Amphredi prioris, et secundum dominum Walkelynum post duos annos, abbas Savign. transmisit litteras cum domino Guidone priore suo ad universam generationem suam in Anglia, auctoritate apostolica praecipiendo, ut constitutiones ordinis Cisterciensis, et habitum sicut Papa Eugenius in suo generali consilio celebrato Rhemis anno D. millesimo centesimo quadagesimo septimo ordinaverat omnes de generatione ordinis Savign. sine mora, accepto mandato, sumerent et conservarent. Timens autem abbas noster Rogerus, ne in tali subita mutatione habitus, donatio sibi facta abbatiae Jorevall irrita fieret, aut fortè revocaretur quia abbatem et conventum nondum ibi transmiserat, sedulò cogitavit, et consilium diversimode quaesivit quod sit ei melius faciendum. Sed tandem sibi consultum fuit à diversis amicis, quod procederet usque Savign. et inquireret si praedictus Serlo abbas Savign. et conventus adhuc ratum haberent, donum quod fecerant ecclesiae Bellalandae de abbatia Jorevall, vel non, quod si sit incorporatio ordinis Cisterciensis non obstiteret quia abbas noster posset ibidem abbatem cum conventu destinare securè pro sua voluntate. Et cum tali consilio abbas noster Rogerus transfretavit, scilicet anno Domini millesimo centesimo quadagesimo nono. Qui cum apud Savign. pervenisset, tempore opportuno causam adventus sui, abbati et conventui Savign. plenè et maturè demonstravit. Et post biduum vel triduum, habita consulendi deliberatione, tale recepit responsum. Quod si vellet promissionem adimplere quam fe-

cerat abbati de Quarera, et domino Petro de Quinciaco, quod ingressum habuit in abbatiam de Jorevalle, et seisinam recepit, quod donatio sibi facta in perpetuum stabilis permaneret. Et abbas noster Rogerus ibidem iterum protestabatur quod infra breve tempus post suam reversionem promissionem veterem deberet adimplere. In vigilia verò sancti Laurentii anno prædicto apud Savign. viam arripuit versus Cistertium, ad capitulum generale, et habuit in comitatu suo abbates de Briostell, de sancto Andrea, et abbatem nostrum. Cum apud Clarevallensem pervenisset, abbas Savign. adduxit abbatem nostrum coram beato Bernardo tunc ibidem abbate. Cui negotium abbatis nostri, pro quo ibi venerat, plenè exposuit, et cartam donationis suæ demonstravit, et legit, ac ejus consilium et auxilium postulavit. Cui breviter sic respondit beatus Bernardus. "Ista tua donatio consilio et autoritate tui capituli generalis, aliquando facta evidenti instrumento, cum corporali possessione, Cisterciens. capituli non indiget fulcimento. Nam omnia quæ in capitulo Savign. ordinata et stabilita fuerunt, in Cisterciensi capitulo non debent aliquo modo retractari, sed rata et firma semper permanebunt. Benè quidem scimus omnes quod momentanea donatio à vero domino dat aliis jus perpetuum possidendi, et ideo concedet ut celeriter suppleatur, quod certis ex causis hucusque est prorogatum." Plus illa vice de isto negotio non loquebantur. Cum autem apud Cistertium pervenissent, tertia die, capitulum generale quando abbas Cistertii præcipiebat, secundum morem, ut nomina abbatiarum illo anno fundatarum in tabula Cistertii tribuerentur, inter alia dixit beatus Bernardus. Abbas Savign. consilio et ordinatione sui capituli generalis, ac assensu fratrum domus suæ, jam quatuor annis elapsis, dedit quandam abbatiam suam de Wandeleysdale in Anglia, quæ nunc Jorevalle dicitur et nominatur, filiæ suæ de Bellalanda per cartam suam, quæ si placet coram vobis recitetur. Sed et abbas de Bellalanda certis ex causis abbatem in illo loco hucusque ordinare non potuit, infra annum abbatem cum uno conventu monachorum ibidem destinavit, et ideo nomen abbatiæ Jorevall inter cæteras abbatias hoc anno fundatas in tabula redigatur. Tunc abbas noster Rogerus surrexit, et tradidit cartam suam abbati Savign. qui illam tradidit beato Bernardo, et beatus Bernardus cuidam abbati ad pedes ejus sedenti, qui illam recitavit. Qua perlecta, abbas Savign. dixit in pleno capitulo, quod tam pro se, quam pro confratribus suis Savign. illam donationem ratam et gratam habuit. Sic statim ad suggestionem B. Bernardi et abbatis Serlonis Savign. nomen abbatiæ Jorevall ibidem inter alias scriptum fuit in tabula Cistertii, prout manifestè liquet, nec unquam aliud in scriptis habuimus à capitulo Cistertii de abbacia Jorevall. Et hoc quia præscriptionem sive possessionem ejusdem loci cum personis et tota substantia, ordinatione capituli generalis Savign. diu obtinuimus antequam ordo Savign. fuit incorporatus ordini Cistertii. Unde abbas Robertus de Jorevall aut Willielmus exortus, quibusdam simultatibus aliquando secrete causabatur à latere obloquendo, quod minus habuimus pro nobis in munimentis ad visitandum domum suam. Et sæpius petiit inspectionem cartæ abbatis Serlonis Savign. de donatione nobis facta, sed sua importunitas caruit effectu petitionis, et sic tandem omnes conatus suos subtraxit ex desperatione optatum consequendi. Sed redeundum est ad processum. Postquam autem capitulum generale Cistercii finitum fuit, licentia cum benedictione tam a beato Bernardo quam abbate Savign. humiliter petita et optenta, abbas noster Rogerus in bona prosperitate domum reversus est in vigiliis Omnium Sanctorum. Et cum aliquantulum post suum laborem quieti vacasset, præcepit domino Lanrico tunc cellerario nostro, ut meliorem campanam ecclesiæ parochiali veteris Bellelandæ destinaret in quodam plaustro usque Jorevallem, qui præceptum celeriter adimplevit. Post Circumcisionem Domini, abbas noster processit usque Jorevallem, et ibidem traxit moram usque ad Purificationem beatæ Mariæ, tractans et disponens interius et exterius negocia illius loci et necessaria ad humanam vitam ibi provisa, et scribi fecit. Tandem præcepit domino Petro et duobus monachis sociis suis ibi manentibus, quod omnes essent apud Bellelandam prima dominica Quadragesimæ, et sic inde recedens domum accessit. Cumque prima dominica Quadragesimæ advenisset, prænominatus dominus Petrus cum sociis suis, et omnes alii monachi domus nostræ in capitulo præsentis fuerunt, et consummatis omnibus quæ ad capitulum pertinent, omnes in pace sedebant.

Tunc abbas noster Rogerus, longum ab intimis suspirium trahens, talia verba dixit: "Jam diu est, ut benè scitis, ex quo promissa facere et adimplere cupivi quod Deus ante ordinaverat in sua æternitate manens: sed ut meliùs et securiùs illud producerem in opus, hucusque expectavi, et sæpe a vobis omnibus et singulis consilium et vestram voluntatem diligenter quæsivi. Nunc ergo invocans virtutem divinæ gratiæ in nostra operatione, ad laudem et honorem Dei, et utilitatem et incrementum universalis ecclesiæ, et salutem animarum, in nomine Patris, Filii, et Spiritus Sancti, ordino et constituo abbatem dominum Johannem de Kinstan." Quo nominato, omnes statim surrexerunt, et elevantes eum à terra inter brachia sua, portaverunt usque ad magnum altare dicendo, Tu es abbas Jorevallis. Iste dominus Johannes fuit unus de illis qui recesserunt de Caldra cum abbate Geroldo, et incepterunt domum nostram. Postea sedato clamore monachorum, omnes in capitulum redierunt, et abbas noster sumens abbatem Johannem per dextram manum in principali sede collocavit dicens, "Ego te confirmo abbatem, et tibi committo curam animarum, et regimen abbatiæ Jorevall, cum tota substantia, personis et possessionibus habitis et habendis, tam in temporalibus quam in spiritualibus, sicut Serlo abbat Savign. illam nobis dedit." Et tunc tradidit illi in manibus regulam sancti Benedicti, et parvulam tecum cum reliquiis.

Deinde abbas noster nominavit prædictum Petrum e. duos socios ejus, et novem alios monachos de conventu et de professione eorum sibi facta ipsos absolvit, qui omnes abbati Johanni statim ibidem profitebantur. Et die Mercurii proximo sequente, scilicet viij. Idus Martii, anno Domini millesimo centesimo quinquagesimo, recepta benedictione consueta, post vigilias nocturnas, abbas Johannes cum duodecim monachis suis exivit de domo nostra versus Jorevallem, in quo itinere ipsum Jesum Christum habuit ductorem, et beatam Mariam virginem consolatricem, sicut sæpius abbati nostro Rogero secretè fatebatur, et revelationem sibi factam, non sine lachrymis demonstravit, quam hic pertranseo ratione brevitat. Sed postea eam tangere volo ut ad noticiam succedentium perveniat. Die Veneris proxima, abbas Johannes cum conventu suo venit apud Jorevallem, ubi nunc est bona grangia cum sex carucis, quæ vocatur Vallis grangia, et ibidem fuerunt et venerunt contra eum dominus Akarias, primus fundator illius loci, et plures alii nobiles viri, qui ipsum receperunt in magna reverentia et honore, promittentes ei consilium et auxilium in omnibus quæ ipsum tangebant, et post refectionem recesserunt, humillime petendo participationem orationum et beneficiorum suorum spiritualium. Tunc abbas Johannes constituit dominum Edwaldum priorem suum, et dominum Petrum prædictum cellarium suum, et cæteros officiales diversos, et ibidem simul vivebant in magnis laboribus, et variis defectibus, prout melius poterant, quatuor annis. In quinto verò anno tanta pluvia extitit, in partibus illis, circa festum sancti Michaelis, cum metere deberent, et in horreum congregare; quod omnes segetes eorum perierunt, ita quod nullum semen de proprio habuerunt. Propter quod abbas noster Rogerus, ad petitionem abbatis Johannis, quinque skeppas frumenti illis destinavit ad seminandum, et plus habuerunt de emptione alibi, quam similiter abbas noster fecit ipsis cariari, et illum annum in magno defectu tam bladi quam brasii transegerunt. Sed nullus in tantum angustiatum est, quam cellarius solus. Et cum sic vixissent, percipientes sterilitatem terræ, et patriæ illius maximè quantum ad granum, quod ibi maturescere et crescere non potuit, propter pluviam et intemperiem aeris sæpius mutuo tractabant de reversione ad maternam domum, et nihil resistebat eis, nisi sola exprobratio hominum, qui dicere possent, Isti monachi cœperunt ædificare, et consummare non potuerunt. Veniens autem abbas noster, secundum morem ad visitandum, invenit abbatem Johannem et ejus conventum valde desolatos, pro causa memorata. Nam expenderant illo anno totam pecuniam quam ceperant pro lana sua, et animalibus venditis, in blado et amplius. Unde abbas noster pro posse suo volens relevare eorum desolationem, transmisit illis iterum quinque skeppas frumenti, et decem brasii ad sustentationem eorum contra autumnum. Insuper dedit eis per assensum conventus nostri decem bovatas terræ in Ellington, quas frater Serlo conversus noster dedit nobis ad suum ingressum in domum nostram cum decem bobus, et decem vaccis, ibidem et sex equabus cum pullis carum, in eadem pastura.

NUM. VII.

Tenor Cartæ Abbatis nostri talis est.

[Ibid.]

ARCHIEPISCOPO Eboracensi, omnibusque filiis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ, Rogerus abbas Bellalandæ, salutem. Notum sit vobis nos dedisse et concessisse abbatiæ de Jorevalle, decem bovatas terræ in Ellington, quas Serlo cocus prius dedit nobis, per concessionem Rogeri Moubray fundatoris nostræ abbatiæ de Bellalanda, quietè in perpetuam elemosinam. Valete.

Qua donatione facta, abbas noster præcepit abbati Johanni, et consuluit, ut cum festinatione nuntiaret per aliquem de suis domino Alano comiti, qui tunc fuit in partibus transmarinis, suam necessitatem, qui si subvenire nolisset, tunc bene voluit abbas noster, ut omnes remearent ad domum nostram matrem suam, quousque tempus fertilius se offerret. Sed dominus Petrus cellarius, bene semper in adiutorio Dei confidens, omni modo reditum apud Bellalandam dissuasit, volens si abbati placeret sub omni festinatione proficisci in Britanniam ad comitem Alanum et ipsum convenire super eorum defectum et destructionem, qui sic fecit. Et cum ibi pervenit, demonstravit comiti cum lachrymis defectum abbatis et conventus sui, ubi talem gratiam consecutus est, quod comes scripsit abbati Johanni, inhibendo, ne recederet de Jorevalle, et promisit ei bonum subsidium in proximo ejus adventu apud Richemond. Sub tali promisso recessit dominus Petrus de comite, et ivit apud Savign. et ibi traxit moram cum antiquis sociis ejus per quindecim dies et amplius, ubi dominus abbas plures reliquias dedit ad novam abbatiam quam inceperat, et sic honorificè licentiatus, domum reversus est cum literis comitis. Sed quia comes Alanus diutius pro, rogavit venire in Angliam, et abbas Johannes non habuit unde conventum suum per totum annum potuit sustinere, quinque de monachis suis misit ad domum nostram, et tres apud Furnesiam ad perhendinandum. Interim ferè transierunt duo anni, et tandem comes Alanus venit apud Richemond, qui infra breve tempus fecit adjuvare motam causam suorum, et sic inde processit rursum in Valle, ad veniendum cum baronibus et militibus suis, ubi traxit moram per sex dies continuos, nec unquam alicubi tanta copia cervorum et bissarum succederat ad votum pro tractu arcus et cursu canum sicuti tunc. Sed graviter irascebatur contra Scollandum dapiferum suum, et Rollandum constabularium suum, et quosdam alios pro multitudine luporum ibi commorantium, qui multa mala tam hominibus quam bestiis faciebant, et sic de Valle rediit per illam novam plantationem abbatiæ, ubi stando aliquantulum, comedit et bibit.

Postea autem abbas Johannes duxit illum ad parvas officinas suas, et dicendo exposuit ei graves defectus, quos ipse et conventus suus ibidem patiebatur, subsidium ab eo postulans, et auxilium, quia si non subveniret, diutius in tam sterili patria comorari non potuerunt, sed ipsos recedere oporteret omnimodo. Cui comes Alanus, compaciendo dixit, quod vellet loqui cum dapifero suo et aliis de statu et quæremonia sua, et scundum quod illi consulerent, voluit facere et operari. Et sic idem recessit valdè ædificatus de principio illo, et duxit secum dominum Petrum cellarium, qui continue traxit moram in curia domini comitis. Alanus fecit illi suam magnam cartam de terris sibi datis de domino Akaria et aliis militibus et hominibus ejus, et dedit illis de proprio suo dono magnam pasturam in Wandesleydale meremium et minam, et multa alia quæ superius in illa carta continentur, et hoc fuit ultimum donum Alani comitis, licet scribatur in principio supra.

Quo defuncto successit comes Conanus filius ejus, qui multum dilexit abbatiam de Jorevall. Et cum vidisset quod locus ille ineptus et insufficiens fuit ad abbatiam construendam dedit abbati Johanni et conventui, terram vastam et incultam in territorio de Estwitton, et magnam pasturam in seperabili in Wandesleydale, cum multis aliis pertinentiis et commoditatibus, sicut patet in carta sua, quæ talis est.

NUM. VIII.

Carta Conani Ducis Britanniae.

[Ibid.]

ARCHIEPISCOPO Eborum, et omnibus filiis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ, Conanus Britanniae dux et comes Richmundiæ, salutem. Notum sit vobis me dedisse et concessisse, in puram

et perpetuam elemosinam Deo sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Jorevalle, totam terram in territorio de Witton, in bosco et in plano, et in omnibus aliis pertinentiis, quæ est ultra Holbec usque ad divisas inter Witton et Massamshire, videlicet sicut Holbec descendit de mora in Napewith, et sicut ego et homines mei perambulavimus divisas inter Leybec sicut Labec currit in Jor sub Thurshou, et exinde usque illhuc ubi Whitebec cadit in Jor, et dividit inter Witton et Ellington, et inde usque ad caput de Whitebec, et inde usque ad Staynbayttwerth, et inde usque ad Suneshul, et inde usque ad Makersgats, et inde quantum divisæ durant versus Masham. Do etiam ei et concedo pasturam in omni mora et bosco et plano quæ pertinet ad Witton, et meremium, et ligna ad focos suos, et ad omnia necessaria sua. Præterea concedo et confirmo prædictæ abbatiæ et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, omnes donationes concessionis patris mei comitis Alani, cum omnibus libertatibus et aisiammentis suis per totam forestam de Wandesleydale, et prohibeo quod nullus ducat animalia ad pascendum in prædicta foresta ad molestiam monachorum meorum. Præter hæc dedi eis et concessi ut faciant vaccarias in foresta mea de Wandesleydale. Insuper concedo et confirmo ipsis monachis totam terram quam habent ex dono Akariæ filii Bardolfi in Wrton, et in Fors, cum omnibus rebus eidem terræ pertinentibus. Concedo et confirmo eisdem monachis totam villam de Ingelby cum suis libertatibus et pertinentiis, quam Hugo filius Wymar, et Garnarus frater ejus eis dederunt, et ex dono Briani filii Scolandí, et Hugonis filii Garnegoti, unam carucatam terræ et dimidiam in Fors, cum omnibus suis pertinentiis. Hanc meam elemosinam et patris mei, volo esse puram, liberam, et quietam ab omni servicio, pro salute animæ meæ, et omnium antecessorum meorum, ita quod omnes donationes et confirmationes meas prænominatas, ego et hæredes mei prædictis monachis contra omnes homines warrantizabimus imperpetuum. Testes hujus donationis et confirmationis meæ sunt Radulphus filius Ribaldi, Henricus filius Akariæ, &c.

NUM. IX.

Item alia Carta.

[Ibid.]

CONANUS dux Britanniae, et comes Richmundiæ, omnibus hominibus suis Francis et Anglis, salutem. Quia pater meus Alanus dux Britanniae, et comes Richmundiæ, dedit et concessit monachis de Savign. communionem pasturarum suarum per totam forestam suam de Wandesleydale, et prata falcanda, quantum eis opus fuerit, materiem ubicunque voluerint in prædicta foresta ad domos suas et necessaria omnia sua facienda, sine impedimento vel disturbance. Icciroc in hac vita degens, et salutis animæ meæ volens providere, Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et abbatiæ de Jorevalle Cisterciensis ordinis, quam fundavi in honorem Domini nostri Jesu Christi, et monachis meis ibi Deo servientibus, et pro me orantibus, dedi et concessi pro me et meis hæredibus imperpetuum totam partem et pasturam del North del Jor sepe- ralem, altè et bassè, subtus terram et supra terram, nihil mihi vel hæredibus meis ibidem retinens ex omnibus rebus, nisi feras et custodiam forestæ. Ita quod ibidem commodum suum faciant, in omnibus et per omnia secundum quod voluerint, præterea accipiant omnia estoveria sua et necessaria sua, et ad omnia loca sua quæ habent vel adquirere poterunt, sine alicujus contradictione, impedimento, vel disturbance, del South de Jor, altè et bassè, subtus terram et supra terram, cum tota pastura ad omnimoda genera animalium, quæ habent, vel in futurum adquirere poterunt, nihil mihi vel hæredibus meis ibi plus retinens, nisi feras et forestariam. Dedi etiam et concessi prædictis monachis meis imperpetuum pasturam per totam novam forestam meam juxta Richmond ad omnia averia sua, quæ habere poterunt, sine contradictione mei vel hæredum meorum. Et præcipio quod habeant mastivos ad lupos coercendos de pasturis suis. Volo insuper et concedo pro me et hæredibus meis imperpetuum, quod dicti monachi, libere et sine contradictione intrent ubicunque in feodum meum ad terras recipiendas, et possessiones adquirendas et emendas. Et si quis baronum vel hominum meorum eisdem monachis, terras, possessiones, vel aliquid aliud pro amore Dei dare voluerint, ego illas omnes eorum donationes, concedo libenter et confirmo in perpetuam elemosinam habendas et optinendas salvo servitio meo. Ita

tamen salvo quod non occasionentur, nec pro defectu alicujus servitii, vel alicujus præcepti, averia sua capiantur vel distringantur, seu molestentur. Sed sint bene et in pace, pro me orantes assidue. Præterea concedo corpus meum prædictæ abbatiæ ad sepulturam ubicunque obiero in Anglia. Hæc autem omnia supradicta, cum suis omnibus pertinentiis et aisiammentis, ego et hæredes mei warrantizabimus et defendemus præfatis monachis contra omnes homines in perpetuum. Testibus, comitissa Margar. Alano constabulario.

NUM. X.

Translatio Abbatice ad Jorevall.

[Ibid.]

POSTEA vero, scil. an. Do. MClvj. comes Conanus fecit abbatem Johannem et conventum se transferre de Fors, cum omnibus bonis suis mobilibus, usque ad dictum locum in territorio de East-witton, de permissione capituli generalis, et bona voluntate domini Hervei filii Akariæ.

NUM. XI.

Littera Permissionis Capituli Generalis.

[Ibid.]

AMANTISSIMO patri et domino Rogero, Dei gratia Eborum archiepiscopo et abbati de Fontibus, omnibus venerabilibus abbatibus Cistercii ordinis, frater Lucas Cister. et totus conventus abbatum Cisterc. capituli, perpetuam in Domino salutem. Inprimis multiplices domino nostro Eborum archiepiscopo referimus gratias, quia, sicut audivimus, gratiam et protectionem nostri ordinis fratribus summa cum diligentia paternè impendit. Quia vero ut eadem gratia quam cepit, necesse est nobis perseveret, preces ei pro fratribus nostris porrigimus, et maxime pro coabbate nostro de Jorevalle, qui de ipsius benignitate apud nos plurimum est gloriatus. Notum autem vobis esse volumus quod communi licentia prædicti abbates omnes, in commune concessimus ut domum suam transmittet, et in territorium Wittoniæ super fluvium Jor, licet infra terminos esse videatur, eam transponat. Constituimus itaque et præsentī pagina confirmamus, ut quod a nobis sancitum est nullus deinceps impetere præsumat. Valete.

NUM. XII.

Concessio Domini Hervæi filii Akariæ.

[Ibid.]

ARCHIEPISCOPO Eborum, et omnibus filiis sanctæ ecclesiæ, Hervæus filius Akariæ, salutem. Quia video quod monachi de Jorevalle nequeunt abbatiam tenere in feodo meo apud Fors, propter penuriam et paupertatem loci, et aeris intemperantiam, ideo in bona pace et amore concentio, quod transferant abbatiam suam de Fors in dominica terra domini mei comitis Conani de Richmond apud East Witton. Salvis sibi omnibus terris suis et tenuris quas de me tenent, ubicunque sint, liberè et quietè, videlicet unâ carucatâ terræ et dimidiâ in Fors, et tribus carucatis terræ in Wrton, ad grangiam suam construendam, cum omnibus rebus quæ pertinent ad prædictam terram, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, in bosco et in plano, in aquis, pratis et pasturis, altè et bassè, subtus terram et supra terram, nihil mihi et hæredibus meis retinens, ex omnibus. Ita quod ego et hæredes mei, omnia prædicta, sicut prædictum est, præfatis monachis warrantizabimus, et acquietabimus, et defendemus contra omnes homines in perpetuum. Et sciant omnes homines, qui sunt vel futuri sunt, quod baronia de Witton incipit deorsum ad aquam de Jor, tendendo sursum usque ad Scaynlupanegil ex occidentali parte de Thorneton Ruske, usque ad medium montis de Otholburgh, et inde usque ad Greneberghe, et inde sursum usque ad Grenesker, et inde sicut fons descendit deorsum in Keldebothem, et inde sicut idem siketum manat et currit in Blaynbeck, et inde sicut aqua de Blaynbeck currit in Semerwater, et inde sursum per Bayn usque in Jor. Testes hujus rei sunt Hervæus sacerdos, Walterus clericus de sancto Reynaldo.

In alia ejus confirmatione non nominatur iste, sed dicitur ibi; hanc translationem prædictæ abbatiæ concedo et confirmo tali conditione, quod nihil perdam de advocatione, quoad prædictam elemosinam patris mei et meam pertinet, sed partes orationum et beneficiorum quæ in abbazia de

Jorevalle fient, imperpetuùm efficiar, et ossa patris mei et matris meæ secum removebunt et honorificè collocabunt. Testes sicut qui supra.

Cumque prædictus Johannes abbas cum suo conventu se transtulisset de Fors usque in territorium de East Witton, incepere fundare et construere magnam ecclesiam suam quæ est in fiendo, ubi charitas et fraterna dilectio, ac sanctæ religionis profectus, continuè crescit et multiplicat, ad laudem et honorem Dei et multarum animarum salutem.

Conano comiti successit nobilissima domina filia ejus Constantina nomine, quam filius regis nostri (cujus nomen ignoro) duxit in uxorem. Ista Constantina, sicut ejus antecessores, multa bona contulit abbatiæ Jorevalle, sed certificationem sive evidentiam in transcriptis, sicut de donis antecessorum ejus et quorundam aliorum non habemus. Cum autem abbas Serlo de Savign. debitum exsolvisset, successit ei abbas Willielmus, qui donationem prædecessoris sui domui nostræ factam, de abbazia de Jorevalle ritè confirmavit in forma quæ sequitur.

NUM. XIII.

Confirmatio Willielmi Abbatis Savign.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ Dei ecclesiæ filiis et fidelibus, Willielmus monasterii Savign. dictus abbas, salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse, et hac carta confirmasse ecclesiæ de Bellalanda abbatiam nostram de Wandelesdale, quæ et Jorevalle dicitur, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, habitis et habendis, eo videlicet tenore et intuitu, ut hæc ecclesia de Jorevall, prædictæ ecclesiæ de Bellalanda sicut filia matri sit subjecta, et secundum ordinem nostrum eidem obediat per omnia sicut continetur in carta prædecessoris nostri, piæ memoriæ, domini Serlonis abbatis de Savign. quam de donatione Jorevall habet.

NUM. XIV.

Carta Ricardi Abbatis de Savigneio.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ ecclesiæ Dei filiis Richardus dictus abbas Savign. in Domino salutem. Sciatis nos inspexisse quasdam cartas prædecessorum nostrorum piæ memoriæ dominorum Serlonis et Willielmi abbatum Savign. de abbazia nostra de Wandelesdale, quæ et Jorevall dicitur, quam dederunt et concesserunt dilectæ filiæ nostræ ecclesiæ de Bellalanda in perpetuum, cum possessionibus habitis et habendis. Quas quidem cartas confirmamus, ratificamus, et probamus, eo videlicet tenore et intuitu, ut hæc ecclesia de Jorevall prædictæ ecclesiæ de Bellalanda sicut filia matri sit subjecta, et secundum ordinem nostrum eidem obediat per omnia sicut in cartis prædecessorum nostrorum plenius continetur.

Valete.

Cum dominus Johannes primus abbas Jorevallis ac duodecim monachi sui profecti fuerunt de domo nostra versus Jorevalle, prima nocte quieverunt in quadam villa in itinere, cujus nomen sæpius vocare audivi, sed nunc elapsum est à memoria mea, ubi abbati Johanni talis facta fuit in somnis revelatio. Videbatur sibi quod fuit in domo nostra apud Bellalandam, et quod abbas noster Rogerus præceperat ei proficisci cum pluribus monachis nostris in regionem longinquam quasi ad ordines recipiendos; et cum exisset per claustrum, videt in medio claustrī quandam mulierem nobilissimam indutam et ornatam, cujus pulchritudo omnem pulchritudinem humanam excellebat, quæ tenuit in sinistra manu quandam puerum speciosum valdè, cujus facies quasi lux lunæ. Et puer discerpit quandam pulcherrimum ramum de parva arbore quæ stetit in medio claustrī, et sic inde recesserunt et evanuerunt ab aspectu ejus. Processit ulterius ad portam, et ibi invenit socios suos paratos, et abierunt: quibus invicem progredientibus dixit abbas Johannes sociis suis, Nostis bene viam ad locum quo tendimus? et responderunt, Non. Quibus ille dixit, Putabam vos nosse, et ecce jam ingressi sumus quandam silvam valdè spissam et condensam, et si erraverimus, quis nos educet? Cui unus respondit, Procedamus et fidenter, quia diu errare non poterimus, ut spero. Et cum aliquantulum processissent, videbatur sibi quod omnes inclusi fuerunt arctissimè inter spinas, vepres, et magnas rupes, ubi omnino nulla apparebat vel semita progrediendi, sed et regredi quoquo modo non potue-

runt. Cumque taliter diutissimè hæsitantes stetissent, de vita sua desperaverunt, et unusquisque alterum ad subveniendum cum magna cordis angustia excitabat et provocabat. Sed nullus alium potuit de loco in quo stabat amovere vel adjuvare. Tunc dixit abbas Johannes, Ex quo sic præpedimur, interim dicamus horas et evangelia nostra; qui sic fecerunt; et cum perdisissent, subito, quasi subsequens, venit, illa pulcherrima mulier cum puero suo quam idem abbas Johannes viderat in claustro nostro, cui ille dixit, O pulchra mulier, tenera et deliciosa, quid agis in deserto cum filio tuo, et quo tendis? cui illa, Sæpe sum in locis desertis, et nunc venio de Ryvalle et de Bellalanda, et habui colloquium cum abbatibus illis, et quibusdam monachis eorum, quibus sum valdè specialis, domestica, et multum amabilis, et nunc vada ad Novum-Monasterium, ut aliquantulum specialis meus abbas et quidam monachi sui de meo adventu ibidem consulentur. Tunc dixit abbas Johannes ad illam, Tu una cum sis, qualiter et quomodo unus amicus tibi non sufficit, quin multos habeas, et inter se distantes? Tunc illa, Verè unum habeo amicum qui me sibi elegit, et ab illo nunquam me subtraxi corpore vel voluntate, et tamen nitor mihi quærere alios amicos, qui me sub illo fideliter diligant, et alios amicos quos ipsi sub me diligant, cum tamen amor noster semper optimus nunquam decrescit, sed augmenitur. Tunc abbas Johannes ad illam, Bona domina, humiliter te supplico ut me et socios meos in tam arcto loco et ignoto deviantes educere velis, et in viam ponere quæ ducit ad illam civitatem ubi isti monachi, Domino auxiliante, debent ordinari. Hoc autem peto pro amore amicorum tuorum qui sunt in Bellalanda, de qua nos omnes monachi sumus. Tunc illa, Verum (inquit) dicis de Bellalanda estis, sed annexi tanquam pars toti, seu membrum capiti. Fuistis nuper de Bellalanda, sed nunc de Jorevalle estis. Cumque illa nominasset Jorevalle, mirabatur ille, et dixit, Bona domina, doce nos viam versus Jorevallem, nam illuc tendimus. Tunc illa respiciens filium suum dixit, Dulcissime fili, pro amore quo semper me dilexisti, esto ductor istius, nostri, et conventus, consternati sunt nimis de isto impedimento. Invocata enim sum alibi ubi accelerare me oportet: et his dictis recessit. Puër vero prætendens ramum quem habebat in manu descriptum de claustro Bellalandæ, voce clara et vultu jocundo, dixit, Procedo, viriliter me sequamini. Et cum sic processisset, sequebantur per vias duras et difficiles, nec inde gravabantur. Nam infinitæ volucres albæ et parvæ ut passeret, inestimabilis candoris, descendebant super ramum quem in manu gestabat, et ibidem crebrius cantabant totum hymnum, Benedicite omnia opera Domini Domino, de quo cantu, in tantum reficiebantur, quod nil difficultatis ex itinere sentiebant. Tandem pervenerunt ad quendam locum horridum nimis et incultum, in quem puer ingreditur quasi usque in medium, et ibi fixit in terram, et plantavit prædictum ramum cum avibus canentibus, dicens, Hic Deus adorabitur et invocabitur post modicum tempus; et quasi in momento ramus crevit in pulcherrimam arborem, per totum repletam avibus albis. Sub ista arbore quiescite, et vires vestras reparate, nam respicere jam potestis locum ad quem tenditis, et via quæ illuc ducit, satis est vobis manifesta. Quibus dictis, puer disparuit. Non illico sed paululum abbas Johannes evigilavit, et omnia suprascripta diligentur in animo suo revolvit, et valdè admirabatur, et consolabatur multum de tali visione; nec amplius illa nocte obdormivit, nam ex verbis pueri concepit quod diu apud Fors non essent commansuri. Summo mane abbas Johannes surrexit, et dictis vigiliis ipse et monachi sui, adhuc lucentibus luna et stellis processerunt. Et cum per medium cuiusdam villæ in aurora diei venissent quidam habitantium illuc fuerunt in surgendo, qui audientes magnum latratum canum, et fieri solet, per fenestras domorum suarum, in viam respexerunt, et cum vidissent plurimos in albis pannis transeuntes, unus eorum dixit, Quam multi albi homines transeunt hic? Quod audiens abbas Johannes substitit sub quodam muro in umbra quasi exploraturus et auditurus quid de illis ulterius diceretur, et alius homo dixit socio suo qui ipsos viderat, Nescis qui sunt isti? et alius respondit, Non; et ille qui prius, Dictum fuit mihi heri ad aulam, quod unus abbas et duodecim monachi se transferunt, et transmitte de Bellalanda ad habitandum apud Jorevallem; quod tertius homo audiens sub omni festinatione hostium domus exivit, et suspiciens aliquantulum lunam, stellas, signa et statum firmamenti, talia verba dixit, In felici tempore se transferunt boni homines isti, nam infra breve tempus, sci-

licet triginta vel quadraginta annorum ad talem statum vivendi in hoc sæculo pervenient, quod nunquam defectum patientur, sed in omnibus bonis temporalibus semper vegetabunt et accrescent. Quibus verbis auditis abbas Johannes processit, et se festinavit ad socios suos bene confortatus et animatus, tam de verbo simplicis hominis bona fide loquentis, quam de revelatione suprascripta, cui in omni profectu et gratia majorem speciem et fidem adhibebat. Interpretetur tam dictum quam revelationem prout libet, quicumque voluerit. Sufficit mihi quod ea simpliciter notificavi sicut à senioribus nostris, non semel, sed sæpius, audiivi.

NUM. XV.

Genealogia Comitum Richmundiæ post Conquestum Angliæ.

[Ex regist. feodorum de Richmundshire in bibl. Cottoniana, fol. 94 b.]

EUDO comes Britanniae, ante conquestum Angliæ, filius Galfridi ducis, genuit tres filios successivè post ejus mortem in comitatu Britanniae præsidentes, Alanum scilicet dictum Rufum vel Forgaunt, qui primo venit in Angliam cum Willielmo bastardo duce Normaniæ. Cui idem Willielmus postquam coronatus fuit in regem Angliæ per conquestum, auxilio Matildis reginæ suæ, dedit honorem et comitatum comitis Edwini in Eborakshira (qui modo vocatur Richmondshire) et qui ad tunc extitit geldable, sed postea regum privilegio in libertatem est mutatus.

Hic Alanus primo incepit facere castrum et munitionem juxta manerium suum capitale de Gilling pro tuitione suorum contra infestationem Anglorum tunc ubique exhæredatorum similiter et Danorum, et nominavit dictum castrum Richmond suo ydiomate Gallico, quod sonat latinè divitem montem, in editiori et fortiori loco sui territorii situatum. Et obiit sine exitu de corpore suo, et apud sanctum Edmundum sepultus est.

Alanus Niger frater suus eidem successit in honorem Richmundiæ. Cujus anno gubernationis xvj. quidam miles nomine Acharias filius Bardolfi fundavit monasterium ordinis Cisterciensis apud Fors in Wenslaidale, quod postea translatus est usque in territorium de Witton, et vocatur Jorevallis, per Stephanum postea comitem Richmundiæ. Et obiit sine liberis.

Stephanus frater dicti Alani eidem successit et honorem prædictum, qui transtulit abbatiam de Fors usque locum qui nunc Joravallis dicitur, genuitque filium nomine Alanum, et obiit Idus Aprilis anno gratiæ millesimo centesimo quadragesimo quarto, et sepultus est apud Begar, tamen cor suum jussit sepeliri in monasterio sanctæ Mariæ apud Eboracum, quod ipse prius construxerat et possessionibus amplissimis dotaverat anno gratiæ mxxxvij. secundo Willielmi Rufi.

Alanus filius Stephani comitis eidem successit, qui obiit in Britannia 3. kal. Aprilis, anno gratiæ mclxvj.

Conanus filius Alani comes Britanniae et Richmundiæ successit in honorem Richmundiæ, et disposavit Margaretam sororem Willielmi regis Scotiæ. Ex qua genuit unicam filiam et hæredem nomine Constanciam, quam Galfridus frater regis Angliæ Ricardi disposavit.

Iste Conanus ædificavit turrim magnam infra castellum Richmundiæ. Et obiit in Britannia et apud Begar sepelitur anno gratiæ mclxx.

Constancia filia Conani tenuit honorem prædictum, et ex Galfrido fratre regis habuit filium nomine Arturum, quem Johannes rex Angliæ occidi fecit, et Alianoram incarceravit apud Corf post mortem Arturi fratris sui. Postea duxit eam Ranulphus comes Cestriæ, quæ ab eo propter adulterium divortiata et sine prole generata nupsit cuidam Guidoni de Toarcho. Ex quibus processit filia nomine Adelia, quæ post mortem parentum remansit in custodia regis Franciæ, quam rex dedit in matrimonio domino Petro Mauclerc militi suo cum Britannia. Et obiit in Britannia, sepultus apud Begar anno mccj.

Adelia obiit in Britannia, et sepulta est apud Plonarmel anno gratiæ mcccxxj.

Johannes filius Adeliæ obiit in Britannia anno mcccxiij. et nunquam fuit comes Richmundiæ.

Johannes filius Johannis comes Richmundiæ disposavit Beatricem filiam Henrici regis Angliæ. De qua genuit Arturum, Petrum, et Johannem. Occisus fuit apud Lugdunum in coronatione domini Clementis Papæ anno mcccv. ibique sepultus fuit.

Arthurus dux sed non comes Richmondiæ filius suus obiit in Britannia et sepultus est apud Plonarmel mcccxj.

Johannes frater Arthuri comes obiit in Britannia et sepultus est apud Vany mcccxxx.

Johannes filius Arthuri comes obiit in Britannia et sepultus est apud Plonarmel anno gratiæ mcccxlj.

NUM. XVI.

Carta Johannis Britannicæ Ducis, Donationes antecessorum suorum confirmans.

[Cart. 4 E. III. n. 99. per inspex. Vide cart. 35 E. I. n. 15. Et cart. 6 E. II. n. 49.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, Johannes dux Britannicæ, et comes Richmondiæ in Anglia, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Sciatis nos intuitu Dei, et pro salute animæ nostræ, antecessorum, et hæredum nostrorum, concessisse et præsentis scripto confirmasse, Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Jorevall ordinis Cisterciensis Deo servientibus, eorum successoribus imperpetuum, ipsam abbatiam suam de Jorevall, in honorem beatæ Mariæ constructam, in territorio de Est-Wittone, cum tota terra ejusdem villæ, et advocatione ecclesiæ, cum omnibus pertinentiis, aysiamenis, libertatibus in terra, aqua, bosco, et omnibus aliis rebus, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, Insuper concedimus, et confirmamus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, omnes alias terras quas ipsi religiosi habent de dono antecessorum nostrorum fundatorum suorum, seu quorumcunque aliorum; scilicet in Askerig, Nappai, Neubigyn. Ridmere, Herveby, Walburn, Mersks, Feldome, Dalton, Melsamby, cum Didrestone, Rich, Langton super Swale, Witewell, Apilton, Tunstall, Burgh, Heselton, Hankiswell, Burton, Cunstable, Fingall, Hotonhang, Ellyngstring, Ellyngton, Sturton, Lemyng, Estleby, Middleton, Quenerow, cum pertinentiis suis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam solutam et quietam de omnibus serviciis, exactionibus et demandis, imperpetuum. Præterea concedimus et confirmamus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris prænominatis monachis, et eorum successoribus, omnes alias terras suas, scilicet grangias, possessiones, ecclesiasticas et mundanas, tofta et crofta, redditus et prata, pascuas, moras, pasturas, boscos et communas, et omnia alia tenementa sua, tam in dominicis quam serviciis, cum omnimodis pertinentiis, libertatibus, et aysiamenis prope et procul, de quorumcunque Christianorum fuerint donatione, infra honorem Richemund; ita quod ipsi monachi et eorum successores teneant et habeant imperpetuum omnes dictas terras suas, et possessiones cum omnibus pertinentiis, ad laudem et honorem Dei, et salutem animarum, liberè, quietè, benè et in pace, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ nostræ, antecessorum, et hæredum nostrorum. Et nos et hærcdes nostri præsentem confirmationem, in omnibus sicut scriptum est, prænominatis monachis de Jorevall, et eorum successoribus, contra omnes homines warrantizabimus, aquietabimus, et defendemus imperpetuum. In cujus rei testimonium præsentis scripto sigillum nostrum apposuimus, &c. Datum apud Eborum, die exaltationis sanctæ crucis anno gratiæ millesimo ducentesimo sexagesimo octavo, et anno regni regis Henrici filii regis Johannis quinquagesimo secundo.

NUM. XVII.

Alia Carta ejus Johannis.

[Ex autogr.]

JOHANNES dux Britannicæ et comes Richmondiæ, omnibus hominibus salutem. Cum contineatur in carta, quam abbas et conventus de Jorevalle habent de foresta de Wandeslaydale, quod salvis nobis et hæredibus nostris, vel assignatis nostris, omnibus quæ ad forestam et forestariam pertinent, tam in dominicis terris suis quam extra, ex utraque parte de Jor, volumus etiam et concedimus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris vel assignatis nostris, sicut intelligi, quod transgressores salvagine attachientur et amercientur, similiter si aliquid de viridi de bosco nostro abque visu forestariorum nostrorum ceperint, eorundem attachiamenta et amerciamenta nobis pertineant. Et si aliqui ceperint de bosco prædictorum monachorum infra baronias suas, sive alibi in separabili suo, emendas sibi faciant, secundum delictum per sectam dictorum monachorum ubicunque voluerint. Volu-

mus etiam quod dicti monachi possint quolibet anno pro voluntate sua scindere quandam portionem de bosco suo, et illam portionem vendere aut in ferrum comburere. Præterea concedimus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, quod dicti monachi pascant cum omnimodis bestiis suis undique venientibus, in boreali parte de Jor, sicut in suo separabili, prout voluerint. Præterea volumus quod nullus hominum nostrorum de foresta de Wandeslaydale, habeat communio-nem pasturæ de Bayne, usque ad murum de Burgh, et sic sursum versus Anthelburi, vel estoveria in turbaria de Wirtton exceptis hominibus de loco qui dicitur Baynebrig, sine vasto ibidem faciendo, et superoneratione pasturæ. Volumus etiam quod animalia nostra, vel tenentium nostrorum de Wendesleydale non intrent, nec pascant infra baronias prædictorum monachorum, nec aliquod agistamentum in prædictis de cætero capiemus, sed faciant in eisdem prout voluerint, omnimodum commodum suum. Præterea volumus et concedimus, quod si aliqua prata clausa vel nova ædificia de cætero fecerimus vel construxerimus in prædicta foresta, bene liceat prædictis monachis tantum ubicunque voluerint facere in suo separabili, sine aliqua calumpnia vel contradictione. Concedimus, etiam confirmamus eisdem monachis omnes donationes eis factas, scilicet terras, tenementa, redditus, possessiones, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, in villa de Somercotes, et unum toftum et croftum ad sanctum Botulphum in Wormegate, a filo aquæ, usque ad locum qui dicitur Bardick, et decem solidos argenti quolibet anno de nundinis ejusdem villæ, ad vinum emendum propter missas, ac omnes donationes eis factas in eadem villa, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, ad omnimoda commoda sua facienda. In cujus rei testimonium præsentibus sigillum nostrum apposuimus. Datum apud Londinum die sancti Edmundi archiepiscopi, anno gratiæ millesimo ducentesimo octogesimo primo.

NUM. XVIII.

Carta Johannis de Britania Comitis Richmundiæ et Willelmi Abbatis de Savygneio sub uno sigillo, de subjectione abbatie Jorevallis in Wandeslaydale abbatie de Bellalanda.

[Ex ipso autogr. in turri beatæ Mariæ Ebor.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Johannes de Britania comes, Richmundiæ ducis primogenitus, salutem in Domino. Noveritis nos inspexisse cartas monasterii de Bellalanda sigillis venerabilium patrum Savygneii de verbo ad verbum in forma subscripta. Universis sanctæ Dei ecclesiæ filiis et fidelibus Serlo abbas monasterii Savygnyacensis totiusque loci conventus salutem. Sciatis nos communi fratrum nostrorum consilio et consensu dedisse Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Beylanda abbaciam nostram de Wandesdale, quæ etiam Jorevallis dicitur, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis habitis vel habendis, liberam et quietam, sicut comes Alanus de Richemunt eam nobis dedit et concessit, hoc etiam hærede suo comite Conano cum baronibus suis concedente et confirmante, eo videlicet tenore et intuitu, ut hæc ecclesia prædictæ Beilandicæ sicut filia matri sit subjecta, et secundum ordinem nostrum eidem obediat per omnia. Testibus hiis, Henrico archiepisc. Eboracensi, Ailredo abbate Ryevallis, Turolde abbate de Fontibus, et fratribus eorum plurimis.

Universis sanctæ Dei ecclesiæ filiis et fidelibus Willelmus monasterii Savigni dictus abbas, salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse et hac carta confirmasse ecclesiæ Beylande abbaciam nostram de Wandesdale, quæ et Jorevallis dicitur cum omnibus pertinentiis suis habitis et habendis. Eo videlicet tenore et intuitu, ut hæc ecclesia de Jorevallis prædictæ ecclesiæ de Ballalanda sicut filia matri sit subjecta, et secundum ordinem nostrum eidem obediat per omnia, sicut continetur in carta prædecessoris nostri piæ memoriæ dompni Serlonis abbatis de Savygno et ejusdem conventus quam de donatione Jorevallis habet. Quas quidem cartas nos prædictus Johannes de Britania comes Richmundiæ, pro salute animæ nostræ et pro anima karissimæ sponsæ nostræ et consortis nostræ Beatricis domini Henrici quondam illustris Regis Angliæ filiæ et pro animabus omnium antecessorum et hæredum nostrorum, ratificamus approbamus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris ac assignatis quibuscunque imperpetuum confirmamus præsentibus abbati et conventui de Bellalanda et eorum successoribus valituras. In cujus rei testimonium

præsenti cartæ sigillum nostrum apposuimus. Hiis testibus dominis Gwycardo de Charron senescallo nostro, Johanne de Mora, Willielmo de Traille, Briano filio Alani, Johanne de sancto Michaele militibus, Roberto de Appilgarth, Willielmo del Scrope, et aliis.

NUM. XIX.

Carta Ricardi Abbatis Savyni.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ ecclesiæ filiis Ricardus dictus abbas Savyni, in Domino salutem. Sciatis nos inspexisse quasdam cartas prædecessorum nostrorum piæ memoriæ dominorum Serlonis et Willielmi abbatum Savyni, de abbacia nostra de Wandeleydale, quæ et Jorevall dicitur, quam dederunt et concesserunt dilectæ filiæ nostræ de Bellalanda imperpetuum, cum suis possessionibus habitis et habendis; Quas quidem cartas confirmamus, ratificamus, et approbamus, eo videlicet tenore et intuitu, ut hæc ecclesia de Jorevalle prædictæ ecclesiæ de Bellalanda sicut filia matri sit subjecta, et secundum ordinem nostrum eidem obediat per omnia, sicut in cartis prædecessorum nostrorum plenius continetur. Valete.

NUM. XX.

Carta Regis Henrici tercii Donationes plurimorum confirmans.

[Cart. 12 H. 3. memb. 10.]

REX omnibus, &c. Noveritis nos intuitu Dei, et pro salute animæ nostræ, et animarum antecessorum et hæredum nostrorum, concessisse et hac carta nostra confirmasse abbati et monachis de Jorevall omnes donationes et concessiones subscriptas, videlicet, ex dono abbatis et conventus de Fontibus sex bovatas terræ cum pertinentiis in Hortone, et homagium et servitium Ricardi clerici, et hæredum suorum de terra de Salberg. Ex dono Suani filii Dolfini unam carrucatam terræ cum pertinentiis in Hortone. Ex dono Radulfi filii Suani duas bovatas terræ et servitium unius bovatae terræ in eadem villa. Ex dono Willielmi filii Arkilli duas bovatas terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa. Ex dono Walranni filii Johannis de Halgtone unam bovataam terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa. Ex dono Adæ de Stavele totam Grisendene cum omnibus pertinentiis, scilicet Ulvedale, et medietatem de Roauthaboctone, et Herterone in communia, et aliam medietatem de Rauthabocton cum communia illorum de Sadberge. Ex dono Willielmi de Wytevell duas bovatas terræ cum pertinentiis in Melsamby. Ex dono Briani filii Alani duas carucatas terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa. Ex dono Julianæ filiæ Alani de Lins duas bovatas terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa. Ex dono Aliciæ filiæ Willielmi de Bermingeham duas bovatas terræ cum pertinentiis in eadem villa, et servitium Elenæ filiæ ejusdem Aliciæ de illis bovatis quas ipsa tenuit de eadem Alicia. Ex dono Nicholai filii Galfridi de Stapelton quinque bovatas terræ cum pertinentiis in Mersk, et unam bovataam terræ cum pertinentiis in Bartone. Ex dono Henrici filii Mich. dimidiam carucatam terræ cum pertinentiis in Mersk. Ex dono Henrici filii Hervei unam carucatam terræ cum pertinentiis in Feldone. Ex redditione et concessione prædicti Henrici totam terram, et pasturam, et boscum, et planum, et omnes libertates et aisiamenta, et omnia quæ pertinent ad duas carucatas terræ infra divisas de Feldone. Ex dono Rogeri filii Ceceliæ unam carucatam terræ cum pertinentiis in Feldone. Ex dono Hamonis de Valuniis totam terram de Rokwike cum pertinentiis. Ex dono Petri Boterel filii et hæredis Reginaldi Boterel totam terram de Est-Witton cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et cum ecclesia ejusdem villæ. Ex dono Adæ Barn de Neubigging dimidiam carucatam terræ in Askerik et Neubigging cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Avelinæ quondam uxoris Rogeri de Gaitenebi unam carucatam terræ in Stratford cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Conani ducis Britanniae et comitis Richmundiæ c. sol. terræ in Sumercote. Ex dono ejusdem Conani x. sol. annuatim de redditibus nundinarum S. Botulfi in Hoiland. Ex dono Radulfi filii Suani sex bovatas terræ in Ridemere cum pertinentiis. Ex dono Cecelia filiæ Copsi de Riddemere unam carucatam terræ in Ridemere cum pertinentiis. Ex dono Radulfi filii Rogeri quinquaginta acras terræ cum pertinentiis in Torintone, et pasturam ad quinquaginta oves. Ex dono Aimari filii Rogeri unam acram terræ in Torintone quæ jacet in Henephan, et unam

acram prati ex australi parte de Jor. Ex dono Willielmi filii Willielmi de Wyteby duas bovatas terræ in Torintone cum pertinentiis. Ex dono Roberti filii Haskewy homagium et servitium Ranulfi filii Willielmi de Middleton et hæredum suorum. Ex dono Roberti Ruffi de Claseby filii Haskewy duas bovatas terræ in Estanefeld cum pertinentiis. Ex dono Ranulfi comitis Cestriæ unam liberam salinam in harenis de Venflet ex parte orientali portus inter portum et mare, et unum liberum boscum ad turbam fodiendam in marisco de Todintone, cum uno homine ad dictam salinam sustentandam, cum libero introitu et exitu ad prædictam turbam cariciandam ad eandem salinam. Ex dono Roberti filii Odonis de Hunitone dimidiam carucatam terræ in Hunitone cum pertinentiis. Ex dono Helewisæ de Hunitone novem acras terræ in Hunitone cum pertinentiis. Ex dono Thomæ de Wytevell unam bovataam terræ cum pertinentiis in Wytevell. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum venerab. patris Radulfi Cicestr. episcopi cancellarii nostri, apud Westmonast. xij. die Februarii, anno regni xij.

NUM. XXI.

Alia Carta ejusdem Regis.

[Ibid. m. 9. Vide etiam Pat. 5 R. II. part. 1. m. 14.]

H. DEI gratia, &c. Sciatis nos intuitu Dei et pro salute animæ nostræ et animarum antecessorum et hæredum nostrorum concessisse, &c. Deo et abbatiæ de Jorevall, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus rationabiles concessiones eis factas, tam per Alanum quondam comitem Richmundiæ, quam per Conanum filium suum, et per Constantiam comitissam filiam ipsius Conani; scilicet de concessione et confirmatione prædicti comitis Alani tres carucatas terræ in Wirtone, et unam carucatam et dimidiam in Forse de dono Akariæ. Et totam villam de Engelby de dono Rogeri filii Wyemari, et Garnerii fratris sui, et unam carucatam et dimidiam in Forse de dono Hugonis filii Jernagan. Et de dono Alani comitis quod pro defectu ullius servicii nec aliquis pconis quod ad comitem Richemund pertineat, super eosdem fratres, nec super homines eorum namium capiatur, nec aliqua molestia eis inferatur. Et de dono ejusdem quod habeant pasturam per totam forestam de Wendeslaydale et prata falcanda quantum eis opus fuerit. Et ut capiant materiem ubicunque voluerint in eadem foresta ad domos suas, et ad omnia necessaria sua facienda, sine omni impedimento et disturbance. Et quod si mineram ferri vel plumbi in terra sua invenerint ad opus suum eam fodiant. Et quod habeant feras luporum morsu peremptas, quas ipsi vel servientes sui in foresta illa invenerint. Et ut omnia quæ idem comes memoratis fratribus dedit et concessit, bene et in pace et honorificè, in nemore et plano, in terris et aquis, et pratis et pascuis, et exitibus et omnibus consuetudinibus tuis liberis imperpetuum teneant et possideant. De donatione autem et concessione Conani quondam comitis Richmundiæ totam terram in territorio de Wittone, in bosco et plano, quæ est ultra Holebec usque ad divisas inter Wittone Mashamshire, et pasturam in omni mora et bosco et plano quæ pertinent ad Wittone, et maercium et ligna ad focos suos, et ad omnia necessaria sufficienter. Et ut nullus inducat animalia ad pascendum in foresta de Wandeslaydale ad molestiam monachorum. Et concessionem et confirmationem Constantiæ comitissæ filiæ Conani quod monachi prædicti possint piscari per omnes aquas comitis Richmundiæ in Wandesleydale ad opus infirmorum de infirmitorio suo, et ut faciant fandas ad pullos suos capiendos ubi eis placuerit del su de Chambesgathe. Et ut faciant logias per visum seneschalli comitis Richemundiæ ad vaccarias suas in marginibus forestæ. Concessimus etiam eis et confirmavimus unam carucatam terræ in Kelgrimhou, et unam carucatam terræ et dimidiam in Dideristone, et unam carucatam ei dimidiam in Hesiltone, et unum toftum ad sanetum Botulfum. Et ex dono Rogeri de Moubray terram apud Brigewath. Hæc supradicta, &c. prædictæ abbatiæ in perpetuam elemosinam concedimus et confirmamus, &c. Datum, ut supra.

NUM. XXII.

Carta Abrahæ fil. Suani de Moton de tertia parte tofti et duabus acris Prati Monachis de Jorevalle concessis.

[Stevens, Contin. tom. ii. p. 291. e Registr. S. M. Ebor. in bibl. Cath. Ebor.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus, præsentibus et futuris,

Abraham filius Suari de Miton, salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et concessisse et hac præsenti carta mea confirmasse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et monachis de Jorevalle, cum corpore meo, tertiam partem totius tofti mei versus orientem in villa de Miton, scilicet a magna via usque in Swale, et duas acras parti quæ jacent in Mileldales in territorio ejusdem villæ, cum aisiamentis infra villam et extra, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum. Et ego Abraham et hæredes mei warrantizabimus et defendemus totam prædictam terram cum libertatibus suis contra omnes homines prædictis monachis imperpetuum. Hiis testibus, Alano de Kirkeby, Andrea de Holtby, Alexandro de Hethelingthorp, Jordano capellano, Thoma filio Thomæ de Miton, Roberto Garn, et aliis.

NUM. XXIII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

ABBATHIA DE JOREVALLE IN COM' EBOR'.

Adam Abbas ib'm.

Com' Ebor'.

Tempalia.

Valet in

Situ abbathe p'dict' cum gardinis p'vis claus' et molend' eidm annexat' in man' suis occupat' per annū

3l. 5s. 0d.

Redd' et firmis diſs' grangiaz in manibz suis retent' viz grang' de Laisingby super Wyske 20l. Aykbarthe 13l. 6s. 8d. Rokquicke 20l. Kylgramhow 10l. Newhousse 6l. In to'

69l. 6s. 8d.

Dñijs mañijs villis grangijs burg' terr' et teñt' subscript' viz grangia Newstede 14l. 13s. 4d. Helfahall 4l. 13s. 4d. Tunstal 5l. Ryswyk 4l. 13s. 4d. Māio de Wensladall 68l. 13s. 4d. Horton 32l. 5s. Villa de Estwitton 32l. 0s. 10d. Hunton Hanger 9l. 6s. 8d. Fyngall 9l. Thoronetsteward 3l. 13s. 4d. Hamlet' in diſs' villis viz villa Newton in Villes 13s. 4d. Yarme 3s. 4d. Hunton 3s. 2d. pro liſo redd'. Burton p liſo redd' 1s. Middleton in Mires 2l. 6s. 8d. Feryby pro liſo redd' 3s. 4d. Brompton 8s. 8d. Thirnetowfhe 1l. 3s. 4d. Walborne 7s. 8d. Marske 10s. Soñcote et Boston 3l. 0s. 8d. Coleborn 5s. Gillyng 6s. Wynxeley 2s. 6d. Morton et Scruton 1l. Sedburgh et Whūfell 17s. 9d. Langton Whitwell et Milesunby 3l. 13s. 4d. Exilby Lemyng et Upleđn Marske 1l. 6s. 8d. Felldom 4l. 16s. 8d. Richmund Derlyngton et Alſton 1l. 4s. 8d. Clifto' Mitnby et Kneton 11s. 4d. Appleton Thirne et Croft 5s. Coldeconyston et Hawxwell 14s. Villat' de Daltontraves 4l. 13s. 4d. Ellyngstring 3l. 13s. 4d. Elyngton 3l. 6s. 8d. Estappleton 2l. Murecotte 1l. 13s. 4d. Widdall 2l. 2s. Molend' de Estwitton 1l. Molend' de Ramshaw 13s. Molend' fullatic' de Estwhitton 10s. In tot' 227l. 14s. 11d.

Redd' et firmis domus tannar' put dim' ad firmā

7l. 0s. 0d.

Casualia ut in pquisit' cur' . . . 1l. 0s. 0d.

Com' Lancast'.

Tempalia.

Valet in

Reddit' et firmis in villa de Keñdley 32l. 8s. 4d.

34l. 14s. 11d.

Com' Ebor'.

Sp'ualia.

Valet in

Decim' rectorie de Aykscarth viz granoz put dim' ad firmā 13l. Lan' 20l. Agn' 18l. Vitul' 8l. Oblac' minut' et privat' decim' ut in libro paschal' 12l. In tot' 71l. 0s. 0d.

Decim' rectorie de Aynderby viz granoz 14l. 6s. 8d. Feni 1l. 6s. 8d. Lan' 1l. Agn' 13s. 4d. Lini et canabi 3s. 4d. Oblac' privat' et minut' decim' ut in libro paschali 3l. 16s. 8d. In tot' . . . 21l. 6s. 8d.

Decim' rectorie de Estwhitton viz granoz 8l. Feni 1s. 6d. Lan' 13s. 4d. Agnell' 14s. Oblac' privat' et minut' decim' ut in libro paschal' put dim' ad firmā 2l. 6s. 8d.

11l. 15s. 6d.

Decim' rectorie de Westwitton viz mans' cum gleba itm 2l. 13s. 4d. Decim' granoz feni lan' agn' vitul' et

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omimod aliaz decim' put dim' ad firmā Jacobo Metcalffe p annū 8l. In tot' . . . 10l. 13s. 4d.

114l. 15s. 6d.

Sñ^a oim tempaliū et spūaliū abbathe p'dce

455l. 10s. 5d.

Repris'.

Resolut' Redd' Pens' cum Lib'a Firma.

Viz in

Pens' solut' tribz capellnis celebrant' in ecclia metropolit' Eboz ad altare Sñi Stephani ex fundat' dñi de Upsall 20l. Pens' solut' vicar' ejusd' ecclie p obitu dicti dñi de Upsall in festo Sñi Mñini p compos' 4l. Johi Todde magro scole gramatic' Wifmo Cooke magr' scole Cantar' in Dunelm' p pens' suis ex fund' Thome Lāgley 16l. 13s. 4d. Capello celebrant' in capella de Middleton in com' Lancast' p pens' sua ex fund' p'dci Thome Langley 5l. 6s. 8d. 2^{obz}. Cap^{nis} celebrant' in capella de Laisynby p pens' suis ex fund' Johis Lyghgranes 10l. 13s. 4d. Dñis de Bedall p liſo redd' exeunt' de terr' in Estwitton ad sustent' triū capelloz et duoꝝ cleric' in capella de Bedall p compos' ex fund' dñi Briani Fythalan 18l. 6s. 8d. Cap^{no} de Wathe p pens' sua p compos' 1l. 13s. 4d. Capellno de Gyllyng p pens' sua p compos' 2l. Cap^{no} de Lemyng pro pens' sua p compos' 3l. 6s. 8d. Vicar' de Ayscarth p pens' sua p cōposs' 19l. 6s. 8d. Vicar' de Aynderby p pens' sua p compos' 13l. 6s. 8d. Vicar' de Est Whitton p pens' sua 5l. Archño Richemund' p annuali pens' de Aykscarth 1l. 6s. 8d. Eidm archño Richemund' p annuali pens' de Aynderby Withsteeple 1l. 6s. 8d. Rector' de Bedall p pens' exeunt' de decim' de Huntonghang' p annū 2l. Rector' de Patrik Brompton p pens' sua exeunt' de decim' de Ayksbarghe 1l. 13s. 4d. Vicar' de Northalſton p pens' exeunt' de decim' de Laisynby p compos' 2l. Rectori de Watlousse p pens' sua exeunt' de decim' de Rokewyk p cōposs' 13s. 4d. Rector' de Fynghall p pens' sua exeunt' de decim' de Fynghall p'dict' p compos' 6s. Pens' solut' ecclie de Thornetone p compos' 2s. p Kylgrame rector' de Mashame p pens' exeunt' de decim' in Kylgrā 4s. Monasterio Bñe Marie Eboz p liſo redd' in Riswyk et Tunstall 1l. 11s. 8d. Monasterio de Fountance p liſo redd' de Horton in Ribbisdayll 1l. Hered' de Upsall pro liſo redd' de Aykbarghe 1l. 6s. 8d. Priori Sñi Martini juxta Richemund' p liſo redd' de Est Witton et Thoſton 3l. 12s. Castro de Midleham p liſo redd' de Wenslandall et Whiddall 17s. Eidm castro de Midleham p liſo redd' de Thouse in Whenslanddall 7s. 8d. Dño de Burton in Lonsdall p wapentag' de Horton in Ribbisdayll 1l. Dño de Massham p liſo redd' in Ellyngstring 7s. Eidm domino de Mash m p liſo redd' de Ov' Elyngton 10s. Dñis de Bedall p liſo redd' de Rockewick 8s. 8d. Georgio Metcalffe p liſo redd' et corrod' in Wenslandalle 1l. 13s. 4d. Hered' Wifmi Jacson p liſo redd' de Aykbarghe 13s. 4d. Thome Limllint' ar' p liſo redd' 6s. 8d. Galfrido Redmā pro liſo redd' de Horton 6s. 8d. Luce Metcalffe p liſo redd' in Est Witton 2l. Laurenc' Askewth p liſo redd' in Ellyngstring 1s. 1d. Monaster' Bñe Marie Eboz pro liſo redd' 4d. Dño de Upsall p liſo redd' de Fynghall 6s. 8d. Wifmo Sutton p liſo redd' de Aykbarghe 13s. 4d. Dño de le Conyers p liſo redd' de Appleton 5s. Castro Richemund' p liſa firma de Estwittō Thoſton Fyngall et aliis terr' 3s. 10½d. Dño le Conyers p liſa firma de Horneby 1s. Ecclie de Masham p liſa firma de Horneby 5d. . . . 163l. 0s. 8½d.

Feod' viz in

Feod' dñi Conyers capitalis sen^{ti} in Richemūdshire 3l. 13s. 4d. Jacobi Metcalffe sen^{ti} in Wenslādall 2l. 13s. 4d. Ric' Norton sen^{ti} de Horton 1l. 10s. Ric' Bolde sen^{ti} de Knerdley 2l. Wifmi Catherd sen^{ti} de Est Witton p sigill' cōe 5l. 6s. 8d. Mathei Twaith baſti monaster' 2l. 6s. 8d. Johis Metcalffe baſti de Wensladalle 2l. Simonis Jacson ball' de Knerdley 2l. Leoñdi Tailio' baſti de Horton 1l. Wifmi Have ball' de Fyngall 1l. Henric' Askewth recept' et ball' de Newsted 1l. Petr' Messe ball' de Dalton Ellyngton et Ellingstring 13s. 4d. Jacobi Nelson baſti de Soñcote et Boston 1l. Jacobi Dent ball' de Tunstall et Riswick 13s. 4d. Wifmi Barker baſti baronie de Est Witton 1l. Jacobi Twayth recept' firmaz de Aykcarth 2l. 6s. 8d. Roger' Mangy recept' firmaz de Aynderby 2l. Johis Dixon recept' firmaz de West Witton 10s. Jacobi Dente rec' firmaz ecclie de Est Whitton 1l. . . . 33l. 13s. 4d.

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Obit' viz in
Obit' Johis Lighgraves 13s. 4d. Obit' Thome Langley
13s. 4d. Obit' Alani Standeley 13s. 4d. In tot'
2l. 0s. 0d.

Elemos' viz in
Elemos' dat' et distribut' paupibz singlis diebz dñic'
feria secund' tercia et quint' exeunt' et pvent' de 26 q'r'
fru" p a^m 10l. 8s. 24 quart' brass' ordeac' p a^m 8l. In toto
18l. 8s. 0d.

Consili elemos' dat' et distr'but' paupibz heremit' et
pueris in pane allec' albis et rubijs p annū 4l. 13s. 4d.

Cons' elemos' dat' pochianis de Aykscarth in Cena Dñi
ad quod tenent' p cart' 6s. 8d. Cons' elemosin' dat' pochianis
de Estwitton ad quod tenent' p cart' 6s. 8d. Consili ele-
mosin' pochianis de Aynderby ad quod tenent' p cart' 3s.
4d. In tot' 0l. 16s. 8d.

Sñ^a repris' abbatlie pñce . . . 222l. 12s. 0d.

Et valet clare . . . { 232l. 18s. 5d.
234l. 18s. 5d.

X^{ma} ps inde 23l. 9s. 10½d.
222l. 12s. 0½d.
220l. 12s. 0½d.

NUM. XXIV.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 30 Hen. VIII Augmentation Office.]

JARVAUX NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Com' Ebor'	£.	s.	d.
Jarvaux—Firma terr' dominical'	11	0	0
Jarvaux—Domus tannar' ibidem	2	13	4
Jarvaux—Un' molend' aquat'	0	10	0
Aykebargh et Hasilden—Firma grangiarum	38	10	6
Rokewythe—Firma Grangiae . .	49	0	4
Kylgramhowe—Firma grangiae .	26	0	4
Keyney—Firma grangiae	6	4	10
Lasyngebye—Firma grangiae . .	43	15	0
Gollyng-lyeth—Pastura ovilis . .	0	13	4
Estwyton—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	43	13	9 ob.
Estwyton—Firma molend'	2	13	4
Angramcote—Domus cum terr' . .	0	16	8
Morecote—Terr et ten'	3	6	8
Morecote—Perquis' cur'	2	5	4
Newsted—Firma grangiae	14	13	4
Newsted—Firma ten' ad vol' dñi .	7	6	8
Elfhall—Firma grangiae	7	0	0
Ellynstryng—Firma ten' ad vol' dñi	5	3	8
Hutonhang—Firma ten' ad vol' dñi	5	2	6
Hutonhang—Firma decimarum fe- ni, &c.	8	19	2
Hutonhang—Firma decimarum per- tin' rector' de Bedall et Fyngall .	2	6	8
Ryswyke—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi .	7	6	8
Fyngall—Redd' assis' lib' ten' . .	0	4	2
Fyngall—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi . .	9	7	0
Fyngall—Perquis' cur'	0	18	6
Thornton Steward—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	2	17	1
Newton in le Willows—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	0	16	0
Rychmond Burg'—Redd' assis' lib' ten'	0	3	4
Rychmond Burg'—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	0	6	8
Dedderston—Firma grangiae . . .	11	0	0
Wynxeley—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	0	2	6

	£.	s.	d.
Wennesladale—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	94	18	9
Wennesladale—Firma ten' dñic' .	16	12	8
Wennesladale—Perquis' cur' . . .	1	11	0
Ellyngton—Red' ass' lib' ten' . . .	0	12	1 ob.
Ellyngton—Redd' ten' ad volunt' .	4	2	6
Ellyngton—Firma molend'	1	0	0
Ellyngton—Perquis' cur'	0	12	2
Fyreby—Firma ten'	0	3	4
Harmeby—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi .	1	10	0
East Maryforth—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	7	13	4
Gylling et Hertforth—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	0	10	0
Feldom—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi . .	7	13	4
Feldom—Pastura ovilis	1	10	0
Melsambye—Redd' ass' lib' ten', &c.	3	8	8
Mylbye—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi . .	0	9	0
Burton Constable—Redd' assis' lib' ten'	0	1	0
Hunton—Redd' assis' lib' ten' . . .	0	4	4
Yarme—Redd' assis', &c.	0	6	8
Brompton Patrick—Redd' assis' et lib' ten'	0	13	4
Walborne—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi .	0	13	4
Hartylpole—Redd' ad vol' dñi . . .	0	0	4
Bellarbye—Redd' ad vol' dñi	0	3	0
Colborne—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi . .	0	8	0
Tunstall—Firma grangiae	6	7	0
Estapleton—Firma domus, &c. . . .	3	0	0
Morton—Redd' assis', &c.	0	10	8
Langton Magna—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	3	10	8
Langton Parva—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	0	3	0
Westwyton—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi .	2	13	4
Middleton in le Myre—Redd' as- sis', &c.	5	9	11
Marske—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi . . .	0	10	0
Dalton Travas—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	0	5	0
Exylbye—Firmæ minutæ	1	0	0
Cold Ingleby—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	4	0	0
Thyrne—Redd' assis' lib' ten' . . .	0	1	0
Scruton—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi . .	1	10	0
Hawkeswell—Redd' assis' lib' ten' .	0	0	4
Lymyng—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi . .	1	0	0
Thyrntost—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi .	2	16	8
Darlington Burgus—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	0	4	0
Northallerton Burgus—Firmæ mi- nutæ	1	1	8
Horton in Ryblesdale—Redd' assis' lib' ten'	0	3	8
Horton in Ryblesdale—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	30	4	6
Horton in Ryblesdale—Firma molend'	2	3	4
Whytwell—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi .	0	16	8
Ledeburgh—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi .	1	7	2
Upplethome et Warske—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	1	0	0
Clyfton—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi . .	0	4	0
Kneton—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi . . .	0	5	0
West Appleton—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	0	5	0
Crofte—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi . . .	1	0	0
Colde Conyston—Redd' ten' ad vol' dñi	1	0	0

Greenfield Priory in Lincolnshire.



REENFIELD PRIORY was founded for Cistercian nuns before A. D. 1153,^a by Eudo de Greinesby and Ralph de Abi his son, to the honour of St. Mary. Eudo's charter is given in addition to those which Dugdale has preserved in the Appendix to the present account: to which, for brevity's sake, we refer for the endowment of this house.

In Pope Nicholas's Taxation we have but one entry concerning Greenfield, p. 59. "Penc. in ecclesia de Beseby."

Tanner says, here were, about the time of the suppression, ten nuns;^b whose revenues in the 26th Hen. VIII. amounted, in the gross, to 79*l.* 15*s.* 1*d.*; in net income to no more than 63*l.* 4*s.* 1*d.*

The site of this house was granted first to Charles, duke of Suffolk; and afterwards, 12 Eliz. to Sir Henry Stanley, knt. Lord Strange, and Margaret his wife.^c

PRIORESSES of GREENFIELD.

AMABILIS occurs A.D. 1237.^d

MATILDA, A.D. 1260.^e

SARA.^f

IVETTA, A.D. 1325,^g and again in 1327.^h

MARGARET occurs in 1341;ⁱ and again in 1348.^k

ISABELLA, 45th Edw. III.^l

JOAN occurs in the 21 Ric. II.^m

ALICE, without date.ⁿ

MARGARET, in 1401;^o and again in the 3d Hen. Vth.^p

JOANNA, 15th Hen. VI.^q

ELIZABETH occurs 2 Ric. III.^r

JOAN SKIPWITH in the 1st Hen. VIII.;^s and again in 1517.^t

Numerous charters to the prioress and convent of Greenfield are preserved among the manuscripts in the British Museum.^u

No SEAL of this House has yet been discovered.

Greenfield Priory, of which no remains at present exist, was situated a little to the north west of Alford.

Cartae ad Grenefeildensem Abbatiam, in agro Lincolnensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Radulfi de Abi ad Abbatiam construendam apud Grenefeild.

[Ex autographo in bibl. Deuvesiana.]

EPISCOPO Lincolniae et capitulo et universis filiis sanctae matris ecclesiae tam praesentibus quam futuris Radulfus de Abi salutem. Noveritis me dedisse consilio et concessione haeredum meorum et domini mei Rogeri Arsic et praesentis cartae meae testimonio confirmassesanctimonialibus de Grenefeld, ipsum locum qui vocatur Grenfeld, ad abbatiam construendam, et ecclesiam de Abi cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et culturam De Sunewith quae est inter fossatum et

boscum, et pratum ad caput ejusdem culturae, et culturam de Wargetheweit undecim acras. Ad culturam de Sunewith duas acras, ad Toftmaram iiij. acras et totum boscum de Croxehage quod Normannus habuit, et Cisterlund et Theodolf barnewude, et deciman de molendinis meis. Hoc etiam concessi eis, ut molant bladum suum ad molendinum meum si voluerint post primum bladum quod superest ad molendinum. Haec omnia supradicta praedictis sanctimonialibus in loco praenominato Deo servientibus dedi in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam ab omni terreno servicio vel dono possidenda, et pro salute animae meae et uxoris meae, et filiorum et filiarum meorum, et patris et matris meae, et omnium parentum meorum. Hujus rei testes sunt Ro-

^a Because Randal, earl of Chester, died this year, who had confirmed to these nuns some lands, as appears by the charter of his son Hugh, extant in Sir Peter Leycester's Antiquities, p. 131.

^b Notit. Mon. Linc. xxx.

^c Cart. antiq. Harl. 44 D. 57.

^d Ibid. 44 D. 62.

^e Rot. Harl. K. 36.

^f Ibid. 44 A. 8.

^g Ibid. 44 E. 10, 11.

^h Ibid. 44 E. 6.

ⁱ Ibid. 51 H. 19.

^j Ibid. 51 H. 19.

^k The most important are, Cart. antiq. Harl. 43 C. 21. Carta Hen. II. regis confirmans "quicquid eis rationabiliter datum est in elemosyna." 43 D. 43. Carta Edw. III. regis a. r. xxii. quod abbas et conv. de Bardeney dare possint priorissae et conventui de Grenefeld 10*l.* redd. de manerio de Magna Stepyng et de omnibus terris, &c. in Frisby, Wynthorp, Strubby, Burgh juxta Waynflet, et Sutton juxta Thursthorp in com. Linc. 43 E. 24. Lic. acquir. terr. et ten. ad valorem xx. libr. dat. 12 Feb. 20 Ric. II. 42 G. 20. Carta Tho. archiep. Cant. de confirmat. 43 G. 21. Carta Theobaldi archiep. de confirmat. 43 H. 19. Carta Rob. episc. Linc. de ecclesia de Abi, de nemore de Croshage, et de aliis possessionibus. 51 B. 4, 5. Cartae Anfridi de Haga de advoc. eccl. de Haga. 52 A. 13, 14. Cartae Hugonis comitis Cestriae. 52 A. 16. Carta Ranulfi comitis Cestriae et Lincoln de omnibus sectis de curia sua de Graham, de tenementis in honore de Graham. 52 D. 31. Carta Hugonis de Kelcseia de medietate ecclesiae de Besebi. 53 C. 50. Carta Will. Com. de Essex confirm. terr. de Toresbi quam Will. fil. Otueli avunculi sui sanctimonialibus dedit in campis de Abi et de Toresbi. 55 B. 8. Carta Hawisiae de Quency comitissae Linc. de terris in Lington. Other charters of less consequence will be found Cart. antiq. Cotton. v. 50, 51, xii. 36. xxvii. 5, 51, 65, 66, 67, 120, 185. Cart. antiq. Harl. 43 A. 69. 43 E. 36. 43 F. 6. 43 G. 53. 43 H. 18, 22, 24, 25. 43 I. 9, 39, 47. 44 A. 8. 44 D. 52, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60,

61, 62, 63. 44 E. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 18. 44 F. 30. 44 G. 5. 44 H. 49. 45 B. 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55. 45 C. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 29, 36. 45 E. 41. 45 F. 5. 45 G. 23, 24. 46 A. 30 b, 31, 52. 46 D. 24, 25, 26, 27, 28. 47 C. 5. 47 D. 30. 47 E. 1, 2. 47 F. 22, 41, 42. 47 I. 19, 20, 34. 48 A. 3, 12. 49 I. 26. 50 B. 13, 16. 50 C. 27. 50 I. 31, 36. 51 A. 22. 51 D. 21. 51 H. 5. 51 H. 9, 19. 52 A. 24. 52 I. 27, 28. 53 A. 30. 54 A. 13, 33, 34, 35. 54 B. 21, 22, 23, 31, 42. 54 D. 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50. 55 D. 11, 12, 13, 14. 55 F. 23, 24, 25. 56 A. 16. 56 F. 32, 49. 56 I. 34. 57 A. 29. 57 B. 5. 57 F. 50. 57 G. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. 58 A. 23, 35. 58 C. 10, 30. 58 G. 31.

The following are Tanner's References to records concerning Greenfield:

"Vide, In Leycester's Antiquities of Cheshire, p. 131.

"In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 2044, fol. 105. Transcripts and Extracts from original Deeds relating to this Nunnery.

"Cartas ad hoc Cœnobium spectantes, pens Montagu com. Lindsey apud Grimesthorp 1646. postea in bibl. Deuvesiana, modo in Harleyana. Ubi vide MS. 38 C. 6. rot. G. 28.

"Cartas Matildae priorissae Joanni de Nevil et Ric. de Hain, de terris in Merston, MS. in bibl. Bodl. Dodsworth, vol. xxx. fol. 56.

"Rot. Pat. 14 Hen. III. m. 7. dorso pro terris in Langholm et Torcleoft.

"Pat. 22 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 34 vel 35.

"Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 31. de mess. reddit. et quibusdam custumis vocatis Ploughsilver, Sykelsilver, &c. in Wylkesby, Moreby, Wodenderby, &c. Pat. 20 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 16 et 20. de maner. de Market Raysin, p. 3, m. 8. pro. terris in Holbech."

Rot. Harl. antiq. G. 28. referred to by Tanner, is, "Inquis. capta apud Ludam anno 20 Ric. II. coram juratoribus qui dicunt quod non sit ad dampnum Regis nec ad dampnum aliorum si dominus Rex concedat Ricardo de Flexton et aliis licentiam dandi terras in Est Rasyn, North Somercotes, &c. Priorissae et Conventui de Greinefeld."

bertus Lincolnensis episcopus, Radulfus abbas de Parco lude, Willielmus abbas de Grimesbi, Willielmus et Thomas canonic. de Grimesbi capellani Roberti episcopi, Hamelinus decanus, Willielmus decanus de Breidala, Radulfus filius ejus, Jacobus de Munbegunia, Picotus de Houtun, Ricardus presbiter de Catesbi, Benedictus presbiter de Thoresbi, Amfridus de Haghe et Willielmus et Walterus clerici ejus, Simon de Clacketopp, Ricardus frater Anfridi, Philippus clericus de Greinesbi et Eudo frater ejus, Willielmus præpositus de Helghelo et Tomas de Saies, Willielmus cocus de Abia.

NUM. II.

Carta Eudonis de Grimesbi fundatoris.

[Cart. Harl. antiq. 50 I. 30.]

EPISCOPO Lincolnæ et capitulo et universis filiis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ, tam præsentibus quam futuris, Eudo de Gremesby salutem. Noveritis me dedisse concessione et consilio Radulfi hæredis mei et aliorum hæredum meorum, et domini mei Rogeri Arsic, et præsentis cartæ meæ testimonio confirmasse sanctimonialibus de Grenefeld ipsum locum qui vocatur Grenefeld ad abbatiam construendam, et ecclesiam de Abi cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et culturam de Sunewith quæ est inter fossatum et boscum et pratum ad caput ejusdem culturæ, et culturam de Warghetheweit, et totam terram de Boland, sicut pratum dividit, et sedecim acras prati in his locis: ad caput de Boland et in longitudine de Warghetheweit undecim acras; ad culturam de Sunewith duas acras; ad Softmaram quatuor acras: et totum boscum de Croxehaga quod Norman habuit; et Cisterlund, et Theodolf barnewude, et decimam de molendinis meis. Hoc etiam concessi eis, ut molant bladum suum ad molendinum meum si voluerint, post primum bladum quod supererit ad molendum. Hæc omnia supradicta prædictis sanctimonialibus in loco prænominato Deo servientibus dedi in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam ab omni terreno servitio vel dono possidendam, pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ, et filiorum et filiarum mearum, et patris mei et matris meæ, et omnium parentum nostrorum. Hujus rei testes sunt Robertus Lincolnensis episcopus, Radulphus abbas de Parco Lude, Willielmus abbas de Grimesbi, Willielmus et Thomas capellani episcopi, Hamelinus decanus, Willielmus decanus de Breidala, et Radulfus filius ejus, Jacobus de Munbeguma, Picotus de Houtuna, Simon de Clactorp, Philippus clericus de Gremesbi, et Eudo frater ejus.

NUM. III.

Carta Hugonis Episcopi Lincolnæ de Confirmatione.

[Ex autog. in bibl. Deuvesiana.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Hugo Dei gratia Lincolnensis episcopus salutem in Domino. Ne donationes locis religiosis a fidelibus factæ aliqua malignantium machinatione possint in irritum revocari, solers antiquorum cavit prudentia eas episcopali auctoritate confirmari; inde est quod nos eorum sequentes vestigia, et domui de Grenefeld atque monialibus in ea Deo servientibus quantum in nobis est providere volentes, ea quæ ipsis piæ collata sunt auctoritate qua fungimur duximus ipsis confirmare, et ea propriis vocabulis annotata scripto autentico imprimere; videlicet. Ex dono Eudonis de Gremesbi et Radulfi filii ejus, fundatorum præfati loci, ecclesiam de Abi cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et culturam de Boland et de Wargarthweit, et de Cattecroft, cum cultura juxta boscum de Swinewit, et pratum quod pertinet ad Cattecroft. Sedecim acras prati in campis de Abi, et boscum de Cisterlund et Tiedolf Barnewde, et decimam molendinorum de Abi, et totum boscum de Croxhage quod Normannus habuit. Ex dono Roscelini de Riggesbi et Jodlani filii ejus quicquid ipsi habuerunt in Wlurikehage. Ex dono Gilleberti de Riggesbi et Hereberti filii ejus quicquid ipsi habuerunt in Wlurikehage et Prestehage, et sartum juxta Prestehage, et quatuor acras terræ in Heregereshage, cum communi pastura de Riggesbi. Ex dono Amfridi de Hage quinquaginta quinque acras de terra culta, et quinque acras prati in communi pastura de Hage. Ex dono Alani de Munbi et Eudonis filii ejus quicquid ipsi habuerunt in Wlurikehage, et ecclesiam de Cumbrewrth quantum ad ipsos pertinebat, scilicet tres

partes ejusdem ecclesiæ. Et Snouthecroft et unam bovatom terræ quæ pertinet ad Snouthecroft cum communi pastura de Sutton, et unum toftum quod fuit Gunebien et pasturam ad trescentas oves in pastura ultra Havedic de Munbi. Ex dono Willielmi filii Otveri triginta tres acras in campis de Abi et Toresbi. Ex dono Ivonis de Strubi et Henrici filii ejus quadraginta duas acras terræ in Crareker et Croxhage. Ex dono Willielmi de Wdetorp, et Alani filii ejus Motteker et unam bovatom terræ in Farford cum tofto uno. Ex dono Willielmi de Welle et Roberti filii ejus sex acras terræ in territorio de Wiern in loco qui vocatur Harlham. Ex dono Hereberti de Alebi et Walteri et Willielmi filiorum ejus quicquid ipsi habuerunt in Wlurikehage et Prestehage, et quicquid ipsi habuerunt inter Bolandewange et Derwennehille, et inter abbatiam et fossatum de Crakethweit per metas dispositas à Crakethweit usque Trentesic, cum communi pastura de Abi. Ex dono Gunteri de Alebi quicquid ipse habuit in Wlurikehage, et quicquid habuit inter culturam de Prestehage et terram Gilberti de Campania. Ex dono Picoti de Houton et Ricardi filii ejus unam salinam in marisco de Neweton, et quinque acras prati in Twafflates et in Westenges. Ex dono Thomæ Burgefurn duas acras terræ in territorio de Hage, et totam terram suam in Northou quæ jacet inter viam et culturam suam. Ex dono Gileberti Testard tres perticatas terræ in territorio de Abi. Ex dono Willielmi Burgefurn unam acram terræ in territorio de Swabi in cultura quæ vocatur Brerthebuskewange. Hæc omnia sicut eis justè collata sunt et rationabiliter, præsentis scripto et sigilli mei patrocinio confirmo. Salvis episcopalibus consuetudinibus et Lincolnensis ecclesiæ dignitate Hiis testibus, Haimone decano Lincolnensis ecclesiæ, magistro Rogero de Rolveston archidiacono de Leicestria, magistro Ricardo de Swalewecliva, Galfrido de Lechelade, Roberto de Capella, Eustachio de Wilton, et aliis multis.

NUM. IV.

Carta Eudonis de Greinesbi.

[Ibid.]

EPISCOPO Lincolnæ et capitulo et universis filiis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ tam præsentibus quam futuris Eudo de Greinesbi salutem. Noveritis me dedisse concessisse et consilio Radulfi hæredis mei et aliorum hæredum meorum, et domini mei Rogeri Arsic, et præsentis cartæ meæ testimonio confirmasse sanctimonialibus de Grenefeld ipsum locum qui vocatur Grenefeld, ad abbatiam construendam, et ecclesiam de Abi cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et culturam de Sunewith quæ est inter fossatum et boscum et pratum ad caput ejusdem culturæ. Et culturam de Warghetheweit, et totam terram de Boland sicut pratum dividit, et sedecim acras prati in his locis. Ad caput de Boland, et in longitudine de Warghetheweit undecim acras. Ad culturam de Sunewith duas acras. Ad Costmaram quatuor acras. Et totum boscum de Croxehaga quod Norman habuit et Cestrelund et Theodolf barnwude, et decimam de molendinis meis. Hoc etiam concessi eis, ut molant bladum suum ad molendinum meum si voluerint, post primum bladum quod supererit ad molendum. Hæc omnia supradicta prædictis sanctimonialibus in loco prænominato Deo servientibus dedi, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam ab omni terreno servicio vel dono possidenda, pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ, et filiorum et filiarum mearum, et patris mei et matris meæ, et omnium parentum nostrorum. Hujus rei testes sunt, Robertus Lincolnensis episcopus, Radulfus abbas de Parco Lude, Willielmus abbas de Grimesbi, Willielmus et Thomas capellani episcopi, Hamelinus decanus, Willielmus decanus de Breidala et Radulfus filius ejus, Jacobus de Munbegunia, Picotus de Houtunia, Simon de Clactorp, Philippus clericus de Greinesbi, et Eudo frater ejus.

NUM. V.

Carta Willielmi de Greinesby.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris Willielmus de Greinesby salutem. Noveritis me concessisse et hac præsentis carta mea confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Grenefeld et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus ipsum locum qui vocatur Grenefeld et

ecclesiam de Abi cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et quicquid Eudo avus meus et Radulfus pater meus eis contulerunt et cartis suis confirmaverunt, in terra arabili, in pratis et pasturis et molendinis, in bosco et plano et omnibus aisiamenis, sicut cartæ eorum testantur. Et hoc feci pro salute animæ meæ et antecessorum et successorum meorum. Hanc prædictam concessionem et confirmationem ego Willichmus et hæredes mei warantizabimus prædictis sanctimonialibus in perpetuam elemosinam et defendemus contra omnes homines inperpetuum. Hiis testibus, Ivone capellano de Helho, Eudone capellano de Salebi, Gilberto capellano de Abi, Roberto de Welle, Radulfo de Crumbwell, Ernasio de Besebi, Hugone persona de Greinesbi, Radulfo et Ricardo fatribus ejus.

NUM. VI.

Fundatio Cantariæ in ecclesia ejusdem Prioratus.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS, &c. Margareta priorissa de Grenefeld et ejusdem loci conventus salutem, &c. Cum Johannes filius et hæres domini Adæ de Welle advocati nostri, sumptibus dicti domini Adæ patris sui per manus executorum ejusdem, fecerit acquirere nobis et successoribus nostris decem libratas annui redditus percipiendas de abbate et conventu de Bardeneye, et successoribus suis, et de manerio ipsorum de magna Stepyng, et de omnibus terris et tenementis suis in Frisby, Winthorp, &c. volumus et pro redditu prædicto obligamus nos et successores nostros, &c. ad inveniendum, &c. duos capellanos idoneos, &c. singulis diebus celebraturos imperpetuum in ecclesia prioratus nostri, videlicet in capella beatæ Mariæ per dictum dominum Adam et antecessores suos constructa et reparata, pro animabus ipsius domini Adæ et Margaretæ uxoris suæ, Adæ patris prædicti domini Adæ, Johannæ uxoris suæ, antecessorum et hæredum præfati domini Adæ, et pro salubri statu prædicti Johannis et Matildæ uxoris suæ dum vixerint, et pro animabus suis cum ab hac luce migraverint, et animabus omnium fidelium defunctorum, missas, matutinas, placebo, dirige, commendationes, horas canonicas, et alia divina in hac parte convenientia, &c. In cujus, &c. Hiis testibus domino Johanne de Hardreshull domino de Saleby, Petro de Bavent de Billesby, Willielmo de Toutheby, Johanne de Welle, militibus, &c. Data in capitulo nostro apud Grenefeld, die dominica proxima post festum sancti Ambrosii episcopi et confessoris, anno Dom. m.ccc. xlviii. et regni regis Edwardi tertii à conquestu Angliæ xxij.

NUM. VII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

PRIORAT' SIVE MONASTERIU' DE GRENDELDE INF^a DECANAT' DE CALSEWAYTHE.

Declarac'o sive Valor omni' Dñioꝝ Manioꝝ Terr' Ten' et aliaꝝ Possessionū Tempaliū quarūcūq; Monasterio ibm appro- p'at' de anno regni dñi nři Reg' Henrici Octavi 26 tempore dñe Anne Goderyke adtunc Priorisse.

Terr' D'nical'.

Predicta p'orissa et conventus habent terr' dñical' infra p'cinctū monasterij viz scitū monasterij cū 102 acr' infra li- mites ibm alte pastur' 5l. 12s. 4d. 13 acr' cons' pastur' jac' in Hoggesthorp 13s. Ac 43 acr' p'ati jac' in diſs' loc' viz in Abye Engs Aleby Wythyrne Harle Holme et in Sloythby 2l. 16s. 90 acr' terr' jac' in diſsis loc' viz in campis de Grenfeld Haughe Thoresby et Abye 2l. 5s. Et eciam quādm porcionem bosci pstat ibm p annū in manibz suis propriis occupat' ad usū abbathe que valent p annū 1l. 6s. 8d. Inter se 12l. 13s. 0d.

Redd' et firm' in diſs' villat'.

Predicta priorissa et conventus hient in manus q'amplu- rimoz tenen' redd' ass' et firm' in villis de Sutton 5l. 13s. 6d. Anderby 4l. Hotoft 3l. 17s. 8d. Mumby 3l. 6s. 8d. Malberthorp 1l. 7s. Trusthorp et Furllesthorp 3l. 2s. 6d. Aleby 3l. 6s. 4d. Comberworthe 1l. 6s. 8d. Thurleby 15s. Claythorp 3s. Ulceby 1s. Haughe 8d. Beysby cū 2s. De añuale pençone rectorie ibm 2l. 4s. Ryggesby 10s. Et Sloythby 1l. enter se p annū 30l. 16s. 0d.

Redd' et firm' diſs' villat'.

Dicta p'orissa et conventus si" habent in manus tenen' redd' ass' et firm' in villis de Monkthorp 10l. In Waynflett 3s. 9d. Fryskeneſy 10s. Ingoldmells 12s. Wynthorpe 6s. 4d. In Somcotts 1l. 15s. 4d. Farford 3s. South Ormesby 16s. 10d. Salfletby 1l. 2s. Marshchapell 12s. Halton 1l. 6s. 8d. Moreby 7l. 13s. 4½d. Wylkysby 1l. 14s. 4½d. Conyngsby 4s. 2½d. Sawsethorp 2s. 4d. Est Raysen 7l. 18s. 2½d. Wybton 10s. Et Lcke 13s. 4d. Inter se p a^m 36l. 4s. 1d.

Sĩm^a tempaliū { 79l. 13s. 1d. cū 2s. de annual' pens' rectorie de Beysby.

Sĩm^a to' exit tam temporalīū q^am spūaliū 79l. 15s. 1d.

Resoluçō redd'.

De quibz in redd' resolut' com' Northumbr' pro terr' in Haughe 1s. 8d. Eþo Karofin' 1s. Sço Johi de Jerusalē 2d. Et p'posit' eccl'ie de Moreby p' sustentac'one uni^a lampadis ib'm p' terr' ib'm 2s. Dço eþo p' terr' in Wyskesby 10½d. Dño de Lynwode p' terr' in Est Rayson 3s. 3d. Dño de Tuniake p' terr' ibm 1s. 8d. Hered' dñi de Wyllooby p' terr' in Hoggesthorp 1s. 5d. Et Slothby 1s. 0½d. Sço Johi de Maltby p' terr' in Marshechapell 2½d. Wifmo Ascughe milit' 6s. Collegio de Braysen Noes in Oxford' 1s. 6d. Doctori Thymolby p' terr' in Sutton 1s. Preposit' eccl'ie ib'm p' sustent' lumi's ib'm p' terr' ib'm 6d. Wifmo Ascughe milit' p' terr' in Sawsthorp 1d. Magist' Toythby p' terr' in Aleby 11d. Herr' M^{ri} Pare p' terr' in Beysby 1s. 8½d. Et M^{ro} Newell pro terr' in Ryggesby 1s. 10d. Per annū

Sĩm^a 1l. 4s. 4d.

Soluçō feod'.

Et in feod' Riçi Clerke baiſtij de Raysen et alibi 1l. Riçi Vertyman baiſtij de Moreby et alibi 1l. Johis Offeray recep' reddit' ibm 1l. 6s. 8d. Johis Goderyke sen^{ti} cur' ibm 1l. 6s. 8d. Et Johis Hyll auditoris ibm 13s. 4d. P annū inter se 5l. 6s. 8d.

Soluçō stipend'.

Et in stipend' Johis Marshall et Barñd' Parker cap^{nor} annuat' celebran' p' añabz dñi Ade Welles et M'garet' ux' sue ac dñi Ade Welles et Johe ux' sue celebrād' coram monia- libz p'dçoz dñoꝝ ut in quadm composiçõe inter Joñem Welles milit' et dñam M'garitā adtunc p'oriss' plenius continetur

10l. 0s. 0d.

Sĩm^a 15l. 6s. 8d.

Sĩm^a omi' soluçõnū et pctiçõnū p'dçaz 16l. 11s. 0d.

Et rem' 63l. 4s. 1d.

Inde p x^{ma} 6l. 6s. 5d.

NUM. VIII.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

MONASTERIUM DE GRENEFELD.

Com' Linc'	£.	s.	d.
Sutton et al'—Keddit' assis'	2	14	10
Sutton—Pastur'	0	6	8
Awnderbye—Un. domus cum terr'	4	0	0
Hotoft—Messuag' et terr'	4	6	0
Mabilthorpe—Domus et pastur	1	11	6
Trustroppe et Fulstroppe—Messuag' cum terr'	2	0	0
Holbeche —Terr' et pastur'	1	10	0
Wyberton—Messuag' et ten'	0	10	0
Leake—Firma terr'	0	13	4
Ferforthe—Firma unius tofti	0	3	0
Alebye—Firma terr' &c.	3	7	4
Cumberworth—Mesuag' cum ten'	1	6	8
Clathorp—Firma prati	0	2	0
Thorlbye—Mesuag' cum terr'	0	15	0
Thorstroppe—Firma terr'	0	3	4
Beysbye—Mesuag' cum terr'	2	2	0
Ryggesbye—Mcsuag' cum terr'	0	10	0
Sleythbye et Willoughby—Mes' cum terr'	1	18	0

Com' Linc'	£.	s.	d.	Com' Linc'	£.	s.	d.
Ingoldmells—Firma un' toft'	0	12	0	Fresney—Firma pastur'	0	10	0
South Ormesby—Mesuag' cum terr'	0	15	0	Sawstropp—Firma terr'	0	2	4
Wynthorpe—Mesuag' et terr'	0	6	0	Saltfletby—Firma terr'	1	2	0
Sutton—Firma terr'	5	6	8	Halton—Terr' et pastur'	1	6	8
Mouby et Langholme—Firma Tent' et terr'	2	16	8	Grenefeld—Firma terrarum dominicalium	19	2	0
Southsomerccotes, Northsomerccotes, et Marchchapel—Firma terr' prat', &c.	2	7	4				

Combe Abbey, in Warwickshire.



OMBE ABBEY was founded, according to the Annals of Waverly, in 1150, by Richard de Camvilla. The Annals of Parcolude place the foundation in 1149.

The following is Sir William Dugdale's own account of this Monastery in his History of Warwickshire:—"Being now to speak of the particular endowments which this Mo-

nastery had, I shall but onely point at the Benefactors, with the places where those lands and possessions so given were situate, in respect that the substance of them were in this County, so that, as they fall in my way, I omit them not. And first touching the posterity of Camvill I onely find, that Gerard de Camvill, son and heir to Richard the founder, and Nichola de Haya his wife (Daughter of Gefrey de la Haya) gave to these Monks C. sol. to keep his Anniversary there for ever: but Nigel de Moubray added all the rest of the woods, which adjoynd to those that Roger his Father had bestowed on them before; ^b Will. de Mowbray son to the same Nigel confirming whatsoever his ancestors had given.^c

"The other speciall Benefactors were these; Richard de Morevill, who gave certain lands in Withibroke:^a Thurbert de Bilnei, with some others, a large part of Bilneie:^e Laurence Prior of Coventre, with the Covent of that place, half a hide of land in the said town of Bilneie:^f Herbert Putot certain lands in Hopsford:^g Thomas the son of Laurence de Stoke xxiii. acres of land in Withibroke, and all his errable land in Bilneie:^h Seher the son of Hugh le Harper of Stoke, a wood called Harper's wood, lying in Stoke:ⁱ Alice the wife of Walter Britton, Wikin-mill which lyeth near Sow, and a messuage there:^k Rob. Chetwode and Sibil his wife Purmilne in Stretton, super Fosse:^l Agatha le Strange, divers lands in Wlricheston (now Wolston:^m) Ric. de Frevile, Merston mill:ⁿ Hamund de Thurville lands in the same Merston: Will de Borthun, Blakedon mill: in the parish of Lillington: Walter Spigurwell of Emscote certain common of pasture in the said Blakedon.

"In Church-Lawford were there divers petty parcells of land given to these Monks, some by Roger Hayrun, Lord thereof, and some by inferior men: So also in Anstl,^s and

Shulton,^t by Rog. de Buschervill and others. Little Lawford was wholly bestowed on them by John de Chavcni Lord of that Mannour." In Herdeberwe were divers small parcells of land given by ordinary persons;^x so likewise in Burtlingbury.^y

"In Little Copston^z and Wolvey,^a by Rob. Basset and Reginald his son; which Reginald gave also the moytie of the Church of Wolvey. In Shirford^b and Bromcote^c they had lands also given them by Thomas Trove, Lord of Shirford and others. And in Merston-Jabet divers petty parcells by inferior persons;^d besides all that John de Merston (otherwise called John Jabet) had in that Village.^e Part of which lands in Merston were particularly assigned to find shoos for the poor that were dayly releived at the Abby-gate.^f So likewise were certain lands in Bilney and some houses in Coventre.^g

"In Cotes (*id est* Coton juxta Church-Over) and Neuton, they had much of the grant of Hugh Bagot, Symon Bagot, and others.^h In Church-waver they had also divers small parcells bestowed on them by Rob. de Waver and others.ⁱ In Holme (now called Biggin) the Mill there, with certain lands.^k In Caldecote half a yard land given by Emme the wife of Will. Pludio.^l In Napton two yard land granted to them by Hugh de Alneto.^m In Rodburne a large quantity given by Will. de Arden.ⁿ In Hodenhull^o very much by Will. Angevin, and divers more: And in Astanescote severall parcells by sundry persons.^p In Lodbroke the like, some whereof John de Lodbroke bestowed on them.^q In Harberbury Reginald Basset gave all that he had,^r which was a great proportion; many others bestowing severall parcells.

"In Coventre they had many houses, and divers parcells of small Rent given to them by sundry persons; all which Ranulph E. of Chester ratified.^s In Staffordshire, at Trescote Will. fil Wydonis gave them two hides of land,^t which Gervase Paganell (Baron of Dudley) confirmed.^u

"But all these were antient gifts. To which were added the Mannour of Little-Copston, purchased by the Monks, of Sir Andrew de Asteley in H. 3. time, as I have there at large declared.^x The Mannour of Brinklow granted to them by Will. the son of Sir Robert Thorpe Kt. in 18. E. 3.^y And the perpetuall Patronage of the Church of Navesby in Northamptonsh, obtained by them in 8 H. 6.^z Neither were the priviledges which they had throughout all their lands of mean consideration: for K. H. 2. granted to them Free-warren, Court-leet, Felons goods, Infangthef and Outfangthef, (*id est* power to judge any thief taken within their Fee, and to question any man dwelling with their own Fee, and taken for felony in another place; as also to judge

^a Reg. de Cumba in bibl. Cotton, fol. 31, a.

^b Ibid. fol. 34, b.

^c Ibid. fol. 71, b, &c.

^d Ibid. fol. 39, a.

^e Ibid. fol. 45, a.

^f Ibid. fol. 50, a.

^g Ibid. fol. 52, a.

^h Ibid. fol. 54, a.

ⁱ Ibid.

^j Ibid. fol. 58, b.

^k Ibid. fol. 63, b.

^l Ibid. fol. 57, b.

^m Ibid. fol. 35, a.

ⁿ Ibid. fol. 35, b.

^o Ibid. fol. 80, a.

^p Ibid.

^q Ibid. fol. 51, a.

^r Ibid. fol. 53, b.

^s Ibid. fol. 55, b.

^t Ibid. fol. 59, b.

^u Ibid.

^x Ibid. fol. 67, a.

^y Ibid. fol. 81.

^a Ibid. fol. 83, b.

^b Ibid.

^c Ibid. fol. 98, b.

^d Ibid. fol. 102.

^e Ibid. fol. 112, &c.

^f Ibid. fol. 121, a.

^g Ibid. fol. 122, a, &c.

^h Ibid. fol. 133, a, &c.

ⁱ Ibid. fol. 142, b, &c.

^j Ibid. fol. 148.

^k Ex autog. penès Tho. Astley de Wolvey ar.

^l Regist. de Cumba, fol. 28.

^m Ibid. fol. 89, b, &c.

ⁿ Ibid. fol. 92, a, &c.

^o Ibid. fol. 101.

^p Ibid. fol. 105.

^q Ibid. fol. 118, a, &c.

^r Ibid. fol. 120, b.

^s Ibid. fol. 129, a, &c.

^t Ibid. fol. 136, a, &c.

^u Ibid. fol. 153, a, &c.

^x Ibid. fol. 149, a.

^y Pat. 8. H. 6. p. 28. m. 16.

him in their own Court): To be free likewise from services to the County, or Hundred-Court; and moreover for paying of Toll; and all other customes pertaining to the Crown.

"To these K. Ric. 1. added an immunity from paying Toll, and repaying High-ways and Bridges.^b And K. H. 3. from giving any Fine for murder committed within their liberties.^c But such as they had from the Popes, were in generall, to their whole Order; Innocent the III. in 6. Joh. exempting them from payment of any Tithes for those lands which they husbanded with their own proper labour or charges; as well such as had been anciently tilled, as those that were but new broke up.^d And his successor, Honorius, extending that Priviledge, as well to all such lands as they had obtained after the generall Councell (id est of Lateran) as what they had before; which Bull of his bears date at Lateran 7. Kal. Julii, Pontif. sui vi.^e Howbeit by the speciall command of Thomas Becket Archb. of Canterbury, they were to pay Tithes to the Canons of Kenilworth for all that they had within the Parish of Smite, as fully as the said Church of Smite received the same before the Cistercian Monks were seated there,^f till that by complaint to Pope Urban the third, who appointed Baldwin, then Archb. of Canterbury to hear the matter, the same was otherwise settled, viz. that the Monks of Combe should thenceforth provide Divine service to be fitly celebrated in the Church of Smite, discharging all duties to the Bishop and Archdeacon for that Church. And touching viii. marks yearly which the Canons of Kenilworth were to receive, it was determined, that six marks thereof, which they had yearly out of the Church of Cherleton (id est Cherleton-Camvill in com. Somerset) and the other two marks out of the Church of Brinklow, which the Monks of Combe were content should be paid to those Canons, they for peace sake allowing two shill. yearly Pension to be paid at the Feast of St. Michael, towards the charge of Lights in the Monastery of Combe should suffice; upon condition, that if the Monks of Combe did till any ground out of which the Chappell of Brinklow had wont to receive Tithes before this agreement, that they should still pay tithes for the same, except it were new broke up ground; as of woods reduced to tillage; and except gardens and inclosures within the precincts of the Grange, there, belonging to the Monks, and what should arise by the keeping of Cattell; which Award was made an. 1187. (33. H. 2.)^g

"Thus in great glory, plentifully endowed, stood this Monastery little less then four hundred years, till that K. H. 8. a person whose sensuall disposition, suiting so right with that corrupt age wherein he lived, finding Instruments fit for his sacrilegious purposes, contrived the destruction of it, and all the rest of those pious foundations that his ancestors and other devout persons had made; of whose subtill practices for effecting that work, I shall in a short Corollary, before I finish this tract make some discovery: amongst which that generall Survey and valuation, by Commissioners from him, in 26. of his reign, at Robin Hoods penni-worths, did not a little conduce thereto: At which time this Monastery, with all its Revenues, over and above reprises, was certified to be worth cccii. l. xv. s. iii. d. per an.^h

"Of their Hospitality to strangers, and great charity in dayly releif of poor people, I need not descend to particulars, our common Historians and the tradition of such, who were eye-witnesses thereof before that fatall subversion of

those Houses, may sufficiently inform the world. I shall therefore only adde what the certificateⁱ upon the before mentioned Survey takes notice of touching this Abby; viz. that by their Foundation, and a Decree by a generall Chapter of their Order, they bestowed in Almes on Maunday-Thursday, every year 4. s. 8. d. in money, ten Quarters of Rye made in Bread at 5. s. the Quarter; three Quarters of Malt made in Beer at 4. s. the Quarter; and 300 Herings at 20. d. the Hundred, distributed to poor people at the gate of the Monastery: Their principall Officers being at that time these; viz. Thomas Howard D. of Norff. high Steward, whose fee therefore was v. marks per an. (which shews what respect the great Nobility had to those Religious persons) Will. Wilcock Receiver generall, whose fee was 6. l. per an. And Baldwin Porter, Auditor, his fee being x. l. s. per an.

"After which ere long, easued the surrender thereof to the K. hands, viz. 21. Jan. 30. H. 8. by the then Abbot and his Covent, whose names, as they stand subscribed under their severall hands to their publick Instrument,^k whereunto their conventuall Seal is affixed, with the Pensions granted to them, recorded in the Court of Augmentation, which I have here inserted.

Robertus Kynner, Abbas.	Roberto Bate, Abbati ib.	lxxx ^l .
Ric. Coventre, sub-Prior.	Humfr. Sterky mon.	vi ^l .
Humfr. Byrmichan, alias Starkey.	Thom. Sutton mon.	vi ^l .
Tho. Hampton, alias Sutton, Cellerar.	Will. Sutton mon.	vi ^l .
Will. Hampton, alias Sutton.	Ric. Symning mon.	vi ^l .
Ric. Binley, alias Warde.	Ric. Wastell mon.	vi ^l . vi ^s . viii ^d .
Will. Freman, alias Aylson.	Will. Freman mon.	vi ^l .
Ric. Adams, alias Bradnack.	Ric. Braddok mon.	vi ^l . vi ^s . viii ^d .
Oliverus Wolston	Olivero Hardwyn mon.	vi ^l . xiii ^s . iiiii ^d .
Will. Brynklow, alias Parr.	Will. Persey mon.	vi ^l . vi ^s . viii ^d .
Thom. Beke, alias Holme.	Tho. Holme mon.	vi ^l . vi ^s . viii ^d .
Thom. Hermworth, alias Clarke.	Tho. Clarke mon.	vi ^l . vi ^s . viii ^d .
Galfr. Snead, alias Danyell.	Galfr. Danyell mon.	vi ^l . vi ^s . viii ^d .
Rob. Derby, alias Hepworth.	Rob. Hepworth mon.	vi ^l . vi ^s . viii ^d .

"But of the Abbots, here, have I not found the names of more than these, which were immediately preceding the dissolution, viz. WILL. WHITTINGTON, JOHN TOLTON, OLIVER ADAMS, and ROBERT BAYTE.^l

"As for the Curses which were usually pronounc't by the Founders of these Religious houses, whether they have attended those violators of what they so zealously and with devout minds had dedicated to God's service; I will not take upon me to say: but sure I am, that after K. H. 8. had accomplish'd this work, he thrived but a little (as I shall elsewhere in particular observe.) And how long such possessions have been enjoyed by those that had them, the that have look't into the course of this world may easily see. For this, whereof I am now speaking, it was by K. E. 6. first granted to John E. of Warwick and to his heirs, 22 Junii 1 E. 6.^m and after his attainder (whereof in Warwick I have spoke) in 3. and 4. Ph. and M. Rob. Keylway had a lease of the site and divers lands thereto belonging for 40 years, at the Rent of 196. l. 08. s. 01. d.ⁿ And afterwards another for lx. years.^o Which Robert Kelway in 23 Eliz. dyed seised in fee of certain lands belonging to this Monastery, Anne the wife of Harrington, Esq. being his sole Daughter and heir, and then 30 years of age.^p

One only of the two Chartularies of Combe Abbey, mentioned by Tanner, is remaining, MS. Cotton. Vitellius A. 1:^q The other, Vitellius D. xvii. was lost or consumed in the fire at Westminster in 1731.

cote, Parvam Lalleforde, et Trescote, 12l. 4s. 4d." Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 92 b, 199, 203 b, 241, 254 b. me on

^q It forms a part of the Volu^{rs}, ra^{ly}; from fol. 35 to fol. 172, and is somewhat injured. The Charte^{und} rather more than three hundred and sixty in number are classed^{er} the following heads, chiefly of places:

Smita, fol. 37.
Brinkelawe, fol. 40.
Strettona, fol. 42.
Billneya, fol. 42 b.
Stokes et Bilneya, fol. 49.
Wytha, fol. 54.
De molendino de Pirmilne, fol. 55.
De molendino de Meistona, fol. 57 b.
De molendino de Blakedona, fol. 59 b.
Burthinbui, fol. 61 b.
Anesti, Scultona, fol. 62 b.
Churchelalleford, fol. 63 b.
Parva Lalleford, fol. 67.
Herdeburwe, fol. 70.

^a Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 3. m. 9. per inspex.

^b Regist. de Cumba, fol. 170, a.

^c Ibid. fol. 215, b.

^d Ibid. fol. 184, b.

^e Ibid. fol. 183, b. &c.

^f Regist. de Kenilw. p. 108.

^g Registr. de Cumba, fol. 41, b.

^h Cod. MS. penès S. Archer eq. aur. f. 40 b.

ⁱ Ib.

^k In Cur. Augm.

^l Inq. super depopulat. 3. E. 6.

^m Pat. 1. E. 6. p. 9.

ⁿ Pat. 3. and 4. Ph. and M. p. 3.

^o Ib. p. 5.

^p Ese. 23 Eliz. See Dugd. Hist. Warw. edit. 1656, pp. 146, 147,

148.

The following are the entries in Pope Nicholas's Taxation concerning Combe: "SPIRITUAL. Dioc. Wygorn. Medietas eccl. de Wolvey appropri. 6l. 13s. 4d. TEMPORAL. Dioc. Norw. in Norwico 1l. 6s. 8d. Dioc. Coventr. et. Lichf. apud Grangiam superiorem et inferiorem in dec. de Coventr. 39l. 13s. 4d. apud Grangiam sub nemore et de Bilneye in eodem dec. 17l. 6s. 8d.: apud Grangias de Ernesford et Mers-ton Jabet in eadem dec. 8l. 19s. 1½d.: apud Wolvey et Copston, 16l. 3s.: apud Withibroc, Cotes, Chirchewovere et Newton, 21l. 14s. 6d.: apud Rodburne, Hedenhull, et Herburbur', 15l. 14s. 11d. apud Blake-don, Merston, Churchelalleford, Parva Herdeberewe, Napton, Calde-

There are no Ministers' Accompts of this abbey in the Augmentation Office after its Dissolution.

The COMMON SEAL appendant to the Surrender 21 Jan. 30 Hen. VIII. represents, under a double canopy, the Virgin Mary with the blessed Infant on the dexter side, and on the sinister a male figure, being an abbat with his

crozier, in base a shield of arms, viz. Three Lions of England, with a label of five points, with two lions as supporters: legend SIGILLVM . COMVNE . CAPITVLI . MONASTER . DE . CVMB.

Combe Abbey, the noble seat of the Earl of Craven, was built on the site of the Religious House of its own name by Lord Harrington, in the reign of James the First.

Cartae ad Coenobium de Cumbe, in agro Warwicensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Richardi de Camvilla, de Fundatione ejusdem.

[Ex regist. de Cumba in bibl. Cottoniana, sub effigie Vitell. A. 1 fol. 33 a.]

REVERENDISSIMO domini et patri, Dei gratia episcopo Coventreie Waltero, et cunctis universalis ecclesiae fidelibus, literacis et laicis, Francis et Anglis, Richardus de Camvilla in Domino salutem. Sciatis me dedisse domino Gilberto abbati ecclesiae beatae Dei genetricis semperque virginis Mariae de Waverleia, et monachis ibidem Deo servantibus, totam terram de Smita, ad fundandam abbatiam ordinis Cistereiensis, cum dominio et omnibus pertinentiis ejus, in bosco et plano, in viis et semitis, in pratis et pascuis, in perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam ab omni consuetudine et quærela sive exactione, pro salute animae meae et uxoris meae, liberorumque meorum; quod et feci concessu et favore uxoris meae, filii mei et hæredis Gerardi. Testibus, Hugone sacerdote de Amintonia, Gerardo filio meo et hærede, Hugone fratre meo, Waltero Camp. de Avena, Richardo Affagard, Gileberto de Barrevill.

NUM. II.

Carta Rogeri de Mowbray.

[Ibid.]

ROGERUS de Mowbray comiti de Leicestria et matri suae, et filio suo, et omnibus hominibus suis Francis et Anglis, salutem. Sciatis quia dedi et concessi Richardo de Camvilla et hæredibus suis villam de Smite, et teneant bene et in pace, et honorifice, in bosco, et plano, in pratis, et pasturis, et in omnibus bonis consuetudinibus de me tenendam et hæredibus meis. Testibus, eom. de Arundel, et eom. Simone.

NUM. III.

Carta Rogeri de Mowbray.

[Ibid. fol. 33 b.]

WALTERO Dei gratia episcopo Coventrensi, et universis

Withybroch, fol. 74 b.
Willueya, fol. 84.
Schireford, fol. 92 b.
Bromcote, fol. 94.
Merstona Jabet, fol. 95.
De elemosinis ad Portam collatis in usus Pauperum, fol. 103.
Cotes, fol. 106.
Wavere, fol. 112.
Holm, fol. 117.
Caldecote, fol. 118.
Naperton, fol. 119 b.
Wavercote, fol. 121.
Rodburn, fol. 122.
Hodenhull, fol. 128.
Hodenhull et Astancscote, fol. 131.
Lodbrock, fol. 135.
Herburburi, fol. 140.
Trescote, fol. 147 b.
Norwych, fol. 150 b.
Bykere, fol. 151 b.
Covintreia, fol. 152.

The main body of this Chartulary is of the thirteenth Century, with copies, here and there interspersed, of later records and charters.

Tanner mentions, "Analecta quamplurima ex Registro de Cumba MS. in bibl. Musei Ashmol. Oxon. Dugd. F. 2. fol. 111. ad fol. 173. MS. in bibl. Bodl. ibid. Dodsw. vol. cx. fol. 5. MSS. in bibl. Harleiana, 294. fol. 183. et 2060. p. 35. MS. Macro, Miscell. vii. fol. 125.

"MS. Peck in Musco Britan. vol. iv. inquis. 21 Edw. I. de terris abbatibus in Wolney et Wyebrooke.

"Fin. War. 3 Joan, n. . de terris in Herberbury. Plac. coram

sanctae ecclesiae fidelibus tam praesentibus quam futuris, Rogerus de Molbraio salutem. Quoniam ad nos pertinet in hiis quae de jure nostro sunt servos Dei fovere et beneficiis temporalibus ampliare: notum vobis facio me concessisse et praesentis cartae testimonio confirmasse Deo et sanctae Mariae et monachis de Cumba, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animae meae et omnium parentum meorum, totam terram de Smita quam Ricardus de Camvill de me tenuit per servitium unius militis, et eisdem monachis dedit ad fundandam abbatiam Cisterciensis ordinis. Totam autem praedictam terram de Smita tam in terris assisis quam in hominibus, cum toto dominico, in bosco et plano, in pratis et pascuis, in viis, et aquis, in sichis et moris, concessi praedictis monachis de Cumba, liberam solutam et quietam ab omni seculari servicio, sicut ipse Ricardus dedit eis, et per eartam suam confirmavit, et ut quieti sint ab illius militis servicio quod idem Ricardus mihi debebat, et ego comiti de Legrecestre. Servicium autem alterius militis quod eidem comiti debeo fiet de Brinkelawe, ita quod ego nec hæredes mei aliquod servicium a praedictis monachis exigemus. Concedo etiam praedictis monachis in bosco meo de Bureeleia mortuum boscum et pasturam pecoribus ipsorum, et ut eorum porci quieti sint de pasnagio. Testibus, Rogero de Famvill, Hereberto de Morevill, et Ricardo filio ejus, Willielmo de Arches, Roberto de Davill, Bertramo Haget, et Willielmo filio ipsius, Willielmo de Canvill, Radulfo de Belveir, et Roberto fratre ipsius, Radulfo de Betlum, et multis aliis.

NUM. IV.

From a Pension Book, temp. Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.

CUMBE.

IN my ryght humble mañ I have me commendyed unto yowr gudd mastershippe certifying yo' mastershippe that I have taken the surrendre of the monasterye of Cumbe and the abbott there the same daye twelve monythes he was made abbott leffte the same agen and as it apperithe by w⁹tynge hathe payde parte of his furst fruyt⁹ and tent⁹ hys

Rege 7 Joan. Trin. rot. 1. de advoc. eccl. de Withybrook. Pat. 11 Hen. III. m. . d. assis. de terris in Brandon contra Bertramum de Verdon. Cart. 35 Hen. III. m. 11. Cart. 36 Hen. III. m. 12. Pat. 2 Edw. I. m. 8 d. de ten. in Church Lalleford. Ibid. m. 23 d. de commun. pastur. ibidem: Claus. 7 Edw. I. m. 8 d. pro terris in Herberbury et Chesterton. Pat. 8 Edw. I. m. . Plac. in com. War. 13 Edw. I. assis. rot. 12. quo war. rot. 1 et 4. Pat. 18 Edw. I. m. 16. de terris in Herdebergh, Bilney, et Happeford. Cart. 18 Edw. I. n. 89. pro lib. war. in maneriis suis de Cumba, Bilney, Ernesford, Wolvey, Copston, Withibroke, Cotes, et Redburn. Pat. 19 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 27 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 4 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 22. pro mess. in Coventre. Plac. coram reg. 6 Edw. II. Mich. rot. 11 et 97. de reparatione pontis de Chesford. Escaet. Warw. 7 Edw. II. n. 36. Cart. Edw. II. n. 11. pro mercat. diebus Mercurii, et feria apud Wolvey in vigilia, die, et crastino S. Marci. Pat. 19 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 15. Plac. apud Northamt. 3 Edw. III. rot. 125. de consuetudinibus et servitiis tenentium in Braybroc. Pat. 14 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 32 vel 33. Pat. 15 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . Pat. 18 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 38. de maner. de Brinkelow. Pat. 19 Edw. III. p. 2, m. . d. pro inquirendo de interfectione abbatibus. Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 20 vel 21. et p. 3, m. 9. per Inspex. recit. cartas Hen. II., &c. Pat. 21 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 26 vel 27. Fin. Warw. 21 Edw. III. n. de maner. de Brinkelow. Plac. coram rege, 26 Edw. III. Trin. rot. 35. de ponte de Chesford. Pat. 35 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 15. pro eccl. de Napton. Plac. coram Rege, 43 Edw. III. Mich. rot. 18. quod abbas debet reparare Chesford Brigg. Pat. 20 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 20. Pat. 8 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 16. pro advoc. eccl. de Navesby, Northampt. Pat. 19 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 12 vel 13. Pat. 14 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 11. Pat. 13 Hen. VII. m. . de pardonatione pro alienatione maner. de Rodburn Wilhelmo Catesby.

See also Rot. Hundred. p. 225. Abbrev. Placitorum, pp. 47, 52, 251, 314, 317, 343, 352. Plac. de Quo Waranto, pp. 675, 774, 784.

comynge yn by ordynarye fees also was chardgeable unto hym as he for his parte allegith wherefore inasmoche he dydd voluntarelye w^{ch} mutuall consentt of all his brothern make Surrendre of his Howse I fyrst consydering the extentt of the Lond^e of there Howse that theye do extende unto the valo^r of cclxxxxiij^{li}. ij^s. iiij^d. above all chardg^e off quytt rentt^e fees by coventt seale and annvyties and that the howse is nott so greatly indettydd but the rentt of o^r Ladye daye next comynge and dett^e owynge to that monasterye will satisfye the same wth more and also for that he is well lernydd and reputydd an honest man have assygnedd unto hym at the tyme of his surrendre and to e^vy oon of his Brothern by virtu of y^e King^e g^{ra}ce co^mmissyon suche penysons as do ensew besekyng yo^r honorable gudd Mastershippe to accepte ratyfy^e and to confyrme y^e same by yo^r hyghe auctorytie and yo^r Mastershipp so doyng shall geve occasyon to other the more rather to make lyke surrendre. Thus I beseke almyztie Jhus wth increase of muche honor longe p^{ro}sve yo^r gudd Mastershipp.

Dominus Robertus Bate nup abbas lxxx ^{li} .			
Umfridus Sterkey	vj ^{li} .		
Tho ^m is Sutton, cellarius	vj ^{li} .		
Wifflmus Sutton, coquarius	vj ^{li} .		
Ri ^{ch} us Wastell	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .
Ri ^{ch} us Symyng, supp ^{or}	vj ^{li} .		
Wifflmus Freman	vj ^{li} .		
Ri ^{ch} us Braddoke	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .
Oliverus Hardwyn	v ^{li} .	xiiij ^s .	iiij ^d .
Wifflmus Perse	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .
Tho ^m is Holme	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .
Tho ^m is Clercke	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .
Galfridus Danieff	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .
Robertus Hepworthe	v ^{li} .	vj ^s .	viiij ^d .

Yo boundon Orato^r
JOHN LONDON.

NUM. V.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONASTERIUM DE COMBE ORDINIS CISTERCIEN'.

D'us Oliverus Adams abbas ejusd'm Monasterij.

Redd'us Eccli'az ap'p'at eid'm Monasterio.

Idm r' com'p'm de 3l. 6s. 8d. de firma medietat' rector' de Wolvey in com' Warr' p annu.

Et de 11l. de firma rector' de Navysby in com' North mpt' p annu.

Et de 10l. de decim' cert' pastur' dismiss' et p abbem resvat' ad usum suu.

S^ma 14l. 6s. 8d.

Redd'us assis .

Et de 10d. reddu assis' in Whithebroke in com' Warr' p annu

Et de 6s. 2d. reddu assis' in Newton in eodm' com' p annu

Et de 3d. de reddu assis' in Church Over in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 1s. 2½d. reddu assis' in Church Lawford in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 7s. 7½d. de reddu assis' in Herburbury in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 2l. 10s. de reddu assis' in Buylton in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 4l. 1s. 2d. de reddu assis' in Brynklowe in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 10s. 6d. de reddu assis' in Wolvey in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 2s. 1d. de reddu assis' in Merston Jebett in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 15s. de reddu assis' in civitate Coventr' p annu.

S^ma 7l. 13s. 8d.

Terr' Ten'ta Prat' Pasc' et Pastur'.

Et de 10l. 12s. 5d. de reddu terr' et teñtoz in Whithebroke in com' Warr' p annu.

Et de 15l. 6s. 8d. de reddu terr' et teñtoz in Cottonleywold in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 2l 16s. 6d. de reddu terr' et teñtoz in Newton in eodm' com' p annu.

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Et de 2l. 15s. 6d. de reddu terr' et teñtoz in Church Wav' in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 4l. 3s. 6d. de reddu terr' et teñtoz in Church Lawford in eodm' com'.

Et de 11l. 13s. de reddu terr' et teñtoz in Herburbury in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 13s. 9d. de reddu terr' et teñtoz in Buylton in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 6l. 11s. 6d. de reddu terr' et teñtoz in Brynkelowe in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 13l. 2s. 8d. de reddu terr' et teñtoz in Wolvey in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 5l. 6s. de reddu terr' et teñtoz in Merston Jebett in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 21l. 6s. 8d. de reddu terr' et teñtoz in Corpsofyld in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 13l. 19s. 8d. de reddu terr' et teñtoz in Bynley in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 5l. de reddu terr' et teñtoz in civitate Coventr' p annu.

Et de 5l. de reddu uni^a teñti et aliaz terr' et teñtoz in civitate London' p annu.

Et de 5l. de reddu terr' et teñtoz in Radbo'ne in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 10l. de reddu uni^a firme in Trescott in com' Stafford' p annu.

Et de 6l. 6s. 8d. de reddu cert' pastur' jacen' jux^a Brynkelowe in eodm' com' p annu.

Et de 4l. de reddu terr' teñtoz in Lodbroke in eodm' com' p annu.

S^ma 157l. 10s. 1d.

Terr' dñical' dismiss' et non' dismiss' p'tinen' eidm' monasterio.

Et de 118l. 10s. de reddu cert' terr' dñicaliū dismiss' cert' psonis p indentur' jacen' ppe monasteriū.

Et de 40l. de resid' terr' dñicaliū non dismiss' set resvat' ad usum monasterij p expens' hospicij ejusdm sic estimat' p discrecionem comissionar' et alioz p eo^z visum p annu.

S^ma 158l. 10s. 9d.

Vendic' Bosci et al' p'fic' et exit Casualiu'.

Et de 3l. 10s. de annuali vendic' boscoz cū p'fic' cur' sic estimat' p discrecōem comissionar' cōibz annis et alioz exit casual' p annu.

S^ma 3l. 10s. 0d.

S^ma to^{lis} oñis huj^a monasterij . 343l. 0s. 5d.

P me WILL'M LOUGHTON.

D' quibz.

Resolucō redd'us.

I^{tem} computat in reddu resolut' p'ori et convent' monasterij Coventr' p annu 0l. 16s. 10d.

Et allo^r eidm p reddu resolut' dño de Duddeley p annu 1l. 4s. 0d.

Et allo^r eidm p reddu resolut' Humfro Stafford milit' p annu 0l. 10s. 0d.

Et allo^r eidm p reddu resolut' hered' Wifflmi Spencer milit' p annu 0l. 6s. 0d.

Et allo^r eidm p reddu resolut' dño regi p tent^a in London' p annu 0l. 12s. 0d.

Et allo^r eidm p reddu resolut' p'ori S^{ci} Johis Jerlm in Anglia p annu 0l. 1s. 0d.

Et allo^r eidm p muragio solut' camarijs civitat^a Coventr' p oñibz teñt' suis ibm p annu 0l. 10s. 0d.

S^ma 3l. 19s. 10d.

Soluc' pencōnu' p'curac' et sinodaliu'.

Et allo^r eidm p annuali penc' solut' e^po Lincoln p penc' ecclie de Navisbye p annu 0l. 10s. 0d.

Et allocat^r eidm p denar' solut' decano et capi^{to}lo ecclie cathedral' Lincoln' p penc' eisdm debit' ex eadm ecclia p annu 0l. 2s. 0d.

Et allo^r eidm p pcurac' et sinodal' annuatim solut' ex eadm ecclia Archino Northampton p annu 0l 10s. d.

S^m 1l. 2s. 0d.

Elemosina.

Et allocat^r eidm p elemosina solut' p' exhibic'o'e uni^a

com'onachi ejusd'm ordinis studen' in univ'sitate Oxon' in sacra scriptur' p' ordinac' gen'alis capit'li ejusd'm ordinis p' annū 4l. 0s. 0d.

Et allo' eid'm p' elemosina uni^a monachi exhibit' in conventu p'd'c'o ultra num'u' fundac'o'is sui p' cartam indentat' int' d'n'm de Wythebroke et monasteriu' p'd'c'm nobis ostens' p' annū 5l. 0s. 0d.

Et allo' eidem p' elemosina dat' in cena dñi vide't p' fundac'oem et ordinac'oem totius gen'alis capi'tli huj' religionis vide't in denar' num'at' 4s. 8d. in x^{clm} q^{at}ijs siligin' empt' et p'vis' et fact' in pan' et dat' paupibz eodm die p'ciu q^{at}ij 5s. et 3 q^{at} brasij fact' in potu et dat' eodm die ad 4 q^{at}. Et in p'cio 3000 allec' dat' eodm die ad 1s. 8d. 100th d'ivs' paupibz et debilibz in ead'm domo et ad hostiū monasterij in toto p' annū 5l. 16s. 8d.

S^m^a 5l. 16s. 8d.

Vad' et stipend' officiariorū ibm.

Et allo' eidm p' feod' dñi Thome ducis Norff' capi'tlis sen^{li} ibm p' annū 3l. 6s. 8d.

Et allo' eidm p' feod' Wilti Wylcok receptor' gen'alis ibm p' annū 6l. 0s. 0d.

Et allo' eidm p' feod' Baldewini Porter auditor' omni' compoz huj' monasterij p' annū 2l. 0s. 0d.

Et allo' eidm p' feod' Wiltmi Waters balli de Whithe-broke Church Wav' et Church Ov' p' annū 3l. 0s. 0d.

Et allo' eidm p' feod' Thome Mervyn balli de Wulvey p' annū 1l. 6s. 8d.

Et allo' eidm p' feod' Johis Mathewe balli de Bynley p' annū 1l. 13s. 4d.

Et allo' eidm p' feod' Wilti Mutton balli et custod' bos-coz ptin' monasterio p' annū 1l. 13s. 4d.

Et allocatur eidm p' feod' Robti Grene receptor' in civitate London p' annū 1l. 6s. 8d.

S^m^a 20l. 6s. 8d.

S^m^a oñiū allocac' huj' monasterij 31l. 5s. 4d.

Et sic clar' valet monasteriū p'dēm

ultra oñes allocat' p'dict' 211l. 15s. 1d.

X^{ma} ps inde 31l. 3s. 6¹/₄d.

Abbey of Stratford Langthorne, in Essex.



STRATFORD LANGTHORNE ABBEY was founded, in 1134 or 1135, by William de Montfichet, who endowed it with all his lordship in West-Ham; also with eleven acres of meadow and two mills, his wood of Bocherst in Woodford, and the tithe of his pannage.^b Morant says that the demesnes of the Abbey in West-Ham ultimately comprehended near fifteen hundred acres.^c Its other pos-

sessions will be found enumerated in King Henry II'd's charter of confirmation, and in the Ministers' Accompts of the 30th Hen VIII.^d

Leland, in his Itinerary, says, "This Howse first sett amonge the low Marsches was aftar with sore Fludes defacyd, and removid to a Cell or Graunge longyng to it caullyd Burgstede in Estsex, a mile or more from Billirica. Thes Monks remainid at Burgstede untill entrete was made that they might have sum helpe otherwyse. Then one of the Richards, Kings of England, toke the Ground and Abbay of Strateford into his protection, and reedifienge it brougnt the forsayde Monks agayne to Stratford, where amonge the Marsches they reinhabytyd."^e

The abbat of Stratford had summons to Parliament in 1307.^f

ABBATS of STRATFORD LANGTHORNE.

WILLIAM occurs Sept. 20th, 1330.^g

^a It must have been in one of those years, and not in 1140, as Leland, Speed, and Weaver imagined; for William Corbois archbishop of Canterbury, who is mentioned in the founder's charter, died in 1136.

^b See the Charter in the Append. Num. I.

^c Morant, Hist. Essex, vol. i. p. .

^d Compare Numm. II. III.

^e Morant. ut supr.

^f MS. Harl. 433, art. 1572, 1577.

^g Reg. Fitzjames Episc. Lond.

^h In Pope Nicholas's Taxation among the TEMPORALITIES of Stratford Langthorne we find, *Dioc. Roffen.* in Leueseham 7l. 11s. 8d. *Dioc. Lond.* in paroch. S. Nic. Cold Abbey 3s. 4d. In paroch. S. Petri in Temestret, 7d. In decanat. de Berdestaple, 4l. 15s. In Bournsted Magna 33l. 9s. 10d. In Leyndon, 15s. In Chaldewell, 7l. 4s. 11¹/₄d. In Shenefeud, 3s. In Felbingge, 6l. 0s. 6d. In Thurrock Parva, 12l. 19s. In Welde, 3l. 10s. 8d. In Chyggewell, 12l. 17s. 2d. In Berkyngg,

^e Lel. Itin. vol. vii. p. 12.

^g Ibid

^h Lel. Collect. tom. ii. p. 668.

HUGH, in 1483.^h

WILLIAM ETHERWAY was made abbat in 1516.ⁱ

ROBERT abbat of Stratford was at the Christening of Queen Elizabeth, 10th Sept. 1533.^k

WILLIAM HUDDLESTONE was the last abbat.

The value of the revenues of this Monastery in 1291 will be gathered from the items in the Note.^l The Return of them for the Valor Ecclesiasticus 26th Hen. VIII. being lost, no more is recorded in the Abstract of that record intitled "Liber Valorum" than what follows; viz.

"Monasterium Beatæ Mariæ de Stratford Langthorne.

In Temporalibus et Spiritualibus per annum clare valet 511l. 16s. 0d. *di. q.* Decime inde 51l. 3s. 7d. *ob. q.*^m

The Convent was surrendered to King Henry VIIIth. by the last abbat March 29th, 1538. The deed of Surrender, which remains in the Augmentation Office, is signed by the abbat, the priest, the sacrist, the chanter, and eleven monks; one of whom was so illiterate as to be obliged to make his mark, which is called "the mark of John Wyght which cannot wrytte."ⁿ

The CONVENTUAL SEAL, which is appendant to the Surrender, is round and not large, having on it the Virgin and Child. All that can be read of the legend is SIGILL. COM DE . STRETFORDE.

No REGISTER of this Abbey has, as yet, occurred. References however to the principal Records relating to it will be found in the Note below.^o

In 1539 King Henry the Eighth granted the Con-

15s. In Esthamme, 2l. 13s. 8d. In Westhamme, 45l. 14s. 4d. In Illesford, 11l. 12s. 1¹/₄d. In Leyton, 23l. 3s. 6¹/₄d. In Wodeford, 1l. In Botolenspyrie, 8l. 11s. In Gyng Mounteneys, 13l. 8s. In Hadley, 2l. 13s. 4d. *Dioc. Linc.* de Prior' S. Fritheswid. Oxon. de redd. 1s. *Dioc. Sarum.* in Wynekefeld, 1l 12s. See the Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 8 b, 12, 24, 24 b, 25, 25 b, 26, 46 b. 192, beside two entries cancelled, in pp. 49 b, 52.

^m Mr. Lysons, apparently from a Rental among the Harleian Manuscripts, No. 701, says, the gross amount of the rental was 652l. 3s. 1¹/₄d.

ⁿ Envir. of Lond. ut supr. p. 727.

^o Tanner says.

^p Vide Year Books, . . Edw. III. vol. i, fol. 203. 29 Edw. III. fol. 39. 35 Hen. VI. Mich. 10. 10 Hen. VII. Mich. 13. Bishop Gibson's Codex, Append. p. 32, de appropriatione ecclesiæ de East Ham, et ordinat. Vicariæ ibidem, A.D. 1300.

^q MS. in bibl. Cotton. Nero C. III. 44. Breve Ricardi Episcopi

ventual Church, with Richard's Chapel, * the site of the Monastery, and its appurtenances, to Sir Peter Mewtas or Meautis, who had been ambassador to the Court of France:^b in whose descendants it continued till 1633. Thomas Holbrook, Esq. was the proprietor in 1811.

The Abbey stood at the distance of about three furlongs south west from the parish Church of West-Ham: the precinct, which was moated, contained about sixteen acres. The only remain of the buildings is a part of a Chapel, adjoining to a public house called The Adam and Eve.

Cartae ad Stratfordensem Abbatiam (vulgo Stratford Langtorn appellatam), in agro Essexiensi, spectantes; fundatam anno Mxxxv.^d

NUM. I.

Carta Willielmi de Montefichet facta Monachis de Hamma de manerio de Hamma.

[Ex autographo in bibliotheca Deuuesiana.]

WILLIELMUS de Montefichet, omnibus præpositis, et ministris, et hominibus suis, tam Francis quam Anglis, salutem. Notum sit omnibus, quodego Willielmus de Montefichet, gratia Dei præmonente, consilio domini Willielmi Cantuar. archiepiscopi, et aliorum religiosorum virorum, et consensu et voluntate uxoris meæ Margaretæ, et concessu filiorum meorum, pro salute animæ regis Henrici, et meæ, et uxoris meæ M. et filiorum meorum et omnium antecessorum meorum, dedi in elemosinam ecclesiæ Dei, et sanctæ Mariæ, et omnium sanctorum de Hamma, et abbati et monachis ibi Deo servientibus, totum dominium meum de Hamma, in terris, in culturis, in pratis, in mariscis, in aquis, et nominatim, totam terram quæ fuit Ranulfi sacerdotis. Et præter pratum domini mei xj. acras quas excambiavi de Geraldo de Hamma pro xiiij. acris terræ in marisco, et duo molendina juxta calceatam de Stratford, videlicet unum quod tenebat Ædwinus filius Algari, et aliud quod tenebat Wlwinus molendinarius, et boscum meum de Bocherst, et decimam pasnagii mei de pastur. Testibus, Henrico episcopo Wintoniensi, et Willielmo, et Richardo archidiacon. London. et Margareta uxore mea, et Richardo de

Poili, et Johanne, et Mathia Gernun, et Willielmo filio Radulfi, et Willielmo de Montefichet nepote meo, Rogero capellano, &c.

In dorso,

De fundatione abbatiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Stratford.

NUM. II.

Carta Regis Henrici secundi Donatorum Concessionem confirmans.

[Chartæ antiquæ litera X. n. 24. Vide Pat. 20 Ric. II. part. 3, m. 9. Et Pat. 7 Hen. IV. part. 2, m. 46. Et Pat. 4 Edw. IV. part. 3, m. 12.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ et dux Normanniæ et Aquitaniæ et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et præsentem cartam confirmasse Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Stratford, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in liberam, et perpetuam, et puram elemosinam, omnes rationabiles donationes quæ eis factæ sunt, aut fient, et cartis donatorum confirmatæ sunt, vel confirmandæ; scilicet, ex dono Willielmi de Mounfitchet, locum ipsius abbatiæ, quæ dicitur Stratford in Westhamma, cum toto dominico ejusdem villæ, sicut cartæ ejusdem Willielmi et Gilberti filii sui testantur; et terram quam habent in eadem villa, ex dono Luce filii Martini, sicut cartæ ejus testatur; et terram quam habent, ex dono Sibillæ uxoris Normanni; et terram quam eis dedit Galfridus de sancto

London. de approprianda Ecclesia de Burgested. In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 60. fol. 12. temporalia Abbatis de Stratford; (this is only a transcript of the Valor of 1291, as far as the diocese of London is concerned.) MS. 6748. fol. 14. cartam R. Hen. II.

"Cart. antiq. E. n. 1, 2, 12, 13, 19. X. n. 24, 25, 26, 27. NN. 54, 55.

"Cart. 5 Joan. m. 25. n. 231. Fin. 9 Joan. m. 12.

"Claus. 10 Hen. III. m. 19. Plac. de banco, 14 Hen. III. rot. 16, de commun. pastur. apud Wansted. Cart. 29 Hen. III. m. 5. Pat. 32 Hen. III. m. 6, de bosco maner. de Layton. Claus. 35 Hen. III. m. 1. Cart. 37 Hen. III. m. 12, de mercat. et feria apud Burghsted M. de libertatibus in aliis maneriis.

"Pat. 2 Edw. I. m. 21, dorso. Cart. 4 Edw. I. n. 1. Pat. 4 Edw. I. m. 2. Pat. 8 Edw. I. m. 4. Cart. 13 Edw. I. n. 42, pro mercat. et feria apud Burghsted M. pro imparcatione bosci du Bokerst, pro lib. war. in West Hamm, Layton, Chigwell, Wydeford, Ginges Mounteney, Wande, Ginges Radi, Dunton, Estethorndon, Caldwell P. Turrok, M. Burghsted, Ginges Laundry, et Ginges Joyberg, com. Essex. Ibid. n. 44, pro pastura nccc. ovium et aliis libertat. in foresta de Windleshora. Brev. 23 Edw. I. Mich. rot. . . pro Sudbury in Westham ex dono regis Johannis. Rec. in Scacc. 23 Edw. I. Mich. rot. Ibid. Hill. rot. 12. Pat. 35 Edw. I. p. 2, m. ult. vel penult.

"Pat. 2 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 9. Pat. 7 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 6. Claus. 9 Edw. II. m. 7. dorso, de conventionem inter abbatem de Stratford et abbatissam de Barking super pontibus et calcet. reparandis. Pat. 9 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 13, et p. 2, m. 25. Pat. 10 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 12, et 32. Ibid. m. 34, de regia strata emendand. per abbatem. Pat. 12 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 21. Cart. 13 Edw. II. art. 20. Pat. 14 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 19.

"Pat. 5 Edw. III. p. 2, m. . Cart. Edw. III. n. 20. pro ten. et redd. in Berking, Illeford M. et Illeford P. Ibid. n. 43. pro mess. et terris, &c. in Wolwich. Esc. 9 Edw. III. n. 6. de maner. de Est Ham habend. post mortem Joannis Lancaster. Pat. 10 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 7. 8 vel 9. Pat. 12 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 4. 5 vel 6. Pat. 18 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 1. de ten. in Wolwich. Pat. 21 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . Pat. 24 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 2, vel 3. Pat. 27 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 19 et 22. Claus. 27 Edw. III. m. 17. dorso. Claus. 32 Edw. III. m. 16. Pat. 33 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 13. pro ten. in Bursted M. Claus. 44 Edw. III. m. 19. Pat. 46 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 30. Pat. 47 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 35. pro maner. de Esthamme.

"Pat. 3 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 2. Pat. 20 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 9.

"Pat. 2 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 41. pro ten. in Alvethale, Upmiestre,

Chaldewell, E. Tilbery, W. Tilbery, et Thurrock P. Cart. 7 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 46. Claus. 8 Hen. IV. m. 3. Claus. 10 Hen. IV. m. 33.

"Pat. 8 Hen. V. p. 2, m. 9.

"Pat. 3 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 15. Pat. 24 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 25. quod Thomas de Bernwell possit concedere abbati manerium de Westham in excambio pro Eries in Havering.

"Pat. 4 Edw. IV. p. 3, m. 12. Pat. 16 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. . pro mercat. et duabus feriis apud Billerica com. Essex. Pat. 19 Edw. IV. m. 29. de cccclxxii. acr. infra forestam de Melkesham co. Wilt. et de ten. in Fittelton. Ibid. m. ult. pro duobus doliis vini annuatim in porta London. Claus. 19 Edw. IV. m. 20. ubi hæc abbatia dicitur esse "de fundatione nobilium progenitorum nostrorum, et de nostro patronatu." Rec. in Scacc. 19 Edw. IV. Pasch. rot. 6. pro reddit. x^{li}. e com. Wilt.

"Rec. in Scacc. 24 Hen. VIII. Mich. rot. 28 et 30."

Mr. Daniel Lysons in his Environs of London, edit. Lond. 1811. Vol. I. P. ii. p. 726. gives various references to Records in the Tower relating to this Monastery omitted by Tanner: to a careful examination of which the reader is referred.

See also Rot. Hundred. vol. i. pp. 144, 160, 406, 428, 430. Abbrev. Placit. pp. 33, 52, 217, 236, 316. Plac. de Quo Waranto pp. 235, 237, 239, 284.

In the King's Remembrancer's Office may be found "Carta Regis Abbati et Conventui de Stratford in com. Essex, de libertatibus facta." Mich. Record. 9 Hen. V. Rot. 11. et Mich. Rec. 4 Hen. VI. rot. I, and, in the Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office, "Carta Regis Abbati et Conventui de Stratford Com. Essex confirmata." Mich. Rec. 24 Hen. VIII. rot. 30.

Mr. Ames exhibited to the Society of Antiquaries, Nov. 10th. 1737, a Grant from King Henry the Eighth to Sir Richard Rich, knt. Chancellor of the Court of Augmentations of the manors of White Guernes, Bukenyves, Cowbridge, together with that of Great Binsted, Westhouse, and the rectory thereof, and other lands in the county of Essex, at the time of the Dissolution, belonging to the Monastery of Stratford Langthorne, dated July 15th, 31 Hen. VIII.

Among the ancient Charters in the British Museum is Cart. Harl. antiq. 43 G. 26. "Confirmatio B. Cantuar. archiepiscopi de ecclesia de Westhamma monachis de Stratford concessa." This charter is probably of Boniface of Savoy who was archbishop from 1245 to 1272.

^a Supposed to have been Richard de Montfichet's.

^b Pat. 30 Hen. VIII. p. 2. Feb. 15th.

^c Lysons's Environs, ut supr. p. 728.

^d Chron. S. Werburgæ Cestr. in bibl. Cotton.

Elegio ; grangiamque de Ledehala, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ex dono Willielmi filii Elye, et Emmæ uxoris ejus ; et terram de Thomelea, ex dono Jordani, et Rualdi fratris ejus ; et grangiam de Suineleia, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, quam habent de monachis Abbendonæ : et terram de Ginges ex dono Godefridi de Revill ; et terram de Cubige, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ex dono Mathei Germin ; et terram de Takeleia ex dono Willielmi filii Aliziæ ; et terram de Fuilmere quam Richardus de Munfichet eis dedit de feodo Radulfi filii Ursi ; et terram de Wokendonne, de dono Willielmi de Ane ; et terram quam habent in urbe Londonsi, ex dono Galfridi de sancto Elegio ; et alias terras quæ in eadem civitate eis rationabiliter datæ sunt. Ecclesias quoque de Westhamma, et de Leya de dono Gilberti de Munfichet, et ecclesiam de Greeneford de dono Sibillæ uxoris Normanni. Quare volo, &c. Teste, Richardo Wintoniensi episcopo, et G. Elyensi, B. Wigorniensi et S. Cicesterensi episcopis, G. filio meo et cancellario, magistro Laurentio Bedefordiæ archidiacono, magistro Waltero de Const Godefrido de Lucy, Richardo thesaurario, Ranulfo de Glanvill, Rogero Bigot, Reginaldo de Curteney, Waltero filio Roberti, Hugone de Cressy, Hugone de Bellocampo, Reginaldo de Pavelei. Apud Wintoniam.

NUM. III.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll, 30 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

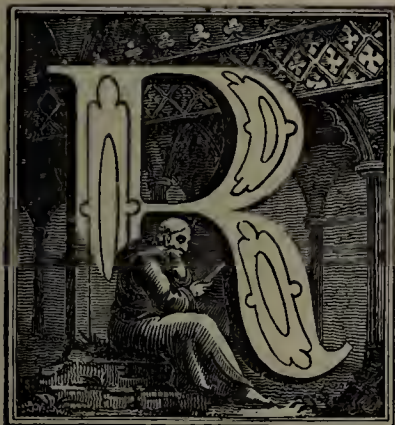
NUPER ABBATIA DE STRATFORD LANGETHORNE.

Com' Esse℥'	£.	s.	d.
Bursted—Reddit' assis' liber' et cust' tenentium	22	19	8
Cowbrige—Reddit' assis' tam liberor' tenenc' quam custum' . . .	5	12	7
Chalwedon—Reddit' assis' tam liberor' tenenc' quam custum' . . .	3	1	0 ob.
Bursted—Firma maner' cum rectoria	31	7	4
Westhouse—Firma manerij . . .	3	0	0
Cowbrige—Firma manerij . . .	13	15	0
Westlandes—Firma terr' tent', &c.	3	17	4
Bursted, &c.—Perquis' curiar' . .	5	8	9
Buckwynes—Firma manerij . . .	10	2	0
White et Gurneys—Firma maner' ill' in parochia de Burstede . .	12	16	4
Ose et Warwyks—Firma teñtor' in parochia de Coryngham . . .	16	17	4
Biggyn—Firma maner' ill' in parochia de Chaldewell . . .	13	18	4
Hadley Castle—Firma mariscorum vocat' Clerkynwicke	1	6	8
Thurrok Parva—Firma marisc' vocat' Wike	12	0	0

	£.	s.	d.
Maplested—Firma rectoriæ in Magna Maplested	3	7	8
Bumpstedes—Firma	6	13	4
Stratford—Reddit' assis' in Westham et Sudbury	33	15	2ob.q.
Stratford—Reddit' terr' et tenementorum	11	17	10 ob.
Stratford—Reddit' assis' tam liber' quam custum' tenentium de Holme Graunge	13	3	5
Westham—Reddit' assis' tam liber' quam cust' ten' in Bromptons . .	9	7	10 ob.
Westham—Reddit' assignat' infirmitor' pauperum in Brumptions .	0	17	8
Westham—Reddit' assignat' officio sacrist'	4	2	0
Westham—Reddit' pertin' officio alterag'	1	1	6
Westham—Reddit' pertin' al alterag' beate Marie Virginis infra monasterium	0	19	7
Westham—Reddit' pertin' eecleie pochial beate Marie et omn' sanct' infra precinct' monasterij . . .	0	10	9
Westham—Reddit' pertin' officio subcellerar'	2	14	4
Westham—Firma terrarum . . .	187	8	0 ob.
Westham et Stratford—Firma terrarum dominicalium	35	5	10
Westham—Firma rector'	5	6	8
Lewisham—Reddit' assis'	1	18	6 ob.
Lewisham—Firma scitus maner' . .	6	0	0
Lewisham—Firma terr' cum domo vocat' Tylehouse	1	6	8
Barkynge—Reddit' assis' maner' vocat' Beringers	3	17	3
Ilford—Reddit' assis' maner' . . .	1	7	6 ob.
Ilford—Reddit' in Reyhouse, &c. .	0	11	7
Ilford—Firma maneriorum de Ilford et Reyhouse	17	10	8
Eastwestham—Firma maner' . . .	5	2	9 ob.
Playce—Firma maner'	4	8	1 ob.
Leyton—Reddit' assis' liberorum et custum' tenentium	7	12	5 ob.
Leyton—Firma manerij cum rectoria	27	15	0
London—Firma tenementorum infra civitatem	10	0	0
Leyton—Firma terrarum	0	4	0
Estham—Firma manerij	20	18	10
Estham—Firma terrarum	35	10	2
Com' Hertf'			
Caldecote—Reddit' assis' liberorum et custumar' tenentium	6	3	1
Caldecote—Firma manerij	2	13	4

Flexeley, sometimes called Dene Abbey,

IN GLOUCESTERSHIRE.



ROGER the second Earl of Hereford after the Conquest, according to Bishop Tanner, built Flexeley Abbey in the time of King Stephen:^a which, like most other Houses of the Cistercian Order, was dedicated to the Virgin Mary.

The first possessions of this House are enumerated in two Charters of King Henry the Second; one granted by him whilst

Duke of Normandy, the other after he had taken possession of the English Throne.

From Pope Nicholas's Taxation, A.D. 1291, it appears that the Temporalities of this Abbey in the Diocese of Hereford amounted at that time to 14*l.* 0*s.* 1*d.*: in the Diocese of Bath and Wells to 11*l.*: and in the Diocese of Worcester to 6*l.*: beside 1*l.* 5*s.* in a portion of the Church of Brumefeld among the Spiritualities of the last mentioned diocese.^c

The possessions of this Abbey in the 26th of Henry VIIIth. as recorded in the Valor Ecclesiasticus, will be found in the Appendix to the present account. The clear income of the Abbey amounted at this time to 112*l.* 3*s.* 1*d.*^d

It was under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Hereford, by whom the abbats were consecrated.

Willis and Atkyns have preserved the following names and dates of the

ABBATS of FLEXELEY.

NICHOLAS, A.D. 1288.

WILLIAM DE RYA, elected 1314.

RICHARD PEYTA, elected 1372.

JOHN, elected in 1509.^e

WILLIAM BEAUDLEY.

THOMAS WARE was the last abbat. He retired after the Dissolution to Tame in Oxfordshire, where he died in 1546.

Sir Robert Atkyns makes this Abbey to have been founded temp. Hen. I. but I have continued it, says Tanner, as in the former edition; Roger not being Earl of Hereford till 9 Steph. as Dugd. Baron. tom. i. p. 538.

^b See the Charters in the App. Numm. I. 11.

^c Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 171, 173 b, 174, 204 b, 221, 238.

^d App. Num. III.

^e List of Principals of Religious Houses, pref. to Tanner.

^f Orig. 34 Hen. VIII. p. iii. Glouc. Somerset. "Rex, xj. die Febr. concessit Antonio Kyngeston militi scitum nuper Monasterii de Flaxley, Maneria de Flaxley Howse, Goodriche, Glymperwell, Walmore, Blecheden, Arlingham, le Monkyn, Rewardyn, Newland parva, Dean, Newenham, Pulton, et Dymok in com. Glouc. ac. etiam manerium de Rochelbury in com. Somers. ac mesuag. &c. in Flaxley, Holle, Goodriche, Weston, Clymperwell, Walmore, Northwood, Adiette, Claxhill, Cleve, Elmyngton, Horsly, Denny, Mynsterworth, Gloucestr. Blecheden, Arlingham, Le Monken, Rewarden, Newland parva, Dean, Newenham, Pulton, et Dymok in com. Glouc. ac. in civit. Glouc. habend. ei et hæred. suis." ro. xxxj. See also Orig. 36 Hen. VIII. Glouc. Somers. 22 die Maij. ro. xxxii. MSS. Donat. Brit. Mus. 6365, fol. 274 b. 6366, fol. 123 b.

^g Rudder's Hist. Glouc. p. 450.

^h "Vide in bibl. Bodl. Oxon. MS. Dodsworth, vol. xxv. fol. 150, cartam Hen. III.

"Cart. Ric. I. antiq. R. n. 19. Aliam ejusdem Regis X. n. 5. NN. n. 30. Rot. Claus. 1 Hen. III. m. 26. Claus. 4 Hen. III. m. 4. Claus. 5 Hen. III. m. 20. Claus. 6 Hen. III. m. 5. 13. Claus. 7 Hen. III. m. 23. Claus. 8 Hen. III. m. 25. Claus. 9 Hen. III. m. 11. 18. Fin.

After the Suppression, the Abbey Church was totally demolished.

The Site of this House was first granted by King Henry the VIIIth. to Sir William Kingston, who dying seised thereof in the 32nd of that King, son Sir Anthony Kingston had livery of it: But he conveying his property in it to the King, had it re-granted to him in the 34th Hen. VIIIth.^f William Kingston was lord of the manor in 1608: soon after which it passed to Abraham Clarke, Esq. who died seised of it in 1683. From him the manor and seite went to his relation William Bovey, Esq. who dying in 1692 his widow enjoyed it, after whom it passed to Thomas Crawley, Esq. who assumed the name and arms of Bovey. In his family it still continues.

Tanner's references to Books and Records concerning this Monastery will be found below.^h There are no Ministers' Accompts of this House remaining in the Augmentation Office, but in that repository is an Abstract of the Grant to Sir Anthony Kingston of the Site and other possessions of the abbey in 34 Hen. VIII.

No COMMON SEAL has yet been found of Flexeley, but a Seal and Counter-Seal of one of its Abbats to a Deed 10 Edw. II. remains in the Chapter House, Westminster. The subject of the Seal is an Abbat standing erect with his crozier under a canopy slightly ornamented. Legend: S. ABBATIS. DE. FLAXLE. The Counter-Seal is a hand with a crozier and other ornaments, viz. a Fleur-de-lis, &c. and the Inscription round it is CONTRASIGILLVM. ABBATIS. DE. FLAXLE.

Flexeley Abbey, at least that part of it which was occupied by the Head of the Monastery, though greatly altered, is still occupied as a habitation. It is the seat and residence of Sir Thomas Crawley Bovey, Bart.

REGILL, on Broadwell Down, six miles from Bristol, in Nemnot parish in the County of Somerset, was a CELL to Flexeley Abbey: and as such in the 36th Hen. VIII. was granted to Sir Anthony Kingston.

9 Hen. III. m. 4. Liberate, 10 Hen. III. m. 5 et 6. Claus. 11 Hen. III. m. 18. Cart. 11 Hen. III. p. 1, m. 22. Claus. 13 Hen. III. m. 8. Cart. 14 Hen. III. m. 6. Cart. 42 Hen. III. m. 2. Pat. 54 Hen. III. n. 34. pro medietate gurgitis vocat. *Hyneware*. Esc. 54 Hen. III. n. 58, de gurgite in Sabrina *Humwere* dict. Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 33. dorso. Pat. 20 Edw. I. m. . Cart. 7 Edw. II. n. 31. pro terris. Pat. 3 Edw. III. p. 1 vel 3, m. 19. Cart. 4 Edw. III. n. 23. Cart. 7 Edw. III. n. 31. Pat. 9 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 15 vel 16. Cart. 25 Edw. III. n. 7. pro 36*l.* 19*s.* 1*d.* annuatim percipiendis a tenentibus Regis in foresta de Dene. Pat. 30 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 18 vel 19. de *Hyneware* gurgite. Esc. 32 Edw. III. n. 100. Pat. 32 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 22 et 27. Pat. 38 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 38. pro ten. in Northwode et in villa de S. Briavello. Esc. 46 Edw. III. n. 10. de dimid. feodi militis de Blachdon. Pat. 11 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 28. pro ten. in Leye, Bostelay, et Rodeley. Pat. 22 Ric. II. p. 3, m. . Pat. 27 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 6."

See also, Abbrev. Plac. pp. 50 b. 202. Rot. Hundred. vol. i. pp. 176, 180, 183.

In the Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office in the Exchequer are the following Documents.

Flaxley.—De Edwardo Kyngeston arm. uxore occasionat. ad ostendendum quo titulo tenent Domum et Situm nuper Monasterii de Flaxley. Hil. Rec. 1 Eliz. rot. 48.

Flaxley.—De manibus Regis amovendis de Situ Mon. de Flaxley, in com. Glouc. et Antonio Kingston liberando. Hil. Rec. 3 Jac. I. rot. 110.

Among the ancient Charters in the Harleian Collection is one, marked 43 A 39. Innocentii Papæ Epistola Episcopo Hereford scripta pro Capella ante Portum Monasterii de Flaxleia: anno pontificat. xj^o.

Cartae ad Flexleyensem Abbatiam, in agro Gloucestersensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Henrici Normannorum Ducis Donatorum Concessionem recitans et confirmans.

[Cart. antiq. X. num. 4.]

H. Dux Normanniæ et comes Andegaviæ, archiepisc. &c. salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et confirmasse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, et monachis ordinis Cisterciensis, pro salute antecessorum meorum, et mea propria, in elemosinam perpetuam, omnes illas donationes quas Rogerus comes Herefordiæ eisdem monachis in elemosinam dedit, juxta testimonium cartarum suarum, scilicet, locum quendam in valle Castiard, quæ dicitur Flexleia, ad construendam abbatiam, et totam terram illam quæ dicitur Wastadene, quæ fuit Walfrici, et quandam ferrariam apud Edlandam, et totam terram sub veteri castello de Dena ad sartandam, et illam quæ est assartata, et quandam piscariam apud Redleiam, quæ dicitur Newerra, et quoddam pratum in Pulmede, et omnia aisiamenta sua in foresta de Dena, et dominicum totum de Dimmoc, et terram illam quæ fuit Uthredi clerici, et terram Ernaldi, et terram Wolfricii, ita scilicet, quod ipse Uthredus clericus remaneat in manu abbatis, cum escambio suo, scilicet duabus virgatis terræ quod nemini inde respondeat nisi abbati; et dimidium nemus apud Dimmoc; et singulis annis totam decimam castanearum de Dena, et terram illam quam adquisivit ipse comes Herefordiæ de Gaufrido filio prædicti Wulfrii, et aliam quam ipse comes adquisivit de Leffrico de Stattra. Quare volo, &c. Nos autem has prædictas donationes non tantum eis confirmo, sed etiam omnes alias quas idem Rogerus comes Herefordiæ illis in elemosinam daturus est. Testibus Rogero comite Herefordiæ, Willielmo de Crivecuier, Ricardo de Humet constab. Philippo de Columbariis, Roberto de Ivigum, Willielmo de Angervill, Willielmo Cumin, apud Evesham.

NUM. II.

Carta Regis Henrici secundi.

[Pat. 22 R. II. part. 3, m. 16, per Inspex. Vide Cart. antiq. NN. n. 39. Et Pat. 27 H. VI. part. 1, m. 6.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ et dux Normanniæ et Aquitanniæ et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, &c. et omnibus fidelibus suis Anglis et Normannis, tam præsentibus quam futuris, salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et confirmasse Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis meis de Dena, quos in propria protectione suscepi, pro salute mea et antecessorum meorum, in elemosinam perpetuam, locum quendam in foresta de Dena, videlicet, totam vallem de Castiard, et locum qui dicitur Flexleia, ubi abbatia fundata est de ordine Cisterciensi, in honore beatæ virginis Mariæ, pro amore Dei, et pro anima regis Henrici avi mei, et comitis Gaufridi Andegaviæ patris mei, et Matildis imperatricis matris meæ, et aliorum parentum et antecessorum meorum, et pro salute mea, et hæredum meorum, et pro stabilitate et pace regni Angliæ. Concessi etiam eis et confirmavi omnes illas donationes quas Rogerus comes Herefordiæ eisdem in elemosinam dedit, sicut cartæ ejus testantur. Præterea dedi eis et confirmavi omnia aisiamenta in eadem foresta mea de Dena, scilicet pasturam juvenis suis et porcis suis, et omnibus aliis pecoribus suis, et ligna et materiem ad domos suas et ad ædificia sua facienda, et ad alias res usui suo necessarias, sine vasco in eadem foresta mea. Et de eadem foresta dedi eis decimam castanearum meorum, et grangiam quæ dicitur Westedena, et unam forgeam ferrariam, ita liberam et quietam et operantem, per omnia, sicut meæ dominicæ forgeæ. Et totam terram sub veteri castello de Dena ad sartandam, et illam quæ est assartata, videlicet centum acras; et quandam piscariam apud Reidleiam, quæ dicitur Noewera; et quoddam pratum apud Reidleiam, quod vocatur Pulmede, scilicet quatuor acras; et terram quam illis dedit in elemosinam Leuvericus de Staura; et grangiam quam eis dedi apud Wallemere, de essartis meis, videlicet ducentas acras, cum pratis, et pascuis, et omnibus aliis aisiamentis; et quatuor acras de Northwoda, et totum dominicatum meum de Dimmoch, et quinque virgatas terræ et dimidiam, præter dominicatum, et dimidium nemus meum

de Dimmoch, et dimidium retium in manu mea, propter aisiamenta hominum meorum, ea scilicet de causa, ut monachi mei habeant suam partem nemoris in bene et in pace, et sine omni communione aliorum hominum; et firmiter præcipio, ut nullus eos super hoc inquietet. Præterea dedi eis essartum quoddam subtus Castiard, quod vocatur terra Vincentii. Hæc omnia dedi Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis meis Deo devotè servientibus, habenda et tenenda imperpetuum, soluta et quieta ab omni reguardo et exactione seculari. Quare volo, &c. Teste Ricardo de Humet, Willielmo de Crevecor, Philippo de Columbariis, Willielmo de Angervill, apud Evesham.

NUM. III.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

FLAXLEY MONASTERIUM INFRA FORESTAM DE DEANE
IN COM' GLOUCESTR'.

Manerium de Bleydon.

VALET clare in reddit' et firm' unacū al' casual' ibm p annū
1l. pro reddit' resolut' dño regi et 13s 4d. pro vad' Adam
Phelpis collect' reddit' ibm. . . . 6l. 6s. 9d.

Man'ium de Walmoure cu' Membr'.

Valet clare in reddit' et firm' unacū al' casual' ibm p annū
ultra 1s. 3½d. pro reddit' resolut' dño regi 10s. vicar choral'
eccleie catiis Hereford 2s. ad hundred' dñi regis de Wes-
bury et 1l. 16s. 8d. pro vad' Adam Philpis collect' reddit'
ibm. 26l. 3s. 9d.

Div's' Terr' et Tent' in Newneh'm Polton villa Glouc'
Howle et Goodrych.

Valent clare in redd' et firm' ibm p annū ultra 6s. 8d.
solut' pro vad' Thome Boxe collect' reddit' ibm et 10s. pro
capitli reⁿ. abbti et convent' de Tyntharn'. . 5l. 2s. 5d.

Rochellesbury.

Valet clare in reddit' et firm' unacū al' casual' ibm p
annū ultra 7s. solut' dño regi pro capitli reddit' 13s. 4d.
priori Scti Johis Jerlm in Anglia pro capitli re' 2s. abbti et
convent' de Keysh'm pro capitli reddu 13s 4d. pro vad'
Thome North collect' reddit' ibm et 1l. pro feod' Riçi
Wernecoimbe senⁿ. ibm. 20l. 4s. 4d.

Newland Coliford et Staunton.

Valet clare in redd' assis' ibm p annū ultra 2l. 3s. 4d.
pro capitli reddit' solut' ad castrum dñi regis de Sctō Briavello
et 13s. 4d. pro vad' Riçi Baret collect' redd' ibm.
17l. 3s. 6d.

Pva Deane.

Valet clare in redd' et firm' unacū al' casual' ibm p annū
ultra 1l. solut' pro vad' Wilti Tanner collect' redd' ibm.
10l. 17s. 2d.

Dymmocke.

Valet clare in redd' et firm' ibm unacū al' casual' ibm
p annū ultra 10s. solut' pro vad' Johnis Wynvet collect'
reddit' ibm et 1s. 8d. pro feod' Thome Lane senⁿ ibm.
12l. 12s. 0d.

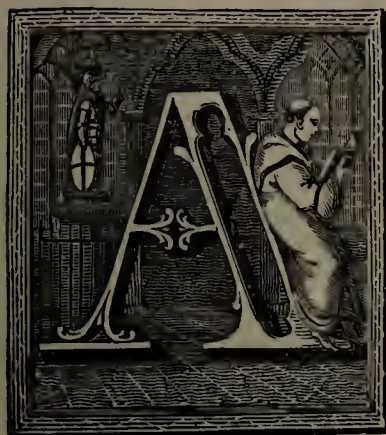
Arlyngh'm et Clymp'well.

Valent clare in redd' et firm' ibm p annu' ultra 3s. 6d.
solut' Waltero Yate pro capitli redd' 1s. 8d. pro pane
annⁿ distribut' apud' Barkeley et Slymbrydge diſ's paupibz
pro aia Rogeri Berkeley milites unius benefactor' monas-
terij predci et 6s. 8d. pro vad' Wilti Longley collect' redd'
ibm. 5l. 9s. 10d.

Flaxley.

Valet clare in redd' et firm' unacū al' casual' ibm p
annū ultra 2l. 13s. 4d. solut' pro feod' Johis Arnold armi-
geri capitli senⁿ omi' terr' et tent' predco monasterio ptin'
6s. 8d. pro vad' Wilti Fowle collect' redd' ibm et 1l.
pro elemos' distribut' diſ's paupibz in cena dñi 8l. 3s. 4d.
Sñ^a clar' valor' Monasterij predci 112l 3s. 1d.
X^{me} inde 11l. 4s. 3¾d.

Albalanda, or Whiteland Abbey, in Caermarthenshire.



LBALANDA, WHITE-
LAND, or BLANCLAND
ABBEY, called in Welch
Ty Gwyn ar Taf, or the
White House on the River
Taf,^a was founded as some
will have it, by Rhaese the
son of Theodore Prince of
South Wales in the time of
William the Conqueror;^b
but more probably by Ber-
nard bishop of St. David's,^c
A.D. 1143.^d Tanner says

it was dedicated to St. Mary,
and had eight monks in it.^e In the 26th of Henry the
Eighth, the total of the revenues of Whiteland amounted to
153*l.* 17*s.* 2*d.*, the clear income to 135*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*^f The enu-
meration of the possessions of this Abbey, as they occur in
the Confirmation of King John and in the Minister's Ac-

compts of the 31st of Henry VIIIth. will be found in the
Appendix^g

THOMAS occurs Abbat of this House in 1499.

Tanner has given but few references to Books and
Records relating to it.^h

The Site of this abbey, and divers lands belonging to
it, were granted by King Henry the Eighth to Henry
Audley, and John Cordall, in the 36th year of his reign.

No SEAL of Whiteland has been discovered.

This Abbey was situated in the parish of Llan Gan in
a sequestered valley, sheltered by majestic groves of wood;
the present remains are inconsiderable, but are sufficient to
mark the site. It is said that the celebrated legislator Hhoel
Dha resided in this Abbey.

Cartae ad Albalandensem Coenobium, vulgo Blanc- land nuncupatum, in Wallia, spectantes.

NUM. I.

*Carta Regis Johannis Donatorum Concessionem recitans et
confirmans.*

[Cart. 9 E. II. n. 54. per Inspex. Vide Pat. 25 H. VI. part. 2, m. 28.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. Noverit universitas
vestra nos, intuitu Dei, et pro salute animæ nostræ et anteces-
sorum et successorum nostrorum, confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ
beatæ Mariæ de Alba-landa, et monachis Cisterciensis ordi-
nis ibidem Deo servientibus, terram in qua abbacia de Alba-
landa sita est, quam habent de dono Johannis de Toryton,
et terram quæ vocatur Hentewyn, et Tresgrygh, et Eskey-
ronell, et Kevenkenuarghan, et Fennuonnoyr, et Kilgrem-
man, et Trefhowistell, et Sinod et Onnenkeredic; et totam
sylvam de Garthdif, et terram de Brennaltudion, et Kidli-
dugeyn, et terram de Trefgun, de dono ejusdem Johannis
de Toryton, et terram Godstelini militis quam habent de dono
Howel Seys, quas omnes prædictas terras Resus filius Grif-
fini quantum ad eum pertinuit, tempore quo potuit, eis dedit
et carta sua confirmavit. Confirmavimus etiam eis alias
terras quas idem Resus eis dedit et carta sua confirmavit, sci-
licet terram de Osterloyth, et Lanunhangell, et Penfos, et
Kevenleghelgan, et Blanwytheno, et Kirlargeyn, et Penney,
et Ridemayugwtn, et Kevendrun, et partem filiorum Mare-
duc de Kilredin, scilicet Roslenerich, et Broucled, et Nant-
kevwric, et Maynorvorean, et Eskerkayr, et Maynar-
crucwhil, et Ruthelan, et Dinowin, et Cruch-Erir, et Cum-
ketlibrogh, et Crugewathlan, et Catpust, et Nauttarren, et
Dadwathcorannus, et Blaundbedewe, et Blamseith, et Esker-
seyth, et unam carucatam terræ de Porth-Beghan, quas omnes
prædictas terras idem Resus eis dedit, et carta sua confirma-
vit quantum in eo fuit. Confirmamus etiam eis sexaginta
acras terræ quas habent de dono Ricardi filii Kenwric, et
Kedivor filii Roberti, et fratrum suorum, et viginti et qua-

tuor acras terræ quas habent de dono Yoreworth filii Yore-
worth; et de dono Maylgum filii Resi terram de Penloyn-
baul et Katlanneu. Confirmamus etiam eis unum messua-
gium in villa de Haverford, quod habent de dono Roberti
filii Ricardi, et piscariam ejusdem villæ, singulis septimanis,
per noctem et diem Veneris quam habent de dono ejusdem
Roberti. Quare volumus, &c. Testibus dominis P. Wyn-
ton, &c. Dat. per manum magistri Ricardi de Marisco,
canc. nostri, apud Wygorn., vicesimo septimo die Decembris,
anno regni nostri sextodecimo.

NUM. II.

Carta Pagani de Cadurcis, Monachis de Alba-landa.

[Ex cod. MS. Rob. Gloveri, Somerset Herald (Miscel. lib. 5. f. 4 a.)]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus, &c. Paganus de Cadurcis,
filius et hæres dominæ Hawisiæ de Londoniâ, salutem.
Noveritis nos dedisse, &c. Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et mona-
chis de Albado, Cisterciensis ordinis, Menevensis dioc.,
&c. in puram et perpetuam elemosynam, decem et novem
acras terræ arabilis, &c. Et quod quilibet sacerdos dictæ
domus, missam celebrans, singulis diebus pro animabus do-
minorum Thomæ de Londoniâ, Patricii de Cadurcis, Will.
et Mauricii de Londoniâ, Warini de Basingburne, dominæ
Evæ de Tracy, Aleys et Gundre, defunctorum; item pro
domina Hawysiâ de Londoniâ, matre nostrâ, et pro nobis
Pagano de Cadurcis, pro domino Patricio et Hernico fratri-
bus nostris, et pro Emmâ Evâ, et Agnete sororibus nostris,
superstitibus, specialem memoriam in canone faciat missæ,
pro vivis inter vivos, et pro defunctis inter mortuos, &c.
Hiis testibus, dominis Patricio et Henrico militibus, fratribus
nostris. Data apud Kedwelly (dominium dicti Pagani) die
Veneris ante festum S. Trinitatis, anno D. M.CCLXX.

rios, rectores, et vicarios ad jus patronatus episc. Menev. spectantes ex
una parte, et abbatem et conventum de Alba Landa ex altera: p. 282.
renunciationem jurisdictionis ecclesiasticæ factam A.D. 1499, per Ab-
batem et Conventum: p. 283. de jure testamenta probandi, &c. per
Episcopum Menev. concessio, A.D. 1499. MS. 2101, fol. 240. Ab-
stracts of old Deeds relating to this Abbey.

"Cart. 15 Joan. n. 2. Cart. 16 Joan. m. 3. n. 12.

"Claus. 3 Edw. II. n. 11. Abbas habet haibota et houschota, et
commun. pastur. pro averiis suis in boscis de Kerthinok, et unam marcam
annuatim ad Seaccarium de Karmedin. Pat. 9 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 23.
de donatione de Trowle Castle in Ewydd. Cart. 11 Edw. II. n. 72.

"Pat. 29 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 1. pro Eccl. de Belonne approprianda.

"Pat. 20 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 7.

"Pat. 18 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 22. Pat. 25 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 28.

^a See Camden, and Hearne's Notes on Leland, Itin. vol. v. p. 21.

^b See Speed in his Cat. of Relig. Houses, and Reyner, vol. i. p. 160.

^c Angl. Sacr. vol. ii. p. 649. Lel. Itin. vol. viii. p. 117.

^d Tanner, Notit. Monast. Caermarth. II.

^e Ibid.

^f See the Append. Num. III. In Pope Nicholas's Taxation, the
sum of the temporal possessions of this Abbey in the Archdeaconries of
Kardigan and Karmedin amounted annually to 43*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.* See the
Taxat. P. Nicholai, iv. pp. 276, b, 277.

^g Numm. I. IV.

^h MS. Harl. 1249, pp. 282, 283.

He says, "*Vide*, in Dr. Archer's Account of the Religious
Houses, &c. printed at the end of Mr. Hearne's Hemingford, p. 638. of
one mark yearly from the manor of Bedminster. In bibl. Harleiana,
MS. 1249, p. 155. Cartam Conventionis inter episcopum et capitulum
Menev. et capitula de Abergwyllylen et de Llandewybrevi, et prebenda-

NUM. III.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen, VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONASTERIUM DE ALBA LAUNDA.

Kermerden.

Willmus Abbas de Alba Launda ats Whitlaunde et conventus ibm regule Sancti Benedci Cisterc' ordinis tenent' sibi et success' suis maneria' grang' teñta et possessiones subscripta in purā et ppetuā elemosinā fundat' per principes Wallie videñt maneriū de Castell Coslom' annui valoris 23*l.* 10*s.* Domū de Kylbergen per annū 2*s.* Grangiam de Mañvorian per annum 9*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.* Grangiam de Lloyneryboll per annū 2*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.* Grang' de Blaynelbodoire 4*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.* Grangiā de Blaynegwathnoy 6*l.* 16*s.* Grangiam de Rydlan Dery 29*l.* 8*s.* 2*d.* Grangiā de Osterley 19*l.* Grangiā de Istonde 10*l.* 3*s.* 10*d.* Grangiam de Crygeryth 10*l.* Unū teñ infra dominiū de Kydwally per annū 10*s.* Unū tenementū in com' Somers' per annū 13*s.* 4*d.* Unū ten' jacen' in Har'f' per annū 4*s.* Unū tenementum jacen' in Kermerden 10*s.* Molendinū de Hendigwyn per annū 1*l.* Molendinū de Kylegryman 1*l.* Molendinū de Aberelwyn 2*l.* Molendinū de Nantyrglotte 10*s.* Molendinum de Lloynescbell 1*l.* Molendinū de Crykerith 1*l.* Molend' de Rydlan' Deiry per annū 2*l.* Molendinū de Tirenewith 17*s.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Molendinu' de Mañvoiriam 2*l.* Item ibidem unū molendū fullonicu 6*s.* 8*d.* Molendū fullonicū' apud Ridlandeiry 5*s.* Item apud Henbigwen unum molendinū fullonicum per annū 10*s.* Suñna valoris 131*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.*

Spulia.

Decime eccliarum dco moñ spectañ. Inprimis de decimis et oblaconibz tercie partis capelle bte Marie de Glantave sic apporconat' comunibz annis valet 2*l.* 14*s.* Capella de Castell Gaston comunibz annis 5*l.* 2*s.* De porcone X^{ar} tercie partis capelle de Gogo comunibz annis 2*l.* 0*s.* 10*d.* De consimili porcone capelle Sancti Michis de Abcowyn comunibz annis 2*l.* 19*s.* De consimili porcone ecclie de Merther 3*l.* De consimili porcone ecclie de Ludchurche 2*l.* De consimili porcone ecclie de Llanwenok per annū 4*l.* Et de oblaconibus capelle Sancti Leonardi confessoris comunibz annis 10*s.* Suñna decimar' et al' . . . 22*l.* 5*s.* 9*d.*

Suñna totalis tam spualium q^m tempalium . . . 153*l.* 17*s.* 2*d.*

De quibus.

Repris'.

Indemp' annuatim sol' pro contribuconibus ad eccliam cath' Meneven' 1*l.* 2*s.* Et in visitacone archini p sinodal' et procuraconibz dcar' eccliarum quolibet anno 3*l.* In denarijs sol' dño regi quos solvere consueverunt Roman' pontifici vocat' peterpens' 7*s.* In denijs sol' ad scēm dñi r^a p terris in Bedmester quolit anno 2*s.* Et in consimilibz denijs annuatim sol' ad scēm dñi r^a p terr' in Kydwelly 2*s.* Item ad maneriū de Maynecloughauke annu^m 2*s.* Item ad scēm dñi r^a Kermerden annuatim 12*s.* Item in feodo dñi de Ferrers senescalli manerior' et tenementoru' predcor' 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Item in feodo Thome Bruyn ballivi dcor' manerior' ut de feodo consueto in dcis 8^{to}. grangijs 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Et in feodo auditoris bis in anno audientis compm ballivoru' et ministror' ut de feodo ibm consueto 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Suñna feod, indempnit' et al' pmiss' t hit ad. . . 18*l.* 13*s.* 8*d.*

Et reman' clare . . . 135*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*

Decima inde . . . 13*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.*

NUM. IV.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 31 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE WHITLAND IN COM' CARMERDEN'.

Com' Caerm'		£.	s.	d.
Whitland—Terræ dominicales . .		1	13	8
Ishycoyed—Firma grangiae . .		17	10	0 ob'
Castell Cossam—Firma grangiae . .		26	13	4
Henlland—Unum tenementum . .		0	13	1 ob'
Kilbargon—Firma grangiae . .		0	2	0
Com' Card'				
Cregerithe—Firma grangiae . .		24	11	0 ob'
Com' Caerm'				
Manervorion—Firma grangiae . .		20	9	8
Com' Card'				
Terenewyth—Firma grangiae . .		21	6	2 ob'
Kydwelly—Unum tenementum . .		0	10	0
Com' Pemb'				
Lloynreboll—Firma grangiae . .		11	8	8 ob'
Blanegwethnoy—Firma grangiae . .		4	13	4
Com' Caerm'				
Usterley—Firma grangiae . .		24	0	10
Com' Card'				
Raulandun—Firma grangiae . .		19	1	3
Com' Pemb'				
Haverford West—Unum tenementum		0	2	0
Com' Som'				
Bedmaster—Unum molendinum . .		0	13	4
Com' Caerm'				
Lanihangell Abercowen—Firma rectoriae		5	13	0

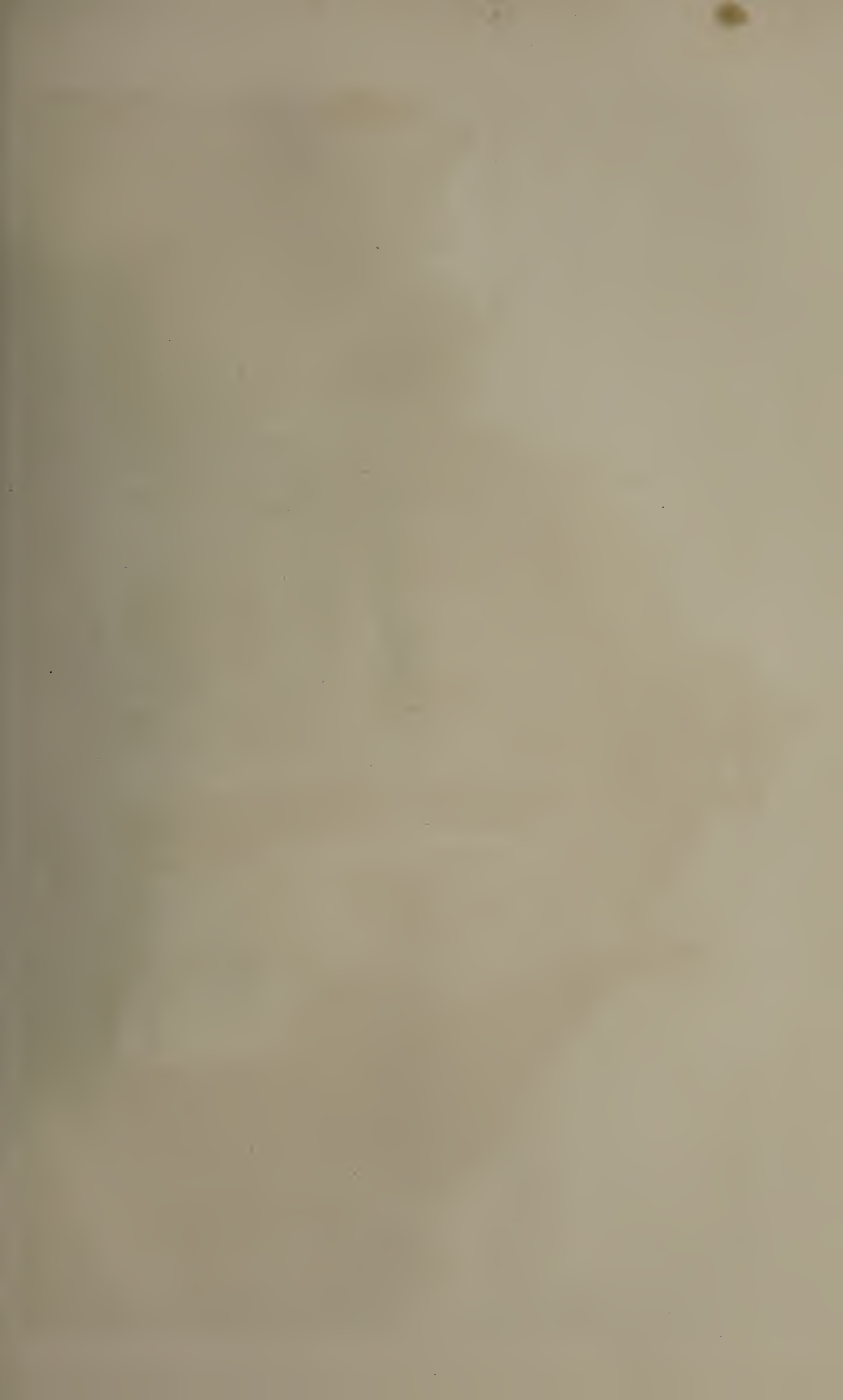
NUM. V.

From Proceedings in the Court of Augmentations, 32 Hen. VIII.

WHYTLAND.

To the Right Wourshipfull S^r Rychard Ryche knyght Chauncello^r of the Kyng^e honorable Co^rte of Augmentacions of the Reuenuez of hys Crowne.

Humbly shewyth and complayneth vnto yo^r good mshipp yo^r dayly orato^r and bedman John Vaughn' docto^r and fermer of the surrendered howse of Whytland in Southwall' that where yt hathe pleasyd the king^e m^ooste nobill magisty to sett and to ferme let hys forsaid house of Whytland wythe the Demeans and certen other dowties longyng to the said house to the aboue named John Vaughan his herers executo^rs and assygnes for the space of xxjth yeres thys notwthstondyng on James Wylllyames gentilm' contrary to the aforsaid lease made by the kyng^e hig^hlines dothe w^hholde a M^yll callyd Hende gwynne Mylle by vertu and streynthe of a certen lease voyde by act of Pl^yament whiche lease so tryed and puyd in the countrie there after a full examinacon made in that behalf by your commyssioners M^r. Deverax and M^r. Gostewyke audito^r (and the certyfy-cat of the same by you fully sene and examyned) yo^r hono-rabell Courte puyd voyde and of none effecte. And thys donne gaue y^t vnto yo^r said orato^r as ys aboue declared wherfor yo^r said Orato^r desy^reth justice. In consideracon whereof y^e may please yo^r good m^rshypp to graunt the kyng^e wrytte of Injūcon to be dyrietyd vnto the said James Wylllyams comaundyng hym to pmytte or suffer yo^r said Orato^r peacybly to occupy and enjoy the same accordyng to a lease thereof to yo^r said Orato^r made. And this doynge yo^r Orato^r shall dayly pray for yo^r m^rshypps he^lthe longe to indure.





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Abbey of St. John & St. Elizabeth, Constantinople, 1844

Abbey of Holm Cultram, in Cumberland.



HENRY, son of David King of Scotland, founded the Abbey of Holm Cultram for monks of the Cistercian Order, A. D. 1150;^a to whom he gave two-thirds of the manor of Holm Cultram, having given the other third to Alan, son of Waldeve, as a chase for hunting. This third part Alan, soon after, gave to the Abbey.

King Henry the Second being possessed of the

county of Cumberland by the cession of Malcolm, took the abbey into his protection; and having confirmed the grant of Holm Cultram and other lands, was recognised by the monks as their patron.^b Ample revenues were afterwards given to this abbey by various benefactors. Dugdale and Stevens have been so immensely copious in their extracts from its Registers, as to render it unnecessary to give abstracts here of their contents. More than eighty Charters will be found in the Appendix of Instruments. Among the Papal Bulls, which Stevens has given, that of Pope Clement the Third to this monastery, in 1190, is perhaps the amplest and most specific.^c

The Abbats, though not mitred, were occasionally summoned to Parliament; according to Nicolson and Burn, in the 23d, 24th, 28th, 32d, and 34th Edw. I. and in the beginning of the reign of Edward II.^d

In 1301, Bishop Halton permitted the Abbat and Convent to build a church and erect a parish at Skinburnesse.^e

It was at this abbey, in the month of October, 1300, that King Edward the First, in person, released the bishop of Glasgow from his imprisonment, and received his allegiance with much solemnity, in the presence of the bishop of Carlisle, the abbat, and the French envoys.^f

This abbey was pillaged by the army of Alexander, the Scottish King, in 1216;^g and again in 1322 by Robert Bruce, notwithstanding, as the historian observes, that his father's body was interred there.^h

In or about 1383, during an inroad not mentioned by any of the historians, the abbat and convent were obliged to pay the sum of 200*l.* to the Earl of Douglas to save the monastery from being burned.ⁱ

In the Taxation of Pope Nicholas IVth. but two entries occur of the revenues of this monastery, amounting to 207*l.* 5*s.* 10*d.*^k

The following

^a Tanner has a note upon the different authorities respecting the foundation, which it is unnecessary to copy here.

^b Compare Nicolson and Burn, Hist. Westm. and Cumb. vol. ii. p. 171. Lysons, Mag. Brit. Cumb. p. 113.

^c See the Bull, Num. XXV. in the Appendix.

^d Nicolson and Burn, ut supr. p. 177.

^e Ibid.

^f Lysons's Cumb. p. 113 from Rym. Fæd. tom. ii. p. 868.

^g Chron. de Mailros.

^h Harrison's Hist. Scotl. publ. by Holinshed.

ⁱ Lysons, ut supr. from the Rotul. Parl. tom. iii. p. 81.

^k Viz. "Temp. Dioc. Linc. Abbas de Holm Cultram habet in decanatu de Hoyland, 1*l.* In Dioc. Carloli. 206*l.* 5*s.* 10*d.* Taxat. Ecclesiast. P. Nich. IV. pp. 74, 320 b.

^l Tann. Notit. Monast. edit. Nasm. p. xxxix.

^m See Nicolson and Burn, vol. ii. p. 178.

ⁿ See their letter to Lord Cromwell, in 1538, in Ellis's Original Letters illustrative of English History, vol. ii. pp. 89, 90.

^o See Num. LXXXVI.

^p Lysons, ut supr. p. 114.

^q Tanner adds,

Vide "Cart. 2 Joan. p. 1, m. 10. n. 5. m. 18. n. 63. Oblat. 2 Joan. m. 9. Claus. 16 Joan. m. 7.

"Claus. 4. Hen. III. m. 18. Claus. 7 Hen. III. m. 12. de heremitagio S. Hildæ in Englewood. Ibid. m. 29. Fin. 9 Hen. III. m. 4. Cart. 11 Hen. III. n. 79, 80, 81. Claus. 11 Hen. III. m. 4. Cart. 12 Hen. III. m. 9. Fin. 12 Hen. III. m. 6. Cart. 16 Hen. III. m. . Pat. 36 Hen. III. m. 6 vel 7.

"Plac. in com. Cumbr. 6 Edw. I. assis. rot. 5. de man. de Flemingby ibid. Coronæ rot. 26. de wrecco maris; et ibi dicitur quod in-

ABBATS of HOLM CULTRAM,

with one exception, occur in Willis's List of Principals of Religious Houses:¹

EVERARD, A. D. 1175. He died in 1192.

GREGORY, A. D. 1192.

WILLIAM resigned in 1215, when

ADAM was elected.

EVERARD, the second of the name, is mentioned by Stevens, but without date. He might possibly have lived before the year 1200. He is placed here only to preserve him in the list.

HUGH, elected in 1223.

GILBERT died in 1237.

JOHN, elected in 1237, died 1255.

HENRY succeeded.

GERVASE, 1278.

ROBERT, 1292.

WILLIAM DE REDEKAR, 1434.

ROBERT CHAMBER occurs in 1507, and again in 1518.

GAWIN BORROWDALE was the last abbat. He surrendered his house to the king, March 5th, 29 Hen. VIII. and was appointed rector of Holm Cultram for life; receiving all tithes and rates personally, which the inhabitants of the lordship had been accustomed to pay to the abbat and convent as their tenants.^m The abbey church, at the petition of the tenants, being made, at the dissolution of the monastery, a parish church.ⁿ

In the 26th of Henry VIIIth. the gross amount of the Revenues of this monastery was returned at 535*l.* 3*s.* 7½*d.*; the clear income at 427*l.* 19*s.* 3¾*d.*^o

The manor of Holm Cultram continued in the crown from the time of the Dissolution till after the restoration of King Charles the Second. It was purchased of William Burton, Esq. of South Luffington, in Suffolk, in the year 1732, by Edward Stephenson, Esq. sometime governor of Bengal, and is now, or was lately, the property of Edward Stephenson, Esq. of London, grandson of his first cousin.^p

Two REGISTERS of this abbey, small quarto volumes on vellum, occur among the Harleian Manuscripts, Numbers 3891, and 3911. One of them is the same with that quoted by Dugdale and Stevens, as belonging to William, Lord Howard, of Naworth. A modern Transcript of another Register occurs in the same Library, No. 1881.

Collections from one of these Registers will also be found in the Harleian MS. 294, fol. 203. See also MS. 1499, fol. 82. of the foundation and arms of this abbey.^q

sula de Holm Cultram fuit dominica regis Henrici senioris, qui fundavit abbatiam ibidem; similiter situs Prioratus de Carloli de fundatione ejusdem. Cart. 9 Edw. I. n. 54. Pat. 13 Edw. I. m. . Cart. 29 Edw. I. n. 43. pro villa de Skirburgh, quod sit liber burgus, &c. Cart. 33 Edw. I. n. 35 et 39. Cart. 35 Edw. I. n. 53.

"Cart. 8 Edw. II. n. 6. Pat. 11 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 28. Pat. 14. Edw. II. p. 1, m. 21.

"Petit. Parl. 4 Edw. III. n. 108. de commun. pastur. in Inglewode foresta. Pat. 5 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 35. vel. 36. Pat. 6 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 12. Pat. 34 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 8. pro insulis de Holm Cultram et Raby, meremio, petra, &c. pannagio pro porcis, et pastura pro haracio inter Calder et Alne, pro heremitorio S. Hildæ; et vaccaria iv. vaccarum in foresta de Inglewood.

"Pat. 5 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 10. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 13. de eccl. de Arloske construenda. Cart. 20 Ric. II. n. 6.

"Cart. 1 Hen. IV. m. pro eccl. de Wigton approprianda.

"Cart. 1 Hen. VI. n. 25. pro returnis brevium, bonis felonum, &c. Pat. 2 Hen. VI. p. 4, m. 1. Pat. 11. Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 28.

"Pat. 16 Edw. IV. p. 1, m. 5. Pat. 17 Edw. IV. p. 1, m. 8."

See also the Placita de Quo Waranto, pp. 130, 607.

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office are

1. De A. B. et alijs assignatis ad supervidendum diversos decasus infra manerium de Holme Cultram, in comitatu Cumbriæ, ac ad inquirendum de valore reparationum eorundem.

Trin. Commiss. 1. Eliz. rot. 10.

2. De decreto tangente custumarios tenentes Regis manerij de Holme Cultram in com. Cumbriæ.

Hil. Recorda. 7 Jac. 1. rot. 211.

An Impression on red wax of the COMMON SEAL of this abbey is appendant to the Surrender in the Augmentation Office, 29th Hen. VIII.; the subject is, the Virgin Mary at full length, with the infant Jesus in her arms; underneath is a shield bearing three lions passant gardant, held up by two monks, under whom is a lion couchant; on one side of the Virgin stands a king crowned, on the other an abbat with his crozier. The inscription is

S . COMVNE . ABBATIS . ET . CONVENTVS . DE . HOLM . COLTRAM.

The CONVENTUAL BUILDINGS, which were of free stone, were chiefly taken down in the time of the civil wars in the seventeenth century.^a

When Buck published his Views in 1739, a few of the pillars and arches of the choir of the abbey church were standing.

Cartae ad Holm Coltrum, in agro Cumbrensi, spectantes; fundatam anno Mcl.^b

NUM. I.

Carta Regis Henrici secundi.

[Ex Regist. de Holmcoltrom penes Will. dom. Howard de Naworth, fol. 3. Vide Cart. 12 H. III. m. 9.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dux Normanniæ et Aquitaniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis quod suscepi in manu mea, et custodia, et protectione, abbatiam de Holmcoltram, et abbatem ipsius abbatiae, et monachos ibidem Deo servientes, et terras, et omnes res, et possessiones suas. Et dono et concedo eis in perpetuam elemosinam, et præsentī carta mea confirmo totam insulam de Holmcoltram, per rectas divisas suas, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; Raby cum rectis divisis suis, et mayremium in foresta de Englewod ad ædificia sua, et ad omnia domui suæ necessaria facienda, et pasturam porcis eorum, sine pasnagio, et cortices lignorum, quæ præciderint, ipsorum erunt. Quare volo, &c. Testibus, Nicholao et Rogero capellanis domini regis.

NUM. II.

Carta Regis Richardi.

[Ibid. f. 5 b. Cart. 35 E. I. n. 53. Pat. 2 H. VI. part. 4. m. 1.]

RICHARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos dedisse, &c. Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Holmcoltram, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute nostra, et pro anima patris nostri, in liberam, et puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, totam insulam de Holm per rectas divisas suas, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; scilicet per illas divisas quas pater noster dedit eis; hoc est, per rivulum qui fluit subtus Kirkebryd, inter exterius fossatum monachorum, et villam de Kirkbryd, et cadit in Wathepol; et sic ascendendo per eundem rivulum de foris prædictum fossatum, versus Cokelayk, semper sicut dura terra et mussa sibi invicem obviant; et inde ascendendo in directum, usque ad medietatem mussæ quæ est inter Wagthelholm et insulam sancti Laurentii; et inde per transversum mussæ, et nemoris, usque ad Antrepot; et inde descendendo per Waver, usque ad locum ubi Waver et Crombok sibi obviant; et inde ascendendo per Crombok, usque ad locum ubi rivulus de Wyteskeld cadit in Crombok; et inde ascendendo per ipsum rivulum, usque ad ipsum Wyteskeld; et inde in directum versus occidentem, usque ad sicam quæ circuit Midilrig ex septentrionali et occidentali parte, et cadit in Polventon; et inde descendendo per ipsum Polventon usque ad locum ubi Polventon cadit in mari, et inde per circuitum maris usque ad locum ubi Wathcpol cadit in mari; et sic ascendendo per Wathepol usque ad locum ubi prædictus rivulus, qui fluit subtus Kirkebride, cadit in Withepol. Et mairemium et petram in tota foresta nostra de Englewod, ad ædificia sua, et ad omnia facienda quæ domui suæ fuerint necessaria; et cortices lignorum quæ præciderint ipsorum erunt; et pasturam porcis suis, sine pasnagio; et pasturam haraceo suo inter Calden et Alne, et hominibus suis, quando trahunt mairemium; et alia domui suæ necessaria; et omnia alia aisiamenta, et libertates quas hactenus habuerunt in foresta, habeant sine disturbance et vexatione forestariorum nostrorum, præcipuè cum ipsa abbatia nostra propria sit. Ha-

beant etiam liberos exitus et introitus de abbatia, et locis suis infra et extra prædictas divisas, ubique per mare, et per terram, et per vastum nostrum, et visnetum, et per sabulones, vias, et semitas, cum catallis suis, et hominibus suis, et maysuras suas infra muros de Kardull, quietas de burgagio, et de omnibus consuetudinibus quæ ad burgagium pertinent. Quare volumus, &c. Testibus, B. Cantuarensi archiepiscopo, &c. Dat. per manum Willielmi de Longo-campo cancellarii nostri, Eliensis electi, in die anno primo regni nostri, apud Cantuariam.

NUM. III.

Carta Henrici Comitis Cumbriæ Davidis Regis Scotiæ filii.

[Ex Miscell. G. in Col. Corp. Christi Cantebr. p. 271.]

H. COMES filius Davidis regis Scotiæ, episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, justitiis, baronibus, vicecomitibus, ministris, et omnibus probis hominibus totius terræ suæ, clericis et laicis, Francis et Anglicis, tam præsentibus quam futuris, salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et concessisse, in perpetuam elemosinam, duas partes Holmcoltriæ abbati et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, quas ego et plures probi homines mecum perambulavimus, in primis inter eos et Alanum filium Waldeff quando ego tertiam partem prædictæ Holmcoltriæ prenominato Alano ad venationes suas concessi. Præterea vtro concedo, et hac mea carta confirmo, donationem ejusdem Alani filii Waldeff et Waldeff filii sui de illa tertia sua parte Holmcoltriæ quam illi ad venationes suas concesseram, quam ipse in præsentia patris mei et mea et baronum meorum, apud Carleolum, prædicti loci abbati et monachis in perpetuam elemosinam dedit et concessit, et carta sua testante confirmavit. Volo itaque ut abbas Holmcoltriæ et monachi ibidem Deo servientes habeant plenariè Holmcoltriam, per suas rectas divisas, in nemore et plano, pratis et pascuis, piscationibus et aquis, et Rabi cum suis rectis divisis, sicut ego et barones mei mecum ipsas perambulavimus inter prædictos monachos et Asthetillum filium Udardi. Concedo etiam eis materiem in foresta de Engleswoda ad ædificia sua et ad omnia domui suæ necessaria facienda, et pasturam porcis eorum, sine pasnagio. Cum hiis autem prædictis infra terminos abbatiae Holmcoltriæ et divisas suas tantam pacem et libertatem constituo, quantam abbatia de Maylros, et abbatia de Neubolla, concessione patris mei, tranquillius et sanctius et quictius possident, et possessionibus suis infra perfruuntur. Hiis testibus, Adulpho Carleoli episcopo, Waltero priore, Waltero de . . . regis cancellario, Engerram comitis cancell. Hugone de Moravilla, Willielmo de Somervilla, Willielmo de Heriz, Willielmo Engaine, Raun. de Soll. Raun. de Ludeseia, Waltero de Ridalc, Cospatrico filio Orm. Henr. filio Suani, Waltero fil. Alani. Hugone Ridill, Alano de Laceles.

NUM. IV.

Carta Davidis Regis Scotiæ, Donationem Filii sui confirmans.

[Ex Registro Cartarum Abb. de Holmcoltram nuper penes Will. D. Howard de Naworth, Cestr. fol. 10. b.]

DAVID, rex Scotiæ, episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, baronibus, vicecomitibus, præpositis, ministris, et omnibus probis hominibus totius terræ suæ, et filii sui, clericis et

^a Lysons, ut supr.

^b Chron. abb. de Melros in Scotia MS. in bibl. Cottoniana.

laicis, tam præsentibus quàm futuris, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse, et hac meâ cartâ confirmasse, donationem filii mei de Holmcoltram, quam ipse abbati et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus donavit et concessit in elemosinam. Confirmo etiam eis aliam tertiam partem de Holmcoltram, quam Alanus filius Waldef eisdem monachis, pro salute animæ suæ, dedit et concessit, cum cæteris omnibus quæ carta filii sui continet et testatur. Hiis testibus, Adeulfo episcopo Carleolensi, Waltero priore, &c.

NUM. V.

Carta Malcolmi Regis Scotiæ, Donationem Henrici patris sui confirmans.

[Ibid.]

MALCOLUMB rex Scotiæ, episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, vicecomitibus, ministris, et omnibus probis hominibus totius terræ suæ, clericis et laicis, Francis et Anglis, tam præsentibus quam futuris, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse, et hac meâ cartâ confirmasse, donationem patris mei Henrici, quam fecit abbati et monachis de Holmcoltram ibidem Deo servientibus, viz. duas partes Holmcoltram, quas ipse et plures probi homines imprimis perambulaverunt, inter eosdem monachos et Alanum filium Waldef, quando ipse tertiam partem prædictæ Holmcoltram prænominato Alano ad venationes suas concessit. Concedo etiam donationem ipsius Alani et Waldef filii sui, de tertiâ parte Holmcoltram, quam fecit eisdem monachis in perpetuam elemosinam, sicut carta patris mei et carta ipsius Alani testatur. Necnon etiam concedo et confirmo confirmationem Davidis regis Scotiæ prædecessoris mei, sicut carta ipsius testatur de ipsâ elemosinâ Holmcoltriæ. Testibus, &c.

NUM. VI.

Quieta-clamatio Willielmi de la Ferte, de quodam vasto juxta Kirkebride.

[Ibid. fol. 11. b.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, &c. Willielmus de la Ferte, salutem. Sciatis me, die S. Botulphi, apud Karleolum, ad primas assisas domini regis Ricardi, anno scil. primo regni ejus, concensu W. hæredis mei, quietam clamasse de me et hæredibus imperpetuum, Deo et S. Mariæ de Holme et monachis, &c. totam calumpniam, quam habui et feci versùs prædictos monachos, sive justam sive injustam, de vasto domini regis, quod continetur infra rivulum quod currit subtus Kirkebride, extra exterius fossatum monachorum, et cadit in Wathenpol, et inde ascendendo per divisas quæ nominatæ sunt in cartâ prædicti domini regis Ricardi, coram domino Willielmo de Stoteville, et Osberto de Longocampo, et Willielmo filio Aidelini, et Petro de Ros archidiacono Karl. &c. tunc justiciariis domini regis Ricardi, &c.

NUM. VII.

Carta Anthonii de Luci de mortuo bosco suo in Allerdale.

[Ibid. fol. 15. b.]

OMNIBUS hoc scriptum visuris vel auditoris, Antonius de Lucy, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Sciatis me, pro salute animæ meæ, &c. dedisse et concessisse, et hoc præsenti scripto confirmasse, pro me et hæredibus et assignatis meis, Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et religiosis viris abbati et conventui de Holme, jus perpetuum, et licentiam specialem capiendi, carriandi, et comburendi mortuum boscum in bosco meo de Allerdale, pro sustentatione abbatiæ suæ, et pro carbonibus in eodem bosco, pro forgiis suis infra Holmcoltram, et aliis necessariis more solito faciendo: ita quod ratione dictæ donationis et concessionis, non capiant carbones infra dictum boscum meum ad minam suam ferri comburendam, absque licentiâ speciali mei vel hæredum meorum. Pro hac autem concessione, prædicti abbas et conventus mihi solvent annuatim, ad festum S. Michaelis archangeli, quatuor solidos argenti tantum, pro omni servicio, consuetudine, et demandâ mihi vel hæredibus meis, ballivis, vel ministris quibuscunque faciendis. Quare volo, &c. In cujus rei testimonium, &c.

NUM. VIII.

Carta Johannis Angliæ Regis de Heremitorio S. Hildæ in Foresta de Englewode.

[Ibid. f. 18. a.]

JOHANNES Dei gratiâ rex Angliæ, &c. archiepiscopis,

episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, baronibus, justiciariis, vicecomitibus, præpositis, et omnibus ballivis et fidelibus suis, salutem. Sciatis nos, intuitu Dei, et pro salute animæ nostræ, et antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, dedisse, concessisse, et hac cartâ nostrâ confirmasse, abbatiæ de Holme, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, heremitorium sanctæ Hildæ in forestâ nostrâ de Englewode, cum landâ quam Rogerus Crocky, quondam heremita illius loci tenuit, integrè, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, sicut idem Rogerus eam unquam melius et plenius tenuit; ita quod landam illam excolant, vel ad pasturam teneant, si voluerint. Concessimus etiam eis, quod habeant ibidem vaccariam quadraginta vaccarum, cum pasturâ eorum, in forestâ illâ, et cum sectâ earundem ad duos annos; ita tamen quod in fine singulorum duorum annorum amoveatur de forestâ nostrâ secta earundem xl. vaccarum de duobus annis. Concessimus etiam eisdem, quod habeant in pasturâ illâ tot equos et boves quot sufficiant eis ad landam illam excolendam, si illam excolere voluerint. Et quod quieti sint de escapio et de receptione forestariorum, nisi ad voluntatem ipsorum monachorum. Hæc autem omnia prædicta eis concessimus, habenda et tenenda de nobis et hæredibus nostris in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, &c. Testibus, domino P. Winton. episcopo, &c. Data per manum magistri Ricardi de Marisco cancellarii nostri, apud Windesore, primo die Martii, anno regni nostri xvjº.

NUM. IX.

Appropriatio Capellæ de Arlosk.

[Ibid. fol. 20. a.]

JOHANNES miseratione divinâ Karleol. episcopus, dilectis sibi in Christo filiis abbati et conventui S. Mariæ de Holmcoltram, ordinis Cisterciensis nostræ Caerleolensis diocesis, salutem, gratiam, et benedictionem. Basilicarum sanctarum, sive ecclesiarum nova constructio eo potissime alicubi est necessaria, quo regi summo in eisdem mysticis muneribus complicato, animarum saluti melius prospicitur, dum populus Christianus reddatur devocior, et in alterius præjudicium non redundet. Advertentes siquidem terras, possessiones locaque nostra, infra fines vestros de Holmcoltram, extra limites omnium ecclesiarum parochialium nostræ diocesis, ut ex assertione quam plurimum intelleximus situata, ac distancia ab eisdem. Considerantes insuper statum vestrum per hostiles invasiones et depredationes Scottorum, adeo depauperatum, quod terras vestras, more solito, ad commodum vestrum excolere non potestis; immo eas aliis tradere excolendas ad vestri sustentationem, pauperum et hospitum suceptionem urgens necessitas vos compellit; ad Dei honorem, sui cultus augmentum, et salutem animarum, ac sacrae religionis vestrae reverentiam, et ad vestras oppressiones notorias et jacturas citiùs, favente Altissimo, relevandas, invocatâ sancti Spiritus gratiâ, habitis super hac deliberatione providâ et tractatu, auctoritate nostra pontificali, de concensu capituli nostri Karleol. concedimus, pro nobis et successoribus nostris, et specialiter indulgemus, ut liceat vobis in territorio vestro de Arlosk, infra fines vestros prædictos, unam capellam seu ecclesiam de novo construere, pro vestris inquilinis et inhabitantibus infra fines vestros de Holmcoltram morantibus, et processu temporis moraturis. Quam capellam, seu ecclesiam, cum constructa fuerit juxta decentiam quam convenit, omnibus insigniis parochialibus volumus et decernimus insigniri, ipsamque cum omnibus decimis, majoribus, et minoribus, prædialibus et personalibus, ac obventionibus quibuscunque à dictis inquilinis et inhabitantibus vestris, quoquo modo provenientibus, vobis et monasterio vestro de Holmcoltram, ac successoribus vestris, auctoritate nostrâ prædictâ annectimus, appropriamus, ac in usus vestros proprios, et successorum vestrorum, pro vobis et successoribus vestris imperpetuum possidendas, liberè concedimus per præsentes.

Porro de vestra conscientia puritate, et sollicitudine circumspectâ, quam erga honestatem et decorem ecclesiæ Dei credimus vos habere, intimè confidentes, dictam capellam, seu ecclesiam, et ad ornamenta ecclesiastica, cooperturam et clausuram cimiterii, super quorum sustentatione et reparatione vestram, domine abbas, conscientiam, successorumque vestrorum abbatum conscientias oneramus, à nostrâ et successorum nostrorum officialium, archidiaconorum, et aliorum ministrorum nostrorum visitatione et jurisdictione prorsus eximimus, et exemptam esse imperpetuum decerni-

mus, et judicialiter diffinimus, visitationibus et correctionibus clericorum, et laicorum secularium, infra dictos fines vestros morantium et morandorum, sicut aliorum clericorum et laicorum nostræ diœcesis, nostri jurisdictioni ordinariæ subjectorum, extra tamen eosdem fines vestros exercendis, nobis et successoribus nostris, officialibus, archidiaconis, et aliis ministris nostris semper salvis, et in omnibus reservatis. Et ut vobis et successoribus vestris, ex istâ appropriatione vestrâ major fructus commodi temporalis accrescat, ad vestram, successorumque vestrorum quietem perpetuam, exclusâ omnis dissensionis materiâ, concedimus pro nobis et successoribus nostris, et statuimus, quod dictæ capellæ, seu ecclesiæ, per quendam presbyterum secularem idoneum, per vos et successores vestros eligendum, nobis verò, et successoribus nostris, seu officialibus nostris, cum extra nostram diœcesim nos esse contigerit, præsentandum, benè et fideliter serviatur. Quem quidem presbyterum sic per vos electum, et nobis præsentatum, ad curam populi, infra dictos fines vestros habitantes, pro nobis et successoribus nostris, sine difficultate quacunque decernimus admitti; et cum vobis, successoribusque vestris placuerit amoveri, aliquâ cum causâ rationabili amotionis ejusdem, per vos et successores vestros, nobis et successoribus nostris, seu officialibus nostris, in absentia nostrâ, extra nostram diœcesim legitimè assignatâ: quam quidem causam, sine contradictione qualibet, pro nobis et successoribus nostris, seu officialibus nostris, extunc volumus acceptari.

Idem verò presbyter à nobis et successoribus nostris, seu officialibus nostris in absentia nostrâ, ut præmittitur, curam animarum inquilinorum, et inhabitantium vestrorum prædictorum recipiet, et eisdem ecclesiastica sacramenta canonicè ministrabit: qui quidem presbyter, pro labore suo ad ipsius sustentationem, et ad omnia alia onera incumbentia, temporalia, videlicet, et archidiaconalia subportanda, quatuor libras Sterlingorum, ad duos anni terminos, prout inter vos ipsos meliùs poterit convenire, de dictæ capellæ sive ecclesiæ proventibus, fideliter singulis annis solvetis; et unam aream pro domo et curtilagio, pro libito vestræ voluntatis, eidem assignabitis competentem, ultra quas vos aut successores vestros, occasione dictæ capellæ seu ecclesiæ, in nullo per nos, vel successores nostros, officiales, seu ministros nostros prædictos, vel per prædictum presbyterum volumus onerari. Idem verò presbyter correctiones et excessus dictorum inquilinorum et inhabitantium nostrorum, et omnia alia et singula quæ ad clericos et ad laicos seculares ibidem corrigenda, et jure ordinario approbanda, quæ ad nostram jurisdictionem ordinariam, de jure sive consuetudine nostræ Karleol. diœcesis spectant, nobis et successoribus nostris, officialibus nostris, et aliis ministris nostris ecclesiasticis, in capitulis nostris, in decanatu Allerdaliæ celebrandis fideliter nuntiabit; et injuncta nostra, et successorum nostrorum, officialium, et aliorum ministrorum nostrorum prædictorum canonica reverenter recipiet et diligentius exequetur: et nobis et successoribus nostris, in signum subjectionis, et nomine cathedratici, singulis annis dimiam marcam argenti, de dictâ portione illâ quatuor librarum, annuatim ad duos anni terminos, in capitulis nostris Allerdaliæ celebrandis, fideliter persolvat: medietatem, viz. in proximo capitulo Allerdaliæ post Pasca; et aliam medietatem in proximo capitulo post festum sancti Michaelis ibidem. Verùm quia archidiaconi nostri Karleol. singulis annis, ex officii sui debito, clerum et populum nostræ civitatis, et Karleol. diœcesis visitare teneantur, et à locis visitatis, expensas pro suo labore recipere moderatas, statuimus et ordinamus, quod, cum dictus archidiaconus noster, populum ibidem habitantem, jure archidiaconali visitaverit, extra tamen fines vestros prædictos, eidem dictus presbyter, de eadem portione suâ, quatuor librarum, xl. denarios tantum, nomine procurationis solvere teneatur.

Volumus insuper, statuimus, et tenore præsentium ordinamus, pro nobis, et successoribus nostris, officialibus, ac aliis ministris nostris ecclesiasticis, quod nichil novi juris, oneris, vel exactionis cujuscunque prætextu foundationis capellæ sive ecclesiæ vestræ prædictæ, vobis, successoribus vestris, aut monasterio vestro aliquàlter imponatur; præterea quæ ante foundationem prædictam, nobis et successoribus nostris, de jure, sive consuetudine ibidem hactenus compete- bant, et ea quæ superius sunt expressa. Præterea, si processu temporis, dicti inquilini et inhabitantes vestri, à locis vestris prædictis, quoquomodo fuerint amoti, volumus et concedimus, pro nobis et successoribus nostris, quod liberè

liceat vobis et successoribus vestris, cantariam dictæ capellæ seu ecclesiæ subtrahere, terrasque vestras et grangiam, adeo liberè et quietè ab onere presbyteri, et aliis oneribus prædictis quibuscunque tenere, sicut eas unquam ante confectionem præsentium liberiùs tenuistis. Per istam verò concessionem nostram, seu capellæ vel ecclesiæ vestræ foundationem, juribus ecclesiarum parochialium nostræ diœcesis, seu privilegiis, vobis et ordini vestro indultis, non intendimus in aliquo derogare; sed ea in suo robore illibata perficere volumus utrobique. In cujus rei testimonium præsentibus sigillum nostrum apposuimus: datis apud Lynstocke, tertio Idus Aprilis, anno Domini m.ccc.liii°. et pontificatus nostri xij°.

NUM. X.

Carta Ricardi de Luci Donationem Ecclesiæ de Burgo per Hugonem de Morville factam confirmans.

[Ibid. fol. 26. a.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis has literas visuris vel auditoris Ricardus de Lucy, salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me concessisse, et præsentì cartâ meâ confirmasse, Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Holme in perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ, et pro anima Hugonis de Moreville, et pro animabus omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, donum ejusdem Hugonis veri patroni ecclesiæ de Burgo, liberum et quietum de omni calumpniâ meâ et hæredum meorum: quam ecclesiam de Burgo interam, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, idem Hugo iisdem monachis in perpetuam elemosinam habendam donavit, sicut in ejus scripto autentico continetur. Testibus, &c.

NUM. XI.

Alia Confirmatio ejusdem Ecclesiæ, facta per Johannam filiam Ugonis de Moreville.

[Ibidem b.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis Johanna filia Hugonis de Morevill, salutem. Noverit universitas vestra, quod ego, meâ liberâ et spontaneâ voluntate, concessi, et hac præsentì cartâ meâ confirmavi, Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et monachis de Holmecoltram, in perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ, et domini mei Ricardi Gernun et patris mei Hugonis de Morevill, et pro animabus omnium antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, donum ejusdem Henrici patris mei, veri patroni ecclesiæ de Burgo; quam ecclesiam, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, idem Hugo, pro salute animæ suæ, eisdem monachis in perpetuam elemosinam habendam donavit, liberè perpetuo tenendam, sicut in ejus scripto autentico continetur. Testibus, &c.

NUM. XII.

Carta Thomæ filii Cospatricii de Grangiâ de Flemingby.

[Ibid. fol. 37. b.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis Thomas filius Cospatrici, filii Ormi, salutem. Sciatis, quod ego, consilio et consensu Alani Fratris mei, et aliorum hæredum atque amicorum meorum, dedi et concessi, et præsentì cartâ confirmavi, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Holmecoltram, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in puram, liberam, et perpetuam elemosinam, Flemingby, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, exceptâ terrâ de Waitecroft; scil. per istas divisas; ex illâ parte versùs Alneburgh, à mari usque ad petram quam monachi posuerunt super ripam maris; et à petrâ illâ descendendo per Rane, in transverso, usque in Helerk; et sic ascendendo per matrem suam de Elesike, usque ad caput de Middelholme, versùs occidentem; et inde sicut mater sua dividit, usque in Brandesdic; et sic ascendendo per Brandesdic, usque dum veniat ad Wyterigge; et sic per inferius caput de Witerigge, usque in Folegile; et sic ascendendo per Folegile usque ad caput fossati monachorum versus aquilonem; et sic ascendendo per idem fossatum, usque ad superius caput de Scalegile; et sic ascendendo sicut sulcus, quem ego trahere feci, qui ducit ad superius caput de Thweregile, et inde ascendendo per eundem sulcum usque ad superius caput de Aykegil; et sic descendendo sicut rivulus currit inter duos saltus de Nathwait, per medium boscum, usque ad Kirnepot; et de Kirnepot usque in mare. Quicquid continetur inter has divisas habeant præ-

dicti monachi, ex dono patris mei et meo, in bosco et plano, in pratis et pasturis, in aquis et molendinis, in miscis et mariscis, in sabulonibus et piscaturis, et in omnibus aliis rebus ad prædictam terram pertinentibus; et tenebunt eam plenariè, integrè, et honorificè, in puram, liberam, et perpetuam elemosinam, sicut aliqua elemosina melius et liberior teneri poterit, quietam de omni terreno servicio et exactione. Habebunt præterea extra divisas istas, communem pasturam de Seton, et communem pasturam de Kirnepot, usque ad Fulewike, inter boscum et mare. Et nos similiter communem pasturam habebimus cum monachis in Flemingby, exceptâ terrâ arabili, pratis, et bosco: Si autem pecunia mea evaserit infra boscum eorum, vel pecunia eorum infra boscum meum, remittetur ex utraque parte, sine gravamine, si tamen non fuerit ex consuetudine. Hanc terram, cum libertatibus suis, ego et hæredes mei, per divisas nominatas, warrantizabimus prædictis monachis contra omnes homines imperpetuum, et acquietabimus omne forense servicium. Hiis testibus, R. de Vallibus, &c.

NUM. XIII.

Carta Cecilie Comitissæ de Albemarle, Donationem Cospatricii filii Orm, de medietate Villæ de Kelton, confirmans.

[Ibid. fol. 38. b.]

CECILIA comitissa Albemarle dapiferis, vicecomitibus, et omnibus hominibus suis, Francis et Anglis, præsentibus et futuris, has literas audientibus, vel audituris, salutem. Sciatis me et hæredes meos dedisse, et confirmasse, præsentem eartâ, Deo et S. Mariæ, et domui de Holmcoltram, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, dimidietatem villæ de Kelton, cum omnibus pertinentiis, sicut carta Cospatricii filii Orm testatur. Dedi etiam præfatis monachis et concessi, ego et hæredes mei, totum servicium quod ad me et hæredes meos pertinet, in puram, et liberam, et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ, &c. Hiis testibus, &c.

NUM. XIV.

Carta Gilberti de Culwenne.

[Ibid. fol. 44. a.]

UNIVERSIS Christi fidelibus, &c. Gilbertus filius Gilberti de Culwenne, salutem, &c. Noverit universitas vestra me inspexisse, audisse, et intellexisse cartas dominorum Cospatricii filii Ormi, Thomæ filii ejusdem Cospatricii, Patricii filii ejusdem Thomæ, avi mei, Gilberti patris mei, et Thomæ fratris mei, factas et concessas per eosdem, &c.

NUM. XV.

Carta Johannæ filicæ et hæredis Adæ de Millom, relictæ Johannis de Hodeliston, de terrâ de Kekelay.

[Ibid. fol. 47. a.]

SCIANT præsentem et futuri, &c. quod ego Johanna filia et hæres Adæ de Millom, in meâ viduitate et ligeâ potestate, pro salute animæ meæ, et pro salute animæ Johannis de Hodeliston quondam viri mei, &c. dedi, concessi, et præsentem scripto confirmavi, pro me et hæredibus et successoribus meis, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, totam illam terram de Kekelay integrè, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, sine ullo retenemento, quam dicti abbas et monachi habent per cartam Gunildæ filii Henrici, filii Arthuri, tenendam et habendam liberam, quietam, et solutam ab omni servicio, consuetudine, sectâ, placito, exactione, et demandâ, sicut aliqua elemosina possit teneri et haberi, &c. In cuius, &c.

NUM. XVI.

Carta Thomæ de Multon Donationem Lamberti de Multon antecessoris sui recitans et confirmans.

[Ibid. fol. 51. a.]

OMNIBUS hoc scriptum visuris vel audituris, Thomas de Multon dominus Couplandiæ, filius et hæres domini Thomæ de Multon, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noveritis me inspexisse et intellexisse cartam domini Lamberti de Multon antecessoris mei, per quam dedit religiosi viri abbati et conventui de Holme, et successoribus suis, in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, viginti quatuor duo-

denas minæ ferri in Coupland annuatim percipiendas; et liberos introitus et exitus sibi et hominibus suis, et averiis eorum, per terram suam, ad dictam minam fodiendam et cæriandam, pro dimidiâ marcâ argenti, sibi et hæredibus suis annuatim percipiendâ ad duos terminos, viz. medietatem ad Pentecostes, et aliam medietatem ad festum S. Martini in hyeme, pro omni terreno servicio: Et insuper confirmationem domini Thomæ filii et hæredis ejusdem domini Lamberti, dictis religiosi, de eodem editam. Quas quidem concessiones, et confirmationes ratas habens et gratas, cas approbo, et easdem præfatis abbati et conventui de Holmcoltram, et eorum successoribus, pro me et hæredibus meis ratifico et confirmo per præsentem. In cuius rei, &c.

NUM. XVII.

Carta Willielmi Comitis Albemariæ de una forgiâ in Winefel, et minâ apud Egremond.

[Ibid. fol. 51. a.]

WILLIELMUS comes Albemariæ dapifero, vicecom. et omnibus ministris et hominibus suis, Francis et Anglis, &c. salutem. Sciatis me et hæredes meos dedisse et concessisse, et præsentem cartâ confirmasse, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et domui de Holmcoltram, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, unam forgiam in Winefel, ubicunque eis fuerit necessarios, et de bosco viridi et sicco ad faciendum carbonem, et cætera quæ necessaria sunt ad eandem forgiam tenendam; et minam apud Egremond, ubi eis fuerit necessarios, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ, &c.

NUM. XVIII.

Carta Willielmi Regis Scotorum Donationem Walteri de Berkele recitans et confirmans.

[Ibid. fol. 86. b.]

WILLIEL. Dei gratiâ rex Scotorum, episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, baronibus, justiciariis, vicecomitibus, præpositis, ministris, et omnibus probis hominibus totius terræ suæ, clericis et laicis, salutem. Sciatis præsentem et futuri me concessisse, et hac eartâ meâ confirmasse, Deo et ecclesiæ S. Mariæ de Holmcoltram, et monachis, &c. terram illam in Galweia quam Walterus de Berkele camerarius meus eis dedit, et eartâ suâ confirmavit, tenendam in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, per divisas nominatas in cartâ prædicti Walteri, ita liberè et quietè, &c. sicut aliqui monachi ordinis Cisterciensis elemosinas suas, in totâ terrâ meâ, liberas, quietas, &c. tenent; et sicut earta præfati Walteri testatur, &c. salvo servicio meo, &c.

NUM. XIX.

Carta Christiani Episcopi Candidæ Casæ de Grangia dictâ Kirkewinny.

[Ibid. fol. 88. a.]

CHRISTIANUS Dei gratiâ episcopus Candidæ Casæ, universis præfatæ ecclesiæ filiis, tam clericis quàm laicis, salutem et benedictionem. Notum sit universitati vestræ, quod Domini opitulante misericordiâ, Deo et ordini Cisterciensi traditi sumus, et domni de Holmcoltram; ubi et eorpori nostro sepulturam elegimus: mandamus igitur universitati vestræ, quatinus præfatam domum et ad eam pertinentia grangiam, quæ dicitur Kirkewinny, et omnia quæ ad illam pertinent, manuteneatis et protegatis, sicut Dei et nostram benedictionem habere desideratis. Quod si quis contra hæc ire præsumserit, et præfatæ domui de Holmcoltram, vel grangiæ de Kirkewinny, vel quibuslibet eorum pertinentiis dampnum aliquod intulerit, vel inferenti consenserit, tanquam domini papæ et nostrum excommunicatum omnipotentis Dei, et nostram, se maledictionem incursum, et æterni incendii pœnas laturum, sciat, nisi cum satisfactione congruâ emendaverit. Testibus, &c.

NUM. XX.

Carta Roberti Regis Scotorum de annuâ firmâ decem Librarum.

[Ibid. fol. 100. a.]

ROBERTUS Dei gratiâ rex Scotorum, omnibus probis hominibus suis totius terræ suæ, salutem. Sciatis nos, pro salute animæ nostræ, et animabus omnium antecessorum

nostrorum, et successorum, et specialiter pro animâ patris mei, cujus corpus humatum est in ecclesiâ beatæ Mariæ de Holmcoltram, dedisse, concessisse, et per præsentem confirmasse, ac pro nobis et hæredibus quietam clamasse religiosus viris abbati et monachis de Holmcoltram, illam annuam firmam decem librarum, quam mihi annuatim reddere solebant de terris et tenementis suis in Galwidia, &c. xiiij^o. Januarii, anno regni nostri tertio-decimo.

NUM. XXI.

Bulla Lucii tertii Rom. Pontificis, Donatorum Concessionem recitans et confirmans.

[Ibid. fol. 110. a.]

LUCIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis Everardo abbati monasterii sanctæ Mariæ de Holmcoltram, ejus fratribus, tam præsentibus quàm futuris, regularem vitam professis imperpetuum. Religiosam vitam eligentibus apostolicum convenit adesse præsidium, ne fortè cujuslibet temeritatis incursus, aut eos à proposito revocet, aut robur (quod absit) sacre religionis infringat: Ea propter, dilecti in Domino filii, vestris justis postulationibus clementer annuimus, et præfatum monasterium sanctæ Mariæ de Holmcoltram, in quo divino mancipati estis obsequio, sub beati Petri et nostrâ protectione suscipimus, et præsentis scripti privilegio communimus. In primis siquidem statuantes, ut ordo monasticus, quam secundum Dei et sancti Benedicti regulam, atque institutionem Cisterciensium fratrum, in eodem loco institutus esse dinoscitur, perpetuis ibidem temporibus inviolabiliter observetur. Præterea quascunque possessiones, quæcunque bona idem monasterium in præsentiarum justè et canonicè possidet, aut in futurum, concessionem pontificum, largitione regum vel principum, oblatione fidelium, seu aliis justis modis, præstante Domino, poterit adipisci, firma vobis, vestrisque successoribus, et illibata permaneant. In quibus hæc propriis duximus exprimenda vocabulis: ex dono illustris Anglorum regis Henrici, totam insulam de Holme, in quâ præfatum monasterium situm est, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et omnibus libertatibus, à præfato illustri rege nobis indultis, et ipsius cartâ confirmatis: grangiam veterem, cum omnibus appendiciis suis: grangiam de Ternis, cum omnibus appendiciis suis: grangiam de Senile, cum omnibus appendiciis suis: grangiam de Rabi, cum omnibus, &c.: grangiam de Arlosk, cum omnibus, &c. Et quicquid habetis infra insulam de Holme per rectas divisas suas, sicut fuit forestata tempore Henrici regis senioris, et Ranulphi comitis Cestrie.

Extra insulam de Holme, ex dono Cospatricii filii Orm, et Thomæ filii Cospatricii, terram et grangiam de Flemingebay, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, per rectas divisas suas, sicut in eorundem cartis continentur. Ex dono etiam ejusdem Cospatricii terram de Keltone, cum omnibus visamentis suis, sicut in ejusdem cartâ continetur. Libertates insuper ejusdem terræ, ex dono Wilhelmi comitis, et Cecilie comitissæ Albemarie: et ex dono ejusdem comitis et comitissæ forgiam unam in Wynnefel, cum omnibus necessariis suis, sicut in cartis eorundem continentur. Ex dono Waldevi filii Gamelli terram de Kirkeby-Thore, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Grangiam etiam et terram in Galwidiâ, quæ dicitur Kirkewinni, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, per divisas suas, in cartâ Rolandi filii Hratredi manifestè decern unam etiam salinam, extra eadem divisas in Lotchchitdale necessariis suis. Et pasturam porcis sine pasnagio per omnes silvas infra dominium ejusdem Rolandi, et aisia-menta nemoris in Preston et Lotch et semitas, et aisia-menta portuum. Omnia hæc, sicut in cartâ ipsius Rolandi continentur.

In Hiberniâ quoque quicquid comes Ricardus, et Hugo de Lacy, et alii nobiles, pietatis intuitu, vobis et domui vestræ contulerunt, et suis cartis munierunt; nichilominus vobis, auctoritate apostolicâ, confirmamus.

Inhibemus etiam ne terras, seu quodlibet beneficium ecclesiæ vestræ collatum, liceat alicui personaliter dari, sive alio modo alienari, sine consensu totius capituli aut majoris et sanioris partis. Si quæ verò donationes, vel alienationes, aliter quàm dictum est, factæ fuerint, eas irritas esse censuimus.

Antiquas præterea et rationabiles, ac regulares monasterii vestri consuetudines, hactenus observatas, ratas ha-

bemus; et eas futuris temporibus illibatas permanere censuimus.

Sane laborum vestrorum, quos propriis manibus, aut sumptibus colitis, seu de nutrimentis animalium vestrorum, sive de piscationibus vestris, ubicunque fuerint in aquis salsis, vel fluminibus, nullus à vobis decimas extorquere præsumat. Liceat quoque vobis, clericos, vel laicos, è seculo fugientes, liberos et absolutos, ad conversionem recipere, et in vestro monasterio sine contradictione aliquâ retinere. Prohibemus insuper, ut nulli fratrum vestrorum, post factam in loco vestro professionem, fas sit, absque abbatis sui licentiâ, de eodem discedere: discedentem verò absque communi literarum cautione, nullus audeat retinere.

Inhibemus etiam, auctoritate apostolicâ, ne quis præsumat monasterium vestrum novis exactionibus aggravare. Paci quoque et tranquillitati vestræ, paternâ sollicitudine providere volentes, auctoritate apostolicâ prohibemus, ut infra ambitum monasterii vestri et clausuras locorum, seu grangiarum vestrarum, nullus violentiam, vel rapinam sive furtum committere, aut ignem apponere, seu hominem capere, vel interficere aliquo modo præsumat. Ad hæc autem adjicimus, ne aliquis frater sive conversus sub professione vestræ domus astrictus, sine consensu et licentiâ abbatis, et majoris partis capituli vestri, pro aliquo fidejubeat, vel ab aliquo pecuniam mutuo accipiat ultra precium capituli sui providentiâ constitutum, propter manifestam domus vestræ utilitatem. Quod si facere forte præsumpserit, non teneatur conventus, sine cujus licentiâ et consensu hoc exigerat, pro eis aliquatinus respondere.

Præterea licitum sit vobis in causis vestris fratres vestros idoneos ad testificandum adducere, atque ipsorum testimonio, si rectum fuerit, et propulsare violentiam, et justiciam vindicare. Pro olco sancto, consecrationibus altarium, vel ecclesiarum, ordinationibus monachorum, qui ad sacros ordines fuerint promovendi, sive abbate deducendo ad sedem, vel quibuslibet aliis ecclesiasticis sacramentis, nullus à vobis, aut sub contentu consuetudinis, aut quolibet alio modo quicquid audcat postulare.

Statuimus etiam, ne episcopi, vel alia persona secularis, seu alterius ordinis regularem et canonicam abbatis vestri electionem unquam impediatur, nec de deponendo eo qui pro tempore fuerit, contra statuta Cisterciensis ordinis, et auctoritatem privilegiorum vestrorum, se nullatenus intromittat. Præterea si episcopus, in cujus parochiâ domus vestra fundata est, tertio, cum humilitate et devotione, sicut convenit, requisitus, abbatem vestrum cum substitutus fuerit, benedicere fortè noluerit; liceat eidem abbati, si presbyter fuerit, proprios novicios benedicere, et alia quæ ad officium illud pertinent exercere; et donec idem episcopus duriciam suam recogitet, et benedicendum abbatem benedicere non recuset. Decernimus ergo, ut nulli omnino hominum liceat præfatum monasterium temere perturbare, vel ejus possessiones auferre, minuere, vel ablatas retinere, vel quibuslibet vexationibus fatigare; sed omnia integra et illibata serventur, eorum pro quorum gubernatione, ac sustentatione concessa sunt usibus omnimodis profutura; salvâ sedis apostolicæ auctoritate, &c.

Data, &c. viij^o. Maii, anno Domini mclxxxv^o. pontificatus verò domini Lucii papæ tertii anno quarto.

NUM. XXII.

Carta Regis Henrici tertii Donatorum Concessionem recitans et confirmans.

[Cart. 39. Hen. III. m. 3. Pat. 16. Edw. IV. part 1, m. 5. et m. 7. Pat. 2. Hen. VI. part 1, m. 1. Et Pat. 11 Hen. VI. part 1, m. 28. Et Cart. 8 Edw. II. n. 26.]

REX archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos, pro salute animæ nostræ et animarum antecessorum et hæredum nostrorum concessisse, et hac carta nostra confirmasse, dilectis nobis in Christo abbati et monachis de Holmcoltram, Cisterciensis ordinis, omnes donationes subscriptas eis factas; videlicet, de dono Hugonis de Morevilla pasturam in Lasingby ad quingentas oves, decem boves, x. vaccas, et sectam earum unius anni, et ad unum taurum, et duos equos, et quatuor acras terræ arabilis in eadem villa, videlicet, illas super quas ædificia sua sunt inter ovile suum et viam regiam; et novem acras prati insimul ad Keldegledus inter pratum ipsius Hugonis, et metam de Salhyld, et communem pasturam prædictis averiis in omnibus locis ubi dominica averia ipsius Hugonis, et averia prænominatæ villæ pascuntur, et aisia-

menta in bosco ad omnia necessaria sua facienda; et totam terram illam in territorio ejusdem villæ, quæ jacet inter prædictas quatuor acras, et rivulum qui est divisa inter Laysingby et Salhyld. Insuper de dono Thomæ filii Thomæ de Multon pasturam ad quingentas multones in communi pastura ejusdem villæ de Laysingby per totum ubicunque dominica averia sua, et hominum pascuntur. De dono Roberti de Turp quatuordecim acras terræ de dominico suo in villa de Edenhale, et in eodem feodo locum unius bercariæ, in exitu prædictæ villæ de Edenhale in Thornbrancroft, et pasturam ad septingentas multones in prædicto feodo, et ad tot alia animalia, quot pertinent ad prædictam terram, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. De dono Bricii de Penret servi-entis, totam illam terram, sine aliquo retinemento, super aquam de Amot, quæ vocatur Saint Wylfriholm, scilicet, a summitate costeræ dependentis super eundem holmum usque ad aquam de Amot in latitudine, et in longitudine a summitate dictæ costeræ, usque ad haiam, quæ est super dictam aquam de Amot, sicut cartæ prædictorum donatorum quas prædicti monachi inde habent et quas inspeximus rationabiliter testantur. Quare volumus, &c. Data per manum nostram, apud Chyvelyngham, v. die Septembris.

NUM. XXIII.

Pro Cantaria in Ecclesia de Wyggeton.

[Esc. 5 Edw. III. n. 135.]

INQUISITIO capta apud Wyggeton, coram Johanne de Louthre, escaetore domini regis ultra Trentam, quinto die Februarii anno regni regis Edwardi tertii post conquestum sexto, per sacramentum, Thomæ de Redman, Gilberti de Holteclo, Ranulfi de Osmunderlawe, Hugonis de Bromfeld, Johannis de Ireby, Adæ de Langriggs, Thomæ de Langriggs, Thomæ de la Ferte, Ranulfi de Daneby, Roberti de Vaus, Alani de Arcleby senioris, et Willielmi del Lathes, secundum tenorem brevis huic inquisitioni consuti. Qui dicunt super sacramentum suum, quod non est ad dampnum seu prejuditium domini regis, nec aliorum si idem dominus rex concedat Johani Gernoun et Margaretæ uxori ejus, quod ipsi unam acram terræ cum pertinentiis in Wyggeton, et advocationem ecclesiæ ejusdem villæ dare possint et concedere abbati et conventui de Holmcoltram. Habendam et tenendam sibi et successoribus suis imperpetuum, ad invenendum quatuor capellanos monachos ordinis prædicti, divina in ecclesia abbatihæ prædictæ, et duos capellanos seculares, divina in ecclesia beatæ Mariæ de Wyggeton, pro salubri statu ejusdem domini regis dum vitam duxerit in humanis, et pro anima ipsius domini regis cum ab hoc seculo migraverit, et pro animabus prædictorum Johannis et Margaretæ, et antecessorum ipsius Margaretæ, et pro animabus omnium fidelium defunctorum imperpetuum celebraturos; et eisdem abbati et conventui quod ipsi terram et advocationem prædictas, à præfatis Johanne et Margareta recipere, et ecclesiam illam appropriare, et eam appropriatam tenere possint sibi et successoribus suis prædictis imperpetuum. Item dicunt quod prædicta terra et advocatio ecclesiæ prædictæ tenentur de domino Antonio de Lucy, per servitium reddendi eidem Antonio per annum unum ob. Et dicunt quod prædicta acra terræ per se valet per annum, in omnibus exitibus, juxta verum valorem ejusdem sex denarios. Et dicunt quod prædicta ecclesia per se valet per annum in omnibus exitibus, juxta verum valorem ejusdem, triginta sex libras. Item dicunt quod dominus Antonius de Luci, est dominus medius inter dominum regem et præfatos Johannem et Margaretam de terra et advocatione prædictis, et nullus alius. Et dicunt quod remanent eisdem Johanni et Margaretæ ultra donationem et assignationem prædictas, duæ partes manerii de Wyggeton, cum pertinentiis, quæ tenentur de domino Antonio de Luci, per cornagium, reddendo eidem Antonio v. marc. per annum, et faciendo sectam cur. ejusdem Antonii apud Coker-mouth, de tribus sept. in tres septimanas; et valent dictæ duæ partes dicti manerii in omnibus exitibus, juxta verum valorem per annum quadraginta libras. Item dicunt quod terræ et tenementa ejusdem Johannis et Margaretæ remanentia ultra donationem et assignationem prædictas sufficiunt ad consuetudines et servicia, tam de prædictis terra et advocacione sic datis, quàm de aliis terris et tenementis sibi retentis, debita facienda. Dicunt etiam quod dicta terra et tenementa sibi retenta sufficiunt ad omnia alia onera quæ su-

stinuerunt et antea sustinere consueverunt, ut in sectis, visibus, francipleg. auxiliis, tallagiis, vigiliis, finibus, redemptionibus, amerciamentis, contribucionibus, et aliis oneribus quibuscumque emergentibus sustinendis. Et dicunt quod idem Johannes et hæredes ipsius Margaretæ, in assisis, juratis, et aliis recognitionibus quibuscumque poni possint, prout ante donationem et assignationem prædictas poni consueverunt, &c. In cujus, &c.

BULLÆ PAPALES AD ABBATIAM DE HOLMCOLTRAM SPECTANTES.

Stevens, Contin. Monast. tom. ii. p. 263.

NUM. XXIV.

Bulla Alexandri tertii Papæ de Privilegiis Abbatie de Holmcoltram Ordinis Cisterciensis, in comitatu Cumbriæ, concessis.

[Chartularium Abbatie de Holmcoltram, penes Jo. Warberton, arm. p. 130.]

ALEXANDER episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis Everardo abbati monasterii sanctæ Mariæ de Holmcoltram ejusdemque fratribus, tam præsentibus quam futuris, regularem vitam professis imperpetuum. Religiosam vitam eligentibus apostolicum convenit adesse præsidium, ne cujuslibet temeritatis incursus aut eos a proposito revocet, aut robur, quod absit, sanctæ religionis infringat. Ea propter, dilecti in Domino filii, vestris justis postulationibus clementer annuimus, et præfatum monasterium beatæ Dei genetricis semperque virginis Mariæ, et quo divino estis mancipati obsequio, sub beati Petri et nostra protectione suscepimus, et præsentis scripti privilegio communimus. In primis siquidem statuentes, ut ordo monasticus, qui secundum Dominum et beati Benedicti regulam, et institutionem Cisterciensium fratrum, in eodem loco institutus esse dinoscitur, perpetuis ibidem temporibus inviolabiliter observetur. Præterea quascumque possessiones quæcunque bona idem monasterium in presentiarum juste et canonice possidet, aut in futurum concessione pontificum, largicione regum vel principum, oblatione fidelium, seu aliis modis fidelibus, præstante Domino, poterit adipisci, firma vobis vestrisque successoribus et illibata permaneant. In quibus hæc propriis duximus exprimenda vocabulis. Locum ipsum in quo præfatum monasterium situm est cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; grangiam veterem cum omnibus appendiciis suis; grangiam de Ternis cum omnibus appendiciis suis; grangiam de Maxburgh cum omnibus appendiciis suis; grangiam de Rabi cum omnibus appendiciis suis; grangiam de Semeburn cum omnibus appendiciis suis; quicquid habetis infra insulam de Holm per rectas divisas suas, sicut fuit foresta tempore Henrici regis et Radulphi comitis Cestriæ. Extra insulam de Holme, grangiam in Galwidia quæ dicitur Kirkwyni, cum omnibus aysiamentis nemoris a portu Hur usque ad Povesterbened, et salinam in loco idoneo, sicut in carta Uctredi filii Freser continetur; grangiam de Millebronna per rectas divisas suas cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, sicut in authentico scripto Gilberti continetur; terram de Chelton cum pastura et omnibus aliis pertinentiis, sicut in autentico scripto Gospatricii filii Ormi continetur. In Hibernia quicquid comes Ricardus et Hugo de Lacy et alii nobiles, pietatis intuitu, vobis et domui vestræ contulerunt, nichilominus vobis auctoritate apostolica confirmamus. Liceatque vobis clericos vel laicos e seculo fugientes liberos et absolutos ad conversionem recipere, et in vestro monasterio absque contradictione aliqua retinere. Prohibemus insuper ut nulli fratrum vestrorum, post factam in loco vestro professionem, fas sit de eodem loco absque licentia magistri sui discedere, discedentem vero sine communi literarum vestrarum cautione nullus audeat retinere. Sane laborum vestrorum quos propriis manibus aut sumptibus colitis, sive de incrementis vestrorum animalium, nullus omnino a vobis decimas præsumat exigere. Paci quoque et tranquillitati vestræ paterna sollicitudine providere volentes, auctoritate apostolica prohibemus ut infra ambitum monasterii vestri seu grangiarum vestrarum nullus violentiam vel rapinam sive furtum committere, aut ignem apponere, seu hominem capere vel interficere audeat. Statuimus etiam ne episcopi vel alia persona secularis seu alterius ordinis regularem et canonicam abbatem vestri electionem unquam impediat, nec de deponendo eo qui pro tempore sublatus fuerit,

contra statuta Cisterciensis ordinis et auctoritatem privilegiorum vestrorum, se nullatenus intromittat. Præterea si episcopus in cujus parochia domus vestra fundata est, tertio cum humilitate et devotione sicut convenit requisitus, abbatem vestrum cum substitutus fuerit benedicere forte noluerit, eidem abbati liceat proprios novicios benedicere, et alia quæ ad officium illud pertinent exercere, donec ipse duritiam suam recogitet, et benedicendum abbatem benedicere non recuset. Decernimus ergo ut nulli omnino hominum liceat præfatum monasterium temere perturbare, aut ejus possessiones auferre, vel ablatas temere minuere, aut quibuslibet vexationibus fatigare, sed omnia integra et illibata serventur eorum pro quorum gubernatione et sustentatione concessa sunt usibus omnimodis profutura, salva sedis apostolicæ auctoritate. Si qua vero in futurum ecclesiastica secularisve persona hanc nostræ constitutionis paginam sciens contra eam temere venire temptaverit, secundo terciove commonita, nisi reatum suum digna satisfactione correxerit, potestatis honorisque sui dignitate careat, reamque se divino judicio existere de perpetrata iniquitate cognoscat, et a sanctissimo corpore et sanguine Dei et Domini redemptoris nostri Jesu Christi aliena fiat, atque in extremo examine districtæ ultioni subjaceat. Cunctis autem eidem loco sua jura servantibus sit pax Domini nostri Jesu Christi quatenus, et fructum bonæ actionis percipiant, et apud districtum judicem præmia eternæ pacis inveniant. Amen. Dat. anno gratiæ M.C.LXX.V. pontificatus domini Alexandri papæ iii. anno xvii.

Vide privilegium Lucii tertii Papæ ejusdem fere tenoris in Monast. Vol. III. p. 38.

[Ibid. fol. 135.]

Memorandum quod dominus papa Innocentius quartus de novo confirmavit omnia privilegia ordinis nostri Cisterciensis, et per bullam suam omnibus prelati et iudicibus ordinariis mandavit, districte præcipiendo in virtute obedientiæ, ut servant et servare faciant illibata privilegia nostra et libertates et immunitates. Et dicta confirmatio una cum mandato domini papæ habetur in Clarevall.

NUM. XXV.

Confirmatio Clementis tertii Papæ super omnibus Possessionibus Abbatie de Holm Cultram acquisitis et adquirendis imperpetuum.

[Ibid. fol. 136.]

CLEMENS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis Everardo abbati monasterii sanctæ Mariæ de Holm Cultram ejusque fratribus, tam præsentibus quam futuris, regularem vitam professis. In perpetuum religiosam vitam eligentibus apostolicum convenit adesse præsidium, ne cujuslibet temeritatis incursus aut eos a proposito revocet, aut robur, quod absit, sacræ religionis infringat. Ea propter, dilecti in Domino filii, justis postulationibus clementer annuimus, et præfatum monasterium sanctæ Dei genitricis et virginis Mariæ de Holm Cultram, in quo divino mancipati estis obsequio, sub beati Petri et nostra protectione suscepimus, et præsentis scripti privilegio communimus. In primis siquidem statuentes, ut ordo monasticus, qui secundum Domini et beati Benedicti regulam, et institutionem Cisterciensium fratrum, in eodem monasterio constitutus esse dinoscitur, perpetuis ibidem temporibus inviolabiliter observetur. Præterea quasunque possessiones juste et canonice possidet, aut in futurum concessione pontificum, largitione regum vel principum, oblatione fidelium, seu aliis justis modis, præstante Domino, poterit adipisci, firma vobis vestrisque successoribus et illibata pemaneant. In quibus propriis duximus exprimenda vocabulis: Ex dono illustrissimi regum Anglorum Henrici Dei gratia filii ejus, totam insulam de Holm et Rabi cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, scilicet per has divisas, per rivulum qui currit subtus Kirkebride inter exterius fossatum monachorum et villam de Kirkebride et cadit in Wachepol, et sic ascendendo per eundem rivulum de foris prædictum fossatum usque ad Cokkelayk, semper sicut dura terra et mussa sibi invicem obviant; et inde ascendendo in directum usque ad medietatem mussæ quæ est inter Wayeholm et insulam sancti Laurentii, et inde per transversum mussæ et nemoris usque ad Ainterpont, et inde descendendo per Waver ad

locum ubi Waver et Crombot sibi obviant, et inde ascendendo per Crombot usque ad locum ubi rivulus de Wytekeld cadit in Crombot, et inde ascendendo per ipsum rivulum usque ad ipsum Wytekeld, et inde in directum versus occidentem usque ad sicam quæ circuit Midillrigg ex septentrionali et occidentali parte, et cadit in Polneuton, usque ad locum ubi Polneuton cadit in mare, et inde per circuitum maris usque ad locum ubi Wachepol cadit in mare; et sic ascendendo per Wachepol usque ad locum ubi prædictus rivulus qui currit subtus Kirkebride cadit in Wachepol; et quicquid infra prædictas divisas continetur; grangias et possessiones, et liberos introitus et exitus de abbatia et locis vestris infra et extra prædictas divisas ubique, per mare et per terram, per sablones, et per vastum, es per visnetum, et marem, et petram, in tota foresta de Englesbad, et pasturam et mansuras vestras infra muros de Kalo, et omnia alia aysiamenta et consuetudines cum libertatibus omnibus a præfatis illustribus regibus vobis indultis, et ipsorum cartis confirmatis. Extra insulam de Holm, ex dono Cospatricii filii Ormi et Thomæ filii Cospatricii terram et grangiam de Flenningby cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et communem pasturam cum vicinis loci illius, sicut in eorundem donatorum cartis continetur. Capellam quoque in eadem Flenningby, et terram quæ fuit capellæ, pro qua mater ecclesia recepit escambium ad valentiam a præfato Cospatricio possessore fundi, favente tunc temporis persona Adam, et cessionem decimarum prædictæ capellæ eodem Ada favente vobis imperpetuum, et Roberto archidiacono tunc temporis diocesanio, vacante episcopatu, idem testibus adhibitis carta sua confirmante, coram quampluribus tam clericis quam laicis. Ex dono etiam ejusdem Cospatricii terram de Kelton, cum omnibus aysiamentis et pertinentiis suis, sicut in ejusdem carta continetur. Libertates insuper ejusdem terræ, ex dono Willielmi comitis et Cecilie comitissæ Albemariæ, sicut in eorundem cartis continetur. Ex dono Thomæ filii Cospatricii unum rete in Derwent cum visneto, et unam piscariam in Derwent, et unam maysuram in ripa ejusdem fluminis, sicut carta ejusdem testatur; terram quoque et grangiam in territorio de Kirkebythore, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus, sicut cartæ donatorum testantur. Libertates quoque ejusdem terræ ex dono illustris Anglorum regis Ricardi vobis indultas, et ipsius carta confirmatas. Insuper in Hibernia quicquid comes Ricardus et Johannes de Curcy et alii nobiles, pietatis intuitu, vobis et domui vestræ rationabiliter contulerunt, et suis cartis munierunt, vobis nichilominus auctoritate apostolica confirmamus. Sane laborum vestrorum quos propriis manibus aut sumptibus colitis, tam de terris cultis quam de incultis, sive de ortis et virgultis vestis, vel de incrementis animalium vestrorum, nullus a vobis decimas exigere vel extorquere præsumat. Liceat quoque vobis clericos laicos a seculo fugientes liberos et absolutos ad conversionem recipere, et eos absque contradictione aliqua retinere. Prohibemus insuper ut nulli vestrorum, post factam in eodem loco professionem, fas sit absque abbatis sui licentia de eodem loco discedere; discedentem vero absque communium literarum cautione nullus audeat retinere; quod si quis forte retinere præsumperit, liceat vobis in ipsos monachos vel conversos sententiam proferre regularem. Illud districtius prohibentes, ne terras seu quodlibet beneficium ecclesiæ vestræ collatum liceat alicui personaliter dari, sive alio modo alienari, absque consensu totius capituli vel majoris vel senioris partis ejusdem. Si quæ vero donationes sive alienationes aliter quam dictum est factæ fuerint, eas irritas esse censemus. Adhæc etiam prohibemus ne aliquis monachus vel conversus sub professione domus vestræ astrictus, sine assensu et licentia abbatis et majoris partis capituli vestri, pro aliquo fidejubeat vel ab aliquo pecuniam mutuo accipiat, ultra pretium capituli vestri providentia statutum, nisi propter manifestam domus vestræ utilitatem, quod si facere præsumperit non teneatur pro hiis aliquatenus respondere. Licitum sit vobis præterea in causis vestris, sive civilem sive criminalem, contineant questionem fratrum vestrorum testimoniis uti, ne per defectum testium jus vestrum possit in aliquo deperire. Insuper auctoritate apostolica prohibemus ut nullus episcopus vel alia persona ad sinodos vel conventus forenses vos ire, vel iudicio seculari de propria substantia vel possessionibus subjacere compellat, nec ad domus vestras causa ordines celebrandi, causas tractandi, vel aliquos publicos conventus convocandi venire præsumat, nec regularem abbatis vestri electionem impediatur, aut de instituendo seu removendo eo qui

pro tempore fuerit, contra statuta Cisterciensis ordinis et auctoritatem privilegiorum vestrorum, se nullatenus intro-mittat. Si vero episcopus in cujus parochia domus vestra fundata est, cum humilitate ac devotione qua convenit requisitus, substitutem abbatem benedicere et alia quæ ad officium episcopale pertinent vobis conferre renuerit, licitum sit eidem abbati, si tunc sacerdos fuerit, proprios novicios benedicere, et cætera quæ ad suum officium exercere, et vobis omnia ab alio episcopo percipere quæ a vestro indebite fuerint denegata; illud adiecientes, ut, in recipiendis professionibus quæ a benedictis vel benedicendis abbatibus exhibentur, ea sint episcopi forma et expressione contenti quæ ab origine ordinis nostri sunt instituta et hactenus observata, ut scilicet abbates episcopis salvo ordine suo præsentari debeant, et contra statuta ordinis apostolicæ sedis privilegio roborata nullam professionem facere compellantur. Pro consecrationibus vero altarium vel ecclesiarum, sive pro oleo sancto vel quolibet ecclesiastico sacramento, nullus a vobis sub obtentu consuetudinis vel alio modo quicquam audeat extorquere, sed hæc omnia gratis vobis episcopus diœcesanus impendat; alioquin liceat vobis quemcumque malueritis catholicum antistitem adire, gratiam atque communionem sacrosanctæ Romanæ sedis habentem, qui nostra fretus auctoritate quod postulatis vobis impendat. Quod si sedes diœcesani episcopi forte vacaverit, interim omnia ecclesiastica sacramenta a vicinis recipere episcopis libere et absque contradictione possitis, sic tamen ut ex hoc in posterum propriis episcopis nullum præjudicium generetur. Quia vero priorum interdum episcoporum copiam non potestis habere, si quem episcopum Romanæ sedis communionem habentem, de quo plenam notitiam habeatis, per vos transire contigerit, ab illo benedictiones vasorum et vestium, consecrationes altarium, ordinationes monachorum, auctoritate sedis apostolicæ recipere valeatis. Porro si episcopi vel alii ecclesiarum rectores in monasteria vestra vel personas inibi constitutas, sive in mercenarios vestros, pro eo quod decimas non solvitis vel aliqua occasione eorum quæ ab apostolica benignitate vobis indulta sunt, seu benefactores vestros, pro eo quod aliqua vobis beneficia vel obsequia ex caritate præstiterint, suspensionis, excommunicationis vel interdicti sententiam promulgaverint, eandem sententiam tanquam contra apostolicæ sedis indulta prolatam, decernimus irritandam, nec ullæ literæ firmitatem habeant quæ tacito ordine Cisterciensium contra tenorem apostolicorum privilegiorum constiterint impetratæ. Cum vero commune interdictum terræ fuerit, liceat vobis clausis januis exclusis excommunicatis et interdictis divina officia celebrare. Paci quoque et tranquillitati vestræ paterna in posterum sollicitudine providere volentes, auctoritate apostolica prohibemus ne quis infra clausuram locorum seu grangiarumstrarum violentiam vel rapinam seu furtum facere, hominem capere vel interficere, ignem apponere vel sanguinem fundere, aliqua temeritate præsumat. Præterea omnes immunitates et libertates a prædecessoribus nostris piæ recordationis, Innocencio, Eugenio, Alexandro, Lucio, Urbano et Gregorio Romanis pontificibus ordini vestro concessas, etiam libertates et exemptiones secularium exactionum a regibus et principibus, patrocinio communimus. Decernimus ergo ut nulli omnino hominum liceat præfatum monasterium temere perturbare, aut ejus possessiones auferre, vel ablatas retinere, seu quibuslibet vexationibus fatigare, sed omnia integra conserventur eorum pro quorum gubernatione et sustentatione concessa suis usibus omnimodis profutura, salva in omnibus apostolicæ sedis auctoritate. Si qua ergo in futurum ecclesiastica secularisve persona hanc nostræ constitutionis paginam sciens contra eam temere venire temptaverit, secundo tertiove commonita, nisi reatum suum congrua satisfactione correxerit, potestatis honorisque sui dignitate careat, reamque se divino judicio existere de perpetrata iniquitate cognoscat, et a sanctissimo corpore et sanguine Dei et Domini redemptoris nostri Jesu Christi aliena fiat, atque in extremo examine divinæ ultioni subjaceat. Cunctis autem eidem loco jura sua servantibus sit pax Domini nostri Jesu Christi quatenus, et hic fructum bonæ actionis percipiant, et apud districtum judicem præmia eternæ pacis inveniant. Amen. Dat. anno incarnationis dominicæ M.C.XC.

NUM. XXVI.

Privilegium Innocentii tertii Papæ, quod non subjaceant Monachi de Holmcoltram Excommunicationi, nec red-dant Decimas de Terris seu Animalibus suis.

[Ibid. fol. 130.]

INNOCENTIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis abbati et conventui de Holmcoltram Cisterciensis ordinis, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Apostolicæ sedi cui licet immeriti præsidemus nos ammonet auctoritas piæ religiosorum preces elementer admittere, et eorum vota effectu prosequente complere, ut oculis apostolicæ paternitatis eorundem commodis et tranquillitatibus invigilet, ac eorum indempnitati provida studeat circumspectione cavere, hiis præsertim qui malignantium frequentius molestantur versutiis quorum impetum cum materiali gladio nequeat ecclesia refrenare, spirituali sibi remedio postulat subveniri. Ea propter, dilecti in Domino filii, nos quorum interest errata corrigere, et quæ perperam fiunt ad equitatis tramitem revocare, vobis et fratribus ordinis vestri cupientes utiliter providere, universitati vestræ dispensationem duximus indulgendam, ut quicumque bona vel possessiones vestras furtive subtraxerint aut violenter invaserint, eos sublato apostolico juris obstaculo excommunicationis vinculo innodetis; quam eo usque inviolabilem faciatis observari donec condigne vobis satisfaciant de commissis. Et quia frigescente caritate multorum usque adeo malicia noscitur abundasse, ut plures eorum qui ecclesiis modernis temporibus sunt prælati transgrediantur terminos ab antiquioribus constitutos, et in vestrum specialiter ordinem indebitam exercere non dubitent ultionem, ad exemplar fœlicis recordationis Lucii papæ prædecessoris nostri, præsentium literarum inscriptione, statuimus et firmiter inhibemus, ut nulli omnino in vos vel monasteria vestra seu fratres inibi constitutos, contra id quod ab origine ordinis vestri noseitur observatum, excommunicationis, vel suspensionis, seu interdicti sententiam liceat promulgare; quod si factum fuerit auctoritate apostolica irritum habeatur. Sane laborum vestrorum quos propriis manibus aut sumptibus eolitis, sive de nutrimentis animalium vestrorum, non tantum de novalibus sed etiam de terris antiquitus eultis et ineultis, neenon de terris conductis quas ad firmam vel terminum tenetis, vel quomodocumque tenueritis, nullus a vobis vel ab aliis pro eo quod animalia vestra in pastura aliqua custodiant et habeant decimas nullatenus exigere vel extorquere præsumat. Quod si a sede apostolica literæ impetratæ fuerint quarum occasione quis a vobis decimas exigere vel aliquid aliud contra privilegia et indulgentias vestras extorquere nitatur, illis respondere minime teneamini, nec ullæ literæ habeant firmitatem quæ tacito nomine Cisterciensis ordinis et contra tenorem privilegiorum et indulgentiarum sedis apostolicæ fuerint impetratæ. In quibus si inhibita fuerit appellatio, nichilominus habeatis potestatem appellandi. Si qui vero episcopi, archidiaconi, vel alii ecclesiarum rectores in aliquo de familia vestra, quamdiu in famulatu vestro permanserit, sive in mercenarios vel benefactores vestros, pro eo quod vos ad laborandum adjuverunt in illis diebus quibus conversi vestri laborant et seculares feriantur, excommunicationis, suspensionis, sive interdicti sententiam promulgaverint, illam decernimus non tenere. Concedimus etiam ut liceat vobis servientes vestros in extremis positos absolvere, et opportunitate suscepta eis ecclesiastica sacramenta eum sepultura conferre. Nulli ergo omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam nostræ indulgentiæ, constitutionis, inhibitionis et concessiois infringere, vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare præsumperit, indignationem omnipotentis Dei et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum ejus se noverit incursurum. Dat. &c.

NUM. XXVII.

Privilegium Gregorii noni Papæ, de Exemptione Monachorum de Holmcoltram a Solutione Decimarum.

[Ibid. fol. 141.]

GREGORIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabilibus fratribus, archiepiscopis, episcopis, et dilectis filiis abbatibus, prioribus, decanis, archidiaconis, et aliis ecclesiarum prælatis ad quos literæ istæ pervenerint, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Cum abbates Cisterciensis ordinis, tempore concilii generalis, ad commonitionem fœlicis

recordationis Innocentii papæ prædecessoris nostri, statuerint ut de cætero fratres ipsius ordinis ne occasione privilegiorum suorum ecclesiæ ulterius gravarentur de alienis terris et ab eo tempore acquirendis, si eas propriis manibus et sumptibus excolerent, decimas persolverent ecclesiis quibus ratione prædiorum antea solvebant, nisi cum eisdem ecclesiis aliter ducerent componendum, dictus prædecessor noster, quia sperabat ut ecclesiarum prælati proniores et efficaciores existerent ad exhibendum eis justitiæ complementum, et eorum privilegia diligentius et præstantius observarent, statutum hujusmodi gratum habens et ratum hoc ad alios regulares qui similibus gaudent privilegiis extendi voluit et mandavit. Sed quod dolentes referimus in contrarium res versa est, quia, sicut ex inconculcata querela dilectorum filiorum abbatis et conventus de Holmcoltram ejusdem ordinis frequenter audivimus, nonnulli ecclesiarum prælati et alii clerici eorum privilegia temere contemnentes et contendentes maliciose ipsorum pervertere intellectum, eosdem multipliciter inquietant; nam cum sit ipsis indultum, ut de novalibus quæ propriis manibus aut sumptibus excolunt, sive de ortis, virgultis, et piscationibus suis, vel de suorum animalium incrementis, nullus ab eis decimas exigere vel extorquere præsumat, quidam perverso intellectu conficte dicentes quod hæc non possunt nec debent intelligi nisi de hiis quæ sunt ante generale concilium acquisita, ipsos super hiis multiplicitate vexatione fatigant. Nos autem eorum quieti paterna sollicitudine providere volentes, universitati vestræ per apostolica scripta mandamus quatinus dictos abbatem et conventum a præstatione decimarum, tam de possessionibus habitis ante concilium, quam de novalibus sive ante sive post idem concilium acquisitis, quæ propriis manibus aut sumptibus excolunt, necnon de ortis, virgultis, et piscationibus suis, et de suorum animalium nutrimentis, singuli vestrum omnino servetis immunes; contradictores per censuram ecclesiasticam appellatione postposita compescendo. Dat. Perusii, septimo Idus Januarii, pontificatus nostri anno tertio.

NUM. XXVIII.

Privilegium Innocentii quarti Papæ Monachis de Holmcoltram concessum, de non exponenda cautione de Lite prosequenda.

[Ibid. fol. 144.]

INNOCENTIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabilibus fratribus Karliolensi et Glasguensi episcopis, et dilectis filiis archidiaconis et officialibus eorum, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Gravem dilectorum filiorum abbatis et conventus de Holmcoltram Cisterciensis ordinis Karliolensis diocesis recepimus quæstionem, quod cum ipsi de suis injuriatoribus vel debitoribus coram vobis singulariter tanquam locorum ordinariis conqueruntur, vos non prius eis vultis de his justiciam exhibere quam de prosequenda finaliter coram vobis lite præsentis fidejussoriam cautionem, et si has querelas contingat amicabili compositione sopiri, vel eodem abbatem et conventum in probatione deficere, vos ab eorum fidejussoribus pœnam pecuniariam indebite petitis, prout inter laicos alicubi fieri consuevit, et contra justiciam extorquetis; propter quod idem abbas et conventus ad sedis apostolicæ providentiam recurrentes, nobis humiliter supplicarunt ut super hiis apponeremus consilium salutare. Cum ergo hæc de radice cupiditatis procedere videantur, discretionem vestræ per apostolica scripta mandamus quatinus dictis abbati et conventui, nullam super præmissis inferatis de cætero molestiam vel gravamen. Ita quod in foro vestro gratis reddatur justitia, et debitus juris ordo servetur; et nos propter hoc vobis aliter scribere non cogatis. Dat. Lugduni, iii. Kal. Novembris, pontificatus nostri anno vi°.

NUM. XXIX.

Privilegium Gregorii noni Papæ Monachis de Holmcoltram concessum, de recipiendis Confessionibus Servientium suorum et Pœnitentia eis infligenda.

[Ibid.]

GREGORIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis abbati et conventui de Holmcoltram Karliolensis diocesis Cisterciensis ordinis, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Animarum salutem desiderio ferventi quærentes, vobis auctoritate præsentium indulgemus, ut hominum ad vestrum servitium commorantium qui de facili suorum non

possunt habere copiam sacerdotum, liceat sacerdotibus de conventu vestro quos tu, fili abbas, ad hoc duxeris deputandos confessiones audire, pœnitentiam eis salutarem injungere, ac sacramenta ecclesiastica exhibere, sine juris præjudicio alieni. Nulli ergo hominum liceat hanc paginam nostræ concessionis infringere vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare, &c. Dat. Lateran. iij. Kal. Novembris, pontificatus nostri anno xj°.

NUM. XXX.

Privilegium Innocentii quarti Papæ Monachis de Holmcoltram concessum, ut omnia Loca interdicantur in quibus bona Monachorum detenta sunt.

[Ibid. fol. 145.]

INNOCENTIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabilibus fratribus archiepiscopis, episcopis, et dilectis filiis abbatibus, prioribus, et aliis ecclesiarum prælati, ad quos literæ istæ pervenerint, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Non absque dolore cordis et plurima turbatione didicimus, quod ita in plerisque partibus ecclesiastica censura dissolvitur, et canonicæ sententiæ severitas enervatur, ut vestri religiosi, et hii maxime qui per sedis apostolicæ privilegia donati sunt libertate, passim a malefactoribus suis injurias sustinent et rapinas, dum vix inveniatur qui congrua illis protectione subveniat, et pro fovenda pauperum innocentia murum se defensionis opponat. Specialiter autem dilecti filii nostri abbas et fratres de Holmcoltram Cisterciensis ordinis, tam de frequentibus injuriis quam de ipso quotidiano defectu justitiæ conquerentes, universitatem vestram literis apostolicis pecierunt excitari, ut ita videlicet eos in tribulationibus suis contra malefactores eorum prompta debeatis magnanimitate consurgere, quod ab angustiis quas sustinent et pressuris vestro possint præsidio respirare. Ideoque universitati vestræ per apostolica scripta mandamus, et in virtute obedienciæ districtæ, præcipimus quatinus illos qui in aliquem de fratribus ipsius manus violentas injecerint, vel res seu domos eorum aut hominum suorum irreverenter invaserint, vel ea quæ prædictis fratribus ex testamento discedentium relinquuntur contra justiciam retinuerint, vel decimas laborum seu nutrimentorum suorum spretis privilegiis apostolicæ sedis extorserint, aut res eorum a fugitivis ablatas illicite retinere præsumperint, si laici fuerint, eos et principales fautores eorum publice candelis accensis excommunicationis sententia percellatis, clericos autem, canonicos, sive monachos, appellatione remota ab officio et beneficio suspendatis, neutram relaxaturi sententiam donec prædictis fratribus plenarie satisfaciant, et hii præcipue qui per violentam manuum injectionem vinculo sunt anathematis innodati, cum diocesani literis ad sedem apostolicam venientes ab eodem vinculo mereantur absolvi; villas autem in quibus bona prædictorum fratrum per violentiam detenta fuerint, vel etiam hominum suorum aut prædones ipsi permanserint, seu etiam fratres fugitivi monachi vel conversi contra voluntatem ipsorum extiterint; inhabitatores ipsarum ammoniti si eos a se non curaverint amovere, quam diu ibi sunt appellatione postposita interdicti sententiæ supponatis. Dat. Lateran. x. Kal. Julii, pontificatus nostri anno iii°.

NUM. XXXI.

Privilegium ab Honorio tertio Papa Monachis de Holmcoltram concessum, de Libertatibus suis in Foresta de Englewod, et Confirmatio Cartarum Regum Angliæ.

[Ibid. fol. 146.]

HONORIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis abbati et conventui de Holmcoltram Cisterciensis ordinis, salutem, &c. Justis petentium desideriis dignum est nos facilem præbere consensum, et vota quæ a rationis tramite non discordant, effectu prosequente, complere. Ea propter, dilecti in Domino filii, vestris justis precibus inclinati, libertates et immunitates usum, tam in foresta de Englewode, a claræ memoriæ H. Ric. Johanne regibus Angliæ domui vestræ concessas, sicut eas juste et pacifice obtinētis, et in ipsorum regum autenticis plenius dicitur contineri, vobis et per vos monasterio vestro auctoritate apostolica confirmamus, et præsentis scripti patrocínio communimus. Nulli ergo omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam nostræ confirmationis infringere vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare præsumperit, indignationem omnipoti-

tentis Dei et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum ejus se noverit incursum, &c.

Consimile privilegium habet hæc abbatia a papa Gregorio nono concessum, &c.

NUM. XXXII.

Bulla Innocentii quinti Papæ Capellam de Kirkewynny Monachis de Holmcoltram confirmans.

[Ibid. fol. 108.]

INNOCENTIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis abbati et conventui de Holmcoltram Cisterciensis ordinis, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Sacrosancta ecclesia Romana devotos et humiles filios ex assuetæ pietatis officio propensius diligere consuevit, et ne pravorum hominum molestiis agitentur, eos tanquam pia mater solita est misericorditer confovcre. Ea propter, dilecti in Domino filii, vestris justis postulationibus clementius annuentes, capellam de Kyrkewinwi in Galwychya quam per quadraginta annos pacifice possidetis, liberam et quietam de episcopali- bus, et synodalibus, et omnibus aliis exactionibus, ex concessione Jocelini bonæ memoriæ Glasguensis episcopi vobis et ecclesiæ vestræ collatam, sicut in ejus autentico continetur, devotioni vestræ auctoritate apostolica confirmamus, et præsentis scripti patrocínio communimus, statuantes ut si vos in aliquo gravari senseritis libere vobis liceat sedem apostolicam appellare. Nulli ergo hominum liceat hanc paginam nostræ confirmationis infringere, vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare præsumpserit, indignationem omnipotentis Dei et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum ejus se noverit incursum. Dat. Romæ, apud Sanctum Petrum, tertio Nonas Februarii, pontificatus nostri anno octavo.

NUM. XXXIII.

Alia Bulla ejusdem Papæ Monachis de Holmcoltram Ecclesiam de Burgo confirmans.

[Ibid. fol. 147.]

INNOCENTIUS episcopus, &c. dilectis filiis abbati et conventui de Holm. Cisterciensis ordinis, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Cum a nobis petitur quod justum est et honestum, et vigor equitatis et ordo exigit rationis, ut id per sollicitudinem officii nostri ad debitum perducatur effectum. Ea propter, dilecti in Domino filii, vestris justis postulationibus apostolicum impercipientes assensum, ecclesiam vestram de Holm. cum omnibus bonis, tam ecclesiasticis quam mundanis, quæ in præsentiarum legitime possidet, aut in futurum, præstante Deo, poterit adhipisci, sub beati Petri et nostra protectione suscipimus, et præsentis scripti patrocínio communimus, specialiter autem ecclesiam de Burgo ex concessione nobilis viri H. de Morevill vobis et ecclesiæ vestræ collatam, sicut in ejus scripto autentico continetur, cum omnibus suis pertinentiis, devotioni vestræ auctoritate apostolica confirmamus; statuantes ut fructus et obventiones ejusdem ecclesiæ, propter hospitum usus, et pauperum sustentationem quos frequenter succipitis, cum eam vacare contigerit, ex apostolicæ sedis indulgentia, licitum sit vobis de cætero ad usus proprios retinere, salvo jure et debita obedientia in spiritualibus diocæsano episcopo ejusque ministris, assignata quoque capellani in eadem servientibus portione de qua valeant congrue sustentari. Decernimus ergo ut nulli omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam nostræ protectionis et confirmationis, constitutionis, et indulgentiæ infringere. Si quis autem, &c. Dat. &c.

NUM. XXXIV.

Bulla Clementis Papæ omnia Privilegia et Immunitates Monachorum de Holmcoltram confirmans.

[Ibid. fol. 155.]

CLEMENS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis abbati et conventui monasterii de Holmcoltram ordinis Cisterciensis, Karliolensis diocesis, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Sollet annuere sedes apostolica piis votis et honestis petitionum precibus favorem benevolum impertiri. Ea propter, dilecti in Domino filii, vestris justis postulationibus grato concurrentes assensu, omnes libertates et immunitates a prædecessoribus nostris Romanis pontificibus, sive per privilegia vel alias indulgentias, vobis seu monasterio vestro conces-

sas; necnon libertates et exemptiones secularium exactionum a regibus et principibus ac aliis Christi fidelibus rationabiliter vobis indultas, sicut ea juste et pacifice obtinetis, vobis et per vos eidem monasterio, auctoritate apostolica, confirmamus et præsentis scripti patrocínio communimus. Nulli ergo, &c. Si quis autem hoc attemptare præsumpserit, indignationem omnipotentis Dei et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum ejus se noverit incursum. Dat. Burdegaliæ, xii. Kal. Augusti, pontificatus nostri anno primo, et anno Domini mcccvjº.

NUM. XXXV.

Privilegium Innocentii Papæ Monachis de Holmcoltram concessum, quod non solvant Decimas Lanæ, Lactis, et Agnorum.

[Ibid. fol. 156.]

INNOCENTIUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis abbati et conventui monasterii de Holm. Cisterciensis ordinis, Karliolensis diocesis, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Solet annuere sedes apostolica piis votis et justis petitionum desideriis favorem benevolum impertiri. Cum autem sitis per privilegia sedis apostolicæ a præstatione decimarum de animalium nutrimentis immunes, et sicut vobis referentibus intelleximus, quidam ecclesiarum rectores in quorum parochiis oves vestræ pascuntur, a vobis de lana, lacte, et agnis earundem omnium decimas exigere moluntur. Nos vestris precibus inclinati, auctoritate præsentium, inhibemus ne quis contra eadem privilegia de prædictis a vobis decimas exigere vel extorquere præsumat. Nulli ergo hominum liceat hanc paginam nostræ inhibitionis infringere, vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare præsumpserit, indignationem omnipotentis Dei et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum ejus se noverit incursum. Dat. Lateran. xj. Kal. Marcii, pontificatus nostri anno primo.

CARTÆ REGUM ABBATIÆ DE HOLM COLTRAM CONCESSÆ.

Stevens, Contin. vol. ii. p. 269.

NUM. XXXVI.

Carta Johannis Regis Angliæ, per quam confirmat Monachis de Holmcoltram Concessionem Patris sui, et aliorum Donationes.

[Chartularium Abbatæ de Holmcoltram, penes Joh. Warburton, armig. fol. 6.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, baronibus, justiciariis, vicecomitibus, præpositis, ministris, et omnibus ballivis et fidelibus suis, salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse et præsentis carta confirmasse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Holmcoltram, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute nostra et pro anima patris nostri, in liberam, et puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, totam insulam de Holmcoltram, per rectas divisas suas, cum omnibus pertinenciis suis, et Raby cum omnibus pertinenciis suis, per illas divisas per quas pater noster dedit eis, hoc est, per rivulum qui fluit subtus Kirkebride inter exterius fossatum monachorum, et cætera omnia ut in supradicta propria carta. Et quod habeant rationabilia necessaria sua in foresta nostra de Englewod, ad ædificia sua et ad omnia facienda quæ domui suæ fuerint necessaria, sine vasto, per visum forestariorum nostrorum; et cortices lignorum quæ præciderint ipsorum erunt; et pasturam porcis suis sine pasnagio, et pasturam haracio suo, inter Calden et Alne, et bobus suis, quando trahunt maremium suum et alia domui suæ necessaria, et omnia alia aysiamenta et libertates quas hactenus habuerunt in foresta, habeant sine disturbance et vexatione forestariorum, præcipue cum ipsa abbatia nostra propria sit. Habeant etiam liberos exitus et introitus de abbatia et de locis suis infra et extra prædictas divisas ubique, per mare et per terram, et per vastum nostrum et visnetum, et per sablones, vias, et semitas, cum catallis suis et hominibus suis, et maysuras suas infra muros de Kardul, quietas de burgagio et de omnibus consuetudinibus quæ ad burgagium pertinent. Quare volumus et firmiter præcipimus quod abbatia ipsa et inde monachi omnia supradicta habeant et teneant, bene et in pace, libere et quiete, integre, et plenarie, et honorifice, in terris et aquis, in bosco et plano, in pratis et pascuis et molendinis, in viis et semitis, in stagnis et

vivariis, in mariscis et mussis, in piscariis maritimis et sablonibus, in grangiis, et in omnibus aliis rebus suis, soluta, libera, et quæta de sciris et hundredis et wapentachiis, et thol et thcam et infanginthe, et essartis et vastis, ita tamen quod si in forestis nostris forisfecerint contra libertates eis a nobis concessas, rationabiliter emendetur; et de rewardo forestæ, et de escapio et misericordiis, et de pecunia quæ ad murdrum pertinet, de plaintis et querelis, geldis et danegeld, assisis, et de seaward, castelwerks, talagio, cornagio, et de omni teolonio, passagio pontis, stallagio, scutagio, et de auxiliis vicecomitum et servientium suorum, et omni seculari exactione quæ ad nos pertinet, cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus suis. Hæc omnia concedimus et confirmamus quæ supradicta sunt ex dono domini regis patris nostri, et nostro, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, sicut carta regis Ricardi fratris nostri rationabiliter testatur. Excepta clausula quæ in carta regis Ricardi continetur de mayremo et petra, pro qua posuimus rationabilia necessaria sua, et cætera quæ superius in clausula illa continentur. Præterea concessimus et confirmavimus eis rationabilem donationem de Flemingby quam Cospatricius filius Ormi dedit eis, cum rectis divisis et omnibus pertinentiis suis; et piscariam in Derwentwater ex dono Thomæ filii Cospatricii, et excambium quod idem Thomas eis fecit de Wayscedst, cum pertinentiis, in villa de Kelton; et totam terram quam habent in Kyrkebychore, sicut cartæ donatorum et confirmatio regis Ricardi fratris nostri rationabiliter testantur. Teste Willielmo, &c.

NUM. XXXVII.

Confirmatio Cartæ Regis Johannis per Regem Henricum secundum.

[Ibid. fol. 8.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, &c. archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, prioribus, comitibus, baronibus, justiciariis, forestariis, vicecomitibus, præpositis, ministris, et omnibus ballivis et fidelibus suis, salutem. Inspecimus cartam domini Johannis regis patris nostri in hæc verba: Johannes Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, &c. ut supra in carta dicti regis Johannis, usque ad finem; deinde sequitur, ut infra.

Nos igitur concessionem et confirmationem domini Johannis patris nostri ratam et gratam habentes, cam prædictis abbati et monachis pro nobis et hæredibus nostris confirmamus. Hiis testibus, dominis Waltero archiepiscopo Eboracensi, Waltero episcopo Karliolensi, Gilberto de Burgo comite Kancii justiciario nostro, W. comite Warennæ, Osberto Giffard, Radulfo filio Salomonis, et Ricardo de Argencoe senescallis nostris, Henrico de Capella, et aliis. Dat. per manum venerabilis patris Radulfi Orcestræ episcopi cancellarii nostri, apud Westmonasterium, vii. die Aprilis, anno regni nostri undecimo.

NUM. XXXVIII.

Carta Henrici Regis senioris de Teolonio, Pontagio, &c. non solvenda a Monachis de Holmcoltram.

[Ibid.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. justiciariis, comitibus, baronibus, vicecomitibus, et omnibus ministris suis totius Angliæ, salutem. Præcipio quod omnes res monachorum de Holmcoltram sint quietæ de theolonio, et pontagio, et passagio, et omni consuetudine quocunque venerint, et nominatim de omnibus quæ emerint vel vendiderint ad proprios usus. Et prohibeo ne quis eos inde vexet vel disturbet super decem libras forisfacturæ. Teste Ricardo de Hum. constabulario, et Warino filio Gervasi camb. apud Westmonasterium.

NUM. XXXIX.

Rex Johannes succipit Monachos de Holmcoltram in Protectionem suam.

[Ibid.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. archiepiscopis, episcopis, comitibus, baronibus, justiciariis, vicecomitibus, ministris, et fidelibus suis Angliæ, Scotiæ et Galliæ, Walliæ et omnium terrarum suarum, salutem. Sciatis quod suscepimus in manum et custodiam et protectionem nostram, ab-

batiam de Holmo, et abbatem et monachos ejusdem abbatiæ, et omnes res et possessiones suas. Et ideo præcipimus quod abbatiam illam, et abbatem et monachos ejusdem, et omnes res et possessiones suas custodiatis, manuteneatis, et protegatis, sicut res nostras proprias, ita quod nullam eis vel rebus suis injuriam vel contumeliam faciatis, nec ab aliquo fieri permittatis; et si quis eis in aliquo forisfacere præsumperit, plenariam eis sine dilatione justitiam fieri faciatis. Et prohibemus ne prædicti monachi ponantur in placitum de ullo tenemento quod tenent in dominico suo, nisi coram nobis vel capitali justiciario nostro, sicut literæ patentes Henrici regis patris nostri rationabiliter testantur. Testibus, Willielmo comite Warrewici, Hugone de Nevil, apud Gedewind, iii. die Decembris.

NUM. XL.

Protectio Ricardi Regis pro Monachis de Holmcoltram.

[Ibid.]

RICARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. archiepiscopis, episcopis, comitibus, baronibus, et omnibus ministris et fidelibus suis Angliæ, salutem. Sciatis quod suscepimus in manu et custodia et protectione nostra, abbatiam de Holmcoltram, et abbatem ejusdem loci, et monachos ibidem Deo servientes, et omnes res et possessiones suas. Et ideo præcipimus quod abbatiam illam, et abbatem et monachos ejusdem abbatiæ, et omnes res et possessiones suas custodiatis, manuteneatis, et protegatis, sicut res nostras proprias, ita quod nullam eis neque rebus suis injuriam vel molestiam aut gravamen faciatis, nec ab aliquo fieri permittatis; et si quis eis in aliquo forisfacere præsumperit, plenariam sine dilatione eis justitiam fieri faciatis. Et prohibemus ne prædicti monachi ponantur in placito de ullo tenemento quod tenent in dominico suo de elemosinis nostris, vel unde cartas habent donatorum vel venditorum vel dominorum, nisi coram nobis vel capitali justiciario nostro. Testibus, Cantuariæ archiepiscopo, comite Willielmo de Mandevill, Willielmo Mariscall, apud Westmonasterium, die quinta Septembris.

NUM. XLI.

Carta Henrici Regis, quod Monachi de Holmcoltram sint quieti a Telonio et Passagio.

[Ibid. fol. 9.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. omnibus ballivis et fidelibus suis ad quos præsentis literæ pervenerint, salutem. Præcipimus quod omnes res monachorum de Holmcoltram sint quietæ de theolonio, et pontagio, et passagio, et omni consuetudine quocunque venerint, et nominatim de omnibus quæ emerint vel vendiderint ad proprios usus; et prohibemus ne quis eos inde vexet vel disturbet, super decem libras forisfacturæ. In cujus rei testimonium has literas, &c.

NUM. XLII.

Carta Henrici tertii Regis de Heremitorio Sanctæ Hildæ Monachis de Holmcoltram concesso, &c.

[Ibid. fol. 10.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, &c. archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, prioribus, comitibus, baronibus, justiciariis, forestariis, vicecomitibus, præpositis, ministris, et omnibus ballivis et fidelibus suis, salutem. Sciatis nos, intuitu Dei, et pro salute animæ nostræ, et antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, concessisse et hac præsentis carta nostra confirmasse abbatiæ de Holmo, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, heremitorium sanctæ Hildæ in foresta nostra de Englewod, cum landa quam Rogerus Goky quondam heremita illius loci tenuit, integre, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, sicut idem Rogerus eam unquam melius et plenius tenuit; ita quod landam illam excolant, vel ad pasturam teneant, si voluerint. Concessimus etiam eis quod habeant ibidem vaccariam xl. vaccarum, cum pastura earum, in foresta illa, et cum secta earum ad duos annos; ita tamen quod in fine singulorum duorum annorum ammoveatur de foresta nostra secta earundem xl. vaccarum de duobus annis. Concessimus etiam eisdem quod habeant in pastura illa tot equos et boves quot sufficiant eis ad landam illam excolendam, si illam excolere voluerint. Et quod quieti sint de escapio et de receptione forestariorum, nisi ad voluntatem ipsorum monachorum. Hæc autem omnia prædicta eis con-

cessimus habenda et tenenda de nobis et hæredibus nostris in libram, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Quare volumus, et firmiter præcipimus, quod prædicta abbatia de Holmcoltram, et monachi ibidem Deo servientes, habeant et teneant prædictum heremitorium sanctæ Hildæ in foresta Denglewod, cum landa prædicta et omnibus pertinentiis suis, et vaccariam XL vaccarum cum pastura earum in foresta illa, et tot boves et equos quot eis sufficiant ad landam illam excolendam, si eam excolere voluerint. Et quod quieti sint de escapio et de receptione forstariorum, nisi ad voluntatem ipsorum monachorum, bene et in pace, libere et quiete, et integre, cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus ad hæc pertinentibus, sicut prædictum est, sicut carta domini Johannis regis patris nostri, quam iidem habent, rationabiliter testatur. Hiis testibus, dominis Waltero archiepiscopo Eboracensi, Waltero episcopo Karliolensi, &c. Dat. per manum venerabilis patris Radulfi Cestriæ episcopi cancellarii nostri, apud Westmonasterium, vij. die Aprilis, anno regni nostri undecimo.

Vide Chartam regis Johannis de Heremitorio Sanctæ Hildæ, in Monasterio, vol. iii. p. 34.

NUM. XLIII.

Carta Regis Henrici tertii Donationem Johannis Francigenæ, Monachis de Holmcoltram factam, de Costera de Warnel, confirmans.

[Ibid. fol. 12.]

HENRICUS Dei gracia rex Angliæ, &c. archiepiscopis, episcopis, &c. salutem. Inspeximus cartam Joannis Francigenæ personæ ecclesiæ de Caldebec in hæc verba: Sciant omnes præsentis et futuri, quod ego Johannes Francigena persona ecclesiæ de Caldebec, de assensu et voluntate venerabilis patris W. Dei gracia Karliolensis episcopi ordinarii mei, et prædictæ ecclesiæ patroni, et etiam de assensu prioris et conventus Karliolensis, pro me et successoribus meis, nomine ecclesiæ meæ, dedi, concessi, et hac præsentis carta mea confirmavi, Deo et beatæ Mariæ et domui de Holmcoltram, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, medietatem clausi costeræ de Warnel, excepta terra tum arata quæ est juxta medietatem dictorum monachorum, scilicet inter haiam quæ dividebat terram prædictorum monachorum et forestam domini regis super sicam, quæ vocatur Gresgarthgil, versus occidentem, antequam dominus rex concesserat dictis monachis dictum clausum costeræ de Warnel, quam diu sibi placuit, et inter sicam quæ vocatur Wrothelegil, versus orientem, sicut fossatum dictorum monachorum se extendit de una sica ad aliam, ex parte aquilonari dictæ terræ aratæ, quam ego in manu mea tenui pro me et successoribus meis; qui dictam medietatem eis dedi, scilicet, illam medietatem quæ est versus occidentem, secundum divisionem inter me et dictos monachos factam, tenendam et habendam dictæ domui de Holm, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, imperpetuum, de me et successoribus meis, et de ecclesia de Caldebec, adeo libere et quiete, sicut ego dictam medietatem de domino rege Angliæ teneo, reddendo inde mihi et successoribus meis et ecclesiæ de Caldebec annuatim XL denarios pro omni servicio; ita quod nec ego, nec aliquis successorum meorum, nec homines nostri, aliquam communiam, ingressum, vel egressum infra clausum medietatis dictorum monachorum aliquo tempore habebimus. Et ut hæc mea donatio robur firmitatis imperpetuum obtineat, præsentis scripto sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus, domino W. Karliolensi episcopo, R. priore Karliolensi, G. de Louthir archidiacono ejusdem loci, W. priore de Wedirhale, &c. et aliis. Nos ergo prædictam donationem et concessionem ratam et gratam habentes, prædictis monachis, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, concedimus, et sigillo nostro confirmamus, sicut carta prædicti Johannis, quam inde habent rationabiliter testatur. Hiis testibus, J. Bathon. W. Oxon, et H. Roff. episcopis, H. de Burgo comite Kancie, &c. Dat. per manum venerabilis patris Radulfi Cycestrensis episcopi cancellarii nostri, apud Rading, xij. die Maii, anno regni nostri sextodecimo.^a

NUM. XLIV.

Carta Ricardi Regis Angliæ Donationes de Flemingby et Piscatione in Derwent Monachis de Holmcoltram confirmans.

[Ibid. fol. 29.]

RICARDUS Dei gracia rex Angliæ, &c. archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, baronibus, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos dedisse, concessisse, et præsentis carta nostra confirmasse, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Holm. et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute nostra et anima patris nostri, in liberam, et puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, rationabilem donationem de Flemingby quam Cospatricius filius Ormi dedit eis, cum rectis divisis et omnibus pertinentiis, sicut in cartis ipsius Cospatricii et Thomæ filii ejus continetur. Et piscariam in Derwent quam dictus Thomas eis dedit in perpetuam elemosinam, et carta sua confirmavit. Et excambium quod Thomas filius Cospatricii fecit de Waicetoft, cum pertinentiis, in villa de Kelton, sicut rationabiliter carta ejusdem Thomæ testatur. Et totam terram quam habent in Kirkebithorp, cum omnibus divisis et libertatibus, quæ in cartis donatorum rationabiliter continentur. Quare volumus, et firmiter præcipimus, quod iidem monachi omnia supradicta habeant et teneant, bene et in pace, libere, et quiete, et honorifice in terris, in bosco et plano, in pratis et pasturis, aquis et molendinis, viis et scmitis, et omnibus aliis locis, et aliis rebus, libera et quicta de shyr. et hund. et wapentac, et thol et them, et infangenethef, vastis, essartis. Ita tamen quod si in forestis nostris forisfecerint contra libertates eis a nobis concessas, rationabiliter emendetur. Et de rewardefor. de escapio, de omnibus merciis, et de pecunia quæ ad murdrum pertinet, et de placitis, querelis, cornagio, geldis, dancgeld, assisis, sewarks, castelwerks, carreagio et summagio, stallagio, et omni theolonio, pontagio, passagio, taillagio, scutagio, auxiliis vicecomitum et servientum suorum, et omni seculari exactione, et consuetudine, et servicio, et omni opere servili quod ad nos pertinet, cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus suis. Teste, &c. anno primo regni nostri. Is erat tenor cartæ nostræ in primo sigillo nostro, quodque aliquando perditum fuit, dum capti essemus, &c.

NUM. XLV.

Carta Edwardi Regis Angliæ de libera Warennæ Monachis de Holmcoltram concessa.

[Ibid. fol. 37.]

EDWARDUS Dei gracia rex Angliæ, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse, et hac carta nostra confirmasse, dilectis nobis in Christo abbati et conventui abbathiæ nostræ de Holm, quod ipsi et eorum successores abbates et monachi ejusdem loci, in perpetuum habeant liberam warennam, in omnibus dominicis terris suis, manerii sui de Flemingby in comitatu Cumbriæ, dum tamen terræ illæ non sint infra metas forestæ nostræ. Ita quod nullus intret terras illas ad fugandum in eis, vel aliquid capiendum quod ad warennam pertineat, sine licentia et voluntate ipsorum abbatis et monachorum et successorum suorum, super forisfacturam nostram decem librarum. Quare volumus et firmiter præcipimus, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, quod prædicti abbas et conventus, et eorum successores abbates et monachi ejusdem abbaciæ, in perpetuum habeant liberam warennam in omnibus dominicis terris suis prædictis, dum tamen terræ illæ non sint infra metas, &c. ut supra. Hiis testibus, &c.

NUM. XLVI.

Carta Willielmi Scotorum Regis de Pace sua Monachis de Holmcoltram concessa.

[Ibid. fol. 109.]

W. REX Scotorum justiciariis, vicecomitibus, præpositis, ministris, et omnibus probis hominibus totius terræ suæ, salutem. Sciatis me firmam pacem meam dedisse monachis et fratribus de Holm, et eorum catallis, per totam terram meam, et licentiam deferendi lanam suam, et mercaturas suas, quas venales habuerint, in terram meam, ad vendendum in burgis meis, ubicumque eis placuerit. Quare prohibemus ne quis eos, in eundo aut redeundo, disturbet, aut aliquam eis injuriam inferat, super meam forisfacturam. Testibus, &c.

^a Confirmationes hujus donationes per episcopum et capitulum Karliolense non inseruntur, quia constant pene totidem verbis.
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NUM. XLVII.

Carta Edwardi Primi Regis Angliæ de Terris et Tenementis, ad annum Valorem trecentarum Marcarum, Monachis de Holmcoltram concessis.

[Ibid. fol. 120.]

EDUWARD par la grace de Dieu roy de Engleterre, scynur de Hyrelaunde, ducs de Aquitayne, a tuz ces baylles e ses feals, saluz. Sachez nous al honour de Dieu e par la bonc devotioun ke nous avoms a seynte eglise avoyr done et graunte a par ceste nostre presente chartre conferme a Robert abbe de Holmcoltran e se eglise de nostre Dame de mesmes luy, e les moynnes clokes Dicu seruvans, troys centz marcheas de tere; E ceo est a savoyr, de teres e tenemenz en Gravestone que furent a Robert de Ros de Werk nostre enemy e rebel, et les queus il tint le jour que il morast hors de nostre fay, e de teres e tenemens en la tere et le reame de Escoce que furent a Ricard de Glen, Patrick le Archer, Alisandre de Forcardestoun, Gilbert Makiluagh, Robert de Moffet, Gilbert Makinluagh, Chutbert Makgilwinni, e Gilcolm son fin, Alisanndre Fraser, e Johan de Lus, ausi nos enemis e rebels, et les queus il tindrent le jour de la Magdeleyne, lan de nostre regne vintesisime, a avoyr e tenir de nous et de nos heys co ke de nous est tenuz, et de autres co que de eus par nostre graunt sera tenu avant dist abbe, moynes, et leurs successours, e leur eglise avantdite, oue avoesouns de eglises, fees e forfesteures de tuz enemis e rebelles que tindrent des avant dites Robert de Ros, en Greveston, Richard, Patrik, Alisaundre, Gilbert, Robert Mofet, Gilbert, Cutbert, Gilcolm, Alisaundre, e Johan en le dist rcaume de Escoce, lcn e le jour susdite, e totes autres apportenaunz per le estente susdite; fesaunt a nous et a nos heys e es autres seynurs susdites les servises de co dues e costumes, a tuz jours Et si les teres e tenemenz avant dites et les autres apertenaunz sicomes sus est dit ne atteygnent la dite value de troys centz mars par an, nous ou nos heys co ke cndefaudra a dist abbe, moynes, e leur successours, e leur eglise avant ditc, parfroums ayllurs de teres des enemis a plus pres ke hom pora covenablement en meismes le reame. E si iceles terres e tenemenz, oue les avouesons, feez e forfeitures, e les autres choses susdites, passent icele value, donke le surplusage outre la dite estente a nous et a nos heys demorge a nostre volente; fors pris nequedent les teres e les tenementz porpris sur nous ou sur autres par les dites Robert, Richard, Patrik, Alisaundre, Gilbert, Robert, Gilbert, Cutbert, Gilcolm, Alisaundre, e Johan, our par les leurs, si nulcs i ad puy le tens de ceste guerc comencee, les queles nos voluns que demorgent en noster mayn taunt ke droyt en soyt fet. E fors pris les teres e les tenemenz oue avoesuns des eglises, e totes autres aportenaunz que furent tenuz de dites Robert de Ros en Grevestoner, Richard, Patrik, Alisaundre, Gilbert, Robert de Mofet, Gilbert, Chutbert, Gilcolm, Alisaundre e Johan en le dist reame de Escoce meismes lan e le jour; si nulcs de ccs avouns done ou graunte as nos autres feaux avant le Jouedi procheyne devant la feste seynt Michel, a heure de noune, lan avantdist; issi que euls e leur heys les teygnent de dittes abbe, moynes, e leur successours, e leur eglise avaunt dite, par les services de coe avaunt dues e costumes, a tous jours. En tesmoyne de quel chose a ceste nostre presente chartre avouns fet metre nostre seal. Aico tesmoynes les honorables peres Water de Coventre e de Lychefeld, e Johan de Cordoyl evesques, Johan counte de Garceyne, Henri de Lasci counte de Nicole, nostre cher neveu, e Thomas counte de Lancastre, Guy counte de Warewyk, Henri de Percy, Robert le fiz Water, Robert de Clifford e autres. Done par nostre mayn a Cordoyl, le vinttime quint jour de Septembre, l'an de nostre regne vintesisime.

DONATIONES, &c. ABBATIE DE HOLMCOLTRAM.

Stevens, Contin. vol. ii. p. 273.

NUM. XLVIII.

Concordia inter Monachos de Holmcoltram et Gilbertum Filium Gilberti.

[Chartularium Abbatie de Holmcoltram, penes Jo. Warburton, fol. 1.]

HÆC est finalis concordia facta in curia domini regis

apud Carliol, die Sabbati proxima post festum sancti Lucæ, anno regni regis Ricardi sexto, coram Rogero Bigot comite Northfolchiæ, R. Hereford. archid. Willielmo de Glaunvill, Willielmo Hervey, tunc justiciariis domini regis, et aliis baronibus et fidelibus domini regis tunc ibidem præsentibus, inter monachos de Holmcoltram et Gilbertum filium Gilberti, de domibus quas ædificaverat ad nocumentum prædictæ abbatie de Holmcoltram, scilicet quod idem Gilbertus removebit illas ante caput villæ proxime post hanc concordiam, et ponet juxta terram ecclesiæ quæ est ad caput de Drinudrahriegg versus orientem, et ab occidentali parte ejusdem terræ ecclesiæ incipiet ædificare ix. messuagia versus occidentem, ita quod unumcumque messuagium habebit sex perticas latitudinis in transversum in Drinudrahriegg versus occidentem. Et sciendum est quod illæ domus quas prædictus Gilbertus ædificabit positæ erunt ad caput terræ de Drinudrahriegg versus meridiem, ita quod antedictus Gilbertus et hæredes ejus nunquam domum aliquam vel ædificationem facient propinquiorem prædictæ abbatie de Holmcoltram.

NUM. XLIX.

Carta Ricardi Filii Anketilli, per quam quietum clamavit Monachis de Holmcoltram de Terra subtus Kirkebride.

[Ibid. fol. 4.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ, &c. Ricardus filius Anketilli, salutem. Sciatis, die sancti Botulfi, apud Karliol. ad parvas assisas domini regis Ricardi, anno scilicet 1^o regni ejus, consensu Johannis hæredis mei, quietum clamasse de me et hæredibus meis imperpetuum Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Holmcoltram et monachis ibidem, &c. totam calumpniam quam habui et feci versus prædictum monasterium, sive justam sive injustam, de vasto domini regis quod continetur infra rivulum qui currit subtus Kirkebride extra exterius fossatum monasterii, et cadit in Wachepol, et inde ascendendo per divisas quæ nominatæ sunt in carta prædicti domini regis Ricardi, coram domino Willielmo de Scotevyll, et Osberto de Longo Campo, et Willielmo filio Adelmi, et Petro de Ros archidiacono de Karliol. et magistro Rogero Arundel, et Gaufrido Hageh, tunc justiciariis domini regis. Testibus, &c.

NUM. L.

Carta Ricardi de Herit de Pratis in Waura et Cromboc Monachis de Holmcoltram concessis.

[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit omnibus, &c. quod ego Ricardus de Herit, concessu Alianoræ uxoris meæ et hæredum meorum, dedi et concessi Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Holmcoltram et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in puram, liberam, et perpetuam elemosinam, prata illa inter Wauram et Cromboc, scilicet, inter fossatum novum contenta, sicut Waur modo cadit in Comboc. Et concedo eis, et facio hæredes meos concedere, quicquid juris vel calumpniæ habebamus in terram illam, ut habeant et possideant eam libere et quiete ab omni exactione et calumpnia quæ ad me et hæredes meos pertinet imperpetuum, pro anima mea et uxoris meæ, &c.

NUM. LI.

Quieta Clamatio Thomæ de Lassels Monachis de Holmcoltram, de Clamio quod habuit in Heremitorio Sanctæ Hildæ.

[Ibid. fol. 11.]

UNIVERSIS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Thomas de Lassels, salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me quietum clamasse de me et hæredibus meis imperpetuum Deo et monachis sanctæ Mariæ de Holmcoltram, totum jus et clamium quod unquam habui vel habere potero infra clausuram ipsorum monachorum heremitorii sanctæ Hildæ in foresta Denglewod; et ad majorem hujus rei securitatem, præsens scriptum sigilli mei munimine roboravi. Hiis testibus, Rogero Bertram, Roberto de Ros, Willielmo de Eboraco, Ranulfo filio Henrici, Thoma filio Johannis, tunc justiciariis itinerantibus, Thoma de Multon, Ricardo de Lebynton, Alano de Lassels, &c.

NUM. LII.

Aliæ Concessionēs ejusdem Thomæ de Lassels eisdem Monachis factæ.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus hoc scriptum visuris, Thomas de Lassels, salutem eternam in Domino. Sciatis me in-
spexisse cartam domini Johannis regis Angliæ patris domini
Henrici regis, et confirmationem ejusdem regis, de collatione
facta abbati et monachis de Holmcoltram de heremitorio
sanctæ Hildæ, cum landa et haia et pastura ad xl. vaccas,
cum secta earum duorum annorum, et ad tot boves et equos
quot sufficient eis ad landam illam excolendam. Quam col-
lationem ratam habens et gratam prout in cartis prædictis
regum continetur, pro me et hæredibus meis eis concedo et
confirmo. Concedo etiam eisdem abbati et monachis com-
muniam herbagii ad equicium suum, et ad prædictas vaccas
cum earum sequela, et ad prædictos equos et boves de qui-
bus prædictam landam excolere debent, ut prænominatum
est, per totum boscum meum et planum de Bochilton, et
quod prædicta averia possint libere ingredi et egredi, sine
impedimento mei vel hæredum meorum imperpetuum. Et
quod idem abbas et monachi libere et sine impedimento pos-
sint cum carris, plaustris, et caretis, et omnimodis summa-
giis, transire per boscum prædictum et planum, ita quod non
accipiant de viridi bosco vel sicco sine licentia. Concedo
etiam eisdem abbati et monachis pasturam ad porcos suos in
eisdem bosco meo et plano, sine warda facta per totum, nisi
tempore pasnagii; ut si ita sit quod eo tempore boscum il-
lum ingrediantur per escapium vel alio modo, ego Thomas
vel hæredes mei prædictos porcos absque imparcatione faciam
rechaciare et sine dampno aliquo eis inferendo, nisi prædicti
abbas et monachi voluerint de pasnagio respondere. Pro
hac autem concessione et confirmatione prædicti abbas et
monachi concesserunt, pro se et successoribus suis, quod ego
Thomas vel hæredes mei, si licentiam habere poterimus de
domino rege ad assartandam vel appareandam aliquam par-
tem prædicti bosci vel plani, possimus assartare vel appar-
care, et illud assartum haia includere, sine contradictione
aut impedimento prædictorum abbatis et monachorum; ita
quod animalia ipsorum abbatis et monachorum nulla occa-
sione sentiant detrimentum; ita quod si prædicta animalia
per defectum clausuræ prædicta assarta ingrediantur, sine
dampno aut jactura rechaciabuntur. Et ut ista concessio
mea et confirmatio robur firmitatis imperpetuum obtineat,
tam ego quam prædictus abbas huic scripto cirographato si-
gilla nostra alternatim apposuimus. Hiis testibus, Johanne
de Dainill tunc justiciario forestæ citra Trentam, Thoma de
Multon, Willielmo de Daks, Willielmo de Vall, Ricardo de
Laton, Radulpho de Glasson, Ricardo de Newton, Roberto
de Mulcastre, Thoma de Bello Campo, Ysaac de Treby, et
aliis.

NUM. LIII.

*Carta Hugonis de Morevilla Monachis de Holmcoltram
Ecclesiam de Burgo concedens.*

[Ibid. fol. 14.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis Hugo de More-
villa, salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me concessisse, de-
disse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse, Deo et ecclesiæ
sanctæ Mariæ de Holmcoltram et monachis ibidem Deo ser-
vientibus, pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ, et pro ani-
mabus patris mei et matris meæ, et animabus omnium ante-
cessorum et successorum meorum, in liberam, puram, et
perpetuam elemosinam, ecclesiam de Burgo ad primam va-
cationem, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis et libertatibus, ad
inveniēda luminaria, vinum, et omnia quæ necessaria sunt
ad ornatum ecclesiæ de Holmcoltram et ministerium altaris
et sacramentorum Christi. Hiis testibus, Thoma filio Cos-
patricki, Thoma de Brunfeld, &c.

NUM. LIV.

*Confirmatio Johannæ Filie supradicti Hugonis de Morevilla
de dicta Ecclesia de Burgo.*

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, Johanna filia

* Sequuntur in eodem Chartulario variæ confirmationes hujus do-
nationis ecclesiæ de Burgo, quas omnes transcribere supervacaneum
duximus; sunt autem hæ, H. episcopi Karliolensis, Johannis prioris de

Hugonis de Morevilla, salutem in Domino. Noverit uni-
versitas vestra quod, mea libéra et spontanea voluntate, con-
cessi, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmavi, Deo et beatæ
Mariæ et monachis de Holmcoltram, in perpetuam elemosi-
nam, pro salute animæ meæ, et domini mei Ricardi de Ger-
min, et patris mei Hugonis de Morevilla, et pro animabus
omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, donum ejus-
dem Hugonis patris mei veri patroni ecclesiæ de Burgo,
quam ecclesiam, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, idem Hugo,
pro salute animæ suæ, eisdem monachis in perpetuam elemo-
sinam donavit, libere perpetuo tenendam, sicut in ejus scripto
autentico continetur, &c. ^a

NUM. LV.

*Carta H. de Morevill de Piscatione Monachis de Holmcol-
tram concessa.*

[Ibid. fol. 18.]

SCIANT omnes, tam præsentēs quam futuri, quod ego,
H. de Morevill, concessi et dedi, et hac præsentī carta mea
confirmavi, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Holmcoltram, et mo-
nachis ibidem Deo servantibus, unum rete integrum ad Sol-
leburgh, et in omnibus aliis locis super Edene. communiter,
cum vineto de Burgh, et unum bothum et locum aptum ad
rete suum exsiccandum, cum omnibus aliis aysiamētis ad
illud rete pertinentibus, pro anima patris mei et matris meæ,
et omnium parentum et successorum meorum, in puram et
perpetuam elemosinam, libere et quiete ab omni servitio et
exactione et consuetudine seculari. Et ego et hæredes mei
warantizabimus hanc donationem contra omnes homines im-
perpetuum. Testibus, &c.

NUM. LVI.

*Compositio facta inter Abbatem de Holmcoltram et Priorem
Karliolensem super Piscatione de Eden.*

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS Christi fidelibus hoc scriptum visuris vel
audituris, Radulphus prior et conventus sanctæ Mariæ Kar-
liolensis, salutem. Noverit universitas vestra quod cum
quæstio verteretur inter nos, ex una parte, et abbatem et
monachos de Holm. ex altera, auctoritate apostolica, super
decimis piscium captorum in aqua de Eden infra hæc loca,
Fleminghalse, Vilals, et Depedraisoram, coram abbate de
Caldra et conjugicibus, tandem lite pendente coram eis post
multa hinc inde proposita, tam nos quam dicti abbas et con-
ventus de Holm. subjecimus nos graciæ et ordinationi vene-
rabilis patris Walteri Dei gracia Karliolensis episcopi, re-
nuntiantes omni exceptioni appellationi impetratis et impe-
trandis, et omni juris remedio quod objici possit in senten-
tiam, instrumentum, vel personam. Qui quidem episcopus,
meritis rite consideratis, et circumstantiis diligenter conside-
ratis et indagatis, habito bonorum virorum et juris peritorum
consilio, in hunc modum inter nos ordinavit: videlicet, quod
decimæ piscium captorum in aqua de Edin, infra loca præno-
minata, vel alibi infra limites parochiæ de Routhclif trac-
torum, ad terram infra parochiam prænominatam, nobis,
tanquam præfatæ ecclesiæ rectoribus remanebunt; ita tamen
quod nos, pro bono pacis, duos solidos argenti præfatis ab-
bati et conventui annuatim ad Pentecosten persolvemus im-
perpetuum. Nos ergo dictam ordinationem ratam et gra-
tam habentes, duos solidos dictis abbati et conventui de
Holm. annuatim ad Pentecosten concessimus persolvendos,
quos eisdem, secundum quod prædictum est, in perpetuum
solvemus. Et in hujus rei testimonium, commune sigillum
capituli nostri præsentī scripto apposuimus. Testibus, Ger-
vasio de Louchir archidiacono Karliolensi, Waltero de Ullisby
tunc officiali Karliolensi, magistris, Roberto de Etorington,
&c.

NUM. LVII.

*Compositio facta inter Abbatem de Holmcoltram et Johannam
de Morevill super Communia Pasturæ de Burgo.*

[Ibid. fol. 19.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri, quod ita convenit inter
abbatem et conventum de Holm. ex una parte, et dominam

Lanertoft, H. episcopi Karliolensis, Hugonis episcopi ejusdem sedis,
Walteri episcopi ejusdem, Radulphi prioris Karliolensis, et Alexandri
papæ, a fol. 14. usque ad fol. 18.

Johannam de Morevill, ex altera, de communia pasturæ quam idem abbas exigebat versus illam in villa de Burgo, ut pertinentem ad liberum tenementum suum in eadem villa; scilicet, quod prædicta Johanna, in viduitate et libera potestate sua, concessit, pro se et hæredibus suis, quod prædicti abbas et conventus, et successores sui, habeant communiam pasturæ ad omnimoda animalia sua, et hominum suorum, in prædicta villa de Burgo, ubique in tota terra ipsius Johannæ, sicut idem abbas prius ibi habuit. Et præterea eadem Johanna dedit et concessit ecclesiæ dictorum abbatis et conventus sancti Michaelis de Burgo, duo tofta cum pertinentiis in eadem villa, scilicet illa quæ Ricardus Basket et Henricus Cot aliquando tenuerunt, videlicet propinquiora domibus dictorum abbatis et conventus ex parte occidentali, habenda et tenenda in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam; et ipsa et hæredes sui warrantizabunt omnia prædicta dictis abbati et conventui contra omnes homines in perpetuum. Et pro hac donatione et concessione prædicti abbas et conventus concesserunt, pro se et successoribus suis, quod prædicta Johanna et hæredes sui libere et absque impedimento possint seminare et imbladare mariscum, quantum pertinet ad dictam dominam infra fossatum de Burgo, quovis anno, pro voluntate eorum, salva tamen eisdem abbati et successoribus suis, et hominibus eorum, communia in eadem terra, post blada et fena asportata. Et ut hæc donatio et concessio ratæ et stabiles permaneant in posterum, utraque pars scripto penes aliam residenti sigillum suum apposuit.

NUM. LVIII.

Cartæ Thomæ de Multon de Communia Pasturæ, duabus Acris Terræ et Piscaria, Monachis de Holmcultram concessis.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri, quod ita convenit inter abbatem et conventum de Holm. ex una parte, et Thomam de Multon, ex altera, de communia pasturæ quam idem abbas exigebat versus illum in villa de Burgo, et de piscaria sua in aqua de Edin, ut pertinentes ad liberum tenementum suum in eadem villa; scilicet quod prædictus Thomas concessit, pro se et hæredibus suis, quod prædicti abbas et conventus, et successores sui, habeant communiam pasturæ ad omnimoda animalia sua, et hominum suorum, in prædicta villa de Burgo, ubique in tota terra ipsius Thomæ in perpetuum, sicut idem abbas prius ibi habuit, post blada et fena asportata. Et præterea idem Thomas dedit et concessit ecclesiæ dicti abbatis et conventus sancti Michaelis de Burgo, duas acras terræ arabilis cum pertinentiis in marisco de Burgo, illas scilicet quæ jacent propinquiores terræ dominæ Johannæ de Morevill, in eodem marisco, ex parte orientali. Et quod dicti abbas et conventus, et successores sui, habeant plenariam piscariam suam in aqua de Eden, pertinentem ad liberum tenementum suum in dicta villa de Burgo, scilicet ad quamlibet carucatam terræ duo retia, habenda et tenenda omnia prædicta in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Et prædictus Thomas et hæredes sui warrantizabunt omnia prædicta dictis abbati et conventui, et successoribus suis, contra omnes homines imperpetuum. Et pro hac donatione et concessione prædicti abbas et conventus concesserunt, pro se et successoribus suis, quod prædictus Thomas et hæredes sui libere et absque impedimento possint seminare et imbladare mariscum, quantum pertinet ad dictum Thomam, infra fossata de Burgo, quovis anno, pro voluntate eorum; salva in eisdem abbati et conventui, et successoribus suis et hominibus eorum, communia in prædicta terra sua, post blada et fena asportata. Et ut hæc conventio, donatio, et concessio rata et stabilis meneat in posterum, utraque pars scripto penes aliam residenti sigillum suum apposuit. Testibus, &c.

NUM. LIX.

Carta Thomæ de Multon de Tofto et Crofto in Villa de Burgo Monachis de Holmcultram concessis.

[Ibid. fol. 20.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus præsens scriptum visuris vel

^a Herbertus Rumi quietum clamavit dictis monachis totum jus suum in terra prædicta, sicut carta ejus ibidem testatur.

Thomas filius Thomæ de Multon confirmavit eandem donationem,

audituris, Thomas de Multon Gillisland, salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra me dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse, Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Holmcultram, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute animæ meæ et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, ad ampliandum et confirmandum donationes antecessorum meorum, illud toftum cum crofto quod Johannes Saynes filius Ricardi de me tenuit in villa de Burgo super sablones, quæ quidem toftum et croftum jacent propinquius, ex parte orientali, inter manerium dictorum monachorum et terram quam Robertus molendinarius quondam tenuit, tenenda et habenda de me et hæredibus meis adeo libere, quiete, et pacifice, sicut aliqua elemosina liberior, melius, et quietius tenci vel haberi potest. Et ego et hæredes mei, vel etiam assignati, dictum toftum una cum crofto memoratis religiosīs contra omnes homines imperpetuum warrantizabimus, et defendemus, et acquietabimus. Hiis testibus, &c.

NUM. LX.

Carta Hugonis de Morevill de Pastura Monachis de Holmcultram concessa.

[Ibid. fol. 23.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis Hugo de Morevill, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et dedisse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse, Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Holmcultram, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ, et pro animabus patris et matris meæ, et pro animabus omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, pasturam de Laysingby quingentis ovibus, et decem bobus, et decem vaccis, et sectæ earum unius anni, et uni tauro, et duobus equis, et quatuor acras terræ arabilis, videlicet illas super quas edificia sua sunt inter ovile suum et viam regiam et novem acras prati insimul ad Keldgeld, inter pratum domini H. et meum de Salychild, et communem pasturam ipsis averiis, et omnibus suis in omnibus locis ubi mea dominica averia et averia prænominatæ villæ pascunt, et aysiamenta in bosco ad omnia necessaria sua facienda. Quare volo ut prænominati monachi prædictam elemosinam habeant et teneant de me et hæredibus meis, liberam et quietam ab omni seculari servicio, consuetudine, et exactione. Et ergo et hæredes mei warrantizabimus prædictis monachis prædictam elemosinam contra omnes homines imperpetuum. Testibus, Thoma filio Cospatricki, &c.

NUM. LXI.

Alia Carta ejusdem Hugonis de Morevill, de Terra eisdem Monachis de Holmcultram concessa in Laisingby.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris, &c. Hugo de Morevill, salutem. Sciatis me dedisse, et concessisse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse, voluntate et consensu uxoris meæ Helewisæ et hæredum meorum, cum corpore meo, Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et monachis de Holmcultram, pro salute animæ meæ et uxoris meæ, et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, totam terram illam in territorio de Laisingby quæ jacet inter quatuor acras terræ quas prius dedi eis, et rivulum qui est divisa inter Laisingby et Salkild, et extendit se a via regia usque ad vastum domini regis. Testibus, &c. ^a

NUM. LXII.

Carta Roberti Turpin de 24 Acris Terræ in Villa de Edenhale Monachis de Holmcultram concessis.

[Ibid. fol. 25.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus has literas visuris vel audituris, Robertus Turpin, salutem in Domino. Noveritis me dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse, Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et monachis de Holmcultram, pro salute animæ meæ, et pro animabus omnium antecessorum

et omnes donationes prædecessorum suorum, et eorum chartæ sunt in eodem chartulario.

Henricus tertius rex Angliæ confirmavit omnes has donationes et alias, cujus carta est in Monastico. Vide antea, Num. III.

et successorum meorum, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, xiv. acras terræ in dominico meo in villa de Edenhale, scilicet xii. acras quæ jacent inter Thurkilhou et terram quæ fuit Yvonis de Seton in latitudine, et inter aquam de Eden et mariscum in longitudine, et duas acras in Stalleflat de dominico meo, ex parte aquilonari illius culturæ. Et in eodem feodo, locum unius bercariæ in exitu prædictæ villæ de Edenhale in Thornbarncroft, quam pater meus dedit Johanni de Crofton, et pasturam septingentis multonibus in prædicto feodo, et tot aliis animalibus quot pertinent ad prædictam terram, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et omnibus aysiammentis, libertatibus, et liberis consuetudinibus dictæ villæ de Edenhale, sine ullo retenemento. Tenenda et habenda omnia prædicta ita libere et quiete, sicut aliqua elemosina potest teneri et haberi liberius, quietius, et melius. Et ego et hæredes mei warrantizabimus et defendemus hæc omnia prædicta præfatis monachis de Holmo contra omnes homines imperpetuum. Testibus, domino W. &c.

NUM. LXIII.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus, &c. Alanus Thurp, salutem in Domino. Noveritis me, pro salute animæ meæ et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse, Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Holm, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, illud pratum in territorio de Edenhale quod extenditur de parvo Milneburne usque ad sicam fontis; et illud pratum similiter quod extenditur de capite fontis usque ad Muselandis; tenenda et habenda sibi et domui suæ de Holm. in perpetuum, adeo libere et quiete, integre, et solute ab omni servicio, consuetudine, et exactione, sicut aliqua elemosina potest teneri et haberi liberius, quietius, et melius. Et ego et hæredes mei warrantizabimus prædictum pratum prædictæ domui de Holm. contra omnes homines imperpetuum. Testibus, &c.

NUM. LXIV.

Carta Bricii de Penreth de Terra in Swithinholm Monachis de Holmcoltram concessa.

[Ibid. fol. 26.]

OMNIBUS ad quorum noticiam præsens scriptum pervenerit, Bricius de Penreth serviens, salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me, pro salute animæ meæ et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse, Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Holm. totam illam terram sine aliquo retenemento super aquam de Amot quæ vocatur St. Swithin's-holm, scilicet, a summitate costeræ dependentis super eundem Holm. usque ad aquam de Amot in latitudine, et in longitudine a summitate dictæ costeræ sicut fossatum extenditur usque ad haïam quæ est super dictam aquam de Amot, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, tenendam et habendam sibi et domui suæ de Holm. cum omnibus libertatibus, pertinentiis, et aysiammentis ad villam de Penreth pertinentibus, cum libero et sufficienti introitu et exitu per medium terræ meæ de Brawra. Et similiter cum libero et sufficienti introitu et exitu ab orientali parte ejusdem Holm. usque ad territorium de Edenhale, libere, quiete, et integre, et solute ab omni seculari servicio, consuetudine, exactione et demanda, sicut aliqua elemosina liberius, quietius, et melius alicui domui religiosæ potest conferri. Et ego et hæredes mei dictam terram, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, dictis monachis et dictæ domui de Holm. contra omnes homines imperpetuum warrantizabimus et defendemus. Si autem contingat quod ego et hæredes mei dictam terram dictis monachis et domui de Holm. warrantizare non poterimus, dabimus eis tantum pratum in territorio de Penreth quantum continetur in Seint Wilfridholm, adeo libere sicut dictum Holm. eis contuli liberius, vel terram cultam ad valenciam dicti prati, et tantam terram cultam in dicto territorio de Penreth quanta cultura continetur in sæpedito Seint Wilfridholm, adeo liberam et quietam sicut

prædictum Seint Wilfridholm eis liberum et quietum contuli et concessi. In cujus rei, &c.^a

NUM. LXV.

Carta Cospatricii Filii Ormi de Flemingby Monachis de Holmcoltram concessa.

[Ibid. fol. 27.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis Cospatricius filius Ormi, salutem. Sciatis me, consilio et concessione Thomæ filii et hæredis mei, et Alani filii mei, et aliorum hæredum et amicorum meorum, concessisse et dedisse ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Holm. et fratribus ibidem Deo servientibus, in liberam, et puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, quietam ab omni terreno servicio, et exactione, et consuetudine quæ ad me et hæredes meos pertinent, Flemingby cum omnibus appenditiis suis, per rectas divisas suas, excepta terra de Waytacroft quam prius dederam canonicis de Karliolo, hiis scilicet divisis, ex illa parte versus Alneburgh sicut spina quædam ducit divisam in transverso usque ad Elisic, et per Elesiby in ascensu usque ad rectam divisam inter Flemingby et Ouenrigg; et inde per rectam divisam in transverso inter Weytecroft et Folegill; et inde in ascendendo usque ad caput de Folkegill, et inde sicut via ducit in transversum de Waytecroft usque ad Scalegil; et postea in transversum usque ad Suanesacc, et inde in transversum usque ad Kegil; et sic descendendo sicut rivulus currit inter duos saltus de Nacuait per medium boscum usque ad Kirnepot. Et communem pasturam de Seton et de Camberton, excepta terra arabili, et pratis, et bosco. Et communem pasturam de Kirnepot usque ad Fulwic inter boscum et mare, et ita quod Cospatricius et hæredes ejus inter boscum et mare non arabunt, nec pratum facient, nisi ubi prius fiebant ad gravamen monachorum. Et nos similiter communem pasturam habebimus cum monachis in Flemingby, excepta terra arabili, et pratis, et bosco. Si autem forte pecunia monachorum evaserit infra boscum meum, vel pecunia mea infra boscum monachorum, ita quod non sit ex consuetudine, utrique parti remittetur absque gravamine. Hanc autem donationem et conventionem præscriptam, ego Cospatricius et hæredes mei warrantizabimus et acquietabimus eisdem monachis contra omnes homines imperpetuum. Ita quod faciemus pro monachis omne forense et terrenum servicium quodcunque ad dominum regem pertinet, scilicet de Noutegeld et Ondemot, et si quod aliud pertinet ad ejus servicium; et quodcunque servicium pertinet ad dominum de Aberdale, scilicet de Sewak et Castilwerly; et de placitis et auxiliis, et de omni alia terrena exactione et consuetudine. Si vero prædictam donationem et conventionem eis warrantizare non possumus, eis excambium dabimus ad valentiam infra Cumbreland, si potuerimus; si vero ibi non potuerimus, nos faciemus excambium et aliis terris ubi magis fuerit ad aysiammentum monachorum. Sciendum præterea, quod ego Cospatricius dedi excambium pacabile et ad valentiam ecclesiæ de Camberton in eadem parochia, scilicet in Seton, concessione hæredum meorum, pro illa terra de Flemingby quæ adiacebat prædictæ ecclesiæ de Camberton, quam cum reliqua præscripta terra de Flemingby dedi prædictis monachis in puram, et liberam, et perpetuam elemosinam. Hæc donatio facta est in pleno comitio, apud Karliolum, coram R. de Vallibus domini regis justiciario de Cumberland.^b

NUM. LXVI.

Carta Aliciæ de Romelie de communi Pastura in Mora de Brehton Monachis de Holmcoltram concessa.

[Ibid. fol. 34.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, tam præsentibus quam futuris, Alicia de Romelie filia Willielmi filii Donecani, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et dedisse, in mea libera potestate et viva voce et in viduitate mea, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Holm. et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute animæ meæ et hæredum meorum, communem pasturam de mora de Brehton, de feodo meo, averiis suis grangiæ de Flemynghby,

^a N.B. Quod in chartulario habetur sicut hic transcriptum in primo loco St. Swithinsholm et in sequentibus Seint Wilfridsholm; videtur esse error in priore loco.

^b Vide Cartam Thomæ filii Cospatricii hanc donationem confirmantem in Monastico, antea, Num. XII.

Vide Confirmationem hujus donationis per Ricardum regem Angliæ superius inter cartas regias.

Willielmus filius Simonis de Skefteling quietum clamavit eisdem monachis totum jus quod habere potuit in terra grangiæ de Flemynghby, ut testatur ejus carta in eodem chartulario, fol. 36.

in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, solutam et quietam ab omni terreno servicio, consuetudine, et exactione, sicut aliqua elemosina liberius et securius dari potest. Ego vero et hæredes mei warrantizabimus prædictam pasturam eisdem monachis contra omnes homines imperpetuum.^a

NUM. LXVII.

Quieta Clamatio Johannis Filii Alani de Camberton de Stagno Monachorum de Holmcultram.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT omnes præsens scriptum visuri vel audituri, quod ego Johannes filius Alani de Camberton quietum clamavi monachis de Holmcultram in perpetuum de me et hæredibus meis, totum jus et clamium quod habuimus, vel habere poterimus, in stagno quod iidem monachi faciunt, vel facturi sunt, ubi eis utilius visum fuerit, ad removendam aquam de Derwent, vel partem ejusdem aquæ, quantumcumque fuerit ad nocumentum piscariæ suæ de Seton, quam habent et habere debent de dominis meis, quicumque fuerint pro tempore, patroni de Wirkinton. Hanc autem quietam clamationem, ne aliquando eisdem monachis vexationem, gravamen, seu molestiam super prædicto stagno, perpetuis temporibus facere possimus, ego Johannes, pro me et hæredibus meis, per interpositionem fidei mei confirmavi, et præsentis sigillo meo roboravi, &c.^b

NUM. LXVIII.

Compositio inter Gervasium Abbatem de Holmcultram et Robertum de Haverington super Manerio de Flemingby.

[Ibid. fol. 35.]

HÆC est finalis concordia facta in curia domini regis, apud Karliolum, a die sancti Martini in x. dies, anno regni regis E. filii H. septimo, coram Johanne de Vallibus, Willielmo de Selham, Johanne de Metingham, et magistro Thoma de Sodington, justiciariis itinerantibus, et aliis domini regis fidelibus tunc ibi præsentibus, inter Robertum de Haveringtona petentem, et Gervasium abbatem sanctæ Mariæ de Holmcultram tenentem de manerio de Flemingby, cum pertinentiis, exceptis ccc. et quater viginti acris terræ in eodem manerio, unde placitum fuit inter eos in eadem curia, scilicet, quod prædictus Robertus recognovit prædictum manerium cum pertinentiis, exceptis prædictis ccc. et 14^{xx}. acris terræ, esse jus ipsius abbatis et ecclesiæ suæ sanctæ Mariæ de Holmcultram, et illud remisit et quietum clamavit, de se et hæredibus suis, prædicto abbati et successoribus suis et ecclesiæ suæ prædictæ in perpetuum. Et præterea prædictus Robertus remisit et quietum clamavit, de se et hæredibus suis, prædicto abbati et successoribus suis et ecclesiæ suæ prædictæ, totum jus et clamium quod habuit, vel aliquo modo habere potuit, in omnibus aliis terris et tenementis eum pertinentiis, quæ idem abbas tenuit in prædicto manerio de Flemingby, a die quo hæc concordia facta fuit in perpetuum. Et idem abbas recepit prædictum et hæredes suos in singulis beneficiis et orationibus quæ de cætero fient in ecclesia sua prædicta in perpetuum.

NUM. LXIX.

Quieta Clamatio ejusdem Roberti de Haverington de eodem Manerio de Flemingby.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus præsens scriptum visuris vel audituris, Robertus de Haverington filius Michaelis de Haverington, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noveritis me remisisse de me et hæredibus meis in perpetuum quietum clamasse Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, et monachis de Holmcultram, totum jus et clamium quod habui, vel aliquo tempore habere potui, in manerio de Flemingby, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, tam in bosco quam in plano, et in omnibus aliis suis pertinentiis. Ita scilicet, quod nec ego Robertus, nec aliquis hæredum meorum, nec aliquis nomine nostro, aut jure nostro, aliquid juris vel elamii in prædicto manerio de Flemingby, aut in suis pertinentiis, ulterius exigere poterimus vel vindicare. Et ut hæc mea remissio et quieta clamatio

perpetuis temporibus robur firmitatis obtineat, præsens scriptum sigilli mei munimine roboravi. Testibus dominis, J. de Vallibus, W. de Saham, &c.

NUM. LXX.

Carta Thomæ Filii Cospatricii de octo Acris Terræ, in Territorio de Seton, Monachis de Holmcultram concessis.

[Ibid. fol. 36.]

OMNIBUS qui has literas visuri sunt vel audituri, Thomas filius Cospatricii, salutem. Sciatis me, voluntate et consensu Gratiae sponsæ meæ et hæredum meorum, dedisse et concessisse, et hac mea carta confirmasse, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, et monachis de Holmcultram, octo acras terræ in territorio de Seton; scilicet ad meridianam et occidentalem partem de Aykegl juxta xxxii. acras eorundem monachorum, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, quietas et solutas ab omni terreno servitio et consuetudine, et exactione seculari. Hanc elemosinam ego et hæredes mei manutenebimus et warrantizabimus prædictis monachis contra omnes homines in perpetuum, &c.

NUM. LXXI.

Carta Willielmi Filii Simonis de Skcfteling de Piscaria Monachis de Holmcultram concessa.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ, &c. Willielmus filius Simonis de Skefteling, salutem. Sciatis me, caritatis intuitu, dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentis carta mea confirmasse, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Holm. in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ, et pro animabus omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, unam piscariam cum pertinentiis suis super mare super aquam de Alne, ubi eis visum fuerit utilius. Præterea dedi et concessi eisdem, ut habeant et teneant unam naviculam piscatoriam cum pertinentiis, ibidem super mare, ad arrestandum et applicandum ubicunque voluerint super terram de Alneburgh. Dedi etiam eisdem monachis unum toftum prope ripam, ubi maneræ et aysiamenta sua habere possint ad custodiendam eandem piscariam. Habeant etiam dieti monachi, sibi et hæredibus suis, liberum introitum et exitum eundi et redeundi per totam terram meam, ad piscariam illam custodiendam et sustentandam, sine aliquo impedimento. Hæc omnia supradicta habebunt et tenebunt prædicti monachi, de me et hæredibus meis in perpetuum, ita libere et quiete, integre et solute ab omni seculari servicio, consuetudine, et demanda, sicut aliqua elemosina potest teneri et haberi liberius, quietius, et melius. Et ego Willielmus et hæredes mei warrantizabimus et defendemus omnia prædicta in perpetuum, &c.

Ricardus de Alneburgh et Galfridus Talun hanc donationem confirmaverunt; eorum cartæ sunt in eodem cartulario, fol. 38.

NUM. LXXII.

Carta Willielmi de Holdernes de Tofto et Crofto in Alneburg Monachis de Holmcultram concessis.

[Ibid. fol. 38.]

OMNIBUS ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Willielmus de Holdernes, salutem. Noveritis me concessisse, dedisse, et hac præsentis carta mea confirmasse, Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Holmeoltram, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ, et animabus omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, toftum et croftum in Alneburg quod jacet ante hostium Willielmi filii Gilleberti, scilicet illud quod Nevin tenuit, tenendum adeo libere, quiete, et integre, cum omnibus aysiamentis et libertatibus illi terræ pertinentibus, ut aliqua elemosina liberius et quietius teneri potest. Et ego et hæredes mei warrantizabimus dictum toftum et croftum, cum pertinentiis suis, dictis monachis et suis successoribus, solutum et quietum ab omnibus serviciis et demandis, contra omnes in perpetuum. Testibus, &c.

^a Aliæ plures cartæ sunt in Chartulario confirmatoriæ piscationis de Derwent, quas omnes inserere perlongum esset, nec hic videntur necessariae.

^b Adam de Haveryngton quietum clamavit totum jus et clamium suum in Flemingby et in supradicto stagno.

NUM. LXXIII.

Carta Gunnildæ Filiae Henrici Filii Arturi de Terra in Lekeley Monachis de Holmcoltram concessa.

[Ibid. fol. 39.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, &c. Gunilda filia Henrici filii Arturi, salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra me, mere caritatis intuitu, in libera potestate et viduitate mea, dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse, Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Holmcoltram, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ, et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, totam terram meam quam Henricus pater meus dedit mihi in maritagium, et carta sua confirmavit, in Lekcley, cum omnibus pertinentiis et aysiamentis ad eandem terram pertinentibus, sine ullo retenemento, in bosco, in plano, in agris, in culturis, in pratis, pascuis, et pasturis, in aquis et molendinis, et omnibus aliis locis et rebus, libere, quiete, pacifice, integre, et honorifice ab omni seculari servitio, consuetudine, et exactione, salvo forinseco servitio, quantum pertinet ad tantam terram, de feodo unius militis de tota terra quæ est inter Esk et Doden. Præterea dedi et concessi, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmavi, eisdem monachis, et hominibus ipsorum, omnes libertates mihi concessas per cartam Henrici filii Arturi patris mei, scilicet ut habeant scalingas ubi utilius visum fuerit in Crocherch, et communem pasturam cum hominibus prædicti Henrici filii Arturi et hæredum et successorum suorum. Et ut animalia eorum et hominum suorum tam longe eant ad pascendum in forestam prædicti Henrici et hæredum et successorum suorum, ubi voluerint, ut noctibus possint redire domum. Et si forte contigerit animalia sua una nocte in foresta manere absque consuetudine, sine placito et calumpnia domum redire permittentur. Hanc autem prædictam terram, cum omnibus pertinentiis, ego et hæredes et successores mei warrantizabimus præfatis monachis contra omnes homines in perpetuum. In cujus rei testimonium, &c. Testibus, &c.^a

NUM. LXXIV.

Carta Adæ de Harrais de Terra Monachis de Holmcoltram concessa ad Branstibet.

[Ibid. fol. 40.]

SCIANT tam præsentēs quam futuri, quod ego Adam de Harrais, assensu et voluntate hæredis mei, dedi et concessi, et hac mea carta confirmavi, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Holmcoltram, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ, et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, totam terram quæ continetur infra has divisas; scilicet, de Branstibet ascendendo per rivulum qui descendit de magno fonte meo usque ad fossatum monachorum, et inde semper ascendendo per prædictum fossatum usque ad exitum quem eis dedi et feci versus moram, ad communem pasturam meam exercendam. Dedi etiam eisdem monachis terram quæ est inter eundem exitum et terram Galfridi de Harrais, ex parte occidentali, usque in Stokebriggil, et sic descendendo per Stocbriggil usque in Branstibet, et inde ascendendo per Branstibet usque ad prædictum rivulum qui descendit de magno fonte meo. Dedi etiam eisdem monachis communem pasturam et alia communia aysiamenta de Morisby et de Hathnaut. Præterea dedi eisdem monachis petariam, turbariam, et alia aysiamenta super terram meam, prout necesse habuerint. Dedi etiam eis liberum introitum et exitum per terram meam, sibi et hominibus et catallis suis, et animalibus suis, ad pasturam suam exercendam, et alia negotia sua faciēda, salvīs bladīs meis et pratis; tenēda et habēda hæc omnia supradicta de me et hæredibus meis, sibi et domui suæ de Holmcoltram, ita libere et quiete ab omni servitio, consuetudine, et demanda, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus, sicut aliqua elemosina potest teneri et haberi liberior, quietus, et melius. Et ego Adam et hæredes mei warrantizabimus et defendemus hanc elemosinam, &c. in perpetuum.

Agnes filia Adæ de Harrais dedit monachis de Holmcoltram dimidiam perticatam et unam acram terræ, cum pertinentiis, in Harrais.

Gilbertus filius Gilberti dedit eisdem monachis xx. acras terræ arabilis in territorio de Distington; quam donationem

per aliam cartam confirmavit, et addidit alias quatuor acras terræ et mussam, ad hortum faciendum, et pasturam, in territorio de Distington, ad sexcentas oves, et vii. vaccas, et unum taurum, et duos equos, et viii. boves.

Hugo de Morisseby dedit eisdem sex acras terræ arabilis, cum pertinentiis, in territorio de Distington.

NUM. LXXV.

Carta Thomæ de Multon Monachis de Holmcoltram Donationes Prædecessorum suorum confirmans.

[Ibid. fol. 45.]

OMNIBUS hoc scriptum visuris vel audituris, Thomas de Multon dominus Couplandic filius et hæres domini Thomæ de Multon, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noveritis me inspexisse et intellexisse cartas, munimenta, et conventiones quas religiosi viri abbas et conventus de Holmcoltram habent ex dono et concessione antecessorum meorum et aliorum, videlicet, quandam cartam domini Thomæ filii domini Thomæ de Multon antecessoris mei, per quam dedit abbati et conventui de Melros, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, terram in villa de Sancto Botulpho, ad edificia, sibi et successoribus suis, faciēda, prout in carta dicti domini Thomæ plenius continetur. Et super hoc cartam ejusdem abbatis et conventus de Melros dictis abbati et conventui de Holm. de eadem terra in dicta villa de Sancto Botulpho editam. Et etiam cartam domini Gilberti filii Gilberti de Dundragh, per quam dedit et concessit Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Holm. et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, xx. acras terræ arabilis in territorio de Distington infra certas divisas, et quatuor alias acras terræ infra alias divisas, prout carta ejusdem domini Gilberti filii Gilberti plenius testatur. Et parvam mussam subtus Stodfald ad curtilagium faciendum, et pasturam in campo de Distington ad sex centas oves, octo boves, septem vaccas, unum taurum, et ad duos equos, et pccariam et materiam ad caulas et ad ovilia sua faciēda de bosca de Distington, et materiam sepibus suis in territorio de Distington. Et etiam duas cartas ex dono et concessione Hugonis de Moriseby factas eisdem abbati et conventui de Holm. in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, de sex acris terræ arabilis in villa de Distington, et de quatuor acris prati cum pertinentiis in eadem villa, prout in cartis ejusdem Hugonis distinctius et apertius continetur. Quas omnes donationes, concessiones, et confirmationes dictis abbati et conventui de Holmcoltram, et eorum successoribus, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, pro me et hæredibus meis, ratifico et confirmo per præsentēs. Concedo insuper, pro me et hæredibus meis, prædictos abbatem et conventum, et eorum successores, ad omnia præmissa versus quoscunque imperpetuum acquietare et defendere. In cujus rei testimonium, præsentī scripto sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus, dominis Ricardō de Hodeliston, Johanne le Fleming, J. de Lamplogh, Ricardo de Cleine, Stephano de Moriceby, militibus, Johanne de Stikeneye † ballivo, &c.

[Ibid. a fol. 48. ad 52.]

Udardus filius Adæ dedit eisdem monachis de Holmcoltram unam perticam terræ in Wygeton, et pasturam x. vaccarum, cum sequela sua duorum annorum, et duorum equorum, et x. ovium, cum sequela sua unius anni.

Walterus filius Udardi de Wygeton quietum clamavit omne jus et clamium quod habere poterat in omnibus terris, &c. quibus feoffati fuerunt et usi dicti monachi, infra feodum suum de Wigeton ante diem Purificationis beatæ Mariæ, anno graciæ M.CC.LXV. et omnia eis confirmavit.

Adam filius Dolfeni de Langerigg dedit dimidiam acram terræ arabilis in territorio de Blengoggon.

Majoria filia Galienæ dedit duas bovatas terræ cum pertinentiis in Blengoggon.

Robertus filius Majoriæ suprascriptæ quietum clamavit omne jus suum in prædictis duabus bovatis.

Rogerus de Lyndeby dedit, cum corpore suo, septeni acras terræ arabilis in territorio de Dundrake, reddendo inde annuatim domino de Dundrake duos solidos et quatuor denarios pro omni servitio.

Galicna filia Ricardi de Hervi dedit tres acras terræ

^a Johannes de Hodeliston confirmavit hanc donationem, cujus carta est in eodem chartulario, fol. 40.

arabilis in territorio de Blencoggon, et pasturam centum ovibus, cum sequela sua duorum annorum, et viginti octo vaccis, et uni tauro, cum sequela sua duorum annorum, et duobus equis ad sustentacionem pauperum infirmorum.

NUM. LXXVI.

Carta Adæ de Brunfeld de Marisco in Brunfeld, Monachis de Holmcoltram concessa.

[Ibid. fol. 53.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis has literas visuris vel audituris, Adam filius Thomæ de Brunfeld, salutem. Sciatis me assensu et voluntate hæredis mei, pro Dei amore et salute animæ meæ, et pro animabus patris mei et Agnetis matris meæ, et pro animabus omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, concessisse, dedisse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse, Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Holm. in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, manerium meum de Brunfeld, per has divisas; scilicet, sicut Langerigbec descendit in ipsum mariscum juxta Litilholm interius, et sic in transversum ipsius marisci versus aquilonem, sicut recta divisa inter Brunfeld et Langerig ducit usque in Aldelathdub, et sic descendendo per Aldelathdub usque ad locum ubi Crombot cadit in Adelathdub, et sic ascendendo per ipsum Crombot usque ad locum ubi fossatum monachorum descendit in Crombot, et sic ascendendo per ipsum fossatum versus occidentem usque ad duram terram quæ est ad caput de Endehou, et sic extendendo, versus occidentem, semper sicut dura terra et mariscus sibi obviant usque ad locum ubi prædictus Langerigbec descendit in ipsum mariscum; tenendum et habendum de me et hæredibus meis, cum omnibus libertatibus et pertinentiis suis, sine ullo retenemento, libere, quiete, et solute ab omni seculari servicio, consuetudine, et exactione, et ita libere et quiete, sicut aliqua elemosina potest teneri liberius, quietius, et melius. Et ego et hæredes mei warrantizabimus prædictis monachis prædictam elemosinam, et acquietabimus eam de omni servicio contra omnes homines imperpetuum.

NUM. LXXVII.

Carta Thomæ de Brunfeld de Cultura, in Territorio de Brunfeld, Monachis de Holmcoltram concessa.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT tam præsentēs quam futuri, quod ego Thomas de Brunfeld dedi, concessi, et hæc mea præsentī carta confirmavi, Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Holm. in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ et omnium antecessorum, &c. quandam culturam in territorio de Brunfeld quæ vocatur Northrig, cum marisco ex orientali parte adjacente, per has divisas; scilicet, a fossato monachorum ex occidentali parte ipsius Northrig, ascendendo per mediam vallem, sicut fossatum monachorum ducit usque in Pettpottes, et inde circueundo ipsum Northrig, ex australi parte, versus orientem, per idem fossatum monachorum usque in mariscum; et sic in directum versus orientem usque in Crombot, quæ est divisa inter Brunfeld et Blencoggon, et sic descendendo per ipsum Crombot usque in fossatum monachorum quod circuit mariscum, quem Adam filius meus eisdem monachis contulit in perpetuam elemosinam; et de incremento unam acram terræ arabilis propinquiorem terræ ecclesiæ, ex occidentali parte, cum omnibus communibus aysiamētis et libertatibus ejusdem villæ ad tantam terram pertinentibus, sine ullo retenemento; tenenda et habenda de me et hæredibus meis hæc omnia supradicta, ita libere et quiete et solute ab omni servicio, consuetudine, et demanda, sicut aliqua elemosina potest teneri et haberi liberius, quietius, et melius. Et ego Thomas et hæredes mei warrantizabimus et acquietabimus hanc elemosinam prædictis monachis de omni servicio terreno contra omnes homines in perpetuum.

[Ibid. a fol. 54. usque ad fol. 57.]

Thomas filius Thomæ de Brunfeld carta sua confirmavit monachis de Holmcoltram donationem Agnetis filiæ Adæ Albi carpenterii de Brunfeld, de quinque acris terræ arabilis in territorio de Brunfeld.

Idem Thomas per aliam cartam confirmavit eisdem monachis aliam donationem dimidiæ acræ terræ, in eodem territorio de Brunfeld, donatore non nominato.

Henricus filius Thomæ de Brunfeld confirmavit donationem patris sui de cultura supra memorata de Northrig, cum marisco in territorio de Brunfeld.

Idem Henricus dedit duas acras terræ infra clausuram monachorum pro una marca argenti quam dicti monachi ei dederunt.

Annays filius Adæ Albi Carpentarii de Brunfeld dedit quinque acras terræ in territorio ejusdem villæ, cum una acra prati.

Walterus filius Benedicti sacerdotis quietum clamavit monachis totum jus et clamium suum, communis pasturæ in marisco quod Adam et Thomas de Brunfeld eisdem monachis contulerunt.

Alanus filius Henrici de Brunfeld quietum clamavit totum jus et clamium quod habere potuit in quatuor acris terræ, quas Agnes filia Adæ Albi carpentarii de Brunfeld monachis dedit.

Agnes filia Alani Bucher dedit partem suam cujusdam prati in territorio de Brunfeld, quod pratum erat inter pratum personæ de Brunfeld et fossatum monachorum.^a

NUM. LXXVIII.

Pax inter Hugonem Filium Alani de Brunfeld et Robertum Abbatem de Holmcoltram.

[Ibid. fol. 56.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri, quod cum mota esset contentio inter Hugonem filium Alani de Brunfeld quærentem et dompnū Robertum abbatem de Holm., et ejusdem loci conventum, defendentes, super communia pasturæ quam idem Hugo in marisco prædictorum abbatis et conventus de Brunfeld exigebat, quem quidem mariscum prædicti abbas et monachi conventus, ex dono et concessione Adæ filii Thomæ de Brunfeld antecessoris prædicti Hugonis, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam habuerunt et tenuerunt, tandem die Martis proxima post festum sancti Michaelis, anno Domini m.cc. nonagesimo secundo, et anno regni regis Edwardi vicesimo, dicta contentio in hunc modum convenit; videlicet, quod dictus Hugo, pro bono pacis, remisit et quietum clamavit, pro se et hæredibus suis, in perpetuum, totum jus et clamium quod habuit, vel habere poterit, communicandi sive communiam exigendi quoquo modo in marisco prædicto; ita quod nec ipse Hugo nec hæredes sui in marisco prædicto aliquam communiam pasturæ de cætero, ultra formam quæ sequitur, exigere poterunt vel vindicare; quæ quidem forma talis est, quod prædicti abbas et conventus, pro prædictis remissione et quietâ clamatione, concesserunt prædicto Hugoni quod ipse Hugo, et hæredes sui, et eorum tenentes de Brunfeld, communicare possint omni tempore propriis animalibus suis in parte occidentali dicti marisci, infra divisas subscriptas; videlicet, ab illo fossato quod jacet propinquius, versus occidentem, in medio ejusdem marisci usque Langerigbet, et in longo et lato quamdiu illa pars marisci versus austrum et aquilonem, infra dictum fossatum et Langrigbec, se extendit. Et prædicti abbas et conventus pasturam illam maliciose per animalia sua non superonerabunt, ob quod dictus Hugo et hæredes sui, et eorum tenentes, concessione sibi facta, minime gaudere poterunt in forma supradicta. Concesserunt insuper prædicti religiosi prædicto Hugoni et hæredibus suis, quod habere possint singulis annis imperpetuum, a die Inventionis Sanctæ Crucis usque ad festum beati Petri ad Vincula, unum jumentum infra separalem clausuram marisci prædicti, quotiens dicti religiosi infra eandem clausuram separalem cum emissario infra festa prædicti habuerint. Et pro hac concessione concessit prædictus Hugo, pro se et hæredibus suis, quod prædicti abbas et conventus, de toto residuo ejusdem marisci, quocumque modo voluerint, omni tempore se valeant approbare. In cujus rei testimonium, utraque pars alterius scripto præsentī scripto alternatim sigillum suum apposuit. Testibus, &c.

Consimilem conventionem fecerunt cum prædicto abbate Ranulphus de Asmonderlawe et Agnes uxor ejus, et Thomas del Lathis et Alicia uxor ejus, super prædicto marisco, eodem anno 1292.

^a Hucusque omnes Cartæ sine data aut testibus.

Hanc conventionem supradicta Agnes, uxor prænominati Ranulphi, carta sua confirmavit.

Adam filius Edwardi de Neuton dedit monachis duas bovatas terræ in territorio de Neuton.

Adam filius Ketelli de Neuton dedit communem pasturam omnibus et omnigenis pecoribus monachorum grangiæ eorum de Maiburgh, per totam terram suam de Neuton, exceptis bladis et pratis; et etiam ut figerent aquæductum suum, quem de Polneuton versus Mayburgh ducebant, super terram suam.

Raynaldus de Rouchecliff et Emma uxor ejus dederunt monachis communem pasturam per totam terram suam de Neuton, exceptis bladis et pratis, omnibus et omnigenis pecoribus et animalibus grangiæ suæ de Mayburgh.

Ricardus filius Ketelli de Neuton idem concessit, ut etiam Robertus filius Waldeni de Fenton.

Item Ricardus dedit tres acras terræ in territorio de Neuton.

Alanus filius Ketelli, consilio et ammonitu Christianæ uxoris suæ, dedit monachis petras molendinorum suorum infra divisas terræ suæ, et pasturam bobus suis per octo dies, dum petras foderent et ducrent.

Ricardus filius Ketelli dedit quinque acras terræ in territorio de Neuton.

Robertus filius Waldeni Garn de Neuton confirmavit supradictam donationem Adæ filii Odardi, de duabus bovatis terræ in territorio de Neuton, et tribus acris et uno tofto et crofto in eadem villa, cum pertinentiis.

Adam de Neuton confirmavit eandem donationem.

Ricardus de Neuton concessit monachis communem pasturam in Neuton et Alayneby.

Alicia de Romelye, filia Willielmi filii Duncani, concessit monachis quareram in territorio de Aspatrec, ad faciendum quæcumque domui suæ fuissent necessaria; et ultra dedit eis tres acras terræ in dominico suo in præfata villa de Aspatrek in Northcroft, et communem pasturam x. bobus et x. vaccis et uni tauro, cum secta sua duorum annorum, et duobus equis et xl. ovibus.

Henricus de Derham, consensu uxoris suæ Matildis, dedit dimidiam acram in territorio de Ormysby.

Christiana de Derham, quondam uxor Michaelis de Clifton, in viduitate sua, dedit terram quæ data ei fuerat in maritagio in Ormysby.

Abbas et conventus de Holm. dimiserunt ad firmam Thomæ de Neuton totam terram suam in Ormysby, reddendo inde annuatim abbati et conventui xiv. solidos argenti, medietatem ad Pentecosten, et aliam medietatem ad festum sancti Martini in hyeme, ita quod non liceret dicto Thomæ aliquo modo alienare, sine assensu dictorum abbatis et conventus.

Reginaldus de Karliolo dedit Neuby juxta Karliolum, per rectas divisas suas, integre, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis.

NUM. LXXIX.

Carta Walteri Karliolensis Episcopi, de Terra de Neuby Monachis de Holmcoltram concessa.

[Ibid. fol. 67.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus, &c. Walterus miseratione divina Karliolensis ecclesiæ minister humilis, salutem in Domino. Noveritis nos, de unanimi consensu et voluntate totius capituli nostri, divinæ pietatis intuitu, et pro salute animæ nostræ, &c. dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentī carta confirmasse, Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Holm. et monachis, &c. in liberam, &c. pro nobis et successoribus nostris, quod ipsi et homines sui de Neuby quieti sint in perpetuum ab omnibus serviciis, consuetudinibus, et exactionibus, et demandis ad nos et successores nostros pertinentibus, de terra sua de Neuby, præter cornagium et commune auxilium, nobis faciendum et præstandum x. solidorum, qui debentur domino feodi, si forte dicta terra ad manus nostras vel successorum nostrorum devenerit. Et ut hæc nostra donatio, concessio, et confirmatio perpetuum firmitatis robur obtineat, præsentem cartam sigilli nostri appositione, una cum appositione sigilli capituli nostri, &c.

Thomas episcopus Karliolensis hanc concessionem confirmavit, et post eum Robertus ejusdem sedis episcopus.

NUM. LXXX.

Conventio inter Abbatem et Conventum de Holmcoltram et Priorem et Conventum Karlioli, super Decimis de Terris de Neuby.

[Ibid. fol. 68.]

NOVERINT universi, quod cum contentio orta fuisset inter abbatem et conventum de Holm. ex una parte, et priorem et conventum Karlioli ex altera parte, super decimis garbarum terræ de Neuby cultæ et excolendæ, in hunc modum conquievit. Ita quod abbas et conventus de Holm. decimas de omnibus terris de Neuby, cultis et excolendis, integre percipiant, sive in manu sua dictam terram tenuerint, sive aliis ad firmam dimiserint; salvis tamen priori et conventui Karlioli minutis decimis hominum suorum, cum dictam terram ad firmam dimiserint, vel aliquam ejus partem. Ita, scilicet, quod dicti abbas et conventus de Holm. dictis priori et conventui, Karlioli, singulis annis, tres marcas et xl. denarios, pro bono pacis, ad nundinas Karlioli persolvent. Ita quod privilegiis eorundem abbatis et conventus in nullo prejudicetur. Hanc conventionem fideliter in perpetuum observandam utraque pars promisit, si episcopus loci eam acceptaverit.

Guydo mercator Burgensis Karlioli dedit monachis his totam terram, cum ædificiis, infra civitatem Karlioli, quæ erat inter terram Johannis pistoris et Yvonis mercatoris, in vico Ricardi, reddendo inde annuatim duodecim denarios; et monachi dabunt husegavil de prædicta terra sicut de libero burgagio.

Henricus filius Willielmi de Karliolo dedit eisdem monachis domum suam in Karliolo.

Idem Henricus dedit eis messuagium suum propinquius cimiterio beatæ Mariæ Karlioli, versus castellum, super quod duas domos ædificaverat, cum domibus superædificatis, et omnibus aliis libertatibus ad lumen inveniendum circa altaria, ad missas privatas.

Alicia filia Rogeri cissoris de Karliolo, communi assensu Beatricis et Johannæ sororum suarum, reddidit et quietum clamavit monachis de Holmcoltram, ut jus ecclesiæ suæ, totum tenementum quod ei contingebat, de uno messuagio cum pertinentiis in Karliolo.

Beatrix et Johanna sorores prædictæ Aliciæ simili modo quietum clamaverunt.

NUM. LXXXI.

Chirographum inter Abbatem de Holmeoltram et Ricardum Pudil de Karliolo.

[Ibid. fol. 70.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri, quod abbas et conventus de Holm. concesserunt, et ad feodi firmam dimiserunt, Ricardum Pudil de Karliolo, et hæredibus suis fidelibus, totam illam placiam in Karliolo, cum pertinentiis suis, quæ quidem placia jacet inter domum quondam Jordani de Novo Castro, ex parte una, et domum Thomæ de Teribay ex altera, excepta una placia infra prædictam placiam super quam prædicti abbas et conventus, pro suo libitu, unam cameram ad opus suum proprium ædificabunt, dummodo dictus Ricardus et hæredes sui sufficientes fuerint ad prædictam placiam ædificandam, et annuam firmam fideliter persolvendam, reddendo inde annuatim memoratis abbati et conventui xxx. solidos argenti ad duos anni terminos, videlicet medietatem ad festum sancti Martini in hyeme, et aliam medietatem ad Pentecosten. Incipiente termino primæ solutionis annuæ firmæ ad Pentecosten, anno Domini m.cc. nonagesimo tertio. Et sciendum quod dictus Ricardus et hæredes sui dictam placiam ex sumptu suo proprio et custu ædificabunt; et cum opus fuerit reædificabunt et acquietabunt de omni consuetudine et demanda, quæ aliquo modo accidre poterunt. Et ædificia super eandem placiam ædificata, una cum camera quam dicti abbas et conventus ad opus suum proprium ædificabunt, bene custodient, et in bono statu sustentabunt, salva et integra permanente prædicta firma annua præfatis abbati et conventui, ad terminos prædictos persolvenda. Et sciendum quod non licebit dicto Ricardus, nec hæredibus suis, præscriptam placiam nec ædificia alicui dare, vendere, invadare, nec aliquo modo alienare, sine assensu et voluntate dictorum abbatis et conventus. Dicti vero abbas et conventus prædictam placiam, cum pertinentiis, prædicto Ricardus, et hæredibus suis, contra omnes homines warranti-

zabunt. In cujus rei testimonium, utraque pars alterius scripto præsenti scripto cirographato alternatim sigillum suum apposuit, &c.

[Ibid. fol. 71.]

Abbas et conventus de Holm. ad firmam dimiserunt Johanni de Crofton terram extra portam de Calden, reddendo annuatim octo solidos et quatuor denarios. Et ipse Johannes et hæredes sui tenebanturolvere husegavel.

[Ibid. fol. 72.]

Supradictus Johannes de Crofton concessit dictam terram extra portam de Calden Willielmo filio Emmæ, et hic Willielmus dedit monachis totam terram in suburbano Karlioli extra portam de Calden, cum omnibus ædificiis suis et gardinis, quæ est inter terram Johannis Tod et Alberti filii Hermani.

[Ibid. fol. 73.]

Agnes uxor prædicti Johannis, in sua viduitate, ejus donationem confirmavit.

[Ibid. fol. 74.]

Anno m.ccc. abbas et conventus de Holm. ad firmam dimiserunt Ricardo de Kirkethwait unam placeam infra muros civitatis Karlioli, quam antea Henricus de la Sale tenuerat de eisdem, reddendo inde annuatim dimidiam marcam sterlingorum.

[Ibid. fol. 75.]

Idem abbas et conventus ad firmam dimiserunt Ricardo de Melborn cementario, aliam placeam terra in eadem civitate Karlioli, reddendo inde annuatim quinque solidos.

[Ibid. fol. 77.]

Gilbertus filius Willielmi le Tailleur de Karliolo quietum clamavit monachis de Holm. totum jus et clamium quod habuit in toto burgagio suo in Karliolo. Hiis testibus, domino Willielmo de Mulcaster tunc vicecomite Cumbriæ, Ricardo le Brun, Alexandro de Bastenlayt, militibus, &c.

Adam de Molteby concessit monachis de Holmcultram liberos introitus et exitus per totam terram suam, cum plaustis, sumagiis, et caretis suis, eundo et redeundo de domo sua de Holm. versus Novum Castrum, cum lanis et totis bonis suis, et commoda aysiamenta bobus et equis et hominibus suis.

Matildis de Multon domina de Gillisland concessit easdem libertates in terra sua de Gillisland.

[Ibid. fol. 78.]

Willielmus filius Ormy de Yreby dedit totam mansionem suam, in qua solebat habitare in villa de Gilecruce, integre et plenarie, cum domibus, orto, pomerio, et omnibus aliis pertinentiis.

Idem Willielmus per aliam cartam dedit decem acras terræ cum pertinentiis, et grangiam spectantem ad mansionem quam per priorem cartam dederat.

[Ibid. fol. 79.]

Willielmus filius Ormy clericus dedit undecim acras terræ arabilis in villa de Gilecruce.

[Ibid. fol. 80.]

W. abbas de Caldra recognoscit se et conventum suum teneri abbati et conventui de Holm. in annua solutione dimidiæ marcæ, pro quadam terra in Gilecruce.

[Ibid. fol. 81.]

Alicia filia Rogeri filii Gerardi dedit quinque acras terræ arabilis in territorio de Sacmirdagh.

Waldevus filius Gamelli terram quæ dicitur Toftes et Hale in campo de Kirkeby, et terram et mariscum infra fossatum monachorum, et duas acras terræ ad caput prædicti fossati, &c.

[Ibid. fol. 82.]

Adam filius Waldevi confirmavit omnes donationes patris sui.

Waldevus filius Gameli confirmavit donationem Alani filii sui de uno tofto.

[Ibid. fol. 83.]

Idem Waldevus confirmavit monachis totam calumpniam quam habuit in Sperstanerig.

[Ibid. fol. 84.]

Laurentius filius Roberti senescalli de Neubigging dedit totam terram de Sperstanerig.

Liolinus filius Liolini dedit octo acras et dimidiam terræ in toftis de Kirkebychore.

Robertus de Broy et Amabilia sponsa ejus dederunt xvj. acras terræ in territorio de Kirkebychore, et mariscum ad capita earum.

Johannes de Veteri Ponte dedit unam culturam terræ quæ dicitur Castelrig, cum pertinentiis suis, in qua continentur xxv. acræ terræ et dimidia.

Idem Johannes per aliam cartam concessit eisdem monachis pasturam quadringentis ovibus et xx. multonibus, cum sectis suis unius anni, et tot bobus et vaccis et equis quot opus habuerint ad terram suam de Hale alendam, et domum suam tenendam, et opera sua facienda, et ad sex sues et unum verrum, cum sectis suis unius anni. Et quando dicti monachi adducent animalia sua ad nundinas vel forum, habebunt liberum accessum et recessum cum illis in prædicta pastura de Kirkebychore; et accipient brueriam, et petas, et turbas, et omnia alia necessaria, &c.

[Ibid. fol. 85.]

Laurentius filius Roberti senescalli de Neubigging dedit totam partem suam de marisco inter Neubigging et illos, et communem pasturam ccc. et lx. ovibus, et xx. vaccis, et uni tauro, et xxx. bobus in campo de Neubigging, et in omnibus locis ubi sua propria animalia pascebantur.

Adam filius Waldevi de Kyrkebyshore dedit quinque acras terræ arabilis in territorio de Kyrkebyshore.

Idem Adam confirmavit donationem Alani fratris sui de octo acris terræ et medietate marisci in Kyrkebyshore.

Lyolphus filius Lyolphi quietum clamavit totum rectum et calumpniam in supra memorata donatione Waldevi filii Gamelli.

Thomas Extraneus dedit tres acras terræ arabilis in aquilonari parte de Crofsneguine.

[Ibid. fol. 86.]

Adam filius Liulphi dedit totam terram quam pater suus habuit in campo qui dicebatur Morlandis, in territorio de Kyrkebyshore, versus Soureby.

Idem Adam dedit tres acras terræ arabilis de dominico suo, cum prato eidem terræ adjacenti, in territorio de Kirkebishore.

Amabilia filia Waldevi de Bereford quietum clamavit totum rectum quod habuit in terra quam Waldevus filius Gamelli dedit monachis, ut supra, pro qua terra recepit excambium a dicto Waldevo; dedit etiam totam terram suam in Maydinegate et duas acras terræ ad caput illius terræ, pro quibus etiam recepit alias terras in excambium ab eodem Waldevo.

[Ibid. fol. 87.]

Robertus Broy confirmavit eandem donationem.

Idem Robertus dedit monachis totam terram suam de Mardinegate usque ad domos ipsorum monachorum, et duas acras ad caput ejusdem terræ versus occidentem, in excambium pro aliis terris quas monachi ei dederunt.

Gilbertus filius Arnaldi de Kirkebishore quietum clamavit tenementum quod monachi habebant in territorio de Kyrkebyshore.

Robertus de Bereford confirmavit donationem supradictam Roberti de Broy.

[Ibid. fol. 88.]

Lyulphus filius Lyulphi confirmavit donationem Waldevi filii Gamelli, de octo acris terræ et marisco ad caput earundem, sicut superius.

Robertus de Bereford confirmavit donationem Roberti de Broy.

Alanus filius Waldevi dedit unum toftum et unum croftum de una acra terræ in villa de Kyrkebyshore.

Idem Alanus dedit octo acras terræ in territorio de Kyrkebyshore et medietatem marisci ad capita earum; hæc est potius confirmatio prioris donationis.

Arnaldus de Kirkebishore dedit duas acras terræ in Sandslath.

Fulcus et Amesia sponsa ejus dederunt duas acras terræ versus Wartheberth.

[Ibid. fol. 89.]

Gilbertus filius Adæ de Kirkebyshore confirmavit omnes donationes Waldevi avi sui.

Gilbertus Eugayn de Kyrk. et Eva uxor ejus quietum clamaverunt totum jus quod habuerunt in tertia parte grangiæ de Hale.

Gilbertus filius Adæ de Kirkebyshore, juramento præstito, obligavit se et hæredes suos monachis de Holm. ad warrantizandum eis omnes donationes quas Waldevus, avus ejus, eis dedit in Kirkebeshore ad grangiam suam de Hale pertinentes, et mariscum, &c. ut supra in cartis ejusdem Waldevi.

Adam filius Hugonis de Soureby, Warinus de Prato, et Williclmus filius Adæ filii Liulphi abjuraverunt totum clamium suum in magno marisco quem monachi habuerunt ex dono sæpe nominati Waldevi filii Gamelli.

[Ibid. fol. 90.]

Gilbertus filius Adæ de Kyrkeby. dedit x. acras terræ super Warthegegh, et obligavit se et hæredes suos ad warrantizandas eas.

Conventum est inter abbatem et conventum de Holm. ex una parte, et ecclesiam Sancti Michaelis de Kyrkebyshore ex altera, quod monachi reddent decimam garbam prædictæ ecclesiæ de omnibus terris quas habuerint in eadem parochia.

Amabilia filia Waldevi de Bereford, in libera viduitate sua, post mortem Roberti de Broy mariti sui, dedit monachis totam terram suam in Kirkebyshore.

[Ibid. fol. 91.]

Idonea de Leyburn, in viduitate sua, quietum clamavit monachis de Holm. totum jus et clamium suum in vasto in territorio de Kirkebyshore, inter Morflat et le Mardingate.

[Ibid. fol. 92.]

Thomas de Multon, filius Thomæ de Multon, dedit eisdem monachis quandam partem terræ in villa Sancti Botulphi, ad ædificia sibi et suis in eadem terra facienda; scilicet, quater xx. pedes in longitudine, &c.

A. abbas de Melros et ejusdem loci conventus concesserunt abbati et conventui de Holm. ut in domibus suis, in terra quam monachi de Melros habebant in villa Sancti Botulphi, de dono domini Thomæ de Multon, in tempore nundinarum, una cum ipsis manerent, et inhabitarent omni tempore, et haberent omnia alia aysiamenta sicut ipsi monachi de Melros, et quod haberent medietatem proventuum dictarum domorum et terræ, ad dictam terram ædificandam.

P. abbas de Melros confirmavit suprascriptam concessionem.

Radulphus filius Thomæ de Sancto Botulpho dedit monachos de Holm. unam placeam terræ in villa Sancti Botulphi.

[Ibid. fol. 93.]

Simon filius Aylef Camerarii dedit totum pratum suum in Wynteringmedue in territorio de Roucheft.

Robertus filius Aylef confirmavit supradictam donationem Simonis fratris sui.

Walterus de Tyndale vendidit monachis de Holm. totam terram suam in Novo Castro, cum ædificiis et pertinentiis suis, reddendo inde domino regi debitam firmam, scilicet tres obolos per annum.

[Ibid. fol. 94.]

Bartholomeus Benedictus vendidit eisdem monachis totam terram suam in Novo Castro in Pampedene, cum ædificiis et pertinentiis, reddendo regi tres obolos annuatim.

Petrus de Graunt dedit eisdem terram suam in Herterpol in qua habitavit, cum omnibus ædificiis, &c. ad liberum burgagium pertinentibus, et croftum clausum muro, cum duobus toftis.

[Ibid. fol. 95.]

Robertus de Brus confirmavit supradictam donationem.

Robertus le Graunt burgensis de Herterpol obligavit se et hæredes suos, per sacramentum, monachis de Holm. ad solvendum eis annuatim xx. solidos argenti apud Holm. pro terra quam Petrus le Graunt frater ejus dedit eis, ut supra.

Robertus de Brus dominus vallis Anandiæ suscepit

sub protectione sua monachos de Holm. et homines et omnia sua.

Idem Robertus senior et uxor ejus Eufemia dederunt eisdem monachis piscariam de Torduff.

[Ibid. fol. 96.]

Robertus de Brus junior confirmavit hanc donationem. Williclmus de Brus iterum confirmavit eandem.

[Ibid. fol. 99.]

Anno Domini M. CC. nonogesimo quarto, abbas et conventus de Melros, ad feodi firmam, dimiserunt abbati et conventui de Holmcoltram totam terram suam ad Rainpatrick, cum piscariis et salinis, &c. reddendo inde annuatim dimidiam marcā argenti.

[Ibid. fol. 100.]

Robertus de Brus confirmavit suprascriptam conventionem inter prædictos abbates de dictis piscariis et salinis. Carta ejus, data apud Loghmaban, die sanctæ Luciæ virginis, anno Domini M. CC. nonogesimo quarto, testibus dominis Umfrido de Bosco, Adam del Crokedaik, militibus, Roberto de Brus, comite de Karrig, Rogcro de Kirkepatrick, et aliis.

Huctredus filius Fergus dedit monachis de Holm. villam quæ dicitur Kirkewynny, ad feodi firmam, cum pasnagio per vi. libras annuatim.

Rolandus filius prædicti Huctredi concessit eisdem monachis dictam villam de Kirkewynny, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ad feodi firmam, et unam salinam in Loghendello, et ligna ad salinam, et pasturam quatuor bobus et quingentis porcis, cum omnibus aliis aysiamentis, reddendo inde decem libras annuatim.

[Ibid. fol. 102.]

Walterus de Berkelay camerarius regis Scotiæ dedit monachis de Holm. terram quam prius tenuerunt juxta pontem de Pollackerein, adeo libere possidendam sicut aliqua terra in regno Scotiæ possideri poterat.

Rolandus filius Huctredi illam donationem confirmavit, ut etiam Ingeramus de Ballo, Eustachius de Ballo, et Williclmus rex Scotiæ, et Jocelinus Glasguensis episcopus.

[Ibid. fol. 103.]

Patricius filius Thomæ de Wyrkinton dedit totam terram suam in Galwaye quæ dicitur Lochent.

Rolandus filius Huctredi dedit unam salinam in Salternes, et unam piscariam inter Polben et Sivchaye, et unam acram terræ ad mansionem ædificandam, et communem pasturam xii. vaccis cum suis vitulis, et uni tauro, et quatuor bobus, et duobus equis, et omnia alia aysiamenta.

Alexander rex Scotorum confirmavit prædictas donationes dicti Rolandi de villa de Kyrguny, et de salina et piscaria. Jocelinus Glasguensis episcopus similiter.

[Ibid. fol. 105.]

Alanus filius Roland Scotiæ constabularius concessit eisdem monachis terram de qua inter ipsum et dictos monachos fuerat contentio.

[Ibid. fol. 106.]

Jocelinus Glasguensis episcopus confirmavit eisdem monachis locum et capellam in Galwaya quæ dicitur Kirkewynny; simili modo Walterus episcopus ejusdem sedis, et decanus et capitulum Glasguense.

NUM. LXXXII.

Carta Walteri Candidæ Casæ Episcopi, Bullam Honorii Papæ recitans, et Capellam de Kirkewynny eis confirmans.

[Ibid. fol. 107.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsens scriptum visuris vel auditoris, Walterus divina miseratione Candidæ Casæ episcopus, et Johannes ejusdem loci archidiaconus, et abbas de Glenlus Cisterciensis ordinis Candidæ Casæ diocesis, salutem in salutis Auctore; mandatum domini papæ in hæc verba suscepimus.

Honorius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabili fratri episcopo Candidæ Casæ, et dilectis filiis abbati de Glenlus Candidæ Casæ diocesis, et archidiacono Candidæ Casæ, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Venerabilis frater noster Glasguensis episcopus nobis conquerendo, mon-

stravit quod monachi de Holm. et quidam alii Cisterciensis ordinis Karliolensis et Glasguensis diœccesium, quasdam parochiales ecclesias suæ diœcesis indebite usurpantes, parochianis et colonis ipsorum expulsis, ipsas in grangias et oratoria simplicia converterunt, in ipsius non modicum præjudicium et gravamen. Ideoque discretioni vestræ per apostolica scripta mandamus, quatenus convocatis partibus audiat causam, appellatione remota fine debito terminetis, facientes quod statueritis per censuram ecclesiasticam firmiter observari. Testes autem qui nominati fuerint, si se gratia, vel odio, vel timore subtraxerint, per censuram eandem, appellatione cessante, cogatis veritati testimonium perhibere. Quod si non omnes huius exequendis poteritis interesse, tum frater episcopus cum eorum altero ea nichilominus exsequatur. Dat. apud Alac. vi. Kal. Junii, pontificatus nostri anno sexto.

Hujus ergo auctoritate mandati, ad instantiam dicti episcopi Glasguensis, monachos de Holmo ad nostram fecimus præsentiam more judiciario citari, quorum procuratore in nostra præsentia constituto, præfatus episcopus suam intentionem fundavit, in pleno iudicio dicens capellam de Kirkgunny ecclesiam fuisse parochialem respondentem episcopis Glasguensibus in procuracionibus, visitacionibus, et jurisdictione, et hæc omnia nomine ecclesiæ suæ petiit a monachis de Holm. sibi et ecclesiæ suæ de Glasgow plene restitui. Sic inquam partibus in nostra præsentia legitime comparentibus, et cum debita solemnitate juris ad agendum et transigendum sufficienter institutis, post multas altercationes hinc inde habitas, lis inter partes hoc fine quicvit, scilicet, quod præfatus episcopus Glasguensis prædictum locum de Kirkewynny, et capellam Sancti Wynnini in co sitam, ob favorem religionis, concessit monachis de Holm. liberam et quietam ab omnibus episcopalibus, et ab omni exactione et parochiali obnoxitate, habendam et possidendam pacifice et quiete, secundum tenorem concessionis bonæ memoriæ Jocelini episcopi Glasguensis, et confirmationis domini Innocentii papæ, quas inde habent monachi prænominati. Nos autem de assensu partium voluntario, et ad instantiam illorum, dictam compositionem approbamus, ratam habemus, et apostolica auctoritate qua in ea causa fungimur confirmamus eandem. Et ad ipsius compositionis firmitatem, nos sigillum in nostra præsentia, ad majus testimonium et plenam securitatem, huic instrumento fecimus adhiberi.

Sinc data, aut testibus; sed papa hic nominatus erat Honorius quartus, et sextus annus pontificatus ejus fuit annus Domini 1291. Vide bullam Innocentii papæ super hac capella de Kirkewynny supra inter bullas papales hujus abbatiae.

[Ibid. fol. 109.]

Durandus filius Christiani dedit monachis de Holmcultram totam terram suam quæ vocatur Achencork, in feodo de Kyrkoneville, cum omnibus pertinentiis, reddendo inde annuatim unam marcam argenti.

[Ibid. fol. 110.]

Bridoch relicta supradicti Durandi confirmavit donationem ejus de terris Mayby et Achencork et quietum clamavit totum jus quod in dictis terris habere potuit.

Andreas filius Roberti filii Simonis confirmavit eandem donationem, sub eadem conditione reddendi ei unam marcam annuatim.

[Ibid. fol. 111.]

Willielmus filius Michaelis de Kirkonevill quietum clamavit totum jus quod habere potuit in supradictis terris de Maiby et Achencork.

Idem Willielmus dedit medietatem totius terræ quæ jacet inter Polleychos et Genesik, et extendit usque ad aquam de Nud, et medietatem totius mussæ, quæ est infra prædictas divisas.

[Ibid. fol. 112.]

Andreas filius Michaelis de Kirkonevill, pro quadam summa pecuniæ ei præ manibus tradita, dedit eisdem monachis totam culturam terræ in territorio de Kirkonevill, quæ vocatur Mustard-Garth, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis.

Idem Andreas quietum clamavit totum jus quod habere potuit in medietate terræ et mussæ, quam avus ejus Willielmus de Kirkonevill dedit his monachis.

[Ibid. fol. 113.]

Thomas filius Andreæ de Kirkonevill in Galwydia dedit medietatem totius terræ et mussæ, cum le Hirisperd quæ jacet inter Polthos et Genesik in territorio de Kirkonevill, juxta aliam medietatem ejusdem terræ et mussæ, quam Willielmus filius Michaelis de Kirkonevill prius eisdem monachis contulerat in eodem territorio. Hiis testibus, dompno Johanne abbate de Dulci Corde, domino Johanne de Geveliston, domino David de Thorthorald, militibus, Michaeli filio Durandi, Waltero et Johanne filiis ejusdem, Willielmo de Sancta Clara, Ada de Culwenne, Thoma de Arbigland, Adam le Furbeur, Andrea de Kirkonevill, et aliis.

[Ibid. fol. 114.]

Anno gratiæ M.CC.XL. quarto, die sancti Jacobi apostoli, abbas et conventus de Holm. et dominus Eustachius de Ball convenerunt de omnibus querelis et controversiis quas habuerunt ad invicem, et dictus dominus Eustachius, tactis sanctis, promisit se firmiter observaturum omnia quæ continentur in carta quam monachi habent de donatione Walteri de Berkeley, quam inde supra.

[Ibid. fol. 115.]

Robertus filius Simonis de Kirkonevill concessit monachis, unam piscariam, cum pertinentiis suis, super aquam de Nud, a rivulo qui distenditur de Kirkonevill et cadit in aquam de Nyd, usque ad locum Pollesterheved; etiam unum toftum et dimidiam acram terræ prope ripam versus mare ad aysiamenta sua, ad sustentandam eandem piscariam, &c. et pasturam sex bobus et sex vaccis et duobus equis, et liberum introitum et exitum per terras ejusdem Roberti.

Andreas filius Roberti confirmavit concessionem Willielmi filii Michaelis de Kirkonevill, de medietate totius terræ inter Pollecho et Grenesik, et medietate mussæ quæ est inter easdem divisas, et dedit eis locum idoneum ad ponendam minam suam, &c.

[Ibid. fol. 116.]

Thomas filius Andreæ de Kirkonevill dedit monachis unam marcam annui redditus perpetuo percipiendam, quam Michael filius Durandi solvere debebat, cum omnibus aliis serviciis quæ facere eidem consueverunt; et confirmavit eis illam dimidiam rodam terræ quam eis contulerat Andreas filius Michaelis filii Willielmi de Kirkonevill, et omnes alias donationes antecessorum suorum et antecessorum dicti Andreæ.

Idem postea hanc donationem per aliam cartam confirmavit.

[Ibid. fol. 117.]

Michael filius Durandi remisit monachis unam marcam quam ipsi tenebantur annuatim, ei reddere pro terris et tenementis de Mayby et Athencork.

Thomas de Kirkonevill confirmavit omnes cartas quas conventus de Holmo habebat de Andrea patre suo.

Rogerus Grindeget dedit monachis unum toftum in Dumfres.

LXXXIII.

Carta Roberti Glasguensis Episcopi, de Capella de Kyrkewyni Monachis de Holmcultram appropriata.

[Ibid. fol. 122.]

ROBERTUS permissione divina Glasguensis episcopus, dilectis sibi in Christo filiis abbati et conventui de Holmcultram ordinis Cisterciensis, Karliolensis diœcesis, salutem, gratiam, et benedictionem. Piæ memoriæ Jocelinus episcopus Glasguensis prædecessor noster, Deo et ecclesiæ vestræ sanctæ Mariæ, vobis ac successoribus vestris, locum et capellam in Galwydia quæ dicitur Kirkewynny, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, concessit, scriptoque suo episcopali auctoritate confirmavit, volens ut vos prædictam capellam et locum teneretis et possideretis libere et pacifice a præstationibus synodaliū, episcopaliū, et omnium onerum ordinariū quieti totaliter et immunes. Quam quidem capellam per xl. annos sic inconcusse possidetis, liberam et quietam de episcopalibus et sinodalibus et omnibus aliis exactionibus, ex concessione ejusdem Jocelini prædecessoris nostri, vobis et ecclesiæ vestræ concessam et collatam, et ex certa scientia Innocentii papæ tertii auctoritate apostolica

confirmatam. Porro bonæ memoriæ Waltrus Glasguensis episcopus, præfati Jocelini successor, prædictæ sedis apostolicæ conquerendo, monstravit, quod monachi de Holm. et quidam alii Cisterciensis ordinis Karliolensis et Glasguensis diocesium, quasdam parochiales ecclesias suæ diocesis indebite usurpantes, parochianis et colonis ipsarum violenter expulsis, ipsas in grangias et oratoria simplicia converterunt, in ejusdem episcopi præjudicium non modicum et gravamen, ac ipso ad episcopum Candidæ Casæ abbatem de Glenlus, et archidiaconum Candidæ Casæ, obtinente, per apostolica scripta, mandari ut, convocatis partibus, causam audirent, et eam fine debito terminarent. Coram quibus, partibus more judicario evocatis, et in judicio sufficienter instructis, legitime comparentibus cum mandatis legaliter factis ad agendum, defendendum, transigendum, componendum, ac omnia alia faciendum quæ causæ seu negotii qualitas exposcebat, lis hoc fine conquievit; scilicet, quod jam dictus Walterus Glasguensis episcopus prædictum locum de Kirkewynny et capellam Sancti Wininy, in eo sitam, Dei intuitu et religionis favore, antedictis monachis de Holm. concessit, liberam et quietam ab omnibus episcopalibus et ab omnimodis exactione et parochiali obnoxitate; habenda et possidenda pacifice et quiete. Quam compositionem memorati judices approbantes et ratam habentes, auctoritate qua in dicta causa fungebantur apostolica roboraverunt, et sub sigillis suis publice confirmaverunt. Et consequenter præmissas concessionem sic pie et salubriter factas decanus et capitulum ecclesiæ Glasguensis, piis oculis intuentes pariter et approbantes confirmare curaverunt, prout in suis literis manifestius continetur. Ut hæc omnia et singula vidimus et intuiti sumus in instrumentis authenticis præfatorum episcoporum Jocelini et Walteri, qui concesserunt ut præmittitur, Candidæ Casæ episcopi, abbatis de Glenlus, et archidiaconi Candidæ Casæ, auctoritate apostolica, cognoscentium, et compositioni de qua fit mentio supra, auctoritatem et firmitatem præstantium; Innocentii papæ tertii concessionem prælibati Jocelini ex certa scientia confirmantis, et confirmationis capituli nostri Glasguensis, quibus inspectis, sæpiusque revolutis, examinatis, discussis, ponderatis, ac plenius intellectis a nostræ jurisdictionæ ordinaria quacumque et omnimoda, successorum nostrorum officialium, cæterorumque ministrorum nostrorum, cujuscumque conditionis existant, vos successoresque vestros, locum vestrum de Kyrkewyny, capellam ejusdem, monachos vestros ibidem vicissim existentcs, familiam, famulos, servientes, tenentes, et inquilinos vestros, lares in terris et possessionibus vestris fovescentes, non solum auctoritate apostolica, verum etiam præscriptione quadragenaria, quod omnem prorsus excludit actionem, exemptos judicialiter pronuntiamus, vosque immunes ab omni sareina ordinarii, liberos in hac parte, et pleno jure vallatos, nosque, successoresque nostros nichil posse nec debere super præmissis, ut præmittitur contra vos, absque nota sacrilegii et Romani pontificis contemptum, attemptare, statuere, decernere, aut immutare quia sacrilegii instar est a principe diffinitum revolvere, aut in dubium revocare sententialiter et diffinitive declaramus, insinuantes Christi fidelibus universis quod vos, per procuratorem vestrum, legitime constitutum, protestati estis palam coram nobis, et manifeste quod concessionibus apostolicæ sedis, capituli Glasguensis confirmationibus, et beneficio præscriptionis, de quibus supra in singulis instrumentis plenius fit mentio, per quamcumque dicta contraria seu facta nullo modo renuntiare vultis, sed eisdem uti conjunctim et divisim, et inniti ad defensionem vestram, prout convenit intenditis cum effectu. Sane licet gratiæ plenitudo adjectionæ non indigeat, et supervacuis agitetur impendiis quæ solem certat fascibus adjuvare. Liberales concessionem bonæ memoriæ Jocelini et Walteri, et gratiam summi pontificis vobis factam in hac parte, qui plenitudo gratiæ dicitur et omnia supernatat. Jura sequentes et easdem ratas habentes et illibatas, ex habundanti vobis et ecclesiæ vestræ successoribusque vestris, caritatis intuitu, et sacræ religionis, obtentu, capellam de Kyrkewynny nostræ diocesis memoratam, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, perpetuo applicandam usibus vestris, pro nobis et successoribus nostris, pleno jure, tam in temporalibus quam in spiritualibus, decimasque majores, minores, obventiones, oblationes, et proventus qualitercumque obve-

nientes in vestros usus, pro hospitum susceptione et pauperum subventionem; salvis vobis undique gratia summi pontificis et protestatione præmissis, auctoritate præsentis, de gracia concedimus speciali; et ad majorem securitatem præmissorum et firmitatem, hoc præsens scriptum decanus noster et capitulum Glasguense, post maturiorem examinationem et indagacionem frequentiore, intuitu Dei et religionis favore, memoratis religiosi abbati et conventui de Holm, ad nostram instantiam, ex certa scientia et unanimi consensu, confirmaverunt gratuita approbatione, per sigilli sui communis approbationem solemniter roborantes. In testimonium præmissorum præsentibus sigillum est appensum.

Idem episcopus concessit monachis quod capellam suam de Kyrkewynny, cimiterium, et altaria dictæ capellæ, consecrare et reconciliare possent quoties fuisset necessarium.

Robertus filius Willielmi de Moffet dedit conventui de Holmcoltram unum toftum cum crofto in villa de Trenguer.

Ricardus filius Lescelini dedit unum toftum in villa de Domfres.

Idem Ricardus quietum clamavit monachis totum jus suum quod habuit in uno tofto, ab ipsis monachis sibi ad vitam suam concessio, in eadem villa de Dumfres.

Rogerus Grindegret dedit unum toftum in eadem villa de Domfres.

Michael filius Mathei dedit unum toftum in eadem villa.

Edwardus de Brus, dominus Galwidia, remisit et quietum clamavit eisdem monachis totum jus suum in annua firma decem librarum sterlingorum, quam ipsi reddere solebant dominis de Botil, pro terris quas habebant apud Kyrkewynny in Gallwidia, ex dono et concessione Rolandi filii Huctredi, et aliorum donatorum.

NUM. LXXXIV.

Inquisitio capta de Terris, &c. Monachorum de Holmcoltram.

[Ibid. fol. 127.]

INQUISITIO facta apud Kirkewynny, die Lunæ proxima post festum sancti Michaelis, super omnimodis terris et redditibus ad dictam domum spectantibus, coram Johanne de Berwyk et Adam de Boldene clericis venerabilis patris domini J. Dei gracia Glasguensis episcopi, cui inquisitioni faciendæ husbandi intererant subscripti, videlicet Gilmor Macwennyn et Medard Macdali, et Macmal, et Calii, qui, jurati et diligenter examinati in præsentia domini Gilberti filii domini Gnewaldi, et Johannis filii ejus, dicunt quod omnes terræ et redditus dictæ domus se extendunt ad xxxv. libras et xx. denarios, terris suis dominicis et fructibus capellæ ejusdem et molendini duntaxat exceptis, quæ quidem terræ husbandis ostendantur. In signum vero hujus inquisitionis factæ, dicti dominus G. et J. filius ejus sigilla sua apposuerunt, dictis die et loco, anno gratiæ M.ccc.xxix.

Willielmus filius Patricii de Caldebee dedit monachis de Holmcoltram decem acras terræ arabilis in territorio de Caldebeck, in cultura quæ vocatur Eskhend.

Idem Willielmus, per aliam cartam, dedit eisdem monachis dimidiam acram terræ arabilis in eadem cultura.^a

NUM. LXXXV.

Carta Henrici Regis senioris, per quam Monachos de Holmcultrum suscipit in suam Protectionem, et Possessiones eorum confirmat.

[Regist. de Holmcoltram, penes Rev. Hug. Todd de Penrith in Com. Cumb. p. 486.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dux Normanniæ et Aquitaniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, baronibus, justiciariis, vicecomitibus, et omnibus ministris et fidelibus suis, salutem. Sciatis, quod suscepi in manu mea et custodia, et protectione, abbatiam de Holmcultrum, et abbatem ipsius abbatiæ, et monachos ibidem Deo servientes, et terras, et omnes res et possessiones suas. Et dono et concedo eis, in perpetuam elemosinam, et præsentis cartæ meæ confirmo, totam insulam de Holmeultrum, per rectas divisas suas, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et Raby cum rectis divisis suis; et maremium in foresta de

^a Omnes chartas suprascriptas vidi etiam in chartulario Rev. Hugonis Todd de Penrith, in com. Cumbriæ, in quo nihil addendum inveni, præter tantum chartam sequentem.

Englewood ad ædificia sua, et ad omnia domui suæ necessaria facienda; et pasturam porcis eorum sine pannagio; et cortices lignorum quæ præciderint ipsorum erunt. Quare volo, et firmiter præcipio, ut ipsa abbatia et iidem monachi omnia supradicta habeant et teneant bene et in pace, libere et quiete, integre, et plenarie, et honorifice, in terris, in bosco et plano, in pasturis, in aquis et molendinis, in viis, et semitis, et sabulonibus, et in omnibus aliis rebus et aliis locis, cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus suis. Testibus Nicholao et Rogero capellanis regis, &c.^a

NUM. LXXXVI.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

ABBATHIA DE HOLME COLTRAYNE INFRA DECANAT' DE
ABBERDALE.

Sp'ualia p'tin' dict' Abbathie.

Thomas Irebye Abbas Monasterii beate Marie Virginis de
Holme Coltrayne infra com' Cumbr' Ordinis Cisterc'.

Habet rectoriā de Holme predic' et decim' garbaꝝ infra
ejusdem fenū que valent cōibꝝ annis cū Newton Arlosche
57*l.* 12*s.* 10½*d.*

Idem abbas habet in decim' lacticin' in agn' decial' ac
in aliis minut' decim' eid' rector' p'tinent' que valent cōibꝝ
annis 28*l.* 0*s.* 8½*d.*

Idem abbas habet rectoriā de Wigton in cōm' p'dict' que
valꝝ cōibus annis in oibꝝ granor' decim' oblaconibꝝ ac decim'
minut' 61*l.* 1*s.* 0*d.*

Idem abbas h'et rectoriā de Burghe p'pe et juxta Sabu-
lonem que valꝝ cōibꝝ annis in gran' deciaibꝝ 13*l.* In agn'
decial' ejusdem pochie 1*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* In lan' decial' 2*l.* Ac
in aliis 2*s.* 16*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.*

Idem abbas h'et in pens' eccl'ie et rector' de Camerton
annuatim 0*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Sū^a sp'ualiū total' 164*l.* 6*s.* 7*d.*

Temporal' dict' Abbatui p'tin'.

Idem abbas habet unā grangiā vocat' Selaythe grainge
que valꝝ cōibus annis 10*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Idem abbas habet graing' vocat' Calfehow Grainge que
valꝝ cōibꝝ annis 10*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Idem abbas habet graing' vocat' Sandenhous Grainge
que valꝝ cōibus annis 2*l.* 19*s.* 0*d.*

Idem abbas habet graing' vocat' Rayby Grainge que
valꝝ cōibus annis 4*l.* 19*s.* 0*d.*

Idem abbas habet in prat' vocat' Wolstye Cowbyer 1*l.*
5*s.* Hartlaw Cowbyerre 1*l.* 4*s.* Sevalle Cowbyer 20 ac' 1*l.*
Que valent p' annū 3*l.* 9*s.* 0*d.*

Idem abbas habet in terr' dñical dict' monestar' p'tin'
viz un' clausur' vocat' Newpke 1*l.* Unā clausurā vocat'
Swawbye 1*l.* Et in p'at' vocat' Ellerker 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Et
Soyes in p'at' 13*s.* 4*d.* Que valent p' annū cōibꝝ annis
4*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Idem abbas habet unū molendinū graniticū infra p'cinctū
abbathie 8*l.* Molendinū equin' infra ejusdem p'cinct' 13*s.* 4*d.*
Molendinū ventricū infra dominiū de Holme 1*l.* Molend'
aq'aticū vocat' Dubmylne infra ejusdem dominiū de Holme
6*l.* Ac in firm' salis infra ejusdem 7*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Ac in panne
ferine ibm 3*l.* 12*s.* Ac p' piscaria de Darwent 5*l.* 9*s.* Que
oīa valent p' annū cōibꝝ annis 32*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.*

Idem abbas h'et tot' dominiū de Holme Coltrayne p'dict'
que valꝝ in reddit' 242*l.* 11*s.* 8½*d.* Ac in p'ficuis curiaꝝ 2*l.*
annuatim 244*l.* 11*s.* 8¾*d.*

Idem abbas h'et di'vs' terr' et ten' jacen' infra comitat'
Cumbr' extra dominiū de Holme Coltrayne ac in comitat'
Westm'land et Northūbr' que valent annuatim ut sequit'
terr' et ten' in Flemyngebye 14*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.* Waytcroft 1*l.* 6*s.*
1*d.* Waverton 4*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* Blencogo 2*l.* 7*s.* Bromefield
13*s.* 4*d.* Skailis 6*d.* Langrige 1*l.* 8*s.* 2*d.* Newton 1*l.* 1*s.*
Aspatryk 3*s.* 6*d.* Alanbye 6*s.* Alneburghe 2*s.* 6*d.* Gyl-
crosse 6*s.* 8*d.* Ulton 4*s.* Graysowthev' 5*s.* Gylgaron 3*s.*
Blenkayk 1*s.* 6*d.* Harrays 3*s.* 4*d.* Ughtersyde 1*s.* 6*d.*
Lycklay 1*l.* Hyldekyrke 7*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.* Caldebek 6*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.*
Harterigge 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Crofton 10*s.* Mekylthvate 3*d.*
Burghe 2*l.* 2*s.* 2*d.* Brawmercy et Edynhalle 13*s.* 4*d.* Ley-

singby 1*l.* Bownesse 2*s.* Ayket 1*s.* Waverbrig 1*s.* Kar-
lelle 4*l.* 4*s.* 10*d.* Flemyngebye Payrke 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Hayle
in com' Westm'land' 4*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* Newcastle sup Tynā in
com' Northūbr' 6*s.* 8*d.* 58*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.*

Sū^a total' temporalīū 370*l.* 17*s.* 0¾*d.*

Sū^a to' t'am sp'ual' q'am temporal' 535*l.* 3*s.* 7¾*d.*

D' quibꝝ

Resoluc' Reddit' et Pens'.

In reddit' resoluc' scaccario dñi regis annuatim

0*l.* 6*s.* 0*d.*

Et in cons' rectori de Caldbek in feodo firma annuatim
solvend' 0*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

In pens' priori et cōventui Karl'ij in p'c' salis annuatim
solut' 0*l.* 4*s.* 0*d.*

In pens' p'ori et cōventui abbathie de Lanercoste in p'c'
salis annuatim solut' 0*l.* 4*s.* 0*d.*

In pens' vicario eccl'ie de Newton Arlesche infra Holme
annuatim solut' 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

In pens' epō Karl'ij p' dict' eccl'ia annuatim solut'

0*l.* 7*s.* 0*d.*

In pens' prsbeteris annuatim missam celebrantibꝝ ad
altare S'ci Salvatoris n'ri J'hu p' aīa dñi regis Henrici Se-
cundi post conquestū Anglie et p' bono statu illustrissimi
regis Henrici Octavi fundator' n'ri monesterij et p' aīabꝝ an-
tecessoꝝ et successoꝝ suoꝝ regum Anglie fundatorū n'roꝝ ac
eciam p' aīa Rob'ti Chamber nup abbis dict' monest' n'ri
an^{tim} solut' 6*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.*

can' q' nō deb' ex'.

In pens' annuatim solut' vicario eccl'ie de Wigton

17*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

In pens' priori et conventui Karl'ij p' dict' eccl'ia de
Wigton annuatim solut' 6*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

In pens' duobꝝ p'sbiteris cant' p'petu' infra dict' eccl'iam
divina celebrantibꝝ p' aīa Joh'is Denom et Margaret' uxoris
ejusdem Joh'is viz Jacobo Belle et Wifmo Browne cap^{nia}
annuatim solut' 10*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Item p' senagio dict' eccl'ie de Wigton epō Karl'ij an-
nuatim solut' 0*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Sū^a 47*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.*

13*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.*

In Feod' annuatim solvend'.

In feodo Hen' comitis Cumbr' senescallo monasterij n'ri
annuatim 2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

In feodo magistro Thome Crūwelle magist' rotuloꝝ dñi
regis annuatim 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

In feodo Ricardo Banwys senescallo cur' dict' mo-
nesterij 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

In feodo Gilbt' Fisser ballivo de Flemyngebye annua-
tim solut' 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Sū^a 11*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

In Elemosinis p' ordinações dat' an^{tim}.

Mandatū p'petuū et annuatim fact' in Cena Dñi p'uis in
claustro et paupibꝝ ad portam p' bono statu dñi regis Henrici
Octavi fundatore n'ro et p' aīabꝝ progenitoꝝ suorū Regū
Anglie fundatoꝝ n'roꝝ 3*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Et p' victu quibꝝ paupū imp'p'm oranciū p' bono statu
dñi regis Henrici Octavi et p' aīabꝝ p'genitoꝝ suoꝝ Regū
fundatoꝝ 7*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

In repacione annuali aqueductuū marinoꝝ et triū le
Slowses in Seedykys et Wa'ēs contra Mare p'pter devas-
tações et destruções terraz p'ati et maresci ad importunabilia
et gravia dampna patrie n're 5*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.*

can' q' nō deb't exonari.

Sū^a 15*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.*

10*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Sū^a oīi' deduct' p'd' 57*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.*

75*l.* 5*s.* 2*d.*

Et rem' 349*l.* 18*s.* 5¾*d.*

477*l.* 19*s.* 3¾*d.*

X^{ma} inde 47*l.* 15*s.* 11½*d.*

^a Vide Ricardi regis Confirmationem superioris cartæ, antea, Num. II.

NUM. LXXXVII.
COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll, 30 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

Holme Coltram nuper Monasterium.			
Com' Cumbr'	£.	s.	d.
Holme Coltram—Firma terrarum dominicalium	11	9	4
Holme Coltram—Firma piscar' turbar' et warenn' cuniculorum	2	6	8
Holme Coltram—Firma molendinorum	10	0	0
Holme Coltram—Firma salinarum cum lez Panne farme	13	11	8
Holme Coltram—Herbagium parci de Flemeby	2	0	0
Seton super Darwent—Firma piscar' salmonum	6	0	0
Selathe—Firma grangiae	12	18	4
Cawo—Firma grangiae	13	0	6
Sandenhous—Firma grangiae	6	8	3
Rabye—Firma grangiae	8	1	0
Wolstye—Firma castelli cum lez motes	non respond'		
Selott Medes—Firma prati	0	2	8
Lang Eng—Firma prati	1	4	0
Holme Coltram—Firma rectoriae cum capella sive ecclesiae de Newton Arloche	100	12	4
Wigton—Firma rector'	66	18	8
Burgh per arenas maris—Firma decimationis granorum totius parochiae de Burghe by the Sands	24	5	4
Camerton—Firma rector'	8	13	4
Swynestye—Firma terr' et ten'	6	4	10
Sowterfeld—Firma terr' et ten'	10	17	2
Aldelathe—Firma terr' et ten'	5	3	11
Helawes—Firma terr' et ten'	7	18	5
Fowlesyke—Firma terr' et ten'	2	15	6
Brokeholls—Firma terr' et ten'	3	2	1
Abbay Cowbyre—Firma terr' et ten'	7	6	8
Farmarye Cowbyre—Firma terr' et ten'	2	6	8
Sandhouse—Firma terr' et ten'	6	18	8
Bromerig—Firma terr' cum reddit'	14	0	8
Newe Cowbyre—Reddit' et ten'	4	13	4
Ethersyde—Firma terr', &c.	4	19	3
Plesketh Landes—Firma tenementorum	1	4	0

Com' Cumbr'	£.	s.	d.
Goodychills—Firma tenementorum	1	15	4 ob'
Ternes—Firma tenementorum, &c.	4	13	10
Blatterleese—Firma terr' et ten'	14	2	5
Wolstye Close—Reddit' pro ten'	1	13	8
Pellethowe—Firma tenementorum	5	18	2
Dubbemyll—Firma tenementorum	1	7	0
Milnchill—Firma ten' et mol'	6	6	8
Maburghe, junior—Firma tenementorum	7	11	0
Maburghe, senior—Firma tenementorum	13	17	8
Maburghe Harigg—Reddit' pro ten'	0	11	0
Maburghe Bek—Firma tenementorum	1	17	3
Wolstye—Firma terr' et ten'	5	1	1
Stanyflatthed—Firma tenementorum	1	10	4
Myresyde—Firma terr' et ten'	7	6	6
Lowsehowe—Firma ten'	2	1	8
Est Cote—Firma ten'	0	13	6
Skynneborne Nesse—Firma tenementorum	7	5	3
West Cote—Firma ten'	4	10	8
Drye Holme—Firma decem skeps orde'i	3	0	0
Sevayll—Firma terr' et ten'	14	8	9 ob'
Angerton—Firma terr' et ten'	3	9	6
Newton Arloch—Firma terr' et ten'	22	7	6
Brakenlands—Firma ten' et prat'	0	9	5
Salte Cote—Firma tenementorum	1	0	0
Sleight Holme—Firma tenementorum	2	5	4
Mosse Syde—Firma tenementorum	3	8	4
Brome Parke—Firma tenementorum	1	11	3
Rydyng Stangs—Firma tenementorum	0	17	8
Rabye—Firma ten' et prat'	5	0	0
Appulgarthe—Firma un' ten'	1	6	8
Holme—Venditio herbag' in Acrewall	2	7	0
Holme—Firma agistamenti	nihil		
Holme—Opera autumpnal'	nihil		
Holme Gressum' accidental'	nihil		
Holme—Firma cotagiorum	2	15	6
Flemeby—Reddit' et firmæ	14	13	8
Holme—Reddit' et firmæ in diversis villatis	42	18	2

Tarent, or Tarrant Dunnery, in Dorsetshire.



TANNER has recorded the various names of this Monastery: Tarent, or Tarrant Kaines, Kaineston or Kingston, olim Locus Benedictus Reginae super Tarent, or Locus Reginae super Tarent.

Ralph de Kahaines, says Hutchins, son of Ralph who came over with the Conqueror, built here in the time of Richard I. near his mansion house a little Monastery for Nuns, which his son William increased, and among other gifts gave all the tithe of the bread made in his house, wherever he might be, in his demesne, except the King's bread, and all the tithe of salt pork, and of cattle killed in his house every year.^a But though Ralph de Kahaines was the original founder,

bishop Poor, who became bishop of Salisbury in 1217, was the principal one: and has sometimes had the foundation exclusively ascribed to him.^b

In a patent, 8 Edw. I. and 48 Edw. III. this House is said to be of the foundation of Queen Eleanor, wife of King Henry III.; but this, Hutchins says, is to be understood only of her being a great benefactress to, and patroness of this House; on which account, or from the burial of Joan Queen of Scots here, it was stiled in records, as already mentioned, "*Locus benedictus Reginae*," or "*Locus Reginae, super Tarent*." Robert Rouse, knt. was a benefactor, as Leland. Coker says, Sir Thomas de Hinton was often mentioned in the Ledger of Tarent Abbey; but whether as a benefactor or tenant does not appear.^c

Tanner says this Monastery was dedicated to the honor of the blessed Virgin Mary and All Saints.

The particulars of the endowment of this Abbey will be obtained from the Charters in the Appendix, the Valor of the 26th of Henry VIIIth. and the Ministers' Accompts.^d King Henry the Third granted it no fewer than three

^a Hutchins, Hist. Dors. vol. ii. p. 478.
^b As Tanner, Notit. Monast.
^c Hutchins, ut supr.

^d The following are the entries relating to Tarent in Pope Nicholas's Taxation. TEMPORAL. in *Episcopat. Cicestr.* 15*l.* In *Dioc. Sar.*

Charters.^a His charter of confirmation, in the 19th year of his reign, specifies the smaller benefactions by other persons.^b

ABBESSES of TARENT.

MATILDA DE BRYONIA occurs t. Hen. III. and Edw. I.
ELENA made her profession of obedience as Abbess 14 cal. Nov. 1298.^c

ANNA occurs without date.^d

JOAN KINGESTON occurs in 1389.^e

EDITH COKER, in 1506.^f

MARGARET LYNDE was abbess in the 26th Hen. VIII.

MARGARET RUSSEL was the last abbess. She willed her body to be buried in Bere Regis Church.^g

The yearly revenue of this Abbey at the Dissolution, in gross proceeds, amounted to 239*l.* 11*s.* 10*d.*: the net income was 214*l.* 7*s.* 9*d.*

Willis says it was surrendered by the Abbess and eighteen Nuns.

A pension to the Abbess of 40*l.* a-year, was still payable in 1553: with smaller pensions to seven of the Nuns.^h

After the Dissolution, the Abbey, with the manor of Preston or Tarrant Crawford, were granted, for lands in Kent in reversion, to Thomas Wyat.ⁱ Tanner says they were again granted in the 38th Hen. VIII. to Richard Savage and W. Strangeways: and in the 1st of Mary to Nicholas Rokewode.^k The present owner is . . . Portman, Esq. of Brianston.

The COMMON SEAL of this Abbey, had for its subject a nun on her knees, in the attitude of praying to the Virgin and Child. The legend, SIGILLVM . CONVENTVS . DE TARRENT. The impression on red wax, is attached to the surrender, dated 30th March, 30 Hen. VIII. in the Augmentation Office.^l

From Leland's words, that "Tarent nunry *of late* stode about Crayford bridge over Stowre ryvar, lower than Blanford,"^m it is inferred that the demolition of the buildings of this House took place at an early period after the Dissolution. All traces of its buildings have long disappeared.

Cartae ad Tarenteensem Abbatiam, in agro Dorsetensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Regis Henrici tertii de manerio de Husseburn.

[Rot. Fin. 50 H. 3. m. 8.]

REX archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos, pro salute animæ nostræ, et animæ Alianoræ reginæ Angliæ consortis nostræ, necnon animarum antecessorum, et hæredum nostrorum, dedisse, concessisse, et hac carta nostra confirmasse, dilectis nobis in Christo abbatissæ et monialibus de Tarente Cisterciën. ordinis, Deo servientibus, et in perpetuum servituris, manerium nostrum de Husseburn cum pertinentiis, habendum et tenendum eisdem abbatissæ et monialibus, et earum successoribus imperpetuum, de nobis et hæredibus nostris, in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, cum omnibus libertatibus, et liberis consuetudinibus, ad idem manerium pertinentibus, faciendo inde nobis et hæredibus nostris servicium medietatis feodi unius militis, pro omni servitio. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum nostram apud Wyndes. quarto decimo die Decembris.

apud Stodlonde, 13*l.* In Spettbury et Charlton, 2*l.* 13*s.* In Craweford, 15*s.* In Bere, 16*l.* 5*s.* 10*d.* In Hyda, 2*l.* 15*s.* 8½*d.* In Wynterburne, 11*l.* 10*s.* 5*d.* In Blanforde Tarente, 8*s.* In Tarente Kenes, 5*s.* In Tarente Antioch, 14*s.* 6*d.* In Guffith, 8*l.* 0*s.* 0¾*d.* In Woodegate, 10*l.* 9*s.* 0¼*d.* In Pymperne, 3*s.* In Hamforde, 22*l.* 16*s.* 5*d.* In Dioc. Winton. In Husseborne, 10*l.* 3*s.* SPIRITUAL. In Dioc. Sarum. Porcio in ecclesia de Tarente Kaynes, 4*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Ecclesia de Wodegate, 4*l.* See the Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 138 b. 178, 178 b. 183 b. 184 b, 185, 213 b.

^a Compare Numm. I. IV. VI.

^b Num. VI.

^c Reg. Gaunt.

^d MS. E. R. Mores.

^e Reg. Mon. Shafton. MS. Harl. 61. fol. 121.

^f Reg. Andeley, fol. 133.

^g Hutchins, vol. ii. p. 481.

^h Willis, Mit. Ab. Tanner has the following references to Manuscripts and records relating to this Monastery:

"*Vide* Cartam . . . in vol. cartarum mearum orig. notato Hobart, n. 51.

"MS. Dodsworth in bibl. Bodl. Oxon. vol. xxiv. fol. 28 cartam 50 Hen. III.

"Cart. 21 Hen. III. m. 1 et 6. Cart. 24 Hen. III. m. 3 et 4. de maner. de Hamford. Cart. 25 Hen. III. m. 3. Plac. apud Westm. 25 Hen. III. rot. 9. Bund. fin. div. com. ign. 26 Hen. III. n. 82, 83, 84. Fin. div. com. 26 Hen. III. n. 54, 57. Cart. 26 Hen. III. m. 1, 2. Cart. 29 Hen. III. m. 3. Claus. 30 Hen. III. m. 23. Cart. 42 Hen. III. m. 2. Cart. 52 Hen. III. m. . Cart. 53 Hen. III. m. 6. Cart. 55 Hen. III. m. 10. Pat. 17 Edw. p. 2, m. 13. Pat. 21 Edw. III. p. 2, m. . Pat. 24 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . Pat. 26 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 28. Pat.

NUM. II.

Carta Bernardi de Sauue militis.

[Cartæ 8 E. I. n. 35. per Inspex.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri, quod ego Bernardus de Sauue miles dedi, concessi, et hac præsentī carta confirmavi, Deo et beatæ Mariæ et abbatissæ et conventui de Tarente, et suis successoribus, manerium meum de Bendrinton cum homagiis et servitiis, &c. Teste domino Roberto Mucegros, Petro Russeus, Bartholomeo de Turbervill, &c. militibus.

NUM. III.

Carta Johannis de Bohun.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri, quod ego Johannes de Bohun filius et hæres Franconis de Bohun, pro salute animæ meæ, &c. dedi Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de loco benedicto reginæ super Tarente, et Matildi de Brionia ejus-

40 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 26 vel 27. Escaet. Dorset. 40 Edw. III. n. . . . post mortem Joannis Kaines de commun. pastur. in maner. de Tarrant Keyns. Pat. 48 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 16. ad inquirendum de malefactoribus in maneriis de Woodgate, Hamford, Norford, Birchide, Hone, Wentreborn, Stodland, Chilton, Manington, Stowrepain, Gussich Sanctorum, et Gussich S. Andræ, ad hanc abbatiam spectantibus. Pat. 49 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 13 vel 14.

"Rec. in Scacc. 6 Ric. II. Hill. rot. 5. Pat. 9 Ric. II. p. 2. m. 17. de maner. de Hussiborn. Pat. 12 Ric. II. p. 2. m. 20. de maner. de Tarent Kingston. Pat. 15 Ric. II. p. 1. m. 12. de mess. et terris in Craneford, Middlestreet, et Speightesbury. Pat. 18 Ric. II. p. 1. m. 2. Brev. Reg. 19 Ric. II. n. . Pat. 4 Hen. IV. p. 2. m. 39. Pat. 27. Hen. VI. p. 3. m. 8. pro bosco in Husbernwood infra forestam de Chute. Claus. 9 Edw. IV. m. 35. d."

See also Plac. de Quo War. pp. 182, 755. Abbrev. Plac. p. 237. Rot. Hundr. vol. i. pp. 100, 101, 102.

In the King's Remembrancer's Office, Exchequer, is a Record, entitled, "Literæ Regis Patentes Abbatissæ et Monialibus de Tarent." Trin. 3 Hen. IV. rot. 1.

See also Rep. Orig. MSS. Brit. Mus. vol. iii. foll. 364, 365 b; vol. iv. fol. 2. vol. vii. fol. 34.

ⁱ Hutchins, ut supr. p. 478.

^k Notit. Monast. Dorset. xxviii.

^l According to Hutchins, the Arms of this Abbey were in one of the windows of Wolveton House in Dorsetshire. *Az.* a cross patonce Argent. In the first quarter the Virgin Mary sitting.

^m Lel. Itin. vol. vi. p. 51.

dem loci abbatissæ, &c. totum boscum meum quod habeo in bosco de Bere, &c. Testibus, domino Ricardo de Coleshull tunc vicecomite Dorset, Briano Guwiz, Herewardo de Marcis, Jacobo de Trowe, Dionisio de Crofta, militibus, Roberto de Kaignes, &c.

NUM. IV.

Carta Regis Henrici tertii, de protectione.

[Ibid. n. 36.]

HENRICUS, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos suscepisse in manum et protectionem nostram abbatiam de Tarente, quam quidam Ricardus, bonæ memoriæ, Duneholm episcopus fundavit. Concessimus eis omnes donationes subscriptas; videlicet, ex dono Aliciæ de Blanford, et Roberti filii sui, quatuor acras prati, &c. Ex dono Olivæ de Tilly duodecim acras terræ in Lobepenn in campo de Longblanford, et pasturam ad sexaginta oves, &c.

NUM. V.

De Terris in Stanton per Johannam Scotorum Reginam concessis.

[Claus. 22 H. 3. mem. 14.]

MANDATUM est vicecomiti Cantabrigiæ, quod secundum extentionem quam fieri fecit per præceptum regis de viginti libratibus terræ, ad opus abbatissæ et sanctimonialium de Tarent, quas eis legavit Johanna quondam regina Scotorum, cum corpore suo, in manerio de Stanton. Concessit eidem abbatissæ et sanctimonialibus Cxij. acras terræ et dimidiam de dominico ejusdem manerii, et novem virgatas terræ de villenagio, cum villanis illas novem virgatas terræ tenentibus et eorum sequela; videlicet cum Willielmo ad Pontem, &c. Concessimus etiam eisdem quoddam pratum apud Hilton, et viginti novem acras prati in marisco de Stanton, et quindecim acras prati in Hay, &c. eisdem abbatissæ, &c. secundum extentam inde factam plenam sessionam habere facias; salvis executoribus prædictæ reginæ bladibus, provenientibus, et aliis exitibus ejusdem terræ. Teste Rege, apud Windlesore, xxij. Maii.

NUM. VI.

Carta Regis Henrici tertii donatorum concessionem recitans et confirmans.

[Cart. 19 H. 3. m. 4.]

REX archiepiscopis, &c. Sciatis nos, intuitu Dei, et pro salute animæ nostræ et animarum antecessorum nostrorum, concessisse, et hac carta nostra confirmasse, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, Deo et ecclesiæ omnium sanctorum de Tarente, et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus et imperpetuum servituris, omnes donationes subscriptas; scilicet, de dono Radulfi de Kahaynes, prædictam ecclesiam omnium sanctorum, et mansuram illam quæ est ante ecclesiam omnium sanctorum, et croftum illum quod est juxta mansuram illam, et molendinum ante ipsam mansuram; et totam dunam quæ dicitur Thorendune, et dunam illam quæ dicitur Holdeleye et Barsedene; et quatuor acras et dimidiam in Caldecrofte; et terram quæ vocatur Modgare; et duas acras prati ad pontem de Cranforde; et duas acras apud fordam Serlonis; et duas acras in bosco de Chetred; et pasturam ad unam carucatam boum cum bobus ipsius Radulfi; et unam..... geram terræ in Spectberi. De dono Aliciæ de Blanford, et Roberti filii sui, quatuor acras prati. De dono Willielmi de Kahaynes, croftam illam quæ est ante ecclesiam omnium sanctorum, et quadraginta quinque..... in longitudine, et xxv. in latitudine de gardino quod est juxta ecclesiam omnium sanctorum, et totam decimam panis sui facti in domo sua ubicunque fuerit in aliquo dominico suo.....pane de.....et totam decimam carnis salsæ porcinae, ovinae, vaccinae occisæ in domo sua per annum; et unum tonellum contra natale de prima et bona cervisia sua, et aliud tonellum de secunda cervisia, vel brasium ad faciendum tantam cervisiam, singulis annis imperpetuum; et totam culturam in Tarente quæ est inter viam quæ incipit extra fossatum juxta viridem placiam, sicut via illa extendit usque.....stratam versus Blanford; et totam terram in veteri gardino quod dicitur Olburgo Erohard; et totam terram quæ jacet inter terram ecclesiæ de Tarente-Kahaynes versus aquam de Stures, et inter viam quæ vadit de Tarenta ad molendinum situm super aquas de Stures, et ripas utriusque partis gardini in eadem parte usque ad novum fossatum; et pasturam et herbagium in

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bosco suo de Cetrèd, et ad eam liberum ingressum et egressum; et totam terram quæ est in parte orientali inter vetus gardinum et terram monialium quæ dicitur Quarenteyne; et totum pratum quod est juxta pratum personæ Tarente-Kahaynes. De dono prioris et conventus Christi ecclesiæ de Tuynam, duo molendina in Tarente cum pertinentiis suis; et totam terram quæ est in australi parte magnæ viæ quæ tendit apud Blanford; et xij. acras quæ jacent inter terram personæ de Tarente-Kahaynes et Clifordeshall; et unam de bosco in Chetred; et pasturam x. boum, et duarum vaccarum, et unius averii, et centum ovium, cum bobus et vaccis et ovibus Willielmi de Kahaynes in dominica pastura sua. De dono Rogeri de Bosco, totam terram quam habuit usque Barsedene quæ dicitur Rogeresbreche. De dono Walteri Frye, decem et septem acras terræ in Wudict, et medietatem curtæ terræ in remotiore parte gardini. Item de dono ejusdem Walteri, octo acras terræ in Stonihel, et totum spinetum sicut se extendit juxta Stonihel. De dono Willielmi de Wudict: manerium suum de Wudict: cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. De dono Wil. de Antioch ix. acras terræ cum pertinentiis suis. Item de dono ejusdem Willielmi, quinquaginta et quinque acras terræ, et pasturam ad ducentas oves et octo castritios, et sexdecim boves vel sexdecim vaccas, cum dominicis bobus et vaccis suis, et liberum ingressum et egressum ad predicta omnia per totam terram suam. De dono Sarre sororis Willielmi de Antioche, dimidiam virgatam terræ, cum messuagio et curtillo et aliis pertinentiis suis in Tarente. De dono Kaynelli de Wudict, totam curiam suam quam habuit in Wudict; cum crofta vicina, et croftam quæ jacet inter Estputte et Puwytsend, et xxj. acras terræ, et homagium et servitium Willielmi de Chyriel et Stephani de Wudict, et hæredum suorum. De dono Kaynelli filii Reginaldi, dimidiam hidam terræ in dominio de Wudict, et pasturam ad centum oves et x. averia. De dono Radulfi Bret, homagium et servitium, cum relivis wardis et escaetis, et omnibus aliis proventibus ad ipsum et hæredes suos pertinentibus, de terra quam David Conyngas tenuit in Wudict, cum pertinentiis. De dono Olyvæ de Tylly, xij. acras terræ in Lepen, et pasturam ad lx. oves et unum castricum, et tria animalia, et tres porcos. De dono R. Dunelmensis episcopi, totum jus et clamium quod magister Johannes de Reygate ei dedit et concessit per cartam suam in tertia parte unius hidæ terræ, et in quodam messuagio cum gardino in Pynpre. De dono Alexandri de Monteforti et Matildis de Pynpre, tertiam partem unius hidæ terræ cum messuagio et curtilagio, cum prato et pastura, et omnibus aliis ad dictam terram pertinentibus in villa de Pynpre. De dono Amiciæ de Pynpre, tertiam partem unius hidæ terræ cum messuagio et curtilagio, et omnibus aliis ad prædictam terram pertinentibus in villa de Pynpre. De dono Willielmi de Colevill, tres virgatas terræ et dimidiam in villa de Tarente. Habendum et tenendum bene et in pace, liberè et quietè, sicut cartæ donatorum prædictorum, in quibus donationes prædictæ plenius continentur, rationabiliter testantur. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum venerabilis patris Radulfi Cicestrensis episcopi cancellarii nostri, apud Wudestoke, xxiiij. die Julii, anno regni nostri xix.

NUM. VII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

TARENT MONAST'IU' B'TE MARIE VIRGINIS ORDINIS CIST'CIENS'.

Abbatissa Monastij p'd' q' non hēt aliquā certam Porcōem ad usū aut comod' suū p'priū sed hēt et pcipit omnia exit' revenc' et pfic' Possessionū Monastij p'd' ut fidelis Administrator p' sustentacōe et manutenc' Abbathie p'd' in omibz requisit' et necess'.

Valor oīm Mañioz Terr' Teñtoz Hereditamentoz Reddit' Decimaꝝ Oblacōnū Emolumentoz et alioꝝ pficuoꝝ tam Spūaliū q'm Temporalīū que p'dca Abbissa hēt in jure Monastij sui p'dci.

Videlt.

In Spu'alibz.

Crafforde pva p'sonat'.

Valet in omimodis decimis oblaconibz et al' pficuis pochianoꝝ ibm p a^m 3l. 0s. 0d.

Et in oñimodis decimis tr' prat' et pastur' dnicałm in
occupacōne abbisse iŕm p a^m . . . 3l. 6s. 8d.
S^ma 6l. 6s. 8d.

Deducōnes et alloc' jux^a forma' statut'.

Inde solut' archidiacono Dors' p p'dcō psonatu de
Crafforde pva p sinod' et pcuračōnibz annuati' 0l. 2s. 3d.
S^ma 0l. 2s. 3d.

Wodeyats p'sonat'.

Valet p annū in oñimodis decimis . . 6l. 0s. 0d.
Et in oblačōnibz et alijs pficuis p annū 0l. 4s. 0d.
S^ma 6l. 4s. 0d.

Et solut' archidiacono Dors' p p'dco psonat' de Wode-
yats p synod' et pcuračōnibz an^{ti} . . . 0l. 2s. 3d.
S^ma 0l. 2s. 3d.

Hamfforde p'sonat'.

Valet p annū in oñimodis decimis . . 5l. 16s. 8d.
Et in oblačōnibz et alijs pficuis p annū 0l. 3s. 4d.
S^ma 6l. 0s. 0d.

Et solut' archidiacono Dors' p p'dco psonat' de Hamf-
forde p synod' et pcuračōnibz an^{ti} . . . 0l. 9s. 11d.
S^ma 0l. 0s. 11d.

Kayneston porcō.

Valet p annū in quadm porcōne decimaz tr' dnicałm in
occupac' abbisse 3l. 6s. 8d.
S^ma 3l. 6s. 8d.

S^ma annui valoris oīm possessionū
spūaliū sup^adict' 21l. 17s. 4d.
S^ma oīm deducc' et alloc' sup^adict' 0l. 14s. 5d.

In temporalibz.

Man'iu' de Tarent.

Valet p annū viz. in redd' assis' . . . 2l. 2s. 6d.
Et in pfic' tr' dnicałm in occupačōne abbisse p annū
7l. 13s. 4d.

Et in pastur' dō ariet' silit' in occupačōne ejusdm
abbisse p annū 2l. 10s. 0d.
S^ma 12l. 5s. 10d.

Inde in reddu resolut' vic' com' Dors' exeūt' de tr' in
Middestrete al' Wardenstrete infra p'dict' mañiū de Tarent
an^{ti} 0l. 6s. 8d.

Et in feod' Riči Machym bałfi ejusdm mañij p annū
2l. 10s. 0d.
S^ma 2l. 16s. 8d.

Man'iu' de Kayneston.

Valet p a^m viz. in reddit' assis' . . . 14l. 1s. 0½d.
Reddit' molendini iŕm p a^m 3l. 0s. 0d.
P'fic' tr' dnicałm in occupac' abbisse p annū
5l. 0s. 0d.

Et in pastur' 400 oviū vocat' ewes in occupačōne abbisse
p annū 6l. 13s. 4d.

Et in pastur' D. oviū vocat' hoggs silit' in occupačōne
ejusdm abbisse p annū 5l. 8s. 4d.
Vendičō bosc' iŕm čōibz a^{is} 0l. 16s. 8d.
P'fic' cur' iŕm viz in finibz ħiett' et alijs pquis' čōibz
annis 0l. 3s. 4d.
S^ma 35l. 2s. 8½d.

Et in reddit' resolut' p'ori Xpi ecclie de Twyneham in
com' South' exeūt' de p'dco molendino in mañio de Kayn-
ston p'dict' an^{ti} 0l. 14s. 0d.

Et in feod' Thome Bole bałfi p'dči mañij de Kaynston
annuati' 1l. 10s. 0d.
S^ma 2l. 4s. 0d.

Man'iu' de Wynt'borne Musterton.

Valet p a^m viz. in reddit' assis' . . . 3l. 19s. 0d.
P'fic' tr' dnicałm in occupac' abbisse p annū
3l. 12s. 8d.

Et in pastur' 350 oviū ĩric' in occupačōne ejusdm
abbisse p a^m 1l. 16s. 8d.

In pficuis cur' viz. in finibz ħiett' et alijs pquis' čōibz a^{is}
0l. 2s. 0d.
S^ma 13l. 10s. 4d.

Et in reddit' resolut' abbi de Mylton 6s. Johi Rogers
mil' 13s. 4d. Et hundřo de Coukesdyche 1s. Exeut' de
p'dco mañio de Wynřborne Must'ton an^{ti} in toto
1l. 0s. 4d.

Et in feod' Wiłłmi Howlet bałfi ejusdm mañij p a^m
1l. 6s. 8d.
S^ma 2l. 7s. 0d.

Man'iu de Crafforde Magna.

Valet p a^m viz. in redd' assis' . . . 2l. 12s. 11½d.
In tr' dnicalibz ad firm' dimiss' viz. in p'cio reddit' fru-
ment' 4 q^{art} 1l. 1s. 4d. Ordei 4 q^{art} 10s. 8d. Aven' 4
q^{art} 5s. 4d. 1l. 17s. 4d.
In pastur' 160 ariet' in occupac' abbisse p a^m 0l. 13s. 4d.
P'fic' cur' viz. in finibz ħiett' et al' pquis' p a^m čōibz
annis 0l. 1s. 4d.
S^ma 5l. 13s. 11½d.

Et in reddu resolut' Wiłłmo Mylborne 6d. Et hundřo
de Lusbarugh 2s. Exeut' de p'dco mañio de Crafford
Magna an^{ti} 0l. 2s. 6d.

Et in feod' Marmaduci Lovell bałfi ejusdm mañij p
annū 0l. 1s. 0d.
S^ma 0l. 3s. 6d.

Man'iu' de Chareilton.

Valet p a^m viz. in reddit' assis' . . . 2l. 14s. 10d.
In tr' dnical' ad firm' dimiss' . . . 2l. 13s. 4d.
In pastur' 180 ariet' in occupac' abbisse p annū
0l. 15s. 0d.

P'fic' cur' viz. in finibz ħiett' et al' pquis' čōibz annis
0l. 0s. 8d.
S^ma 6l. 3s. 10d.

Et in feod' Georgij Jerard bałfi p'dči mañij de Cha-
relton p annū 0l. 1s. 6d.
S^ma 0l. 1s. 6d.

Stodelonde.

Valet in redd' tr' et teñt' iŕm p a^m . . 6l. 13s. 4d.

Stourepayn.

Valet in redd' tr' et teñt' p a^m . . . 2l. 4s. 4d.

Mannyngeton.

Valet in redd' tr' et teñt' p a^m . . . 2l. 13s. 4d.

Notefford.

Valet in redd' tr' et teñt' iŕm p a^m 12l. 0s. 0d.

Blandforde For'.

Valet in redd' 1 teñti p a^m 0l. 4s. 0d.

Antiocheston.

Valet in redd' tr' et teñt' p a^m . . . 0l. 13s. 4d.

Bradpole.

Valet in redd' 1 mes' p a^m 0l. 17s. 4d.
S^ma 25l. 4s. 8d.

Et in reddu resolut' Thome Husee armigero exeūt' de
tr' et teñt' in Stourepayne p'dict' cū 8d. p di' liŕ pipis p a^m
0l. 6s. 8d.

S^ma 0l. 6s. 8d.

Wodeyats.

Valet p a^m in tr' et teñt' ad firm' dimiss' 6l. 17s. 3d.
Et in p'cio reddit' viz. orde' 10 q^{art} 1l. 6s. 8d. Aven'
10 q^{art} 13s. 4d. 2l. 0s. 0d.
Vend' bosc' iŕm čōibz annis 0l. 6s. 8d.
S^ma 9l. 3s. 11d.

Et an^{ti} solut' dne Regine p man' loci tenent' chacee dce
dne Regine de Cramborne exeunt' de tr' et de teñt' Wode-
yat p'dict' 0l. 13s. 4d.
S^ma 0l. 13s. 4d.

Et in on'e panis s'vicie et pisciu' qual't die die ven'is
septimanati' p' a^m p'cept' p' quinq' forestarios d'ce chacee de
Cramborne p' eoř prand' apud Wodeyat' p'dict' si'l' cu' pu-
tur' canu' suoř eod'm tempore 5l. 4s. 0d.

Man'iu de Gussage Sči Andree.

Valet p a^m viz. in redd' assis' . . . 2l. 8s. 8d.
Et in tr' dnicalibz ad firm' dimiss' viz. in p'cio reddit'

frument' 8 q^{art} 2l. 2s. 8d. Ordei 8 q^{art} 1l. 1s. 4d. Aven' 8 q^{art} 10s. 8d. 3l. 14s. 8d.
Vend' bosc' cōibz annis 0l. 5s. 0d.
P'fic' cur' viz. in finibz hiet' et al' pquis' cōibz annis 0l. 1s. 8d.
S^ma 6l. 10s. 0d.

Man'iu' de Gussage om'iu' S^cōz.

Valet p a^m viz. in redd' assis' 10l. 1s. 7d.
Et in tr' dñicalibz ad firm' dimiss' viz. in p'cio reddit' frument' 10 q^{art} 2l. 13s. 4d. Ordei 8 q^{art} 1l. 1s. 4d. Aven' 8 q^{art} 10s. 8d. 4l. 5s. 4d.
Et in pastur' 160 ariet' in occupa^cōne abbisse p a^m 0l. 13s. 4d.
In p'fic' cur' viz. in finibz hiet' et al' pquis' coibz annis 0l. 3s. 4d.
S^ma 15l. 3s. 7d.

Et in reddit' resolut' p'ori dom' Dei de Southampton 3s. In com' South et hundrō de Knolton' exeut' de p'dco mañio de Gussage oīm S^cōz annuat' 2s. 0l. 5s. 0d.
Et in feod' Thome Gawyn armigeri bañi ejusdm mañij p annū 0l. 10s. 0d.
S^ma 0l. 15s. 0d.

Hamfforde.

Valet p a^m in tr' et teñt' ad firm' dimiss' 4l. 0s. 0d.
Et in p'cio reddit' viz. frument' 20 q^{art} 5l. 6s. 8d. Ordei 20 q^{art} 2l. 13s. 4d. Aven' 20 q^{art} 1l. 6s. 8d. 9l. 6s. 4d.
In reddit' duoz viñloz 0l. 3s. 4d.
In p'cio reddit' 200 colu'baž 0l. 5s. 0d.
S^ma 13l. 15s. 0d.

Man'iu' de Bere.

Valet p a^m viz. in redd' assis' 21l. 1s. 6d.
In tr' dñicalibz ad firm' dimiss' viz. in p'cio reddit' frument' 9 q^{art} vj. bž 2l. 12s. Ordei 6 q^{art} vj. bž 18s. Aven' 12 q^{art} 16s. 4l. 6s. 0d.
In pastur' 600 ariet' in occupac' abbisse p annū 2l. 10s. 0d.
In p'fic' nundinaž ap^d Wodeburyhyll inf^a mañiū p'dict' cōibz annis 2l. 0s. 0d.
In vend' bosc' cōibz annis 0l. 10s. 0d.
In p'fic' cur' viz. in finibz hiet' et al' pquis' cōibz a^{is} 0l. 16s. 8d.
S^ma 31l. 4s. 2d.

Et in reddit' resolut' vic' com' Dors' ad tñū tent' ad Crucē de Bere exeñt' de p'dcō mañio de Bere an^{ti} 0l. 12s. 0d.
Et in feod' Rogeri Gye bañi ejusdm mañij de Bere annuat' 0l. 10s. 0d.
S^ma 1l. 2s. 0d.

Hyde.

Valet p a^m viz.

In p'cio redd' frument' 1 q^{art} 5s. 4d. Ordei 5 q^{art} 13s. 4d. Aven' 4 q^{art} 5s. 4d. In p'c' redd' Bovicloz 4 1l. 12s. Vacc' 4 1l. 12s.
S^ma 4l. 8s. 0d.

Man'iu' de Benderton.

Valet p annū viz. in reddit' assis' 16l. 0s. 0d.
Vend' bosc' cōibz annis 0l. 1s. 0d.
In p'fic' cur' viz. in finibz hiet' et al' pquis' cōibz annis 1s. 8d.
S^ma 16l. 2s. 8d.
Et in feod' Johis Smythe bañi p'dcī mañij de Benderton p annū 10s. 0l. 10s. 0d.
Man'iu' de Husseborne Tarent.
Valet p a^m in reddit' assis' 13l. 18s. 2d.
In tr' dñicalibz ad firmā dimiss' 8l. 0s. 0d.
Vend' bosc' iñm cōibz a^{is} 1l. 0s. 0d.
P'fic' cur' viz. in finibz hiet' et al' pquis' cōibz annis 16s. 8d.
S^ma 23l. 14s. 10d.

Et in reddit' resolut' vic' com' South' ad turnū tent' apud Pastrowe exeun' de p'dict' mañio de Husborne annuat' 0l. 6s. 8d.

Et in feodo Wiñmi Helyer bañi mañij p'dict' p annū 1l. S^ma 1l. 6s. 8d.
S^ma annui valor' oīm possess' temporal' sup^adict' 217l. 14s. 6d.
S^ma deduct' et alloc' oīm temporal' liū possess' sup^adict' 12l. 6s. 4d.
S^ma to^{us} annui valoris oīm possess' tam spūal' q^am temporal' sup^adict' 239l. 11s. 0d.
S^ma to^{us} deduct' et alloc' oīm possess' t^am spūal' q^am temporal' sup^adict' 13l. 0s. 9d.
Et reman' 226l. 11s. 1d.
De quibz.

Elemosine.

P'dict' abbissa petit allocari p quad^am elemosina pan' fact' et distribut' int' paupes in cena D'ni an^{ti} Alianore q^ondm Regine Anglie fundat'cis monastij p'dcī 2l. 13s. 4d.
Et in consil' elemosina pan' an^{ti} fact' et distribut' int' paupes ad carñpūm p aña p'dict' fundatric's an^{ti} 0l. 6s. 8d.

Feod'.

Et in feodo Thome Trenchard milit' jux^a formā statuti capit'is senescalli' tr' et teñtoz monastij p'dcī p annū 2l. 13s. 4d.
Et in feodo Thome Gawyne armig' auditoris monastij p'dict' annuat' 1l. 13s. 4d.
Et in feodo Wiñ Jolyff alñius auditoris annuat' 2l. 16s. 8d.
Et in feodo Johes Dyet recept' geñal' monastij p'dcī an^{ti} 2l. 0s. 0d.
S^ma 12l. 3s. 4d.
Et rem' clar' 214l. 7s. 9d.
X^{ma} p^s inde p dño rege 21l. 8s. 9½d.

NOĪA OFFICIARIOZ.
MARGARETE LYNDE p'orissa.
ANNA CHEVĒLL subp'orissa.
JOH^aNNA MORE celeraria.
ALICIA HARTE sacrista.

P'dict' p'orissa subp'orissa celeraria et sacrista nulla hent tr' teñt' seu p'ficua spūalia aut temporal' ad eož offic' spectan'. Ult^a talem sustenta^cōnē qualem ceti moniales monastij p'dict' hent aut p'cipiunt. Sed solomodo quasdm pvas pietanc' in pane potu et cibarijs.

NUM. VIII.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 30 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE TARRANTE.

Com' Dors'	£	s.	d.
Tarrante—Firma scit' et ten' dñical	10	13	0
Keyneston—Reddit' lib ten'	0	5	10 ob.
Crafforde pva—Reddit' lib ten'	0	5	6
Keyneston—Reddit' custum' tenen'	8	10	10
Crafforde pva—Reddit' custum' tenen'	6	8	2
Keyneston—Firmascit' maner' cum terr' dñical	20	17	0
Keyneston—Firma porc' decim'	3	6	8
Keyneston—Perquis' cur'	0	9	4
Wynterborne—Reddit' custum' tenen'	1	13	1 ob.
Crafforde Magna—Reddit' lib ten'	0	4	11 ob.
Crafforde Magna—Reddit' custum' ten'	1	17	4
Middelstrett—Reddit' assis'	1	10	4
Crafforde Magna—Firma capital man' cum' terr' dñical	2	14	0
Crafforde Magna—Perquis' cur'	0	1	4
sed non respond. ratione act. parl. de generali pardonatione dñi regis.			
Charleton—Reddit' lib ten'	0	7	0

Com' Dors'	£	s.	d.	Com' Dors'	£	s.	d.
Charleton—Firma scit' maner' cum' terr' dnical	3	8	4	Hampford—Firma maner' cum' rec-tor'	20	5	4
Stodeland—Firma ten' dnical	6	13	4	Bere Regis—Reddit' lib' ten'	0	2	4
Mannynghston—Reddit' reservat'	0	5	4	Stokeley—Reddit' custum' ten'	2	15	10
Nottisforde—Firma maner' et ten'	12	0	0	Beare Regis—Reddit' custum' ten'	15	8	4
Bradepole juxta Birporte—Firma ten' prat', &c.	0	17	4	Beare Regis—Firma capital mans' maner' cum' terr', &c.	8	16	6
Wodeyate—Firma maner' cum' rec-tor'	8	17	3	Beare Regis—Firma terr' dnical	5	17	0
Gussage sanct' Andreae—Reddit' assis'	2	8	8	Beare Regis—Perquis' cur'	0	19	8
Gussage sancti Andreae—Firma maner'	3	18	0	Hyde—Firma redd' reservat' ma-ner'	0	8	9 ob.
Gussage omnium sanctorum—Red-dit' assis' lib' ten'	2	5	0	Bynderton—Firma maner'	nihil.		
Gussage omnium sanctorum—Red-dit' custum' ten'	8	15	4	quia annex' honori de Petworth.			
Gussage omnium sanctorum—Fir-ma terr' dnical	4	18	8	Husseborn Tarrante—Reddit' assis' tam lib' quam cust' ten'	15	10	11
Gussage omnium sanctorum—Per-quis' cur'	0	2	6	Husseborn Tarrante—Firma ma-ner'	8	0	0
				Stowrepene et Antecheton—Red-dit' assis'	17	8	0
				Crafforde Parva—Firma decimarum	6	6	8

Tiltey Abbey, in Essex.



ILTEY and Woodham, in the first Edition of Bishop Tanner's Notitia Monastica, were accounted the same foundation, upon the authority of the former Edition of Dugdale's Monasticon; but, as in the Surrender of Tiltey Abbey no mention occurs of Woodham, and as the dedication and Order of that House was different from Tiltey, there can be no doubt that

they were separate Houses. Woodham was, in fact, the other designation of Bickenacre Priory in Essex. Robert de Ferrers, earl of Derby, and Maurice Fitz Jeffery or Fitz-Gilbert, about the year 1152, founded the Abbey of Tiltey; and dedicated it to the Virgin Mary.^a Its first endowment may be seen in the Charters of confirmation granted by King Henry the Second and King Richard the First. According to Stowe's Annals this Abbey was pillaged by a division of King John's army in 1215.^b

The Revenues of this Abbey in 1291 amounted to the annual sum of 115*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.*^c In the 26th Hen. VIII. the gross income amounted to 177*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.*: the clear income to 167*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* The following are the only names of the

^a Maurice English, sometime earl of Essex, saith Speed, ex Leland. Collect. tom. i. p. 63. But if he was the same with *Maurice de Tiretai*, he was only *Viccomes* not *Comes* Essex. Camden and Weever call him *Maurice Fitz-Gilbert*. Tann. Notit. Mon. Essex, xlii. note p.
The St. Werburgh's Chron. and the Annals of Burton agree in the year 1152 as that of the Foundation. The Chron. of Parco-Lude says 1153. Chron. Rad. de Coggeshall, Cott. Vespas. D. x. fol. 47. 1154. The former Edit. of the Monasticon, vol. ii. p. 75, seems to place it as low as A.D. 1188.
^b Stowe's Annals, edit. 1592, p. 252.
^c Viz. In *Dioc. Lond.* in Temporal. In paroch. S. Mich. Cornhill 13*s.* 4*d.* In Berkway de terris et fetu animal. 4*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.* In Estred de terris 4*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* In Thornleye de redd. 2*s.* In Pelham parva de redd. 2*s.* In Chikeneey 7*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* In Schelewe de redd. 7*s.* In Thacsted de terr. et redd. 1*l.* 3*s.* 8½*d.* In Lindesele de redd. 2*s.* In Chaure de terr. redd. molend. et fetu 8*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.* In Rothing Berners de redd. 7*s.* 6*d.* In Felsted de redd. 1*s.* In Eyestan ad montem de terr. redd. molend. et fetu 2*l.* 16*s.* In Alta Estrade de terris et redd. 4*l.* 5*s.* 3*d.* In Dunnowe Magna de redd. 10*d.* In Rothing Aythorp de terr. et redd. 4*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.* In Busistend ad Terrim de redd. 2*s.* In Stebbing de redd. 6*d.* In Hengham Sibill de redd. 6*d.* In Wodeham Mortimer 3*s.* In Wodeham Walter 4*s.* In Stepildone 17*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.* In Mailonde 13*s.* 4*d.*

ABBATS of TILTEY

which have occurred. SIMON is mentioned as a witness to a charter in one of the Wardon Chartularies, in the time of Gerard Prior of Norwich, A.D. 1199.^d received benediction as abbat 7th Nov. 1436.^e JOHN LONDON became abbat 1 Apr. 1515.^f ROGER DE BEVERLEY received benediction as abbat 30 Nov. 1517.^g JOHN BOSFORNS, *alias* BROWNE, or BROME, occurs in 1520.^h EDMUND EMERY, according to Willis, was the last abbat. He surrendered his Monastery to the King Feb. 28th, 1537.ⁱ The Site of this Abbey was granted in the 34th Hen. VIII. to Thomas Lord Audley.^k Tanner says in the 35th Hen. VIII. Tanner mentions a CHARTULARY of Tiltey formerly in the possession of Lord Maynard.^l The COMMON SEAL of Tiltey was of a round form, it represented the Virgin Mary crowned, having in her right hand a sceptre, in her left the divine infant. On either side of her three persons praying. The Inscription remaining round the Impression attached to the Surrender is SIGILLV ASTERII . BEATE . MARIE . DE . TYLTEYA

A neat View of the REMAINS of this Abbey is engraved in Excursions in the County of Essex, vol. ii. p. 114.

In Chyggewell 4*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.* In Waltham Magna 4*s.* In Lega Magna 5*s.* 6*d.* In Wodeham Ferrers 8*s.* In Writtele 1*s.* In Nigra Nutteleye 3*s.* 8*d.* In Lytlebury 4*l.* 9*s.* In Elmedon 4*l.* 5*s.* 10½*d.* In Wenden Louth 3*l.* 0*s.* 10*d.* In Chichalle parva 4*s.* 4*d.* In Heyden 9*s.* In Newport 6*s.* 1*d.* In Crishale 9*l.* 9*s.* 9½*d.* In Cheshale Magna 5*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* In Hampstede 7*s.* 8*d.* In Depeden 9*l.* 19*s.* 10½*d.* In Thakeley 1*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.* In Berdefeud Magna 9*s.* 11*d.* In Radewynter 5*l.* 19*s.* In *Dioc. Norwic.* In Parva Gernemuthe de reddit. 10*s.* 2*d.* In Livermere parva de terris 8*s.* 4*d.* In Troftone 2*s.* 6*d.* In Bernham S. Martini de terr. 5*s.* In Fakenham Magna de terr. et fetu animal. 4*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.* De redd. in Thirlanwe parva 1*s.* See the Taxat. Nich. IV. pp. 12 b. 14 b. 15 b. 17. 25. 25 b. 26. 27 b. 28 b. 29. 124. 131. 132 b.
^d Mr. Hunter's Chartul. of Wardon, fol 66.
^e Rag. Gilb. episc. Lond.
^f Ibid.
^g Reg. Fitzj.
^h MS. Colc, vol. xxvi. fol. 191 b.
ⁱ Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 82.
^k In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office in the Exchequer is a Record thus entitled, "Tyltey. De Literis Regis patentibus de nuper Monasterio de Tyltey et aliis in Comitatu Essex Thomæ domino Audley factis." Pasch. Rec. 34 Hen. VIII. rot. 23.
^l He adds, "Vide in bibl. Harleiana MS. 60. fol. 13. Temporalia Abbatis de



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Oct. 19, 1749, Mr. Townsend, one of the Members, exhibited to the Soc. of Antiquaries eight ancient rolls finely written on vellum, fixed together with silken strings, to which was appendant an oval Seal in green wax, represent-

ing the figure of an abbat in his robes, having a pastoral staff in his right hand, with this Inscription, SIGILLVM ROBERTI ABBATIS DE TILTEA.^a

Cartae ad Tilteyensem Abbatiam, in agro Essexiensi, spectantes; fundatam anno Dom. Mclij.^b

NUM. I.

Carta Regis Henrici secundi Donatorum Concessionem recitans et confirmans.

[Carta antiquæ, GG. n. 4. Vide Pat. 35 E. III. part. 1, m. 28. Et Pat. 15 E. IV. part 1, m. 3.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, et dux Normanniæ et Aquitaniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis me, petitione et prece Mauricii filii Galfridi de Tireteia, concessisse et præsentem cartam confirmasse terras et redditus quos idem Mauricius concessit et dedit ecclesiæ sancti Johannis Bapt. de Wodeham et canonicis ibidem Deo servientibus, pro pecunia quam mihi debebat; scilicet in Haningefeld et in Ginga iiii. hidas terræ de feodo comitis de Warena. Et in Liltinges de feodo Walteri filii Roberti j. hidam et j. virgatam; et de eodem feodo in Nortona dimidiam hidam. Et in eadem villa de feodo Hamonis Coci dimidiam hidam. Et in Wodeham de feodo comitis de Ferrariis totum essartum Ainulfi quod idem comes W. dedit, petitione ipsius Mauricii, præfatæ ecclesiæ sancti Johannis. Et in Halesleia de feodo Warini xl. acras terræ. Et in Stodleg de feodo Gilberti de Munfichet unam carucatam terræ, simul cum molendino de Twifelda. Et xl. sol. redditus de terra Wulwardi Church, quam Robertus Blundus tenuit in Wudeham. Et totum tenementum de Eltneia quod Fulco de Blendec. eis dedit in perpetuam elemosinam, quod Mauricius prædictus de eo tenuit, quod et ipse Mauricius eis dedit. Et totum boscum quod idem Mauricius habuit in Stodleg, et in Fildemshewde, et nominatim boscum quod Johannes de Duno dedit præfatæ ecclesiæ. Et totum boscum de Fildemsewde quod pertinet ad Steplun. Et præter hæc tantum de bosco de Wodeham quantum Mauricius habebat in dominico suo, sicut via vadit in Brichhage versus orientem, totum ultra rivulum versus aquilonem qui currit sub abbacia usque ad Fulebroc. Et de bosco Mauricii de Wodeham quicquid est intra clausum abbatiæ et boscum com. in australi parte, usque ad viam quæ ducit de Brichhage, et usque ad cameram clausi abbatiæ quæ est in orienti. Quare volo, &c. Test. G. episcopo London. Ric. thesaur. Ric. de Lucy, Regin. de Curtenay, &c. apud Westm.

NUM. II.

Carta Regis Ricardi primi.

[Cartæ antiquæ, Y. ii. 9. Vide Cart. de ann. 34 et 35 H. III. m. 7.]

RICARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dux Normanniæ, Aquitanniæ, comes Andegaviæ, archiepisc., &c. salutem. Sciatis nos pro amore Dei et pro salute nostra, et omnium antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, concessisse et præ-

senti carta nostra confirmasse abbatiæ de Tilteia, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus secundum ordinem Cisterciensium, omnes donationes, venditiones, et concessionem eis rationabiliter factas; videlicet totam terram de Tilteia, quæ est de feodo comitis de Ferrariis, cum omnibus pertinentiis, in qua illorum abbacia fundata est, sicut comes Rob. de Ferrariis et Mauricius fil. Gaufridi eis concesserunt, et per cartas suas rationabiles eis confirmaverunt. Et totam terram quam habent de feodo Mathei Peverell, cum omnibus pertinentiis, et Derkin de Lake, et Willielmi filii Gaufridi, et Radulfi de Chaureia, et Garin de Chaureia, et Rad. de Buell, et Will. Cucire. Et totam terram quam habent in villa Depeden et Amberdene cum omnibus pertinentiis, de feodo Hudonis fil. Ernisi, et Rob. fil. Ernisi, et Hug. Carbonell, et Will. de Stilbinge, et Ric. Turbern. Et grangiam de Dudenho cum omnibus pertinentiis de feodo Henr. le Hovit. Et totam terram quam habent de feodo Roberti de Luscy, cum omnibus pertinentiis, et de feodo Reimbaldi de Claveringe, et Will. de Rokell, Will. Goer, et Ric. Goer, et Rob. de Betvillies, Walteri de Dittonc. Grangiam etiam de Christhall, quæ est de feodo Roberti de Lucy, cum omnibus pertinentiis. Et totam terram quam habent de feodo Roberti Rumbald, et Willielmi Kardun, et Hug. Furre, et Will. Barun, et Rogeri fil. Fulconis. Et totam terram quam habent in territorio de Dukeswrth, cum omni pastura ejusdem villæ, et omnibus aliis pertinentiis. Et terram quam habent in campo de Fugelmere. Et grangiam de Bokesworth cum omnibus pertinentiis de feodo Albrici Picot. Et totam terram quam habent ex dono Will. Korges, et Ric. de Komton, cum communi pastura de Komton. Grangiam etiam de Ringmere de feodo Petri de Valoniis, cum communi pastura et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis. Et totam terram et brueriam quam habent de feodo Theobaldi Cachenathe, et Rad. Kachenathe, et Philippi de Verley. Et totam terram quam habent in hundr. de Denegeia cum omnibus pertinentiis, de feodo Raun. de Mandevill, et de feodo Briani fil. Radulfi, cum molendino, et Richardi Peittevilein, et Gervasii de Wineswith, et Petronillæ de Mortuo mare. Et totam terram quam habent de feodo Hug. de Burgon, et Hamonis de Badewe, et Will. Parvi de Sioberi, cum omnibus pertinentiis in berkariis, domibus, ædificiis, hominibus, homagiis, redditibus, serviciis, servientibus, pratis, pasturis, &c. sicut rationabiles cartæ vel cirographa donatorum, venditorum, concessorum, vel excambiatorum suorum testantur de possessionibus quas ipsi habent, vel quas in posterum rationabiliter adquirent, de cujuscunque feodo fuerint. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum magistri Rosselin agentis cancellarii nostri vices, apud Susam, tertio die Februarii, anno regni nostri decimo.

Tyltey. Cart. antiq. RR. 22. Fin. Suff. 3 Hen. III. n. 99. de caruc. terræ in Bentley. Cart. 28 Hen. III. m. 2. Cart. 30 Hen. III. m. 9. Cart. 34 et 35 Hen. III. m. 7. Cart. 36 Hen. III. m. 24. Fin. Suff. 51 Hen. III. n. 4. de pastura ccc. ovium in Fakenham. Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 31. deten. in Chrishale. Fin. div. com. 4 Edw. I. n. 36. pro cclxxx. acris terræ, &c. in Chickney, &c. Pat. 6 Edw. III. m. 28, 29. et p. 2, m. 26. pro ten. et terr. in Eiston M. Esc. 43 Edw. III. n. 10. post mortem H. de Bohun com. Heref. de terris in Estre. Pat. 46 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 23. de messuagio et terris in Thaxted. Pat. 14 Edw. IV. p. 1, m. 3."

See also Abbrev. Plac. pp. 127, 262. Rot. Hundr. pp. 53, 55, 157, 193.

^a These Rolls contained a Transcript of about sixty charters and confirmations of grants of lands, and other things belonging to the granges of Thornden and Waterden, in Essex: which the donors, for the salvation of their souls, &c. gave in pure and perpetual alms to God

and the blessed Mary, and to the monks of Coggeshall serving God there.

They are thus endorsed, "Transcript. Cartarum qual. hab. abb. de Tylet. de Grang. de Thorend. et Waterden. xxxviij." And the abbat of Tiltey's Instrument under his Seal imports that he [brother Robert as he styles himself] and his convent, in the year of our Lord 1260, on the morrow of St. Thomas the Apostle, had received from Thomas of Coggeshall and his convent all the charters therein transcribed which they had in their power belonging to those granges which they held in free-farm from the abbat of Coggeshall. In order that if the abbat of Tiltey or his successors should be impleaded of those granges, or any of their possessions, or any of these charters should be lost, this transcript might remain as a record. It concluded thus: "Et ut veritas hujus rei successoribus utriusque domus prædictæ patefiat et robur firmitatis optineat in perpetuum—prædictarum Transcriptum apud Coggeshall in præsentibus Rotulis fecimus inseri et Sigillo nostro communiri."

^b Chron. S. Werburgæ Cestr. in bibl. Cotton.

NUM. III.			London'	£. s. d.
COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.			London—Firma diversorum tenemen-	
[Abstract of Roll, 38 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]			torum at cotag' in Woddestrete et	
TYLTEY NUPER MONASTERIUM.			Mylkestrete	7 0 0
Com' Essex'	£. s. d.		Com' Essex'	
Chaurey et Tyltey—Firma unius cotag'			Tyltey—Reddit' assis' et ad volunt'	6 19 1
et cert' terr'	1 10 4		Parlesdon Grene—Reddit' assis', &c. .	0 6 0
Lytelbury—Firma trium molendin' in			Broxsted—Reddit' assis', &c. . . .	0 13 10
villis de Lytelbury, Walden, et Stra-			Thaxted—Reddit' assis', &c. . . .	0 15 10
thalle	2 3 4		Stebbyng—Reddit' assis', &c. . . .	0 0 6
Ykelington—Firma grangiæ vocat'			Blake Notley—Reddit' assis', &c. . .	0 3 8
Ykelington Graunge	5 6 8		Magna Lyes—Reddit' assis', &c. . .	0 4 0
Duxworthe—Firma cert' terr' vocat'			Chattesham—Reddit' assis', &c. . .	0 0 8
Maugers	1 0 0		Magna Waltham—Reddit' assis', &c. .	0 4 2
Eston Magna—Firma unius grangiæ .	3 13 4		Wrytell—Reddit' assis', &c. . . .	0 1 0
Radewynter—Firma grangiæ	6 13 4		Badowe—Reddit' assis', &c. . . .	0 3 4
Dodnalle—Firma grangiæ	6 13 4		Alta Ester—Reddit' assis', &c. . . .	0 2 0
Eryshall—Firma grangiæ	6 6 8		Lyndesell—Reddit' assis', &c. . . .	0 4 0
Chyshull—Firma grangiæ	6 0 0		Eston Magna—Reddit' assis', &c. . .	0 2 0
Stepulle—Firma grangiæ	32 0 0		Dunmowe—Reddit' assis', &c. . . .	0 1 1
Rodyng Eythorppe—Firma grangiæ .	10 0 0		Wethersfeld—Reddit' assis', &c. . .	0 2 0
Venors in Thaxted—Firma grangiæ .	4 2 5		Parva Berdefeld—Reddit' assis', &c. .	0 1 0
Denys in Debden—Firma grangiæ . .	5 11 0		Takeley—Reddit' assis', &c. . . .	0 2 6
Chigewell—Firma grangiæ	3 10 0		Tyltey—Reddit' de Nich' Collynes .	1 5 0
Takeley—Firma grangiæ	3 6 8		Tyltey—Reddit de Wiffmo Hokeley .	0 2 4
Tyltey—Firma totius grangiæ ac terr'			Waldon—Firma trium shoparum . .	0 14 0
dominical'	20 0 0		Com' Cantab'	
Thornedon et Waterdon--Firma grangiæ	2 13 4		Cantabrigia—Reddit' de Goddeshouse .	0 13 4
Boxworth—Firma grangiæ	1 13 4		Cantabrigia—Reddit' de provost' dñi regis	0 2 0
Ryngmer—Firma grangiæ	4 0 0		Cantabrigia—Reddit' de fratribus sancti	
			Augustini	0 2 0

Abbey of Dieulacres, in Staffordshire.



DIEULACRES ABBEY was situated not in Cheshire, as Dugdale has represented in the former edition of this Work, but upon the borders of that county, in the parish of Leek, in Staffordshire. It was founded by Randal the third, surnamed de Blundeville, Earl of Chester, A.D. 1214; who, having translated the monks from PULTON, in Cheshire, hither,^a dedicated it to the Virgin Mary and St. Benedict.^b Robert Pincerna's charter for the first foundation at Pulton, will be found in the Appendix of Instruments;^c with Earl Hugh's charter in confirmation of it.^d Earl Ralph's charter establishing the foundation at Dieulacres will also be found in the Appendix;^e with two other charters, one giving the monks the manor of Leek, and directing his heart to be interred in their church, the other bestowing upon them the lands of Rudeyard.^f An Agreement between the abbeys of Crokesden and Dieulacres respecting lands which might be acquired by the latter in the neighbourhood of Crokesden, a deed of the abbat of Shrewsbury by which the vills of Northbrae and Little Biscopham, with the tithes of Laton, were let to farm to the Abbey of Dieulacres, and a grant from Roger de Menilwarin of Housebote

and Haybote, in the wood of Pevere, are the remaining deeds preserved by Dugdale.^g The following are the only entries relating to this abbey in the taxation of 1291. "*Spiritual.* Dioc. Coventr. ecclesia de Leek cum Capella, appropriata 28*l.* *Temporal.* Dioc. Coventr. et Lich. 29*l.* 15*s.* in Dioc. Ebor. 61*l.* 10*s.*"^h **ABBATS of DIEULACRES.** RICHARD was the first abbat.ⁱ WILLIAM, *t.* Tho. abb. Cestr.^k STEPHEN occurs 28th Hen. III.^l WALTER, *t.* Matth. de Cranach.^m JOHN, 16 Hen. VI.ⁿ THOMAS occurs A.D. 1499.^o WILLIAM, 11th Hen. VIII. A.D. 1520.^p THOMAS WHITNEY was the last abbat. By his will, dated in 1557, he desired to be buried in Westminster Abbey.^q Cole, in his manuscript Collections, says, "the paving of Delacres Church, and the isles, and gravestones, and roof, sold, anno 1540, for 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Six bells weighing five thousand pounds, valued at 37*l.* 10*s.* Gilt plate eighty-seven ounces. White plate, thirty-seven ounces."^r At the Dissolution, the gross value of the Revenues of Dieulacres amounted to 227*l.* 5*s.* per annum; the net income to 243*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.* The Site was granted in the 6th Edw. VI. to Sir Ralph Bagnall.^s

^a PULTON had been founded in 1153 by Robert the pincerna or butler to Randal, second Earl of Chester. The translation of the convent to Dieulacres was made necessary by the frequent incursions of the Welsh. Pulton continued parcel, however, of the possessions of Dieulacres till the Dissolution; and, as such, was granted in the 36th Hen. VIII. to William Cotton, Esq.

^b The more minute particulars of the history of this foundation, with the legends relating to the founder, will be seen in the Appendix, Num. I.

^c See Num. II.

^d Num. III.

^e Num. IV.

^f Numm. VI. VII.

^g Numm. V. VIII. IX.

^h Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 243, 259, 309 b, 329 b.

ⁱ MS. Harl. 280. fol. 78 b.

^j Ibid.

^k Lonsdale's Staff. Collections, penes W. Hamper arm.

^l Ibid.

^m Ibid.

ⁿ MS. Harl. 1249, pp. 282, 283.

^o MS. Harl. 280, fol. 78 b.

^p MS. Cole, Brit. Mus. vol. xxvii. fol. 89 b.

^q Ibid.

^r Erdeswick calls him Baggenholt.

Tanner's references to MANUSCRIPTS and RECORDS relating to this Monastery, with a few others, will be found in the note below.*

An imperfect Impression of the COMMON SEAL of this Abbey has been met with by the Editors. Like the Common Seals of most of the Religious Houses of the Cistercian Order, the subject is the Blessed Virgin and Child,

under whom, in a niche, stands an abbat with his crosier, part only of the Inscription can be read, viz. s . COMMUNE . MON DE . DELACRES. It is attached to a Deed in the Augmentation Office, dated 17th May, 20 Hen. VIII. whereby the abbat and convent grant an annuity of 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to Thomas Arondell, Esq. for his good and sound counsel given to them; the said pension to be for the term of his life.

Cartae ad Dieulacressensem Abbatiam, in agro Staffordiensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

Foundationis Historia.

[Ex Hist. Angl. MS. contexta ab Henr. Archidiacon. ad Alex. Linc. episc. an. 1145, fol. 138.]

ANNO millesimo centesimo tricesimo tertio, fundata est abbatia de Cumbermere, filia de Saveney: Ranulfus verò consul Cestriæ, cum magnis militum copiis apud Walingford, veniens, cum rege concordatus est; sed citò postea in parlamento apud Northamptoniam tento, dolosè captus est, nec liberari potuit, donec castrum Lincolnense reddidisset; interim Wallenses provinciam Cestriæ vastaverunt, scilicet, apud vicum Malbanc.

[Ibid.]

Sub hoc tempore Robertus pincerna incepit fundare abbatiam de Pulton, in provincia Cestriæ, et adduxit ibidem conventum Cisterciensis ordinis, ad deprecandum pro salute et incolumitate domini sui præfulgentissimi Cestrensis comitis Ranulfi, dum ipse Ranulfus esset in custodia domini regis; quam abbatiam idem Ranulfus postmodum confirmavit, et dedit illis piscariam de Dee, et quietantiam de blado suo proprio in molendinis suis Cestriæ.

[Ibid.]

Anno millesimo centesimo quinquagesimo tertio, fundata est abbatia de Pulton, filia de Cumbermere.

[Ibid.]

Anno millesimo ducentesimo decimo quarto, conventus de Pulton translatus est apud Deulacres calendas Maii, anno dicto, per Ranulfum comitem Cestriæ, maximè propter intrusionem Wallensium, per quos multa damna perpassi sunt.

[Ibid. fol. 94.]

Fertur de isto Ranulpho comite, quod cum obiret, latitudo quasi hominum, cum aliquo potente festinanter transibat juxta cellam cujusdam solitarii qui manebat juxta Walingford, qui interrogavit unum ex eis quinam essent, et quo

* Tanner says, "Vide in Prynne's Papal Usurpations, vol. iii. p. 479, &c. Plac. coram. reg. 20 Edw. I. Pasch. rot. 165. Staff. de advoc. eccl. de Chetelton contra Nic. de Aldingfeld.

"Registrum Abbatiae de Dieulacres penes... Jolly de Leak arm.

"Apographum cujusdam Registri hujus Cœnobii penes Walt. Chetwynd de Ingestre arm. 1691.

"Registrum penes Ben. Rudyard de Rudiard mil. 1637.

"Excerpta ex Cartulario Abbatiae de Dieulacres, MSS. in bibl. Bodl. Dodsworth, vol. xxxi. fol. 20, &c. vol. xxxiii. fol. 23. vol. lxi. fol. 94, &c. vol. lxvi. fol. 111. &c. vol. lxxv. fol. 67. de advoc. eccl. de Sonback. ex donatione Rogeri dom. de Sandbach.

"In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 280, fol. 77. Nomina quorundam abbatum. MS. 1967, fol. 155. Placit. 38 Hen. III. de Ecclesia de Sandbach. MS. 2060, p. 31. quo waranto versus abbatem: p. 40. Collection of Notes and Extracts from Deeds relating to this abbey: p. 51. Computum Edw. comitis Derbiæ: p. 53. Collectanea ex libro abbatis penes Tho. Rudyard gen. MS. 2072. fol. 11. Privileges and Immunities claimed by the abbat. MS. 2074. fol. 194. Confirmation of the advowson of Sandbach Church by Richard lord of Sandbach, 43 Hen. III. MS. 2101. fol. 204. Deeds relating to the suit between the abbat and William de Ipstones concerning a right of common in Ipstones. MS. 2115. p. 58. Breve de quo waranto versus abbatem, 14 Hen. VII.

"In codice MS. de cartis Religiosorum exhibit. in visitat. diœc. Litchf. et Conventr. penes Petrum de Neve arm. fol. 305, &c. de appropriatione eccl. de Sandbach, A. D. 1256.

"Pat. 11 Hen. III. m. 6. de pastur. de Roshall. Cart. 12 Hen. III. m. 3. de eadem. Claus. 12 Hen. III. m. 5. de eadem. Fin. 12 Hen. III. m. 3. de eadem. Plac. apud Westm. 28 Hen. III. Pasch. rot. de commun. pastur. in Ipstones.

"Cart. 2 Edw. I. n. 46 vel 47. Cart. 11 Edw. I. n. 46. pro lib. war. in Leke. Pat. 12 Edw. I. n. 1. Cart. 20 Edw. I. n. 47. Plac.

festinasset, et ille, Dæmones sumus, et ad mortem Ranulfi properamus, ut eum de peccatis suis accusemus; demon ergo adjuratus ut infra triginta dies redeat, et quod de Ranulpho comite actum sit enarret; qui rediens dixit ut profecimus quod Ranulphus comes, pro maleficiis suis, adjudicatus fuit magnis pœnis inferni, sed molosi de Deulacres, et cum eis alii multi sine cessatione sic latrabant ut habitacula nostra dum apud nos esset magno clamore replebant, unde princeps noster gravatus jussit eum de finibus nostris expelli, qui nunc factus est nobis gravis adversarius, quia suffragia quæ fuerint pro eo pertiti cum aliis, sic multas animas liberaverant à locis penalibus.

[Ibid. fol. 139.]

Ranulphus comes Cestriæ rediens de transmarinis partibus reliquit constantiam comitissam Britanniae, &c. et se copulavit Clemenciæ filiae Radulfi de Feugere. Idem Ranulfus cum quadam nocte in stratu suo quiescit, apparuit ei per visum Ranulfus comes avus suus, dicens, Vade ad Cholpesdale, quod est in territorio de Leeke, et in illo loco in quo quædam capella in honore beatæ Mariæ virginis olim fuit constructa, fundabis abbatiam albi ordinis monachorum, et eam ædificiis instaurabis, et possessionibus ampliabis, et erit tibi gaudia et multis aliis qui per locum illum salvabuntur. Ibidem enim erigenda est scala, per quam descendunt et ascendunt angelorum preces, et vota hominum Deo offerentur, et referant gratiam, eritque nomen Domini invocatum super locum illum de precatione assidua. Et hoc tempore horum nuncio signum erit ecclesiæ, D. papa Christianitatem in Anglia interdicat, sed tu interim ibis ad monachos de Pulton, quorum abbatiam Robertus pincerna in nomine meo fundavit, et particeps ibi sacramenti Domini, habent enim privilegia hæc suis fundatoribus ministris. Et in septimo anno interdictionis transferes eosdem monachos ad locum quem prædixi. Qui cum Ranulfo comiti, et Clementiæ comitissæ retulisset, et in dicto loco se velle construere monasterium indicasset, illa in Gallicis verbis sic respondit, Deux encres; et comes congratulans ad dictum ejus, hoc inquit, Erit nomen ejus loci, Deulacres.

apud Lancast. 20 Edw. I. quo war. rot. 4 d. pro maner. de North Brok, &c. Plac. in com. Staff. 21 Edw. I. assis. rot. 14. pro terris in Westwode. Ibid. rot. 21 et 26. Ibid. quo war. rot. 6 d.

"Claus. 5 Edw. II. m. 31 d. Pat. 9 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 31 a. de mess. et terris in Leke.

"Pat. 3 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 27 vel 28. Cart. 4 Edw. III. n. 105. pro mercat. et feria apud Leke; pro commun. pastur. in Saltene, pro ij. stallionibus, lx. equis, xl. vaccis, cc. ovibus, &c. Pat. 5 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 5, quod abbas gaudeat ccxl. acras terræ approviatæ de vasto de Rudheath pertin. ad maner. de Biveley, com. Cestr. Escaet. Staff. 5 Edw. III. n. 93. de eodem vasto l. Pat. 8 Edw. p. 1, m. Pat. 13 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 10. de maner. de Leeke, ex concess. Ranulfi com. Cestr. Claus. 13 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 6. Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 7. Pat. 38 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 23. pro ten. in North Brok et Bishopham Parva.

"Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 11. de mess. et terris in Leeke.

"Pat. 5 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 17 vel 27. Pat. 7 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 21."

Sec also the Abbrev. Plac. pp. 142, 143, 231, 344. Plac. de Quo War. pp. 374, 375, 387, 605, 713, 714.

Among the Rolls and Charters in the British Museum is one, L. F. C. xi. 28. "A true Copie of the Perticuler of all suche parcells as weare graunted by King Henry the VIIIth. in mortgage in the xxxvjth yeare of his reigne to Augustyne Hynde and others, and weare parcell of the possessions of the late Monastery of Dieulacres in the Countie of Stafford."

In the Office of the King's Remembrancer is a Document bearing this title, "Dieulacres. Staff. Breve de Certiorar. super tenore Record. Primitiarum et Decimarum in Scaccario remanen. tangen. possession. nuper Monaster. de Dieulacres e Cancellaria huc miss." Trin. 43 Eliz. rot. 105.

Ranulfus comes Cestriæ fundavit abbatiam de Deulacres, et cum poneret primum lapidem fundamenti ejusdem ecclesiæ, dixit in gallicis verbis, Deux enres, et alii circumstantes responderunt, Amen; et comes, Hoc (inquit) monasterium vocatur Deulacres, ut nomen Domini super illud invocetur.

Hoc anno millesimo centesimo quartodecimo relaxata Anglia est ab interdictione, &c. et Ranulfus comes Cestriæ, priusquam H. rex concordatus est cum proceribus suis, profectus est Jerosolymam, et capta est civitas Damietta, ubi Ranulfus comes dux Christianæ cohortis præstitit gloriosa. Qui in redeundo de terra sancta, cum quadam nocte navis in qua erat subita maris tempestate periclitaretur, dixit ad nautas, Quantum tempus est ad mediam noctem? qui responderunt, Spacium fere duarum horarum. Omnibus ille dixit, Laborate interim usque ad mediam noctis, et spero in Deo quod habebitis auxilium et tempestas cessabit. Cumque media nox appropinquaret, gubernator navis dixit ad comitem, Domine commenda te ipsum Deo, quia tempestas crescit, et nos deficimus laborare, et in periculo vitæ sumus. Tunc Ranulfus comes statim exivit de conclavi suo, et cœpit juvare fortissime in rudentibus, et antempuis aliisque navis ornamentis; nec multo post omnis pelagi cecidet. omnisque cessavit tempestas, et die sequenti, cum pacata jam sulcarent equora, et cum jam salus appareret, gubernator navis ait ad comitem, Domine mi comes narrare nobis velitis si placet, qua de causa juvare nos voluisti usque ad mediam noctis, et tunc nos juvisti solus plus quam omnes viri qui erant in nave. Cui ille, Quia (inquit) a media nocte et deinceps monachi mei, et alii religiosi quos progenitores mei et ego in diversis locis fundavimus, surrexerunt ad cantandum servicium divinum, et tunc confisus fui in eorum orationibus, et spero quod Deus propter eorum orationes et suffragia mihi dederit fortitudinem quam prius non habui, et fecit tempestatem cessare ut prædixi, &c.

NUM. II.

Carta Foundationis Abbatiae de Pultona.

[Ex ipso autographo in bibl. Cotton. Vide Cart. 20 E. I. m. 8. n. 47.]

UNIVERSÆ sanctæ matris ecclesiæ soboli, nobilissimi Cestrensis comitis Ranulphi R. pincerna, in Christo salutem. In nomine sanctæ et individue Trinitatis, Patris, et Filii et Spiritus Sancti, clarissimi siquidem Cestrensis comitis karissimi domini mei Ranulphi, ego Robertus pincerna, considerans omnia quæ sub cœlo sunt esse transitoria, statui aliquid facere, quod domino meo comiti Ranulpho, et antecessoribus suis, mihiq; et antecessoribus meis, in cœlesti palacio in æternum proficiat; ad hoc faciendum Dominus noster Jesus Christus me animavit, atque in evangelio suo incitavit, dicens, Date, et dabitur vobis; hoc est dicere, date terrena, et recipietis cœlestia, date transitoria, et pro illis habebitis in perpetuum mansura; et facite vobis amicos de mammona iniquitatis, ut et ipsi recipiant vos in æterna tabernacula, id est, Date de facultatibus vestris per iniquitatem acquisitis; omnis enim dives, aut iniquus est, aut hæres iniqui. Date, inquam, pauperibus Christi ut ipsi cum angelis recipiant vos in æterna gloria. Quoniam, teste evangelio, ipsorum est regnum cœlorum. Hiis igitur, atque aliis sacræ Scripturæ monitis excitatus do Domino Deo creatori ac redemptori nostro, et gloriosæ semper virgini ejus genetrici sanctissimæ Mariæ, et Willielmo primo abbati Cumbermare, pro salute, et incolumitate domini mei præfulgentissimi Cestrensis comitis Ranulphi et antecessorum suorum, Hugonis, videlicet, comitis et Ranulphi consulis, et aliorum; nec non et pro redemptione animæ meæ, et uxoris meæ Ivettæ, et filii atque hæredis mei Roberti, et pro salute antecessorum meorum, dimidiam Pultonam, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, in campis, et in silvis, in viis, et in semitis, in aquis et in piscariis, in pratis, et in pascuis, super terram, et subter terram, ad construendam ibidem quandam abbatiam monachorum secundum regulam beati Benedicti, et secundum instituta Savignei viventium. Hujus donationis sunt testes, Willielmus primus abbas Cumbermare, Gemmanus monachus ejus, Robertus pincerna, Robertus filius ejus, Herveus de Filgeriis, Ricardus Wallensis, Radulphus sacerdos, Morinus, Anserius, Jveta uxor Roberti, Willielmus spuens mendacium. Signum ✠ Roberti pincernæ. ✠ Signum Roberti filii ejus. ✠ Signum Jvettæ uxoris illius. ✠

In dorso hujus cartæ.

Anno millesimo centesimo quinquagesimo octavo fundata est abbatia de Pultone in comitatu Cestriæ.

Anno millesimo ducentesimo xiiij. conventus de Pultone translatus est apud Deulacresse x. Kal. Maii anno prædicto, per Ranulphum canonicum Cestriæ.

NUM. III.

Carta Hugonis Cestriæ comitis.

[Ex Registro de Dieulacresse penes Jolly de Leke.]

HUGO comes Cestriæ, episcopo Cestrensi, et constabulario suo, et dapifero suo, et vicecomiti, et ballivis, et omnibus hominibus suis Francis et Anglis, tam futuris quam præsentibus, salutem. Scitote quod concedo, et carta mea confirmo, donationem illam quam Ranulphus comes, pater meus, carta sua liberam fecit; scilicet, dimidiam partem totius Pulton, quam Robertus pincerna ejus fecit Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Cumbermare ad abbaciam de ordine suo ibidem construendam. Hanc verò eandem donationem, scilicet dimidiam partem totius Pulton, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis ad eam justè pertinentibus, volo et firmiter præcipio, ut ipsa abbacia de Pulton, et abbas et conventus ejusdem ecclesiæ, in perpetuam elemosinam possidendam, liberè, quitè, et justè ab omni servicio seculari habeant et teneant, pro salute animæ meæ et prædecessorum meorum, in villa et extra, in bosco et in plano, in pratis et pascuis, in aquis et molendinis, et in omnibus aliis comoditatibus quæ in eadem terra fieri poterunt; et præcipio atque prohibeo ne aliquis eis a modo ullam molestiam faciat neque disturbet super meam forisfacturam. Teste Roberto dapifero, Aluredo de Combray, et Willielmo filio Otuer. et Gilberto filio Pichot, et Roberto filio Hugonis, et Hugone filio Oliveri, et Hugone sacerdote de Dodleston, et Geralino, et Willielmo clerico de Aldefordia, et Simone de Bedeford, apud Cestriam.

NUM. IV.

Carta Ranulphi comitis Cestriæ.

[Ibid.]

RANULPHUS comes Cestriæ et Lincolnæ, constabulario suo et dapifero, vicecomiti, baronibus, et ballivis suis, et omnibus hominibus suis tam præsentibus quam futuris, salutem. Sciatis me, in honore Dei et beatæ Mariæ semper virginis, et sancti Benedicti abbatis, et omnium sanctorum Dei, pro salute animæ meæ, et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, quandam abbaciam quæ vocatur Deulacres de ordine Cisterciensi fundasse. Abbacia igitur illa et conversi, et homines et illorum res omnes, et omnes terræ et possessiones, et omnia ad eandem pertinentia sunt in manu mea, custodia, et protectione. Quare volo, &c. Hiis testibus, domino abbate Cestriæ, Philippo de Orreby, tunc justiciario meo, Johanne constabulario, Rogero senescallo, Henrico de Aldithele, Willielmo de Venables, Hamone de Masci, Warinò de Vernoun, Rogero de Mein-Warin, Radulpho filio Simonis, Johanne de Ardern, Joram de Helesby, Petro clerico domini comitis, David de Malopassu, Richardo de Kingeslee, et multis aliis.

NUM. V.

Finatis Concordia inter domum de Deulacres et de Crokesden.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS Cisterciensis ordinis abbatibus, frater T. dictus abbas vallis sanctæ Mariæ de Crokiden et humilis ejusdem loci conventus, salutem in Auctore salutis. Noverit universitas vestra, quod cum Ranulphus venerabilis comes Cestriæ transferat domum de Pulton ad locum magis oportunum vicinius tamen abbaciæ nostræ, et infra terminos ab ordine constitutos, ita inter nos et conventum nostrum et abbatem et conventum dictæ domus de Pulton convenit, quod citra unum miliare Anglicum ab abbacia sua distans, terras et pasturas ubi nobis oportunum fuerit et utile infra spacium inter nos et ipsos constitutum licitè poterimus adquirere et possidere; ipsi autem nihil terræ vel pasturæ ab eodem miliari Anglico versus domum nostram accipient, nisi de manerio de Lec cum pertinentiis suis; ita tamen quod de terris in parochia de Lec quas jam acquisivimus vel adhuc acquiremus, et propriis sumptibus excolemus, nullas prorsus decimas eis dabimus. Hiis testibus, dominis abbatibus de Claravalle, de Savign. de Beaubec, de Alneto, de sancto Andrea, de Fornesio, de Bellalanda, de Bildevas, de Quarrerria, de Stratford, de Barberio, et multis aliis.

NUM. VI.

Carta Ranulphi Comitis Cestriæ et Lincolnæ.

[Pat. 5 Hen. VI. part 2. n. 17. per Inspex. Vide etiam Pat. 7 Edw. IV. part 2. m. 21. Et Claus. 13 Edw. III. part 2. m. 6.]

RANULPHUS comes Cestriæ et Lincolnæ universis Christi fidelibus præsentem cartam visuris vel auditoris, salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me, pro salute animæ meæ animarumque antecessorum et successorum meorum, dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse, Deo et beatæ Mariæ et abbati et conventui abbatiae meæ de Deulacresse, totum manerium de Lec cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis, cum corde meo, quod ibidem legavi sepeliendum. Habendum et tenendum sibi et successoribus suis bene, quiete, integre, et pacifice, in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam, &c. Hiis testibus, venerabilibus patribus Petro Wintoniensi, Alexandro Coventrensi et Lychefeldensi episcopis, Johanne de Lascy constabulario Cestriæ, Stephano de Segrava, Fulcone filio Warini, Henrico de Aldithele, Willielmo de Cantilupo juniore, Waltero de Dayvill, Baldewyno de Ver, Ricardo de Ardern, Simone et Johanne clericis, et aliis, &c.

NUM. VII.

Alia Carta ejusdem Comitis.

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, præsentibus et futuris, hanc cartam inspecturis vel auditoris, Ranulphus comes Cestriæ et Lincolnæ, salutem. Noveritis me, pro salute animæ meæ et antecessorum meorum, dedisse in puram et perpetuam elemosinam Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et monachis apud Deulacresse Deo servientibus, terram de Rudeyard cum omnibus pertinentiis suis ad construendam ibidem abbaciam; scilicet per istas divisas. Per aquam de Ludebeche quæ currit inter Rudeyard et Lech usque ad domum Radulfi Bec, et inde usque ad Merebroc, et à Merebroc usque ad Quamendehul, et inde deorsum per domum Dodin usque ad sepulcrum Thoni; et inde usque ad Falingbrok, et per Falingbroc usque ad Fulhe; et inde usque ad Luddebroc. Quare volo, &c. quod dicti monachi mei de Deulacresse habeant et teneant imperpetuum prædictam terram ad fundandam abbaciam suam eis collatam, liberè, &c. Ita quod prædicta terra cum suis pertinentiis sit omnino extra forestam, et libera penitus ab omni exactione seculari sicut aliqua elemosina potest esse liberior. Et ut hæc mea donatio stabilis sit imperpetuum, eam hac carta mea et sigilli mei impressione roboravi. Hiis testibus, Willielmo de Ferariis comite Derbeye, Johanne comite de Hunteton, Johanne constabulario Cestriæ, Willielmo de Cantelu, Willielmo de Vernun tunc justiciario, Baldewino de Ver, Waltero de Deyvill, Radulpho de Brey, Ricardo de Burun, Johanne de Laxington, Simone clerico, Ricardo de Ardern, et aliis.

NUM. VIII.

Concessio Villarum de Northbrec et Biscopham.

[Ex Regist. Abbatiae de Salop. n. 270.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus, præsens scriptum visuris vel auditoris, frater Willielmus abbas Salop. et ejusdem loci conventus, salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra nos unanimi concessu, et communi voluntate nostra, dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentī carta nostra confirmasse, abbati et conventui de Deulacres, et eorum successoribus, ad perpetuam feodi firmam, villas de Northbrec et de parva Biscopham, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, una cum quibusdam decimis ad nos de quadam terra in Laton spectantibus, habendas et tenendas dictis abbati et conventui de Deulacres, et eorum successoribus, de nobis et successoribus nostris, in dominiis, homagiis, &c. salvis nobis et successoribus nostris advocationibus ecclesiarum de Waleton et de Kirkeham, cum omnibus suis capellis. Reddendo inde nobis et successoribus nostris, idem abbas et conventus de Deulacres, et eorum successores, apud Betton subtus Lymam, octo marcas argenti in festo beati Martini in hyeme, pro omni servitio, &c. Hiis testibus, Richardo Coventr. et Lychfeld. episcopo, domino S. abbate Cestriæ, dominis Willielmo le Botyler, Richardo fratre suo, Jolianne de Kancefeld tunc vicecomite Lancastriæ, Henrico de Lee, militibus, Willielmo de Singleton, Waltero de Karleton, Adam de Holmes, et aliis.

NUM. IX.

Carta Rogeri de Menilwarin de communia in bosco de Pevere, Monachis de Deulacres concessa.

[Ex ipso autogr. penes Thom. Mainwering de Pever in com. Cestr. arm.]

Omnibus hanc cartam visuris vel auditoris, Rogerus de Shenilwarin æternam in Domino salutem. Noverit universitas vestra, me pro salute animæ domini Ranulphi quondam comitis Cestriæ et Lincolnæ avunculi mei, et pro salute animæ meæ, et animarum antecessorum et successorum meorum, dedisse, concessisse et hac præsentī cartâ meâ confirmasse Deo et beatæ Mariæ et abbati et monachis de Deulacresse, et eorum grangiæ de Biveleg, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, liberam communam in bosco meo de Pevere; scil. ut accipiant de eodem bosco husbot et haybot rationabiliter per visum alicujus forestariorum meorum, quantum necesse habuerunt, sine impedimento aeriarum nisorum meorum, ubicunque nidificaverint. Præterea dedi eis liberam pessionem et quietam de pannagio quinquaginta porcis quandocumque voluerint in prædicto nemore meo de Pevere. Pro hac autem donatione et concessione meâ, ego Rogerus prædictus et hæredes mei, de prædictis abbate et monachis de Deulacresse nihil exigere poterimus, nisi orationes et suffragia ordinis Cisterciensis. Ego vero et hæredes mei sæpe dictam donationem et concessionem meam dictis abbati et monachis et grangiæ de Biveleg, contra omnes gentes warrantizabimus imperpetuum. Et ut hæc donatio mea rata et inconcussa in sempiternum perseveret, eam præsentis cartæ testimonio et sigilli mei impressione roboravi. Hiis testibus, Will. de Shenilwarin, Will. capellano de Lauton, Ricardo de Moston, Bened. de Cowdray, Johanne de Motlawe, Will. de Pevere, Hugone de Weloc, Nicolao de Wereford, Gilleberto Gekell, et aliis.

NUM. X.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONASTER' DE DULECRES IN COM' STAFF' ORDINIS CIST'CIEN'.

Dn's THOM' S WHITNEY abbas ejusdem monast'ij.

Reddit' eccl'iaz ap' pe'taz eid'm Monast'io.

Idem r' comp'm suū de 1*l*. 4*s*. de tr' gleba eccl'ie de Leke in com' Staff' p a*m*. Et de 18*l*. 3*s*. 8*d*. de decimis garbaz et feni ejusdem eccl'ie cū capellis de Ipstons Chetelton Horton et Ruston cōibz an^{is}. Et de 10*l*. de deci^{is} agnoz line et lane i*bm* cōibz an^{is}. Et de 6*l*. de decimis vituloz i*bm* cōibz an^{is}. Et de 6*l*. 5*s*. 4*d*. de rotulo pascale i*bm* cōibz an^{is}. Et de 2*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. in obla cōibz i*bm* cōibz an^{is}. Et de 14*s*. 8*d*. de tr' gleba eccl'ie pochial' de Sondbache cū capellis de Hulme et Gosetre in com' Cestr' p a*m*. Et de 23*l*. 16*s*. de decimis garbaz feni et aliis emolument' i*bm* cōibz an^{is}.

S*m*^a . . . 68*l*. 10*s*. 4*d*.

Reddit' assis.

Et de 6*s*. 8*d*. de r' assis' in Leke p*dict*' p a*m*. Et de 1*s*. 6*d*. de r' assis' de t^{ris} in Thorneley in com' Staff'. Et de 11*s*. de r' assis' de cert' t^{ris} in Norbroke et Biscopham in com' Lancast'. Et de 6*d*. de cert' t^{ris} in Stafford p a*m*.

S*m*^a . . . 0*l*. 19*s*. 8*d*.

Terr' et ten't eid'm Monaster' p'tinent'.

Et de 24*l*. 19*s*. 10*d*. de di*vs* t^{ris} et te*nt*' in Leke p*dict*' p a*m*.

Et de 12*l*. 14*s*. 6*d*. de cert' t^{ris} et te*nt*' in Heyton in com' Staff' p a*m*.

Et de 35*l*. 16*s*. 3*d*. de di*vs*' t^{ris} et te*nt*' in Le Frith in eodē com' p a*m*.

Et de 3*l*. 11*s*. 3*d*. de cert' t^{ris} et te*nt*' in Tetisworth in eodē com'.

Et de 3*l*. 3*s*. 8*d*. de di*vs*' t^{ris} et te*nt*' in Efyng in eodē com'.

Et de 11*l*. 9*s*. de cert' t^{ris} in Lowe in eodē com'.

Et de 4*s*. de uno messuagio in Longuor in eodē com'.

Et de 1*l*. 3*s*. 4*d*. de uno messuagio in Felde in eodē com'.

Et de 12*s*. de uno messuag' in Horton.

Et de 1*l*. 9*s*. de messuagio in Chetillon p^{am}.
Et de 25*l*. de di^{vis}is t^{ris} et te^{nt}' in Pulford. Pulton.
Dodleston. Chirton Cestria ult^a forestam de Delamere in
com' Cestr' p^{am}.
Et de di^{vis}' salinis in Mediowico in com' Cest' 3*l*. p^{am}.
Et de 4*l*. de cert' t^{ris} in Byveley in eodē com'.
Et de 9*l*. 19*s*. 6*d*. de cert' t^{ris} et te^{nt}' in Yatehowses et
Rudheth in eodē com'.
Et de 2*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*. de di^{vis}' terr' in Bagford et Hadford
in eodē com'.
Et de 2*s*. de cert' t^{ris} in Knottesford in eodē com'.
Et de 1*l*. de an^{li} reddit' exeunte de cert' t^{ris} et tē^{ts} in
Newbalt.
Et de 13*l*. 7*s*. de cert' t^{ris} et te^{nt}' in Rossall in com'
Lancast' p^{am}.
Et de 7*l*. 3*s*. 8*d*. de certis t^{ris} et te^{nt}' in Norbroke et
Biscopham in com' Lancast' p^{am}.
S^m^a 160*l*. 15*s*. 0*d*.
Terr' D'nical' non dimissa set resvata ad usum Mo-
nast'ij i^{bm}.
Et de 8*l*. 18*s*. 6*d*. de reddit' t^{raz} d'nical' non dimissa
set re^{sv}at ad usū hospicii monastr' p^{dict}' sic estimat' p
discre^s' comissioner' et alio^z p^{bo}z.
S^m^a 8*l*. 18*s*. 6*d*.
Pquis' Cur' et ab' Exit' Casual'.
Et de 4*l*. de pquis' cur' et alio^z casual' sic p discre-
sionem.
S^m^a 4*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*.
S^m^a to^{lis} oⁿis 243*l*. 2*s*. 6*d*.
De quibz.
Resolu^{co}es Reddit'.
Allocat' 4*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. solut' d^{no} regi ad scacariū suū
Cestr' p^{am}.
Et de 2*s*. solut' an^{tim} d^{no} de Feilde p t^{ris} i^{bm}.
Et de 3*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. solut' abbi de Salopia p t^{ris} in Nor-
broke et Biscopham in com' Lancast'.
Et de 8*d*. solut' d^{no} de Audelegh p t^{ris} in Longston.
Et de 2*s*. solut' Thome Butler militi p t^{ris} in Bisco-
ph^m p^{am}.
S^m^a 8*l*. 11*s*. 4*d*.
Soluc' Pen^o' P'cur' et Sinodal.
Et de 15*s*. resolut' archiō Stafford p p^{cre}ac' et sino-
dal' p^{am}.
Et 7*s*. p p^{cre}a^{co}e et sinodalia solut' archidiacono Cestr'
p ecclia de Sondbache.
Et de 18*s*. 6*d*. de pen^{co}e an^{li} solut' abbi de Comber-
mere.
S^m^a 2*l*. 0*s*. 6*d*.
Vadia et Stipe'd' Officiar' Monast' p^{dict}'.
Et de 2*l*. solut' Humfrido Whitney collect' ge^{nal}' de
t^{ris} et te^{nt}' infra com' Cestr' p^{am}.
Et de 13*s*. 4*d*. solut' Johi Corden collectoris reddit' de
Leke p^{am}.
Et de 1*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. p feodo Willmi Dawinport collect'
sive receptor' reddit' in Le Frith et alibi in com' Staff'.
Et 1*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. p feodo Willmi Dampart se^{li} cur' suaz
i^{bm} p^{am}.
S^m^a 5*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*.
S^m^a tol's alloc' 15*l*. 18*s*. 6*d*.
Et rem' clar' 227*l*. 5*s*. 0*d*.
X^{ma} ps inde 22*l*. 14*s*. 6*d*.

NUM. XI.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 31 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

DELACRES NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Com' Staff'	£	s.	d.
Delacres—Scitus cum terris domi- nicalibus	3	18	1

Com' Staff'	£.	s.	d.
Leke—Reddit' assis' tenentium	0	15	7
Leke—Reddit' tenentium secundum consuetudinem	18	14	8
Leke—Diversæ firmæ	4	2	0
Leke—Firma tolneti	1	13	4
Leke—Firma molend' aquatic'	4	6	8
Leke—Perquis' cur'	1	17	9
Leke—Firma rector' de Leke cum membris suis	63	4	8
Heyton—Reddit' assis' liberorum tenentium	0	5	6
Heyton—Reddit' tenentium ad vo- luntatem domini	5	7	2
Heyton—Diversæ firmæ	9	7	4
Heyton—Reddit' unius molend' aquatic'	0	12	0
Heyton—Reddit' mobil' caponum	0	10	6
Heyton—Perquis' cur'	0	8	9
Frythe—Reddit' tenen' ad volunta- tem	4	11	2
Frythe—Diversæ firmæ concess' sub sigillo officij abbatis	12	6	9
Frythe—Diversæ firmæ sub sigillo conventual'	24	14	2 ob.
Frythe—Reddit' mobil'	2	7	0
Frythe—Perquis' cur'	0	2	7
Tettysworthe—Reddit' assis'	0	0	4
Thorneley—Lib. reddit'	0	1	6
Tettysworthe—Reddit' tenentium ad vol'	2	19	8
Tettysworthe—Reddit' ten' sub si- gill. offic' abbatis	2	19	8
Thorneley—Reddit' unius mesuag'	0	13	4
Esyng—Reddit' unius mesuag'	0	9	8
Longnowre—Reddit' unius mesuag'	0	13	4
Nether Tettysworthe—Firma me- suagiorum	1	3	4
Thorneley—Firma unius mesuag'	0	10	8
Esyng—Firma mesuagiorum	0	17	4
Tettysworthe, Thorneley, et Esyng —Reddit' mobil'	0	14	0
Lowe—Lib. reddit'	0	1	6
Lowe—Reddit' tenen' ad vol'	0	11	0
Lowe—Diversæ firmæ concess' sub sigillo abbatis	2	11	6
Lowe—Diversæ firmæ concess' sub communi sigillo	11	15	4
Lowe—Reddit' mobil'	0	8	0
Lowe—Perquis' cur'	0	0	4
Chedulton—Reddit' terr'	0	4	0
Gratton—Reddit' unius crofti	0	1	0
Hordelowe—Reddit' unius mesuag'	0	11	0
Felde, Stafford, Chedulton, et Russhelon—Diversæ firmæ	3	4	10
Middlewiche, Byveley, et Yate- house—Diversæ firmæ	18	3	10
Middlewiche—Reddit' salis	1	16	8
Pulton—Firma maner'	25	0	0
Pulton—Perquis' cur'	0	6	8
Sanbage—Reddit' tenen' ad vol'	1	4	6
Sanbage—Firma decimarum	13	16	0
Hulme—Reddit' ten' ad vol'	0	11	6
Hulme—Firma decimarum capellæ	6	13	4

Com' Cestr'

Newbold in Astebery—Reddit' per compositionem realem	1	0	0
Gostree—Reddit' tenen' ad vol'	0	1	6
Aldelegh—Mesuag' cum terr'	2	5	0
Knottesford—Firma unius burgagij	0	2	0
Gostree—Firma decimarum capellæ	3	6	8

Com' Lanc'

Roshall—Firma grangiae	13	6	8
Bispam, Norbrike, et Eccleston Magna—Firma terrarum	8	3	2

Monastery of Clynnock Vaur, in Caernarvonshire.



THE history of this House is short. "Here," says Tanner, "was an old monastery of St. Beuno founded, A.D. 616,^a by Guithin of Gwyddaint, nearly related to the Princes of North Wales." It was afterwards turned into a *Monastery of White Monks*;^b but these seem to have been soon suppressed; for at the time of Pope Nicholas the IVth's Taxation it was a Collegiate Church, consisting of five

Portionists or Prebendaries,^c and continued so to the time of the Dissolution.

Tanner refers to MS. Harl. 696. fol. 164. for a con-

fimation of the liberties of this House from King Edward IVth; also to Pat. 1 Ric. I. [but quære] and to Pat. 10 Ric. II.^d

Clynnock Vaur is situate upon the Bay of Caernarvon. Pennant in his Tour says, "At present there are, I believe, no sort of revenues to keep this venerable pile from falling to ruin. The offerings of calves and lambs, which happen to be born with the *Nod Beuno*, or mark of St. Beuno, a certain natural mark in the ear, have not entirely ceased: they are brought to the church on Trinity Sunday, and delivered to the churchwardens, who sell and account for them, and put the money into a great chest, called *Cyff St. Beuno*, made of one piece of oak, secured with three locks. From this the Welsh have a proverb for attempting any very difficult thing, 'You may as well try to break up St. Beuno's chest.' The little money resulting from the sacred beasts or casual offerings is either applied to the relief of the poor, or in aid of repairs."^e

Cartae ad Clunok-Vaurensem Abbatiam, in Wallia, spectantes.

NUM. I.

[Lel. Itin. vol. v. fol. 13.]

CLUNNOK-VAUR, a monasteri sumetime of white monks suppressid many yeres ago; but the original of this monasteri was by S. Benow, of whom mention is made in S. Wenefrides life. The whit monks were of a newer fundation. Guithin, uncle to one of the princes of North Wales, was the first giver of Clunnok village and place to Benow. The chirch that ys now ther with crosse Isles, is almost as bigge as saint Davids, but it is a very new worke. The old chirch where saint Bennow lyith is hard by the new.

NUM. II.

De Donatione Cœnobii de Clunnok Vaur.

[Ex cod. MS. penes auditorem North-Wallia.]

QUINAM Gwithno dedit propriam villam suam Clynoc-vaur, Deo et Beunono tunc abbati abbatia de Clynocvaur, pro animâ sua, et animâ consobrini sui Catwalani regis, sine censu regali et sine consule alicui, quam diu fuerit lapis in terra.

Ac personæ subscriptæ dederunt Deo et S. Beyno res sive terras subscriptas, sicut Gwythno dedit Clynnok-vaur.

Cadwaladrus rex dedit Grayanoc. Tegwared rex dedit Portheamal. Marvin princeps dedit Carnguch. Cadwgan ap Cynvelyn dedit Bodveilion in Llyn et Bodvael. Rodri

filius Mervyn dedit Denio. Gruff filius Tungcon dedit tertiam partem Maestref. Idwal dedit Penrhos. Rodri dedit tertiam partem Newgwf. Grean dedit Dorwyn aut Corwyn.

Rodri filius Idwal dedit Botelak. Gwithnet filius Tridok dedit Llanllyvin et Coret Aber-saint. Cadel rex dedit Kylcourt. Idwal dedit Clynok-vechan. Tridok dedit Coret Gwrvin, à silva usque mare. Idwal dedit Aber-y-Braint. Cadel ap Rodri dedit Brynhidugen. Anarawt filius Rodri dedit Yscallen in Crenddyn.

Cadel dedit Botwynok et Llwyn-Dynwal. Rodri ap Mervyn dedit Priscoell et Nantsoch in Llyn. Cadel dedit Cthinoc. Rodri dedit Illanor in Llyns. Anarawt dedit Bodagwyn. Anarawd filius Rodri dedit Dolbebin. Grevox filius Iwen dedit Dolcoydok. Gruff filius Llywellyn dedit Aberllyvin.

Elived filius Madoc dedit Maysang in suis terminis. Jago filius Idwal dedit Llechedern in Llyn. Gruff. ap Kynan dedit Boteria. Trahayarn ap Carodoc dedit Trefwyn. Jago filius Idwal dedit Brinerit. Gruff. ap Llywelyn dedit Yvanol. Cadwalader dedit Llanvawr in Llyn. Gruff. ap Llywelyn dedit Trefew.

Lunlion, alias Conlion, filius Llowvryon dedit Hirdref in Llyn. Ionas dedit Bodegro. Rodri filius Mervyn dedit Mowedd. Cadel filius Rodri dedit Penhidgen. Gruff. filius Llywellyn dedit Treslagh. Rodri dedit Penchos in Twrkelyn. Howel filius Cadel dedit duas partes de Llecheithior. Gruff. ap Llywelyn dedit Rosewenesaf.

^a Gibson's Camden, edit. 1695. col. 691. Hist. of Wales, p. 12.

^b So Leland. Itin. vol. v. p. 15. "Clunnok Vaur a Monasteri sumtime of White Monkes suppressid many yeres ago. But the original of this Monasteri was by S. Benow, of whom mention is made in S. Wenefrides Life. The White Monkes were of a newer fundation. Guithin, uncle to one of the Princes of North-Wales, was the first giver of Clunnok village and place to Bennow. The church that is now ther with cross isles is almost as bigge as S. Davides, but it is of a new worke. The old chirch wher S. Bennow lyith is hard by the new. This Clunnok stondith almost on the shore of the maine sea a x. miles above Cair Arvon toward the counteri of Lline."

^c "Portio magistri Aniani Rufi in Ecclesia de Kelynock Vawr in decanat. de Arvon, ix. marc. et dimid. Portiones Wilhelmi Parvi et obventiones, viii. marc. Portio Matthei capellani in eadem vii. marc. et dimid. Portio David capellani in eadem vii. marc. Portio magistri Joannis capellani in eadem, vii. marc. et dim." Taxat. Lincoln. printed in Mr. Willis's Bangor, p. 202. These five Portionists occur also in the patents.

^d Tann. Notit. Monast. *Caernarv.* V.

^e Pennant's Tour, ii. p. 210.

Strata Florida, or Stratfleur Abbey, in Cardiganshire.



ISHOP Tanner calls this Monastery Strata Florida, Stratflur, Stratflour, and Is-tradfleet.^a It was built and endowed by Rhesus or Rhees the son of Griffith,^b Prince of South Wales, according to the Chronicle of St. Werburgh in 1164: though a Patent of the 23d Hen. VI. which will hereafter be referred to, says in 1180. Rhees's confirmation of his first grant, in 1184, will be

found in the Appendix:^c together with a confirmation charter from King Henry the Second.^d

This Monastery was burnt down about A.D. 1294, in the wars between King Edward the First and the Welsh, apparently by mistake;^e the Patent of the 28th Edward I. six years after, expressly states this.^f Being soon afterwards rebuilt, it flourished till the general Dissolution.

The following are the notices of the Revenues of this Monastery in the Taxation of 1291. "*Spiritual.* Beneficium in Dioc. Bangor 16*l.* *Temporal.* Dioc. Menaven. in archid. Brecon 7*l.* 15*s.* In archid. Kardigan et Kaermerdyn 22*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.* Dioc. Assaven, 2*l.* 9*s.* Dioc. Bangor 6*s.* 8*d.*"^g

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the gross amount of the Re-

venues was 122*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*: the clear income 118*l.* 7*s.* 3*d.* per annum.^h

Leland gives the following Account of the Abbey of Stratfleur in his time: "The Chirch of Strateflere is large, side ilid and crosse ilid. By is a large Cloyster; the Fraternity and Infirmitory be now mere ruines. The Cœmeteri wherein the Cuntrei about doth buri is veri large, and meanelly waulid with stoone. In it be xxxix. great Hue trees. The base court or camp afore the Abbay is veri faire and large. The Foundation of the Body of the Chirch was made to have bene sixty foote lengger then it is now."ⁱ

Tanner's references to Books and Records relating to this House will be found below.^k

Strata Florida is now in the possession of the family of Powell of Nant Eôs.

An imperfect Impression of the COMMON SEAL on red wax is in the possession of Dr. Meyrick. It has for its subject the Blessed Virgin and Child: all that can be read of the Inscription is SIGILLVM CDE..... DE. STRATA FLORIDA.

LLANLEIR or LLANCLERE in Cardiganshire is mentioned by Leland as a Cistercian Nunnery, CELL to STRATFLEUR.^l It was of the yearly value of 57*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*: and was granted in the 7th Edw. VI. to William Sakevyle and John Dudley.

Cartae ad Stratfleurensem Abbatiam, in agro Cardigensi, spectantes: fundatam Anno Dom. Mclxiij.^m

NUM. I.

Carta Resi Walliarum principis.

[Cart. 10 E. III. m. 6. n. 9. per Inspex. Vide etiam Pat. 4 R. II. part. 1. m. 13.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsentibus et futuris Resus Walliarum princeps, salutem et pacem. Vestræ universitatis notitiæ innotescat quod ego Resus Sudwall. proprietarius princeps, venerabile monasterium vocabulo Stratflur ædificare cœpi, et ædificatum dilexi, et fovi, res ejus auxi et possessiones, in quantum suffragante Domino valui, ampliavi; terram campestram et agriculturam et montuosam ad animalium pasturam, devota mente, ad remedium animæ, prædecessorum et successorum meorum, quantum sibi congruebat indulgens, et omnem quidem donationem quam eidem monasterio antea contuli, anno iterum ab incarnatione Domini mclxxxiiij. præsentis scripti memoria stabilivi. Tres etiam filii mei, scilicet Griffinus, Resus, et Maredudd eandem donationem eodem tempore et loco in manu abbatis de Stratflur obtulerunt, statuentes firmiter coram multis de exercitu in ecclesia S. Brigidæ apud Raiadr mecum, ut quascunque possessiones quæcunque bona idem

monasterium in præsentiarum possidet et custodit, sive concessione pontificum, largitione principum, oblatione fidelium, vel aliis justis modis, Deo propitio adepta fuerit, firma monachis illius et eorum successoribus ab omni seculari et ecclesiastica consuetudine, et debite immunia et illibata permanent. In quibus hæc duximus exprimenda vocabulis propriis. Nanneyrth in terminis suis, id est, Nant hi, wleidast, hitar wy Gwy, hit in Hedernaul Hedernaul, deinde hit blain, deinde in transversum usque blain ystinch ystinch in hit usque Tavalogen Gwaylant Tawlogen hit hi blain, deinde per rectum transversum usque Marchnant, Marchnant usque Meuric usque Teywy Seywy hit Camdur Wethan Cadur Wethan in hit hit blain; deinde sicut ducit Pant Guenu hit hi Camdur waur. Postea per Camdur in transversum hi ar hirweym Cadaithni usque Diron sicut ducit usque fossam quæ est inter Tref Coll. et Brumuric foss. hit hi blain Owlain hi foss. rectè hi benu nant, hi Gelly hyr; deinde rectè hit ar hivant inter vuarth caraun et dinas dritwyr; deinde sicut amnis ille ducit usque grangiam quæ vocatur Castel hi flemis, de grangia postea ex alia parte amnis trans collem sicut ducit Pant Guenu hit hi nant inter mais Glas et Trebrith hi nant hit ar Deiwy Teywy hit hi

^a Notit. Monast. Cardig. vii.

^b Leland, Collect. tom. i. p. 41. says, "Rhesus filius Theodori Princeps Suth Walliæ primus fundator.

^c See the Append. Num. I.

^d Num. II.

^e In Wharton's Angliæ Sacra, tom. i. p. 516. an. 1295. we read "Abbas de Stratflur stulte promisit Regi quod certo die et loco Comitatum de Cardigan adduceret ad pacem Regis, sed Rege cum exercitu armato diutissimè expectante, ibidem de Wallensibus nullus venit. Ideo iratus dixit, 'Accendite, Accendite;' et sic Ignis qui nunquam dicit 'Sufficit,' similiter ABBATIAM et patriam involvebat." Willis in his Account of the Cathedral of St. Asaph, p. 159, says, "It was injured by the wars before, and then the King paid the monks 78*l.* for damages.

^f See Num. II.

^g Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. pp. 274 b, 276, 289 b, 291 b, 293 b.

^h See the Append. The Bennet College Manuscript quoted by Tanner speaks of seven Monks at Stratfleur; but the Prior and seven Religious still received pensions in 1553. Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 311.

ⁱ Lel. Itin. vol. v. p. 82.

^k "Vide, in Willis's Survey of the Cathedral of St. Asaph, p. 179, of the abbat's grange at Abernixt and Glamok. In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 6068, fol. 10, 11. diversas cartas monachis de Stratfleur concessas." Among these is a charter of Mailgrim the son of Rhees Prince of S. Wales, A.D. 1198. "An account of the lands belonging to this Abbey, penes Thomam vicecom. Weymouth. Cart. 1 Joan. p. 2, m. 15. n. 97, 98. Cart. 14 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 6. Pat. 1 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 19. Pat. 4 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 13. Pat. 3 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 5. Pat. 23 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 28."

See also Abbrev. Plac. p. 232.

In the King's Remembrancer's Office are

Strata Florida.—1. Literæ Regis Patentis Abbati de Strata Florida Pasch. 4 Hen. V. ro. 26.

2. De Abbate de Strata Florida exoner. de diversis decimis. Trin. 22 Hen. vij. ro. 28.

^l "Llan Clere a Nunnery of White Nunnes in Cardiganshire upon the brook of Ayron. It was a Cell of Stratflur, and stood from Stratflere x. myles in the Hy way to Cairdigan." Lel. Itin. vol. v. p. 14.

^m Chron. S. Werburgæ Cestriæ in bibl. Cottoniana.

mais Tref linu Mais Trefluin rectè hit in blaumdudeu hubudeu hit hi Lluin nant Vini rectè per transversum usque Llanmerth hi Guuithwa o Lauverth hi Guuithwa, rectè per transversum montis hi ar Gelly hagharat. Mons ille postea terminus est rectè in transversum usque blain Candur Candur sicut ducit usque Tiwy Tiwy deinde sursum ex utraque parte hit hi blain rectè postea Owlam Tiwy hit hi blain arban arban in hit usque Calarwemi usque Elan Elan exindè usque Groen Gwymmon hi Groen rectè sursum hi tal Lluchiut hi Cewyir hir Esteyr ar Esteyr ar hit usque blam Riscant Owlain rista per transversum montis usque llam hi unben ubi fines prænominatæ terræ quæ appellatur Nannerth istis terminis quos diximus pariter intermiscuntur; Sed et quicquid continetur infra terminos præscriptos per circuitum in campo et silva, in aquis et pratis et pascuis, in culto et inculto, ego Resus, et prænominati filii mei, et tota posteritas mea, prædictis monachis de Stratflur et eorum successoribus jure perpetuo mancipamus. Et hæc nomina locorum in eisdem terminis excellentiorum Meyl, Geydiau, Nauu, Eylmer, Nauu, Eyrm, Nuun, Morant, Brithu, Abercoyl, Abermethu, Stratonimru, Kelly, Camgoyt, Prifkyeu, Eumaun, Stratflur, Ryt, Wendygaet, Dol, Waur, Lluigog, Tref hi Guidel, Finnaun, Oyer, Kellyeu, Brum, Deny, Esteyr, Perweth Castellflemis, Mays, Glas. Ex donatione verò filiorum Cadugaun et eorum hæredum et nostri domini Cewyn hi Rit Esteir Saisson; dimidia pars verò Branwennu præter Esteir hi fu ar arch ubi filii Scilsant ædificia sua fundaverunt, Tref-Boyth cum appendiciis suis; et hii sunt termini ejusdem, describente Reso cum optimatibus suis et etiam Griffino filio ejus, O Aber Meyhor sursum ar hit arth usque fossam quæ manat de fonte Bleydud Orfannaun hir Panc in hit usque fossam Byleyneyt hi foss. ar hit usque Panc Ewenu inter Marchei et Bruin Llende hi Panc ar hit usque fossam quæ est terminus inter Merchdi et villam quæ vocatur Ardisemkywet, quam obtulit Gweulliant prædictis monachis in perpetuam elemosinam, cum consilio nostro et filiorum nostrorum; fossa verò præfata in termino est usque ad mare, mare verò usque ad hostium arch arch hit in Aber meilyr, et in litore et in mari ab hostio arch usque ad hostium Dyron Coredeu, et omnem piscaturam sæpedito monasterio offerimus imperpetuum. Et etiam de propria mea piscaria unum diem et unam noctem in qualibet septimana.

Hujus verò universæ donationis isti sunt testes, duo filii Llaudent Grifri et Res, Jorwert fil. Edmweyn, Ediorwerth fil. Kedivor, duo filii Lewelini Gurgeneu et Cadugaun, Maredud filius Ryderth, et Gugaun, Scacca, Grisut filius Bleduit O Wabudrid, et Maredud fil. Eumaun fil. Bleduit, O Werthinnaun.

NUM. II.

Carta Regis Henrici secundi.

[Ibid.]

H. DEI gratia rex Angliæ, dux Norm. et Aquit. &c. Sciatis me concessisse, &c. abbatia de Stratflur et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, rationabilem donationem quam Resus filius Griffini eis fecit de terris subscriptis; videlicet, de campo qui est inter Hendreskynavandu et torrentem de Buarchegre, et inde usque ad Teivi et Hircarth usque Flur, et usque Teivi. Et de Langhcreth usque Hedegau cum terminis suis, et de rivulo qui dicitur Pastruth Akelly agarat usque ad Teivi, et Lispennard et de Stratflur cum terminis suis et de Keven Castel terminis suis. Et Killyou avan et de Mays Glas cum terminis suis. Et de Pennal usque Dyrondu, et usque Camdimor, et de Kevenpuet cum terminis suis. Et de Kellyeu Urmdevoy, et de Maysbre cum terminis suis. Et de Fennan noyr à Rithcuelu sursum usque Mayesbre. Et de Drespoyth Riwardh usque mare. Quare volumus, &c. T. Ricardo Winton et Gaufrido Elien. et Sefrido Cicestren. et Petro Meneven. episcopis, Gaufrido cancellario filio meo, &c. Apud Wyntoniam.

NUM. III.

Carta Regis Edwardi primi.

[Pat. 28 E. 1. m. 23.]

REX omnibus ad quos, &c. salutem. Sciatis quod dedimus licentiam dilectis nobis in Christo abbati et conventui de Strata-Florida, quod ipsi in loco illo in quo abbatia sua de

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Strataflorida, nuper in guerra Walliæ, anno regni nostri vicesimo tertio, contra voluntatem nostram combusta, prius sita fuit, abbatiam suam de novo construere et reedificare, ac morari possint ibidem, Deo imperpetuum servituri. Ita tamen quod bosci et viæ circa locum prædictum, propter pericula quæ per boscos illos et viarum illarum discrimina futuris temporibus poterunt evenire vitanda, per ordinationem justiciarii nostri West-Walliæ prosternantur, et etiam emendantur. In cujus, &c. Teste rege, apud Westm. xxx. die Marcii.

Per ipsum regem nunciante Ottone de Grandisono.

NUM. IV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

ABBATHIA EXEMPT' DE STRETA FLORIDA IN DICTIS DECANATU ET ARCH'NATU IN COM' CARDIGAN'.

Strata Florida Monasterium Exempt'.

Riçus abbas ibidem monachus religiosus Sancti Benedi ordinis Cistern' et conventus ejusdem loci tenent et possident monasterium p̄d̄cū cum oībus lib̄tatibz suis et jurisdictionibz manerijs hamelett^s et locis s̄script' videlt grangiam de Meveneth cum suis pertinen' ad valenciam per annū 20l. Pennarth juxta p̄d̄cū monasterium per annū 18l. 6s. 8d. Cumustorth cum comortha īm et in Pennarth p̄d̄cā per annū 10l. 16s. 8d. Blaenairon cum comortha ibidem 6l. 10s. Evynyoke per annū 6l. Tref Vaes et Morvabichⁿ per annū 5l. Diwarchen per annū 5l. 6s. 8d. Havodwen 6l. 6s. 8d. Nantbay 8l. per annum. Ābdehenowe 5l. per annum. Cūmotdoytho^r 4l. et Ābmywell per annū 5l. Que quidem grangia terr' redd' et teñta d̄ci abbas et conventus et eorum predecessores tempore Resi ap Tewdo^r Maure principis Wallie usq, modo tenuerunt possederunt et pacifice occupaverunt d̄cū monasteriū grang' et teñta p̄d̄cā cum pertinen' ex fundacōne d̄ci principis in puram et perpetuam elemosinā absq, interrupcōne unacum r̄coria et gleba de Pencarrok annui valoris 6l. ult^a partem vicarij ibidem cōmunibz annis sic d̄co mon' appropriat' imperpetuum. Et ultra eccliam parochialem de Llangeryk in Powizia Bangor dioc' valor 24 m^arc' per annum que non oneratur hic eo q, d̄cā r̄coria non consistit infra dioc' Meneven' Sūma valoris d̄corum teñtorum cum r̄coria de Pencarrok

122l. 6s. 8d.

D' quibus.

Sinodal' Proc' et al' Resoluc'.

In denarijs sol' annuatim in visitacone arch̄ni pro sinodal' et p̄curaçōibz 5s. 9d. Et in denijs annuatim sol' d̄no Regi Henrico Octavi supremo capiti ecclie Anglicane et Wallican' qui Romano pontifici consueverunt 7s.

0l. 12s. 9d.

Feod' Sen^{lii}.

Item idem abbas petit allocacōem p̄ feodo annuatī sol' de teñtis p̄d̄cis d̄no de Ferrers senescallo maneriorum et teñtorum ut de feodo ībin consuet' . 3l. 6s. 8d.

Sūma deduct' . . . 3l. 19s. 5d.

Et sic reman' clare . . . 118l. 7s. 3d.

Decima inde . . . 11l. 16s. 8d. ob' q'

NUM. V.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE STRATA FLORIDA.

Com' Cardigan'	£.	s.	d.
Dowerthen—Firma grangiæ . . .	7	0	0
Strata Florida—Reddit' scitus nuper monaster' . . .	0	5	0
Hawodwen—Reddit' in grangia . . .	14	14	1
Hawodwen—Consuetudo vocat Comortha . . .	7	11	8
Nantbay—Firma grangiæ . . .	7	0	0
Blanarryan—Reddit' assis' in grangia . . .	10	13	4
Blanarryan—Comortha ibidem . . .	6	8	4
Haberdoneth—Firma grangiæ . . .	5	0	0

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Com' Cardigan'	£	s.	d.
Pennarth—Reddit' assis' in grangia	23	19	1
Pennarth—Comortha ibidem	5	0	0
Mevenyth, Cobscoyth, Pennarth, Blana- ayron, Guhynoge—Reddit' lanarum vocat' custome wolles	1	0	0
Trayen y menythe—Firma decim'	0	3	4
Com' Caerm'			
Penkarok—Firma rector'	8	13	4
Com' Card'			
Conniscoith—Reddit' assis' in grangia	11	17	6

Com' Cardigan'	£	s.	d.
Conniscoith—Comortha ibidem	2	6	8
Langeryk—Firma rector'	10	0	0
Meveneth—Firma grangiæ	34	3	2
Meveneth—Comortha ibidem	10	14	8
Hehynok—Firma grangiæ	15	16	6
Hehynok—Comortha ibidem	6	13	4
Comotherer—Firma grangiæ	6	0	0
Trevaes Morva Vagan—Reddit' grangiæ	6	0	0
Abernoyle—Reddit' grangiæ	6	0	0

Lekeburn or Legborn Nunnery, in Lincolnshire.



So early as A. D. 1150,^a says Tanner, there was a Nunnery at Karledale, Kedington, and Halington successively, (if they were not all the same place,) which seems to have been removed to Lekeburn by Robert Fitz Gilbert of Lekeburn or Tadwalle before the first year of King John.

Of the History of this Monastery very little is

known. The following are the few entries relating to it in the Taxation of 1291: *Spiritual*. Dioc. Linc. Ecclesia de Salfletteby Sancti Petri porc. Monial. de Lekeburn, 6*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. Porcio in eccl. de Lekeburn, 7*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. *Temporal*. In decanatus Lincoln. 0*l*. 3*s*. 0*d*. Calswell 5*l*. 4*s*. 2*d*. Hoyland 2*l*. 10*s*. 0*d*. Luthesk et Latheburg 13*l*. 2*s*. 9½*d*. Summa Temporalium, 20*l*. 19*s*. 11¾*d*.^b

Tanner says, here were ten nuns. In the 26th Hen. VIIIth. the gross revenues of this house amounted to 57*l*. 13*s*. 5½*d*.; the net income to 38*l*. 8*s*. 4*d*.

The following are the only names of the

PRIORESSES of LEGBORNE

which have occurred.

AGNES, A. D. 1513.^c

JOAN GOODHAND, A. D. 1534.^d

JANE MESSYNDENE occurs A. D. 1537.

The site was granted, Dec. 29th in the 32d Henry VIIIth., to Sir Thomas Heneage, Knt.^e

Dugdale appears to have seen a REGISTER of Lekeburn Priory: and some Excerpts from it are to be found in one of Dodsworth's Manuscripts vol. lxxv. fol. 23. lxxxix. fol. 140.

Tanner gives the following references relating to it to public Records: "Fin. com. ign. 2 Joan. n. 49. pro advoc. eccl. de Cuningesholm. Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 5. de mess. in Thetiltorp, et m. 23. dorso. Plac. in com. Lincoln. 9 Edw. I. assis. rot. 53. de x. carucatis in Carledale, Lekeburn, Somercotes et Salfetby, cum advoc. eccl. de Somercotes. Pat. 9 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 16." See also Abbrev. Plac. pp. 37, 40, 42, 52, 63, 73.

There is a Letter from the Prioress and Convent of Legborne to their founder or patron, written in 1537, at the time they expected to be dissolved, in Ellis's Original Letters illustrative of English History, vol. ii. p. 74.

The COMMON SEAL of this religious House had for its subject the Virgin Mary crowned, seated, and having in her right-hand a sceptre, in her left the divine Infant; legend SIGILLVM . SANCTE . MARIE . DE . LEKEBUR'. An Impression on red wax is appended to a Deed of the XIIIth. Century in the Office of the Duchy of Lancaster.

Legborn Nunnery was situated in a parish of its own name, at no great distance from Louth.

Cartae ad Lekeburnensem Coenobium, in agro Lincolnensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

Litera Willielmi filii et hæredis Roberti filii Gilberti.

[Ex Registro de Lekeburne penes Georgium Henage equit. aurat.]

IN die qua sepultus fuit Robertus filius Gilberti, in capitulo sanctimonialium de Lekeburn, antequam sepeliretur, Willielmus filius suus et hæres in hanc prorupit vocem: "Video hic sepeliri patrem meum; et, quia ita est, concedo et do omnes donationes, et omnes concessiones, quas pater meus Robertus concessit et dedit sanctimonialibus de Lekeburn, eisdem sanctimonialibus sicut cartæ patris mei testantur, quæ, paulo antequam sepeliretur, coram me, et omnibus astantibus, in claustro lectæ fuerunt; scilicet, locum ubi abbatia sanctimonialium sita est, et dimidietatem ecclesiæ de Lekeburn, et molendinum de Luthena, et cætera omnia, sicut cartæ testantur Roberti patris mei; et ut firmiter et liberius stet, pono super altare sanctimonialium omnes dona-

tiones, et concessiones, quas dederat et concesserat pater meus prædictis sanctimonialibus; et per hanc positionem confirmo omnia prædicta in liberam elemosinam, quietam ab omni terreno servitio, exactione, et reclamatione. Hujus donationis et concessionis et positionis et confirmationis, vos omnes adstantes, et hæc audientes, et videntes advoco in testimonium. Et super hæc omnia quæ supra scripta sunt addo, pro anima patris mei, et salute animæ meæ, sanctimonialibus, unoquoque anno redditum duorum solidorum ad festum sancti Botulfi, in liberam elemosinam, de me et meis hæredibus imperpetuum possidendum." Sunt hii quidam ex testibus qui hoc viderint et audierint, Randulphus frater Roberti filii Gilberti, Thomas de Cobba, monachi de Parcho, Richardus et Achardus, canonici de Alvingham, Osbertus, et Eilwardus, et Gilebertus, et Robertus, et Willielmus omnes sacerdotes, et multi plures quos enumerare longissimum est, Hanfridus de Habe, Fulco Ribald, Willielmus de

^a By a charter of Robert fil. Gilberti de Thadwell to the Nuns of Karledale, directed to Robert bishop of Lincoln, and tested by Alelm dean, Humphry subdean, and Hamo chancellor of Lincoln, this House must have been in being about this time. This deed is in Dodsworth, vol. lxxv. fol. 23. where, and in the following pages, are seven or eight

charters belonging to this House not printed in the Monasticon. Tanner, Notit. Monast. Linc. xlvii.

^b Taxat. P. Nich. iv. pp. 58 b, 59, 73.

^c MS. Cole, Brit. Mus. vol. xxvi. fol. 209 b.

^e Rep. Orig. MS. Brit. Mus. vol. iii. p. 181.

^d Ibid.

Fetherestan, Richardus frater Matildis uxoris Roberti filii Gileberti, Richardus frater Aufrei, Willielmus filius Aufrei, Willielmus clericus de Mannebi, Alanus de Welle, Haraldus, Richardus, Walterus filii Roberti, Randulphus filius Rogeri. Interfuere etiam plures alii, Matildis uxor Roberti, Hauwis, et Aliz, et Mahald.

NUM. II.

Carta Willielmi de Lekeburn, filii Roberti, de sede Abbathie.
[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS filiis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ Willielmus filius Roberti de Lekeburne, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ de Lekeburn, in perpetuam elemosinam, et pro salute animæ meæ, et anima patris mei, et omnium antecessorum meorum, omnes donationes quas pater meus illis dedit; scilicet, sedem abbatie de Lekeburn, et dimidiam ecclesiam de Lekeburn, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et in territorio ejusdem villæ Hestcroft; et totam terram quæ est de feudo meo, ex occidentali parte Hestcroft, ejusdem, et inter Litlehaichahe, et inter molendinum de Calthorp, et in eodem territorio de Lekeburn quadraginta acras terræ cultæ, scilicet, viginti ex una parte villæ, et viginti ex altera, et in eadem villa quatuor mansuras, quæ fuerunt Ranulfi, Gaucelli, Walteri, Ragineri, Haichaghesis, et in eodem territorio Litleaichahe, cum appenditiis suis; et totam culturam quæ jacet ad Heudesdyke, et communem pasturam ejusdem villæ in territorio de Thathewelle, et de Cattedale. Et totam terram quæ pertinet ad feudum meum quæ continetur inter Quenildewange, in campis de Thathewelle, et inter regiam viam quæ vadit de Bushou, et inter viam de Thathewelle, quæ tendit apud Lincoln. et inter divisam de Wyccall, et communem pasturam in Catdale et Thathewelle. Item in territorio de Halington, sedem molendini in loco qui dicitur Crakbeke, cum appenditiis suis; scilicet, cum duobus croftis, uno ex australi parte, et altero ex parte aquilonari, et croftum quod dicitur Botcrofts, et molendinum illud quod Randulphus avunculus meus, consensu patris mei, dedit eis, cum vivario et crofto, et communem pasturam ejusdem villæ. Item in territorio de Somercotes, illum pratum quod vocatur Huldaueffeu, scilicet, illud toftum quod Germundus de Halington tenet, et unam salinam juxta mare, in campis ejusdem villæ, et in eodem territorio mansionem quam ibi habent. Item in villa de Conigsohlam, unum croftum, unde magister Rogerus reddit xij. d. Item in territorio de Saltfledby, decem acras in cultura quæ dicitur Bracneswang. Item molendinum de Ludena, quod est de feudo meo, illud scilicet, quod situm inter molendinum sanctimonialium de Alvingham, et molendinum Willielmi de Cokerington, et Roberti de Pormort, cum omnibus appenditiis suis. Item in territorio de Schopholm, decem acras prati, sex quas tenuit Siwat de Luda, et quatuor illas propinquiores de feudo meo, concedo et illis, et confirmo illas donationes hominum meorum quas illis prius concesserat pater meus; scilicet, illam culturam quæ dicitur Hestchalles, in territorio de Lekeburn, et in territorio de Halington, unam acram de dono Suani; et ex dono meo proprio in perpetuam elemosinam, unam acram in cultura quæ dicitur Troft, ex parte orientali, et duos solidos ex redditu molendini de Wittewalht annuatim, pro anima patris mei, et mei, ad pascha illis dandos. Concedo etiam communem pasturam per totam terram meam, et nominatim illam terram, quam pater meus concessit eis in crofto suo, per quam itur ad Hestcrofts, et quæ jacet juxta croftum Hugonis filii Reginaldi, et communes exitus et introitus totius terræ meæ, et communes vias et semitas et aquas, sine omni calumpnia. Hæc omnia concessi eis, et hac præsentī carta confirmavi, libera et quieta a me et hæredibus meis, et soluta ab omnibus querclis et placitis et consuetudinibus, et ab omni terreno servitio, et seculari exactione. Et volo ut prædictæ sanctimoniales habeant omnem electionem ita bene et in pace, liberè et honorificè teneant, sicut electio liberiùs et honorabiliùs teneri potest. Omnes prædictas donationes ego et hæredes mei adquietabimus et warrantizabimus eis, contra omnes homines, &c.

NUM. III.

Carta Roberti filii Gilberti de Thathewelle.
[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit omnibus legentibus et audientibus literas has, quod ego Robertus filius Gilberti de Tadwelle, per

concessionem hæredum meorum, et uxoris meæ Matildis, dedi sanctimonialibus de Kedington, terram quæ vocatur Careldale, et illam aliam terram quæ in circuitu ejus continetur, et unum molendinum quod est juxta Halington in occidentali parte, et vivarium ibi juxta positum; quod excambiavi à fratre meo Ranulfo. Et etiam illud pratum totum, quod vocatur Ulkesholm; scilicet, totum illud quod Germundus tenuit; et insuper unam salinam juxta mare. Hæc omnia dedi prædictis sanctimonialibus, in puram elemosinam perpetuò possidenda, libera et quieta ab omni terreno servitio, et ab omni terreno dono. Hujus donationis testes sunt, &c.

NUM. IV.

Carta Regis Johannis Donatorum Concessionem recitans et confirmans.

[Cartæ 1 Joh. parte 2. n. 93.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse, et hac carta nostra confirmasse, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, et sanctimonialibus de Lakeburne, totam ecclesiam de Falestorp, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, quam habent ex dono Rogeri de Falestorp, et Murielis sponsæ suæ. Et præterea quicquid Robertus filius Gilberti habuit domini et donationis in septem subscriptis ecclesiis, quæ fundatæ sunt in feodo quod fuit ipsius Roberti, et patrimonio suo, quas habent de dono ejusdem Roberti; scilicet, ecclesiam de Retheby, cum omnibus libertatibus et pertinentiis suis: et ecclesiam de Halington, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis: et ecclesiam sancti Petri de Saltfetby, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis. Et duas ecclesias in Somercotes, simul cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis. Et ecclesiam de Cunesgholm, et medietatem ecclesiæ de Lekeburne, et medietatem ecclesiæ illius, quam tenuit Hogrim sacerdos in Thedlestorp, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis. Concessimus etiam et confirmavimus illam viam, quæ jacet ex sud-parte rivi currentis juxta abbatiam suam, et illam viam quæ jacebat ex nord-parte rivi inter abbatiam, et molendinum suum, et quicquid includitur infra curiam suam, de feudo Willielmi filii Amfridi, et Fulconis Ribauldi, et hæredum eorum, quæ habent ex dono Willielmi filii Amfridi, et Fulconis Ribauldi, et Willielmi filii Roberti, et totius villatæ de Lekeburne. Quare volumus, &c. Datum per manus S. Walteri archidiaconi, et J. de Gray, apud Lichefeld, tertio die Aprilis, anno regni nostri primo.

NUM. V.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

P'ORAT' SIVE MONASTERIU' DE LEGBORN INF' DECANAT' DE CALSEWAYTHE.

Declaraçõ sive Valor om̃i' Dñioꝝ Mañioꝝ Terr' Ten' et aliaꝝ Possessionũ Temporalũ quarũcũq; ac Eccliaꝝ Monasterio iñm approp'at' de anno regni Dñi nñi Reg's Henric' Oct' xxvj^{to} tempore Dñe Johanne Godehand adtunc P'orisse.

Terr' d'n'ical'.

Predicta priorissa et conventus habent terr' dñical' infra p̃cinctũ monasterij viz scitu' monastij cū 60 acr' terr' arr' 1l. 10s. 20 acr' pastur' jac' in Legborn 1l. 10s. Et eciam ñent q'ndm firmā in Soñcotts cū 40 acr' pastur' 2l. Et 20 acr' p'ti eid' firm' p'tin' ymal' tempe aqua dulsa subm̃s' 1l. Ac eciam un' acr' bosc' et subb' pstrat' iñm p annũ in m̃aibz suis pprijs occupat' ad usu' abbatie que valent p annũ 1l. Inñ se . . . 7l. 0s. 0d.

Dict' priõssa et convent' si' ñent terr' dñical' viz grangiã de Carledale cū 24 acr' terr' arr' et v^{xx}xvj. acr' pastur' et terr' virid' voc' Lynge Grownd pasturat' cū bident' piformit' in manibz suis et ad usũ abbatie per estimacõnem cõibz a^{is} ad valorẽ . . . 1l. 0s. 0d.

Redd' et firm' in diñs' villat'.

P'dicta priorissa et convent' ñent in manus q'amplimoꝝ tenent' redd' et firm' in villis de Legborn 13l. 18s. 4d. Cawthorp jux^a Legborn' 1l. 10s. 4d. Soñcotts bor' et austr' 15s. 6d. Saltfetby 1l. 19s. 3d. Manby 6s. Thedylthorp 8d. Halyngton 1s. 2½d. Wythecalle 2s. Grymolby 7s. Leke et Leñton in com' Lincoln' 1l. Inter se

20l. 0s. 3½d.

Sñ^a temporalũ . . . 28l. 0s. 3½d.

Sp'ualia.

Idm priorissa et conventus habent eccliam de Legborn infra dioces' et iurisdicōem epi Lincoln' dco monasterio appropriat' tam in decimis q^m alijs pficuis et oblaconibz ibm p coibz annis 9l. 13s. 2d.

P'dicta p'orissa et conventus hient eccliam de Halyngton monasterio ibm appropriat' in omibz decimis et emolument' valorat' p coibz annis 1l. 13s. 4d.

Dicta p'oriss' et convent' hient eccliam de North Somcoytts infra dioces' et iurisdicōem epi Lincoln' dco monasterio appropriat' tā in decimis q^m alijs pficuis et oblaconibz p coibz annis put dimittit' ad firmam p indentur' 12l. 0s. 0d.

P'dicta p'orissa et convent' habent medietatem ecclie Sci Petri de Salfletby infra dioces' et iurisdicōem epi Lincoln' monasterio p'dco appropriat' in oibz decimis oblaconibz et alijs pficuis valorat' p coibz a^{is} 4l. 13s. 4d.

Dicta p'orissa et convent' habent eccliam de Farlesthorp infra dioces' et iurisdicōem epi Lincoln' dco monasterio appropriat' valet ut di' p indentur' 1l. 13s. 4d.

S^m^a sp'ualiū 29l. 13s. 2d.

S^m^a tot' exit' tam temporaliū q^m sp'ualiū 57l. 13s. 5¹/₄d.

Resoluco redd'.

De quibz in reddit' resolut' Wiflmo Skypwythe mil' p terr' in Somcotts 2s. Cristofero Ascughe milit' pro terr' ibm 8d. Et ad auxil' vicecomiti p terr' in Legborn' 8d. Inter se p annū 0l. 3s. 4d.

S^m^a 0l. 3s. 4d.

Soluco feod'.

Et in feod' Riçi Rawlynson ballivi et collectoris reddit' abbathie p'dce 2l. 6s. 8d. Joñis Hennage sen^{li} cur' 10s. Wiflmi Cawode auditoris 5s. Inter se per annū 3l. 1s. 8d.

Et in stipend' sive salar' Joñis Cruste capⁿⁱ convent' abbathie per annū 4l. 13s. 4d.

Soluco stipend'.

Et denijs solut' decano et capi^{li} Lincoln' p q^{dm} pensione an^{ti} de qua pens' dicta p'orissa et convēt' inde petunt allocari p annū 12l. 1s. 8d.

Soluco pro pens' et aliis.

Et denijs in solut' abbati de Jarvys p pens' 1l. 13s. 4d.

Et in cons' pens' p'ori de Syxylly 10s. P'ori de Covētrej p cons' pensione 3s. P'posit' ecclie de Raythby jux' Maltby p' un' anniſsar' Thome Smythe nup' vicarij ibm p' ip'os ibm an^{ti} observat' ut pat' p' indentur' inde commissionijs ostens' 3s. 4d. Epi Lincoln' p pensione 3s. 4d. Archino Lincoln' p pcuratione eccliaz de Farlesthorp 7s. 6d. Somcotts 7s. 6d. Et Legborn 7s. 6d. Ac medietat' ecclie de Salfletby 3s. 9d. Et dco archino p sinod' eccliaz de Legborn 1s. 8d. Et me' ecclie de Salfletby 10d. Inter se p annū 4l. 1s. 9d.

S^m^a 3l. 18s. 5d.

S^m^a 19l. 1s. 9d.

S^m^a omi' soluconū et peticonū p'dictaz 19l. 5s. 1d.

Et rem' 38l. 8s. 4d.

Inde p x^{ma} 3l. 16s. 10d.

NUM. VI.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

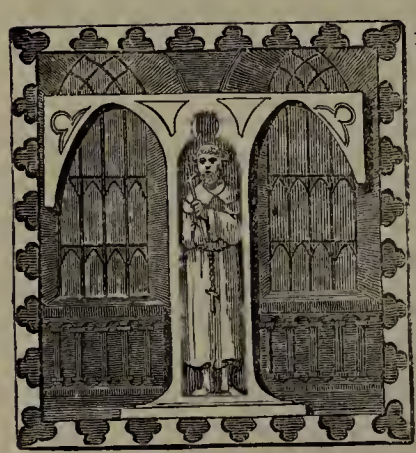
[Abstract of Roll, 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

PRIORATUS DE LEGBORNE.

Com' Line'	£.	s.	d.
Legborne—Rcddit' assis' lib' ten'	0	17	0
Halyngton—Reddit' assis' lib' ten'	0	1	2 q.
Wythall—Reddit' assis' lib' ten'	0	2	0
Cawthorp—Rcddit' assis' lib' ten'	0	4	8
Legborne et Cawthorp—Tenementa et terr'	18	17	7
North Somercotes—Terr'	0	1	6
Saltefleteby—Pastur'	4	1	6
Thedylthorp—Terr'	0	0	8
Grymmelby—Terr'	0	7	0
Borewill—Terr'	0	6	0
Leverton et Leke—Terr'	1	0	0
Legborne—Mesuag' cum terr'	2	18	4
Somercotes—Un' claus' terr'	0	17	0
Legborne et Somercotes—Firma terr' dominical'	14	9	2
Legborne—Firma rector	9	13	2
Saltefleteby—Firma rector'	4	13	4
Farlesthorp—Firma rector'	1	13	4
Halyngton—Firma rector'	1	13	4
North Somercotes—Firma rector'	12	0	0

Strat Margel, or Pstrat Marchel Abbey,

IN MONTGOMERYSHIRE.



ANNERcalls this Monastery Ystrat Marchel, Strata Marcella, Alba Domus de Stratmargel, Vall Crucis, or Pola; lying between Guilsfield and Pole. He says, "A Cistercian Abbey was founded here to the honour of God and the blessed Virgin, A.D. 1170, by Owen Keveliog the son of Griffith as some,^a and by Madoc the son of Griffith as others.^b In the beginning of the reign of King Ed-

ward III. the Welsh monks were removed from hence into English abbies, and English monks were placed here, and the abbey was made subject to the visitation of the abbat and convent of Bildewas, in Shropshire. The Bennet College Manuscript, Tanner says, mentions but four monks here: this was probably near the time of the Dissolution.

In the Taxation of Pope Nicholas IV. the temporalities of the Abbey of Stratmargell, in the diocese of St. Asaph, are rated at 18l. 10s. 10d., beside a rent of 13s. 4d. in Shrewsbury, in the diocese of Chester; and a carucate of land in the deanry of Pontesbyr, valued at 3s. a year.^c

At the time of the Dissolution the total of the revenues of Stratmargell amounted to 73l. 7s. 3d. per annum: the clear income to 64l. 14s. 2d. The scite was granted in the

^a Leland, Collect. vol. i. p. 104. "Owen Kevelioc princeps Powisæ primus fundator:" and so in the Welsh pedigree, Owen Keveliog, lord of one half of Powis, built the Abbey of Ystrat Marchel." And Speed hath, "Owen son of Griffin, prince of Powis, founder; Wennewin his son confirmed it, A.D. 1202, 4 Joan." And, in the charter of Owen the son of Griffin (see the Append. to this Account, Num. III.), it is said that he gave them lands ad ædificandam abbatiam. But Madoc's charter (Num. I.) is called the foundation charter, and he is there not only esteemed founder, but his charter says that he gave villam quæ vocatur Llinliequestel ad construendum ibidem monasterium. To reconcile this, I conjecture, that Owen Keveliog, who died A.D. 1197, leaving his estate to his son Wennewin (as Hist. of Wales, p. 217.), was

the original founder, A.D. 1170, but that after his decease, and his son's being involved in war and worsted by it, Madoc might refund it; or perhaps, on account of some inconveniences, build a new abbey in a different place: for his charter implies (in my opinion) that there was an Abbey of Stratmarkell or Vallem Crucis then in being; and his giving "monachis de Stratmarkell villam de L. ad construendum ibidem monasterium," seems to imply a new foundation in another place. This may likewise bring his charters near together; but if we suppose him to be original founder, and his first charter to have been made A.D. 1170, that will be fifty-two years before his second charter, which is dated A.D. 1222. See Tanner, Notit. Monast. *Montgom.* ii.

^b Claus. 2 Edw. III. m. 17. dorso. ^c Taxat. P. Nich. IV. p. 289.

8th of Elizabeth to Rowland Hayward and Thomas Dixon.

Tanner's references are, "*Vide Coke's Reports*, p. ix. Case de l'Abbot de Strata Marcella. Cart. 1 Joan. p. 2, m. 15. n. 107. Cart. 26 Edw. I. n. 18. Cart. 15 Edw. II. n. 22. Pat. 28 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 5 vel 6.^a

For the SEAL of this House see Gough's Brit. Topography, vol. i. p. 322.

This Abbey was constructed chiefly of timber, and what remains of it is now occupied as a farm-house. It is now the property of the Earl of Powys.

Cartae ad Stratmargellensem Abbatiam (alias dictam Vallem Crucem), in agro Montgomerensi, spectantes; fundatam anno Dom. Mclxx.^b

NUM. I.

Fundationis Carta per Madocum Griffini filium.

[Cart. 23 Edw. I. n. 17. per Inspex.]

NOTUM sit omnibus tam præsentibus quam futuris, quod ego Madocus Griffini filius, eternæ patriæ desiderio, et caritatis intuitu, non transitoria laudis appetitu, dedi et concessi, et hac præsenti carta mea confirmavi, Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Stratmarkell, villam quæ vocatur Llynliequestell, cum omnibus terminis suis, ad construendum ibidem monasterium in honorem Dei et beatæ genetricis semperque virginis Mariæ; et ut conventus Cisterciensis ordinis ibi jugiter Deo militaret. Hanc, inquam, dedi rogatu venerabilium personarum, videlicet iiij. abbatum, quorum ista sunt nomina, Petrus dictus abbas de Alba Domo, Deniawal de Stratflur, Philippus abbas de Stratmarhell, Rind. de Cumhir. Dedi etiam prædictam villam jam dicto conventui Cisterciensis ordinis ibidem Deo servienti liberam et quietam. Cui etiam alias terras dedi et concessi quas hæreditario jure apud Powys possidebam, quarum ista sunt nomina. Lauhekeneyl cum omnibus terminis et pertinentiis suis. Rynderth cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Banhadlen cum omnibus terminis suis. Medietatem villæ quæ dicitur Buducure, cum omnibus terminis et pertinentiis suis. Creychanch cum omnibus terminis et pertinentiis suis. Cumbruynanch cum omnibus terminis suis. Keneulluhesten cum omnibus terminis et pertinentiis suis. Tong cum omnibus terminis et pertinentiis suis. Medietatem villæ quæ dicitur Mystuyr, cum omnibus terminis et pertinentiis suis. Et de aliis terris particulas quasdam inde de Wrechtessham, et de Berertesham, et de Actun. Has itaque jam nominatas terras dedi Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et monachis Cisterciensis ordinis apud Vallem Crucis Deo servientibus, liberas et quietas et immunes ab omni exactione et servitutesæculari, cum omnibus terminis et pertinentiis suis, in bosco in plano, in aquis in silvis, in molendinis in pratis in pascuis, in lignis tam succidendis quam cremabilibus, in lapidibus efodendis sive tollendis. Et ut hæc mea donatio rata sit et apud posteros firma et stabilis imperpetuum, multorum virorum attestazione et sigilli mei munimine confirmavi. Hiis testibus, Phill. abbate de Polai-phill, abbate de Valle Crucis, Hugone monacho, J. monacho, R. converso. De laicis Keirradanch filio Hugonis, et M. et G. fratribus ejus. Edneweyn Seys, et J. fratre ejus, et multis aliis.

NUM. II.

Alia ejusdem Madoci Carta.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis tam præsentibus quam futuris. Notum sit omnibus, quod ego Madocus filius Griffini, consensu et assensu dominæ I. uxoris meæ, pro salute animæ nostræ et omnium antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, dedi, concessi, et hac præsenti carta mea confirmavi, Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Valle Crucis, in puram et perpetuam et pacificam elemosinam, absque ulla exactione

et consuetudine sæculari vel ecclesiastica, totam villam quæ dicitur Linneguestel, et villam de Lanegemel, et villam de Hallhtun, et terram quæ dicitur Tonc, et portiunculam quam prædicti monachi habent de Hactum, et terram quam habent de Wrehtessam et de Kreichanc, et dimidietatem villæ quæ vocatur Buchubre, et Bahadlen, cum Bromanc, Camproulh, Gunerich, Meiboch, et cum Keffl; et dimidietatem villæ quæ dicitur Mistuir, et Kenen, Luesten, cum omnibus terminis et pertinentiis suis, sicut eorum cartæ protestantur, in bosco in plano, in pratis et pasturis, in aquis et molendinis, in moris, in campis et silvis, in omnibus libertatibus et consuetudinibus bonis, in omnibus utilitatibus et commodis, super terram et subtus, quietè ab omni molestatione in perpetuum possidendas. Warantizabimus etiam easdem terras dictis monachis pro posse nostro contra omnes homines in perpetuum. Quicumque contra hanc donationem nostram predictos monachos super prædictis terris molestare præsumpserint, consensimus etiam ut viri ecclesiastici auctoritates sanctæ ecclesiæ eorum insolentiam compescant. Facta est hæc donatio nostra anno incarnationis dominicæ m.cc.xxij. Hiis testibus, Owem Mab, Trahaiarmh. Yenvaf filio Maredud. David Rouffo. Jorverth Mab. Rachwallann. Seisel decano de Cornain. Johanne Ruffo. De religiosis autem. I. tunc temporis abbate, I. supprior. G. magistro conversorum, et R. monacho, et multis aliis.

NUM. III.

Carta Oueni filii Griffini.

[Cart. 13 Edw. II. n. 21.]

IN nomine sanctæ et individue Trinitatis, ego Ouenus filius Griffini, intuitu caritatis, pro salute animæ meæ, et antecessorum meorum, patris videlicet mei, et matris meæ, cæterorumque prædecessorum meorum, concessi et dedi fratribus Cisterciensis ordinis, ecclesiæ scilicet beatæ atque perpetuæ virginis Mariæ de Alba Domo, Stratmarghell, hiis contentam finibus: ab uno latere Hauren, usque ad fossam quæ est inter Rideshin et Crengai; et ab eadem fossa usque ad puteum ovium, et sic circuiens clarum nemus terminus protenditur usque ad patibula; abhinc vero procedit inter pratum et silvam usque ad rivulum aquæ; dehinc autem per medium nemus usque ad rivum qui est in lata villa; quo distermiante, progreditur usque ad terminum Argemunre; et ab ejusdem termino per supercilium clivi Worgy, usque puteum caballi, et sic concluditur in Hauren; liberam et quietam ab omni consuetudine, et redditu decimarum, aliarumque consuetudinum respectibus, in bosco, et plano, et aquis, cæterisque omnimodis utilitatibus, ad ædificandam abbatiam Deo in honore semper virginis Mariæ. Testificantiis hiis, Davide filio Goliunn, Suglen filio Carodauc, Johanne filio Guardwoit, Beauvoir clerico. Laicis Gorgenu filio Griffini, Salve filio Cheugret, Meurich filio Griffini, Chenvellni filio Dolfini, Jorverd filio Wianud, Caldeldellin filio Rogeri, et fratre ejus Cheugret, Rianval filio Buder, Roberto filio Caradauc.

^a Two Instruments relating to Strat Margel have been kindly forwarded to the Editors of this Work by William Hamper, Esq.

1. A Charter of Madoc, the son of Grifud, dated in 1228, of land in Ekal.

2. A lease from the abbat and convent to Robert ap Rys ap Med, in 1525, of messuages, lands, &c. in the comotes of Penllyn and Edeirun in the co. of Merioneth.

^b Chron. S. Werburgæ Cestr. in bibl. Cottoniana.

NUM. IV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits' Office.]

MONASTIUM SIVE ABBATHIA DE STRATA M'CELLA.

Val' in

Tempal'.

D'nio de Powes.

Villata de Strata M'cella.

Val' in

Reddit' terr' dñeal' in man' ađbt' iđm 10*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Reddit' terr' et teñtož diŷs' pson' dimiss' sub sigillo conventus ad ĩmi' a^{or} nondum finit' . 17*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.*

Reddit' unius moli de novo edificat' iđm eñ 4^h de pte ejusdm reddit' an^{ti} assignat' cuidam Jođini Cotton p ĩmġo vite sue p eo q^d ipe idm Jođines de novo reedificavit dċm molendin', &c. . 8*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Pquis' eur' ċoibz annis . 0*l.* 4*s.* 0*d.*

36*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.*

Villata de Moydok.

Val' in

Reddit' diŷs' terr' et teñtož iđm diŷs' psonis dimiss' p đđċo sigillo conventus, &c. . 2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Villata de Trefnant.

Val' in

Reddit' diŷs' terr' et teñtož iđm diŷs' psonis silit' dimiss' sub đđċo sigillo conventus, &c. . 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Villata de Trehelik.

Val' in

Reddit' diŷs' terr' et teñtož iđm diŷs' psonis silr sub đđċo convent' sigillo dimiss', &c. . 4*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

D'nio de Kiviliok.

Grangea vocat' Tallerddik.

Valet

Ad firmam sic dim' Jođini ap Hoell Viehⁿ sub đđdict' sigillo convent' ad ĩmi' a^{or} nondum finit' eñ teñto voc' Kithigill . 4*l.* 2*s.* 0*d.*

Com' M'ion'.

Terr' voc' Tyreymoneth.

Valet

Ad firmam sic di' Rođto ap Res clico sub đđċo sigillo convent' ad ĩmi' annož adhuc durat' . 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

51*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*

Sp'ualibz.

Decanat' de Kydewen.

Rectoria de Berio.

Valet

Clare ad firmam p annũ sic dimittit' Nieđo Pursell de Saloppia p ĩmġo annož adhuc duratur' 18*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Decanat' de Pola.

Rectoria de Bettus.

Valet

Clare ad firmam p annũ et sic dimittit' Thome ap Jevⁿ Lloide ad ĩmi' annož nondum finit' . 4*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Oblacion'.

Valet

Ad Sċam Crucem infra dċam abbathiam ċoibz annis 5*s.*

22*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.*

73*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.*

Rep's' videlt' d'

Tempalibz.

Feod' Edwardi Gray mi' dñi Powes senescalli iđm p annũ . 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Feod' Humfridi Lloid receptor' terr' diet' ađbie p annũ 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Feod' Johnis ap Meathe bađfi đđċaž villaž de Moidok Trefnant et Trehelik p annũ . 0*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

8*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Sp'ualibz.

Nⁱ quia rectorie đđdict' dimittunt' ad firmā eñ oibz oñibz.

Et valet clare ċoibz annis . 64*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.*

Viž d'

Tempalibz . 42*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.*

Sp'ualibz . 22*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.*

Inde p x^{ma} pte dño regi debit' 6*l.* 9*s.* 5*d.*

NUM. V.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. Hen. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE STRATA MARCELLA.

£ s. d.

Strata Marcella—Terr' dominical' cum scit' monaster' . 6 5 0

Travelig, Stradelweda, Moydock Trevaunt—Reddit' divers' terr' et ten' . 9 3 6

Tyrymynnyth—Reddit' divers' terr' et ten' . 30 16 4

Talerthig—Reddit' divers' terr' in grangia illa . 4 0 0

Pellyn—Reddit' divers' terr' in grangia illa . 3 6 8

Bario—Firma rector' . 4 0 0

Bettus—Firma rector' . 4 0 0

Koyd y Menith—Exit' silve provenien' tam de pannagio porcorum ibidem quam de melle . 0 6 8

Gollegole—Exit' silve provenien' sive crescen' de pannagio porcorum ibidem . 0 10 0

Strata Marcella monaster'—Prec' unius erneis lign' coopertur' eum argento . 0 10 0

Strata Marcella mon'—De placitis et perquisitis eur' . 3 6 8

Abbies of Stanlaw and Whalley.



TANLAW ABBEY, in Cheshire, was founded in 1172, by John Constable, of Chester, and baron of Halton. Such, at least, is believed to have been the time when the foundation was begun; for what is named the foundation charter,^a in which the convent was appointed, bears the date of 1178. The House was to be of the Cistercian Order; was dedicated to the honour of the Virgin

Mary; was endowed with the manors of Aston, Stanye, and other lands, and was appointed to be called "Locus benedictus." The situation, however, was low and unpleasant: at spring-tides nearly inaccessible, and sometimes overflowed; beside that the sea made continual encroachments upon the adjoining lands. In consequence of these inconveniences, upon application to Pope Nicholas the Fourth, that pontiff gave permission for the translation of the Convent to WHALLEY, in Lancashire, where a better habitation was provided for them by the pious munificence of Henry Lacy, Earl of Lincoln; to which they removed on the festival of St. Ambrose, April 4th, A.D. 1296.^b

The following are the names of the persons who presided as

ABBATS of STANLAW.

previous to the removal to Whalley.

RALPH, the first abbat, died on the day of St. Barthol. A.D. 1209.

OSBERN, the second abbat, died on the day of St. Philip and St. James.

CHARLES, in the time of John Scott, constab. of Chester, died 3 non. Jan.

PETER died prid. non. Mart.

SIMON died 7th 1268.

RICHARD THORNTON died 7th id. Dec. 1269.

RICHARD NORTHURBY died 7th kal. Jan. 1272.

ROBERT HOWARTH, having resigned the abbey, he remained at Stanlaw, where he died 10th kal. May, 1304.^c

STANLAW continued as a Cell to Whalley down to the Dissolution.^d

The foundation-stone of WHALLEY ABBEY was laid on the morrow of St. Barnabas, as Dr. Whitaker states, in the year of the translation, by Henry de Lacy in person; and in ten years from that time the work was in such forwardness, that on the 4th kal. May, 1306, great part of the abbey and the whole precinct were consecrated by Thomas, Bishop of Candida Casa, commissioned by the Bishop of

^a See the Append. of Instrum. Num. I.

^b See Num. XII. Compare Whitaker, Hist. Whalley, pp. 43, 49, 50.

^c See Whitaker, pp. 50, 51.

^d When Whitaker published his History (2d edit. A.D. 1806) it was merely a Farm-house, the property of Sir Ferdinando Poole, Bart. The Abbat of Stanlaw, he adds, was one of the spiritual barons who held under the Earls of Chester, and sate in the little parliament of that palatinate.

In the Augmentation Office there is a Roll containing Transcripts of Deeds relating exclusively to Stanlaw, which appears to have been written in the thirteenth century; though there is no date to any of the deeds. They are as follow:

1. Carta Ham. de Masey de quadam parte de dominio de Bacford.

2. Carta Hamond. de Masey de quatuor bovatis terræ in Southcroft.

3. Confirmatio Hamund. de Macy de dono patris sui.

4. Carta Ham. de Masey de decem landis terræ in villa de Bacford.

5. Carta Hamund. de Macy de terra quæ vocatur Hethediche.

Chester. Dr. Whitaker has given a few particulars of the subsequent continuation of the structure. The stone, he observes, with which the church was built, was brought from the quarries of Read and Symondstone. The Refectory and Kitchen appear to have been completed between 1362 and 1425. The last hand was put to the fabric of the abbey, according to the original plan, in 1438.

The following are the names of the

ABBATS of WHALLEY.

GREGORY DE NORTHURBY, the first abbat, died on the day of St. Vincent, A.D. 1309.

HELIAS DE WORKESLEY, D.D. He resigned his charge, and died A.D. 1318.

JOHN DE BELFIELD is said to have been elected in 1316. He died 8 kal. Aug. 1323.

ROBERT DE TOPCLIFFE was the next abbat. He made considerable accessions to the estates of the abbey. Dr. Whitaker thinks he must have resigned his charge long before the time of his death in 1350, since

JOHN LYNDLEY, D.D. occurs as abbat in 1342. It was under his rule that the Coucher Book of Whalley, which will be hereafter described, was compiled. He was alive in 1377,^e but probably died soon after: and was succeeded by

WILLIAM SELBIE, vicar of Whalley, of whom nothing is remembered but the name.

NICHOLAS DE EBORACO, or YORKE, who occurs in 1392, and by inquisition appears to have died in the 5th Hen. V. A.D. 1417.

WILLIAM WHALLEY, the next abbat, died in 1434.

JOHN ECCLES succeeded Whalley. He died in the 21st Hen. VI. A.D. 1444.

RALPH CLIDERHOW;

NICHOLAS BILLINGTON;

ROBERT HAMOND, *alias* HARWOOD; and

WILLIAM BILLINGTON; were abbats, whose precise dates have not been discovered.

RALPH HOLDEN was elected in the 11th or 12th Edw. IVth. He died in 1480.

CHRISTOPHER THORNBERGH was the next abbat. He died in 1486.

WILLIAM REED, or REDE, succeeded. On his decease the convent elected

JOHN PASLEW, in 1506; who was arraigned and convicted of high-treason in the spring of 1537, for assisting in the northern rebellion. He was executed at Whalley on March 12th that year. Speed says that two of his monks were executed with him.

Dr. Whitaker says, the state of the receipts and expenditure of this monastery will best appear by placing the annual Computus of two different periods in opposite columns; one, "Computus fratrum Johannis Kypas et Christopheri Thornbergh burs. de Whalley, A.D. 1478. necnon

6. Quicta clamatio Stephani Woderone de terra in Cestria versus portam orientalem.

7. Quicta clamatio Stephani Woderone de mesuagio prope Glovstanes.

8. Quictacio Willielmi Putoris et Clementiæ uxoris ejus, &c.

9. Carta Willielmi Haral et Mabiliz uxoris ejus, de duabus terris in Viculo Castelli.

10. Carta Radulphi Saraceni de terra sua in Goselone in Cestria.

11. Alia carta Rad. Saraceni de terra sua in Goselone.

12. Carta W. Clerici de ix. solid. annuatim solvend. abbati conventus Loci benedicti de Stanl.

13. Carta W. Pincernæ de quietatione tolacti in villa de Werinton

14. Carta Lucæ fil. Henrici de uno mesuagio in Norwico.

15. Carta R. de Stafford de uno mesuagio.

In Pope Nicholas' Taxation we have the following notices of the property of Stanlaw Abbey. TEMPORAL. in *Dioc. Coventr. et Litchf.* 51*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.* *Dioc. Ebor.* Porcio in ecclesia de Pulton, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* In Coupland, 24*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* See the printed Taxation, pp. 259 b, 307 b, 309 b, 329 b.

^e He is mentioned in the 49 Edw. III. 1366. Abbrev. Rot. Orig. p. 335.

Abb. Radulphi Holden abb. vii^o." The other, "Computus fratrum Rob. Edelstone et Ric. Hill, burs. de Whalley, A.D. 1521, et anno Dom. Jo. Paslewe abb. xv."^a

The Scite of Whalley Abbey was purchased in the 7th of Edward the Sixth for 2132*l.* 3*s.* 9*d.* by Richard Ashton and John Braddyll, together with the manor of Whalley.^b

It is at present the property of Richard William Penn Curzon Howe, Earl Howe and Viscount Curzon.

The REGISTER of Whalley Abbey, quoted by Dugdale, is now in the possession of Earl Howe, by whom it has been obligingly lent for the use of this work.^c Other Manuscripts and Records relating to this Abbey are referred to by Bishop Tanner.^d

The ARMS of Whalley Abbey are given in the initial letter to the present account.

Dr. Whitaker has engraved a ground-plan of Whalley Abbey, partly obtained from an investigation of the ichnography by digging, in 1798. The Area of the Close contained thirty-six acres, three roods, fourteen perches; and is still defined by the remains of a broad deep trench. The

^a Whitaker's Hist. Whalley, p. 79 et seqq.

^b Ibid. p. 103.

^c The Charters in this Register are arranged under the following Heads or Titles, a minute calendar of the charters in each of which is given from fol. 7 to 26 b.

Tit. 1. Stanlawc, Staneye, et Aston, fol. 32.

Tit. 2. De ecclesia de Eccles, fol. 43.

Tit. 3. De ecclesia de Blakeburn, et de terris in parochia ejusdem, fol. 55.

Tit. 4. De ecclesia de Rachedale, fol. 76 b.

Bullæ diversorum Romanorum pontificum de confirmationibus ecclesiarum, fol. 86.

Tit. 5. De ecclesia de Whalleye, fol. 93 b.

Tit. 6. De domibus et reddit. in Cestria, fol. 148.

Tit. 7. De Acton, Lacheford, et Weryngton, fol. 164.

Tit. 8. De Steyninges et aliis terris, fol. 171 b.

Tit. 9. De Wynlaton, Wich, et Stafforth, fol. 190.

Tit. 10. De Alt, Cadewallisset, et Toxstath, fol. 194.

Tit. 11. De compositionibus inter nos et abbatiam Cestr. et canon. de Norton, fol. 207 b.

Tit. 12. De Garston et Childewall, fol. 213 b.

Tit. 13. De Merland et Castleton, fol. 225.

Tit. 14. De Whiteword, fol. 241 b.

Tit. 15. De Spotlond, fol. 269 b.

Tit. 16. De Croenton, Wolueton, Bacford, et al. fol. 293 b.

Tit. 17. De Stanword, Riblecestr. et al. fol. 301 b.

Tit. 18. De Maunton, et Swynton, fol. 325 b.

Tit. 19. De Bilyngton, fol. 336.

Tit. 20. De Rened, Wysewall, Clid'hou, et Edesford, fol. 379 b.

Beside these, at the beginning, at the end, and occasionally interspersed, are various other charters, memoranda, and documents: amongst them are the following:

Patents domini regis de Taxa bonorum tempor. mon. de Whalley 19 Edw. I.

Memorandum de terris in Alvetham.

De terris in Kyverdal.

De manerio de Standem ad firmam dimisso, an. 50 Edw. III.

Indentura de balliva wapentachii de Cliderhou. *Gallied.*

Carta Roberti Banastr. militis de x. acris terræ in villa de Walton.

Finalis concordia in curia dom. regis de terris in Magna Penhulton.

Carta Hen. com. Lanc. postmodum ducis ejusdem facta nobis de bundis inter Acton et villam de More in com. Cestr. 25 Edw. III.

Carta ejusdem dom. Henrici facta nobis de bundis inter villas de Croenton et Upton. eod. anno.

Carta ejusdem de pastura de Brendewod. eod. anno.

Carta alia ejusdem de advoc. capellæ B. Michaelis infra castrum de Cliderhou, A.D. 1349. 23 Edw. III.

At the end of the calendar of the charters before mentioned, it is said, "Hic liber fuit scriptus tempore bonæ memoriæ magistri Johannis de Lindelay sacre paginæ professoris, tunc abbatis hujus domus de Whalleye." To this a later hand has added, "A^o 1347."

^d "Vide Collect. e Chronico Abbatiae de Whalley, MS. Ashmol. Oxon. 844. 3. Chronicon hujus Abbatiae MS. Cotton. Cleop. C. III. 25. Genealogiam Fundatorum, MS. Cotton. Vespas. xvii. 1.—Hist. Foundationis, &c. in bibl. Harleyana, MS. 1830.—Apographa Cartarum in eadem Bibliotheca, MS. 2064.—In eadem Bibl. MS. 139. fol. 242. Historica quædam de hac Abbatia.—MS. 1499. fol. 68. of the Foundation

approaches to the house were by two strong and stately gateways, yet remaining. The house itself consisted of three quadrangles, besides stables and offices. The first and most westerly of these was the cloister court, of which the nave of the Conventual Church formed the north side; the Chapter House and Vestry the east; the Dormitory the west; and the Refectory and Kitchens the south. The other courts were inferior, consisting of the abbat's lodgings, &c. Remains are still visible of the Chapter House, Vestry, Dormitory, Refectory, and Abbat's Lodgings: but the Conventual Church has been levelled nearly to the foundations.

An impression of the COMMON SEAL of Whalley Abbey has been discovered by one of the Editors of the Monasticon in the Office of the Duchy of Lancaster: it is on green wax, and appendant to a Deed 34 Edw. III. The Seal is round, and of a moderate size; in the middle the Virgin is seated with the divine Infant on her left arm, under a gothic canopy: on each side of her is a shield, that on the dexter bearing three garbs, with a star over it, the one on the sinister a wolf, over it a crescent surmounted with a fleur-de-lys; in a niche beneath, a monk on his knees, praying; the legend, s. COMVNE. ABBIS. ET. COVENTVS. LOCI. BNDICTI. DE. WHALLEY.

and Arms.—MS. 2060. p. 146. Abstracts or Copies of several writings relating to the Monastery of Stanlowe or Whalley.—P. 273. short Notes relating to the same.—MS. 2063, p. 180. Collectanea ex libro de Whalley.—MS. 2077. pp. 490, 521. Abstracts of original Deeds relative to this Abbey.—MS. 2101. fol. 230. Abstracts or Copies of divers original charters relating to the same.—MS. 7017. p. 61. Extract de content. in libro Chronicorum apud Monasterium de Whalley, quem monachi ibidem habent de fundatoribus suis apud Stanlaw.—Computos ballivorum hujus Abbatiae, &c. in officio nuper Curiae Augmentationis in бага intit. Hungerford's lands, in superiore archa quintæ archæ.—A particular Account of the lands belonging to Whalley Abbey, MS. in Bibl. Officii Armorum Lond. inter MSS. doct. Keurden, vol. v.

"Rot. cart. 23 Edw. I. n. 11. Pat. 12 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 15 vel 16. Pat. 16 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 13. pro mess. in Watheworke. Claus. 18 Edw. II. m. 19. de grangia de Merland. Fin. 2 Edw. III. m. 2. Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 24. Escaet. Lanc. 6 Edw. III. n. 37. de maner. de Cho et Billington perquirend. de Galfrid Le Scrope. Pat. 6 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 1 vel 2. Pat. 8 Edw. III. p. 2, m. . Pat. 14 Edw. III. p. 3, m. . Pat. 17 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 10 vel 11. Pat. 18 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 39. de vasto in foresta de Penhal vocat. Brendwode in Rossendale, et de exemptione a putura pro eadem. Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 6. Ibid. p. 3, m. ult. vel penult. Cart. 22 Edw. III. n. 9. pro mercat. et feria apud Horderne in Amounderness. Cart. 23 Edw. III. n. 7. Pat. 24 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 34 et 36 et 37. Pat. 32 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 28. pro jure collationis ad capellam S. Michaelis infra castrum de Clyderhow. Escaet. Lanc. 34 Edw. III. n. 60. de ten. voc. Romesgrene, et Standen, Holcroft, &c. Pat. 34 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 5. Pat. 36 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 34. pro ten. in Cliderhow, Wadington, Penhulton, Dutton M., Blackborne, et Wlypshire. Rec. in Scacc. 5 Ric. II. Pasch. rot. 15. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 15. Pat. 20 Ric. II. p. 1, m. . pro libertat. in Whalley et Billington. Pat. 1 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 18. Pat. 3 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 11. de Prestlond et Castleton in W. Wallia. Pat. 1 Hen. V. p. 1, m. 16. Pat. 4 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 20. pro ten. in Wigan et Billington. Pat. 8 Hen. VI. p. 3, m. 1. Pat. 16 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 20. pro ten. in Cliderhow."

Jan. 17, 1760. Lord Willoughby of Parham exhibited to the Society of Antiquaries an Original Deed fairly written: being a Confirmation by Insuperimus under the Privy Seal of Edw. III. of the grant of the perpetual Advowson, right of presentation, and patronage made anno 1288, by Henry de Lacy, earl of Lincoln and constable of Chester, of the church of Whalley with the chapels dependant thereon, to the abbat and monks of Stanlaw, with the churches, lands, and privileges, which had before been granted to them by John, grandfather to the then present earl, and confirmed by K. Edw. I. This deed bore date anno 8 Edw. III.

Whitaker, Hist. Whall. 2d edit. p. 111,* quotes a thick octavo volume ending about 1346, intitled, "Liber Loci Benedicti de Whalley:" from which he has given specimens.

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer Office are two records concerning the possessions of this monastery.

1. *Whalley*. De J. F. et alijs assignatis ad inquirendum de certis scriptis, indenturis, et munimentis et alijs evidentijs a reginâ conclatis, ac nuper monasterio de Whalley in com. Lancast. pertinentibus.

Pasch. Commissiones 1 Eliz. rot. 1.

2. *Whalley*. De manerio, domo, sive situ nuper monaster. de Whalley in com. Lanc. et Radulpho Asheton liberand.

Hil. Record. 22 Eliz. rot. 21.

Cartae ad Stanlawensem Abbatiam, in agro Cestrensi, spectantes; fundatam anno Dom. Mclxxij.^a postea vero ad Whalley translata.

NUM. I.

Carta Foundationis per Johannem Constabularium Cestriae.

[Ex registro de Whalley penes Radulphum Ashton militem et bar. a. 1627. Vide Pat. 2 E. II. part. 1, m. 23.]

UNIVERSIS sanctae matris ecclesiae filiis, tam praesentibus quam futuris, Johannes, constabularius Cestriae, salutem. Sciatis me dedisse, et hac praesenti carta mea confirmasse, Deo et sanctae Mariae, et abbati atque monachis de Stanlawe, ad construendam abbatiam ordinis Cisterciensis, ipsum locum Stanlawe, quae, mutato nomine, Benedictumlocum vocari volumus; et villam unam quae vocatur Staneya, et alteram villam quae vocatur Mauricaceston, cum omnibus pertinentiis earum, in bosco, in plano, in pratis, in pascuis, in viis, in semitis, in aquis, in piscariis, in mariscis, in molendinis, et in omnibus aliis aisiamentis suis, liberas et quietas ab omni terreno servitio, et saeculari exactione; pro salute animae meae, et patris mei, et meae, et uxoris meae, et omnium antecessorum et haereditum meorum, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Concessi quoque eis in perpetuam elemosinam quietantiam tolnei in emptione et venditione omnium rerum suarum per totam terram meam; necnon et quietantiam tolnei de proprio blado suo, in molendinis meis. Dedi etiam eis messuagium unum in villa Cestriae, cum omnibus aedificiis suis, quod habui juxta ecclesiam sancti Michaelis, similiter in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus suis: et quando ego et haeredes mei voluerimus, in domo praenominata placita nostra tenebimus, et ad expensas nostras hospitabimus. Haec verò omnia praenominata ego Johannes et haeredes mei, erga regem et comitem Cestriae, de omni terreno et forensi servitio, quod ad praedictas terras pertinet, warrantizabimus, et acquietabimus, et contra omnes alios homines, in omnibus et ubique, warrantizabimus, manutenebimus, et defendemus; et quicumque hanc meam elemosinam destruere vel minuere voluerit, destruat eum Dominus, et ejus maledictionem, et omnium sanctorum, et meam habeat. Hanc autem elemosinam dedi et concessi liberam et quietam, atque honorificam, sicut ulla elemosina liberiùs et quietiùs atque honorificentius dari potest, anno ab incarnatione Domini millesimo centesimo septuagesimo octavo. Hujus autem donationis et confirmationis testes sunt isti: Robertus decanus de Donnington, Nicholaus persona de Marnham, Radulphus sacerdos de Swallow, Simon sacerdos de Eston, Gregorius sacerdos de Castello, Gaufridus monachus de Parco, Symon monachus de Cumbermere, Henricus Biset, Johannes de Daville, Martinus Angevinus, Hugo de Dutton, Johannes filius Thurstani, Ranulphus filius Gilberti, Gilbertus filius Ranulphi, Matheus filius Johannis, Johannes filius Affr. Richardus Ayton, Willielmus filius Richardi, Robertus venator, Adam de Dutton, Hugo suus frater, Robertus filius Rogeri, Rogerus Burdon, Gaufridus de Meringe, Willielmus Benvena, Ricardus de Cheile, Fulco dispensator, Henricus de Alintona, Petrus de Sandall, Willielmus clericus de Cambrakbeke, Osbertus marescallus, Willielmus Legat, apud Donnington.

NUM. II.

Carta Johannis Constabularii, de Marisco et Fundatione de Stanlawe.

[Ibid. fol. 31 b.]

UNIVERSIS sanctae matris ecclesiae filiis, tam praesentibus quam futuris, Johannes, constabularius Cestriae, salutem. Notum vobis facio, quod ego Johannes, constab. Cestriae, construxi quoddam coenobium monachorum in terra mea, de proprio feudo et baronia mea, quod Stanlawe sive Locus Benedictus dicitur, quod dedi et concessi, et charta mea confirmavi, abbati et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, cum

omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus quas ego vel antecessores mei unquam habuerunt in terra illa, libere et quiete et absque omni exactione seculari. Scire etiam omnes volo, literatos et laicos, praesentes et futuros, et firmiter tenere, quod nullus vicinorum praefati coenobii in pastura marisci quod dicitur Ryshemarsh communionem de jure vel debito, sine gratuita voluntate abbatis aut fratrum praedicti loci, habere debet. Sed neque abbas vel monachi Cestriae in festivitate sancti Johannis ad nundinas in praedicto marisco herbam vel juncum ad logas suas tegendas, ex jure vel debito, vel aliqua consuetudine, sine bona voluntate aut gratuita permissione abbatis aut fratrum Loci Benedicti, habere debent, quia nunquam temporibus meis, aut antecessorum meorum, alio modo habuerunt.

NUM. III.

Querela Abbatis de Salleye de Translatione Abbatiae de Stanlaw ad Ecclesiam de Whalley.

[Ibid.]

HAEC sunt gravamina quibus abbas et conventus de Salleye se conqueruntur aggravari, de translatione abbatiae de Stanlawe ad ecclesiam de Whalleya.

Primum est, quod abbatia de Whalleya nimis propè situata est ad abbatiam de Salleya, contra constitutiones ordinis.

Secundum est, quod monachi de Whalleya modò occupant et expendunt decimas ecclesiae de Whalleya, quas monachi de Salleya solebant emere tempore domini Petri de Cestria rectoris dicti ecclesiae, et tempore omnium praedecessorum suorum, ad sustentationem suam, pro majori parte, sed modo impediuntur per praedictos monachos de Whalleya, ad dampnum ipsorum de Salleya c. sol. per annum.

Item monachi de Whalleya modò discurrunt, per se, et per suos servientes et procuratores, infra patriam de Craven, et in foro dicti abbatis de Salleya emunt omnimoda blada quae monachi de Salleya emere solebant ad sustentationem suam, et venduntur modo eis blada infra Craven carius, causa illorum omni anno ad tertium denarium, ad dampnum ipsorum xl. per annum, quia oportet ipsos de Salleya emere bladum suum, et cariare per xl. sive lx. leugas pessimae viae, si vivere volunt.

Item quod butirum et caseus ex quo venerunt dicti monachi, apud Whalleyam, venduntur carius monachis de Salleye ad tertium denarium, ad dampnum eorum xl.s. per annum.

Item quod maremium quo monachi de Salleya aedificare deberent, et aedificia sua sustentare, venditur eis carius ad quartum denarium ratione quod monachi de Whalleya modo aedificant, et imposterum aedificare intendunt, ad dampnum ipsorum de Salleya xxx.s. per annum.

Item ferrum et sal venduntur eis carius causa illorum ad tertium denarium, ad dampnum illorum de Salleya xx.s. per annum.

Item venditores tanæ in partibus illis, sperantes monachos de Whalleya magnam tanariam habituros, tanam carius vendunt ad tertium denarium, unde tanaria de Salleya ferè destructa est, ad dampnum ipsorum c.s. per annum.

Item pisces rarius veniunt ad Salleyam causa illorum, et venduntur carius eis cum veniunt, ad tertium denarium, ad dampnum illorum xl.s. per annum.

Item aucæ, gallinae, ova, et cætera minuta necessaria, carius venduntur eis ad tertium denarium, quia rarius inveniuntur, ad dampnum illorum xx.s. per annum.

Summa omnium dampnorum xxvij.l. x.s.

Concordia hujus Querelæ.

Cum mota esset contentio per abbatem et conventum de

^a Chron. S. Werburgæ Cest. in bibl. Cotton.

Salleya contra abbatem et conventum de Whalleya, super quibusdam articulis de nimia propinquitate, et majori caristia venalium causa propinquitatis abbatiae de Whalleya ad Salleyam, datis iudicibus a capitulo generali, domini videlicet de Ryevale et de Bellalanda abbatibus, qui dictam causam secundum consuetudinem ordinis pace vel iudicio terminarent. Tandem vocatis, et assistentibus partibus coram dictis iudicibus in ecclesia Hospitalarium juxta S. Botulphum, in crastino S. Petri ad vincula, anno D.M.CCCV. mediantibus venerabilibus patribus de Revsby et Swinsheaved abbatibus, et annuentibus praefatis iudicibus, in hac forma amicabiliter conquivit; videlicet, quod sopitis et extinctis penitus omnibus querelis de temporibus retroactis, deinceps utraque pars, bona fide, alterius negotium tanquam proprium promovebit, commodum et proficuum procurabit; et si forte monachi vel conversi de Whalleya contra domum de Salleya in aliquo notabiliter excesserint, cum de tali transgressione, abbati et conventui de Whalley manifeste constiterit, delinquentes ad abbatiam de Salleya sine mora mittentur puniendi in capitulo monachorum secundum quantitatem delicti, et ad arbitrium praesidentis; et si a parte ipsorum de Salleya aliquid tale contigerit, per ipsos de Whalleya similiter punientur. Et si illi de Whalleya decimas vcnales habuerint, quas abbas et conventus de Salleya suis usibus vidcrint competentes, vendentur eis citius et liberius quam aliis, saltem pro precio quod alii dare volunt. In cujus rei testimonium tam partes quam iudices et mediatores huic scripto cyrographato sigilla sua apposuerunt. Datum apud Sanctum Botulphum, die et anno subscriptis.

NUM. IV.

De Ecclesia de Whallea data, et postmodum abrepta Prioratui Sancti Johannis de Pontefracto, et data Abbati de Stanlawe, et de Amotione Monachorum de Stanlawe usque ad Whalley, et de aliis occurrentibus nota dignis.

[Ex cartul. S. Johan. de Pontefracto penes Thomam Widrington equit. aurat.]

QUIDAM antecessorum comitis Lincolniae, Hugo de Lavale nomine, dedit jus patronatus ecclesiae de Whalley priori et conventui de Pontefracto per cartam suam, quam habent. Qui praesentaverunt ad eam successivè A.B.C.D. qui omnes praedicti admissi et instituti fuerunt; inter quos erat quidam nomine Sparlinge, quo defuncto, successit ei quidam Liwlphus, qui cognominabatur Cuttewulfe, eo quod sedens quadam vice in foresta de Rossendale, ad locum qui vocatur Ledmesgreve, respiciendo canes suos currentes, lupum quendam juxta se currentem decaudavit; defuncto verò praedicto Liwlpho, quidam praedecessor dicti comitis, vacante dicto prioratu, et in sua custodia existente, praesentavit, nomine custodis, quendam Galfridum de candem, qui duxit in uxorem filiam domini Gospatricii de Samalesbury, de quo genuit filios et filias, de quorum progenie multi adhuc nobiles in partibus illis manent. Defuncto praedicto Galfrido, successit ei Galfridus filius ejus, quasi nomine haereditario, gratia, super hoc, prius à curia Romana impetrata; quo defuncto quidam antecessor dicti comitis praesentavit quendam Rogerum, et post ipsum, Petrum de Cestria, praedictis priore et conventu reclamare non audentibus. Vivente autem Petro de Cestria praedictus comes Lincolniae, Henricus de Lascy nomine, dedit patronatum praedictae ecclesiae de Whalley, Coventrensis et Lichefeldensis diocesis, abbati et conventui de Stanlawe, ordinis Cisterciensis dictae diocesis, recepta prius ab eis litera obligatoria quod quotienscumque vacaret, praesentaret ad eam quem ipse aut haeredes sui vellent, et non alium, nisi possent eam in proprios usus impetrare; qua impetrata, augmentarent numerum solitum monachorum; ita quod ab illo tempore essent sexaginta, ubi prius fuerunt quadraginta, et quod monasterium suum ad territorium dictae ecclesiae transferrent. Postea Nicholaus papa quartus concessit eis appropriationem ejusdem (cedente vel decedente rectore) salvis congruis portionibus pro vicaria. Postea papa Bonifacius revocavit appropriationes concessas per praedictum praedecessorem suum Nicholaum, de quibus non habebatur ipso die jus in re licet ad rem. Postea decessit praedictus Petrus de Cestria octodecimo kalendas Januarii, anno Domini millesimo ducentesimo nonagesimo quarto, quondam ad praesentationem avi dicti comitis, id est, domini Johannis de Lascy institutus, qui in vita sua nunquam cedere voluit; quo de-

functo, praedictus Henricus de Lascy comes, tanquam in jure proprio existens, ingressus est ad dictam ecclesiam, dictos religiosos multis diebus excludendo, qui pro ingressu habendo remiserunt et quietum clamaverunt, dicto comiti et haeredibus suis imperpetuum, quandam capellam infra limites dictae ecclesiae existentem, valentem annuatim centum marcas sterlingorum, et alias multas libertates infra forestas dicti comitis, dictae ecclesiae ab antiquo spectantes, ut venandi et feras omni tempore anni, ad libitum capiendi; et sic lectis ante fores dictae ecclesiae super hiis instrumentis, die Purificationis sanctae Mariae, post revocationem praedictam, adepti sunt ingressum, nullum jus ad appropriationem praedictam, ut praedictum est, habentes, praesente populo non parvo et clamante, Væ vobis Simoniacis. Postea composuerunt cum domino Rogero de Meauland tunc episcopo contra hujusmodi ingressum provocante, appellante, et sequestrum interponente, de cccl. marcis sterlingorum, de quibus post obitum suum satisfecerunt executoribus dicti episcopi de centum libris sterlingorum, obligantes se et successores suos ad anniversarium dicti episcopi imperpetuum pro residuo faciendum, et sic pacto, et pretio mediantibus, adepti sunt possessiones dictae ecclesiae, nullum jus habentes ad ejusdem appropriationem. Et sic lapsu temporis duodecim annorum devolvitur collatio ejusdem ad dominum papam, eo quod de jure vacaret per idem tempus. Ex praemissis patet quod prior et conventus praedicti habent cartam et sesynam, quod non est aliud nisi praesentatio cum effectu. Abbas et conventus praedicti habent cartam solomodo sine sesyna, eo quod nunquam praesentaverunt. Ecclesia verò praedicta valet singulis annis ad minus, deductis expensis, quinquaginta marcas sterlingorum. Qualiter postea impetraverunt confirmationem praedicti papae Bonifacii (nulla facta mentione de conventionibus praedictis,) et confirmationem episcopi qui tunc temporis fuit, pro mille marcis sterlingorum, et confirmationem capitulorum Coventrensis et Lichefeldensis, et loci archidiaconi, pro quindecim libris sterlingorum annuae pensionis imperpetuum solvendis, non est opus exprimere; sed errores praedictos radices infectae. Hoc autem sciendum quod omnia praemissa notoria sunt, et quod ab ingressu dictorum religiosorum in dictum beneficium, de malo in pejus, usque ad hodiernum diem, ad scandulum cleri, et populi dissentio semper pullulavit. Et sciendum quod omnes rectores dictae ecclesiae usque ad tempus domini Petri de Cestria cognominabantur decani, et non rectores. Nuper decessit vicarius dictae ecclesiae, cujus portio, secundum ordinationem ordinariorum valebat annuatim centum libras sterlingorum. Et praesentatus est ad vicariam, nuper ordinatam per dominum papam, nunc quidam capellanus, contra cujus ordinationem appellatum est per episcopum et archidiaconum. Et causa per impletionem, similiter et collatio, eo quod de jure, et de facto, per annum et dimidium jam vacavit, devolvitur ad papam.

NUM. V.

De Statu de Blagborneshire.

Ecclesiae de Whalleya prima Fundatio per Augustinum Archiepiscopum Doroverniae, aliarumque Ecclesiarum infra limites de Blagburneshire. Successio Decanorum in eadem. Ejusdem appropriatio, et concessio Monachorum de Stanlawe per Johannem de Lascy Comitem Lincolniae, cum multis nota dignissimis.

[Ex autenticis nuper penes Radulfum Asheton, baronet.]

MEMORANDUM quod tempore Ethelberti regis Anglorum, qui coepit regnare anno Domini dxcvj., eo videlicet tempore, beatus Augustinus Anglorum apostolus missus per beatum Gregorium papam, tertio papatus anno, ad instantiam et rogatum dicti regis, praedicavit in Anglia, et fidem docuit Christianam, fuit apud Whalley in Blagborneshire ecclesia quaedam parochialis constructa, in honore omnium sanctorum; in cujus quidem ecclesiae cimiterio erant cruces quaedam lapideae tunc erectae, et vocatae à populo cruces beati Augustini, quae sub eodem nomine usque hodiè ibi durant, appellataque erat, tempore illo, ecclesia supradicta Alba ecclesia subtus Legh. Infra fines autem et limites parochiae ejusdem ecclesiae continebantur tunc temporis, tota Blagburneshire et tota Boland, et sic annis plurimis perdurabant. Post hæc autem crescente fidelium devotione, numeroque credentium augmentato in partibus illis, constructae

fuerunt aliæ tres ecclesiæ infra Blagbornshire; videlicet, ecclesia de Blagborne, ecclesia de Chepyn, et ecclesia de Ribblechester; parochiæ ecclesiarum earundem ab invicem distinctæ, et certis undique limitibus designatæ, prout in præsens usque continuè perseverant, et apud omnes partibus illis innotescunt. His autem temporibus, dum dictæ ecclesiæ taliter fuerant ordinatæ, non erat in Blagbornshire apud Cliderowe, vel alibi, castrum ædificatum, neque capella quæcunque, præter ecclesias supradictas, nec dominus aliquis qui patrocinium dictarum ecclesiarum vel alicujus earundem ullatenus vendicaret; sed rector quilibet terram et villam in qua ecclesia sua fuerat situata, tanquam dotem ecclesiæ suæ tenuit et possedit; ipsamque ecclesiam suam sic dotatam tanquam patrimonium suum et hæreditatem propriam gubernavit; successoremque sibi de filiis vel amicis suis liberè subrogavit, interveniente duntaxat acceptatione seu institutione episcopi Lichfeldiensis; fuerantque dicti rectores de Whalley et de Blagborn, præcipuè, homines uxorati, et domini villarum. Et quidam de Whalley decani, non personæ, fuerunt appellati. Cujus causa verisimilis æstimatur, quod tempore foundationis ejusdem ecclesiæ, et per tempora diu postmodum subsequencia, populus illarum partium tam rarus fuerit, tamque indomitus et silvestris, tanta insuper vulpium et ferarum nocivarum ibidem existerat multitudo, necnon locus quasi hominibus inaccessibilis adeo videbatur, quod tam episcopi ejusdem loci qui pro tempore fuerant, quam ipsorum officiales totam jurisdictionem ordinariorum parochiæ supradictæ, pertinentem ad officium communium decanorum, præfatis rectoribus propter incommoditates prælibatas penitus reliquerunt, et quasi jugiter commiserant, causis difficilioribus et arduis duntaxat episcopo reservatis. Undè ex hujus decanatus officio quod successivè et continuè exercebant, non rectores, sed decani à populo vocabantur; ac per hunc modum ordinabantur ecclesiæ usque ad tempus regis Willielmi conquestoris; scilicet per cccclxx. annos; et post tempus ejusdem regis Willielmi conquestoris usque ad concilium Lateranense (1215) prout ex antiquis et veracibus cronicis satis liquet. Quis autem dominium de Blagborne-shire tenebat ante tempus dicti regis Willielmi sub certo in cronicis non habetur. Vulgaris opinio tenet, et asserit, quod quot fuerant villæ vel mansæ, seu maneria hominum, tot fuerant domini, nedum in Blagbornshire, verum etiam in Rachdale, Tottington, et Boland, et toto convicinio adjacente, quorum nullus de alio tenebat, sed omnes in capite de ipso domino rege. Memorandum quod rectores de Whalley ab antiquo fuerunt uxorati, et decani vocabantur, non rectores aut personæ; tenebantque dictam ecclesiam, una cum ecclesia de Rachedale, jure quodam hæreditario. Ita quod semper filius patri, vel frater fratri, aut alius parens proximior in jure, possessione dictarum ecclesiarum hæreditariè succedebat; sic videlicet, quod defuncto quocunque decano de Whalley, statim filius ejus, aut frater, aut alius parens ad quem jus hæreditarium dictarum ecclesiarum pertinebat offerret se domino de Blagbornshire tanquam hæredem proximum earum ecclesiarum, et acceptis ipsius domini litteris hoc testantibus, ad episcopum loci ordinarium, presbiteros aliquos, in prædictis ecclesiis, et earum capellis, servituros, ad eundem episcopum cum suis et præfati domini litteris transmitteret pro cura parochianorum subeunda, vel saltem pro licentia et potestate ministrandi ecclesiastica sacramenta in eisdem ecclesiis et capellis. Et per istum modum regebantur ecclesiæ supradictæ usque ad concilium prædictum Lateranense. Et sciendum quod primus rector sive decanus ecclesiæ de Whalley, de quo in registro diocesanorum Lichfeldiensium mentio reperitur, vel cujus nominis est memoria in cronicis, vel apud plebem, vocabatur Spartlingus, vocabatur decanus de Whalley, cui successit Liwlphus Cutwolfe filius suus et hæres, decanus ejusdem ecclesiæ appellatus. Post hunc successit Cudwolfus ejusdem ecclesiæ decanus. Huic etiam successit Henricus senior hæres, similiter ejusdem ecclesiæ decanus. Post quem Robertus filius suus et ejusdem ecclesiæ decanus; et huic successit Henricus junior filius et hæres, ejusdem ecclesiæ decanus. Cui successit Willielmus decanus. Post hunc successit Galfridus senior, ejusdem ecclesiæ similiter decanus. Iste Galfridus senior desponsavit filiam domini Rogeri de Lascy tunc domini de Blagbornshire; huic etiam Galfrido successit Galfridus junior filius suus et hæres, ejusdem ecclesiæ decanus; cui successit Rogerus filius etiam suus et hæres, qui ultimus ejusdem ecclesiæ decanus existit nomina-

tus, nec extunc mittebatur successio hæreditaria in decanatu, vel in possessione ecclesiæ supradictæ, quæ per homines uxoratos, et successione hæreditaria, ut præmittitur, solebat antiquitus occupari, obstante concilio Lateranensi tunc temporis celebrato clericis quibuslibet, et ecclesiarum rectoribus, continentiam imponente.

Quamobrem dictus Rogerus continenter vixit, et ad sacerdotalem se fecit ordinem promoveri. Consideransque quod beneficia ecclesiastica juxta ordinationem concilii supradicti non debebant extunc per concessionem hæreditariam occupari, volensque nobili viro domino Johanni de Lascy comiti Lincolnæ, ac domino de Blagbornshire cognato suo placere, et jus patronatus totius ecclesiæ suæ de Whalley cum capellis, sibi et hæredibus suis confirmare, ac ipsum transferre, cessit rectoriæ et decanatu ecclesiæ suæ prædictæ, ut sic jus præsentandi ad personatum ejusdem ecclesiæ per dictum comitem et hæredes suos, quantum in ipso fuerat, evidentius affirmaret, solum sibi retinens, per assensum episcopi, ejusdem ecclesiæ vicariam, unde dominus comes ad personatum dictæ ecclesiæ de Whalley quendam clericum suum Petrum de Cestria præsentavit. Qui quidem Petrus extitit primus ejusdem ecclesiæ persona nominatus; atque ad præsentationem ejusdem domini comitis ab episcopo Lichfeldensi Alexandro, admissus ad eundem personatum et institutus canonicè ac inductus, et eandem ecclesiam extunc tenuit, et possedit per totam vitam suam, videlicet per quinquaginta novem annos, et amplius. Idem tamen Petrus, pro tempore dicti Rogeri, non habuit de præfata ecclesia nisi quinquaginta marcas annuæ pensionis nomine rectoriæ suæ, et dictus Rogerus totum residuum ecclesiæ habuit dum advixit, nomine vicariæ, prout in literis præsentationis, et institutionis dicti Petri, et ordinationis episcopi inde factis, satis liquet. Huic autem Petro successerunt in personatu prædicto, religiosi viri, abbas et conventus vocati, quondam de Stanlaw, nuper de Whalley, et intraverunt in manerium de Whalley, (domino Gregorio de Norbury tunc abbate) septimo idus Aprilis, anno regni regis Edwardi viginti quatuor, ætatis verò domini Henrici de Lascy, comitis Lincolnæ, quadragesimo septimo, anno Domini millesimo ducentesimo nonagesimo sexto, anno bissextili, littera dominicali G. &c. Sciendum quod prædictus Galfridus, junior decanus de Whalley, fratrem quendam habuit nomine Robertum, cui idem Galfridus dedit capellam de Alnetham nomine vicariæ de Whalley, ut patet ex munimentis inde factis. Qui quidem Robertus, postmodum ad ecclesiam de Rachedam nomine hujus vicariæ promotus, dedit prædictam capellam cuidam Henrico filio filii Hugonis de Clayton nepoti suo, nomine vicariæ prædictæ, prout scripta indè facta testantur. Supradictus igitur Petrus de Cestria, postquam rectoriam ecclesiæ de Whalley integram est adeptus, dictam capellam de Alnetham ad jus et proprietatem pristinam ecclesiæ suæ de Whalley, per viam litis, reduxit, coram priore sanctæ Fredeswyde de Oxonia, judice subdelegato in hac parte per decanum de Warwyk principalem delegatum sedis apostolicæ deputatum; coram quo dictus Petrus eandem capellam per sententiam diffinitivam judicialiter obtinuit et evicit, videlicet in die crastino Cinerum, anno Domini m.cc.xlj., et sic eadem capella, extunc usque in præsens, tanquam capella dependens, et ad eandem ecclesiam pertinens, obtinetur. Supradictus Rogerus decanus considerans quod beneficia ecclesiastica, juxta ordinationem concilii supradicti, non debebant extunc per successionem hæreditariam occupari, cuidam fratri suo, nomine Richardo postmodum dicto de Townley, saltèm in parte sui patrimonii de Whalley, providere volens, cum in toto non posset, dedit eidem Richardo capellam beati Michaelis, in castro de Cliderow, per assensum domini Rogeri de Lascy, domini de Blagbornshire, cujus consanguineus erat, una cum dictis oblationibus et proventibus eidem capellæ assignatis. Dedit etiam eidem Richardo villam de Townley, et quam adhuc tenent hæredes ejusdem Richardi, et manerium suum de Coldecotes, quæ de patrimonio fuerant decanorum de Whalley. Sed præfatus Petrus, postquam rectoriam integram ecclesiæ de Whalley, post mortem dicti Rogeri decani, adeptus fuerat, dictam capellam de præfato Richardo, tanquam jus et parcellam ecclesiæ suæ supradictæ repetiit, et obtinuit ab eodem. Galfridus decanus dedit cuidam servienti, nomine Eliæ, pro homagio et servitio suo, totam illam terram suam quæ fuit Radulphi Proudfoote, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et insuper dedit etiam eidem Eliæ, totam terram suam dominicam ex orientali parte viæ

quæ ducit de Wiswall apud Reved, cum novo asserto, et totam terram quam poterit assartare à prædicta via in Garecloghes, salvo dicto decano bosco suo, habendum et tenendum dicto Eliæ et hæredibus suis, de ecclesia de Whalley et decano et successoribus suis, reddendo ipsis annuatim tres solidos pro omni servitio ad festum omnium sanctorum, &c. Quæ omnia prædicta terra, &c. decanus Petrus recepit, et suæ ecclesiæ restituit; de quo Roberto Suelleshon, ut lucidius in cartis inde factis patet. Galfridus decanus dedit septem acras et dimidiam in Reved cuidam Lucæ citharædo, tenendum et habendum de illo et ecclesia de Whalley, &c. Postea abbas et conventus considerantes quod prædictæ terræ, &c. in villa de Revede fuerant libera elmosina et jus pertinens ad ecclesiam suam de Whalley, et non laicum feodum Lucæ, et aliorum qui jure hæreditario successivè tenuerunt, tulerunt breve de "juris utrum" versus Johannem fil. &c. et per placitum in curia domini regis recuperaverunt, ut patet in chartulario de Whalley, titulo 20. Tempore Johannis Lindelay abbatis decima pars manerii de Reved acquisita fuit.

NUM. VI.

Bulla Nicholai quarti Papæ, de Ecclesia de Whalleya approprianda, et de Translatione Monasterii de Stanlawe illic.

[Adhuc ex registro de Whalley, fol. 92.]

NICHOLAUS episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis abbati et conventui monachorum Loci Benedicti de Stanlawe, Cisterciensis ordinis, Coventrensis et Lichfeildiensis diœcesis, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Ordinis vestri sacra religio, sub qua virtutum Domino gratum jugiter impenditis famulatum, nec non dilecti filii nobilis viri Henrici de Lascy, comitis Lincolnîæ, qui pro vobis, devotas per suas literas, nobis supplicationes porrexit consideratio nos inducunt, ut votis vestris, in hiis favorabiliter quantum cum Deo possumus, annuamus, quæ vobis dinoscimus opportuna. Sane petitio vestra, nobis exhibita, continebat, quod locus qui dicitur Locus Benedictus de Stanlawe, Coventrensis et Lichfeildiensis diœcesis, in quo monasterium vestrum situm est, per inundationes maris, juxta quod monasterium ipsum consistit, aded concutitur, et aquis nimis irrigatur, quæ interdum in dicti monasterii officinis, usque ad trium pedum altitudinem, colliguntur; quod personæ degentes in ipso non possunt ibidem, absque gravi rerum et corporum periculo, remanere. Terræ quoque sive possessiones dicti monasterii circa illud consistentes, occasione dictarum inundationum terræ et possessionum superficiem occupantium, adeo sunt destructæ, quod advenientibus ad monasterium, sive recedentibus ab eodem, securus transitus patere non potest; propter quod verisimiliter formidatur quod præfatum monasterium in loco ipso versus totalem destructionem, quæ sibi ex fluctuationibus dicti maris imminet, diù subsistere non valebit. Hæc igitur venerabilis frater noster Coventrensis et Lichfeldensis episcopus, loci diœcesanus, diligenter attendens, vobis licentiam autoritate ordinaria tribuit, vos, ad alium locum, quem dictus comes vobis opportunum viderit transferendi; idem quoque comes monasterii prædicti patronus, cupiens, ad locum ubi ecclesia de Whalleya diœcesis supradictæ consistit, qui habitationi vestræ admodum est accommodus, vos transferri, jus patronatus, et quicquid juris in ipsa ecclesia continebat, vobis, ea intentione, pia et provida liberalitate, concessit, quod de proventibus, vobis, ratione hujus concessionis, licite proventuris, viginti monachi ultra monachorum numerum in dicto monasterio solitum observari, in vestro assumendi collegio, congruam sustentationem haberent, ad quod proventus ipsi dicuntur sufficere competentèr; et quod idem viginti monachi, pro nostra, et prædecessorum, ac successorum nostrorum, dictique comitis, animabus, devotas orationes Altissimo effundere tenerentur, bona infra dicti monasterii ferè omnia sicut asseritis propè ecclesiam prædictam consistunt. Vos autem præmissa sollicitè attendentes, ac pro hoc affectantes, ad locum prædictum, ubi ecclesia præfata sita est, transire, et inibi . . . tutum Domino perpetuum impendere famulatum, et in præfato monasterio, in quo nunc degitis, per quatuor monachos in sacerdotio constitutos, continuè facere deserviri, à nobis, suppliciter, petiistis, ut vobis specialem gratiam facere per quam vestrum in hac parte desiderium valeat adimpleri, paterna diligentia dignaremur: Nos igitur vestris et præfati comitis supplicationibus

grato concurrentes assensu, prædictam ecclesiam, cum omnibus capellis, juribus, et pertinentiis suis, vobis, autoritate apostolica, in usus proprios concedimus, à vobis, vestrisque successoribus, in usus ipsos perpetuo retinendam; ita quod cedente vel decedente ipsius ecclesiæ rectore, possessionem ejus apprehendere, autoritate propria, valeatis, alicujus assensu minimè requisito: vobisque transferendi vos ad locum prædictum, in quo ecclesia præfata consistit, sine juris præjudicio alicui, ac ibidem sub prædicti ordinis observantia imperpetuum remanendi, eadem autoritate, licentiam elargimur: et quod ipsius ecclesiæ fructus, redditus, et proventus, in usus proprios possitis convertere supradictos, reservata tamen ex eis vicario perpetuo, in eadem ecclesia servituro, et ad præsentationem vestram, per eundem diœcesanum, in ipsa ecclesia instituendo, congrua portione, ex qua commodè sustentari valeat, jura episcopalia solvere, et alia incumbencia ipsi ecclesiæ onera supportare. Nulli igitur, &c. Dat. Reatæ, x. kalend. Augusti, pontificatus nostri anno secundo.

NUM. VII.

Carta Henrici de Lascy, Comitis Lincolnîæ, de Advocatione Ecclesiæ de Whalley.

[Ibid. fol. 93 b.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, Henricus de Lascy, comes Lincolnîæ, constabularius Cestriæ, et dominus de Ros, et de Reweynok, salutem in Domino. Noveritis nos, caritatis contemplatione, dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentī carta nostra confirmasse, Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et abbati et monachis nostris, Loci Benedicti de Stanlawe, advocationem ecclesiæ de Whalley, illius partis quam prius non habuerant, de dono alicujus antecessorum nostrorum, et ad quam Petrus de Cestria fuit admissus, ad præsentationem nobilis viri Johannis de Lascy, comitis Lincolnîæ, avi nostri; ita quod dicti abbas, et nobis in Christo carissimi, de cætero habeant jus patronatus totius prædictæ ecclesiæ de Whalley, cum omnibus pertinentiis, integritatibus, juribus, et libertatibus ad ipsam pertinentibus, quantum pertinet ad laicalem donationem, tenendam de nobis et hæredibus nostris, sibi et successoribus suis imperpetuum, dictam advocationem, sive jus patronatus totius ecclesiæ de Whalley, cum omnibus prænominationis ad ipsam pertinentibus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, nihil inde nobis vel hæredibus nostris faciendo vel reddendo, nisi salutaria suffragia orationum. Et nos, prædictus Henricus et hæredes nostri, dictis abbati et monachis nostris, et eorum successoribus, dictam advocationem sive jus patronatus totius prædictæ ecclesiæ, ut præ tactum est, contra omnes gentes imperpetuum warrantizabimus et defendemus. Considerantes etiam, oculata fide dictis abbati, et monachis nostris, nobis in Christo carissimis, grave periculum imminere, ex vicinitate maris, quod jam terram ipsorum ex una parte monasterii consumpsit, et devastavit, et ex alia in proximo est consumpturum, aded quod per ipsius maris minas, et insuetas inundationes diutinam moram ibidem facere non possunt. Volentesque quod ad honorem Dei et ad ipsius sanctissimi cultus augmentum, tempore nostro prædictis abbati et monachis, et eorum successoribus de securitate mansionis provideatur, et status eorum, tam in numero personarum, quam in sustentationis possessione amplietur: volumus, quantum in nobis est, et pro nobis et hæredibus nostris concedimus, quod dicti viri religiosi periculo maris fugiendo, monasterium suum, ab eo loco, quo per antecessores nostros fundatum est, amoveant, et in terra dictæ ecclesiæ de Whalley, ubicunque sibi viderint expedire, de novo construunt et ædificant, ossa antecessorum nostrorum, et aliorum ibidem humatorum, per assensum diœcesani episcopi, secum transferendo, et apud Whalley honorificè recondendo. Quia verò quidam antecessorum nostrorum, Johannes de Lascy nomine, constabularius Cestriæ, primus fundator dictæ domus, mutato nomine de Stanlaw, voluit Locum Benedictum nominari; nos prædictus Henricus eam transferentes, et in loco quieti religiosorum competentiori collocantes, volumus quod idem nomen obtineat, et Locus Benedictus de Whalley appelletur, omnesque terras, possessiones, tenementa, jura, libertates, pasturas et prata, et omnia quæcunque dicti abbas et monachi habent in feudo nostro, ex dono sive concessione alicujus antecessorum nostrorum, sive ex dono nostro, eisdem et suis successoribus imperpetuum possidenda et habenda

confirmamus, et eisdem juribus, feoffamentis, et libertatibus gaudeant apud Whalley, per nos translati, quibus gaudere solebant apud Stanlaw, per prædictum Johannem de Lascy, primo fundati. In cujus rei testimonium præsentis scripto sigillum nostrum fecimus apponi. Actum apud Pontefractum, anno gratiæ millesimo ducentesimo octogesimo tertio, et anno regni illustrissimi regis Edwardi, filii regis Henrici, xij. in die Circumcisionis, ipso rege consentiente. Hiis testibus, domino Johanne Beke, domino Rogero de Trumpington, domino Willielmo le Vavasor, domino Jacobo de Peeville, domino Ada de Blagburn, Alexandro de Kiverdall, Henrico de Clayton, Willielmo de Hakkings, et aliis.

NUM. VIII.

Capella Castri de Cliderow ab Henrico de Lascy, Comite Lincolnæ, per vim à Matrice Ecclesia de Whalley capta.

[Ibid. fol. 107.]

MEMORANDUM quod dominus Henricus de Lascy, comes Lincolnæ, post donationem advocacionis ecclesiæ de Whalley, per ipsum comitem nobis factam, confirmationemque domini episcopi diocesis nostri, de donatione sua subsequentem, et appropriationem dictæ ecclesiæ in usus proprios, per summos pontifices nobis perpetuò possidendam, dicti domini comitis super appropriatione prædicta expressum assensum, et quietam clamationem per ipsum de omni jure, et clamio suo, nobis factam; confirmationemque domini regis, super hiis subsequentem, pacificamque possessionem nostram in eadem ecclesia de Whalleia, et ingressum, post mortem domini Petri de Cestria, ultimi rectoris ejusdem, decimarum majorum, et minorum, oblationum, et obventionum quarumcunque in dicta ecclesia, et in omnibus et singulis capellis ejusdem perceptionem, dominique episcopi diocesis, et capitulorum suorum Coventrensis et Lichfeldensis confirmationem de dicta ecclesia nobis factam, capellam beati Michaelis in castro de Cliderhou sitam, ecclesiæ præfatæ de Whalley, cum omnibus juribus et pertinentiis suis annexam, et ab eadem ut à matrice ecclesia dependentem, non aliquo jure quod in ea habebat, aut privilegio per summum pontificem, sed per vim et magnitudinem suæ dominationis, cui ad illam horam resistere nullatenus valebamus, à nobis voluntariè abstulit, et extorsit, contra formam donationis suæ nobis factæ (ut in pluribus instrumentis in isto titulo quinto superius est expressum), dictamque capellam castri de Cliderhou eidam clerico suo Willielmo de Nunney dedit, et quantum in ipso fuit injustè à matrice ecclesia de Whalley abstulit, et non sine gravi periculo animæ suæ separavit. Quam quidem injuriam post mortem dicti Henrici de Lascy, comitis Lincolnæ, omnes domini dominium de Blagburnshire habentes continuaverunt, dictam capellam diversis clericis successivè dantes, qui dictam capellam per donationem laicalem ingressi, fructus, et obventiones præfatæ capellæ perceperunt omni auctoritate ordinaria circumscripta; quæ quidem injuria per diversos dominos continuata fuerat successive per longum tempus, usque ad annum domini Edwardi regis Angliæ tertii post conquestum quintum. Et in eodem anno dominus Robertus de Topeclif, tunc abbas hujus domus, petitionem suam de jure quod habebat in præfata capella castri de Cliderhou, ratione ecclesiæ suæ de Whalley prædictæ, eidem domino regi dedit in pleno parlamento suo, continentem inter cætera quod eadem capella fuit annexa eidem ecclesiæ suæ de Whalley; et per potentiam dominationis advocati ejusdem, injustè ablata, et non capella libera, prout idem dominus rex credebatur, eo quod non habebat baptisterium, nec sepulturam, nec aliquod privilegium à sede apostolica, quod aliæ liberæ capellæ habent in diversis partibus Angliæ: sed omnes parochiani ejusdem capellæ baptismum et sepulturam capiebant in aliis capellis ecclesiæ de Whalley supradictæ. Quæ verò petitio dicti abbatis, de consensu regis, episcoporum, comitum, baronum, et omnium aliorum magnatum Angliæ, tunc in parlamento existentium, missa fuit domino cancellario regis, ut coram eo super eadem fieret diligens discussio, et ad finem debitum duceretur. Præfatoque abbate dictam petitionem suam de parlamento in parlamentum continuè prosequente, cancellarius misit brevia regis in diversis locis ad inquirendum si aliquid allegari posset, quod dictum abbatem à petitione sua excludere valeret. Et cum nihil inveniretur quod contra eum ad cassandam petitionem legitimè objici potuisset, dominus rex, super præmissis, cum consilio suo (matura deliberatione præ-

habita), quicquid juris vel clamei in advocacione præfatæ capellæ castri de Cliderhou habuit, dicto abbati, et conventui, et eorum successoribus, de se et hæredibus suis imperpetuum relaxavit, et cartam suam eisdem inde fecit.

NUM. IX.

Redditio et Quieta Clamatio Domini Regis de Capella Castri de Cliderhou facta.

[Ibid. fol. 108.]

EDWARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, et dux Aquitaniæ, omnibus ad quos præsentis literæ pervenerint salutem. Licet nuper credentes, nos jus ad collationem capellæ de Cliderhou, infra castrum de Cliderhou, habere, eandem capellam dilecto clerico nostro Johanni de Woodehouse, dederimus et concesserimus, habendam, cum suis juribus, et pertinentiis universis. Idemque Johannes possessionem ejusdem capellæ, virtute donationis, et concessionis nostrarum prædictarum, adeptus fuisset. Qui tamen per diversas evidencias coram nobis et consilio nostro, in diversis parlamentis nostris, ostensas, sumus plenius informati, quod capella prædictæ ecclesiæ de Whalley (quam dilecti nobis in Christo, abbas et conventus de Whalley tenent in proprios usus) fuit et est annexa, ut de jure, ecclesiæ suæ supradictæ: volentes ipsorum indemnitati prospicere in hac parte; advocacionem capellæ prædictæ, de assensu concilii nostri, præfatis abbati et conventui reddidimus, necnon totum jus et clameum quæ in advocacione illa habemus, eis, et eorum successoribus, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris remittimus, et quietum clamamus imperpetuum, volentes et concedentes, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, quantum in nobis est, quod præfati abbas et conventus habeant et teneant capellam prædictam, cum suis juribus et pertinentiis quibuscunque, sibi et successoribus suis, ecclesiæ supradictæ annexam, sicut Petrus de Cestria, quondam persona ecclesiæ prædictæ, eandem capellam eidem ecclesiæ annexam tenuit, priusquam eadem ecclesia, ut præmittitur, extitit appropriata. In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste me ipso apud Northampton xvij. die Martii anno regni nostri octavo.

NUM. X.

Indentura inter Henricum Ducem Lancastriæ et Abbatem et Conventum de Whalley, pro quodam Recluso ibidem supportando.

[Ibid.]

CESTE escrit indente faict a Whalley le scszime jour de Decembre, lan du regne de roy Edward teirz puis le conquest xxxiiij. perenter Henry duc de Lancastre, counte de Derby, de Nichole, de Leycestre, et senescall Dengleterre, d'une parte, et l'abbe et covent de Whalley d'autre parte, tezmoinne que le dit duc per license especialle de nostre seigneur le roi sur ceo ewe, ad donne et graunte, et per cest present escrit confirme as ditz abbe et covent, et à leurs successeurs a toutz jours, deux cotages, sept acres de terre, cent quatre vingtz et tresze acres de pasture, et deux centz acres de boys, oue les appurtenaunces, appelez Rommesgreve en sa chace juste Blakeburne. Et auxsint que le dit duc per mesme le license ad graunte que deux mees cent vint et sys acres de terre, vint et sys acres de pree, et cent et trent acres de pasture, oue les appurtenaunces appelez Standen, Hulcroft, et Grenelache, en les villes de Penhulton et Cliderhou, ensemblement oue la faude de Standen, et le faudage de mesme la faude auncienment acustumetz. Queux mees, terre, pree, pasture, faude, et faudage oue leurs appurtenaunces, et profits de suysditz, William de Yues tient a tout sa vie, du lesse et graunte le dit duc, et queux apres la morte de mesme cely William, au dit duc et a ses heires revert devoirient, entierement remainen apres la mort du dyt William, as ditz abbe et covent, et a leurs successeurs a toutz jours. A avoir et tenir les avantditz mees, cottages, terres, prees, pastures, boys, faude et faudage, ouc toutz leurs eiscementz, franchisez, severalties, communes et ouc toutz autres profitz, et appurtenances, as ditz abbez et covent et leurs successeurs, dudit duc, et de ses heires, a toutz jours, auxi entierement, franchement, pleinement, quitement, et peisiblement, en toutz pointz et en tous profitz, come ledit duc et ses auncestres, en aucun temps par devaunt, les teindrent, ou avoient per les services qu'ensuent.

Cest assavoir, a trouuer sufficiaunt et covenable sustenance a une recluse demourante en une place deins le cimiter de leglise perochiele de Whalleye, et a ses successours recluses illoeques demorautes a toutz jours, et as deux femmes lours servautes esliewes per les dites recluses, et per chesque dyceles, que pur le temps y sera perpetuellement priautes pur le dit duc, ses auncestres et ses heires. Cest assavoir de paier a les dites recluses, et a leurs successours illoeques recluses a tout jours en la dite abbaye, chesque semaine del an, de an en an permy tout lan, dys et sept payns conventueles, chesque pain du poys de cynquant soudz de sterlinge, scpt payns du secound endroit de mesme le poys, oet gallouns de la mailour cervoise conventuele, et trois deners pur lour companage; et de trouer et payer, dan en an perpetuellement, a la feste de toutz saintz, en la dit abbeye, a meismes les recluses, et a lours successours illoeques, dys pessons durs appellees stockfishe, dys grosses pessons des lenges, un bussel de faryne daveyne pur lour potage, et un bussel de seel, deux gallouns d'oye pur lumer des lampes; un piere de sue pur chaundel, et auxint sys charres des tourbes, et une charre de busche pur fuel, cariez pur le dit abbe, et ses successeurs, a la place de lesdites recluses; et ensement, de recourir, redresser et sustenir tous les meisones, et les enclosturs qu'ore sunt illoeques edifies pur la demoer de la dite recluse, et ses successeurs, et les reperailer tout temps quant mestier y soit covenablement pur lestat des dites recluses a toutz jours, en maner come les ditz meisones sont edifies au present, as custages des ditz abbe et covent, et lours successours. Et de trouuer illoeques un moigne chappelayn de meisme l'abbeye de honeste conversacione, et un clerc de ly ministrer a la messe, a chauntre messes chesqun jour perpetuellement, en la chapelle de la dite recluse, et de ses successeurs recluses illoeques, pur le dit duc, ses auncestres, et ses heires a tous jours. Issynt que ledit moigne, quant as offices des messes, et heure de chaunter, soit rieule solonc la disposicion de la dite recluse, et de chesque de ses successours illoeques recluses, que pur le temps y sera. Et en temps de voidaunce de chesque recluse, soit il per morte, ou per quecunques autre cause, que recluse ne y soit, les dits abbe et covent, et lours successeurs, un autre a la denominacione, maundement ou ordonnance le dit duc et de ses heires saunz contredict, ou nulle reclamacione acceptrent, et atteignent quele, demoura illoeques recluse, et prendra, receyura, et auera es toutz choses come deuaunt est dit. Et le dit moigne chesque jour de voidance de recluse, chantra messe en ladite chapelle, come desuys est dit. Et meisme l'abbe et covent, et lours successours, trouuera vestiment, chalice, payn, vin, lumer, et autres ournaments necessaires pur la dit messe perpetuellement. Et outre ceo, payerent au dit duc et a ses heires une annuele rente de terres et tenements avantditz. Cest assavoir, un rose per an, a la feste de la nativite de saint John le Baptiste, a tout la vie du dit William de Yucs. Et apres la morte le dit William, sessaunt sys souds et oet deners de sterlings annuelement a toutz jours, a deux termes del lan; cest assavoir a ladite nativite, et la feste de saint Martin en yeuer per oweles porciones. Et as tous cestes choses avaunt nomes en tous poyntz bien et loyalement perfair a toutz jours, auxsi avaunt devers la dite recluse, et ses successours illoeques recluses, come devers ledit duc, et ses heires, les avaunt ditz abbe et covent obligent caux et lours successours, et lour abbaye a tous jours.

Et outre ceo, grauntont pur eaux et lours successours, que a quele heure que defaute ou misprisionne en aquene manere soit apres ces heures troue en eux, ou en aucun de lour successours in aquen des poyntz, ou articles susditz, que adonques bien lise au dit duc, et a ses heires, et a lour bayliffs, en toutz lez auantditz terres et tenementz, et en chesque parcelle diceux en qui mains que eux deveignent distrendre, et les distress enchacer, emporter et retenir, taunt que gree soit pleinement faite a la recluse dite, et a ses successours illoeques recluses, de toutz chose avaunt nomez que a eaux atteignent; et auxint a dit duc et a ses heires de ceo que a ly et a ses heires attient, et taunque toutz les dit choses avaunt nomez, par les ditz abbe et covent et par lours successours, soyent pleinement parfaits, et perfourmez en toutz pointz come desuys est dit. Et sur ceo lavant dit duc, et ses heires toutz lez mees, cottages, terres, prees, pastures, boys, faude et faudage desuys nomez, ove toutz lours liberties, proffitz et appurtenances, en la forme susdite as ditz

abbe et covent, et a lours successours countre tous gentz garaunterent, acquieterent, et defendrent a toutz jours. En tesmoignaunce de quele chose, a la partie de cest escrit endente demoraunt per deuers les avaunt ditz abbe et covent, le dit duc ad mis son seal, et a lautre partie de meisme lescriit demoraunt per deuers ledit duc, les dits abbe et covent ount mis lour seale commun, per ces tesmoignes. William de Dacre, Adam de Hoghton, Roger de Pilkington, et Nicholas le Botiler, cheualers, Richard de Radecliff, seneschall et minister de Foreste de Blackburnshir et de Bouland, William de Radecliff, viscount de Lancastre, Roberte de Cliderhou, Gilbert de la Legh, John de Balebhe, et plusors autres. Don a Whalleye, le second jour de Januer, lan de la duchie de la dit duc disme.

NUM. XI.

Carta Thomæ Comitæ Lancastriæ, de loco qui vocatur Tocstath, pro situ Abbathiæ.

[Pat. 10 E. II. part. 1, m. 5.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, Thomas comes Lancastriæ et Leycestriæ, senescallus Angliæ, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noveritis nos dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentī carta nostra confirmasse, Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et monachis nostris Loci Benedicti de Whalleye, illum locum integrum, qui vocatur Tocstath, tam infra claustrum quam extra, et Smethedon, quem prius tenere solebat in defenso. Habendum et tenendum dictis abbati et monachis, et eorum successoribus, dictum locum de Tocstath integrum, et Smethedon, tam in venatione, quam in aliis quibuscunque, sine aliquo retinemento, cum omnibus suis pertinentiis, et cum liberis et sufficientibus introitibus et egressibus, sine aliqua perturbatione nostri vel hæredum nostrorum, ad omnia sua necessaria carianda, fuganda, sive minanda, de nobis et hæredibus nostris, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, quietam de omni servitio seculari exactione et demanda, nihil nobis et hæredibus nostris indè reservando, præter preces et orationes. Et nos vero dictus Thomas et hæredes nostri, dictis abbati et monachis, et eorum successoribus, dictum locum de Tocstath integrum, et Smethedon, cum omnibus suis pertinentiis, integritatibus, et liberis introitibus et egressibus, ut prædictum est, contra omnes gentes warrantizabimus et imperpetuum defendemus. Considerantes etiam quod situs abbathiæ de Whalleye minus sufficiens est, maxime propter defectum bosci, et maremii, ad monasterium suum de novo construendum, et alias domos suas faciendas, et propter defectum focaliæ, et propter districtiōnem, et insufficientiam loci prædicti ad blada, et alia cariagia abbathiæ necessaria, tam victualia quam alia quæcunque; volentes quod ad honorem Dei et beatæ Mariæ, locus habitabilis, et pro abbathia magis sufficiens et idoneus, dictis abbati et monachis, et eorum successoribus, provideatur, volumus, quantum in nobis est, et pro nobis et hæredibus nostris concedimus, quod dicti religiosi inhabilitationem et insufficientiam loci prædicti fugiendo, monasterium suum ab eo loco de Whalleye (quo per nobilem virum dominum Henricum de Lascy, quondam comitem Lincolnæ, fundatum est) amoveant, et in dicto loco de Tocstath, ubicunque sibi viderint expedire, ac de novo construant et ædificent. Quia verò dictus Henricus comes, fundator dictæ domus, mutato nomine de Whalleya, voluit Locum Benedictum nominari: nos prædictus Thomas comes, eam transferentes, et in loco quieti religiosorum competentiori collocantes, volumus quod idem nomen obtineat, et Locus Benedictus de Tocstath appelletur; omnesque terras, possessiones, tenementa, jura, libertates, pasturas, prata, et omnia alia quæcunque dicti abbas et monachi habent, ex donatione sive ex concessione alicujus prædecessorum nostrorum, eisdem et successoribus suis imperpetuum possidenda et habenda confirmamus, ut eisdem juribus, foefamentis et libertatibus gaudeant, apud Tocstath, per nos translati, quibus gaudere solebant apud Whaley, per prædictum Henricum de Lascy prius fundati; et quod illi idem jus ibidem imperpetuum habeant, tam in libera chacea, et in omnibus ad eadem pertinentibus, quam in aliis quibuscunque, sicut et nos melius et liberius prius habuimus, et ita liberè et quietè, sicut aliqua elemosina liberius et quietius dari potest et concedi. In cujus rei testimonium præsentī scripto sigillum nostrum fecimus apponi. Hiis testibus dominis Roberto de Holand, Willielmo Tuchet, Willielmo de Holand, Hugone

de Cuylli, et Willielmo de Dacre, militibus, Edmundo de Neovile, tunc vicecomite Lancastriæ, Roberto le Norres, Johanne fratre ejus, Ada de Hibernia, Richardo le Molyneus de Seton, Matheo de Haydoke, Roberto de Schirburn, et aliis. Datum apud Whalleye, in festo sancti Jacobi apostoli, anno Domini millesimo trecentesimo decimo sexto.

NUM. XII.

Genealogia Fundatorum Monasterii de Stanlawe et de Whalley secundum Cronicas.

[Ex codice MS. in bibl. Cotton. [sub Cleopatra C. 3.] fol. 329 a.]

VENIT quidam miles cum Hugone, comite Cestriæ, Nigellus nomine, qui duxit secum quinque fratres, scilicet Hudard, Eadwardus, Wolmer, Horswyn et Woffanus. Nigellus genuit Willielmum, qui fundavit Nortonam, qui sepultus est apud Cestriam. Cui successit Willielmus filius ejus. Iste obiit in Normannia, non relicto hærede de corpore suo, sed habuit duas sorores, scilicet Agnetam et Matildam, inter quas divisa fuit hæreditas de Halton. Matildam desponsavit quidam miles nomine Eustachius qui postea interfectus fuit in Wallia. Aubry verò Gredeley desponsavit Agnetam. Eustachius verò prædictus genuit quendam filium nomine Ricardum qui duxit in uxorem Auberiam sororem Roberti de Lascy, de qua genuit Johannem fundatorem domus de Stanlawe in Wyrle et fratrem Robertum hospitalarium. Prædictus verò Johannes fundavit domum de Stanlawe anno Domini m.c.lxxiiij. et fuit constabularius Cestriæ et dominus de Halton eodem tempore, et desponsavit Aliciam sororem Willielmi de Mandevilla, et prædicto anno profectus est in Terram Sanctam, et ibi obiit. Huic Johanni successit Rogerus filius ejus qui vocabatur Rogerus Helle constabularius Cestriæ et dominus de Halton, et sepultus est apud Stanlawe, cujus ossa sunt modò apud Whalley. Huic Rogero successit Johannes de Lacy constabularius Cestriæ et dominus de Halton, et desponsavit comitissam Lincolnæ, et comes factus est, et sepultus est apud Stanlawe, et ossa ejus apud Whalley. Huic Johanni successit Eadmundus filius ejus constabularius Cestriæ et dominus de Halton, et non fuit comes Lincolnæ, quia obiit matre sua vivente, et sepultus est apud Stanlawe, et ossa ejus apud Whalley. Huic Eadmundo successit Henricus comes Lincolnæ, et sepultus est apud London in nova fabrica supra chorum in monasterio sancti Pauli, et ille fuit novissimus comes Lincolnæ illius generis. Iste Henricus habuit filiam nomine Alesiam quæ fuit comitissa Lincolnæ, quam desponsavit dominus Thomas de Lancastria. Et dominus Henricus de Lacy, comes Lincolnæ, feoffavit dominum regem Angliæ in terris suis ut ipse dominus rex Edwardus bonus feoffaret dominum Thomam de Lancastria in eisdem terris et dominiis, ita quod si idem obiret sine hærede de corpore suo procreato cum Alesia uxore sua, quod eodem mortuo terræ dominia reverterent ad hæredes suos legitimos. Et sic factum est quod dominus rex Edwardus, tertius à conquestu, feoffavit dominum Henricum ducem Lancastriæ.

Primus fundator Johannes dedit habitationem de Stanlawe et grangiam de Staney et villam de Aston et quosdam redditus in Cestria. Rogerus filius ejus dedit advocationem ecclesiæ de Rachedale Brindewod et iiij. bovatas terræ in villa de Castelton. Johannes filius ejus et comes Lincolnæ dedit medietatem ecclesiæ de Blakeburnstaynges, videlicet Hordene, Neuton, Balderstath et manerium cum molendino. Edmundus filius ejus dedit alteram medietatem ecclesiæ de Blakeburn et villam de Croenton. Henricus filius ejus et comes Lincolnæ dedit advocationem ecclesiæ de Whalley, et iiij. bovatas terræ in Castelton. Et tempore dicti Henrici translata fuit abbatia de Stanlawe apud Whalley propter nimias inundationes maris apud Stanlawe imminentes. Sicut patet in cartis suis nobis concessis.

[Ibid. fol. 330 b.]

Memorandum quod rex Willielmus conquestor dedit cuidam Ilberto de Lacy militi qui secum venerat de Normannia in conquestum et hæredibus suis jure hæreditario possidendum dominium de Blakburnshire, una cum dominio et honore de Pontefracto et alias terras multas. Hujus autem Ilberti primi filius et hæres fuerat Ilbertus junior, cui etiam successit in hæreditate Henricus de Lacy filius et hæres ejusdem Ilberti junioris, qui quidem Henricus de Lacy fundavit abbatiam de Kirkestall anno Domini m.c.xlvij.

Huic etiam Henrico successit Robertus de Lacy filius ejus et hæres regnante rege Henrico ij. qui dicebatur filius imperatricis. Dictus autem Robertus de Lacy hæredem non habuit de corpore suo procreatum, unde dominium de Blakeburnshire ac totalis hæreditas ejusdem Roberti post ejus mortem ad hæredes domini Ricardi constabularii Cestriæ et domini de Haulton, qui desponsaverat dominam Aubreyam sororem unicam et hæredem dicti Roberti descendebat. Et sic hæreditas dominorum de Lacy et hæreditas constabulariorum Cestriæ sunt conjunctæ, &c.

[Ibid.]

Dictus autem Ricardus constabularius sic descendebat à conquestu. Nam cum rege Willielmo conquestore venit quidam nobilis nomine Nigellus qui fuit factus constabularius Cestriæ et dominus de Haulton per dominum Hugonem primum comitem Cestriæ. Huic Nigello successit Willielmus filius ejus et hæres qui fundavit prioratum abbatiam de Norton. Huic Willielmo successit Willielmus junior qui habuit duas sorores Agnetem et Matildem. Matildem desponsavit quidam miles Eustachius nomine de qua genuit Ricardum constabularium Cestriæ, qui desponsaverat Abreiam Lysours sororem Roberti de Lacy, de qua genuit Johannem de Lacy constabularium Cestriæ et primum fundatorem abbatiae de Stanlawe.

Anno ab incarnatione Domini m.c.lxxviij. fundata fuit abbatia de Stanlawe per dominum Johannem de Lacy constabularium Cestriæ et dominum de Haulton, qui dedit habitationem de Stanlawe, Stanney, Aston, et quosdam redditus in Cestria, et obiit in Terra Sancta anno sequenti. Cui successit Rogerus filius ejus et hæres, qui dedit nobis advocationem ecclesiæ de Rachedale Brendwod et iiij. bovatas terræ in Castelton, et obiit anno Domini m.cc.xj. in festo sancti Remigii, et sepultus apud Stanlawe cum uxore sua. Cui successit Johannes filius ejus et hæres postea comes Lincolnæ per uxorem suam Margaretam filiam Roberti de Quency, qui dedit ecclesiam de Ecclis et medietatem ecclesiæ de Blakburn, Staynges, Hordern, Neuton, et multa alia bona, qui obiit anno Domini m.cc.xl. in festo sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ, et sepultus apud Stanlawe cum patre. Cui successit Edmundus filius ejus et hæres, qui dedit alteram medietatem de Blakburn cum capella et villam de Croenton cum corpore suo, qui obiit anno Dom. m.cc.lvij. nonis Junii, et sepultus apud Stanlawe. Cui successit Henricus filius ejus hæres et comes Lincolnæ constabularius Cestriæ et dominus de Haulton, qui dedit ecclesiam de Whalley cum capella et alia multa bona. Tempore dicti Henrici translata fuit abbatia de Stanlawe apud Whalley propter nimias maris inundationes anno Domini m.cc.xcvj. in festo sancti Ambrosii episcopi. Et iste Henricus obiit anno ætatis suæ lx. et anno Domini m.ccc.x. in festo sanctæ Agathæ virginis et martyris, et sepultus apud London. Et sic fluxerunt anni ducenti octodecim à fundatione abbatiae de Stanlawe usque ad vicissimum primum regis Ricardi secundi post conquestum, de quibus verò ducentis octodecim annis abbas et conventus manserunt apud Stanlawe et apud Whalley centum duobus annis.

Anno Domini m.cc.xcvj. indictione nona anno bisextili littera dominicali G. vij. idus Aprilis anno regis Edwardi xxiiij. anno ætatis domini Henrici de Lascy xlvij. intravit conventus de Stanlawe in Wirall in manerium de Whalley præsidente in officio abbatis viro venerabili domino Gregorio de Northbury.

[Ex registro de Kirkstall in officio ducatus Lancastriæ, fol. 71.]

Eustachius quidam duxit Matildam in uxorem qui postea interfectus in Wallia. Aubertus de Grelley duxit dictam Agnetam de Gaunt. Prædictus verò Eustachius habuit cum dicta Matilda unum filium, qui vocabatur Ricardus. Iste Ricardus duxit in uxorem, sororem Roberti de Lacy, quæ vocatur Aubray de Lysures, de qua genuit duos filios, scilicet, Johannem constabularium Cestriæ, fundatorem de Stanlawe, et Robertum hospitalarem, et duas filias, scilicet, Saram et Aubrayam: Sara verò data fuit Roberto de Aldford, sicut habetur supra in prima parte. Altera verò, scilicet Aubraya, data fuit domino Henrico Byset. Johannes verò constabularius, filius prædicti Ricardi, et Aubræe de Lysures duxit in uxorem Aliciam Ver, sororem Willielmi de Mandevill, &c.

NUM. XIII.

Epitaphium Rogeri Lacy.

[Ex veteri MS. in bibl. Cotton. [sub Cleopatra C. 3.] fol. 325 b.]

Hic sepelitur herus generosus in orbe Rogerus,
 Coniuge cum cara, quam mors prostravit amara.
 Forti Sampsoni similis fuit atque leoni
 Tauro cornuto pungendi semper acuto.
 Tectum torace nullus superare valebat,
 Regnum cum pace miles sub rege regebat.
 Nullus Trojanus sibi par fuit in probitate.
 Victor in ætate fuit alter Waspasianus.
 Gentes linguarum malè credentes variarum,
 Sectas Persarum, Medorum, Sparsiatarum,
 Græcos, Cretenses, Romanos bella moventes,
 Francos, Flandrenses nautas portis rapientes,
 Hic dum pugnavit pugnans pugnando domavit.
 Vivus ut optavit defuncto tumba paratur
 Pictor adornavit petram sub qua tumulatur.
 Inferni claustro careat perflatus ab austro
 Sit prece conventus fulgoris in arce retentus.
 Inclita matrona digna Matilda corona
 Sit cum matre pia Christi conjuncta Maria.
 Qui legis, absque mora pro fundatoribus ora.

NUM. XIV.

Epitaphium Johannis Lacy.

[Ibid.]

EGREGII comitis en hæc est tumba Johannis.
 Hostibus immitis cunctis dum vixerat annis.
 Jure suum comitem luget Lincolnia mitem,
 Quem plangunt unum Cestrensis castra tribunalum.
 Anglia flet rite tali caruisse quirite,
 Et Stanlawe bonum dolet amisisse patronum.
 Christo devotus miles fuit, undique notus,
 Wallea quem Scotus timuit mundus quoque totus.
 Gallus et Hispanus, Normannus, Britoque Danus,
 Almannus gnarus bello, Lombardus avarus,
 Indus, et obscænus gentilis, atrox Saracenus,
 Æthiopes fuscæ, Græci, Babilonia, Tusci,
 Rex et Soldanus, omnis populusque prophanus
 Hunc cum cernebant armatum corde tremebant.
 Vicit eum vermis qui victor erat in armis;
 Sic et vincemur. Pro quo dicendo precemur
 Ultima censura cum venerit illa futura,
 J. comes à dira servetur iudicis ira.

NUM. XV.

*Epitaphium Commendationis Johannis de Lacy Comitæ
 Lincolnie et Fundatoris iij. Locæ Benedicti de Whalleya.*

[Ibid.]

UT hoc in loco legitur, sub hac structura tegitur cor comitis
 Johannis,
 In carne non plus clauditur, sed à carne dividitur in universis
 annis.
 Cordis et carnis unitas efficitur dualitas et paritas partita.
 O misera conditio, tam flebilis divisio nunquam fuit audita!
 Tristantur cives Cestriæ, plangunt primates patriæ, nec
 volunt consolari.
 Flet Pontefrati populus, vir uxor senex parvulus non ces-
 sant lacrimari;
 A solis ortus cardine cuncti debent ex ordine rurales et
 burgenses,
 Magni minores pariter, præ cunctis singulariter lugent Lin-
 colnienses.
 Nec mirum, flos militiæ jam marcuit, lætitiæ spes est exinanita.
 Quia post hunc in sæculo, carnali visus oculo non erit
 vicens ita,
 Heu planctus fit perpetuus cum pugil tam præcipuus pri-
 vatus sit hac vita.
 Planctus, ploratus, gemitus nunquam cessabunt ampliùs
 sæcula per infinita.
 Ut Job simplex ut Salomon doctus, et sicut Absolon
 pulcher et Sampson fortis,
 Ut Joseth fuit providus, ut Mars in bello validus, totius
 dux cohortis.
 Hic erat mundi lilium, solempnitas nobilium, se tamen
 æquans imis.

Ut Moyses mitissimus, ut Josue justissimus, plus audax
 Gedione.

Vellem fari quis fuerit, sed nulla dici poterit humanâ
 ratione.

Non fuit inter millia tam promptus quis ad prælia, sub
 armis tam discretus,

Nullus ad arma promptior, in armis nec ferocior, post
 arma tam quietus.

Lorica corpus, galea frons, ense femur, lancea manus ecce
 munitur,

Scuto latus protegitur, morte tamen subigitur, per hæc non
 impeditur.

Castra, domus, famuli, et opes, et his similia non poterunt
 prodesse.

Lira, census et prædia jam nulla dant remedia quin mori
 sit necesse.

Et jam consumptis carnibus nunc esca datur vermibus qui
 fuit tam probatus,

Nunc ejus aula tumulus, et vermis suus famulus, et lira fit
 ploratus.

Sic transit mundi gloria, sic vita transitoria disparet et de-
 letur.

Sic desinit dies hominis sic et ominis laus nunquam finietur,
 Johannes Dei gratia fertur sine fallacia nomen interpre-
 tetur,

Preceur ergo singuli ut iste prece populi cum sanctis
 gloriatur;

Et Christus vera veritas det ut sua posteritas sit hæres
 ejus morum;

Et hanc in cunctis prosperet, et hunc à pœnis liberet
 æternis infernorum.

XVI.

Epitaphium Commendationis Edmundi Lacy.

[Ibid.]

Mors probat Edmundi brevis est quod gloria mundi
 Mendax et mundus quamvis quandoque secundus.
 Scandere qui primò cum cœpit lapsus in ymo,
 Monstrat quod mundus est labilis atque rotundus.
 Nilque fit in mundo quod non pertransit eundo
 Protinus à mundo, cum sit quasi vas sine fundo,
 Ergo det Edmundo Deus à contaminate mundo
 Uti jocundo vultu Christi redeundo.

Respice qui transis, in me circumspice quid sis,
 Exemploque mei sis memor ipse tui.

Sum quod eris, quod es ipse fui, mundoque superstes
 Florueram mundo, terra cinisque modò.

Quid probitas, quid opes, quid honor, quid gloria mundi.
 Omnia quid fuerint cum cecidere docent.

Hic jacet et funus Cestrensis jure tribunus.

Me pro posse bonum sensit domus ista patronum.

NUM. XVII.

Epitaphium Commendationis Locæ.

[Ibid.]

O STANLAWEA mortis jura me solventem positura tibi in
 depositum,

Non in vanum sub figura pro locali est natura tibi nomen
 positum.

Fatis licet pressa sævis nunc existas famæ levis, es nequa-
 quam minima.

Adhuc restat hora brevis qua potenter loca queas transcen-
 dere finitima.

Stan et Lawea sunt diversa, sed ad Lawam Stan conversa
 est ei appositâ;

Hæc ne duo sint dispersa, sunt in unum ambo versa, et fit
 pars composita.

Lawe est collis, Stan est lapis quem exercet lassa apis sui
 refrigerio.

Hujus dicti rem si sapis rei dictum gratè capis nec sine
 misterio.

Christus lapis angularis est, et collis singularis altitudo
 Domini.

Lapis sacris jacet aris, in quo cibus salutaris fit donandus
 homini.

He Stanlaw tuum nomen tale tibi dedit omen auctor tui
 nominis.

NUM. XVIII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits' Office.]

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6 maise allec' rub' et alb' p̄ciū le mais 6s. 1l. 16s.	
Et annuatī distribut' dčō die pauperibus et cſicis post lotionē pedum eoz	1l.
In deñiis ac etiam distribut' 13 pauperibus senior' dčō die quo-	libz eoz capiente 2d. et 1 par sotulariū p̄cii 8d. 15s. 10d.
In toto ut patet per fundačœm dēi monasterii inde examiat'	corā cōmissioniis domini regis . . . 12l. 18s. 10d.
Denariis allocatis pro sustentaçœne 24 ^{or} pauperū et deb-	ilium annuatim sustentat' infra dčm monasterium ex ordi-
načœne dēi Johannis Lacye videlt cuilibz pauperum septi-	manatī 8d. 41l. 12s.
Ut patz per fundačœm pred corā dēis cōmissioniis ostens' et exaiatā	penes aſbem et conventū iſm remanen' elimosina anñuatī
distribut' pauper' supervenien' dčm mon' in pane viz qualibz septimana	2 q ^a rter' fruñti p̄c' quarter' 12s. p aīabz fundator' ut p̄z per fundačœm dēi mon'
62l. 8s.	104l. 0s. 0d.
Suſma oñium repris' . . .	229l. 15s. 4½d.
Et reman' clare . . .	421l. 9s. 1½d.
Decima inde . . .	32l. 2s. 11d.

NUM. XIX.	
COMPUT. MINISTORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.	
[Abstract of Roll, 29 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]	
WHALLEY NUPER MONASTERIUM.	
Com' Lanc'	£ s. d.
Whalley—Reddit' ten' ad volunta-	
tem dñi	17 2 9
Whalley—Opera tenentium . .	0 12 11
Whalley—Firma terrarum domini-	
cal in manibus aſbis et convent'	62 11 2
Whalley—Firma domus columbar'	0 1 8
Whalley—Firma domus tannar' .	4 0 0
Whalley—Firma unius molendini	
granatici	1 0 0
Whalley—Firma herbag' parci .	12 0 0

Com' Lanc'	£	s.	d.	Com' Lanc'	£	s.	d.
Billyngton—Reddit' assis' liber' tenentium	3	3	1	Whittworth—Firma molend' . . .	0	15	0
et 1 sagitta barbata 1 par' cirotec'				Tonge Ende—Reddit' tenen' ad voluntatem	3	0	0
Billyngton—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem domini	35	5	10	Roclyff—Reddit' tenen' ad vol' . .	2	13	7
Billyngton—Firma unius molend' granatici	4	4	0	Brandwood—Reddit' tenen' ad vol'	6	0	0
Billyngton—Firma sive redd' unius molendini fullon'	1	6	8	Brandwood—Firma sive redd' unius mol' granatici	1	0	0
Billyngton—Venditio operum . .	0	14	2	Castelton et Marland—Reddit' assis'	0	0	2
Clayton—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem domini	0	10	0	Castelton et Marland—Reddit' ten' ad vol'	13	8	8
Penhulton—Reddit' tenentium ad volunt' domini	3	15	8	Castelton et Marland—Reddit' molend'	1	15	4
Wysewolde infra parochiam de Whalley—Reddit' tenen' ad volunt' domini	6	0	8	Castelton et Marland—Firmæ minutæ	1	18	4
Wysewolde—Venditio operum . .	0	4	0	Hunderfeld—Reddit' assis', &c. . .	0	9	1
Padyham in parochia de Whalley—Reddit' tenen' ad voluntatem domini	0	6	0	Wheleton—Reddit' assis' lib' ten' .	0	3	0
Chattborn in parochia de Clidderhow—Reddit' tenen' ad voluntatem domini	0	13	4	Wheleton—Reddit' ten' ad volunt'	2	0	0
Clidderhow—Reddit' tenen' ad voluntatem domini	16	3	10	Wythinhill in Bylandshire—Reddit' assis', &c.	6	9	5
Alte Grange in parochia de Sefton—Firma manerij sive grangiæ .	2	13	4	Preston in Andernes—Firmæ minutæ	0	2	0
Croenton infra parochiam de Preston—Firma manerij	19	0	1	Bankehouse in Warton—Reddit' assis'	0	0	4
Colcotts infra villam de Parva Mytton in parochia de Whalley—Reddit' tenen' ad voluntatem domini	4	4	8	Garston et Arkeberth—Firmæ minutæ	4	0	0
Colcotts—Venditio operum . . .	0	1	6	Denton—Reddit' assis'	0	1	0
Arrington—Reddit' tenen' ad voluntatem domini	0	13	4	Mawnton in Eccles—Redd' ten' ad vol'	17	5	4
Downeham—Reddit' tenen' ad voluntatem domini	0	17	8	Mawnton—Firma unius molend' . .	1	6	8
Rede infra parochiam de Whalley—Reddit' tam liber' tenen' quam ad vol'	1	12	0	Swynton—Reddit' ten' ad vol' . . .	5	0	4
Cadyswalhed—Reddit' tenen' ad voluntatem domini	7	0	7	Haughton infra Swynton—Redd' ten' ad vol'	1	16	6
Wolden Magna infra Cadiswalhed—Firma mesuag' sive ten'	6	13	4	Haughton—Firmæ minutæ	1	3	4
Wolden Parva infra Cadiswalhed—Reddit' ten' ad vol'	2	10	0	Westlakks, Kepull, et Westwodd—Firma certarum terrarum . .	2	5	0
Wolden Parva—Reddit' pro licentia fodendi turbar', &c.	0	1	7	Rybchester—Reddit' assis'	0	2	1
Wolden Parva—Annual' fir' cujusdam molendini	0	3	4	Staynings—Redd' ten' ad vol' . . .	24	15	6
Barrowes Banks infra villam de Dutton—Reddit' assis' liber' terr' .	0	4	0	Staynings—Firma molend'	2	0	0
Barrowes Banks—Reddit' tenen' ad vol'	3	1	0	Staynings—Firma piscar'	13	0	4
Rossendale infra paroch' de Clidderhow—Reddit' tenen' ad voluntatem domini	1	6	8	Staynings—Firma terr' dominical' .	0	11	8
Rossendale—Firma unius molend', &c.	1	18	4	Staynings—Reddit' mobil'	0	15	2
Burneley—Reddit' ten' ad vol' . .	0	8	0	Merton—Reddit' assis'	0	10	0
Burneley—Firmæ minutæ	1	6	8	Ellyswick—Reddit' assis'	0	3	4
Standen juxta Clidderhow—Reddit' ten' ad vol'	4	13	4	Carleton—Reddit' terr'	0	1	6
Romesgreve infra parochiam de Blakeborne—Reddit' ten' ad vol'	9	3	0	Wygan—Reddit' dom', &c.	0	6	0
Witton infra parochiam de Blakeborne—Reddit' ten' ad vol' . . .	2	13	4	Waryngton—Reddit' mesuag', &c.	0	8	0
Chaterton—Redd' ten' ad vol' . .	0	0	6	Com' Cestr'			
Harwood Parva infra parochiam de Blakeborne—Reddit' ten' ad vol'	4	13	4	Acton—Reddit' ten' ad vol'	11	15	0
Spottland—Reddit' assis' lib' tenentium	1	9	9	Acton—Firma maner'	2	16	6
Spottland—Reddit' tenen' ad vol' domini	6	10	8	Acton—Firma molend'	1	6	8
Spottland—Firmæ minutæ	2	4	8	Acton—Firma piscar'	1	10	0
Whittworth—Reddit' tenentium ad volunt'	10	5	1	Acton—Firma turbar'	1	0	0
				Aston—Reddit' ten' ad vol'	8	16	4
				Aston—Firm' herbag' de Aston Springs	0	6	8
				Stanlowe—Firma grangiæ	13	6	8
				Staney—Firma grangiæ	20	7	0
				Stany Magna—Reddit' terr'	0	10	0
				Bakeforth—Reddit' assis'	1	0	0
				Willaton—Firma dominij	2	13	4
				Willaton—Firma herbagij bosci . .	1	6	8
				Northwicke—Firma de Salthanges	2	13	4
				Cestriæ Civ'—Reddit' assis'	0	13	4
				Cestriæ Civ'—Reddit' ten' ad vol'	2	1	4
				Cestriæ Civ'—Firmæ minutæ	0	13	4
				Cestriæ Civ'—Redd' extra scaccarium	1	0	0
				Com' Ebor'			
				Wadyngton—Firma terr'	0	2	0
				Com' Lanc'			
				Whalley—Firma decim' rectoriæ et capellarum annex'	240	8	0ob.
				Whalley—Venditio gran' rector' . .	26	16	0
				Whalley—Recept' forensic'	51	14	5
				Blakburne—Firma rector'	136	18	9ob.
				Rachedale—Firma decim' rector' et capell'	96	6	1
				Eccles—Firma decim'	63	2	0
				Deyn—Firma decim'	52	19	2ob.

Nunnery of Nun Appleton,

In the Deanry of Aynsty and Archdeaconry of West Riding,

IN YORKSHIRE.



THIS Nunnery was founded by Adeliz or Alice de St. Quintin in the latter part of the reign of King Stephen,^a and was commended to the patronage of the Virgin Mary and St. John the Evangelist. Tanner says, herein were a prioress and thirteen or fourteen nuns: but eighteen beside the prioress were here in the 31st Hen. VIII.^b

In Pope Nicholas's Taxation we find that in 1291 the Prioress of Appleton held temporal possessions in the diocese of Lincoln to the amount of 13*l.* 13*s.* 10*d.* per annum; and in the diocese of York to the amount of 23*l.* 15*s.* 10*d.*; beside a pension of 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* from the church of Rither.^c The possessions of this House, as recorded in the 33d of Henry the VIIIth, will be found in the Ministers' Accompts in the Appendix.^d There is no return of the possessions of this Nunnery in the Valor of the 26th Hen. VIII. Dugdale and Speed have however preserved a note of the Valuation at that time, which appears to have amounted to 83*l.* 5*s.* 9*d.* in the gross, and to 73*l.* 9*s.* 10*d.* clear income.

Tanner says the Site of this House was granted in the 33d Hen. VIII. to Robert Darknall; but among the Abstracts of the Rolls called *Originalia* the homages of Guido and Thomas Fayrfax are recorded for the House and Site.^e Another grant is recorded of the same in the 7th Edw. VIth. to Sir William Fayrfax, Knt. and Humphry Shielley.^f

The following is a list of the

PRIORESSES of NUN APPLETON.

HAWISIA is the earliest who has been met with. She

resigned in 1295.^g Burton mistakes in stating her to have resigned in 1362.^h

JOANNA DE NORMANVILL received confirmation as prioress, 3 kal. May, 1303.ⁱ

ELIZABETH DE HOLBEK received confirmation 8 kal. Nov. 1316.^k She resigned non. Nov. 1320:^l when

ISABELLA DE NORMANVILL was chosen.^m

MARGARET DE NEVILL resigned Nov. 4th, 1334.ⁿ

LUCIA DE GAYNESBURGH was the next prioress; upon whose death

AGNES DE EGMONTON was elected. She was confirmed May 25th, 1367.^o

IDONEA DANYELL, upon whose death

ELIZABETH FITZRICHARD received confirmation in the month of December, 1426.^p

AGNES DE RYTHET, *t.* Hen. VI.^q

JOAN DE RYTHET occurs in 37 Hen. VI. A.D. 1459.^r

MATILDA TALBOYS was confirmed prioress Sept. 17th, 1489.^s Upon her death

ANNE LANGTON was appointed by the archbishop Feb. 28th, 1506.^t

Tanner's references to Manuscripts and Records relating to this Nunnery will be found in the note below.^u

A beautiful Impression of the SEAL of Nun Appleton Nunnery is appended to the Harleian Charter, 44 A. 5, an indenture between the nuns and Neuhns Abbey concerning tithes in Kilvingham, dated on St. Mary Magdalen's day, 1272. The impression is on green wax, and oval. It represents the Virgin Mary crowned, holding a staff with a cross at top in her right, and a book in her left hand: with this inscription, SIGILL. SANCTE. MARIE. SANCTI. IOHANNIS. D. APELT.

Nun Appleton is not far distant from Tadcaster; and is now the seat of Sir William Mordaunt Sturt Milner, Bart. whose ancestor obtained it by purchase from the family of Fairfax.

Cartae ad Nun-Apletonensem Prioratum, in agro Eboracensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Foundationis.

[Ex ipso autographo penes Thomam dominum Fairfax de Cameron a. 1622.]

NOTUM sit omnibus audientibus hanc cartam, quod Adheliz de Sancto Quintino, et Robertus filius et hæres suus, dederunt et concesserunt in puram et perpetuam ele-

mosinam, locum quem Juliana tenuit juxta Appeltonam, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, sanctoque Johanni apostolo, et fratri Richardo, et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, pro salute animæ Roberti filii Fulconis, et pro salute animarum et parentum suorum; necnon terram circa locum, partim sartatam partim non sartatam, ex utraque parte rivi usque ad metas positas, ab Hugone et Siwardo et Williello, et duas bovatas in Apletona, et unam bovatom in Torp, liberas

^a See the Charter in the Append. Num. I.

^b Num. VIII.

^c Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 74, 299, 305, 323, 325, 334.

^d Num. IX.

^e Abstr. Orig. MS. Brit. Mus. vol. iii. fol. 208.

^f Ibid. vol. vi. fol. 99 b.

^g MS. Harl. 6970, p. 103. e Reg. Romaine.

^h Monasticon Eborac. p. 279.

ⁱ MS. Harl. 6970, p. 142. e Reg. Corbr. Ebor.

^k MS. Harl. 6970, p. 258. e Reg. Ebor. Grencf.

^l MS. Harl. 6972, fol. 13 b.

^m Ibid. e Reg. Melton.

ⁿ Ibid. fol. 14.

^o Ibid. e Reg. Zouch.

^p Ibid. e Reg. Kemp.

^q See Burton, Monasticon Eborac. p. 279.

^r Ibid.

^s MS. Harl. 6972, e Reg. Rotherham, Ebor.

^t Ibid.

^u "Vide Cartas, Computos, Rentalia, &c. penes . . . dom. Fairfax

de eadem. Inter Collect. cl. Rog. Dodsworth in Bibl. Bodl. Apographa Cartarum plus minus quadraginta ineditarum ad hunc prioratum spectantium, in vol. viii. foll. 99, 101, 102, 139, 141, 152—164, 287; vol. ix. p. 335; vol. xlix. p. 48. out of the Chest of Nun Appleton in St. Mary's Tower, York, vol. lxxxix. fol. 74. de terris in Inningham et Roxton: p. 80. de terris in Keteby ex rotulo Hundred. Lincoln. 3 Edw. I.

"Cart. antiq. T. n. 25. Fin. Ebor. 20 Hen. III. lig. A. n. 147. de prato in Egeburgh. Cart. 33 Hen. III. m. 3. Cart. 36 Hen. III. m. 2.

"Plac. de quo war. in com. Linc. 9 Edw. I. rot. 8. de secta ad wapentach. de Bradelc. Pat. 28 Edw. I. m. . . Pat. 31 Edw. I. m. . . Cart. 33 Edw. I. n. 1 et 2. pro eccl. de Miningham, Ryder, Codenham, &c. pro terris et reddit. in Appleton, Acastre, Ornington, Colton, Stine-ton, Copgate, Skeldergate, in Ebor. Ellerton, Beverlaco, Egburgh, &c. Pat. 5 Edw. II. m. 21. de mess. in eivit. Ebor."

See also the printed Placita de Quo Waranto, pp. 217, 404.

et quietas ab omni terreno servitio, et redditu, vel ulla sub-
jectione solita, in agris, in sylvis, in herbariis, in pratis, et
in omnibus rebus ad terram pertinentibus, tam de se, quam
de hæredibus suis subsequentibus perpetuò tenendas. Tes-
tibus, Osberto archidiacono, Henrico et Godefrido monachis
de Pontefracto, Gilleberto filio Fulconis, Gilleberto de Ar-
chis, Rainero canonico, Ernaldo presbytero, Nicholao filio
suo, Thoma diacono filio Ulfi, Waltero de Rithre, Agneta
filia ejusdem, domino de Sancto Quintino, Richardo mone-
tario.

NUM. II.

Confirmatio T. Cantuariensis Archiepiscopi.

[Ibid.]

T. DEI gratia Cantuariensis archiepiscopus, Anglorum
primas, et apostolicæ sedis legatus, universis sanctæ ecclesiæ
fidelibus salutem. Quæ pietatis intuitu locis religiosis, à
fidelibus Christi conferuntur, ea nostræ autoritatis munimine
meritò confirmantur. Ea igitur ratione elemosinam quam
Adeliz de S. Quintino, et Robertus hæres ejus, Deo et
sancto Johanni et fratri Richardo, et ibidem religiosè viven-
tibus dederunt, concesserunt, et carta sua confirmaverunt,
nos quoque juxta tenorem cartæ suæ, eidem loco in perpe-
tuam confirmavimus possessionem, et præsentis scripti nostri
testimonio corroboramus, scilicet in Appiltona, duas bovatas
terræ, quas Juliana tenuit in terra circa locum partim sarta-
tam partim non sartatam, ex utraque parte rivi usque ad
metas positas ab Hugone et Siwardo et Willielmo, et unam
bovatam terræ in Thorp, liberas et quietas ab omni seculari
servitio et exactione solutas, sicut carta prædictæ Adeliz,
quam oculis nostris conspeximus, attestatur. Quicunque
hanc igitur elemosinam infirmare vel inquietare attempta-
verit, in divini Judicis examine divinam ultionem incurrat.
Valete.

NUM. III.

Carta Roberti filii Roberti filii Fulconis.

[Ex ipso autogr. in turri beatæ Mariæ Ebor.]

SCIANT omnes videntes et audientes literas has, quod
ego Robertus filius Roberti filii Fulconis concessi, et hac
carta mea confirmavi, pro salute animæ meæ, et animæ pa-
tris et matris meæ et omnium antecessorum et successorum
meorum, donationem quam fecit Adeliz de Sancto Quintino
mater mea, Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, et sancto Johanni apostolo,
et sanctimonialibus in territorio de Apeltona manentibus
juxta fluvium Wherf, scilicet locum illum quem Juliana te-
nuit, necnon et terram circa ipsum locum, partim sartatam,
partim non sartatam, ex utraque parte rivi, usque ad metas
per matrem meam positas, et sarta Lamberti et Johannis et
Richardi, et sarta Roberti Porree et Siwardi, et quatuor
bovatas terræ in Apletona, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis,
plenarias in bosco, in plano, in pratis, in pascuis, in aquis,
in viis, in semitis; cum duabus mansuris, et unam bovatom
terræ in Torp, libera et quieta ab omni servitio et humana
consuetudine, et duas bovatas terræ in Himmingham, cum
omnibus pertinentiis suis et aisiamentis ejusdem villæ; et
communem pasturam quadringentis ovibus, cum cæteris ani-
malibus suis; et unam mansuram de dominio suo factam,
scilicet, totam culturam suam, quæ vocatur Tatum juxta
Flet, et unam salinam in marisco ejusdem villæ, cum omni-
bus pertinentiis suis, et ecclesiam de Houm, cum omnibus
pertinentiis suis. Hæc omnia Deo et sanctæ Mariæ et sancto
Johanni apostolo, et conventui supradictarum sanctimonia-
lium concessi, et hac carta confirmavi in perpetuam elemo-
sinam, sicuti superius determinata sunt. Insuper autem
concedo et confirmo prædictis sanctimonialibus quicquid
mater mea eis rationabiliter dederit. Hiis testibus, Eusta-
chio de Beulona, Henrico medico, Willielmo Vavasur,
Alexandro presbytero, Petro milite de Toulestun, Martino
milite, Carbunel, Willielmo filio Aeliz de Sancto Quintino,
Willielmo presbytero, Helisio filio Gilberti, Humfrido, Gil-
berto milite filio Gaufridi, Alano filio Helisei, Macus præ-
posito Passewat, Petro filio Macus, Agnete filia Aeliz de
Sancto Quintino.

VOL. V.

NUM. IV.

*Conventiones inter Ricardum de Fauconbergh et Priorissam
et Conventum de Apelton.*

[Ex ipso autographo penes præfatum Thomam dominum Fairfax.]

AD festum sancti Martini in hyeme, anno regni regis
Edwardi vicesimo nono, ita convenit inter Richardum de
Fauconbergh, ex una parte, et priorissam et conventum de
Apelton, ex altera; videlicet quod dictus Richardus concessit
et dimisit priorissæ et conventui, totam terram suam quæ
vocatur Suthwod, cum sex acris prati in pratis occidentali-
bus de Apelton, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et omnimodis
commoditatibus percipiendis, usque ad terminum duodecim
annorum proximè futurorum plenariè completorum; red-
dendo inde annuatim prædicta priorissa et conventus, præ-
dicto Ricardo vel assignatis suis, duas marcas argenti per
annum, per æquales portiones, ad festum Pentecostes, et ad
festum sancti Martini. Et prædicta priorissa et conventus in-
venient et reddent prædicto Richardo, vel assignatis suis,
cibum et potum; scilicet, unum panem conventualem de
antiquo pondere, et unam lagenam cervisiæ, et de coquina
cotidie per totum terminum prædictum, sicut una monialis
ejusdem domus cepit. Et prædictus Richardus et hæredes
sui, prædictam terram, cum prato, et suis pertinentiis, præ-
dictæ priorissæ et successoribus, contra omnes homines
warantizabunt, acquietabunt, et defendebunt. Et prædictus
Richardus habebit unam cameram in toto termino prædicto
in prioratu de Apelton, pro statu suo competente. Et præ-
dictus Richardus concessit quod si per fraudem se subtrahat
vel elonget quominus prædictam terram habere et colere
possunt, et super hoc vincatur, quod extunc benè liceat
prædictæ priorissæ et conventui prædictam liberationem
subtrahere ac retinere. In cujus rei testimonium partes
prædictæ præsentis scripto indentato sigilla sua alternatim
apposuerunt. Hiis testibus, domino Johanne Sampson,
domino Roberto Huthred militibus, Ada de Midleton, Ro-
berto fratre ejus, Michael de Knapton, Henrico de Colton,
et aliis.

NUM. V.

*Cyrogaphum inter Ricardum filium Philippi de Fauken-
berg, et Moniales de Apelton.*

[Ex ipso autogr. in bibl. Hattoniana. 49 Hen. III.]

Hoc cyrogaphum testatur quod Richardus filius Phi-
lippi de Faukenberg dimisit et concessit ad quindenam
paschæ anno regni regis Henrici filii regis Johannis quadra-
gesimo nono, priorissæ et monialibus de Apelton duas partes
manerii de Suboys habendas et tenendas eis de prædicto
Ricardo et hæredibus suis usque ad finem duodecim anno-
rum proximè sequentium. Reddendo inde annuatim eidem
Ricardo et hæredibus suis quatuor denarios ad festum nati-
vitatæ beati Johannis Baptistæ pro omni servitio. Et dictus
Ricardus et hæredes sui prædictas duas partes dicti manerii
præfatæ priorissæ et monialibus usque ad finem prædicti
termini contra omnes gentes warrantizabunt et defendent.
In cujus rei testimonium partes huic scripto cyrogaphato
sigilla sua apposuerunt. Hiis testibus, domino Thoma de
Mora milite, Waltero de Faukenberg, Wyot de Apelton,
Willielmo de Roucestria, Willielmo Puset, et aliis.

NUM. VI.

*Carta Regis Johannis Donationes diversas recitans et con-
firmans.*

[Cart. 6 Joh. n. 52.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse et
præsentis carta nostra confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ sancti
Johannis apostoli et evangelistæ de Appelton, et sanctimo-
nialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, omnes subscriptas ratio-
nabiles donationes quæ eis factæ sunt, et cartis donatorum
confirmatæ, videlicet ex dono Aliciæ de Sancto Quintino ip-
sum locum ubi prædicta ecclesia sancti Johannis fundata est
juxta Hwerf, et terram circa ipsum locum partim sartatam,
partim non sartatam, ex utraque parte rivi usque ad metas
per ipsam positas; et sarta Lamberti et Johannis et Ricardi,
et sarta Roberti Poree, et Siwardi, et quatuor bovatas terræ
in Appelton, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis et aisiamentis, et

duas mansas in eadem villa; et præterea quod habeant unaquaque die unam carectam de mortuo bosco et sicco ad ignem suum; et præterea ecclesiam de Ymmingeham, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis, et duas bovatas terræ in eadem villa, cum omnibus pertinentiis et aisiamentis suis, et mansuram Owus, juxta cimiterium, ad quietandum forinsecum servitium nostrum quantum pertinet ad duas bovatas; et unam mansuram juxta Flet, factam de dominico suo, videlicet totam culturam quæ vocatur Thaum, et unam salinam in marisco ejusdem villæ, et unam mansuram in capite ejusdem villæ, ad faciendum ibi domiculam ovibus suis; et ecclesiam de Houm, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis. Item ex dono ejusdem Aliciæ, unam carucatam terræ in supradicta villa de Appelton, quam eis dedit cum corpore suo, cum omnibus pertinentiis et aisiamentis quæ ad prædictam terram pertinent, cum communi pastura ejusdem villæ, videlicet illam carucatam terræ quam tenuit de ea Ric. Newton, et Rogerus Cote, Asegarus et Godefridus filii Hugonis. Ex dono Roberti filii Roberti filii Fulconis et filii prædictæ Aliciæ in villa de Immingeham communem pasturam quadringentis ovibus, cum cæteris animalibus suis. Ex dono Roberti dapiferi, et Roesiæ comitissæ, uxoris suæ, ecclesiam de Northalkintone, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et x. acras terræ de cultura Askel in campo ejusdem villæ, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Willielmi de Kina xxx. acras terræ in territorio de Eskintone cum communi pastura quantum pertinet ad duas bovatas terræ ejusdem villæ; has autem xxx. acras terræ dedit eis pro duabus bovatis terræ quas Robertus dapifer pater Margaretæ uxoris suæ eis in obitu suo divisit. Ex dono Willielmi Rider ecclesiam de Rider, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Henrici filii Henrici de Vernol xx. acras terræ simul in campis de Edburg, in loco qui vocatur Wikinglund, et duas acras alibi in eisdem campis, et pasturam ccc. ovium, et xxx. animalium, et xxx. porcorum, et xxx. caprarum, et communiam cum hominibus suis ubique in omnibus quæ ad eandem villam pertinent. Et istam elemosinam illis warrantizare debet contra omnes homines, liberam quietam et immunem ab omnibus geldis et auxiliis et consuetudinibus et exactionibus, et omni seculari servicio præter iiij. s. annuatim, in die Pentecostes solvendo. Ex dono Willielmi Bernere de Haburg, unam bovatom terræ in Haburg, de suo dominico, et unum toftum in eadem villa qui fuit Thomæ, et præterea tantum prati de suo dominico quantum uni convenit bovata, et cum eo et hominibus suis in prædicta villa communem pasturam, et cum ipso et hominibus suis ejusdem villæ communiter in bosco et plano, et marisco, in viis et semitis, in aquis et in omnibus hujusmodi participare. Et præter hæc ix. perticatas latitudinis prati de suo dominico, videlicet culturam quæ vocatur Grisewell. Ex dono Ricardi Berner et Roberti hæredis sui, unam bovatom terræ in campis de Kilmingeholme, de suo dominico aliis bovatis tenuræ suæ, cum omnibus eidem bovata adjacentibus, scilicet, in pratis et pascuis, et in omnibus aliis communibus prædictæ villæ. Et unam mansuram quæ fuit Ginel filii Godwini, et unum toftum in eadem villa quem Thedit tenuit. Ex dono Willielmi de Oteringham in Kilmingeholme, tertiam partem unius acræ terræ in Forstalcroft, et tertiam partem octo acrarum et dimidiam ex orientali parte villæ de cultura quæ vocatur Wernelmare, et tertiam partem vij. acrarum et dimid. ex parte occidentali in culturis quæ vocantur Dinget et Snoudbere versus campum de Habinton, et unam acram prati de warloto suo de Bradwat, et communem pasturam quantum pertinet ad prædictam terram in mariscis et in omnibus locis præfatæ terræ pertinentibus. Ex dono Willielmi filii Berardi in Kilmingeholme tertiam partem unius acræ terræ, et tertiam partem octo acrarum et dimid. et tertiam partem septem acrarum et dimid. et unam acram prati de warloto suo, et communem pasturam quantum pertinet ad prædictam terram. Ex dono Billehend de Killingeholme in eadem villa tertiam partem unius acræ terræ, et tertiam partem octo acrarum et dimid. et tertiam partem septem acrarum et dimid. et unam acram prati de warloto suo, et communem pasturam quantum pertinet ad prædictam terram. Ex dono Willielmi de Saily sex acras terræ in Bramacris et in Haverholme. Ex dono Roberti filii Alani de Torpe duas bovatas terræ in Braitone, cum toftis et omnibus croftis ad illas pertinentibus. Ex dono Roberti filii Petri Eborac. terram suam in parochia S. Benedicti in Eboraco. Ex dono Gocelini de Arecy duas bovatas terræ in

Acastre. Ex dono ejusdem Gocelini unam acram prati in prato de Hwerf. Ex dono Willielmi de Percy de Boeltone unam acram prati in prato de Boeltone qui vocatur Middele. Ex dono Eustacii de Mere ecclesiam S. Mariæ de Codeneham cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis. Ex dono Willielmi Sen. de Appelton duas bovatas terræ in Appelton cum omnibus pertinentiis et aisiamentis suis quas Johannes filius Rogeri Cote tenuit. Ex dono Sibillæ de Percy xij. bovatas terræ cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et cum capitali mesuagio et omnibus libertatibus et aisiamentis suis, quas ipsa eis dedit cum corpore suo, sicut cartæ donatorum prædictorum et sicut carta regis H. patris nostri quæ eis omnes prædictas donationes, exceptis duabus ultimis, confirmavit, et quas inde habent rationabiliter testantur. Quare volo, &c. Dat. per manum J. de Well. apud Nottingeham xij. die Martii, anno, &c. vj.

NUM. VII.

Injunctiones factæ Priorissæ et Conventui Domus sive Prioratus de Apleton, anno Domini 1489.

[Ex registro Thomæ Rotheram archiep. Ebor. fol. 245.]

FIRST and principally we command, and injoyne that the divine service, and the rules of your religion bee observed and kept accordingly to your order that yee be professed.

Item that the cloyster doores be shett and spary in winter at seven, and in summer at eight of the clocke at night, and the keyes nightly to bee delivered to your priorisse, and then after the said howres suffer noe persone to come in or furth, without a cause reasonable.

Item that the priorisse suffer no man to lodge under the dorter, nor oon the backside, but if hit be such sad persons by whome your house may be holpyne, and secured without slaunder or suspition.

Item that the priorisse and all your sisters lodge nightly in the dorter, saveing if yee, or your sisters bee seke or diseased to keepe a chamber.

Item that non of your sisters use the alehouse, nor the watersyde, where course of strangers dayly resorte.

Item that non of your sisters have their service of meat and drinke to the chamber, but keepe the frater, and the hale according to your religion excepte any of thaim be seke.

Item that noon of your sisters bring in, receave, or take any lay man, religious or secular into the chambre or any secrete place, day or night, nor with thaim in such private places to commine, ete, or drinke, without lycense of your priorisse.

Item that the priorisse license none of your sisters to goe pilgrimage, or visite their frende without great cause, and then such a sister, so licenciante by you, to have with her oon of the most sad, and well disposed sisters tell she come home againe.

Item that yee grant or sell no corrodies, or liveres of brede, nor ale, or other vitell to any person or persons from hensforward, without th'auctory, and speciall licence of us, or our vicar generall.

Item that yee see such servants, as longeth to your place, come in to meate and drinke, and not to have your liveres of brede and ale outward, but if yee thinke it necessary and for the welth of your house.

Item that yee take noe perhendinauncers, or sojourners into your place from hensforward, but if they be children or ellis old persons, by which availe by likelihod may grow to your place.

NUM. VIII.

From a Pension Book, Augmentation Office.

COMITATUS EBOR. NONNEAPLETON NUPER PRIORATUS MONIALIUM.

Pensiones assignat. nuper monialibus super dissolutionem dicti nuper prioratus per commissionarios domini regis quanto die Decembris anno regni prædicti domini regis Henrici octavi tricesimo primo.

Videſt.

Elinoræ Normavell nuper subpriorissæ
ibidem ii^{li}. vj^a. vii^d.

Johannæ Gore	ij ^{li} .		
Izabellæ Gascoyn	ij ^{li} .		
Janetæ Watson	ij ^{li} .		
Margaretæ Carter	ij ^{li} .		
Elizabethæ Carter	ij ^{li} .		
Agneti Snaynton	iiij ^{li} .		
Agneti Ardyngton	ij ^{li} .	vjs.	viiij ^d .
Agneti Sympson	ij ^{li} .	vjs.	viiij ^d .
Magdalenæ Kylborne	ij ^{li} .		
Agneti Auger	ij ^{li} .		
Dorotheæ Man	ij ^{li} .		
Annæ Johnson	ij ^{li} .		
Margeria Elton	ij ^{li} .		
Janetæ Fairefaxe	j ^{li} .	xiijs.	iiiij ^d .
Agneti Asselaby	j ^{li} .	xiijs.	iiiij ^d .
Elizabethæ Parker	j ^{li} .	xiijs.	iiiij ^d .
Elenæ Bayne	j ^{li} .	xiijs.	iiiij ^d .
Alicia Sheffield	ij ^{li} .		
Summa	xxxviiij ^{li} .	xiijs.	iiiij ^d .

WALTER HENDLEY.
THOMAS LEGH.
RYCHARD BELLARYS.
R. WATKYS.

NUM. IX.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 33 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUN APLETON NUPER PRIORATUS.

Visus computi Johannis Goode generosi collectoris omnium et singulorum reddituum et firmarum domini regis dicto nuper prioratui pertinentium de uno anno integro finito ad festum Sancti Michaelis Archangeli anno regni dicti domini regis Henrici 8^{vi}. 33^{tio}.

	£	s.	d.
De firma situs dicti nuper prioratus cum terris dominicalibus per annum .	11	5	4
De redd' et firm' in Appleton per annum .	7	17	8
De redd' et firm' in Acastre per annum .	3	18	0
De redd' et firm' in Kyrkfenton per annum .	0	7	0
De redd' et firm' in civitate Ebor' per annum .	2	7	8

	£	s.	d.
De redd' et firm' in Fyshelake per annum .	0	14	7 q. di.
De redd' et firm' in Dryngehouses per annum .	0	8	4
De redd' et firm' in Sykehouses per annum .	0	18	3 ob.
De redd' et firm' in Workysburgh per annum .	14	13	0
De redd' et firm' in Boynton per annum .	0	8	0
De redd' et firm' in Hornyngton per annum .	0	10	0
De redd' et firm' in Bolton per annum .	0	4	0
De redd' et firm' in Colton per annum .	0	2	4
De redd' et firm' in Steton per annum .	0	8	0
De redd' et firm' in Ellerton per annum .	0	12	0
De redd' et firm' in Hensall per annum .	0	16	4
De redd' et firm' in Brayton per annum .	0	5	6
De redd' et firm' in Franmore per annum .	2	8	0
De redd' et firm' in Casteley per annum .	1	13	4
De redd' et firm' in Swynflete per annum .	1	4	0
De redd' et firm' in Holme super Woldam per annum .	9	14	4
De redd' et firm' in Ymmingham in comitatu Lincoln' per annum .	1	4	4
De firma unius cotagij in Kylllyngham per annum .	0	6	8
De firma unius mesuagij in Broughton per annum, in comitatu Lincoln' .	0	13	4
De redd' et firm' in Northelvington per annum .	1	7	2
De redd' et firm' in Swallowe per annum in comitatu Lincoln' .	0	1	4
De rectore de Ryther pro pensione per annum .	3	6	8
De priore de Pontefracto pro pensione per annum .	2	13	4
De vicario de Northellyngton per annum .	0	13	4
De firma rectoriæ de Ymmingham in comitatu Lincoln' per annum .	10	6	0
De firma rectoriæ de Holme super Woldam per annum .	10	12	8
De incremento reddituum omnium terrarum et tenementorum in Acastre et Workesburgh in comitatu Ebor' et in Broughton in comitatu Lincoln', &c.	1	15	8

Codenham Nunnery, in Yorkshire.



ISHOP Tanner's mention of this Nunnery, with the Charter printed by Dugdale, is all that we know of Codenham. The church of St. Mary of this place, it ap-

pears, was given pretty early in the reign of King Henry the Second, by Eustace de Merch, for the founding of a Nunnery of the same Order with that of Nun Appleton, which had been instituted by his wife: but whether this design was ever perfected, is not discoverable, nor any thing more about such a Religious House.

Codenhamensis Prioratus, in agro Eboracensi.

Carta Eustachii de Merch de Fundatione Monasterii Sanctimonialium apud CODENEHAM Deo, sanctæ Mariæ, et Johanni Apostolo et Evangelistæ, de ordine Sanctimonialium de Apeltuna.

[Ex MS. codice in bibl. Cottoniana (sub effigie Neronis C. 3.)]

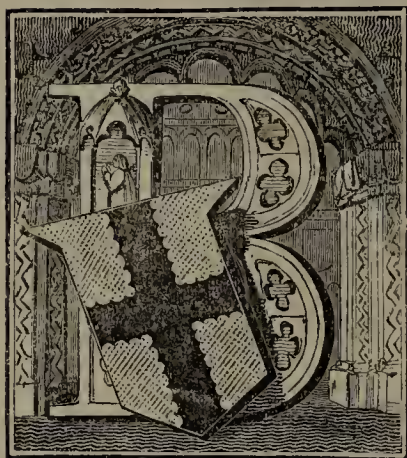
IN nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti, Amen. Uni-

versis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis Eustachius de Merch salutem. Notum sit universitati, tam præsentium quam futurorum, me dedisse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ, et beato Johanni apostolo et evangelistæ, ecclesiam sanctæ Mariæ de Codenham, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et libertatibus, in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam, ad construendum, et fundandum

ibidem monasterium, cuidam conventui sanctimonialium in honorem Dei et beatæ virginis Mariæ in perpetuum, in loco eodem, favente Deo, servientium, et hoc nominatim de congregatione, et de professione, et de ordine sanctimonialium de Apeltuna: concessu, et assensu, Aeliz de Sancto Quintino uxoris meæ, in cujus dote sita est ecclesia prædicta. Volo siquidem, et constituo ut conventus illic Deo serviens, liber, et quietus sit ab omni subjectione, et exactione, salvo eo, quod ad ordinem suum spectat, et ad emendationem animarum. Hiis testibus, magistro Suano de hospitali Eboraci, Harpino de Dresbi, Normanno, Herveo, Thoma,

presbiteris; Albino, Adam, monachis; Ingelramo de Munceals, Alexandro fratre ejus, Willielmo senescaldo, et Waltero fratre ejus militibus, Johanne medico, Simone de Holdernes, Rogero de Neutona, Martino Malaherbe, Turstino de Garton, Willielmo de Bungai, Adam de Hotun clericis, Petro de Murabel, Widone, Waltero de Corneburc, Willielmo de Vitri, Willielmo de Hamtona, Henrico de Perci, Alano de Munceals, et Roberto fratre ejus, domina Aeliz de Sancto Quintino, Agnete, Dionisia, Sibilla filiabus ejus, Agnete, et Aeliz neptibus ejus.

Bindon Abbey, in Dorsetshire.



INDON ABBEY was founded in 1172, by Robert de Newburgh and Matilda his wife. William de Glastonia first built, or began to build it at Little Bindon, in this county. Roger de Newburgh removed it to Great Bindon.

Coker, in his Account of Dorsetshire, says he had seen in old manuscripts that Maud Arundel, wife of William de Newburgh, countess of Sarum, was so

great a benefactress to it, that she was reckoned the chief foundress. So also Leland.

This Monastery was dedicated to the Virgin Mary: but a charter of Hawise de Garteney, 4 Hen. III. styles it the Monastery of St. Salvator of Benindon.^a

Hutchins has given a very detailed account of the Possessions of this abbey in Dorsetshire, to which the reader is referred.^b By grant of Edward the Third, the monks here had the manor of Bayworth, in Berkshire.

The following is Hutchins's List of the

ABBATS of BINDON.

JOHN who resigned in 1191, and was made abbat of Ford.

HENRY.

RALPH.

WILLIAM.

ROBERT, who occurs in 1252.

REGINALD, 1275.

WILLIAM, in 1285, and again in 1290.

WALTER made his profession as abbat 5 id. Nov. 1309.

WILLIAM occurs in 1316 and 1332.

^a Compare Gough's Edit. of Hutchins's Dorsetshire, edit. 1796, vol. i. p. 211.

^b In the Taxation of 1291 the possessions of this monastery, entirely in the diocese of Sarum, amounted to the annual revenue of 107*l.* 6*s.* See the Entries in the Taxat. P. Nich. IV. foll. 183, 183 b, 184, 184 b.

^c Ibid. p. 215.

^d Orig. 32 Hen. VIII. p. i. ro. 133. dat. 10th Aug.

The following are his references to Records relating to this monastery.

"Vide Cart. antiq. D. n. 26. Q. n. 17 et 18. Y. n. 28. Cart. et lib. 5 Joan. m. 1, n. 7. pro molend. et terris in Craneby. Cart. 6 Joan. n. 12. pro molendino extra Dorchester.

"Plac. de banco, 4 Hen. III. Cartam Hawisiæ de Gertenay factam Monasterio S. Salvatoris de Benindon de eccl. de Inglescomb, Somerset. Cart. 11 Hen. III. p. 1, m. 4. Claus. 14 Hen. III. m. 11. d. Plac. coram R. apud Westm. 25 Hen. III. Dorset. rot. 10. pro comun. pastur. in Wynford, et piscaria in aqua de Brome. Cart. 46 Hen. III. m. 4.

"Pat. 4 Edw. I. m. 14. de maner. de Wynford. Ibid. m. 32. Cart. 7 Edw. I. n. 1 et 3. pro mercat. et feria apud Welle infra manerium de Wynford. Rec. in Scacc. 22 Edw. I. Mich. rot. 15. de patronatu abbatæ concess. Alienoræ reginæ per Hen. de Novoburgo. Cart. 6 Edw. II. n. 12 et 15. confirm. terrarum et redd. in Lullworth, Bixinton, Notington, Heth Felton, Chalveton, Wynfroud, &c. molendinorum

ROGER HARNHULL received the benediction as abbat 2 kal. Oct. 1332.

WILLIAM DE COMENORE was elected in the month of April, 1337. He occurs again in 1361 according to Tanner, unless

WILLIAM CHETUS or CLETUS, who was confirmed in the office Nov. 13th that year is intended.

WILLIAM FORDINGTON is the next abbat who occurs, early in the fifteenth century.

ROBERT LULWORTH was summoned to convocation in 1433.

JOHN SMITH was summoned to convocation as abbat in 1444.

WILLIAM COMERE occurs in 1446.

ROBERT in 1458, and again in 1464.

THOMAS occurs in 1473.

JOHN in 1488, 1495, and 1496.

JOHN BRYAN occurs in 1499, and again in 1508. He died in 1510.

JOHN WALEYS occurs in 1523.

JOHN NORMAN was the last abbat. He surrendered his monastery to the king twice, in 1536 and 1539: for although this House was suppressed in the 27th Hen. VIII. among the smaller houses; yet in the next year, by letters patent bearing date 16th Nov. 28th Hen. VIII. it was restored, and the abbat and monks reinstated in their church and possessions. Hutchins has printed an attested copy of the Deed of re-foundation from the original in the Rolls Chapel.^c This House was finally surrendered 14th March, 30 Hen. VIII.

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the gross amount of the Revenues of this House was returned at 229*l.* 2*s.* 1½*d.* The clear income at no more than 147*l.* 7*s.* 9¼*d.*

The Scite was granted in the 32d Hen. VIII. to Sir Thomas Poynings.^d

de Fordington, Cranburn, et extra Dorcest. ecclesiarum de Chalvedon, Harang, et Foresthill, mercat. et fer. apud Welle, Dorset. lib. war. in Stockwood, Wodslert. Welle, Brunnegate, Lullworth, Bindon, Bonington, et Hechfeld. Pat. 8 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 11 et 28. Inquis. Dorset. 8 Edw. II. n. 168. Cart. 8 Edw. II. n. 7. pro mercat. et feria apud Welle. Pat. 13 Edw. II. m. 25. Pat. 14 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 17. Pat. 18 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 27 vel 28. Pat. 3 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 27 vel 28. pro maner. de Bayworth, Berks. Pat. 5 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . d. pro monachis quibusdam apostatis hujus Cœnobii capiendis et reducendis. Claus. 12 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 11. de redd. xx*l.* per annum e man. de Lulleworth. Pat. 18 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 5 vel 6. Cart. 25 Edw. III. n. 25. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 19. de terris et redd. in Est Burton."

See also Rot. Hundred. vol. i. pp. 100, 102, 103. Plac. de Quo Waranto, p. 181.

In the Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office are,

1. *Bynedon*.—Certificatio de Temporalibus Abbatæ de Bynedon, in com. Dorset.—Pasch. Rec. 29 Edw. III.

2. *Byndon*.—De Adriano Ponings nil. occasionato ad ostendendum quare ipse de pensione 21*s.* 8*d.* per annum, exeunte de terris dominicalibus nuper Monasterij de Byndon in com. Dorset. onerar. non debet.—Pasch. Rec. 6 Eliz. Rot. 85.

Among the Chancery Proceedings at the Tower, temp. Eliz. are several relating to the possessions of the dissolved monastery of Bindon, respectively marked C. c. 17. 49. C. c. 7. 47.

Bishop Tanner says here were usually nine monks.

The ARMS of this abbey in Wolveton House, in Dorsetshire, and in Coker, are Paly of eight, Or. and Gu. Bishop Tanner was informed it bore the arms of Mohun, O. a cross engrailed sable; but, though it was not unusual for abbeys to assume the arms of their founder, or some principal benefactor, it does not appear that any of that family were benefactors to it.

The Seal affixed to a Dced of abbat Ralph of lands in Dunnington, bore a dexter hand coupé, holding a crozier in pale. This was probably the abbat's private seal.

An Impression of the CONVENTUAL SEAL of Bindon, but a very imperfect one, is attached to the surrender of this monastery in the Augmentation Office. It represents two female figures, one of them crowned, and having on each side of them a shield, but the arms are completely de-

faced; underneath in a niche is a monk praying; no part of the legend is preserved.

The buildings of this abbey were demolished soon after the Dissolution. The great gate was standing about 1750, a few paces from the west end of the church; but it has long since fallen. Of the Abbey Church but small traces are now remaining, except the north-west angle of the tower. Hutchins says, the body of the church, including the choir, was a hundred and seventy feet long and thirty broad. The north and south aisles were equal; a hundred and fifteen feet long by fourteen broad. The tower fifty-eight feet high by thirty-eight feet square. Hutchins has engraved a ground plan of the abbey.

The family of Weld are the present proprietors.

The Newburghs and the Poynts's, of Sutton, in Dorsetshire, had their sepulture in the church.

Cartae ad Binedonensem Abbatiam in agro Dorsetensi, spectantes; fundatam anno Dom. Mclxxij.^a

NUM. I.

Carta Regis Henrici tertii Donatorum Concessionem recitans et confirmans.

[Cart. 9 E. I. n. 90. m. 13. per Inspex. Vide etiam Cart. antiq. Q. n. 18.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, dux Normanniæ, Aquitanniæ, et comes Andegaviæ archiepiscopis, &c. Noveritis nos concessisse et præsentem cartam confirmasse in perpetuam elemosinam ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Bynedone et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, ex dono Rogeri de Novo-burgo et Matildis uxoris ejus, locum in quo sita est ipsa abbatia sicut carta prædicti Rogeri testatur. Ex dono Willielmi de Glastonia et Matildis uxoris ejus locum de Bynedone ubi abbatia prætaxata prius incepta fuit sicut carta ejusdem testatur. Ex dono et concessione Rogeri de Novo-burgo et Matildis uxoris ejus, duas virgatas terræ in Lolleworth cum pastura adjacente sicut ejusdem carta testatur. Ex dono Matildis de Arundell et concessione regis Henrici manerium de Berintone sicut carta ejusdem determinat. Ex dono Gilberti de Percy de Nottingham et de Luca quas ipse emit à conventu de Forde sicut carta utrorumque testatur, et terram de Hethfeldtone sicut conventio inter prædictos monachos et Simonem de Eneford testatur. Totam terram de Wodester cum prato adjacente quam prædicti monachi de Willielmo de Wodestert et hæredibus ejus imperpetuum tenebunt, sicut carta ejusdem Willielmi testatur. Dimidiam hidam cum pastura trescentarum ovium in manerio de Chalvedone ex dono Thomæ Harang sicut carta ejusdem loquitur, sicut confirmatio domini Johannis regis patris nostri et cartæ prædictorum donatorum quas inde habent rationabiliter testantur. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum venerabilis patris Radulfi Cicestr. episcopi cancellarii nostri, apud Kenitone xxiiij. die Aprilis anno regni nostri xvij.

NUM. II.

Alia Carta ejusdem Regis Henrici.

[Ibid.]

HENRICUS, &c. ut supra. Sciatis nos concessisse, &c. abbati et monachis de Bynedone omnes terras et tenementa subscripta; videlicet ex dono Roberti de Novo-burgo totum boscum de Stotwode qui est extra abbatiam de Bynedone cum tota terra ubi crescit. Ex dono ejusdem Roberti totam illam partem bosci de Hamstede quæ est ad austrum trenchiæ quæ ducit de grangia de Brumzetc usque ad terram suam quam habent de Willielmo de Kaynes. Ex dono ejusdem Roberti octo acras et dimid. in australi et occidentali parte bosci de Hamstede qui dicitur Storfalda, et communiam pasturæ totius bosci de Hamstede, et totam terram de Pulham, et centum et quinquaginta acras de vasto, et molen-

dinum de Lolleworth cum terra appendente, et moltura hominum de Lullewuth, et omnibus aliis pertinentiis, et unam virgatam terræ in eadem villa, et octo acras terræ in manerio de Lollewrth proximas grangiæ de Brumsete. Ex dono Willielmi Lok de Dorcestre omnes domos cum placeis, gardinis, curtilagiis in Dorcestre, et totam terram arabilem quam habent infra muros de Dorcestre, et totam terram cum domibus et curtilagiis quæ fuerunt Radulfi de Mukelford. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum venerabilis patris R. Cicestr. episcopi cancellarii nostri, apud Gloucestre iij. die Junii anno regni nostri xvij.

NUM. III.

Carta Alianoræ Reginæ.

[Ibid.]

ALIANORA regina Angliæ, domina Hiberniæ, ducissa Aquitaniæ, mater domini Edwardi regis. Universis, &c. Noveritis nos pro salute animæ celebris memoriæ domini Henrici regis domini nostri, et omnium antecessorum suorum, et pro salute animæ nostræ liberorumque nostrorum, et omnium antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentem cartam confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Binedone et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus et imperpetuum servituris, in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam, omnes terras et tenementa quæ habuimus in villa de Welle, in com. Dorset, ex dono et concessione Thomæ de Welle filii et hæredis Willielmi de Welle, cum omnibus pertinentiis et juribus quibuscunque ad easdem terras et tenementa quocunque modo aut loco spectantibus. Habendum et tenendum eisdem monachis et successoribus suis, &c. in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam imperpetuum. Nos verò et hæredes nostri, &c. warrantizabimus, &c. Hiis testibus dominis Edmundo comite Lancastriæ filio nostro, Imberto de Monteferant, Guidone de Ferariis militibus, &c.

NUM. IV.

Carta Roberti de Novoburgo.

[Ibid. n. 17.]

SCIANT præsentem et futuri quod ego Robertus de Novoburgo pro salute animæ meæ et antecessorum et successorum meorum omnium dedi et concessi et hac præsentem cartam confirmavi ecclesiæ S. Mariæ de Binedon, et ejusdem loci conventui in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, totum manerium meum de Wolaveston cum omnibus pertinentiis, libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus suis, habendum et tenendum sibi imperpetuum, integrè, liberè, et quietè, pacificè et honorificè ab omni seculari servitio et exactione, quereis, et demandis omnibus ad me vel ad hæredes meos spectantibus. Hanc vero donationem et concessionem ego

^a Chron. S. Werburgæ Cestr. in bibl. Cottoniana.

et hæredes mei prædicto conventui de Binadon contra omnes homines et feminas warantizare tenemur sicut liberam et perpetuam elemosinam. Et ut hæc mea donatio et concessio firma et stabilis imperpetuum permaneat, præsentī scripto sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus, Willielmo de Chaames, P. de Maulay, Aluredo de Lincolnia, Joh. de Baius, Petro de Russell, Radulfo de Bray, Seirico milite de Wolaveston, Benedicto de Bere, Joh. Belet, Joh. Ardur, Rogero Arblastario, et multis aliis.

NUM. V.

Carta Regis Henrici tertii de Advocatione ejusdem Abbatiæ.

[Pat. 7 E. I. part. 1. n. 1.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia, rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, et dux Aquitaniæ. Omnibus ballivis et fidelibus suis ad quos præsentēs literæ pervenerint, salutem. Cum Henricus de Novo-Burgo quondam patronus et advocatus abbatii de Bynedon, per cartam suam quam inspeximus concesserit et licentiam dederit abbati et monachis ejusdem abbatii alium quemcunque voluerint eligendi sibi et domui suæ in advocatum et patronum, ac idem abbas et monachi, juxta illam concessionem et licentiam, nos et Alianorum reginam Angliæ, consortem nostram, et hæredes nostros reges Angliæ elegerint sibi et domui suæ prædictæ in advocatum et patronum. Nos electionem illam acceptantes et volentes quod abbatia prædicta de cætero sit de advocatione nostri, et dictæ reginæ nostræ, et hæredum nostrorum prædictorum, suscepimus in protectionem et defensionem nostram ipsam abbatiam, abbatem et monachos ejusdem abbatii, homines, terras, res, redditus, et omnes possessiones ipsorum; et ideo vobis mandamus quod prædictam abbaciam, abbatem et monachos ejusdem abbatiæ, homines, terras, res, redditus et omnes possessiones ipsorum manuteneatis protegatis et defendatis, non inferentes eis vel inferri permittentes injuriam, molestiam, dampnum, aut gravamen. Et si quid eis forisfactum fuerit id eis sine dilatione faciatis emendari. Salvo nobis et hæredibus nostris jure nostro in abbacia prædicta tenementis ad ipsam spectantibus si alias inde loqui voluerimus. In cujus, &c. T. meipso apud Westm. decimo octavo die Augusti anno regni nostri quinquagesimo sexto.

NUM. VI.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONEST'IU' B'TE MARIE DE BYNDON ORDIN' CISTERNEN'.

Johes Norman modo abbas iſm qui non hēt aliquam certam porcōem ad usum aut cōmōdū suū pp̄m sed hēt et pcipit om̄ia exit' rcvenc' et pfic' possess' monestij p'd' ut fidelis administrator p sustentaçōe et manutençōe monestij p'd' in om̄ibz requisitis et necessar'.

Valor omniū mañioz terraz teñtoz hereditamentoz reddit' decimaz oblaçōnū emolumentoz ac alioz pfic' tam sp̄ualīū q'am temporalium q̄ p'dict' abbas hēt in jur' monestij sui p'dict'.

Videl't.

In Sp'ualibz.

Psonatus de Chaldon.

Valet p annū vidz in reddit' terr' et teñtoz glebe ejusdm psonat' 1l. In om̄od' dec' ad eund' psonat' spectant' 7l. In oblaçōnibz et alijs pfic' 3l. 6s. 8d.

S̄m^a 11l. 6s. 8d.

Deduc' et Allocac' scd'm forma' Statuti videl't.

In quadam pençōne ann' solut' vicar' ppetual' ecclie de Chaldon exeunt' de eodm pson' 8l. Et solut' archidiaç' Dors' p sinod' et pcurac' ejusdm psonat' 17s. 10½d. Et in elimozina distribuend' annuat' quotet die veñis passeue paupibz apd Chaldon p'dict' p ordinac' sup' appac' ecclie p'dict' 3s. 4d.

S̄m^a 9l. 1s. 4½d.

Porcio decim' cu' terr' gleb' ejusdm infra P'ochia' de Winfrith.

Valet p annū vidz in reddit' terr' et tentoz glebe ejusdm porcōnis 4l. 13s. 4d. In om̄od' dec' ad porc' p'dict' spectāt' 26l. 13s. 4d. In quadam pençōne sive annual' redd' rec'ept de rector' ecclie poch' de Winfrith 2l.

S̄m^a 33l. 6s. 8d.

Et in reddit' rec' abbat' monestij Glaston' an' et imp̄m exeunt' de p'dict' porc' porcōne decimar' infra pochiam de Wynfrythe 26l. 13s. 4d.

Porc' decim' terr' d'nic' in occupac' abbat'.

Valent p annū vidz in Burnegate et Litle Bindon in om̄od' decim' 16s. 8d. In Woodsterte in oīd' dec' p annū 16s. 8d. In Byndon in om̄od' dec' p annū 6s. 8d. In Hethefeldton in om̄id' dec' p a^m 1l. In West Lulworth in oīd' dec' p ann' 13s. 4d.

S̄m^a 3l. 13s. 4d.

Porc' decimar' in Bobington.

Val' in om̄imod' dec' p annū 0l. 8s. 4d.

Et in quadm penc' solut' annuat' p'ebendar' p'ebend' de Charmister et Bere Regs exeunt' de porc' terr' in Bobington añuat' et imp̄m 1l. 1s. 8d.

Porc' decimar' in West Chaldon.

Valet in om̄od' decim' p annū 2l. 5s. 0d.

Et in quadam pençōne solut' anu' comaundator' comaundar' de Badsley et Mayne exeunt' de p'dict' porc' dec' in West Chaldon 5s. Et in quad' penc' solut' annuat' p'ebendar' p'ebend' de P'eston et succ' suis exeunt' de p'dict' porc' decimar' in West Chaldon 2s. 6d. Et solut' in pcur' et sinod' arch' Dors' p p'dict' porc' decimar' in West Chaldon 9s. 1½d. Et solut' dno ep̄o Saç p pcur' p a^m p p'dict' porc' dec' in West Chaldon 2s. 8d.

S̄m^a 0l. 19s. 3½d.

S̄m^a oīm sp̄ual' possess' p'dict' 51l. 0s. 0d.

S̄m^a oīm deduc' alloc' sp̄ual' possess' p'dict' 37l. 15s. 6d.

In Temporalibz.

Man'iu' de Byndon.

Valet in reddit' assis' p anū 8l. 0s. 10d. In reddit' terr' prat' et pastur' dñical' in occupac' abbat' 8l. In vendic' bosc' iſm cōibz annis 1l. In bosc' expendit' infra hospit' dñi abbat' 1l. 6s. 8d. In pquis' turn' tent' apd Howndinoke comunibz annis 15s. 11d.

S̄m^a 19l. 3s. 5d.

Man'iu' de Wooll'.

Valet in reddit' assis' p ann' 15l. 9s. 4d. In tolnet' et pfic' nundinar' iſm p a^m 6s. 8d. In pfic' cur' vidz in finibz hēiet' et alijs pquisiçōnibz iſm cōmunibz annis 2l. 10s. 3d.

S̄m^a 18l. 6s. 3d.

Et in feod' Briani Smythe ballivi mañior' de Wooll et Est Burton p'dict' p annū 2l. 0s. 0d.

Man'iu' de Est Burton.

Valet in reddit' assis' iſm p a^m 5l. 1s. In pquis cur' iſm cōibz annis 9d.

S̄m^a 5l. 1s. 9d.

Worthe.

Valet in reddit' terr' et teñt' iſm p annū 7l. 6s. 8d.

Knyghton.

Val' in reddit' terr' et teñt' iſm p a^m 2l. 5s. 7d.

Fordinton.

Val' in redd' terr' et teñt' iſm' p a^m 7l. 13s. 4d.

Whytchurche.

Valet in redd' terr' et teñtoz iſm p a^m 1l. 11s. 4d.

Stockeforde.

Valet in reddit' j. teñt' iſm p annū 0l. 10s. 0d.

S̄m^a 19l. 6s. 11d.

Man'iu' de Pulham.

Valet in reddit' assis' iſm p a^m 3l. In reddit' tr' dñic' iſm dimiss' ad firmam 6l. In pfic' cur' vidz in finibz hēiet' et al' pquis' iſm cōibz annis 3s. 8¾d.

S̄m^a 9l. 3s. 8¾d.

Man'iu' de Est Chaldon et West Forsehille.

Valet in reddit' assis' iſm p a^m 7l. 19s. 10d.

In reddit' terr' dñical' iſm dimiss' ad firmam vidz in p'c'. Redd' frument' 26 qrt' 6l. 18s. 8d. Ordei 26 qrt' 3l. 9s. 4d. Aven' 21 qrt' et di' 1l. 8s. 8d. In pfic' cur' vidz in finibz hēiet' et al' pquis' iſm cōibus annis 1l. 14s. 6d.

S̄m^a 21l. 11s. 0d.

Hethefelton.

Valet in terr' prat' et pastur' iſm dimiss' ad firmā vidz

in p^c. Reddit' frument' 6 q^{rt} 1l. 12s. Ordei 10 q^{rt} 1l. 6s. 8d. Aven' 14 q^{rt} 18s. 8s.
 S^m^a 4l. 17s. 4d.
 Burnegate et Litle Byndon.
 Valet in terr' prat' et pastur' i^{bm} in occupac' abbat' p^a vidz. In pastur' 368 oviū m^{ir}iciū i^{bm} p annū 6l. 2s. 8d.

Woodsterte.
 Valet in terr' prat' et pastur' i^{bm} in occupac' abbat' videft. In pastur' 300 oviū m^{ir}ic' i^{bm} p a^m 5l. 0s. 0d.
 Bobington.
 Valet in terr' prat' et pastur' i^{bm} ad firmā dimiss' cū decimis ejusd' vidz in p^c. Reddit' frument' 16 q^{rt} 4l. 5s. 4d. Ordei 16 q^{rt} 2l. 2s. 8d. Aven' 16 q^{rt} 1l. 1s. 4d. Et in pastur' 481 oviū voc' wethers in occupac' abbat' 2l. 0s. 1d.
 S^m^a 9l. 9s. 5d.

West Chaldon.
 Valet in terr' prat' et pastur' i^{bm} in occupac' abbat' p^a vidz. In pastur' 389 oviū m^{ir}ic' 6l. 9s. 8d. In pastur' 655 oviū hoggastr' 8l. 3s. 9d. In pastur' 506 oviū voc' wethers 2l. 2s. 2d.
 S^m^a 16l. 15s. 7d.
 Man'iu' de West Lulworth.
 Valet in reddit' assis' i^{bm} p a^m 10l. 14s. 6d. In reddit' terr' dⁿical' i^{bm} in occupac' abbat'. In pastur' 500 oviū hoggastr' 6l. 5s. 1d. In pastur' 338 oviū voc' theues 4l. 4s. 6d. In p^fic' cur' vidz in finibz hiet' et al' pquis' tent' ap^d Burnegate 2l. 6s. 1d.
 S^m^a 23l. 10s. 0d.

Et in reddit' res' d^{ne} Margarete comitisse Sa^z exeunt' de p^dict' ma^ñio de West Lulworth p ann' 20l. 0s. 0d.
 Cryche Grane.
 Valet in redd' terr' et ten^{toz} i^{bm} p a^m 6l. 13s. 4d.
 Bexington.
 Valet in redd' terr' et ten^{toz} i^{bm} p a^m 12l. 14s. 0d.
 Dorchester.
 Valet in redd' terr' et ten^{toz} i^{bm} p a^m 0l. 13s. 4d.
 Wareham.
 Valet in redd' terr' et ten^{toz} i^{bm} p a^m 0l. 13s. 4d.
 S^m^a 20l. 14s. 0d.

Et in reddit' res' ann' d^{no} Henrico d^{no} duci de Richmond et hered' suis imp^{ptm} vidz ma^ñio et castro suo de Corfe castell' exeunt' de p^dict' t^{rr}' in Criche grange 1l. 13s. 4d. Et in reddit' res' abbat' monestij de Abbottsburi exeunt' de p^dict' terr' in Bexington 1l. 14s. Et in reddit' res' an' balliū burgi de Dorchester exeunt' de p^dict' terr' et ten^{toz} in Dorchester 9d. Et in reddit' res' d^{ne} regine annuat' exeunt' de p^dict' terr' in Wareham 9d.
 S^m^a 3l. 8s. 10d.
 S^m^a aⁿui valor' o^{im} possess' temporal' supradict' . . . 178l. 2s. 1³/₄d.
 S^m^a deduct' et alloc' o^{im} temporal' possess' supradict' . . . 25l. 8s. 10d.
 S^m^a to^{lis} annui valor' o^{im} p^dict' possess' tam s^pual' quam temporalium . . . 229l. 2s. 1³/₄d.
 S^m^a to^{lis} deducc' et alloc' o^{im}ū pos- sess' tam s^pual' q^am temporal' sup^adict' . . . 63l. 4s. 4d.
 Et rem' . . . 165l. 17s. 9³/₄d.

D. quibz
 Feod'.
 In feodo Henrici Dawbeney milit' dⁿⁱ Dawbeney cap^{it}lis sce^{li} omniū ma^ñioz terraz et ten^{toz} monestij p^dict' 2l. In feodo Johis Jerard 2l. et Wifmi Jerard 2l. auditor' monesterij p^dict' 4l. Et in quad^am annuitate sive annual' reddit' 5l. 6s. 8d. annuat' solut' p^{ior}' et conventui nove hospital' b^{te} Marie extra Byshops gate de London et successo-

ribz suis imp^{ptm}. Et in quad^am annuitat' sive annual' reddit' 10s. annuat' solut' p^{ior}i monestij S^{ci} Martini in com' Surrey et successoribz suis imp^{ptm}. Et in quod^am corodio sive pen^cone 2l. 13s. 4d. annuat' solut' uni p^{son}' p d^{nm} regem de tempor' in tempus noⁱand' q^d quidm corodiū quidm Wifms Wytcombe modo h^{et} et pcipit p noⁱac' dict' dⁿⁱ R's virtut' b^{ris} sui.
 Elemozin'.

Et in feod' Johis Clevys receptor' ge^ñal' monestij p^dict' p anū 3l. 6s. 8d. Et in elemozina anuat' ap^d Cyndon p^dict' distribut' int' paupes in cena dⁿⁱ p aⁱabz Rogeri Newborough et Matilde uxor' sue pⁱmi fundator' monesterij p^dict' 13s. 4d.
 S^m^a 17l. 10s. 0d.
 Et sic reman' clar' . . . 147l. 7s. 9³/₄d.
 In' p x^{ma} . . . 14l. 14s. 9¹/₂d.
 Noⁱa officiarior' { Joh'es HONYNGTON, prior.
 Joh'es WODSTERTE, sub p^{ior}.

P^dict' p^{ior} et subp^{ior} nulla h^{ent} terr' ten^{toz} seu p^fic' s^pual' aut temporal' ad eo^z offic' sp^{ec}tant' ultra talem sustentac' qualem ceteri monachi monestij p^dict' h^{ent} aut pcipiunt sed solomodo quasd^am pvas pietanc' in pane potu et cibarijs.

Com' Dors'.
 Can^{ti}a b^{te} Marie in ecclia S^{ce} Trinitat' Dorcestr' p certific' Thome Trencherd mi^o Johis Willyoms et Robti Berrett dat' 2^{do} die Junij a^o R's Henrici 8^{vi} 34^{to} virtute co^missionis dⁿⁱ R's eisdm direct'.
 Valet in.
 Sex messuagijs sive curtilagijs uno tofto sive pvo clauso et undecim acris terr' arabilis p annū . . . 5l. 8s. 6d.
 Q. quidm suma sic certificat' taxat' sive valuat' ut clare remanen' sine ullis repris' vel deduc^oibz inde exeunt'
 Inde p x^{ma} . . . 0l. 10s. 10d.

NUM. VII.
 COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
 [Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]
 NUPER MONASTERIUM DE BYNDON.

Com' Dors'	£.	s.	d.
Byndon—Scitus dicti monasterij cum terris dominicalibus . . .	null'	quia Thomas Ponyns milcs percepit et habuit.	
Byndon—Redd' assis', &c. . . .	12	3	4
Wolle—Redd' assis', &c. . . .	18	3	3
Est Burton—Redd' assis', &c. . . .	4	3	4
Knyghton—Redd' assis', &c. . . .	2	5	7
Wynfrith—Redd' assis', &c. . . .	1	4	0
Este Chaldon—Redd' assis', &c. . . .	12	6	8
West Forsehill—Redd', assis', &c. . . .	20	1	8
West Chaldon—Redd' assis', &c. . . .	8	8	4
Ethilton—Redd' assis', &c. . . .	9	14	7
Burnegate et Little Bindon—Redd' assis', &c. . . .	11	13	4
West Lulleworth—Redd' assis', &c. . . .	22	11	2
Stokeforde—Redd' assis', &c. . . .	0	10	0
Bovington—Redd' assis', &c. . . .	10	11	5
Fordyngton—Duo molendina	8	6	8
Whitechurch—Duo tenementa	1	11	4
Dorchester—Diversa burgagia	0	12	4
Wareham—Un' tenementum, &c. . . .	1	2	0
Stoborough—Una tenura	0	7	0
Worth—Redd' assis', &c. . . .	7	6	6
Creche—Firma manerij sive grangiae	7	2	0
Bexyngton—Firma manerij	12	14	0
Pulham—Redd' assis'	2	19	10
Pulham—Firma capitalismessuagij, &c. . . .	6	0	2
Est Chaldon—Parsonatus	8	13	4
Wynfrith—Parsonatus	30	13	4
Dean in Comekeynes—Pastur'	6	0	8

Crokesden or Croxden Abbey, in Staffordshire.



HOTES, or Chotene, and Crokesden, or Croxden, says Tanner. A.D. 1176, Bertram de Verdun gave the Cistercian monks of Aulney in Normandy a piece of ground at Chotes whereon to build an Abbey of that Order, which was in three years removed to Crokesden, where it continued till the general Suppression. Chotene, Tanner suspects to have been Cotton or Cawton, a member of the

lordship of Alveton, the chief place of residence of the Verduns in those times. This Monastery was dedicated to the blessed Virgin, and stiled "Abbatia de Valle Beatae Mariae de Croxden." The annals of Burton and Croxden^a give the above date of 1176: those of Parco Lude place the foundation in 1189, as Tanner supposes for 1179.

King John was a benefactor to this Abbey at his death. He ordered his heart to be buried here: and gave land to the monks of Croxden to the value of ten pounds a year. The abbat appears to have been the King's physician in his last moments.^b

Stowe, in his Annals, has recorded an anecdote relating to Croxden Abbey in Edward the third's time which we shall transcribe here. Under the year 1331 he says, "Such a wet sommer, with exceeding raine was this year, that the corne in the field could not ripe, so that in many places they beganne not harvest till Michaelmas. The House of Croxton got not in their wheat till Hallontide, and their pease not before S. Andrewes tide. The monks on Allhallowen day, and Martlemas day, were served with pease green in the cods, instead of peares and apples."^c

The Temporalities of this Abbey were thus recorded in the Taxation of 1291. "*Dioc. Linc.* In Huntyngdon 8s. In Decanat. Rotelond 6l. 9s. 6d. In Decanat. Staunford, Goscote, Gudlakston, et Rotelond 46l. 13s. 2d. *Dioc. Coventr. et Lichf.* In archidiac. Stafford 36l. 19s. In Decanat. de Ripendon 20l. Apud Hertescot in Dec. de Scarvesdale 18s." Among their Spiritualities the monks of Croxden had the Church of Alveton in the latter diocese appropriated to them.^d

Tanner's references to MANUSCRIPTS and RE-

^a See the Append. Num. I. ^b Mat. Par. edit. 1684. p. 242.

^c Stowe's Annals, edit. 1592. p. 351.

^d Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 51 b, 67, 72 b, 243, 253, 262, 264 b.

^e Tanner says, "*Vide Annales de rebus Anglicis, ab anno 1066 ad annum 1374, in quibus plurima de abbatibus et negotiis monasterii de Crokysden, una cum nominibus omnium monachorum, eo ordine, quo domum istam intraverunt, per Will. Schepsheved monachum ejusdem abbatiae, MS. in bibl. Cotton. Faustina, B. vi. 6, 7.*"

"Excerpta ex eisdem, MSS. Dodsworth in bibl. Bodl. vol. lxxviii. fol. 120. vol. lxxix. fol. 71. vol. cxviii. fol. 111.

"Nomina quorundam abbatum, in bibl. Harleiana, MS. 280. fol. 77.

"Obituarium Monast. de Crokysden, citatum in Angl. Sacr. vol. i. p. 797.

"Registrum et cartas hujus abbatiae nuper penes Will. Pierrepont de Tong Castle, modo penes honoratiss. Thomam com. Macclesfield.

"Cartam originalem foundationis, penes . . . Downing attornatum ad legem in cimiterio Paulino, A.D. 1700.

"Cartas quasdam ad hoc monasterium spectantes inter Collect. Francisci Thinn, ex evidentiis dom. Ricardi Levesone, A.D. 1605. MS. penes cl. Jo. Anstis.

"In libro exhibitorum dioc. Litchf. et Cov. MS. penes Petrum Le Neve arm. fol. 286. compositionem inter abbatem et conventum et rectorem de Hottokeshale, super decimis de terris Alani de Lees, et de terris in Frotewode, pro pensione annua duodecim solidorum, factam A.D. 1262, cum conformationibus Rogeri episc. Coventr. &c.

"Cart. 1 Joan. p. 2. d. pro c. sol. ann. percipiendis. Cart. 7 Joan. m. 3. n. 23. pro Edwineya membro maner. de Egemundon in excamb.

CORDS relating to this Abbey will be found with a few others in the Note below.^e

The Names and Dates of the ABBATS, in succession, to the year 1335, will be found in the Appendix to the present Account. These it seems unnecessary to repeat here.

The following List of subsequent Abbats occur among the manuscript collections:

ALEXANDER DE COWLEY.

WILLIAM GUNSLow.

PHILIP LUDLOW.

ROGER PRESTONE.

JOHN BROMEFIELD.

WILLIAM BURTON.

RALPH LAYLOND.

JOHN DE CHEKEWALTON.

STEPHEN CADDE.

JOHN SKIPTON made abbat on the feast of St. Francis, 1519.

THOMAS CHAWNER occurs in the 26 Hen. VIII. He was the last abbat.

Tanner says that beside the abbat this foundation consisted of twelve monks.

In the 26th of Henry VIII. its yearly revenues amounted in the gross to 103l. 6s. 7d.; in clear income to 90l. 5s. 11d.

The SITE was granted 16th March, 36th Hen. VIII. to Geoffrey Foljambe of Walton in Derbyshire.^f

Of the SEAL attached to the Surrender, being the Common Seal, there is a neat impression on red wax remaining in the Augmentation Office. The subject of it is the blessed Virgin and her Infant; she is seated under an ornamented canopy, having on her right side a Shield with the arms of Bertram de Verdun the founder, Or. fretty gules. In an arch underneath the Virgin is an abbat standing with his crozier. Legend, s. ABBATIS. ET. CONVENTVS. ECCLIE. BEATE. MARIE. DE. CROKESDEN.

The REMAINS of this Abbey are situated in a narrow valley, watered by a small rivulet, which supplied a mill formerly in the precincts. The west end of the church, the south wall of the transept, part of the cloister, the outer walls of the chapter house, and some parts of the offices may still be traced. The style of architecture corresponding with the date of the foundation. The windows being lancet-shaped and the capitals of the columns foliated.

pro c. sol. eleemosynae R. ann. Claus. 7 Joan. m. 4. pro terris assartandis in Aka.

"Pat. 3 Edw. II. m. 5. pro eccl. de Melling approprianda. Pat. 12 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 11. de terris in Longeley et Trussely Derb. Pat. 1 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 16. pro ten. in Bridgnorth. Plac. in com. Derb. 4 Edw. III. quo war. rot. 12. Pat. 5 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 8 vel 9. Pat. 16 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 2 vel 3. Pat. 19 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 23 vel 24. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 32. pro maner. de Verdon in Elaston. Pat. 22 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 36. pro vicaria de Alveton approprianda. Pat. 3 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 22. pro mess. in Ashburn co. Derb. Pat. 6 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 9. quod unus monachorum sit vicarius de Alveton, non obstante statuto 4 Hen. IV."

See also the Plac. de Quo Waranto printed by the Commissioners on the Public Records, pp. 148, 678, 717, 719. Abbrev. Plac. p. 92. Rot. Hundr. vol. ii. pp. 59, 65, 95.

The foundation charter mentioned by Tanner as in the possession of Mr. Downing, an attorney of St. Paul's Churchyard in 1700, was afterwards purchased by Dr. Richard Rawlinson, by whom it was engraved in fac-simile in 1743, and amongst whose manuscripts it still remains at Oxford.

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office is an Instrument with this title: "Crokesden: de Godfrido Fuljambe, occasionato ad ostendendum quo titulo tenet Situm nuper Prioratus de Crokesden in comitatu Staffordiae. Pasch. rot. 14 Eliz. rot. 42.

^f Pat. 36 Hen. VIII. p. 4. Rex xvi. die Martii concessit Galfrido Foljambe donum et scitum nuper monasterii de Croxden, ac rectoriam, &c. de Croxden, ac mcsuag. &c. in Croxden, Roucestons, et Crakmersh in com. Staff. ac terr. &c. in Duffeld in com. Derb. habend. ei et haered. suis imperpetuum. ro. lxxij. Abbrev. rot. orig. MS. Brit. Mus. vol. iv. fol. 54 b.

Cartae ad Croordenensem Abbatiam, in agro Staffordiensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

[Ex Chron. de Crokesden in bibl. Cotton. (sub effigie Faustinae, B. 6.)]

ANNO Domini m.c.lxxvj. Bertramus de Verdun, in salutem animae suae, per Dei gratiam, in redemptionem omnium delictorum suorum, dedit monachis de Alneto terram de Chotes, ad fundandam abbatiam valle sanctae Mariae, sed qui suaviter disponit omnia praedordinavit alibi laudare nomen Domini.

Anno Domini m.c.lxxviii. Thomas, primus abbas hujus monasterii, natione Anglicus, cum adhuc esset diaconus, in die Pentecostes circa horam tertiam tanquam Spiritus Sancti receptaculum mundum electus est in abbatem.

Anno Domini m.c.lxxix. conventus venit de Chotene ad Crokesden.

Anno Domini m.c.lxxxj. dedicatio loci de Crokesden.

Anno Domini m.c.xcij. Item piæ memoriæ Bertramus de Verdun fundator obiit, et in die sancti Bartholomei apud Acon sepultus est.

Anno Domini m.c.xcix. obiit Thomas de Verdun, in Hibernia, et successit ei in hæreditate Nicholaus frater suus.

Anno Domini m.cc.xxix. Thomas primus abbas hujus monasterii quievit in Domino 2. nonas Decembris, et sepultus est in capitulo ibidem, et dominus Willielmus de Chaucombe electus est in abbatem.

Anno Domini m.cc.xxxvij. obiit dominus Willielmus de Esseburne tertius abbas hujus domus, x. kalendarum Octobris, cui successit dominus Johannes de Tilton, qui dimisit officium anno Domini 1241.

Anno Domini m.cc.xlij. dominus Walterus de London electus abbas hujus domus, et dominica proxima ante ascensionem Domini suscepit regimen. Iste multa ædificavit.

Anno Domini m.cc.xlvij. obiit domina Roysia de Verdun, fundatrix abbatiae de Crokesden, quarto idus Februarii, et successit sibi dominus Johannes de Verdun filius ejus.

Anno Domini m.cc.lxvij. Umfridus de Verdun natus est in vigilia Pentecostes.

Anno Domini m.cc.lxviii. obiit Walterus de London quintus abbas hujus domus, cum in diebus suis abbatiam istam perfecisset ad plenum.

Anno Domini m.cc.lxxviii. dominus Willielmus de Howton hujus monasterii abbas sextus viam universæ carnis ingressus est xvj. kalend. Octob. cui successit. die beate Luciae sequenti, dominus Henricus de Moysam.

Eodem anno obiit dominus Johannes de Verdun validus patronus domus hujus xij. kalend. Novembris, cui successit dominus Theobaldus filius ejus.

Anno Domini m.cc.lxxxiii. dominus Henricus de Moysam abbas vij. hujus domus, cessit ab officio (propter impotentiam) in die sancti Barnabæ apostoli. Eodem die dominus Johannes de Billesdon electus est in abbatem.

Anno Domini m.cc.xciii. dominus Johannes de Billesdon abbas hujus domus obiit viij. idus Julii, cui successit dominus Richardus de Twiford in die sanctæ Trinitatis anno 1294.

Anno Domini m.cc.xcvij. obiit Richardus Twiford abbas hujus domus, die sanctæ Trinitatis, &c. et abbatia vacabat pro vij. mensibus et sex diebus.

Eodem anno Johannes de Verdun primogenitus domini Theobaldi obiit idibus Junii in Hibernia.

Eodem anno dominus Willielmus de Evera 3. kalend. Januarii in abbatem hujus domus electus est.

Anno Domini m.cc.xcvij. Theobaldus filius Theobaldi de Verdun rediit de Hibernia in Angliam, et factus est miles à rege Edwardo, die sancti Johannis Baptistæ, una cum Philippo de Barinton commilitone suo.

Anno Domini m.ccc.ij. dominus Theobaldus de Verdun hæres domini Theobaldi filii Johannis de Verdun, duxit in uxorem Matildam filiam domini Edmundi de Mortuomari, apud Wigmore, 4. kal. Augusti.

Johannes de Twiford filius domini Radulfi Pipard desponsavit Margaretam filiam domini Philippi de Barinton, apud Crokesden 2. idus Aprilis.

Anno Domini m.ccc.vij. dominus Richardus de Esseby electus est in abbatem hujus domus.

Anno Domini m.ccc.ix. dominus T. de Verdun, patronus noster die dominica in festo Bartholomei apostoli apud Alveton migravit ad Dominum, et apud Crokesden, cum magno honore, appositus ad patres suos tertio idus Octobris, de quo congruè dici potest id sapientis, Ecclesiast. 21. "Mortuus est, et quasi non est mortuus similem sibi, et nomine et re relinquens post se;" et ut veraciter dici possit quod sequitur ibidem, "Reliquit defensorem domus contra inimicos, et amicis rediit."

Anno Domini m.ccc.xij. die beati Laurentii peperit Matildis de Verdun, domina de Alveton, ibidem quartam filiam nomine Margeriam, et die beati Lamberti episcopi sequente, scilicet xiiij. kalend. Octobris in castro de Alveton ab hac luce migravit; die vero beatorum martirum Dionisii sociorumque ejus, in ecclesia conventuali de Crokesden, coram altare sancti Benedicti, per dominum Gilbertum Evagdu-nensem episcopum tradita est honorificè ecclesiasticæ sepulturae, occurrente ibidem T. comite Lancastriæ, cum omnibus magnatibus patriæ.

Anno Domini m.ccc.xiiij. x. kalend. Junii dominus R. de Esseby officium abbatis dimisit, et Thomas de Castreton dictum officium per electionem canonicorum in crastino recepit.

Anno Domini m.ccc.xiiij. Theobaldus de Verdun factus est justiciarius Hiberniæ, et profectus est illic ante natalem sancti Johannis Baptistæ.

Eodem anno tertio nonas Februarii, scilicet die Mercurii proxima post festum Purificationis, dominus Theobaldus de Verdun, hujus domus patronus, desponsavit Elizabetham filiam domini Gilberti de Clare, comitis Gloucestriæ, et domine Johannæ de Acres filie Edwardi regis, apud Brystoll, prius namque nupta erat filio primogenito comitis de Uluecestre, in Hibernia, et peperit ei filium et hæredem.

Anno Domini m.ccc.xvj. sexto kalend. Augusti, qui erat dies Martis, in mane diluculo dominus T. de Verdun, patronus hujus domus, apud castrum de Alveton, ab hac luce migravit, et sepultus est apud Croxden, per abbatem loci xij. kalend. Octobris, scilicet die sancti Bertini abbatis. Domina autem Elizabetha uxor ejus post sepulturam infra abbatiam perhendinavit per mensem et amplius.

Eodem anno domina Elizabetha, relicta domini Theobaldi de Verdun, die sancti Benedicti peperit sibi filiam nomine Isabellam apud Almesbury. Et sunt sorores quatuor et hæredes baroniæ de Verdun. Johannam, enecyam, unam earum, desponsavit filius domini Willielmi de Montague, qui in brevi mortuus est, et desponsavit eam dominus Thomas de Furnivall, die Sabati in festo sancti Mathei apostoli.

Anno Domini m.ccc.xx. dominus Richardus de Esseby factus est iterum abbas domus hujus in festo sancti Barnabæ apostoli.

Anno prædicto, domina Johanna de Furnivall, domina de Alveton, peperit filiam suam primogenitam vigilia circumcisionis Domini, nomine Margaretam, quam baptizavit abbas de Crokesden, et abbas de Roucester illam de fonte levavit.

Anno Domini m.ccc.xxvj. obiit dominus Philippus de Barinton septimo idus Septembris, et sepultus est in ecclesia de Crokesden, coram altari sancti Laurentii in crastino sancti Mathei apostoli.

Eodem anno x. kalendas Septembris natus est Willielmus filius domini Thomæ de Furnivall, apud castrum de Alveton.

Anno Domini m.ccc.xxvij. domina Alianora de Barinton obiit 3. idus Septembris.

Anno Domini m.ccc.xxviii. Nicholaus filius domini Thomæ de Furnivall domini de Alveton natus est ibidem die Epiphaniæ.

Dominus Richardus de Esseby abbas xj. cessit ab officio gratis, ob impotentiam.

Anno Domini m.ccc.xxxij. obiit dominus Thomas de Furnivall, dominus de Sheffield et Wirsop cum pertinentiis, crastino Purificationis; cui successit dominus Thomas filius ejus, qui prius desponsaverat dominam Isabellam, einciam filiam domini Theobaldi de Verdun, &c.

Anno Domini m.ccc.xxxiiij. domina Joanna de Furnivall, domina de Alveton, quæ fuit filia et prima hæredum domini Theobaldi de Verdun junioris, immatura morte in pariendo ibidem præventa est vj. non Octobris, die quo obiit tantum triginta annorum, et ferè duorum mensium extitit, et septimo idus Januarii sequente, apposita est honorificè, coram magno altare ecclesiæ, ad patres suos; videlicet, inter dominum Nicholaum de Verdun filium fundatoris, progenitorem suum, et dominum Johannem de Verdun proavum suum. Porro in latere australi seorsum coram illis duobus altaribus humati sunt dominus Theobaldus avus suus, dominus Theobaldus pater suus, domina Matilda mater sua, et Theobaldus infans filius suus, dominus autem Bertramus de Verdun fundator egregius domus hujus, ut tradiderunt nobis seniores nostri, obiit in Terra Sancta, cum peregrinaretur ibidem, cum domino Richardo rege famosissimo Angliæ, sepultusque est apud Acon. Dominus autem Normannus pater ejus sepultus juxta altare sanctæ Trinitatis; sed ossa ejus ex parte aquilonari. Porro domini Robertus et Thomas de Verdun filii fundatoris mortui sunt, et sepulti in Hibernia, quorum omnium animas absolvat ille qui non solum creavit sed etiam redemit eas.

Anno Domini m.ccc.xxxv. dominus Richardus de Schepesheved abbas de Crokesden ædificavit novam cameram suam.

Anno Domini m.ccc.xxxix. pridie idus Octobris, obiit dominus Thomas de Furnivall apud Scheffeld, et sepultus fuit per abbatem de Crokesden, in abbazia de Bello-capite, die Lunæ infra octavas Ascensionis Domini subsequentis.

NUM. II.

Carta Bertrami de Verdon, de Fundatione ejusdem.

[Ex ipso autogr. in Bibl. Cottoniana, anno 1668.]

BERTRAMUS de Verdun, omnibus hominibus suis et amicis, tam clericis quàm laicis, tam præsentibus quàm futuris, salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et concessisse, et hac præsentī cartā meā confirmasse, Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et abbatiæ de Valle Sanctæ Mariæ de Crokesdene, quam ego fundavi, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, pro animabus Normanni de Verdune patris mei, et Lucelinæ matris meæ, et Richardi de Humez qui me nutrit, et prædecessorum meorum; et pro salute meâ, et Roehais uxoris meæ, et successorum meorum, totam terram meam de Crokesdene, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ad fundandam eandem abbatiam; exceptis exsartis quæ homines mei de Uldehures fecerunt; et excepto hoc quod monachi præfatæ abbatiæ nullam multuram capient de hominibus meis ad molendinum suum de Crokesdene, et excepto hoc quod retinui super rivulum qui dividit terram de Crokesdene et terram de Bretlee, tot situs ad vivaria facienda et servoria, quot ego vel hærcdes mei voluerimus, et ad capiendam terram ad calceias faciendas ex parte terræ abbatiæ juxta ipsas calceias. Hanc verò terram meam de Crokesdene, et quicquid in eadem villâ habebam, et de feudo Alvetone, et de feudo Madeleie, et de feudo Crakemerse, dedi monachis prædictæ abbatiæ in elemosinam, tali conditione, quod eadem abbatia perpetuò remanebit in eadem villâ de Crokesdene, fundata in territorio patrimonii mei. Præterea dedi eidem abbatiæ totam terram meam de Mosedenc cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et totam terram meam de Aka cum nemore quod ad eam pertinet, et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis; et salinam meam de Midilwich; et totum servitium quod Achardus de Stanford et hæredes sui mihi debebant de tenemento suo quod tenebant de me in villâ de Stanford, et in villâ de Castretone; et molendinum meum de Stanford quod est inter pontem et castellum, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et totam terram quam in eadem villâ de Stanford habebam; et servitium Radulfi de Normanville et hæredum suorum de terrâ quam tenebat de me in villâ de Burtone; scil. septem solidos annuatim reddendos ad duos terminos, unam medietatem ad Pascha, et alteram in festo Sancti Michaelis; et totum dominicum meum de Tokebi in villâ et extra villam, in bosco et plano, in pratis

et pascuis, in aquis, in viis, et semitis, cum toto herbergagio ad idem dominicum pertinente; excepto hoc quod retinui mihi et hæredibus meis totum vilanagium, et omnes firmarios ejusdem villæ, et omnes consuetudines, et omnia servitia quæ homines ejusdem villæ solebant mihi facere, et quod ipsi homines habebant in bosco ejusdem villæ, omnem communionem, et omnia aisiamenta quæ id eo solebant habere. Dedi etiam prædictæ abbatiæ monachis medietatem nemoris mei de Grcth propinquiorem abbatiæ, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; excepto quod retinui mihi et hæredibus meis situm vivarii qui est inter Greth et Bretlee; et tantum terræ quantum idem vivarium cum toto refollo suo poterit occupare; et mihi et hæredibus meis licebit exaltare calceiam ejusdem vivarii quantum voluerimus. Monachi verò non includent medietatem suam nemoris de Greth propter communionem pasturæ quam ipsi et homines mei de Bretlee et de Alvetone debent simul habere in ipso nemore de Greth. Præterea dedi eisdem monachis medietatem nemoris mei de Crakemerle propinquiorem abbatiæ, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et unam carucatam terræ in villâ de Herteshorn, cum omnibus pertinentiis quæ vocatur Lees; et ecclesiam de Alvetonâ cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et ecclesiam de Tokebi cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Quare volo et firmiter statuo quod prædicta abbatia et monachi in eâ Deo servientes habeant et teneant omnes has meas donationes et elemosinas benè et in pace, liberè et quietè, integrè, plenariè et honorificè, in bosco et in plano, in pratis, et pascuis, et communis, in viis et semitis, in exitibus et aquis, in villâ et extra villam, et in omnibus rebus et locis et libertatibus ad illas pertinentibus, liberas, solutas, et quietas ab omni servitio et consuetudine, et exactione seculari ad me et ad hærcdes meos pertinente: et prohibeo ex parte Dei et meâ, ne quis hærcdum meorum huic donationi meæ contraire vel eam in aliquo perturbare præsumat. Hiis testibus, Roberto priore de Kinilleworth, Roberto de Verdun, Waltero de Canvile, Adâ de Aldithelee, Arnaldo dapifero, Willielmo Fitun, Henrico de Praieres, Willielmo Pantouf, Radulpho de Biseche, Rogero Bagot, Philippo de Draicote, Milone de Verdun, et multis aliis.

NUM. III.

Carta Regis Henrici Secundi Donatorum Concessionones recitans et confirmans.

[Chart. antiq. lit. R. nu. 26.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, et dux Normanniæ, et Aquitaniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis me, ad petitionem Bertrami de Verdun concessisse, et præsentī cartā meā confirmasse, Deo et abbatiæ de valle sanctæ Mariæ de Croxden, omnes subscriptas donationes ipsius Bertrami, et omnes alias rationabiles donationes, sibi factas, vel quæ factæ erunt, et cartis donatorum confirmatæ. Ex dono ipsius Bertrami pro salute mea et pro salute animæ suæ, et Normanni patris sui, et Richardi de Humet constabularii, domini ipsius, et pro salute omnium antecessorum, et successorum suorum, totam terram suam de Croxden, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, exceptis assartis suis quæ homines de Wodehus fecerunt, et excepta terra quam vivaria sua, et calciæ suæ occupabunt, et tanta terra quanta capere voluerit ad faciendas calcetas vivariorum suorum; et medietatem nemoris de Crakemerse, proximam ipsi abbatiæ, altera medietate sibi retenta; item ex dono ejusdem totam terram de Mosedena, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et totam terram suam de Archa, cum nemore ad ipsam pertinente, et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis; item ex dono ipsius unum molendinum in Stanford, quod est inter pontem et castellum, cum toto tenemento quod ad ipsum molendinum pertinet, et totum tenementum quod Akardus de Stanford tenet de ipso Bertramo. Item ex dono ipsius Bertrami ecclesiam de Alveton, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et ecclesiam de Totheby, cum capella de Nortona, et capella de Carethorpe, et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Roberti de Beausay quadraginta acras terræ ad perticam meam in Trosele, Quare volo, &c. Testibus, Waltero episcopo Lincolnensi, Ranulfo de Glanvilla, Willielmo filio Radulfi sencschallo Normanniæ, Hugone de Morewich dapifero, Hugone Bardulfe dapifero, Radulfo de Arderne, Galfrido filio Petri, Gilberto filio Reinfridi, apud Leon.

NUM. IV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus temp. Hen. VIII.

[Transcript of Return, 26 Hen. VIII. First Fruits Office.]

MONAST'IU' DE CROXDEN ORDINIS CISTERC'
D'NS THOMAS CHAWNER Abbas ejusde' Monasterij.

Reddit' eccliaꝝ app'etar' eide' monesterio.
Idem r' comp'm suū de 2l. 5s. 4d. de x^{is} granoꝝ et feni de ecclia de Alton in com' Staff'.
Et de 4l. de x^{is} granoꝝ et feni de ecclia de Tokeby in com' Lec'.
Et de 1s. de x^{is} granoꝝ et feni et aliis emolimentis de ecclia de Norton in com' Leic' cōibz annis.
S^ma 8l. 15s. 4d.

Reddit' assis'.

Et de 4s. 6d. de r' assis' de certis t̃ris et teñt' in Assheburne in com' Derby'.
Et de 6s. de cert' t̃ris et teñt' in Walton in com' Staff' p a^m.
Et de 4s. de cert' t̃ris in Chetill in eodē com'.
Et de 3s. 4d. de cert' t̃ris in Calton in eodem com'.
Et de 10s. de cert' t̃ris in Misterton in com' North' p a^m.
Et de 1s. de an^{li} pençõe de ecclia de Chetill.
S^ma 1l. 8s. 10d.

T'ra et tent' ad voluntat'.

Et de 5l. 4s. 1d. de diſvs t̃ris et ten' in Alton in com' Staff' p a^m.
Et de 5l. 10s. de cert' t̃ris in Glasto' in eodē com'.
Et de 8l. 6s. 4d. de cert' t̃ris in Chetill in eodem com'.
Et de 3l. 10s. de cert' t̃ris in Herteshorne in com' Derby'.
Et de 13s. 4d. de cert' t̃ris in Leke in com' Staff' vocat' Puttells.
Et de 16s. 3d. de cert' t̃ris in Uttoxat' in eodem com'.
Et de 6s. de cert' t̃ris in Derby in com' Derby'.
Et de 3s. 4d. de cert' t̃ris in Downebrige in com' Derby'.
Et de 6s. de cert' t̃ris in Longford in eodē com'.
Et de 1l. 6s. 8d. de cert' teñt' in London p a^m.
Et de 8d. de cert' t̃ris in Staff'.
Et de 8s. in Langley in com' Derby' p a^m.
Et de 11l. 6s. 11d. cert' t̃ris et teñt' in Okyv' in com' Staff' p a^m.
Et de 1l. 6s. 8d. de certis t̃ris in Leke vocat' Whitels p a^m.
Et de 2l. 9s. 10d. de certis t̃ris et teñt' in Assheburn in com' Derby'.
Et de 8l. de certis t̃ris et teñts in Tokeby in com' Lec' p a^m.
Et de 1l. de cert' t̃ris in Stamford in com' North'.
Et de 3s. de certis t̃ris in Mounstrell in eodē com'.
Et de 6s. de certis t̃ris in Casturn' in eodē com'.
Et de 5s. de certis t̃ris in Burton Overy in com' Lec'.
Et de 4l. 6s. 8d. de cert' t̃ris et teñt' in Trusseley in com' Derby'.
Et de 11s. de certis t̃ris in Medio Wico in com' Cestr' p a^m.

S^ma 56l. 5s. 9d.

Terr' D'nical' non dimiss' et reſvat' ad Usu' Monest'ij.

Et de 16l. de t̃ris dñicalibz non dimissis set reſvat' ad usu' ejusdē monest'ij p a^m.
Et de 13l. 6s. 4d. certis t̃ris apud Musdē Graunge in com' Staff'.
Et de 7l. 10s. de cert' t̃r' in Caldon et Oncott in com' Staff'.

S^ma 36l. 16s. 8d.

S^ma to^{ls} oñis hujs monest'ij . 103l. 6s. 7d.

D' quibz.

Resoluc' Reddit'.

Allocat' de 1l. 2s. 4d. de capit' reddit' resoluc' comiti Salop' p t̃ris in Caldon et Alton p a^m.
Et de 4s. de an^{li} reddit' monastio de Rocett'.
Et de 4s. solut' Willmo Chetwen' armigo p a^m.
Et de 4s. 6d. solut' dno regi p t̃ris in Assheburn' p a^m.
Et de 3s. solut' dño de Mountjoy p t̃ris in Caldon.

Et de 2s. solut' hered' Joñis Blount milit' p t̃ris in Caldon.

Et de 1s. solut' ballivo dñi reg^s de Tatmonslowe p a^m.
S^ma 2l. 10s. 10d.

Resoluc' Penc' P'ces' et Sinodal'.

Et de 10s. resoluc' monestio de Hulton de an^{li} pençõe.
Et de 15s. resoluc' ecclie de Uttoxat' p an^{li} pençõe.
Et de 3s. resoluc' monestio de Burton de pençõe.
Et de 8s. solut' ecclie de Chekeley.
Et de 6s. 6d. solut' archio Staff' p pcreacõe et sinodalia.
Et de 13s. solut' archio Lec' p pcreacõe et sinodal' p ecclia de Tokby.
Et de 13s. 4d. de an^{li} pençõe geñali reformato' ordinis Cistcienc'.

S^ma 3l. 9s. 10d.

Vadia et Stipendia.

Et de 10s. solut' Carolo Eyton se^{lo} de Tokeby p a^m.
Et de 1l. 13s. 4d. solut' Willmo Roberts ballivo de eadē ac collectoris reddit' t̃raz in com' Lec'.
Et de 1l. solut' Thome Morton se^{lo} de Okyn.
Et de 10s. solut' Willmo Hollyes p collecõe redd' iñm.
Et de 1l. solut' Joñi Wistowe geñoso se^{lo} de Croxdē Assheburne et Caldon.
Et de 1l. solut' Riçō. Cadde ballivo de Assheburne et Caldon.
Et de 1l. 6s. 8d. solut' Joñi Browne collect' reddit' de Croxden cū membris.

S^ma 7l. 0s. 0d.

S^ma to^{ls} allocat' 13l. 0s. 8d.

Et rem' clare 90l. 5s. 11d.

X^{ma} ps inde 9l. 0s. 7¼d.

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COMPUT' MINISTORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 31 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE CROXDEN.

Com' Staff'	£.	s.	d.
Croxden, Great Yate, et Denston—Redd' tenen' ad volunt'	2	16	8
Croxden—Scitus cum terris dominicalibus	14	2	5
Crakemershe—Le graunge	3	0	0
Great Yate et Rydding—Mesuag' et bosc'	3	5	0
Croxden, Great Yate, Musden, Calder, Donston, et Trusseley com' Derby—Decim' et oblac'	6	13	4
Calton—Redd' assis'	0	3	6
Caldon—Redd' tenen' ad vol'	0	10	0
Musdon et Caldō—Firma grangiarum	19	11	8
Musdon—Un' messuag'	1	4	0
Musdon—Al' messuag'	1	0	0
Musdon—Al' messuag'	1	8	0
Caldon—Un' messuag'	0	7	0
Caldon—Al' messuag'	0	13	4
Caldon—Al' messuag'	0	13	4
Caldon—Al' messuag'	0	13	4
Caldon—Duo messuag'	0	10	0
Caldon—Un' mol' aquat'	1	0	0
Elleston—Reddit' assis'	1	2	0
Alton—Reddit' assis'	0	0	5
Alton—Tenen' ad volunt'	3	13	10
Elleston—Redd' divers' messuag' et terr'	4	9	8
Alton—Redd' divers' messuag'	2	5	9
Ellaston—Firm' mol' aquat'	1	6	8
Alton—Firm' mol' aquat'	2	0	0
Alton—Firm' x ^m	4	0	0
Alton—Firm' x ^m in Ferley et Cotton	2	0	0
Oken et Vall' Stafford—Curtilag' cotag' et al'	2	18	8
Oken—Firma maner', &c.	12	4	8
Oken—Firma x ^m	0	6	8
Com' Derby'			
Ashborne—Redd', assis'	0	4	2
Uncot et Ashborne—Ten' ad volunt'	2	2	4

Com' Staff'	£.	s.	d.	Com' Derby	£.	s.	d.
Whitley in Leke et Uncote, et Ashborne				Langley—Redd' pastur'	0	8	0
com' Derby—Messuag' terr', &c. . . .	8	4	9	Borobridge—Redd' clausur'	0	3	4
Com' Staff'				Vill' Derby—Redd' un' messuag' . . .	0	8	0
Hundchedial—Reddit' assis'	0	12	6	Trusseley—Firma grangiæ	4	0	0
Hundchedial—Redd' ten' ad volunt' . .	0	19	0	Hartyshorne—Firm' messuag'	4	3	4
Hundchedial, &c.—Diversæ firmæ . . .	16	7	2	Thurwaston—Firm' terr', &c. . . .	0	6	0
Puttells—Pastur' sic voc'	0	1	4	London'			
Burton Overy—Lib' reddit'	0	5	0	London' Civit'—Firma	1	6	8
Tugby—Redd' teñtorum	7	9	4	Com' Northton'			
Tugby—Firm' messuag'	4	0	0	Misterton—Firm' terr' et ten' . . .	0	10	0
Mounstrell—Firm' un' messuag' . . .	0	4	0	Stanford—Firm' un' messuag'	0	13	4
Tugby—Firm' x ^m	7	0	0	Stanford—Firm' al' messuag'	0	13	0
Est Norton—Firm' x ^m	2	13	4	Com' Staff'			
Caythorpe—Firm' x ^m	0	13	4	Trusseley—Firm' x ^m	0	13	4

Keldholm Priory, in Yorkshire.



URTON calls this Kildenholt, Keldon, or Keldeholm, Duna, or Dona Priory, in the Deanry of Rydale and Archdeaconry of Cleveland.^a It was founded in the time of Henry the First, for Cistercian Nuns, by Robert de Stutevill; and was dedicated to the Virgin Mary.^b From Robert, the founder, the patronage of this House descended to the Wakes, lords of Lyddel.^c In the 11th

Hen. IV. Edmund de Holand, earl of Kent, died seised of two parts of the advowson of this priory, then valued at 2*l.* per annum, which had been given by King Edward the Third to Edmund, earl of Kent, his uncle.^d

The following is a list of the places in which the Nuns of this House held lands: Beregby, Bergh magna et parva, Bodlum, Brandeshal, Crofton, Cropton, Edeston, Evennit, Fadmore, Farendale, Gillingmore-mill, Habbeton magna et parva, Horseford, Ingleby, Keldholm, Kirkeley, Nunnington, Rokeberg, Thorenton-mill, and Tranetherne.^e

PRIORESSES of KELDHOLM.

SIBILL, *t.* Hen. I.^f

BEATRIX DE CRENDON resigned in 1293, when

EMMA DE STAPILTON succeeded. She is stated to have been confirmed in her office by the archbishop of York 3. non. Feb. 1293;^g and to have resigned in 1301.^h Who succeeded at this time does not appear, but we find either this or another

EMMA DE STAPILTON chosen by the convent, and confirmed by the archbishop non. Mart. 1308:ⁱ upon whose cession

EMMA DE EBOR. was confirmed, non. Mar. 1315.^k

JOAN DE PYKERING, a nun of Rossedale, was appointed by the archbishop upon EMMA DE EBOR.'s resignation, 3. kal. Aug. 1308; the archbishop, it is represented,

finding no person in Keldholm Nunnery fit to hold the office.^l The Nuns of Keldholm, however, and their partizans, opposed this appointment vehemently: and, finally, Joan de Pykering gave in her resignation.

MARGARET ASLABY is the next prioress who occurs. She resigned through infirmity of body in 1406; on the 25th of June in which year

ALICIA SANDEFORD was elected.^m

AGNES WANDEFORTH died in 1461; upon Sept. 25th in which year

ELENA WANDEFORTH was elected.ⁿ A commission for a fresh election, in consequence of her death, was issued Nov. 14th, 1464;^o but who was chosen to succeed her is not recorded.

KATHERINE ANLABY is the next prioress who occurs. Upon whose death

ELIZABETH DARELL, who had been previously prioress of Basedale, was confirmed Aug. 20th, 1497.^p Upon her death

ELIZABETH LYON was confirmed, May 9th, 1534.^q At the dissolution of this house she had a pension granted to her of 5*l.* per annum, which she still enjoyed in 1553.^r

No entry relating to the Valuation of this House occurs in the Taxation of 1291. The particulars of the Return in the Ecclesiastical Valor of the 26 Hen. VIII. relating to it are also lost; nothing remaining but the following: "PRIORATUS DE KELDOME valet clare per annum in Spiritualibus et Temporalibus 29*l.* 6*s.* 1*d.* Decima inde 2*l.* 18*s.* 7½*d.*" It is remarkable, too, that there are no Ministers' Accompts of this priory remaining in the Augmentation Office.^s

The SITE of this House was granted in the 30th Hen. VIIIth. to Ralph, earl of Westmoreland, whose ancestors were then said to have been what were called the founders, that is, the patrons of this Monastery.

Not a vestige of this House is now remaining, and on the SITE is erected an oil and flax mill. In 1813, when part of the foundations were cleared away, several tombstones and stone coffins were discovered.

No SEAL of this Nunnery has been as yet discovered.

^a Burton, Monast. Ebor. p. 380. "Moniales de Duna or Duva" occur in many charters in Dodsworth's MSS., so called from the river Duna, now Dove, on which it was situated.

^b Ibid.

^c Ibid.

^d Inquis. 11 Hen. IV. n. 51.

^e Burton, ut supr. See also the Charters in the Appendix.

^f Burton, p. 381.

^g MS. Harl. 6970, p. 104. e Reg. Romaine.

^h Ibid. p. 105. e Reg. Corbr.

ⁱ Ibid. p. 217. e Reg. Greenf. in libro vocat. Archiepisc.

^k Ibid.

^l Ibid.

^m MS. Harl. 6969, fol. 95. e Reg. vac. per mort. Scrope.

ⁿ MS. Harl. 6972, fol. 30 b. e Reg. post mort. Bothe.

^o Ibid. fol. 33 b.

^p Ibid. fol. 39.

^q Ibid. fol. 47. e Reg. Lee.

^r Roll of Pensions, 2 and 3 Phil. and Mar.

^s Tanner says of Keldholm, "*Vide*, inter Collect. cl. v. Rog. Dodsworth, in bibl. Bodl. vol. vii. foll. 155, 156, 157, 179, 216, 217, et 218. Cartas undecim vel duodecim ad hunc Prioratum spectantes hactenus ineditas. Vide etiam ibid. vol. cxvi. fol. 58. Fin. Ebor. 10 Joan. n. . de ii. bovatis terræ in Fadmore. Plac. de quo war. apud Ebor. 7 Edw. I. rot. 7. de commun. pastur. in Heton Underheth versus abbatem S. Mariæ Ebor. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 8 Edw. I. rot. 6. de eadem. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 14 Edw. I. rot. 29. de eadem. In baga de quo war. temp. Edw. I. rot. 32 d. de eadem."

See also the Plac. de Quo Waranto, p. 195.

Cartae ad Keldholmensem Abbatiam, in agro Eboracensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Regis Johannis Donatorum Concessionem recitans et confirmans.

[Cart. 2 Joh. num. 23. mem. 13.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse et præsenti carta confirmasse Deo et ecclesiae sanctae Mariae de Keldholm juxta fluvium qui dicitur Duna, et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, totam terram de Evenewit, per has divisas, quam habent de dono Willielmi de Stutevill, et omnia quae inter has divisas subscriptas continentur; scilicet, à rogo Caleis, quae est juxta Dunam, per fossatum ipsarum sanctimonialium usque ad divisam terrae monachorum sanctae Mariae de Eboraco, quae est in valle versus orientem, et per fundum ejusdem vallis usque in Chatwait, et per rectam divisam quae est inter Kirkebi Moresheved et Sivelington, à Chatwait, per vallem usque ad divisam de parva Edeston; et deinde usque in fluvium de Duna, et ab illo loco fluvii de Duna per ipsum fluvium usque ad praedictum rogum. Et ex dono Ernaldi de Benefeld, terram de subtus Croftonam quae fuit Durand et Inthekil, croftum, scilicet, versus austrum juxta fontem, et croftum versus aquilonem juxta rivum de Hamclif, et dimidiam carucatam terrae in Cropton, scilicet duas bovatas quas tenuit Willielmus filius presbiteri, et alias duas bovatas quas tenuit Ranulfus. Ex dono Ede filii Askilli de Abbeton, unam carucatam terrae in Habeton, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis infra villam et extra. Ex dono Willielmi filii Ingaldi de parva Habeton duas bovatas terrae in parva Habeton, cum tofto quod fuit Whrici, et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis infra villam et extra. Ex dono Normanni de Redeman, terram de Tranethern, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Radulfi Paen et Columbæ uxoris ejus, et Willielmi filii ejus et hæredis, viginti quinque acras terrae arabiles in dominicis culturis de Engelby, simul cum pastura. Et ex dono Willielmi filii Columbæ de Engelby, septem acras terrae et unam perticam et dimidiam in Engelby, de suo dominico. Ex dono Willielmi filii Ranulfi et Hawisiæ uxoris ejus, unam acram terrae infra territorium de Engelby. Ex dono Roberti de Malteby, et Emmæ, uxoris ejus, duas bovatas terrae in Nunnington, et unam bovatom terrae in Faddemor, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Jordani de Bolteby et Sibillæ, uxoris ejus, duas bovatas terrae in Nunnington, et unam bovatom terrae in Faddemor, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Willielmi filii Columbæ, duas carucatas terrae in Engelby, et de Offnanns, viginti et octo acras terrae in eadem villa. Ex dono Roberti de Surdevall, duos toftos in villa de Bodlum, sicut cartae praedictorum donatorum rationabiliter testantur. Testibus, Hug. Bardulf, Petro de Pratellis, Hug. de Nevil, Sim. de Pateshul. Dat. per manum S. Well. archid. apud Eggeton, quarto die Februarii anno regni nostri secundo.

NUM. II.

Alia Carta ejusdem Regis.

[Ibid.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse et præsenti carta nostra confirmasse Deo et sanctae Mariae et sanctimonialibus quae apud Keldholm Deo serviunt, omnia subscripta quae rationabiliter data sunt eis, et concessa et cartis donatorum confirmata. Ex dono Roberti de Stutevill, et concessione Willielmi de Stutevill hæredis sui, locum illum de Keldholm, cum tota terra culta versus aquilonem per divisas in cartis eorum determinatas, et parcum ad olera faciendam, et molendinum cum soca et molta de Kirkeby, et totam terram versus austrum, et prata usque ad divivas in eorundem cartis notatas, et pasturam in bosco de Revenwich, et ibidem; in Farendala materiem ad ædificia sua faciendam et reficiendam; et ligna ad focarium, et claustrum ad sepes suas restituendas consideratione forestariorum suorum, et pascua in Brandeshal, ad nutrienda animalia sua, et oves, et porcos, cum vaccaria sua ibidem, et terra culta

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quae ibi continetur, et totam corticem lignorum totius forestae provinciae illius, quae per se cadunt, vel succiduntur à carpentariis. Et totam terram de Rogeberg, cum pertinentiis suis, et duas carucatas terrae in Engelby, faciendo inde forinsecum servitium. Ex dono Turstani de Beregeby, vj. bovatas terrae, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in Beregeby. Ex dono Willielmi de Vesci, concessu Burgiæ, uxoris suae, unam marcam argenti in molendino de Toronton. Ex dono Hugonis del Tuit, molendinum de Edeston, et culturam de Colesland, et duas acras de Scilflat. Quare volumus, &c. Datum per manum S. archid. Well. apud Scardeburg, tertia die Februarii anno regni nostri secundo.

NUM. III.

Carta Nicholai de Stutevilla.

[Ex autog. in turri beatæ Mariæ Ebor.]

OMNIBUS sanctae matris ecclesiae filiis, tam præsentibus quam futuris, Nicholaus de Stutevilla salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me dedisse et concessisse et præsenti carta confirmasse Deo et ecclesiae sanctae Mariae de Keldholm, et monialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, quatuor marcas annuas in molendino de Gillingmor, percipiendas ad duos terminos; scilicet, duas marcas ad Pentecosten, et duas marcas ad festum sancti Martini, de meipso, si molendinum sit in manu mea, vel de quocunque praedictum molendinum habuerit, pro salute animae meae, et uxoris meae, et omnium antecessorum meorum, quousque ego vel hæredes mei perfecimus eisdem monialibus redditum centum solidorum in ecclesiastico beneficio in Eboracira, quod cum perfecero eisdem redditum centum solidorum, quietus ero à solutione praedictarum quatuor marcarum, de praedicto molendino. Et ut hæc donatio mea firmitatem obtineat imperpetuum, præsens scriptum sigillo meo confirmavi. Hiis testibus, Willielmo Britone, Waltero de Saverby, Waltero de Mulcaster, Roberto de Karwindelawe, Thoma de Cheu, Martino serviente de Kirkeby, et multis aliis.

NUM. IV.

Carta Willielmi filii Willielmi filii Nicholai de Habbeton.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus præsens scriptum visuris vel audituris Willielmus filius Willielmi filii Nicholai de Habbetona salutem in Domino. Noveritis me concessisse et hoc præsenti scripto meo confirmasse Deo et beatæ Mariæ de Keldholm juxta Dunam et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, decem bovatas terrae cum pertinentiis in campis de parva Habbeton, cum omnibus ædificiis et toftis et croftis dictis sanctimonialibus spectantibus in eadem villa. Et totam terram arabilem quam habent in loco qui dicitur Benediflat, et communam pasturam in loco qui dicitur Milnegrene juxta pontem de Neusom. Et totam terram arabilem quam habent in locis de Hornse et Coldilandes. Et communam pasturam in Hornse. Et communem pasturam per totam moram meam de magna Habbeton ad ducentas bidentes pascendas, et communem pasturam ad omnimoda animalia sua de manerio suo de parva Habbeton pertinentem, simul cum animalibus de tenentibus suis in eadem villa de parva Habbeton ibidem sine impedimento pascenda; et foditionem turbarum in eadem mora de magna Habbeton ad voluntatem et utilitatem dictarum sanctimonialium, cum libero introitu et exitu ubique ad aysiamenta sua, sine destructione bladi et prati. Concessi etiam et confirmavi praedictis sanctimonialibus omnes terras, tenementa, possessiones, et redditus quae praedictae sanctimoniales habent de donatione et confirmatione antecessorum meorum vel de eorundem tenentibus in villa et campis de parva Habbetona et magna Habbetona. Tenendum et habendum praedictis sanctimonialibus et carum successoribus liberè quietè integrè et pacificè in libram puram et perpetuam elemosinam, ad omnem voluntatem suam et

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utilitatem inde faciendam, sine aliqua contradictione mei vel hæredum meorum vel aliquorum successorum meorum, et adco libere et quiete sicut aliqua elemosina liberius purius et quietius aliquibus mulieribus religiosis potest dari aut ab aliquo feoffatore confirmari, cum omnibus suis pertinentiis in moris, campis, pratis, pascuis, pasturis, viis, semitis, mariscis, syketis, turbariis, frussuris, fossatis, aquis et piscariis, et in omnibus aliis aysiamenis, prope et procul, infra villam et extra. Et sciendum est quod de illis forinsecis servitiis quæ dictæ sanctimoniales pro prædicto tenemento reddere solebant, ego dictus Willielmus et hæredes mei illi si quis fuerit hæreditate aut assignatione pro prædictis sanctimonialibus solvemus. Et totum prædictum tenementum quod de feodo meo tenetur pro omni servicio vicecomitum ballivo-

rum et bedellorum adquietabimus, et pro omni terreno servicio consuetudine exactione et demanda quæ a dicto tenemento aliquo modo exigi poterunt, ego vero dictus Willielmus et hæredes mei totum prædictum tenementum cum omnibus suis pertinentiis, sicut superius annotatur, contra omnes homines et feminas warantibimus adquietabimus imperpetuum et defendemus. Ut hæc mea concessio et præsentis scripti confirmatio rata et stabilis imperpetuum permaneat, huic præsentis scripto sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus, Waltero de Percehay, Willielmo de Harum, Rogero Grymes, Willielmo Luvell militibus, Bernardo de Berg, Jacobo de Holm, Johanne de Yeland, Johanne de Buleford, Ricardo de Kyrkeby, Nicholao de Fedmore, Waltero Romano.

Abbey of Robert's Bridge, or De Ponte Roberti, IN SUSSEX.



ROBERT'S-BRIDGE Abbey, according to the Chronicle of the Church of Rochester, was founded, in 1176, by Robert de St. Martin;^a but more authentic accounts make Alured de St. Martin the founder.^b It was dedicated to St. Mary. Robert's-bridge is probably a corruption of Rother's-bridge, the Abbey having been built upon the banks of the river Rother.

The possessions of this Abbey were confirmed by King Richard the First in his tenth year; and by the charters of several other kings.^c

The monks bought the lordship of Sutton of Cecily de Abrincis.^d

Simon de Echingham gave to them a certain water-course between Saleham and Ochgam.^e

In the latter end of 1192, on the rumour of King Richard the First being taken prisoner on his return from the Holy Land, the abbat of Robert's-bridge and the abbat of Boxley were the lords justices sent into Germany to find out the king, who having traversed all Germany, met with him at last in a village called Oxefer in Bavaria, where he was brought in his way to the emperor, of whom he was to have an audience on Palm Sunday. These abbats were present at the peace and agreement concluded upon between the emperor and king on the Thursday before Easter; and brought an account thereof on their return to England, which was soon after Easter, 1193.^f

A.D. 1315, 8th Edw. II. the king borrowed of the abbat and convent of Robert's-bridge forty pounds to enable him to carry on his wars in Scotland.^g

ABBATS of ROBERT'S-BRIDGE.

W. DE PONTE ROBERTI occurs A.D. 1197.^h
ALAN occurs in the 9th Edw. II. A.D. 1316.ⁱ

^a Compare the extract in Num. I. of the Appendix.

^b Num. II,

^c Ibid.

^d Dugd. Baron. tom. i. p. 468.

^e Ibid. tom. ii. p. 60.

^f Hoved. pp. 722, 725.

^g Rym. Fœd. tom. iii. p. 513. The following was the return of the Temporalities of this Abbey in 1291. TEMPORAL. in *Dioc. Cantuar.* In Prumhella, Werehorne, Snaregate, Sandherst, Rotherdene, et Beven-dene, 12*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.* *Dioc. Roff.* In maner. de Lamberherst, cum pertinen. 16*l.* *Dioc. Cicestr.* Apud Bodiham, Bark, Madresham, Sandehore, Fodiland, Worth, molend. de Roteland, Derne, et Forcharre, cum reddit. et perquisit. curiæ, 80*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*—Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 5, 8 b, 140 b.

^h Chron. Gerv. Script. x. col. 1606.

ⁱ Pat. 9 Edw. II. p. 1. Harl. MS. 6958. p. 218.

^k Hayley's Sussex Collections. MS. Donat. Brit. Mus. 6344. col. 46.

DIONYSE occurs in a verdict of jurors, 1 Hen. IV. A.D. 1400.^k

JOHN GOODWIN, April 5, 1507.^l

THOMAS TAYLOR was the last abbat. He, with eight monks,^m surrendered this monastery to the king, April 6, 1539, 30th Hen. VIII. and had a pension granted to him of 50*l.* a year. This pension was still payable in 1553, together with 8*l.* a year to Thomas Sprat, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to William Lendon, 6*l.* to Lawrence Thrower, and 4*l.* to Robert Cowper, surviving monks.ⁿ

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the gross revenue of this house amounted to 272*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.*; the clear income to 248*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.*^o

The Scite was granted in the 32d Hen. VIII. with other lands to Sir William Sydney and his wife Agnes, in exchange for the manor of Kingston upon Hull, the manor of Myton, and some other possessions in the counties of York and Lincoln.^p The Sydneys were afterwards earls of Leicester. Sir Thomas Webster, bart. purchased the estate here for 28,000*l.* of — Sambrooke, esq. who had purchased it of the earl of Leicester.^q

The References to Manuscripts and Records relating to this Monastery are, for compression's sake, given below.^r

Impressions tolerably perfect of the Common and Counter Seal of this Abbey on red wax exist in the Augmentation Office, appendant to the Instrument of Surrender, bearing date 16th April, 29 Hen. 8. the former having, under a gothic canopy richly ornamented, a male figure seated, giving benediction to a female figure, both of them crowned; in base are the heads of two monks, and between them an abbat with his crosier, praying. The Inscription, S . CÔE . ABBATIS . ET . CONVENTVS . DE . PONTE . ROB'TI. The Counter Seal represents the abbey situate on a bridge of three arches, flanked with a tower on each side. In chief are the letters P . R . Legend, HEC . PRESENS . CELLA . DOMVS . EST . DE . MATRE . PVELLA.

The small REMAINS of the Offices of Robert's-bridge Abbey have been converted into a farm-house.

^l Registr. Acad. Cant. MS. Cole, xxvii. fol. 93 b.

^m Tanner says from a MS. in the library of Corpus Christi Coll. Cambr. that this abbey had twelve monks at the Dissolution.

ⁿ Willis, Mit. Ab. vol. ii. p. 238.

^o Valor Eccles. R. Hen. VIII.

^p Rot. Orig. 32 Hen. VIII. p. 1. ro. xxxi. Tanner says the scite was granted in the 33d Hen. VIII.

^q Hayley's MS. Collect. Brit. Mus.

^r Tanner says, "Vide Registrum Abbatiae de Ponte Roberti penes Robertum com. Leycestr. A.D. 1670. idem forsan cum Registro penes hæredes Philippi Sidney eq. aur. A.D. 1587, unde hausit quamplurima cl. Rob. Glover in collect. suis donatis Officio Armorum London. ab Henrico Slingsby mil. Excerpta varia etiam ex eodem Registro penes Petrum de Neve arm. Norroy."

"Cartas originales quamplurimas huic Abbatiae spectantes penes Thomam Astle arm.

Cartae ad Pontis-Roberti Abbatiam, in agro Sussexiensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

[Ex chron. claustr. Roffensis.]

ANNO millesimo centesimo septuagesimo sexto Robertus de Sancto Martino, regnante Henrico rege secundo, eique familiaris, condidit super flumen Rothori abbatiam de Ponte-Roberti.

NUM. II.

Carta Regis Edwardi Tertii.

[Cart. 11 E. III. n. 24. per Inspex. Vide etiam Cart. 53 H. III. m. 14. Et Pat. 4 E. IV. part 4, m. 7. Et Pat. 4 Ric. II. part. 1, m. 38.]

RICARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. Archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse et præsentī cartā confirmasse abbatīe de Ponte Roberti et monachis ibidem Deo secundū ordinem Cistercii servientibus, omnes terras et tenuras et homines et servitia et redditus quæ Aluredus de Sancto Martino fundator ejusdem abbatiæ dedit eis in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, sicut rationabiles cartæ ejus testantur; videlicet omnem terram quam ipse Aluredus tenuit de Galfrido de Sancto Martino et hæredibus suis in rapo de Hastyng cum pertinentiis, sicut eam melius unquam et liberius tenuit; et totam terram quam ipsi tenent de canonicis sanctæ Mariæ de Hasting, et totam mariscum et terram quam tenent de feodo de Pette sicut rationabiles cartæ eorum testantur. Et totum feodum de Fodyland cum pertinentiis quod emerunt de Reginaldo de Mayner et Matill. uxore ejus, et de Inger. de Fressenvill. Et terram de Wicham, et de Pokelesh. et de Betener quas præfati Regin. et Matill. et Inger. cum terra de Hotleg eis venderunt. Et terram de Farleg quam emerunt de Thoma de Sancto Leodegario; et terram quam emerunt de Gilberto filio Gencelini de feodo de Setelescumbe; et totam salsam moram quæ est subtus Eures versus Ryam inter fines Kanc. et feodum abbatis Fiscampi, et inter terram Roberti de Crevequer et Wynchelsi quam emerunt de Johanne de Sancto Leodegario, et Rogero de Sokenerse; et terram quam emerunt de Stephano de Cuell apud Morbregge in mora; et terram quam tenent in marisco de feodo de Hicklelesh. et de Gestel; et terram de Promhell; et terram de Mapelesden, et Cundcner; et terram de Holbemesherse, et de Westcnerherst cum pertinentiis; et terram de Blakebeok quam emerunt de Alano Pollar; et totam terram de Swergate, et pasturam infra Wallam et extra quam habent de dono Aliciæ comitissæ de Augo et Henrici filii ejus comitis Augi; scilicet septingentas acras cum pertinentiis,

tam de parte sua quàm de parte quam emit de feodo Willielmi de Curty, tenendas per tres solidos annuatim solvendos pro omni servicio; et terram de Werth, et de Cumb, et de Romdenn, et de Andewell cum pertinentiis; et terram quam habent in manerio de Helh. ex dono Henrici comitis Augi; et terram quam tenent de feodo Randulfi de Hettindon. Et omnes alias terras et tenementa et possessiones suas secundum rationabiles cartas vel cirographa donatorum vel venditorum vel escambitorum suorum. Quare volumus, &c. Testibus, H. Cantuariensi archiepiscopo, magistro Rogero, &c. Dat. &c. nono die Novembris anno regni nostri decimo.

NUM. III.

Carta Aliciæ Comitissæ Augi de tota Terra sua de Snergate, Monachis de Robertsbrigge concessa.

[Ex ipso autogr. penes Will. Hayward de Tanridge in Com. Surr. Eq. aur.]

NOVERINT tam præsentēs quam futuri, quod ego Alizia comitissa Augi concessi, et præsentī cartā meā confirmavi, pro animā Willielmi comitis Arundeliæ patris mei, et Aliziæ reginæ, matris meæ, et pro animā domini mei J. comitis Augi, et Godefridi fratris mei, et Matildis et Margaretæ filiarum mearum; et pro salute animæ meæ, et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, abbatīe de Ponte-Roberti, in puram et perpetuam hospitalitatem ibidem sustentandam, de libero mariagio meo, de feodo de Bilsington, Snelingum de Snergate et hæredes ipsius, cum toto tenemento suo, cum omnibus serviciis et consuetudinibus ejusdem tenementi. Ad hæc autem dedi eidem abbatīe, totam terram meam de Snergate, infra wallam et extra, tam ex parte feudi mei, quàm de parte Willielmi de Curci; salvā conventionem quam feci contra Lewinum Ram et filios ejus, sicut cirographum quod feci contra eos determinat; quod et monachis dedi, cum toto tenemento illo, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam ad hospitalitatem sustentandam. Concessi etiam eidem abbatīe et confirmavi terram quam emi à Radulpho de Wicham, et fratribus ejus, reddendo eidem Radulpho, et hæredibus ejus sex denarios annuatim ad sanctum Michaellem, pro omni servicio, quod ad eum pertinet. Pro hac autem emptione dedi prædicto Radulpho unam marcam argenti in ghesam, et singulis fratribus ejus duodecim denarios. Et ipsi affdaverunt, pro se et hæredibus suis, hanc conventionem tenere. His testibus, magistro Firmino; Henrico comite Augi; Roberto fratre ejus; Aluredo de Sancto Martino; Sansone de Gestling; Stephano de S. Martino, H. clerico, et multis aliis.

"In volumine Cartarum mearum originalium notato *Preston*, n. 34. Examinationes quorundam testium in causa decimarum (uti videtur) inter priorem et conv. de Ledes et abbatem et conv. de Ponte Roberti, de terris hujus abbatīe in Lambrehurst, temp. Hen. III. vel. Ed. I.

"In Cartulario Archiepiscopatus Cantuar. MS. pag. 93. Protestationem Nicolai de Lenham quod non dimitteret tenementum suum in Lamberherst abbatīe et conventui de Ponte Roberti ultra decem annos in prejudicium archiepisc. Cantuar. A. D. 1259. Pag. 99. Conventionem inter archiepisc. Cantuar. et abbatem et conv. de Ponte Roberti, de tenement. de feodo Nicol. Kenet in Lamberherst, A. D. 1266.

"In the Register of the Bishop of Chichester, L. fol. 64 a. The appropriation of the Prebend of Hastings, with the chapel of Mundefeld, to the abbat and convent of Robertsbridge, by grant from William Echyngham, along with the churches of Salehurst and Udimer, upon the Pope's Bull, dated anno 5. Clementis Papæ.

"Cart. antiq. S. n. 18 et 27. scil. R. Hen. II. confirm. donationes.

"Fin. 5 Hen. III. m. 10. de feodis ii. mil. in Sutton. Claus. 9 Hen. III. m. 22. pro mercat. et feria apud Pontem Roberti. Plac. in com. Sussex 32 Hen. III. rot. 1. de commun. pastur. in clauso de Wykes. Cart. 53 Hen. III. m. 14. Fin. div. com. 3 Edw. I. n. 22. pro reddit. in Lambrehurst et Sutton. Plac. in com. Sussex 7 Edw. I. assis. rot. 8. d. pro terris in Galherst. Plac. in com. Kanc. 21 Edw. I. coron. rot. 30. pro libertat. in borgha de Lambrehurst; assis. rot. 3. pro feodo mil. in Lambrehurst. Rec. in Scacc. 31 Edw. I. Hill. rot. . Pat. 32 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 2 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 16. de eccl. de Sallhurst, Ordmere, et Mundfield concess. per W. de Echingham. Plac. in com. Cant. 6 Edw. II. coron. rot. 13 d. Pat. 7 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 9. de mess. et terris in Sallhurst. Rec. in Scacc. 19 Edw. II. Hill. rot. . de Denham. Lambrehurst, Sutton, Ivreherst, &c. Pat. 6 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 3 et 10. de eccl. de Sallhurst, Ordmere, et Mundfield. Pat. 9 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 21 vel 22. Cart. 11 Edw. III. n. 24. Pat. 17 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 1.

Claus. 19 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 7. Pat. 39 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 6 vel 7. Pat. 4 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 38. Pat. 6 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 20 vel 21. Pat. 19 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 7. quod omnes tenentes abbatis sint quieti de secta facienda ad rapum de Hastings, &c. ex concess. Joannis Ducis Richmondie, &c. Pat. 11 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 26. Pat. 36 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 19. Pat. 4 Edw. IV. p. 4, m. 7. Rec. in Scacc. 17 Edw. IV. Trin. rot. 17. Pat. 18 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 9. de M.D. acris marisci in parochiis de Playdon, Iden, Promehill, Farlegh, &c. conced. Ricardo Guildford in feodo pro annuo redditu xii. denar. Rec. in Scacc. 2 Hen. VIII. Pasch. rot. 24. de cc. acris marisci in Playdon."

The Charters referred to by Tanner as in Mr. Thomas Astle's possession are now preserved among the ancient Charters in the British Museum, Cart. antiq. Mus. Brit. L. F. C. III, 3. IV, 3. XIV, 4. XVI, 18. XXII, 5. XXV, 1—25. XXVI, 1—23. XXVII, 1—26.

Among the Manuscripts in the Library of the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos at Stow (Bibl. Stowensis, vol. ii. pp. 109, 110.) are,

1. A Confirmation by Geoffrey, Bishop of Chichester, of an Agreement between the Church of St. Mary, of Hastings, at the Abbey of Robertsbridge, respecting tythes, about the year 1190.

2. Edward, Prince of Wales, son of Hen. III. confirming a Grant of William de Northye to the Abbat and Convent of Robertsbridge, 53 Hen. III.

3. Another of the same, confirming the Grants of William de Northye and Robert de Creneyos to the same, of the same date.

Among the Harleian Charters, 58 I. 14. is Carta Hen. III. Regis Ab. et Conv. de Ponte Roberti, de libera warennā in omnibus dominicis terris suis in com. Sussex et Kanc. dum tamen terræ illæ non sunt infra metas forestæ, et pro mercatu in villa de Ponte Roberti die Lunæ, et feria per tres dies in exaltatione S. Crucis. Dat. Westm. 9. Junij an. regni xxxviii.

NUM. IV.

Carta Willielmi Tertii Comitis Sussexiæ præfatam Amitæ suæ Donationem confirmans.
[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri, quod ego Willielmus comes tertius Sussexiæ, concessi, et hac præsentī cartā meā confirmavi Dco et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Ponte Roberti, pro salute animæ meæ, et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, in puram et perpetuam elemosynam, terram de Snargate, quæ est de feodo de Bilsentone, quam habent ex dono Adeliçiæ comitissæ de Augo, amitæ meæ; ut habeant et teneant liberè et quietè, sicut carta ejusdem Adeliçiæ testatur. Hiis testibus, Renerio de Aubenio, Willielmo de Albineio filio comitis, Rogero de Brom. Henrico Flammango, Roberto de Tattesale, Roberto Hose, Hugone de Millers, et multis aliis.

NUM. V.

Mandatum Roberti de Curci, pro Wallis et Watergangis apud Snargate faciendis.
[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS baillivis de Besintone ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, Robertus de Curci, salutem. Mando vobis atque præcipio, quatinus justicietis meos homines de Snargate, ut faciant wallas et watergangas, et clausuras wallarum, sicut debent facere: et si facere noluerint, tum justitietis illos ut faciant. Et sciatis, quod quietos clamo homines meos de Snargate, ut de tribus solidis, quos homines recipiebant à monachis, ita quod abbas et conventus reddent mihi in capite infra octavas S. Michaelis. Teste Willielmo fratre, apud Curci.

NUM. VI.

Carta Henrici Comitis Augi, de Wertham, cum Combâ juxta Forestam de Bristlingâ.
[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit præsentibus et futuris, quod ego Henricus comes Augi, concessi, pro salute animæ meæ, et pro animabus antecessorum meorum, et Roberti fratris mei, ecclesiæ S. Mariæ de Ponte Roberti, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, in elemosynam perpetuam, Wertham, cum combâ juxta forestam meam de Bristlingâ, in plano et bosco et pasturis, cum omnibus villanis et redditibus, et cum omnibus pertinentiis earundem terrarum, liberè et quietè ab omni servicio et consuetudinibus omnibus ad me et hæredes meos pertinentibus, de me et hæredibus meis tenendum. Præter hæc etiam concessi, ut conventio, quæ inter prædictos monachos, et Ringerium de Nordiâ, super prædictis terris facta est, firma imperpetuum et rata habeatur, sicut cartæ eorum demonstrant. Et ut liberè et quietè in perpetuum possideant monachi, præsentī scripto et sigilli mei auctoritate confirmavi. Testes, Osbertus abbas Augi, Aluredus de S. Martino, Ingeramus de Frissenevill, Walterus de Escotegnies, Willielmus de Achingeham, Sanson de Gestling, Stephanus de S. Martino, Willielmus de Bodinhan, Johannes frater comitis, Willielmus de S. Martino, et multi alii.

NUM. VII.

Carta Johannis de Augo, Donationem Aliciæ matris suæ, et Henrici fratris sui, de Marisco de Snergate confirmans.
[Ibid.]

NOTUM sit omnibus, tam præsentibus quàm futuris, quod ego Johannes de Augo, filius Johannis comitis de Augo, concessi, et hac præsentī cartā meā confirmavi Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Ponte Roberti, in liberam et perpetuam elemosynam, pro salute animæ meæ, et pro animabus patris et matris meæ, et Henrici comitis de Augo fratris mei, et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, totum mariscum de Snergate, qui pertinet ad feudum meum de Bilsintone, cum pertinentiis plenariè, sine ullo retinemento, quam habent ex dono Aliciæ comitissæ de Augo matris meæ, et Henrici comitis de Augo fratris mei; et

Mapellesdenun, et Cumdenne, cum pertinentiis suis. Præterea confirmo eis terras quas tenent de feudo Randulfi de Hethindenne, quæ pertinent ad feudum de Maiham, undè habent cartam ejus et cyrographum in curiâ domini regis inter eos factum, salvo redditu ejusdem Radulfi. Quare volo, et firmiter præcipio, quod præfati monachi habeant et teneant omnia prædicta tenementa, cum pertinentiis suis, libcrè, quietè, integrè et plenariè, honorificè et absolutè, ab omni seculari exactione, sicut puram et perpetuam elemosynam. Hiis testibus, domino Huberto Cantuariensi archiepiscopo; Willielmo Londoniensi; Johanne Norwicensi; Gilberto Roffensi; Savarico Bathoniensi episcopis; Willielmo comite Arundeliæ, comite David; Radulfo de Arden; Hugone de Aubervill; Roberto fratre ejus; Willielmo de Cyretone; Amfrido de Denne; Ricardo de Gosfeld; Hugone de Lunesford, et pluribus aliis.

NUM. VIII.

Carta Radulfi de Yssondun Comitis Augi, omnes Donationes in Rapo de Hastings, et in Cantiâ, de Feodo suo, confirmans.
[Ibid.]

RADULFUS de Yssondum comes Augi, omnibus hominibus suis, Francis et Anglis, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse, et præsentī cartā meā confirmasse, pro salute animæ meæ, et antecessorum et successorum meorum abbatîæ de Ponte Roberti, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, omnia tenementa et elemosinas, quæ habent in feodo meo in rapo de Hastings, et in Cantiâ, cum omnibus libertatibus suis, sicut Henricus comes Augi, prædecessor meus, eis concessit et cartâ suâ confirmavit. Confirmo etiam eisdem monachis donationem fundatorum suorum, et conventiones emptionum suarum, in omnibus tenementis suis, quæ de feodo meo sint, tam in rapo de Hastings, quàm in Cantiâ, secundum quod cartæ et cyrographa testantur, quæ habent, tam ex donatione fundatorum suorum, quam ex conventionem emptionum suarum. Quare volo et firmiter præcipio, quod prædicti monachi habeant et teneant omnia tenementa sua secundum prædictas cartas et cyrographa benè et in pace, libere et quietè, ab omni seculari exactione, et ab omni servicio quod ad me pertinet, integrè et plenariè, in bosco et plano, in pratis et pascuis, in aquis et molendinis, in redditibus et villanis, in viis et semitis, et in omnibus aliis rebus ad tenementa sua pertinentibus, cum omnibus libertatibus et immunitatibus, quas habuerunt et habent in omnibus, de Henrico comite Augi, prædecessore meo. Hiis testibus, Rorgo de Freaville; Reginaldo de Manieres; Engelramo de Presseville; Waltero de Scotenai; Engelranno Leverel; Johanne Reimund; Simone le Echengeham; Willielmo de Bodiham, Radulfo le Borne; Hugone de Lunesford; Roberto de Gestlinge; Johanne de Gestlinge, et multis aliis.

NUM. IX.

Valor Ecclesiasticus 26 Hen. VIII.
ABBATIA DE ROBERTSBRIGGE.
Unde THOMAS TAYLOR est abbas.

Summa totalis valoris tam spiritualium quam temporalium prædictæ abbatîæ de Robertsbrige pertin^a
272l. 9s. 8d.

NUM. X.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.			
[Abstract of Roll, 30 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]			
NUPER ABBATIA SIVE MONASTERIUM DE PONTE ROBERTI.			
Com' Sussex'		£.	s. d.
Robertysbrydge—Reddit' lib' et cust' ten'	29	18	11 ob.
Robertysbrydge—Reddit' mobil'	0	4	4
Robertysbrydge—Situs cum terris dominicalibus	40	0	0
Playden—Reddit' assis' tam lib' quam cust' tenen'	2	18	0

^a For particulars vide vol. 1, p. 350, of the printed Work.

Com' Sussex'	£.	s.	d.	Com' Sussex'	£.	s.	d.
Playden—Reddit' mobil' ten' . . .	0	1	10	Keteneste—Firma terr' sic voc' . . .	0	13	4
Madersham—Firma	13	6	8	Badlondes—Firma terr'	0	13	4
Westpelmede—Firma prati	0	13	4	Andrewslandes—Firma terr'	1	0	0
Chytyngle—Terr' vocat' Derne	4	0	0	Sutton—Firma maner'	26	11	4
Wyam in Euhurst—Firma maner'	5	13	4	Salehurst—Firma rector'	13	0	0
Helyngleighe—Firma terr' etpastur'	1	0	0	Udymer—Firma rector'	4	0	0
Wymbelcottset Wadell—Firmaterr'	3	6	8	Moundefelde—Firma rector'	0	13	4
Spitts—Terr' sic vocat'	0	15	8	Woderoffe—Firma maner'	40	0	0
Playden—Firma cert' terr' vocat'				Fryarslonds in parochia de Snav—			
Mershelandes	8	0	0	Firma terr'	1	13	4
Selsecome et Ewhurst—Firma terr'				Warrehorne in Rumneymersh—			
et tenem' vocat' Fudlandes	6	13	4	Reddit' terr'	0	10	0
Werdin Bryghtling—Firmamaner'				Stone—Firma terr' vocat' Mershe-			
cum molend'	6	13	4	landes et Uplandes	2	16	8
Posyngworth in Waldron—Firma				Fothermersh—Firma maner'	6	13	4
maner'	2	0	0	Lamberhurst—Firma maner'	14	2	8
Rowenden in Brightling—Firmaterr'	0	13	4	Guldefordmersh—Firma terr'	40	0	0
Flechers Fieldset Fullyngmill Fields				Peplysham—Reddit' terr'	3	6	8
—Firma camporum	0	15	0	Mapysden—Reddit' terr'	1	12	10
Reddlondes in Salehurst—Firma				Osyndon—Reddit' assis'	0	16	9
camporum	1	3	4	Osyndon Parva—Reddit' terr'	0	5	8
Glyme in Salehurst et Mundefeld				Fokysbroke—Reddit' terr'	0	15	4
—Firma terr'	1	16	8	Ukley—Reddit' assis'	0	8	5
Popeshurst in Salehurst et Munde-				Comden—Reddit' assis'	0	1	0
feld—Firma terr'	2	6	8				

Wyckham Nunnery,

In the Deanry of Rydale and Archdeaconry of Clebeland,
IN YORKSHIRE.



AIN FITZ OSBERT, or de Wickham, says Tanner, about the year 1153,^a built and endowed at Wyckham a Priory of Cistercian Nuns^b to the honor of the blessed Virgin Mary.^c Its possessions were at Aton in Pickering lythe, Beverley, Boddale, Chatton, Edbriston alias Ebberston, Flixton, Hosmundysham, Hoton-Buscel, Irton juxta Semer, Leche, Lulbrune, Marchmoth in Pickering vale,

Octune, Raddak, Roston or Ruston, Scardeburg now Scarbrough, Snainton, and Wicham.^d

In the Taxation of 1291, the Temporalities of this Priory were rated at 22*l.* 15*s.*^e

Tanner says, about the time of the Dissolution here were nine religious. Their estate had increased so little in value in the 26th Hen. VIII. that their temporalities even then were valued at no more than 25*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* per annum.

^a In the time of Bernard, prior of Bridlington, and Henry Murdoc, archbishop of York.
^b Dodsworth MS. vol. cxxxi. and Monasticon. But Gervase of Cant. alias Sulgrave, and Speed, say this House was for *Gilbertine monks* or *Canons and Nuns*; and at first perhaps there might be religious of both sexes. For in Dodsworth, vol. vii. p. 293, is a deed "inter Walterum de Harpham rectorem domus de Wickham et Conventum ejusdem loci et Radulph. de Bolebec, qui quiete clamavit eisdem magistro et monialibus herbagium bosci de Langdon."
^c So in all the transcripts of the Charters belonging to this Monastery in MS. Dodsworth, vol. vii. But in the Charter in the Append. to the present Account, Num. VI. it is St. Michael.
^d See Burton, Monast. Ebor. pp. 256, 257.
^e Taxat. P. Nich. IV. p. 325.
Tanner gives the following references to Manuscripts and Records

PRIORESSES of WYCKHAM.

EMMA DE DUNSTAN was confirmed 6. id. Aug. 1286.^f
She resigned 3. non. Decemb. 1300.^g
ISABEL occurs in 1321 and 1337.^h
ELIZABETH EDMUNDSON.ⁱ
KATHERINE WARD was confirmed prioress Feb. 13, 1487.^k
ALICE HORNBY confirmed 18th Sept. 1502.^l
KATH. NANDIK, Aug. 30, 1508.^m
Pensions to nine nuns were still payable in 1553.ⁿ

In the Augmentation Office, is a Paper Survey, 31 Hen. 8. describing the demesne lands with much minuteness; they appear to have consisted of about 100 acres.

The COMMON SEAL of this Nunnery had for its subject the Virgin Mary, crowned, with the Infant Jesus in one hand, and a sceptre in the other; an imperfect impression remains in the Augmentation Office, among the conventual leases there; the Instrument bears date 30 Hen. 8.

The Scite of this House was granted in the 35th Hen. VIII. to Francis Poole.^o It is now the property of the honourable Mr. Dawney.

concerning Wyckham. "*Vide* Inter Collect. v. cl. Rog. Dodsworth, in bibl. Bodl. vol. vii. fol. 122. 290—297. Cartas septendecim vel octodecim ineditas. Fin. Ebor. 20 Hen. III. lig. A. n. 224 et 293. de tertia parte sex bovati terræ in Aton et Marton. Cart. 14 Edw. I. m. . Brev. reg. 7 Edw. II. Mich. rot. 9 et 11. Pat. 13 Edw. II. m. 17. de mess. et terris in Wickham. Pat. 15 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 12. de terris in Roston, Aton, &c. Pat. 17 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 17. Pat. 9 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 5 vel 6. Cart. 17 Edw. III. n. 73. Pat. 48 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 12." See also Rot. Hundr. vol. i. p. 107.
^f Burton, p. 257, from Reg. Romaine archiep. Ebor.
^g Ibid. e Reg. Corbr.
^h Ibid. e Reg. Rotherh.
ⁱ Ibid. e Reg. Savage.
^k Ibid. e Reg. Melton.
^l Ibid.
^m Ibid.
ⁿ Willis, Mit. Ab. tom. ii. p. 286.
^o Tann. Notit. Monast. *Yorksh.* cxxvi.

Cartae ad Wickhamensem Abbatiam, in agro Eboracensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Tedbaldi filii Pagani de Wicham.

[Ex ipso autogr. in turri beatæ Mariæ Ebor.]

TEDBALDUS filius Pagani de Wicham, universis sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, tam futuris, quam præsentibus, salutem. Notum sit vobis me concessisse, et hac præsentis carta confirmasse, sanctimonialibus de Wicham, in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, et ab omni temporale subjectione solutam, donationem quam fecit eisdem supradictis sanctimonialibus de Wicham pater meus Paganus; videlicet, mansuram in qua habitant, et viginti quatuor acras terræ; et similiter meam donationem cum eadem supradicta libertate, confirmo eisdem sanctimonialibus de Wicham, videlicet decem et octo acras terræ in territorio de Wicham et partem meæ advocationis in ecclesia Omnium Sanctorum de Wicham; et quicquid est de feudo meo, in vasto juxta grangias suas, et in Boddale: et quicquid habent in universo territorio de Wicham et rationabiliter saisitæ sunt de meo feudo. Hiis testibus Reinaldo de Picheringe, Aschetino de Malecake, Briano clerico vicecomitis, Aschelino capellano de Scaresbur, Gilberto filio Lagus de Atun, et Willielmo filio ejus, Torfin, et Gaufrido de Alhestin, Roberto sacerdote de Brumthune, Wigero, et Gamello, et Rogero filio Huche de Rostun, Galtero de Bussi, Tedbaldo de Martun, Alano Bucel, Toraldo de Nevil, Gocelino Bardolf, Hugone filio Walsuthhe, Holivero de Cloctum, Adestain de Rostun, et multis aliis.

NUM. II.

Alia Carta ejusdem Theobaldi.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, tam futuris quam præsentibus, Teodbaldus filius Pagani de Wicham salutem. Sciatis me dedisse, et concessisse, et præsentis cartæ testimonio confirmasse, Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Wicham, et monialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, totam culturam meam in Breithorndale, juxta terram prædictæ ecclesiæ, in perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam ab omni servitio et consuetudine temporali. Hiis testibus, magistro Alano de Wicham, Nigello canonico ejusdem loci, Nichol. capellano, Waltero de Bussei, et ejus filio Reginaldo, &c.

NUM. III.

De duabus bovatis Terræ in Wicham per eundem Teobaldum concessis.

[Ibid.]

INGELRAMUS decanus de Weleburn, et capitulum de Ridala, omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis ad quos litteræ istæ pervenerint, in Domino salutem. Notum vobis facimus quod Tedbaldus filius Pagani de Wicham, in præsentia nostra dedit et concessit, atque fide in manu nostra affirmavit, ecclesiæ sancti Michaelis de Wicham, et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, duas bovatas terræ in campis de Wicham, cum pertinentiis suis, cum filia sua religioni in eadem tradita, in perpetuam elemosinam, liberam et quietam ab omni humana consuetudine, et seculari servitio, quod ad eum, et ad hæredes suos attinet, excepto servitio regis. Hanc autem elemosinam ipse Tedbaldus, et hæredes sui, ad opus prædictæ ecclesiæ warrantizabunt supradictis sanctimonialibus ab omnibus calumniantibus eam. Hiis testibus, Roberto de Bruntun, Gervasio sacerdote de Midletun, Willielmo clerico de Kirkabi, magistro Willielmo de Maltuna, Samsone de Slingsbi, Rainaldo de Staingrifa, Nicholao de Nunningtun, magistro Richardo de Hotun, &c. et multis aliis. Hæc carta facta fuit apud Normanbi.

NUM. IV.

Carta Alani Buscell de Hoton.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS hoc scriptum visuris vel auditoris Alanus

Buscell de Hoton, salutem in Domino. Noveritis me concessisse, et hac præsentis carta mea confirmasse Aliciæ priorissæ de Wicham, et ejusdem loci conventui, et successoribus suis, quod liberè teneant, et habeant imperpetuum, dimidiam carucatam terræ, cum pertinentiis omnibus, in villa et territorio de Hoton, quam tenent de hæredibus Rogeri de Hundemanbi, sine aliquo impedimento, vel gravamine mei, vel hæredum meorum imperpetuum, salvo servitio domini regis; ita quod nec ego Alanus, nec hæredes mei, de supradicta dimidia carucata cum pertinentiis homagium de cætero, wardum, nec relevium, sectam curiæ, nec sequelam nec aliquod aliud servitium habere, exigere, vel vendicare possumus. In cujus rei testimonium, pro me et hæredibus meis, sigillum meum duxi apponendum. Hiis testibus, domino Petro de Percy, Willielmo de Aton, Rogero Moraund, Thoma de Edbreston, Willielmo Malekak, Willielmo filio Roberti de Roston, Radulpho filio Petri de eadem, Willielmo clerico de Wicham, et aliis.

NUM. V.

Carta Hugonis Prioris de Bredlingtona de Ecclesia de Wicham.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis, Hugo prior, et conventus ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Bredlingtona, salutem æternam in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra, nos inspexisse cartam sanctimonialium de Wicham, quam ab antiquo habuerunt de Bernardo priore nostro, et conventu, sic continentem: Venerabili domino et priori suo, Dei gratia Eborum archiepiscopo B. servus fratrum ecclesiæ Brellentonæ, et conventus, salutem et debitam reverentiam. Noverit prudentia vestra quod Wlmarus presbiter de Wicham, et duo homines de quibus idem Wlmarus partem ecclesiæ ipsius villæ tenebat, scilicet, Urca filius Karli, et Gamellus; hi tres simul obtulerunt super altare nostrum, totum jus quod habebant in eadem ecclesia, et ad signum hujus donationis, obtulit idem presbyter tres candelas coram multis testibus. Si quid juris in ipsa ecclesia propter hanc actionem nos habere decernitis, totum sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus nos concedere sciatis. Valete.

Nos itaque prædecessorum nostrorum voluntati, libenter faventes, prædicti juris nostri, quaecunque fuit, cessionem gratam habemus, et hoc præsentis scripto attestantes, sigillo capituli nostri communimus. Hiis testibus, magistro Gerardo de Hoilandia, Henrico Silver de Bredlingtona, et Luca filio ejus.

NUM. VI.

Carta Regis Johannis Donatorum Concessionem ratificans et confirmans.

[Cart. 2 Jo. n. 29, m. 14.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse et confirmasse sanctimonialibus sancti Michaelis de Wickham quicquid eis rationabiliter datum est; videlicet, ex dono Pagani filii Osberti locum ubi manent; et in eadem villa xlvij. acras concessu Theobaldi filii sui. Ex dono regis Henrici fratris nostri C. et tres acras in eadem villa et unam sedem molendini in Raddak. Ex dono Willielmi et Godfridi in Chetton lij. acras et pasturam quingentarum ovium et omnes ecclesias et possessiones suas de quocumque illas teneant. Et volumus et firmiter præcipimus quod ipsæ moniales habeant et teneant hæc omnia prædicta et omnia alia tenementa sua cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis in bosco et plano, &c. sicut cartæ donatorum suorum eis testantur, et sicut carta H. regis patris nostri rationabiliter testatur. Testibus, Hugone Bardulf, R. de Turnham, Petro de Pratellis, &c. Dat. per manum S. Wellensis archid. Apud Pigeriing j. die Febr. anno regni nostri secundo.

NUM. VII.
Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.
Monasterium sive domus de Wickham valet clare in
Spiritualibus et Temporalibus per annum^a 25*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.*

NUM. VIII.
COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[*Abstract of Roll*, 34 Hen. VIII. *Augmentation Office*.]
WIKHAM NUPER PRIORATUS.
Com' Ebor' £. s. d.
Wickham—Firma terrarum domini-
calium 4 19 8

Com' Ebor'	£.	s.	d.
Wickham cum diversis villatis et pa- rochijs—Reddit' assis' tam lib' te- nentium quam tenentium ad vo- luntatem	41	18	11
Wickham—Firma rector'	9	0	0
Wickham et al'—Reddit' mobil'	0	1	10 ob'.
Wickham—Perquis' cur'	1	2	8
Wickham—Fin' terr'	0	10	0
Wickham—Relev'	0	2	0
Wickham—Amere'	1	2	8
Summa receptæ . 57 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> 1 <i>d.</i> ob'. et fin'			
Relev' et amerc' . 1 <i>l.</i> 14 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i>			

Conway, or Aberconway Abbey, in Caernarbonshire,
INCLUDING
Maynan, in Denbighshire.



LEWELLIN, the son of Gervase, or ap Jorwerth as Leland calls him, Prince of North Wales, built and endowed this abbey, to the honour of the blessed Virgin and All Saints, in 1185 or 1186.^b Llewelin's charter assigns the limits of the land where it stood; with very great, and some singular privileges which he granted to it. Among other liberties the monastery was not to be answerable for any money which any of the monks should borrow, without the consent of the abbat.^c
In 1283, King Edward the First, amongst the changes which he made at Conway, determined on the refoundation of this abbey; he translated it to Maynan in Denbighshire, about three miles distant, confirming its possessions, and increasing its privileges.^d The new abbey, however, still retained its old name of Conway, and is so called even in the *Valor* of the 26th of Henry VIIIth.
The Abbat of Conway held temporal possessions in the diocese of St. Asaph, in 1291, to the amount of 26*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.*; and in the diocese of Bangor, to the amount of 37*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

beside spiritualities in the latter to the amount of 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; making a total of 76*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.*^e
In the 26th Hen. VIII. the Revenues of Conway, otherwise Maynan Abbey amounted in clear income to 162*l.* 15*s.*: in gross revenue to 179*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.* The Scite was granted in the 5th of Queen Elizabeth to Elizæus Wynne, in whose family it still continues; Lord Newborough being the present owner. A large house, built from the materials of the abbey, still remains.
The REGISTER of ABERCONWAY Abbey, among the Harleian Manuscripts, Num. 3725, is a small vellum volume in octavo: and though so intitled, contains more of Hayles Abbey, in Gloucestershire, than of Aberconway: of the latter there are four or five charters only, the substance of which will be found in Dugdale's Appendix.^f

HUGH PRICE, abbat of Conway, was buried at Saffron Waldon, in Essex, 1528.^g
There is a neat Impression on dark wax of the COMMON SEAL appendant to an Instrument in the Chapter House, Westminster, the subject of which is the blessed Virgin standing with the divine Infant in her arms and surrounded with stars, and before her is an abbat with his crozier kneeling. The Legend is s. COMMUNE . ABBATIS . ET . CONVENTVS . DE . ABERCONW'.

^a Vide printed work, vol. v. p. 145.
^b See *Lel. Collect.* tom. i. p. 103. 1185. *Chron. S. Werb.* 1186. 9. kal. Aug. *Registr. de Aberconway.*
^c See the Charter, Num. I.
^d "Volens itaque Edwardus dictus Longescankes Rex Angliæ Walliam plus solito firmare Abbathiam de Abberconway Cisterciën. Ordinis juxta introitum Snowdon factam amovit, et Castrum et Villam ibi construxit. Monachis vero situm alterum videlicet MAYNAN, et expensas largas ad nova Edificia dedit: ac omnes possessiones quas prius habuerunt et imposterum adquirere possent concessit, et libertates inauditas eis et successoribus eorum concessit." *Registr. de Aberconway*, MS. Harl. 3725. See also the Articles in the *Append. Numm.* III. IV.
^e *Taxat. P. Nich.* IV. pp. 289, 292 b, 294 b.
^f Other References to MSS. and Records relating to Conway, are, MS. Harl. 696. fol. 89. *Narratio Placiti de Quo Waranto super*

Libertatibus Abbatis de Conwey, temp. R. Edw. III. 6068. fol. 10, 11. Copies of two or three minor charters. Harl. 433. fol. 175. contains a warrant to the farmers, &c. belonging to this monastery, to pay their rents to Griffin Goghe, the prior, during the controversy betwixt David Winchcombe and David Lloyd for the office of abbat, dated 1 Ric. III. Tanner says, "*Vide Pat.* 31 Hen. III. n. 5. Rot. Walliæ, 12 Edw. I. n. 4 et 16. Pat. 23 Edw. I. m. . Cart. 6 Edw. III. n. 36. Pat. 3 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 9. Pat. 5 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 25."
Among the Chancery Proceedings, temp. Eliz. in the Tower, are some having relation to Conway Monastery marked D d. 8.
In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office are the following Records: "Conway abb. Finis solutus pro Confirmatione quarundam Cartarum."—Orig. 6 Edw. III. rot. 36. "Conway abb. Finis solutus per Abbatem et Conventum: ibidem pro confirmatione et exemplificatione Literarum patentium Edwardi I."—Orig. 5 Hen. VII. rot. 74.
^g See his Monument, &c. MS. Cole, vol. xxxv. p. 57.

Cartae ad Aberconweyensem Abbatiam, in agro Caernarbonensi, spectantes; fundatam anno Mclxxx.^a

NUM. I.

Carta Lewelini Principis Norwalliae.

[Cart. 6 E. III. n. 36, m. 21. per Inspex.]

NOTUM sit omnibus sanctae matris ecclesiae filiis, tam praesentibus quam futuris, quod ego Lewelinus Gervasii filius, totius Norwalliae princeps, intuitu divinae pietatis, pro salute animae meae et animarum omnium antecessorum et haeredum ac successorum meorum, dedi et concessi, atque praesenti carta mea confirmavi pro me et haeredibus ac successoribus meis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam imperpetuam, Deo et sanctae Mariae et monachis de Aberconewey, sub regulari habitu Deo servituris, locum ipsum in quo idem monasterium fundatum est, per hos scilicet terminos. Ascendendo de flumine Conwy, usque ad Aberegeffyn, deinde totum fluvium Geffeyn usque ad quoddam claud juxta Gweridros, hinc divertendo ad dextram per illud^b claud lapidibus signatum usque ad rivulum Perhey hinc ascendendo per illum rivulum usque ad quoddam claud juxta Coetmaur, hinc per illud claud usque ad quandam rupem propè hinc per altitudinem collium petrosarum usque ad os Christiani, hinc descendendo usque ad mare, et deinde per flumen Conwy usque ad Aberegeffyn. Dedi etiam et concessi atque confirmavi eisdem monachis has terras apud Crendyn, per hos videlicet terminos. Ascendendo de Conwy usque ad quendam fonticulum existentem in extrema parte terrae arabilis monachorum apud Hemiron; hinc per superiorem partem terrae ab eisdem cultae usque ad lapides grandes existentes in Erw-voruran, inde usque ad communem viam, hinc per ductum viae usque ad claud supra Erwedus, hinc usque ad caput Carret-Wyber, hinc per superiorem partem Ryuoryn, et terrae arabilis monachorum usque ad extremam partem Gwernegof, hinc per alveum desubtus Gwernegof usque ad terram Crocurn: hinc per lapides in termino constitutos usque ad rivulum juxta Oglwys-Ros, hinc per ductum rivuli usque ad alveum qui est in extrema parte prati monachorum subtus Crocurn, hinc per ductum alvei usque ac descensum rivuli qui est inter Bodesgallen et Brongoch, et descendit in dictum alveum. Hinc usque ad fontem quendam, hinc per rupem proximam desuper pendentem usque ad lapidem quem vocant Quadratum hinc usque ad rupem in qua est fovea, hinc usque ad Carretere, hinc usque ad secundam rupem ultra Carrecwalth, hinc per superiorem partem terrae cultae monachorum usque ad claud inter Trefwarth et Callaurwerth, et sic per ductum illius claud usque ad paludem subtus, hinc per extremam partem terrae arabilis monachorum usque ad nemus Eardur filii Kendelu, hinc per claud usque ad caput illius claud. Inde per ripam paludis inter terram arabilem et paludem usque ad Argaedelin, hinc per ductum aquae usque ad Conwy. Concessi etiam eisdem monachis totam aquam Conwy, et ejusdem aquae transitum atque piscariam de Aberegeffyn usque Aberconwy. Concessi insuper et confirmavi eisdem monachis Frywlwy, per hos scilicet terminos. Ascendendo de mari per medium cujusdam fossae in terminum factae usque ad fluvium Karroc, hinc per medium Karroc usque ad rivulum Chwilogen, hinc per medium Chwilogen usque Blaenchwilogen, hinc ascendendo per paludem usque Pwllberws, hinc per alveum paludis usque Gwernebleideu, hinc per medium Gwernebleideu usque Wennbanc, hinc per medium Wennbanc descendendo per quendam rivulum fluentem per quendam valliculam usque ad fluvium Dwynech, et sic descendendo totam aquam Dwynech, et molendinum atque piscariam totaliter et integre usque ad fluvium Dwynech, deinde per medium aquae Dwynech, cum medietate piscariae, usque ad mare, et abhinc per litus usque ad fossam supradictam.

Concessi etiam et confirmavi eisdem monachis Kwin, per hos videlicet terminos. Ascendendo de Hensarugwin juxta Pentyrth per quendam alveum usque ad fluvium Keiloc. Hinc per medium Keiloc usque ad quendam rivum

fluentem de Sichnanc, hinc per illum rivum usque ad Claud-Seri, hinc descendendo per aquam fluentem de Claud-Seri usque Blaeu rivi Efelanc, hinc per medium rivi Efelanc usque Rytifelanc. Hinc ascendendo per quendam alveum usque Rytnerthvoessen, hinc per extremum alveum ultra Brynbrych, et Enys-Las usque ad fluvium Karroc, et abhinc ascendendo per quendam alveum usque Hensarngwin. Dedi etiam et confirmavi eisdem Redenocuelen, per hos videlicet terminos; ab illo loco quo fluvius Karroc fluit juxta quendam fontem existentem prope Llanwuda usque ad quendam alveum qui est inter Gefenys-Vechan, et Enys-Kenbren versus Gerthic, hinc divertendo ad dexteram per quendam alveum ultra Enys-Kenbren usque Werndofyn, hinc per medium Werndofyn descendendo usque ad fluvium Gwylet, hinc per medium Gwyleit usque Aberkarroc juxta Morna-Duillen, et sic ascendendo per medium aquae Karroc versus Llanwuda usque ad dictum locum juxta praedictum fontem. Concessi etiam et confirmavi eisdem Mankall, per hos scilicet terminos. Ascendendo de Aberkall per fluvium Kall usque Briethdu, hinc usque ad altitudinem Llwythmaur, hinc ad cacumen montis Llwythmaur usque Blangwennydd, Gwyncon. Hinc usque Blaen-Meyc, hinc descendendo per medium Meyc usque Dwynech: et ab hinc per aquam Dwynech usque Aberkall. Concessi insuper eisdem et confirmavi Kellhmeoc, per hos scilicet terminos. Ascendendo de Meney per fluvium Bremt usque Aber-Pwllewyrran, hinc per medium aquae Pwllewyrran usque Sarnigerd, hinc per quoddam claud lapidibus signatum usque ad quoddam stagnum juxta Trefarthcn, hinc per medium illius stagni usque Clauderadwy, hinc per illud claud usque ad litus, hinc directè usque ad alveum Meney, et sic per medium aquae Meney usque Aber-Bremt. Concessi etiam et confirmavi eisdem molendinum de Talebout cum pertinentiis; aquam quoque et fossam de Sarny-Velyn usque Carrec-Elgar, atque viam communem omni tempore de Kellhineoc usque ad molendinum praedictum, sine impedimento cujuscumque. Dedi etiam et confirmavi eisdem Bodgedwyd, per hos videlicet terminos. Ascendendo de quadam parva insula existente in Llyn-Coron per medium Claudyago usque Carned-Yorwerth. Hinc divertendo versus Aberfraw per quoddam claud lapidibus signatum usque Murdynen-kefneth. Hinc directè versus Henllys usque Korsenllys. Hinc divertendo ad dexteram per medium alvei usque Rytdu. Hinc per medium illius alvei usque Aber-gonergaranen, prout descendit in Korscallellyn. Hinc ascendendo per Gonergaranen juxta quoddam claud lapidibus signatum usque Wenn-las. Hinc per medium Wenn-las usque Wennvaur. Hinc ascendendo per alveum usque Fynnonymeyirch. Hinc per quoddam claud lapidibus signatum usque ad latum Bodwrdyn. Hinc per ductum lapidum usque Cerric-poe-theon. Hinc per quoddam claud divertens versus Trefdraeth usque ad latum Trefdraeth. Hinc per medium alvei existentis in confinio Trefdraeth per medium Korsy-girvran usque Pyllen-Haloc, et ab hinc alveum usque ad praedictam insulam. Dedi etiam et confirmavi eisdem plateam de Lammaes per terminos suos cum omnibus pertinentiis suis.

Concessi insuper et confirmavi eisdem monachis Voelas-Keirnanc et Llanveir-Ryt Castell, per hos videlicet terminos. Ascendendo de Aber-Gwrysganc per fluvium Gwrysganc usque ad quoddam latum vadum in Blaengwrysganc. Hinc per alveum usque Maenesartyr. Hinc usque Cerric-Llwynogod. Hinc usque Carnedrun. Hinc usque ad fontem subtus Moel-seissanc. Hinc usque ad summitatem Moelseissanc. Hinc usque blaeu gwenn eneas. Hinc descendendo per alveum usque Henrytbeli. Hinc per fluvium Kaletwyn usque Blaeu Kaletwyn subtus Korsgaranen. Hinc directè ducta linea usque Esgynvaen-gwgann. Hinc usque Llynalwen. Hinc per medium Llynalwen, et medium fluvii Alwen usque Rytgwynn. Hinc per Nant-heilynseis usque ad quandam valliculam divertentem ad sinistram, et per illam valliculam ascendendo usque ad caput cujusdam

^a Chron. S. Werburgae Cestr. in bibl. Cottoniana.

^b Id est, Fossa.

alvei profundi subtus Brondengynllwyn. Hine relinquendo Brondengyn-llwyn ad dexteram intra terminos monachorum per vallem usque blaen Llaethanc. Hine per medium Llaethanc usque ad fluvium Nuc. Hinc per medium Nuc usque ad flumen Conwy et per medium aquæ Conwy usque ad Aber-gwriscauc.

Concessi etiam et confirmavi eisdem Llynkemer, per hos scilicet terminos; ascendendo per Llynkemer per fluvium Alwen usque Aber Drywes. Hinc per medium aquæ Drywes usque Bonerelie-bras. Hinc usque Nant Ringhyleyt. Hinc ad fluvium Bremt, et per medium Bremt usque Llyne-kemer. Concessi etiam et confirmavi eisdem Llethwedkrynllwyn, per hos scilicet terminos, à Pwlle propinquiori Taldinas-Dindunant contra Alwen usque ad locum ubi rivulus descendit in Alwen de bwlchdmewyt. Inde contra eundem rivulum usque Bwlchdmewyt. Inde per descensum rivuli ex alia parte montis versus Kerriedrudeon usque ad Eynserheid. Hine à superiori parte ejusdem Enys per paludem usque ad rivulum ulteriorem fluentem de quodam fonte. Inde per longitudinem ejusdam valliulæ usque ad capud magnæ paludis versus orientem. Hine per longitudinem illius paludis usque ad rivulum decurrentem de fonte ulteriori versus orientem è regione Alwen, et ab eodem fonte usque ad claud inferiùs subtus viam. Inde per longitudinem illius claud ad Helielwynen apud blaen-naut quod descendit versus Alwen. Inde usque ad Kerriellwydeon versus aquilonem in supercilio ejusdam collis. Hine usque super blaen vallis qui deseendit versus dinas dundunant. Hinc per ejusdem vallis longitudinem usque ad supradietum Pwlle juxta Tal ipsius dinas.

Concessi insuper et confirmavi eisdem monachis has terras apud Nanhonem, scilicet gwascat onnos Bryngwynem, Hafat, Tandree, Llyndu, Chwmygorct, Scubordynemreis, Hendrefwyncein, Wernosdet, Pennant, Morgen Pen-nant erwnn cum Llem ex utraque parte Llem, Chwmerth ex utraque parte Erth, Cwmdelîf ex utraque parte delîf, kemen trinemt, et gwryt, kei ex utraque parte Degymm, per videlicet terminos subscriptos. Aseendendo de Abercolwyn prout descendit in ferlas per medium Colwyn usque blaeneolwyn prout descendit de bwlch ehwmlem. Hine per crepidinem rupium usque ad eapud Wedduavaur. Hinc usque ad eapud Grybgoch. Hine usque ad capud Wregyssant. Hinc per altitudinem rupium, usque ad sedem peris. Hine usque ad eapud Moel-berned. Hine directè usque ad illum locum in quo fluvius Member ineipit sicut torrens precipitanter deseendere. Hine per medium aquæ Member usque Eranongoeh. Hine aseendendo per illam aquam usque Llegat-Erych. Hine usque ad altitudinem Cerriceryypch. Hinc usque Lleth edear. Hine usque bankarw. Hinc per eaeumen rupium Banearu usque bleau teyrw. Hine per fluvium Teyru usque ad petram quæ deseendit in Teyru juxta Ryt Teyru superiorem. Hine per parvos colles petrosos à latere Gerrynt usque Llethwedgwel-vau. Hine ducta linea indireete usque ad monticulum qui in similitudinem castelli apparet à dextera parte Llethwedgwel-vau. Hine per altitudinem usque ad capud earrceereryr. Hinc per summitatem rupium usque ad verticem Moeldmewyt. Hine usque Bylchen ternyn. Hinc per cacumen rupium usque ad Gorssed-Ressygynt prout pendet desuper vallem. Hine divertendo versus Llyndmas per longitudinem ejusdam braehii petrosi desuper vallem apparentis usque ad eapud elaud mein. Hinc per medium illius claud usque ad fluvium ferlas, et deinde per medium ferlas usque ad Abercolwyn prout descendit in Llynkemer. Dedi etiam et confirmavi eisdem monachis Arden et Dorlas, per hos scilicet terminos; ascendendo de Aberpwllendarlas per medium aquæ usque ad stagnum Cawlwyd. Hine per medium illius stagni usque ad paludem quæ est supra capud stagni et per illam directè paludem usque ad Vygynforthant. Hine per altitudinem rupium usque ad eapud Llithrete-wrath. Hine per altitudinem illius montis versus occidentem usque Bwlcherylvarthant. Hinc deseendendo per illam vallem et per illum rivulum descendantem per illam vallem qui dieitur frwt-du qui est directè subtus Carree-Gwenolyod, et descendit in fluvium Eygyen, et per fluvium Eygyen usque ad stagnum Eigyen, et per illud stagnum et per fluvium descendantem de stagno usque ad flumen Conwy, et per medium Conwy usque ad Aberpwllendarlas.

Concessi insuper eisdem monachis quod liberi sint imperpetuum et quieti ab omnibus pastibus et poturis homi-

num equorum, canum, et avium, et non compellantur ad pascendum me aut ministros meos aut alios quoscumque seculares sub obtentu consuetudinis, et quod circa electiones, depositiones, seu resignationes abbatum tempore vacationis aut alio tempore ego nullatenus intromittam, seu ministri mei aut alii seculares minimè intromittent; sed omnia in dicto monasterio facienda per religiosos ordinentur regulariter et tractentur. Concessi etiam eisdem ut uti et gaudere possint naufragio in omnibus terris suis et litoribus meliori modo quo in terris meis ego utor, videlicet quæcumque bona seu res per submersionem aut fractionem seu per aliud infortunium ad terras suas seu ad litora terris suis conjuncta de mari evenerint, ipsa bona totaliter et integrè sint ipsorum monachorum; similiter si naves aut scaphæ aut bona ipsorum monachorum infra dominium meum per procellam maris aut naufragium aut per aliud infortunium fracta aut submersa fuerint, ipsa vasa et bona sint ipsorum monachorum. Concessi etiam eisdem monachis quod ipsi et omnes servientes sui cum omnibus bonis suis quieti sint ab omni thecoloneo, passagio, paagio, et pontagio in omnibus terris meis. Et quod ipsi et omnes servientes sui in terris suis liberè possint emere et vendere animali, eibum et potum, atque alia quæcumque bona. Et similiter ipsi et servientes sui ae omnia bona sua liberè sine quoeumque precio paratum transitum habeant per Meney, Conwy, Abermaw, et Dyni, et in omnibus passagiis per omnem potestatem meam non obstante quæcumque lege aut consuetudine. Concessi etiam eisdem quod si animalia sua aut alia quæcumque bona furata, rapta, seu ablata vel ad tempus perdita fuerint, tam eito iidem monachi illa bona probaverint esse sua ipsis sine dilatione pæificè liberentur. Similiter prohibeo ne aliqua persona secularis aut religiosa de dominio meo præter dictos monachos utatur illo signo ferreo quo ipsi signare solent animalia sua et jumenta, et si animalia quorumcumque inventa fuerint signo ipso signata ipsis monachis liberentur. Concessi insuper eisdem monachis imperpetuum quod pro quacumque eausa dieto aut facto seu forisfacto in euriis meis aut in quacunque curia laicali nullatenus judicentur, amercientur, seu puniantur, sed in capitulis suis secundum ordinem suum corrigantur. Concessi etiam eisdem monachis ut nullus hominum extorqueat ab eis vicinitatem aut partem de pasturis, silvis, aut molendinis suis, sed ipsi monachi contra omnes eustodiant et possideant fines et terminos suos in hae carta contentos, et intra eosdem terminos araturas, ædificia, molendina, eulturas, et alios quoseumque labores pro libito suo faciant sine contradictione ejuseumque. Concessi etiam eisdem monachis quod nullus hominum possit super ipsos ealumpniam seu actionem facere propter receptionem aliquarum personarum ad habitum suum ejuscunque conditionis sint, postquam ipsi recepti in dicto monasterio profiteantur: sed si qui tales personas ad religionem de seculo fugientes super aliquibus ealumpniaverint, durante anno probationis, et non post professionem factam actionem suam ostendant. Concessi etiam eisdem monachis, ut si qui professorum dicti monasterii sine licentia et consensu abbatis sui pecuniam aut alia bona a ereditoribus ineaute mutuo acceperint aut secularibus fide jussionibus se immiseuerint, monasterium prædictum pro talibus mutuis et fide jussionibus minimè satisfaciat. Concessi insuper eisdem quod licitè possint super aquas currentes inter terras meas seu hominum meorum ex una parte, et terras ipsorum ex altera levare et ædificare molendina, et etiam easdem aquas de canalibus suis ad terras suas vertere et deelinare sine impedimento ejuscunque. Concessi etiam eisdem quod licitè possint recipere ad habitum suum et ad famulatum suum et servicia liberos meos spadarios et homines de advocatione mea, atque omnes primam tonsuram habentes ejuscunque conditionis extiterint, sine molestia et calumpnia ejuscunque. Et quia pium est ut omnibus qui seculi vanitates et mundanas divicias derelinquant et ad regis regum obsequia voluntarie convertuntur princeipum assint præsidium et tutela, volo pro me et hæredibus ac successoribus meis quod iidem monachi tam præsentibus quam futuri habeant et possideant omnes terras prædictas per limites et fines ae terminos prænominatos, in silvis et campis cultis et incultis, pratis, pascuis, pasturis, piscariis, stagnis, vivariis, aquis, molendinis, viis, semitis, moris, glebariis, lapidibus, metallis, avibus, omniumque avium nidis, litoribus, portubus, naufragiis, thesauris, omnibusque rebus tam super terras suas quam sub terris suis inventis, benè et in pacc, liberè, quietè, integrè, plenariè, honorificè, firmiter et

inconcussè, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam imperpetuum, solutas et liberas ab omni terreno servicio et exactione seculari; volo etiam ut iidem monachi tam præsentes quam futuri omnibus prædictis libertatibus quietanciis et aliis liberis consuetudinibus per omnes terras meas et per totum principatum meum imperpetuum gaudeant et utantur; et prohibeo sub periculo indignationis meæ ut nullus hominum eisdem monachis aut servientibus suis contra hanc cartam meam præjudicium faciat aut gravamen. Quoniam ipsos et omnes res ac possessiones suis sub protectione mea suscepi. Et ut hæc mea donatio atque confirmatio imperpetuum firma et inconcussa permaneat, ne aliqua contentionis aut perturbationis occasio contra prædictos monachos possit in posterum suboriri eam præsentis cartæ munimine et sigilli mei impressione roboravi. Testibus hiis, Yorwerthgam, gwynn filio Eduewein-ydon capellano meo, et Madoco filio Cadur. Dat. apud Aberconwy anno ab incarnatione Domini millesimo centesimo nonagesimo octavo, septimo idus Januarii, et principatus mei anno decimo, &c.

NUM. III.

De Translatione ejusdem Abbatie ad Maynan.

[Cart. 12 Edw. I. n. 18.]

REX archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos pro salute animæ nostræ et animarum antecessorum et hæredum nostrorum dedisse concessisse et hac carta nostra confirmasse dilectis nobis in Christo abbati et conventui de Aberconewey, quorum situm transferri volumus usque Maynan, de assensu eorundem abbatis et conventus et co-abbatum suorum ordinis Cisterciensis per quos locum illum fecimus visitari, quod totam ecclesiam de Aberconewey quam prius conventualem habuerunt et tenuerunt de cætero habeant et teneant quantum in nobis est in proprios usus parochialem, cum omni jure patronatus et proprietatis sibi et successoribus suis, et in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, cum omnibus juribus possessionibus et rebus aliis ad prædictam ecclesiam parochialem spectantibus quocunque nomine censcantur, tam infra muros quam extra, cum omnibus decimationibus omnium terrarum et maris ex utraque parte de Conewey ad præfatum ecclesiam de Aberconewey spectantium ab antiquo. Ita tamen quod eadem ecclesiæ deservire faciant per duos capellanos Anglicos et idoneos, et honestos, quorum unus sit perpetuus vicarius in eadem, et per ipsos abbatem et conventum in singulis vacationibus ipsius vicariæ loci diocesano præsentetur, et per unum tertium capellanum Walensem honestum, propter idiomatis diversitatem. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum nostram apud Karnarvan, xvj. die Julii.

Et memorandum quod hæc carta irrotulatur in rotulo Walliæ de hoc anno.

NUM. IV.

Adhuc de Translatione ejusdem ad Maynan.

[Cart. 12 Edw. I. n. 3. Vide etiam Pat. 3 Ric. II. part. 2, m. 9.]

REX archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis quod in recompensationem situs quondam abbatie de Aberconewey et terrarum adjacentium, et grangiæ de Crenthyn cum pertinentiis ad eandem abbatiam tunc spectantium, quas abbas et conventus loci ejusdem in manus nostras reddiderunt, dedimus et concessimus et hac carta nostra confirmavimus prædictis abbati et conventui ordinis Cisterciensis, quorum monasterium postmodum de novo apud Maynan in honore omnipotentis Dei et beatæ Mariæ et omnium sanctorum, pro salute animæ nostræ et animarum omnium antecessorum et hæredum seu aliorum nostrorum successorum fundavimus, prædictam villam de Maynan cum pertinentiis, quam una cum quibusdam aliis terris Henrico de Lacy comiti Lincolnæ et hæredibus suis et quam idem comes postmodum quietam de se et hæredibus suis in manus nostras reddidit. Et etiam centum et decem et septem solidatas, et octo denaratas terræ quas Mereducus Grath et Gorgonen frater ejus; et quindecim solidatas terræ quas Rogerus Bozun; et decem solidatas terræ quas Tudorius ap Karwet tenuerunt in eadem villa de Maynan, et quas in manus nostras quietè similiter reddiderunt. Habendas et tenendas præfatis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus in eodem monasterio Deo et

beatæ Mariæ servituris, cum omnibus suis pertinentiis, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam imperpetuum. Concessimus etiam eisdem abbati et conventui et confirmavimus omnes rationabiles donationes terrarum ecclesiarum hominum et elemosinarum eis a quibuscumque jam collatas et imposterum conferendas vel acquirendas. Quare volumus, &c. quod prædicti abbas et monachi et eorum successores habeant et teneant villam terras et redditus prædictos, cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus ad eos spectantibus, ut in boscis, pratis, &c. per metas et bundas subscriptas; videlicet ascendendo de Conewey versus montes de Abercamwl; ubi descendit fluvius qui appellatur Cynnogan in flumine de Conewey et sic ascendendo per illum fluvium de Cynnogan usque ad fontem de Tangwre; et de fonte illo per viam magnam directè usque ad Rytllwydieirche; et exinde per rivulum parvum usque ad fluvium de Gwydenging; et sic ascendendo per illum fluvium usque ad rivulum parvum qui descendit de Dewlwyn et deinde usque Graflwyn-chwydanc; et sic directè usque Pwll in medio Gwenn-Bennarwann; et deinde usque Pwll in medio Ywemud Bycheyn et sic usque Axnonyr, Heol, deinde usque moram Ykaekeirth; deinde usque Clawd juxta domos fabrorum: deinde usque ad capud Erw Yranallen; exinde usque flumen Grethlin: deinde usque Gwen-Bowys; et sic juxta latus Gwenn-Bowys usque Pwll-Budyr; et exinde usque Nantiwrach; et deinde descendendo usque ad moram quæ dicitur Gwennyco: et deinde usque Ybwllch-Coch, deinde usque ad moram quæ est inter Gwernnelanc, et Garthgynanncl; et inde usque ad aquam quæ appellatur Ballenllethanc, et sic per illam aquam usque longum vadum, deinde usque ad moram quæ appellatur Gwernnvaenan, et sic per quendam rivulum usque Pwll-ydon, et per aquam Pwll-ydon usque Conewey; et sic per filum aquæ Conewey usque ad Aberycambwll. Et quod habeant omnes rationabiles donationes terrarum, ecclesiarum, hominum et elemosinarum eis à quibuscumque jam collatas et imposterum conferendas vel acquirendas bene et in pace, liberè, quietè, integrè, plenariè, et honorificè, cum sok et sak, tol, et theam, infangenethef, et utfangenethef, hamesok, gridbrich, bolwyk, fichwych, ferwych, hengwych, leirwych, flemmefrid, murdro, latrocinio, forstal, hordel, et horest, infra tempus et extra tempus, et in omnibus locis et cum omnibus causis quæ sunt et esse possunt.

Concessimus etiam quod prædicti abbas et monachi quieti sint imperpetuum de omnibus misericordiis, et quod ipsi et omnes homines sui liberi sint et ab omni scoto et geldo et omnibus auxiliis regum, vicecomitum, et omnium ministerialium eorum, et de hidagio, carucagio, danegeld, hornegelde, et exercitibus, scutagiis, tallagiis, lestagiis, stallagiis, siris, et assisis, et assartis, de vasto nemorum, de maercmio cariendo, de armis portandis, de thesauro portando, de chaciis, establiis, scotallis regalibus, de purpura, hundredis, wapentachiis, placitis et querelis, warda et wardepeny, averpeny, hundredespeny, borthalpeny, trythingpeny, et de operibus castellorum, parcorum, pontium, et de clausuris et omni cariagio, summagio, navagio, passagio, murgio et domuum regalium ædificatione, et omnimoda operatione. Et prohibemus ne bosci eorum ad prædicta opera vel ad aliqua alia capiantur, et similiter ne blada illorum vel hominum suorum ad castella munienda capiantur.

Concedimus etiam quod omnia tenementa eorum tam in bosco quam in plano sint deaforestata et extra omnem potestatem forestariorum. Præcipimus etiam quod prædicti abbas et monachi et homines sui liberi sint et quieti ab omni theolonio in omni foro et in omnibus nundinis et in omni transitu pontium viarum et maris per omnem potestatem nostram et per omnes terras nostras in quibus eis libertatem dare possumus, et omnia mercata sua et hominum suorum sint similiter in prædictis locis ab omni theolonio quieti; et quod naves eorundem abbatis et monachorum liberum transitum per omnem potestatem nostram habeant absque omni exactione et consuetudine.

Concedimus etiam et confirmamus eisdem abbati et monachis, quod si aliquis hominum suorum pro delicto suo vitam vel membra debeat amittere vel fugerit et judicio stare noluerit, vel aliud delictum fecerit pro quo catalla sua debeat perdere, ipsa catalla sint prædictorum abbatis et monachorum. Similiter si aliquis hominum suorum sit amerciatu erga nos vel ballivos nostros pro quacumque causa vel delicto seu forisfacto, amerciamenta prædicta dictis ab-

bati et monachis reddantur, servata regiæ potestati justitia mortis et membrorum. Hæc omnia prædicta et omnes alias quietancias libertates et liberas consuetudines quæ in hoc scripto non comprehenduntur et liberiores alicui domui religiosæ conferri possunt, concedimus prædictis abbati et monachis pro Dei amore et gloriosæ virginis Mariæ et pro salute animæ nostræ et omnium antecessorum et hæredum nostrorum, in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam imperpetuum. Et prohibemus super forisfacturam nostram quod nullus eisdem abbati et monachis vel hominibus suis contra hanc cartam nostram forisfaciat sub pœna viginti librarum, quia ipsos et omnes res et possessiones suas et hominum suorum in custodiam et protectionem nostram recepimus. Et prohibemus ne iidem abbas et monachi ponantur in placitum de aliquo tenemento suo nisi coram nobismet ipsis vel hæredibus nostris. Hiis testibus, vencrabili patre Roberto Bathoniensi et Wellensi episcopo cancellario nostro, &c. Dat. per manum nostram, apud Kaernarvan xxiiij. die Octobris.

NUM. V.

Valor Ecclesiasticus 26 Hen. VIII.

MONASTERIUM SIVE ABBATIA DE CONWAY.

Dioc. Assavensis et Decanat. de Ross.

Valet clare communibus annis . 16*l.* 15*s.* 0*d.*

NUM. VI.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS, temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE CONWAYE.

Com' Caern'	£.	s.	d.
Conway—Firma terrarum dominicalium	4	1	4

Com' Caern'	£.	s.	d.
Maynan—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem et per indenturam	9	13	6
Arthey—Reddit' tenentium per indenturam et ad voluntatem	15	1	8
Brened—Reddit' tenentium ad voluntatem et per indenturam	3	1	0
Nayboynan—Reddit' tenentium per indenturam	21	18	4
Come—Reddit' duorum tenementorum	5	1	8
Nancallo—Reddit' villæ	2	0	0
Rednokvelyn—Reddit' villæ et hamlet ejusdem	1	7	8
Hirathoge infra dominium de Denbigh—Reddit' tenentium per indenturam in villa	22	8	2
Kellynyoke—Reddit' tenentium per indenturam et ad voluntatem	10	18	4
Courney—Reddit' tenen' liber' et ad volunt'	13	1	10
Bodgeweth—Reddit' diversorum tenementorum	3	7	8
Penmeneth—Reddit' diversorum tenementorum	3	13	11
Maynan, Arthey, Brynney, Nanboynan, Nancoll, et Radnokvelyn—Reddit' de comartha quolibet quarto anno in villis prædictis	2	0	0
Maynan, &c.—Arreragia in villis prædictis	0	6	8
Gwelthie—Firma rector'	1	6	8
Conwey—Firma rector'	6	0	0
Eglos Roose—Firma rector'	18	6	8
Vagh—Firma rector'	13	6	8
Llanpatrike—Firma rector'	13	6	8

Nun Cotun, or Cotham Nunnery, in Lincolnshire.



ANNER says Alan Muncels, or Munceaux, in the latter part of King Henry I. or beginning of the reign of King Stephen, built a Cistercian Nunnery here to the honor of the blessed Virgin Mary. The founder's mentioning his gifts, he adds, to be among others, "pro salute Steph. com. Albemarle et Hawisiæ uxoris," not "pro salute animæ," makes it probable that this House was built during the

life of that earl, who does not occur after A.D. 1129:^a and its being confirmed by Pope Anastasius, A.D. 1154, is good reason to place it higher than formerly.^b

The entries relating to this Nunnery in Pope Nicholas's Taxation will be found in the note below.^c

Herein, says Tanner, were, about the Dissolution, a

prioress and twelve nuns, whose revenues, according to Leland, amounted to no more than forty pounds a year; but the Valor of the 26th Hen. VIII. says 46*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.*

The House and Site were granted 5th May, 32 Hen. VIII. to Edward Skipwith.

Dugdale saw the REGISTER of this Abbey in 1652, in the hands of Sir Dudley North; and has given copious extracts from it, in the charters of Alan de Muncels, and Engeram his son, in a bull of privileges from Pope Alexander; in a charter from Ivo de Graynesby; in another from King Henry the Third, exempting the Nuns of Cotun in common with other Houses of the Cistercian Order from the payment of tithes pursuant to the Pope's bull; and in the constitutions of the house as settled by Hugh, bishop of Lincoln, in his visitation.^d

The SEAL used by the prioress and convent, at their surrender, 9th July, 31 Hen. VIII. was an *Agnus Dei*: the Impression of it, on red wax, is in the Augmentation Office.

^a Dug. Bar. tom. i. p. 6.
^b Tann. Notit. Monast. Linc. xvii. See the founder's charter in the Append. Num. II.
^c "LINC. DIOC. *Spirit.* Porcio in eccl. de Beleby 1*l.* Porcio in eccl. de Croxton 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Porcio in eccl. de Lymberg 1*l.* *Temporal.* In Decanat. Grymesby, Wraghon, Jordeburch, Luthesk, et Lutheburg, 35*l.* 11*s.* 10*d.* EBOR. DIOC. *Temporal.* Priorissa de Nounkoton habet 32*l.*" Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 57 b, 58, 73 b, 309 b.
^d See the Append. Num. III. to VII. Tanner has given the following references to other Muniments illustrative of the possessions and history of Nun Cotun:
"Vide Collectanea ex libro de Nun Cotun, MS. in bibl. Bodl. Dodsw. vol. lxxiv. foll. 21, 29. vol. lxxxix. fol. 145. et in eodem vol.

lxxxix. foll. 67, 70, 72, 73, 74, 76, et 78. de terris in Thong Caster, Killingholm, Broclesby, Habure, Kelebi, Cadney, et Husum. Rot. cart. 2 Joh. p. 2, m. 14, n. 33, 34. Plac. apud Linc. 9 Edw. I. quo war. rot. 13, 14. de libertatibus in Kelby, Killingholm, &c. Pat. 21 Edw. I. m. 6 vel 7. Cart. 21 Edw. I. n. 11. Pat. 31 Edw. I. m. 11 vel 12. Claus. 1 Edw. II. m. 2. de maner. de Skedelby. Pat. 34 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 9. de eccl. de Kelby approprianda. Pat. 5 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 12."
See also the Repert. to Originalia MS. Brit. Mus. vol. iii. fol. 194, vol. iv. fol. 110 b. Rot. Hundr. vol. i. p. 296.
In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office is "De manibus regis amovendis de situ monasterii de Nun Cotham in com. Linc. et Reginaldo Sotherne liberando. Mich. Record. 12 Jac. I. rot. 298."

Cartae ad Nun-Cothunensem Abbatiam, in agro Lincolniensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

[Ex Rotulo Hundr. de an. 3 Edw. I.]

COMES Albemarlæ tenet in Kelebi dimidium feudi unius militis de domino rege in capite de conquestu. Ingeramus de Munceus tenuit illud de dicto comite; et domus de Cotun fuit fundata in eodem ex dono dicti Ingerami in elemosina.

NUM. II.

Carta Alani de Muncels de tota Villa de Cotuna.

[Ex Registr. Nun-Cotun. penes Dudleium North de balneo militem, 1652, fol. 1.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis tam præsentibus quam futuris notum sit, me Alanum de Muncells dedisse, et concessisse, et præsentis cartæ meæ testimonio confirmasse Deo, et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ, et sanctis monialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, præsentibus et futuris, totam villam de Cotuna cum omnibus hominibus ejusdem villæ, et cum omnibus pertinentiis eidem villæ adjacentibus; in terris, et in pratis, in pascuis, et mariscis, in viis, in semitis, et in cæteris aisiamentis suis. Et in marisco de Stalingburg viginti et unam perticatam in latitudine, juxta pontem, et ad Schiresmurs viginti et unam perticatam juxta pratum de Riby, et ad Hovedecdeil septem perticatas in latitudine, et septem quadrantenas in longitudine; et toftum quod est propinquius Saltura in occidentali parte, et in Filecher duas perticatas, ad Grisewel unam perticatam, et in marisco de Haburch undecim perticatas in latitudine ad Belleswella, cum tota ejus longitudine, in puram et perpetuam et liberam elemosinam, et quietam ab omni consuetudine humana, et seculari exactione. Et ecclesiam de Cuchewald, cum duabus bovatis terræ de dominio meo, et pasturam ducentarum ovium in eadem villa de Cuchewald. Hæc omnia supradicta dedi, et concessi, et confirmavi Deo, et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Cotuna, et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, in puram, et perpetuam, et liberam elemosinam, pro salute animæ meæ, patris et matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, necnon et amicorum, et maximè pro salute Stephani comitis Albemarlæ, et Awisiæ uxoris suæ, et pro salute animæ sponsæ meæ, et omnium hæredum meorum. Hæc omnia supradicta ut determinata sunt, ego et hæredes mei warrantizabimus contra omnes homines, in perpetuum. Hiis testibus, Hacuno presbitero de Burgo, Haldano presbitero de Keleby, Simone filio ejus clerico, Rogero Crispin de Keleby, Richardo de Verlin, Alano de Verlin, Richardo de Scures, Willielmo filio Bernardi, Willielmo de Burch, Willielmo clerico de Keleby, Willielmo filio Viel, et multis aliis.

NUM. III.

Hæc est Carta et Confirmatio Engerami de Muncels de tota Villa de Cotun, et de Pastura CC. Ovium in Cuchewald.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis tam præsentibus quam futuris, notum sit, me Engelramum de Muncels dedisse concessisse et præsentis cartæ testimonio confirmasse Deo, et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Cotuna, et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, donationem patris mei Alani de Muncels, quam fecit eidem ecclesiæ et prædictis monialibus, cum assensu et consensu Matildis matris meæ, et omnium hæredum suorum; scilicet, totam villam de Cotuna, cum omnibus hominibus ejusdem villæ, et cum omnibus pertinentiis eidem villæ adjacentibus; scilicet, in terris, et in pratis, in pascuis, in mariscis, in viis, in semitis, et in cæteris aisiamentis, et in marisco de Stalingburg viginti et unam perticatam in latitudine juxta pontem, ad Schiresmurs, viginti et unam perticatam juxta pratum de Riby, ad Hovesdesdeil, septem perticatas in latitudine, et septem quadrantenas in longitudine, et toftum quod est propinquius Saltwar in occidentali parte. In Filecher duas perticatas, ad Gries-

welle juxta pratum Rogeri Crispini de Keleby, unam perticatam in marisco de Haburg, undecim perticatas in latitudine, ad Bellesuella quadraginta et unam perticatam in latitudine, in puram et perpetuam et liberam elemosinam, et quietam ab omni servitio et consuetudine humana, et seculari exactione. Et ecclesiam de Cuchewald, quam pater meus concessit eidem ecclesiæ, cum duabus bovatis terræ de dominio meo, et uno tofto similiter de dominio meo. Et ex dono meo pasturam ducentarum ovium in eadem villa de Cuchewald in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Ex dono Willielmi filii Richardi de Otringham unum toftum in Killinghelm quæ fuit Alwini Pellificis. Hæc omnia supradicta concessi, et confirmavi Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Cotuna, et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, in puram et perpetuam et liberam elemosinam, pro salute animarum patris et matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, necnon et amicorum, et maximè pro salute animæ Stephani comitis Albemarlæ, et Hawisiæ uxoris suæ, et pro salute animæ meæ, et omnium hæredum meorum. Hæc omnia supradicta, ut determinata sunt, ego et hæredes mei warrantizabimus contra omnes calumpniatores in perpetuum. Hujus confirmationis hii sunt testes, Philippus abbas de Tornetun, Thomas canonicus ejus, Philippus canonicus de Swyna, Alanus presbiter de Swalua, Ernisius presbiter de Egiligge, Johannes presbiter de Brocl. Simon presbiter de Keleby, Alexander presbiter de Castre, Willielmus decanus de Bracela, Robertus de Rowella, Willielmus persona de Norcotun.

NUM. IV.

Hoc est Privilegium Alexandri Papæ Monialibus de Cotun indultum.

[Ibid.]

ALEXANDER episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis in Christo filiabus Matildi priorissæ monasterii de Cotuna ejusque sororibus, tam præsentibus quam futuris, regularem vitam professis in perpetuum. Quociens illud à nobis petitur, quod religioni et honestati convenire dinoscitur, animo nos decet libenti concedere, et petentium desideriis congruum suffragium impertiri; eapropter, dilectæ in Christo filiæ, vestris justis postulationibus clementer annuimus, et monasterium vestrum in quo divino estis obsequio mancipatæ, ad exemplar prædecessoris nostri felicis memoriæ Anastatii, sub beati Petri et nostra protectione suscipimus, et præsentis scripti autoritate communimus. Inprimis siquidem statuantes ut ordo monasticus, qui in eodem monasterio, secundum Deum et beati Benedicti regulam institutus esse dinoscitur, perpetuis ibidem temporibus inviolabiliter observetur. Præterea quascunque possessiones, quæcunque bona idem monasterium in præsentiarum justè et canonicè possidet, aut in futurum, concessione pontificum, largitione regum, vel principum, oblatione fidelium, seu aliis justis modis, præstante Domino, poterit adipisci, firma vobis in perpetuum, et illibata permaneant. In quibus hæc propriis duximus exprimenda vocabulis. Ex dono Alani de Moncells, et Hingeram filii ejus, et hæredis, villam quæ vocatur Chotun, in qua fundatum est ipsum monasterium, cum omnibus hominibus ejusdem villæ, et natis et nascituris, et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, infra campum, et extra; scilicet, pratum quod est in campo de Stalingburg, viginti quatuor perticarum in latitudine juxta pontem, et viginti quatuor perticarum ad Sciredmurs, et septem perticarum in latitudine, et septem quarentenarum in longitudine juxta pratum de Riby. In Filacher duas perticatas. In marisco de Habur undecim perticatas in latitudine. Ex concessione Lincolniensis episcopi ecclesiam de Cukewald, unum toftum, et duas bovatas terræ in eadem villa liberas de dominio dicti Alani. Ex dono Juet de Verli, et promissione Richardi de Scires filii sui et hæredis, quatuor bovatas terræ et dimidiam in Cheleby cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex concessione episcopi Lincolniensis medietatem ecclesiæ de Cheleby, et unum toftum ex concessione ejusdem episcopi. Et de dono capi-

tuli de Suyna, concessu quoque Richardi de Verley, ecclesiam de Burg, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Matildis de Bayd duas bovatas terræ in Burg quæ fuerunt Ketel, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Ivonis de Scurby, et Henrici filii ejus et hæredis, duas bovatas terræ in Swalna, cum omnibus pertinentiis. Ex dono Alani de Verli unam bovatom terræ in eadem villa, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Rogeri filii Durandi, septem bovatas terræ in prædicta villa, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Thomæ de Laceles unam mansuram in Suualewe juxta pontem, quæ mansura est proxima domui vestræ, ex parte australi. Ex dono Lamberti de Scotenay unam bovatom terræ in Limberga, et duas garbas decimationis de dominio suo. Ex dono Albri Malet, et Simonis filii sui, et hæredis, duas bovatas terræ in Huscum cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Henrici clerici de Brokelesby viginti quatuor acras terræ in eadem villa, de dominio suo, duodecim ex una parte villæ, et duodecim ex altera. Ex dono Willielmi filii Bernardi, et Roberti filii sui et consensu Roberti de Calz domini sui, in Brochelesby, duas bovatas terræ; unam quæ fuit Smenlinh cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et alteram de dominio ipsius Willielmi, quatuordecim acræ sunt ex una parte villæ, et duodecim ex altera, cum mansuris suis. Ex dono Richardi filii Hugonis de Crocastun, quicquid habuit de feodo suo in Tornecroft. Ex dono Milonis molendinarii totam culturam quæ fuit de feodo suo et feodo Petri de Gausala, et quæ jacet inter viam de Rocastun et Thornecroft, et hæc est propinquior domui de Cotun ex parte orientali. Ex dono Willielmi de Burch unam acram in campo de Roxton super Ungeril. Ex dono Willielmi de Otrinhām unam mansuram in Childinholme; et quatuor solidos annuos in Achatorne. Ex dono Osmundi unam mansuram in Lincolnia, in Vicfort in eadem civitate, juxta aquam quæ vocatur Vidma. De mansura Edwini duodecim denarios annuales. Nilominus etiam tres bovatas terræ in Haburna, cum tribus mansuris, et omnibus pertinentiis suis; necnon et unam salinam in australi parte in marisco de Haburna, et unam piscaturam in Umbria quemadmodum eam Willielmus Berner, monasterio vestro, pia largitione contulit, et scripto authentico roboravit, vobis per vos eidem monasterio in perpetuum auctoritate apostolica confirmamus. Sanè novalium vestrorum, quæ propriis manibus aut sumptibus colitis, sive de nutrimentis animalium vestrorum, nullus à vobis decimas præsumat exigere, ubicunque fuerint. Sepulturam quoque illius loci liberam esse decernimus, ut eorum qui se illic sepeliri deliberaverint, nisi excommunicati, vel interdicti sint, devotioni et extremæ voluntati nullus obsistat, salva justitia illarum ecclesiarum à quibus mortuorum corpora assumuntur; et ut servientes vestros et hospites liberè vobis liceat in vestro cimiterio sepelire, auctoritate vobis apostolica indulgemus. Prohibemus insuper, ut nulli fratrum vel sororum post factam in eodem loco professionem, sine magistri et capituli licentia, de monasterio vestro discedere liceat, nisi voluerint ad arc-tiorem religionem transire; discedentes verò absque communium litterarum caucione nullus audeat retinere. Cum autem generale interdictum terræ fuerit, liceat vobis clausis januis, non pulsatis tintinnabulis, exclusis excommunicatis, et interdictis, suppressa voce, divina officia celebrare. Insuper etiam inhibemus ne episcopus seu alia quælibet persona pro crismate à vobis, vel ab ecclesiis vestris jus Paschale præsumat secundum pravam consuetudinem extorquere. Decernimus ergo ut nulli omnino liceat præfatum monasterium temerè perturbare, &c.

NUM. V.

Carta Henrici de Scruby.

[Ibid.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ fidelibus Willielmus filius Henrici de Scruby, salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me concessisse Deo et beatæ Mariæ et sanctimonialibus de Cotun, donationem illam quam Ivo de Graynesby, avus meus, et Henricus hæres ejus pater meus eis fecerunt; scilicet duas bovatas terræ ad gldum domini regis in villa de Swalue, liberas et quietas ab omni servitio, &c. videlicet terram illam quam ego Henricus filius Willielmi de Scruby recuperavi per breve domini regis Johannis, &c.

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NUM. VI.

Carta Regis Henrici tertii.

[In Registr. Cartarum de Nun-Cotun.]

H. DEI gratia, &c. vicecomiti Lincolnæ. Cum domus ordinis Cisterciensis à præstatione decimæ vobis à sede apostolica concessæ sint exemptæ, sicut in littera papali inde confecta plenius continetur. Ac dilectæ nobis in Christo moniales de Stikeswold, Grenefeld, Goucewell, Lekeburn, et Cotun sunt ordinis prædicti, sicut per litteras patentes venerabilis patris R. Lincolniensis episcopi plenius intelligimus; tibi præcipimus quatinus à distinctione quam prædictis monialibus facis pro decima prædicta omnino desistas. Et si quid de eadem decima, seu occasione ejusdem decimæ, præfatis monialibus à te perceptum fuerit, id eis sine dilatione restituas. Ita quod non oporteat nos ampliùs inde sollicitari. Teste meipso, &c. Dat. apud Westmonasterium vicesimo secundo die Octobris, anno regni nostri liij.

NUM. VII.

Hæ sunt Literæ Constitutionum Hugonis Lincoln. Episcopi in Visitatione.

[Ibid.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, H. Dei gratia Lincolnæ episcopus salutem in Domino. Cum ad congregationem ancillarum Christi de Cotun, causa visitationis, ex officii nostri debito faciendæ accederemus, ad ea quæ didiscimus ibidem corrigenda, remedium studuimus adhibere. Advertentes igitur multitudinem monialium ampliorem quam sustinere valeant domus illius facultates, habita deliberatione statuimus, cum consensu magistri, priorissæ, et conventus, quod congregatio monialium, de cætero, trigintarium numerum non excedat, sororum numerus sub denario concludatur, duodecim fratres conversi ad officia ruralia sint ibidem exercenda. Magister capellanus, cum duobus capellanis tantum, ad divina deputentur ad implenda. Nulli verò religionis habitus in eadem domo tribuatur donec minutus fuerit præsens conventus ad numerum prætaxatum, nisi propter manifestam domus utilitatem, et hoc ex speciali licentia dioccesani. Sigillum domus sub custodia magistri, priorissæ et monialium ad hoc communiter electæ, cujus religio fuerit et discretio approbata, sub clavi triplici reservetur, nec aliquod scriptum inde signetur, sine conscientia totius capituli, vel majoris vel sanioris partis ejusdem. Redditus omnes, instaure, proventus quicunque, singulis annis redigantur in scriptum, quod priorissæ et sub-priorissæ, et cæteris quatuor de melioribus et prudentioribus, à toto capitulo, vel majori ac saniori parte communiter electis, tradatur custodiendum. Magister et procuratores domus, totam pecuniam domus in denariis vel hujusmodi ex quacunque causa domui suæ provenientem cum coram eisdem sex numerata fuerit, sub sigillo magistri signatam ipsis tradent, quam eadem ad negotia domus expedienda quociens necesse fuerit, et quantum opus fuerit, sub fidei testimonio, tam magistri quam aliorum, sine difficultate liberabunt, et residuum sigillo magistri signatum iterato reponent. Singulis autem mensibus, eadem sex compotum audient de simplicibus ejusdem domus expensis. Et quoniam abdicatio proprietatis professioni religiosorum est annexa, firmiter inhibuimus ne qua vel quis in eadem domo, post susceptum religionis habitum, aliquid proprium habere præsumat, sed sint eis omnia communia. Eodem etiam pane, tam moniales, capellani, fratres et sorores, quam hospites vescantur, et potum habeant eundem; excepto quod infirmorum necessitati, prout oportunum fuerit, delicatius provideatur. Quia verò per frequentiam secularium quies religiosorum turbari solet, prohibuimus ne vir vel mulier recipiatur in habitu seculari moram facturum in domo memorata, nisi forsàn hospitalitatis gratia quis ibi pernoctaverit. Item ne quis vel qua, sive secularis persona, sive religiosæ professionis aliundè veniens, cum sola moniali solus vel sola loquatur, sed honesto testimonio, tali quod sinistra carcat suspitione, et cum licentia, secundum regulam suam ab hiis quæ præsumunt, obtenta. Præterea quia religiosi, et præsertim in sexu mulieri, discurrere vel vagari modis omnibus est inhonestum, constituimus ne soror, vel monialis, apud grangiam moretur, causa nutrimentorum animalium, vel aliqua qualibet occasione. Moniales etiam, causa visi-

tandi proximos, aut parentes, nullatenus extramittantur, ex earum sola voluntate vel levi qualibet occasione, nec tandem ullo modo, sine magistri et priorissæ licentia speciali, et maxima ac cognita necessitate. Quia simoniaca pravitas plures, in errores et interitum adduxit, animarum salutî providere volentes, districtè prohibuimus, ne vir vel mulier, pro pecunia vel re qualibet temporali, recipiatur unquam ibidem ex pacto. Sub anathematis interminatione præcipientes quod omnia præmissa salubriter a nobis constituta firmiter ab omnibus utriusque sexus in eadem domo servantur inperpetuum.

NUM. VIII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

PRIORATUS MONIALIUM DE NUNCOTTON.

Unde JOHANNA TOMPSON est Priorissa.

Valet clare . . .	46 <i>l</i> .	17 <i>s</i> .	7 <i>d</i> .
Inde pro decima . . .	4 <i>l</i> .	13 <i>s</i> .	9 <i>d</i> . q.

NUM. IX.

From a Pension Book in the Augmentation Office, temp. Hen. VIII.

THE NUNRYE OF NUNCOTTON.

Furste to Johanne Tompson late p^oores there 6*l*. To Alice Colman 2*l*. To Alice Passmire 2*l*. To Elyno^o He-
liarde 1*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. To Alice Fedeff 1*l*. 10*s*. To Johanne
Bruane 1*l*. 10*s*. To Doritie Bucke 1*l*. 10*s*. To Alice
Robynson 1*l*. 10*s*. To Margaret Tanson 1*l*. 10*s*. To
Elizabeth Skypwithe 1*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. To Margaret Hostybye
1*l*. 10*s*. To Esabell Eorsbye 1*l*. 10*s*. To Margaret
Dynwell 1*l*. 10*s*. To Margaret Jacklynge 1*l*. 10*s*.

All these Pençõns afore writen to be paide at two vsuaft termes in the yere. Viz. at Mychelms next cõmyng, and at the feast of the Annvnçyaçõn of o^r Ladye then next folowyng by equaft porçõns, in consideraçõn that the kyng^e grace shall receave Michelms rentt, and the pties shall be at charge yn cõmyng vpp to London so sew for y^e assurance of y^r annuaft pençõns. And therefore I dydd assigne the furst

paymentt to begyn at Michalms. W'ten at Lyñcoln the xvij. daye of Julye.

Yo^r boundon orato^r.
JOH'N LONDON.

NUM. X.

COMPUT. MINISTORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll, 31 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NONCOTTON NUPER PRIORATUS.

Com' Linc'	£.	s.	d.
Kelyngham, Croxston, Cokewole, Rough- well, Swalloo, Lymber, et Harburgh —Redd' assis' liber' tenentium in villis et parochijs illis	0	18	10
Keylby—Firma terr' et rector' . . .	11	6	8
Kyrnington—Firma divers' terr' . . .	0	8	0
Brokelsbye—Firma un' cotag' . . .	0	4	8
Croxton—Firma divers' terr' . . .	0	18	0
Kaster—Firma un' gardin' . . .	0	1	0
Cokewold—Firma cotag' et terr' . . .	0	13	4
Cokewold—Firma un' claus' . . .	0	1	0
Halton—Firma cotag' et terr' . . .	0	14	0
Swalowe—Firma un' domus . . .	1	16	0
Hayburgh—Firma cotag' . . .	1	16	6
Nunclose—Firma un' clausi . . .	1	6	8
Lowthe—Firma un' domus . . .	0	13	4
Lowthe—Firma un' cotag' . . .	0	6	8
Brokelsby—Firma ten' cum terr' . . .	1	7	4
Burgh super Bayne—Firma divers' terr'	2	0	0
Cokewolde—Firma un' ten' . . .	0	15	0
Cokewolde—Firma al' ten' . . .	0	13	4
Howsons—Firma divers' terr' . . .	0	10	0
Lymber—Firma un' ten' . . .	1	6	8
Swynflete—Firma un' ten' . . .	1	0	0
Croxston—Pencio de rector' . . .	2	3	4
Lymburgh Magna—Penc' de ecclia . . .	0	6	8
Burgh super Bayne—Penc' de ecclia . . .	0	6	8
Cuckwolde—Penc' de ecclia . . .	0	6	8
Skendylby—Firma terr' . . .	11	6	7
Partenay—Firma terr' . . .	0	12	4
Partenay—Tolnet' nundin' . . .	0	6	8
Skendylby et Partenay—Perquis' cur' .	0	8	10
Nuncotton—Terr' dominical' . . .	15	1	4

Dunkeswell Abbey, in Devonshire.



UNKESWELL ABBEY was founded in 1201 by William de Briwere, the same who founded the houses of Torr and Polslo.^a Dugdale has printed King Henry the Third's confirmation charter of the possessions of Dunkeswell.^b Mr. Oliver, in his Historic Collections relating to the Monasteries in Devon, has furnished the following List of its

ABBATS.

- THOMAS, who occurs Sept. 29th, 1253.
- JOHN, who became abbat, Oct. 17, 1311.
- WILLIAM, confirmed on Palm Sunday, 1318.
- WILLIAM DE STANLAKE, admitted Sept. 8th, 1321.
- JOHN.
- SIMON, 22d Feb. 1341.

^a Compare Oliver's Historic Collections, p. 75.
^b Compare the Appendix.
^c Historic Collect. pp. 76, 77.

- WILLIAM WEDMORE confirmed April 7th, 1353.
- ALEXANDER BURLESCOMBE admitted Aug. 1397.
- RICHARD LAMPORT succeeded July 17th, 1399.
- JOHN BOKELOND admitted June 10th, 1410.
- JOHN OTERY confirmed 26th April, 1439.
- SIMON succeeded Feb. 13th, 1441.
- THOMAS DULLTON occurs in 1478, and again in 1486.
- RICHARD PYTMYSTER occurs Sept. 1st, 1498.
- JOHN WHITMORE occurs July 6th, 1509.
- JOHN LEY, the last abbat, was confirmed June 23d, 1529.

“In numerous indentures and leases,” says Mr. Oliver, “still extant, I observe frequent mention is made of their manors of Hackepen, Broadhembry, Shildon, Shabbecombe, Bolham, Bowerhays, Wolveston, Auliscombe, Werynstone, Ugstom, Wollfarwchurche, and Old Dunkeswell. The abbey had property also in the parishes of Coleton Rawleigh, Payhembry, Uffculm, Kentisbere Dodington, and Honiton. In Exeter, a house and garden, situated in St. Paul's parish, belonged to the abbey, and which, I think, was the Abbat's town house.” The parish church of Dunkeswell was appropriated to the abbey.^c

The following are the possessions of the abbey as recorded in the Taxation of 1291:
“Abbas de Donkeswell habet maner. de Wlfrechurche quod tax.

In the 26th of Henry VIIIth, the Abbey of Dunkeswell was found to be endowed with a gross revenue of 298*l.* 11*s.* 10*d.* The net income appears to have been 294*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.* The account of the pensions granted to the monks of this House at the Dissolution will be found in the notes below:^a together with Tanner's and some other references relating to its history and possessions.^b

Mr. Oliver says, "In the letters patent of Henry VIII. dated 4 July, 1540, in which that monarch bestowed on Lord John Russell so great a proportion of abbey and church lands situated in the county of Devon, the grant of Dunkeswell forms a distinguishing feature. It is therefore unaccountable that Sir William Pole should positively pronounce, p. 203 of his Collections, 'that the Abbey of Dunkeswell continued in the crown until King James I. added it unto the revenue of the Duchy of Cornwall.' This egregious mistake will be sufficiently exposed by quoting the words of the letters patent. 'Insuper ex uberiori gratia nostra speciali et ex certa scientia et mero motu nostris damus et pro consideratione prædicta, per præsentis, pro nobis, hæredibus, et successoribus nostris concedimus præfato Johanni Russell militi, baroni Russell, totam domum et scitum nuper Monasterii sive Abbathie B. Mariæ Virginis de Dunkyswell in dicto comitatu nostro Devon. modo dissolut. ac totam ecclesiam campanile, ac cæmeterium ejusdem nuper monasterii, ac

omnia messuagia, domos, ædificia, grangias, orrea, stabula, columbaria, stagna, vivaria, ortos, pomaria, gardina, terram, et solum nostra, tam infra quam extra scitum, septum, ambitum, circuitum, et præcinctum ejusdem nuper Monasterii de Dunkyswell existentia, ac molendinum nostrum aquaticum, duo gardina et quatuor curtilagia cum pertinentiis in Olde Donkyswell in dicto comitatu nostro Devon, quæ dicto nuper Monasterio de Dunkyswell spectabant sive pertinebant.' Then follows an enumeration of various parcels of land, comprehending about sixteen hundred acres, besides other property belonging to the abbey, which the king bestows on baron Russell, together with the advowson, patronage, and appropriation of the parish churches of Old Dunkeswell, Auliscombe, and of a free chapel there."

Mr. Oliver says the ARMS of this abbey were precisely those of the founder, viz. Two Bends wavy.

In the Office of the Duchy of Lancaster is an Impression of a SEAL of one of the abbats of Dunkeswell, representing an abbat with his crozier. Legend, SIGILLVM . ABBATIS . DE . DUNKEWELE. It is in good preservation, but small in size.

Dunkeswell Abbey was situated near Honiton.

Cartae ad Dunkewellensem Abbatiam, in agro Devo-
niensi spectantes; fundatam anno Mccj.^c

NUM. I.
Carta Regis Henrici tertii, Donatorum Concessionem recitans et confirmans.
[Cart. 11 H. III. part. 1. mem. 21.]

H. REX, &c. archiepiscopis, episcopis, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse et præsentem cartam nostram confirmasse in perpetuum elemosinam abbacie de Dunekewell et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus omnes rationabiles donationes et concessionem et venditiones subscriptas; scilicet ex dono Willielmi Briwer omnes terras quæ fuerunt ejusdem Willielmi in Dunekewell, et Wulferetherth cum advocationibus ecclesiarum prædictarum terrarum et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis. Ex dono ejusdem Willielmi totam terram quam habuit in manerio de Offecolum cum molendino quod in prædicta terra situm est, et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis. Ex dono abbatis de Forda et conventus totum jus quod idem abbas et conventus habuerunt in Bywude, et omnes terras quas habuerunt in Boleham, et Freschic, et in Bocland, et in Lodreford, et in Hickeresdon, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Ricardi de Hydon totam terram ejusdem Ricardi de Bureheg, scilicet quatuor ferlingas terræ cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Ricardi Treminett totam terram quam habuit in

Bantestnap cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Willielmi de Pynn totam terram quam habuit in Bantestnap cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Johannis de Thoriton unum ferlingum terræ in Stenetewude cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Ivonis filii Alani totum manerium de Sovbecumbe cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex concessione Ricardi de Manesleg totum tenementum quod habuit in Marlecumbe cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex concessione Thomæ de Duna totam terram ejusdem Thomæ de Uggetone cum toto tenemento suo de Codeforde et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex venditione Ph. de Gatesden unum ferlingum terræ in Uggetone cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex concessione Roberti filii Anne. totum jus quod habuit vel habere potuit de terra de Linor et pertinentiis suis. Ex dono Urselli filii Willielmi totum jus quod habuit vel habere potuit in tenemento de Linor et pertinentiis suis, et in toto tenemento de Bivude et pertinentiis suis. Ex concessione Roberti nepotis Roberti le Goiz totum jus quod habuit vel habere potuit in terra de Linor et pertinentiis suis. Ex dono aviciæ de Dun totam terram quam habuit apud Hoked; illam scilicet terram quam Robertus Coc et Semer frater ejus tenuerunt. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum, &c. xx. die Febr. anno xj.

5*l.* 16*s.* Apud Biwode quod tax. 3*l.* 6*s.* Apud Burhei et Steintewode, 4*l.* 6*s.* Apud Bolescumbe, 2*l.* 8*s.* Apud Dunkeswell, 2*l.* 4*s.* Apud Schildene, 4*l.* 4*s.* Apud Hidon, 1*l.* 10*s.* Apud Levepud, 1*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* Apud Epotery, 4*s.* Maner. de Hembur, 10*l.* Apud Huggeton, 16*s.* Apud Weringgeston, 1*l.* 10*s.* Apud Sengetil, 3*s.* Apud Havcklonde, 3*l.* 14*s.* Apud Dodeton, 1*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* Maner. de Hankepenne, 7*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* Maner. de Boklonde Bruere, 7*l.* 8*s.* Maner. de Lencumbe, 6*l.* 13*s.* 8*d.*"
Summa 64*l.* 12*s.* 0*d.*
Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. p. 152.

^a DUNKESWELL, in Com. Devon.

Herafter ensuith the yerely pencons assigned and appoynted to the late Abbott and Covent. of Donkeswell afforesaid, by John Tregonwell, William Petre, and John Smyth, esquyers, Comysioners unto our Souereigne Lord the King, by vertue of his Graces Commissioners, the xvth. daye of February in the xxxth. yere of the reigne of our seid soueraigne lord King Henry VIIIth. that they, and every of them, to have one quarter of a yer's pencon at the fleaste of thanunciacon of Our Lady next comyng, and at Michelmas then next folowing half yere pencon, and so, from half yere to half yere, during ther liffs.

That is to sey,
Ffirst to John Ley, Abbott ther 1^{li}.
Item to John Webbe vi^{li}.
It. to William Boreman vi^{li}.
It. John Gaye is appointed the cure of Shel-
don, and he to have therfor by yere vi^{li}. xiii^s.

iiii^d. And if he shall happin to be im-
tent then he to have for his peneon yerely
It. to John Segar cvi^s. viii^d.
It. to John Genyng cvi^s. viii^d.
It. to John Benett iii^{li}. xiii^s. iii^d.
It. to Thomas Typson iii^{li}. xiii^s. iii^d.
It. to Thomas Typson iii^{li}. xiii^s. iii^d.
Sm^a of all the yerely pencions iii^{li} xvi^{li}. xiii^s. iii^d.
JO. TREGONWELL.
WILLYAM PETRE.
JOHN SMYTH.

^b A Register of Donkeswell Abbey is cited in Holland's translation of Camden's Britannia. Tanner gives the following References, concerning it, to public Records. Cart. 7 Joan. m. 1, n. 9. Cart. 16 Joan. n. 2, m. 1. Fin. 11 Hen. III. m. 9 et 10. de man. de Hembiri, &c. Claus. 13 Hen. III. m. 10. de terra in Seeton. Pat. 14 Hen. III. m. 2. d. Cart. 18 Edw. I. n. 13. pro mercat. et feriis apud Bockland Bruer, et Brodhembre, necon pro lib. war. in dictis maneriis et in Scalecomb, Weringston, Hakpen, Uggeston, Haverlond, Roditon, Buke-wood, Bolham, Aulescumb, Walfercherch, Bureley, Bywode, Stilden, Stainbord, et Ulcomb [Devon]. Pat. 27 Edw. I. m. 35 et 38 d. de maner. de Hakepen. Pat. 46 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 19. pro ten. in Brodehemburye." See also Rot. Hundred. vol. i. p. 102. Abbrev. Plac. p. 277. Plac. de Quo War. p. 171.
^c Chron. S. Werburgæ Cestr. in bibl. Cottoniana.

NUM. II.
Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.
ABBATHIA MONASTERII BEATÆ MARIÆ DE DUNKYSWYLL.
Summa totalis possessionum dicti abbatis tam temporal'
quam spiritual' clare oneribus deductis 294*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.*
Inde pro decima . 29*l.* 9*s.* 10*d.* q.

NUM. III.			
COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.			
[Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]			
DUNKYSWELL NUPER MONASTERIUM.			
Com' Devon'	£.	s.	d.
Colyton—Reddit' lib' ten'	0	18	6
Colyton—Reddit' tam convenc'			
quam cust'.	11	15	8
Colyton—Perquis' cur'	0	3	4
Mokerlond—Reddit' assis'	11	7	8
Dotton—Reddit' assis'	7	2	8
Dotton—Firma capell'	1	6	8
Hovyngton—Reddit' ten'	1	0	0
Raplynhays—Reddit' mes'	3	3	8
Owlecombe—Reddit' terr'	4	11	4
Cheriton Fitz Payne—Reddit' ten'	0	5	0
Exon—Redd' ten'	0	2	6
Com' Somcr'			
Brigewater—Redd' curtilag'	0	12	0
Com' Devon'			
Warmston—Redd' lib' ten'	0	5	1
Warmston—Redd' conv' ten'	5	16	6
Warmston—Amerciamenta	0	3	1
Wolneston—Redd' lib' ten'	0	10	8
Wolneston—Redd' custum' ten'	8	8	1

Com' Devon'	£.	s.	d.
Wolneston—Perquis' cur'	0	6	2
Shavecombe—Redd' conv' ten'	10	4	1
Shavecombe—Perquis' cur'	0	0	11
Sheldon et Seynthill—Redd' conv'			
ten'	12	2	1
Sheldon—Firma grangiae	4	0	8
Sheldon—Firma rector'	6	6	8
Sheldon—Perquis' cur'	0	0	9
Donkyswell—Redd' conv' ten'	19	18	10
Donkyswell—Firma scit' cum terr'			
dominic'	16	0	0
Donkyswell—Perquis' cur'	0	14	3
Bolham cum Buckland Rotch—			
Redd' lib' ten'	0	4	6
Bolham, &c.—Redd' conv' et cust'			
ten'	10	2	3 ob.
Buckland Rotch—Firma mesuag'	2	13	4
Hackpen—Redd' lib' ten'	0	16	0
Hackpen—Redd' conv' et cust' ten'	29	15	5 ob. q.
Leynor—Firma terr'	2	0	0
Hackpen—Firma maner'	2	3	1
Hackpen—Perquis' cur'	0	14	6
Brodehenbury—Redd' lib' ten'	1	10	8
Brodchenbury—Redd' cust' ten'	33	11	11
Brodchenbury—Firma grangiae	12	0	0
Brodchenbury—Perquis' cur'	0	6	0
Lyncombe—Redd' lib' ten'	1	8	10 ob.
Lyncombe—Redd' cust' ten'	10	11	6
Bucklandbruer—Redd' lib' ten'	1	4	10
Bucklandbruer—Redd' cust' ten'	22	9	11
Bucklandbruer—Perquis' cur'	0	19	4
Dunkeswell et Awlescombe—Fir-			
ma rect'	5	11	8

Beaulieu Abbey, Bewley, or De Bello Loco Regis,

IN THE NEW FOREST, IN HAMPSHIRE.



EAULIEU ABBEY was founded in the beginning of the thirteenth century by King John. The annals of Parcolude say in 1201; Matthew Paris, in 1205, by whom we are also informed that the church was not finished and dedicated till 1246. The chronicle of St. Benet of Hulme, which Tanner follows, dates the foundation in 1204.^a It was built to the honor of the Virgin Mary, and was endowed for thirty monks. The circumstances which occasioned King John to found this Abbey, with his foundation Charter, will be seen in the Appendix:^b together with a previous charter to the abbey of Cisteaux in France, granted for the support of some monks at Faringdon,^c whose endowment was transferred hither, as will be hereafter stated. Among the privileges conferred upon this abbey by papal provision was that of sanctuary. Margaret of Anjou, queen of Henry the Sixth, and Perkin Warbeck, sought refuge there.

^a So also the chron. de Hayles et Aberconwey, MS. Harl. 3725. "A.D. m.cc.iv. fundatur abb. de Bello Loco per regem Johannem, ad quem locum circa festum Penthecosten venit conventus cum proprio abbate de Cistec."
^b Numm. II. IV. ^c Num. III.
^d "H. abbas," occurs 11 July, 16 Joh. A.D. 1215. MS. Harl. 6957. p. 8.
^e A.D. 1280. "Obiit Dionysius abbas Belli Loci." Annal. Wi-gorn. Angl. Sac. i. 505.

ABBATS of BEAULIEU.

Dugdale, in the Appendix to Newenham Abbey, has given the following names, from the Register of that House, of persons who were abbats of Beaulieu.

HUGH was the first abbat.
HUGH.^d
ALCIUS DE GISORTIO.
DIONYSIUS.^e
WILLIAM DE GISORTIO, or GISORS.^f
ROBERT DE BOCLONDE.
PETER DE CHICHESTER.
WILLIAM DE HAMELDON.^g

Cole, in one of his manuscripts, mentions RALPH as elected abbat in 1107.^h

WALTER HERING, or HERRING, was clected in 1372. He died in the 15th Ric. II. in which year, on Jan. 6th, the custody of the abbey was given to Thomas, earl of Kent, and Tideman de Winchecombe, a monk of the Cistercian Order:ⁱ which

TIDEMAN DE WINCHECOMBE was elected abbat, 18th Aug. 17 Ric. II. and had the temporalities restored to him on Oct. 24th.^k Cole says he was made bishop of Llandaf in 1394.^l

RICHARD DE MIDDLETON was clected in 1394.^m
JOHN GLOUCESTER, 1397.ⁿ

^f "W. de Gisors elect." Ibid.
^g See the Append. to Newenham Abbey a few pages onward.
^h MS. Cole, vol. xxvi. ⁱ Pat. 15 Ric. II. p. 2.
^k Pat. 17 Ric. II. p. 1.
^l MS. Cole, vol. xxvi. fol. 87 b.
^m Ibid.
ⁿ "Contentio inter Johannem Gloucestr. nunc abbatem S. M. Belli Loci Regis et Ricardum de Middleton tunc abbatem pretensum ejusdem monasterii. 20 Maj." Pat. 20 Ric. II. p. 2.



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Beaulieu Abbey, Hampshire, 1813. North West View.

RICHARD DE MIDDLETON, or MIDDLETON, was restored to this office in 1400.^a

WILLIAM SULBURY occurs in 1425.^b

WILLIAM WOBURN, 1429.^c

HUMPHREY, 1490.^d

THOMAS SKEVYNGTON. He was consecrated bishop of Bangor in 1509.^e

JOHN BROWNING; who was succeeded about 1535 by THOMAS STEPHENS.^f

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the gross amount of the revenues of Beaulieu Abbey rose to 428*l.* 6*s.* 8¼*d.* The clear income was 326*l.* 13*s.* 2¾*d.*

The Scite was granted in the 30th of Henry the Eighth to Thomas Wriothesley, esq. afterwards earl of Southamp-

ton. In the reign of William the Third, the abbey estate passed, by marriage with the heiress of the Wriothesleys, to Ralph Lord Montague, afterwards duke of Montague, from whom, through the daughters of John, second duke of Montague, the scite and manor descended to the Lord Beaulieu and the duke of Buccleugh, the latter of whom is the present owner. The circumference of the manor is said to embrace an extent of twenty-eight miles; the revenue amounting to more than five thousand pounds a year.

Tanner's References to Manuscripts and Records relating to this Monastery, are transcribed in the note below.^g The contents of the CHARTULARY of BEAULIEU to which he refers in the Cottonian Collection, *Nero A. xii.* will be found abstracted in another note.^h

^a Pat. 11 Hen. IV. p. 2. 1 Jun.

^c Ibid.

^e Ibid.

^b MS. Cole, vol. xxvi.

^d Ibid.

^f Ibid.

^g *Vide* "Registrum Cartarum monasterii de Bello loco in agro Southamptonensi, de maneriis, redditibus, consuetudinibus, appropriationibus ecclesiarum, compositionibus, privilegiis, aliisque ad idem monasterium pertinentibus, MS. in bibl. Cotton. Nero A. xii. 1.

"Excerpta ex Registro hujus abbatiæ bibl. Harl. MSS. 6602, 6603. n. 3. In eadem bibl. MS. 433. fol. 133. Letter to the abbat of Beuley to appear before the king and counsel with all and every such muniments and writings, by which he claimed to have sanctuary at Bewley. MS. 892. p. 90. of the conversion of the abbat's dining-hall into the parish church. MS. 6748. fol. 17. Cartam R. Johannis. MS. 6805, n. 7. Charter containing the grant of a free warren and other privileges.

"In bibl. Bodl. Oxon. MS. Dodsworth, vol. lv. fol. 53. Nomina Abbatum, vol. cx. fol. 123. de abbatiæ de Beaulieu. In MS. Dodsworth, vol. lxxviii. fol. 116. citatur liber abbatiæ de Bello Loco R. in bibl. Cotton. Vitell. F. 1. sed deest in Catalogo Smithiano.

"Cartas quasdam originales hujus abbatiæ penes v. cl. Joannem Anstis arm. quem penes Collectanea quædam magistri Thynni de abbatibus.

"Cart. antiq. R. Joan. G. 15. Rot. de terris Norman. 6 Joan. n. 221. de terris in Salferton. Claus. 6 Joan. m. 20. de manerio de Selstone, Oxon. Plac. apud Westm. 13 Joan. Hill. rot. 12 de advoc. eccl. de Stanton. Cart. 16 Joan. m. 4, n. 22. de servitio Rogeri de Kively burgensis Bristol. Claus. 5 Hen. III. m. 2. Claus. 7 Hen. III. m. 4. de commun. pastur. in Nova Foresta. Claus. 12 Hen. III. m. 14. Cart. 19 Hen. III. m. 1. de Soberton et Flexlond. Pat. 19 Hen. III. m. 2 vel 3. de carucat. c. terræ in Nova Foresta. Cart. 20 Hen. III. m. 7. Cart. 31 Hen. III. m. 3. de ccxxxix. acris in Nova Foresta et libertatibus in Farendon. Cart. 53 Hen. III. m. 13. Pat. 27 Edw. I. m. 1 vel 2. pro assartis et includendis lx. acr. vasti apud Nutley juxta Norbury. Pat. 28 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 4 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 22. de mess. et terr. in Wippingham. Ibid. m. 24. de mess. et terr. in Catfield. Pat. 5 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 6. de terris in Upton et Holeybury. Cart. 6 Edw. II. n. 35. Ibid. n. 40. pro mercat. apud Cheping Farendon, Berks. Brev. 7 Edw. II. Trin. rot. 4. Pat. 7 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 13. Ibid. p. 2, m. 12. de decem marc. reddit. in Halston, Cornub. Pat. 10 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 33. de mess. et terr. in Hippele et Suthinton. Ibid. p. 2, m. 23. Pat. 12 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 22. de terr. in Hippele. Claus. 14 Edw. II. m. 6. de terris in Schulton, Farndon, &c. Claus. 16 Edw. II. m. 19, 20. Pat. 17 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 2. de ccxx. acris vasti in Nova Foresta. Pat. 18 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 34. dorso. Cart. 2 Edw. III. n. 89. Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 27. de appropriatione eccl. de Kaverham [*f.* Kyeran] Cornw. et de reddit. in Helston. Pat. 3 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 33 vel 34. Rec. in Scacc. 4 Edw. III. Hill. rot. . Pat. 18 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 4. pro eccl. S. Kyerani, Cornw. Claus. 20 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 12. de maner. de Inglesham et Farendon. Esc. 35 Edw. III. p. 1. n. 122. de feodo ducis Lancastr. in Talton. Cart. 39 Edw. III. n. 6. pro lib. war. in Ide, Ippelle, Holeybury, Coleburye, Soberton, Burgate, Upton, et Wippingham, Southampt. Cokeswell magna et parva, Wyke, Inglesham, Farendon parva, et Shulton, Berks. et Tregonan, Cornw. Pat. 41 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 3. pro ten. in Wippingham et Middleton. Pat. 48 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 17. Pat. 49 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 10. de libertat. in S. Kyverano, Cornw. Plac. de foresta, Southampt. temp. Edw. III. rot. 13. dorso, et rot. 18 et 21. Pat. 3 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 24. Pat. 4 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 16. Cart. 15 Ric. II. n. 11. de commun. pastur. in foresta de Bere pro tenentibus abbatibus in Soberton. Rec. in Scacc. 22 Ric. II. Hill. rot. 4. de Caldecote et molendino vocat. Kynwermill, Berks. Pat. 2 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 2. Inquis. Cornub. 5 vel 8. Hen. IV. n. 7. de terris et bonis abbatiæ vastatis. Pat. 10 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 21. pro eccl. de Newchurch Vect. approprianda. Pat. 11 Hen. IV. m. 1. Pat. 12 Hen. IV. m. 29. de manerio de Soperton. Inquis. Berks. 2 Hen. V. n. 8. de manerio de Wike, gaola de Ferendon, et reparatione viæ regiæ inter Farendon et Rodcote. Rec. in Scacc. 3 Hen. V. Hill. rot. 47. de Caldecote juxta Farendon et molendino ibidem. Ibid. 5 Hen. V. Mich. rot. 26. Pat. 1 Hen. VI. p. 3, m. 2. Esc. Southampt. n. 71. de manerio de Est Hamelford, Vect. perquisito in manum mortuam sine licentia. Rec. in Scacc. 6 Hen. VI. Pasch. rot. 10 et 11. Pat. 2 Edw. IV. p. 3, m. 25 vel 26. Cart. 8, &c. Edw. IV. n. 7. pro mercat. infra clausum monasterii, feria apud Cheping Farendon, pro commun. pastur. in forestis de la Bere et Porchestre, wrecco maris, et aliis libertatibus."

See also Rot. Hundr. vol. i. pp. 3, 9, 10, 15; vol. ii. p. 168. Abbrev. Plac. pp. 85, 89, 165, 255. Placita de Quo war. pp. 8, 26, 108.

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office. "Beawlewe. De abbate et conventu de Beawlewe in com. Southampton occasionato ad reddendum regi de bonis et catallis pretii 24*l.* 10*s.* quæ fuerunt Johannis Coupere felonis." Triu. Record. 10 Hen. V. rot. 11.

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^h The contents are,

1. Carta regis Johannis facta Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ Cistercii de manerio de Farendon cum suis pertinentiis, fol. 5.

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7. Privilegium Alexandri papæ pro divinis celebrandis in grangiis, pontif. an. 1. fol. 20.

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10. Appropriatio ecclesiarum de Schulton, de Inglesham, et de Cokeswell, et ordinatio vicariarum, fol. 21 b.

11. Compositio inter abbatem et capitulum Sar. de decimis manerii de Farendon, fol. 25.

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13. Consuetudines approbatæ inter vicarium de Cokeswelle et parochianos suos de decimis, fol. 30.

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15. Compositio prima inter abbatem et conventum et capitulum Lincoln. et rectorem de Langford de decimis, fol. 34 b.

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20. De eodem inter easdem domos, fol. 41 b.

21. Carta Johannis de Boville de dimidia acra prati in Redcote, fol. 43.

22. Carta Hawisiæ de Boville de prædicto prato, fol. 43 b.

23. Carta ejusdem de quodam fossato in Redcote, fol. 44 b.

24. Concordia inter abbatem, et priorem hosp. de Jerl'm de secta hominum dicti prioris ad hund. de Farendon, fol. 45 b.

25. Scriptum Will. de Hastinge militis de non intrando warennam et de molendino de Kyndelwer, fol. 46 b.

26. Scriptum Mathiæ de Besilles domini de Redcote quod ab. et conv. possint libere ire et redire cum navibus et navicellis suis circa molend. de Kindelwere, fol. 47 b.

27. Carta G. Bessilles quod abb. et conv. possint oves lavare et contra fluxum aquæ variare, fol. 48 b.

28. Carta Fulconis filii Warini de ij^a. de nundin. de Wanetyng, fol. 50.

29. Confirmatio Fulconis filii Warini de ij^a. annui redd. apud Wanetyng, fol. 50 b.

30. Compositio inter abbatem, et priorem de Langthorn juxta Gloucester. de secta hominum de Beringthon, fol. 52.

31. Privilegium quod possessiones abbatiæ non taxantur nec per apostolica scripta nisi de ordine Cisterc. fecerint mentionem, fol. 53 b.

32. Carta Will. de Rampene de Wyka sua in Heillescumbe in villa de Chilreye, fol. 54 b.

33. Carta ejusdem de xij^d. quos H. Heylescumbe redd. pro dim. virg. terræ, fol. 55 b.

34. Conventio inter abbatem et R. de Wyke de Wyka prædicta et i. virg. terræ, 42 Hen. III. fol. 56.

35. Scriptum inter abbatem et Mich. de Meledon de servitiis factis pro terris in Langford, fol. 58 b.

36. Carta Johannis de Inglesham de redditione cartæ per quam fuit feoffatus de manerio de Inglesham, fol. 59 b.

37. Carta Johannis de Inglesham quam facit de toto manerio de Inglesham tenend. de rege, fol. 60 b.

38. Carta Nich. fil. Willielmi de Luteshull de quatuor sol. annui redd. de ten. in Farendon et Inglesham, fol. 61.

39. Procuratorium vicariorum de Schulton et Inglesham sive de Cokeswell, A.D. 1330, fol. 61 b.

40. Procuratorium originale custod. manerii de Farendon, fol. 63.

41. Littera substituto facienda pro custod. manerii de Farendon, fol. 65.

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The COMMON SEAL of this Abbey attached to the Surrender in the Augmentation Office, dated 2d April, 29 Hen. 8. was very elaborate, the subject being the Virgin and Child, with a number of persons on their knees praying on each side of them, the whole surmounted by a triple canopy; underneath in a shield, the arms of the abbey. A crozier in a crown, on the sides of the shield a fleur-de-lys and lion passant. Legend. SIGILLVM . COMVNE . MONASTERRIJ . BELLI . LOCI . REGIS.

The immediate precincts of Beaulieu Abbey were encircled by a stone wall, nearly a mile and a quarter in circumference, entered by a stone gateway.

The *Abbat's Lodgings*, immediately after the Dissolution, were altered and converted into a dwelling house, in which condition they still remain. A building eastward of this edifice is thought to have been the *Dormitory*. The ancient *Kitchen* is also standing; and near it the *Refectory*, now used as the parish church of Beaulieu, a plain stone edifice with buttresses, a raftered roof, and a rostrum of stone, now used as a pulpit, from which the lessons, &c. were read to the monks during their meals. This part of the Remains of Beaulieu has been engraved for the present Work. Traces of the *Cloisters* are discernible; and the fish-ponds of the monks at a little distance.

LANACHEBRAN, or LAN-A KEBRAN, *alias* ST. KEVRAN, in the Deanery of Kerrier, in Cornwall, was a CELL to BEAULIEU. Here, says Tanner, was a society of Secular Canons, at or about the time of the Conquest, dedicated to St. Achebran:^a and afterwards here was a Cell of Cistercian Monks subordinate to Beaulieu; and the manor here, as parcel of the possessions of Beaulieu, was granted, in the 2d year of Queen Elizabeth, to Francis Earl of Bedford.^b

FARINGDON, or FARENDON, in Berkshire, was also a CELL to BEAULIEU. Tanner gives the following account of this Cell. He says, "Some Cistercian monks happening to fix here, King John, 2 Nov. A. D. 1203, gave the whole manor to the head house of St. Mary, at Cistercium, or Cisteux, in France, upon condition that an abbey should be forthwith built within the same: but the same king having founded in the next year a large monastery of that order at Beaulieu, in Hampshire, it was agreed by all parties that this donation should be transferred thither; so that here were settled only some few monks, subordinate to the Convent of Beaulieu; and, as parcel of the possessions of that abbey, this manor, hundred, the fairs, and other liberties were granted to Sir Francis Englefield, in the 2d of Queen Mary."^c

Cartae ad Abbatiam de Bello-Loco Regis, in agro Hantonensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

[Ex Chron. S. Bened. de Hulmo in bibl. Cottoniana, A. 1204.]

ANNO millesimo ducentesimo quarto Johannes rex construxit quandam abbatiam in Nova-forestā quæ vocatur Bellus-locus, et conventum triginta monachorum fecit adduci de domo Cisterciensi.

NUM. II.

Fundationis Historia.

[Ex MS. codice in bibl. Cotton. ad abbatiam de Kirkstall spectantes.]

ANNO sexto regis Johannis idem rex construxit quoddam cœnobium ordinis Cisterciensis in Anglia, et Bellum-locum nominavit. Quod quidem cœnobium tali occasione narratur ab eo factum. Quia enim idem rex versus abbates, et alias personas ordinis Cisterciensis prænominatas, supra modum, sine causa est iratus, et eosdem non mediocriter per ministros suos gravarat, ad quoddam parliamentum, quod ipse apud Lincolniam tenuit, abbates dicti ordinis venerunt, si quo modo regis ejusdem gratiam et favorem potuissent aliquatenus invenire. Quibus visis sicut crudelis animi erat, præcepit suis, ut dictos abbates sub pedibus

equorum viliter conculcarent; regis verò injustum tam facinorosum et inauditum hactenus mandatum ab aliquo principe Christiano, perficere nolentibus, hii domini abbates, jam ferè desperantes de regia benignitate, ad sua hospicia festinanter accesserunt. Nocte vero sequenti cum idem rex Johannes in lecto suo dormiret videbatur ei quod coram quodam iudice prædictis abbatibus illuc assistentibus ductus fuisset; qui eisdem abbatibus jusserat dictum regem supra dorsum suum, cum flagellis et virgis verberare; quam quidem verberationem, manè vigilans, se sensisse dixit. Sompnium vero suum cuidam personæ ecclesiasticæ, de curiæ sua narravit, qui dixit ei, quod Deus erga eum supra modum esset misericors, qui eum tam clementer, et paternè, in præsentī seculo dignatus est corripere, et eidem sua misteria revelare; et consuluit regem ut pro abbatibus dicti ordinis velociter mitteret, et ab eisdem de reatu suo veniam humiliter imploraret. Rege siquidem acquiescente, pro eis, ut ad regem venirent, missum est. Quod audientes per nuncium regis putaverunt se ab Anglia fore exterminandos, Deo tamen, qui suos non deserit, aliter disponente; cum nunc ad conspectum regis venissent indignationem suam quam erga eos habuit, rex remisit.

"Quibus diebus non laborant conversi et famuli in manerio de Farendon, fol. 79.

"Quando conversi et famuli dimittunt opus suum, fol. 79 b.

"Consuetudines maneriorum de Schulton, de Parva Farendon et Langeford, de Inglesham, de Magna Farendon, de Westbroke, de Magna Cokeswell, de Parva Cokeswell, de Haylescumbe, de Waneting."

^a Domesday, tom. i. fol. 121. "Canonici S. Achebranni tenent Lannachebran."

^b Tanner says, "*Vide* in Registro W. Bronscomb episc. Exon. Ordinationem vicariæ S. Keverani, quam Abbas de Bello Loco habet in proprios usus. Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 27. Plac. coram Rege, 16 Edw. III. Pasch. rot. 230. Pat. 18 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 4. Pat. 19 Edw. III. m. . Pat. 49 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 10. pro privilegiis allocandis."

^c Tanner gives the following references to Records relating to this Cell, exclusive of the references to the parent monastery. "*Vide* Taxationes, computos ballivorum consuetudines tenentium, &c. in Farendon Magna et Parva, Sulston, Langford, Inglesham, Westbroke, Cokeswell, et alia maneria Domus de Farendon, MS. memb. in fol. inter Codices MSS. Barlovianos in bibl. Bodl. n. 2. Cart. 5 Joan. p. 2, n. 38. pro meremio ad faciend. bercarias et alia ædificia. Rot. de terris Norman. 6 Joan. n. 93 et 221. de terris in Selferton. Claus. 6 Hen. III. m. 14. pro feria ibidem. Cart. 11 Hen. III. p. 2, m. 3. pro feria. Cart. 31 Hen. III. m. 3. Cart. 53 Hen. III. m. 13. Cart. 6 Edw. II. n. 34. pro mercato et feria apud Chepyng Farendon. Rec. in Scacc. 14 Hen. IV. Hil. rot. 2. Inquis. 2 Hen. V. n. 8. de reparatione viæ regiæ inter Farendon et Radcote per abbatem."

See also Rot. Hundred. vol. i. p. 9.

43. Scriptum pro molendino de Parva Farendon trad. ad firmam 9 Edw. III. fol. 66.

44. Ordinatio vicariæ de Schulton et de pensione annuali percipienda. A. D. 1252, fol. 67 b.

45. Queta Clamatio com. de Pembroke de secta hom. abbatis ad hundred. de Bampton, fol. 68.

46. Inquisitio de piscaria de Inglesham, fol. 69.

47. Litera com. Lancastriæ de eadem, fol. 70.

48. Breve regis quod taxatio nulla fiat de Overe Inglesham nisi cum Netheringlesham, fol. 71.

49. Litera dominæ Margaretæ reginæ Angliæ quod homines abbatis de Overe Inglesham non taxantur nisi in hundr. de Farendon, fol. 73.

50. Litera taxatorum in com. Berks. taxatoribus Wiltes. pro hominibus abbatis de Overe Inglesham, fol. 74.

51. Verdictum juratorum pro Jureyscherd de Kyndelwer et de nocument. stagni et gurgitis, anno regni regis Henrici xlv. fol. 74 b.

52. Breve regis allocat. pro expens. milit. in parlamento per hundr. de Farendon et aliis, 9 Edw. I. fol. 75.

53. Breve regis taxatoribus in com. Berk. pro decimis manerii de Farendon, fol. 76 b.

54. Acquiet. pens. ecclesiæ de Farendon solvend. singulis annis ad festum S. Michaelis, fol. 77 b.

55. Acquietantia pensionis annual. R. de F. et aliorum percipiend. de custod. de Farendon, fol. 78.

56. Litera viatica pro parvis manerii de Farendon ad abbatiam missis pro custode ejusdem loci, fol. 78 b.

After these Instruments we have,

NUM. III.

Carta Regis Johannis facta Deo et Ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ Cisterc. de Farendon.

[Ex Registro abbatiae de Bello loco in bibliotheca Cottoniana (sub effigie Neronis A. 12.) Cart. 53 Hen. III. m. 13.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. Sciatis nos dedisse et præsentī carta confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ Cisterc. pro salute animæ nostræ et antecessorum, et hæredum nostrorum, manerium de Farendon sicut monachi prædicti monasterii Cisterc. qui sunt apud Farendon illud tenent, cum pertinentiis suis, ad construendum ibi quandam abbatiam de ordine Cisterciensi, ita quod ibi sit conventus. Habendum et tenendum de nobis et hæredibus nostris in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Quare volumus et firmiter præcipimus quod prædicti monachi habeant et teneant prædictum manerium bene et in pace, libere et quiete, et honorifice in omnibus locis, cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus suis, ad idem manerium pertinentibus, ut prædictum est. Teste domino E. Burdeg. archiepiscopo, et domino J. Norwic. episcopo. com. W. Maresc. R. com. Cestr. W. com. Sarr. W. com. Arundel. Willielmo de Brehous, Rogero de Thoeny, Petro de Pratell. Dat. per manum Simonis præpositi Beverlacen. et archidiaconi Wellen. apud Vernellium ij. die Novembris, regni nostri anno quinto.

NUM. IV.

Carta Foundationis per Regem Johannem.

[Cart. 2 E. III. m. 24, n. 80. per Inspex. Vide Cart. antiq. G. n. 15.]

SCIATIS nos pro salute animæ nostræ et animarum antecessorum et hæredum nostrorum dedisse, concessisse, et præsentī carta nostra coufirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Bello-loco Regis quam nos fundavimus in Nova Foresta in Suthampteschire, et abbati et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus et servituris, ipsum locum in quo sita est abbatia eorum cum tota terrā infra metas subscriptas contenta ; scilicet cum tota terra angulorum super mare in prædicta foresta à primo termino super mare sicut aqua cadit in mare sub Colgrimesmore, quæ Freiswater dicitur; et exinde usque ad caput de Colgrimesmore ubi mora se furcat; et exinde usque ad caput occidentale de Bromhaye per fossatum usque ad longum vadum, et de longo vado usque ad fossatum de Hurpleya quod dominus rex Ricardus incipere fecit, et de fossato illo usque ad vadum de Hareford. Et de illo vado per medium hydam recta linea usque ad originem fontium aquæ de Schirebourne quæ tendit usque ad prædictam abbatiam de Bello-loco Regis. Et de origine fontium aquæ prædictæ recta linea usque ad alveum fossati super quem eadem abbatia fundata est, et prædictum alveum a prædicto vado de Hareford cum fluctu maris in ascendendo et descendendo infra utramque ripam, ita quod quicquid est infra prædictos terminos remaneat prædictæ abbatiae Belli-loci Regis. Dedimus eciam eisdem monachis manerium nostrum de Farendone, scilicet magnam-Farendon, et parvam-Farendon, et magnam-Cokewell, et parvam-Cokewell, et villas Schulton, et Inglesham, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus suis. Et præterea ecclesias de Schulton, et Inglesham, cum capella de Cokewella et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis et quicquid habebamus in villa de Langeford. Concedimus eciam eisdem monachis et confirmavimus omnes rationabiles donationes terrarum, hominum, et elemosinarum eis vel in præsentī à nobis collatas vel in futuro à regibus vel ex aliorum liberalitate conferendas, vel aliter adquisitas vel acquirendas, tam in ecclesiis, quam in rebus et possessionibus mundanis. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum Hug. de Welles archid. Wellen. apud Wyn-ton. xxv. die Januarii, anno regni nostri sexto.

NUM. V.

Pro Constructione Abbatiae de Bello Loco.

[Claus. 6 Joh. m. 13.]

REX, &c. W. Thesaurario, &c. Liberate de Thesauro nostro abbati de Bello loco in Novâ Forestâ c. marc. ad abbatiam nostram construendam, ad terminos quos vobis dixerit dominus Norwic. et G. filius Petri, et Petrus de Rupe. T. meipso, apud Brehill, 23. Oct.

[Ibid. m. 19. in dorso.]

Rex, &c. omnibus abbatibus Cisterc., &c. Rogamus

vos attentius, quatinus intuitu Dei, auxilium faciatīs novæ abbatiae nostræ de Bello loco, in Nova Foresta, quam de ordine vestro ibidem inchoavimus, ad eam de averiis instaurandam: et quod ei, singuli vestrum inde fecerint nobis per literas vestras significetis. T., &c. apud Wigorn. 16. die

NUM. VI.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

ABBATIA DE BELLO LOCO.

Ordinis Cisterc' exempt' Jurisdic't

JOHANNES BROWNYNG modo Abbas.

Valet in firma terrarum unacum alijs redditibus tam spiritualibus quam temporalibus . 428*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* q. Repris' in elemosinis feodis alijs resolutis 101*l.* 13*s.* 5*d.* ob.

Et valet ultra . 326*l.* 13*s.* 2*d.* ob. q.

NUM. VII.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

BELLUS LOCUS REGIS NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Com' Southton'	£.	s.	d.
Bellus Locus—Firma rector'	12	0	0
Colbury—Firma maner'	1	6	8
Southton Vill'—Firma ten' gardin', &c.	5	16	8
Hilton—Firma maner'	1	6	8
Upton—Firma grang' sive maner'	2	3	4
Ippeley—Firma maner' sive grang'	2	13	4
Lemyngton—Annual' reddit'	0	2	0
Esthamelode in Insul' Vect'—Firma grang'	5	6	8
Gooreley—Reddit' assis'	7	12	11
Fordingbridge—Firma maner' vocat' Frerencourte	8	0	0
Blayshford—Firma claus' voc' Freren'	6	10	0
Holbury—Firma maner'	4	16	4
Holbury—Firma bosc'	0	6	0
Holbury—Perquis' cur'	1	12	2
Bremmer—Reddit' custum'	2	0	8
Bleyshford—Reddit' custum'	0	14	4
Aven—Reddit' custum'	0	13	4
Newchurch in Insula Vect'—Firma rector'	36	0	0
Com' Berks'			
Faringdon—Reddit' assis'	20	18	1
Faringdon—Tolnet' nundin'	0	6	8
Faringdon Magna—Reddit' bur-gag', &c.	2	6	4 ob.
Faringdon Magna—Firma terr' et teit'	5	12	2
Faringdon Parva—Redd' assis' lib' ten'	0	1	1
Faringdon Parva—Redd' custum' ten'	7	17	8
Faringdon Parva—Firma cap' mes' maner'	8	0	4
Westbroke—Redd' custum' ten'	12	18	6
Inglesham—Reddit' assis'	1	10	2
Inglesham—Reddit' custum' ten'	4	1	10
Inglesham—Firmamaner' et molend'	10	13	4
Shulton—Reddit' assis' lib' ten'	0	3	4
Shulton—Reddit' custum' ten'	7	13	10
Shulton—Firma maner' cum rector'	10	0	0
Langford—Reddit' assis' lib' ten'	0	10	0
Langford—Reddit' custum' ten'	4	10	0
Wyke—Firma maner'	Non respondet quia concess' Alexandro Unton.		
Faringdon, &c.—Perquis' cur'	4	17	9 ob.
Com' Surr'			
Southwark—Firma mesuag', &c. .	7	1	10
Com. Cornub'			
S' Kirian—Redd' assis' lib' ten'	2	15	10 ob.

Com' Cornub'	£. s. d.	Com' Cornub'	£. s. d.
S' Kirian—Redd' et firm' ten' ad		S' Kirian—Opera autumpnal' . . .	0 1 0
volunt'	8 2 4	S' Kirian—Perquis' cur'	1 7 4
S' Kirian—Terr' dominic' . . .	1 16 8	S' Kirian—Firma rector'	57 4 0
Tregonon—Firma molend', &c. .	1 2 6	Helston—Redd' annual'	6 13 4

Medmenham or Mendham Abbey, in Buckinghamshire.



UGH de Bolebeck, who beside numerous other lordships possessed that of Medmenham at the time of forming the Domesday Survey, had issue Hugh and Walter, who both succeeded to their father's barony. Hugh the younger, having founded the abbey of Woburn in Bedfordshire, gave the manor of Medmenham to found a Cell to it; but this religious house not being built till the barony came into the possession of Walter, the latter has erroneously been considered the founder.

This abbey may be considered to have been founded in the year 1200, 2 Joh.^a A Digby manuscript, however, at Oxford, which Tanner follows, says 1204.^b

The List of the

ABBATS of MEDMENHAM

is very imperfect. The house being subordinate to the government of Woburn Abbey, Langley found the difficulty of getting at an extended catalogue of them great.

ROGER occurs in 1256.

PETER, Sept. 11th, 1295.

JOHN DE MEDMENHAM, 1308.

HENRY, 1416.

RICHARD, 1521.

JOHN TALBOT was the last abbat, A.D. 1536, when Medmenham was annexed to Bisham Abbey. At this time,

Medmenham had but one monk, whose name was Guy Strenshill.^c

The abbat of Medmenham was epistolar of the Order of the Garter at Windsor. His office was to read the epistle in the communion service at the feast of St. George. Ashmole, in his History of the Order of the Garter, has, by mistake, assigned this office to the prior of Mendham in Norfolk.^d

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the clear annual revenue of Medmenham Abbey amounted to 20*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.*; the gross income to 23*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.*^e

After the Suppression of Bisham Abbey, the Scite of Medmenham was granted in the 38th Hen. VIII. to Robert Mone and others.^f The Messrs. Lysons more correctly say to Thomas and Robert Moore. The estate was conveyed by the Moores in 1558 to the family of Duffield, who resided at the abbey, and continued in possession till 1778, when the scite of the abbey was purchased by John Morton, esq. chief justice of Chester, and was sold by his widow in 1786 to Robert Scott, esq.^g

The celebrated antiquary Browne Willis speaks of part of the north aisle of the conventual church as standing in his time; part of a single column is now to be seen. Some buildings in imitation of ruins have been of late years erected on the site of the abbey, and are now almost overgrown with ivy. Mrs. Scott of Danesfield is the present proprietor.

According to Willis the SEAL of the Abbey was the effigies of the Blessed Virgin crowned, sitting on a splendid throne, in her bosom the venerable Infant. He adds, the only Impression remaining is that of John, 1308, which is a neat oval seal, with this Inscription at the edge, s . FRIS . JOHIS . MENDHAM.

Cartae ad Menhamensem Abbatiam, in agro Buckinghamensi, spectantes; Cellam de Woburne.

NUM. I.

[Cartae antiquae, litera I. n. 28.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia rex Angliæ, &c. Sciatis nos pro amore Dei concessisse et præsentī carta nostra confirmasse monachis ecclesiæ Woburnensis, ad construendam abbatiam Cisterciensis ordinis, manerium de Mendham, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et libertatibus suis, quod habent de dono Hugonis de Bolebec. Quare volumus et firmiter præcipimus, quod prædicti monachi habeant et teneant prædictum manerium, cum omnibus pertinentiis, bene et in pace, liberè et quietè, et honorificè, in ecclesia et molendino, in bosco et

plano, in pratis scilicet et pascuis, et omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis, sicut carta prædicti Hugonis de Bolebec, quam inde habent, rationabiliter testatur. T. R. Sancti Andree episcopo, R. comite Leicestriæ, Willielmo de Braiosa, et pluribus aliis. Datum per manum S. archidiaconi Wellensis, apud Selveston iij. die Januarii anno regni nostri secundo.

[Ex MS. codice in bibl. Bodleiana, nu. 11. (inter codices Digbeianos) fol. 174 b.]

Anno m.cc.iiij. Exivit hoc anno conventus de Wburne ad villam quæ vocatur Medmeham super Tamisiam.

^a See the Append. Num. I.
^b Ibid. A.D. 1212. Annales de Parcolude MS. This, Tanner says, might be the second colony; the first, which went A.D. 1204, seemed to be recalled.
^c Langley, Hist. of the Hund. of Desborough, pp. 339, 340.
^d Ibid. p. 342. Reynier erroneously states Medmenham Abbey to have been of the Cluniac Order.
^e Tanner gives the following references to public records concerning Medmenham Abbey:
"Oblat. 2 Joan. m. 28.
"Plac. apud Westmor. 10 Hen. III. Fin. Buckingh. 25 Hen. III. n. 169. pro terris in Hameldon. Fin. Buckingh. 41 Hen. III. n. 6 et 44. pro ten. in Medmenham.

"Pat. 2 Edw. I. m. 13 d. pro ten. in Merlow P. Pat. 13 Edw. I. m. 12 vel 13. Fin. Buckingh. 31 Edw. I. n. 323. pro terris et boscis in Aston Clynton.
"Pat. 6 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 17 vel 27. de advoc. eccl. de Donyate.
"Pat. 23 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 26. pro mess. et terris in Fletemerston, Widmore, &c. Pat. 24 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 13 vel 14."
See also Inq. ad quod damnum, p. 230. Rot. Hundr. vol. i. p. 23.
A Paper Survey of this Abbey, temp. Hen. VIII. is in the Augmentation Office.
^f Tanner, Notit. Monast. Buck.
^g Compare Langley's Hist. Hund. of Desborough. Lysons's Magna Britannia, Buckingh. p. 605.

Eodem anno revocatus est conventus de Medmeham, et abbas de Wburne depositus est propter eandem causam.

NUM. II.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

MONASTERIUM DE MEDMENHAME.

Ubi JOHANNES TALBOTTE est abbas et incumbens.

Valet clare per annum . . . 20l. 6s. 2d.

NUM. III.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

MEDMENHAM NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Com' Buck'

Medmenham—Firma terrarum do-

	£.	s.	d.
minicalium cum redd' custum'			
tenen' ibidem	8	1	9
Fletmerston et Blackgrove—Firma			
terr' ten', &c.	3	0	0
Tyrfelde—Reddit' custum' tenen' .	0	15	4
Hameldenn—Firma unius tene-			
menti vocati Fesans	2	1	8
Marlow Parva—Firma unius placij			
sive mansionis vocati Moncion .	3	6	8
Marlow Parva—Reddit' cert' terr'	0	13	4
Medmenham—Firma rector' . . .			non respond.
			eo quod conceditur
			abbati et conventui
			de Abyngdon.

Abbey of Grace-Dieu, in Monmouthshire.



RACE-DIEU, De Gratia Dei, Trody,^a Stow,^b or Newham, says Tanner, a small abbey of the Cistercian Order, was built A. D. 1226 by John de Monmouth, knight, lord of Monmouth, to the honor of the blessed Virgin. Dugdale gives the date of 1229 for the foundation of this house, from the chronicle of St. Werburgh; but as appears by Tanner's references it is mentioned upon the close rolls in the 10th Hen. III. the year first named. In 1233 it appears to have been ruined

in an incursion of the Welsh;^c but was afterwards rebuilt. King Edward the Third, in the 35th year of his reign, gave to this Monastery the Hermitage of St. Briavel, in the forest of Dean, to maintain a chantry of two monks, to perform divine service for ever for the souls of his ancestors.^d Here were, says Tanner, in the 26 Hen. VIII. only two monks, and possessions to the value of 19l. 4s. 4d. per annum clear, and 26l. 1s. 4d. in the whole.^e The Scite was granted in the 37th Hen. VIII. to Thomas Herbert and W. Bretton.^f As a Ruin, the present remains of the Abbey are insignificant, consisting of a building converted into a barn, in a dilapidated state, and a few fragments of mouldering walls. The Seal of the Abbey is engraved in Coxe's Monmouthshire, part 2, p. 427.

Cartae ad Abbatiam de Gratia Dei, in Wallia, spectantes; fundatam anno Mccxxix.^g

NUM. I.

[Lel. Itin. vol. 4, fol. 176.]

ONE John of Monmouth, a knight, was lord of Monmouth, and founder of Grace-Dieu Abby, or Trody, ripa dextra, two miles from Monmouth by west north-west.

[Ex Annal. de Waverle, in bibl. Cotton. sub effigie Vespasiani, A. 16.]

Anno M.cc.xxxiiij. abbatia de Gratia Dei Cisterciensis ordinis, à Johanne de Monemue fundata, à Wallensibus funditus eversa est.

NUM. II.

De Cantariis duorum Monachorum ex Heremitorio S. Briavelle ad Abbatiam removenda.

[Pat. 35 Edw. III. part 2, mem. 29. Vide Claus. 13 Hen. III. mem. 19. Cart. antiq. QQ. num. 27.]

REX omnibus ad quos, &c. salutem. Supplicarunt

nobis dilectionibus in Christo abbas et conventus de Gratia Dei in marchia Walliæ, ut cum ipsi teneant quendam locum vocatum le Heremitorie de sancto Briavello in foresta nostra de Dene, ex dono et concessione progenitorum nostrorum quondam regum Angliæ, ad inveniendum ibidem quendam cantariam duorum monachorum divina singulis diebus pro animabus dictorum progenitorum nostrorum celebratorum imperpetuum. Jamque pasturæ juxta heremitorium prædictum ubi dicti monachi communiam pro animalibus suis habere, et unde major pars sustentationis suæ provenire solebat assartatæ existant, et in manibus tenentium nostrorum arrentatæ, per quod dicti monachi communiam in eisdem habere non possunt, et blada in dominicis terris ad heremitorium prædictum pertinentibus crescentia cum feris nostris forestæ prædictæ annuatim sint depasta, conculcata, et consumpta, ita quod dicti duo monachi apud heremitorium prædictum de bonis ejusdem sustentari nequeant, velimus concedere præfatis abbati et conventui quod ipsi dictam cantariam dictorum duorum monachorum in abbatia sua

^a Leland, Itin. tom. iv. p. 90.
^c See the Append. Num. I.
^e The following are the entries relating to Grace Dieu in Pope Nicholas's Taxation: "DIOC. HEREF. Temporal. 8l. 3s. 4d. Summa mobilium ejusdem, 4s. 6d. DIOC. LLANDAFF, 8l. 11s. 4d. de exitu animalium, 1l. 6s. 8d." Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 172, 174, 174 b, 281, 284 b.
^f Tanner gives the following references to records relating to this monastery: "Claus. 10 Hen. III. m. 8. Claus. 11 Hen. III. m. 13, 19, et VOL. V.

20. pro bosco de Peniard in foresta de Dene. Fin. 11 Hen. III. m. 3 et 11. de eodem bosco et heremitorio S. Briavello. Plac. de foresta, 11 Hen. III. m. 2. de terra et bosco in Peniard. Pat. 19 Edw. I. m. 2 vel 3. Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 24 vel 25. Pat. 8 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . Escaet. Walliæ 11 Edw. III. n. 24. pro xxxvi. acris vasti in foresta de Dene in Wyget et Langfield. Cart. 11 Edw. III. n. 71. de maner. de Peniard et Lee com. Glocestr. et Est Hamptonette com. Sussex, deafforestandis. Fin. 12 Edw. III. m. 33. de prædictis xxxvi. acris vasti." See also Cart. Harl. antiq. 43 A. 31.
^g Chron. S. Werburgæ Cestr. in bibl. Cotton.

prædicta, divina pro animabus prædictis singulis diebus celebraturorum invenire possent, et eos de dicta cantaria apud heremitorium prædictum inveniendorum exonerari facere ex causa supradicta. Nos comperto per inquisitionem de mandato nostro captam et in cancellaria nostra retornatam, quod ducentæ acræ pasturæ et ultra juxta heremitorium prædictum in quibus dicti abbas et conventus communiam habere solebant, assartatæ et in manibus tenentium arrentatæ existunt; et quod blada in dominicis terris ad heremitorium prædictum pertinentibus crescentia, cum feris nostris de foresta prædicta annuatim sunt depasta, conculcata, et consumpta, sicut prædictum est: volentes tranquillitati et quieti prædictorum abbatis et conventus, qui variis adversitatibus multipliciter sunt depressi, ut ipsi Deo deservire et ejus et obsequiis intendere, et pro animabus progenitorum nostrorum et nostra devotius exorare valeant, providere, cepimus sacramentum prædicti abbatis, quod ipse et conventus suus jam dictam cantariam duorum monachorum ad altare beatæ Mariæ in ecclesia abbatiæ suæ prædictæ, pro anima nostræ et animabus dictorum progenitorum nostrorum et hæredum nostrorum singulis diebus celebraturorum loco dictæ cantariæ duorum monachorum apud heremitorium prædictum per dictos progenitores nostros sic fundatæ fideliter invenient et imperpetuum sustentabunt, et ipsos abbatem et conventum et successores suos de dictis duobus monachis in dicto heremitorio de cætero inveniendis totaliter exoneramus et quietamus. Volentes et concedentes pro nobis et hæredibus nostris quod iidem abbas et conventus dictam cantariam duorum monachorum in abbazia sua prædicta pro animabus prædictis ad altare prædictum faciant et invenient in forma supradicta imperpetuum. Et quod idem abbas et conventus et successores sui habeant et teneant dictum heremitorium cum terris, redditibus, et proficuis quibuscunque ad illud spectantibus adeo plenè et integrè sicut ea ante hæc tempora habuerunt et tenuerunt, absque occasione, molestatione, impetitione, seu inquietatione forestariorum, vel aliorum ministrorum quorumcunque, faciendo et sustentando cantariam prædictam in abbazia sua prædicta, sicut prædictum est. Et ne eadem cantaria aliquàlter subtrahatur, volumus quod quilibet abbas loci prædicti pro tempore existens, statim cum præfectus fuerit, ad custodem sive constabularium castri nostri de S. Briauello accedat, et

coram eo corporale præstet sacramentum, quod iidem abbas et conventus eandem cantariam duorum monachorum in abbazia illa, in forma superius expressa, invenient et sustentabunt. Et cum contigerit aliquem eorundem duorum monachorum infirmum, debilem, vel impotentem existere, aut alias in fata decedere, tunc loco ipsius vel ipsorum sic deficientium alium vel alios idoneum vel idoneos ad eandem cantariam modo quo prædicatur fideliter faciendum invenient et sustentabunt quacunque excusatione cessante. In cujus, &c. T. rege, apud Westm. quinto die Maii.

NUM. III.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 16 Hen. VIII.

MONASTERIUM BEATÆ MARIÆ DE GRATIA DEI.

	26l.	1s.	4d.
Deductiones	6l.	17s.	0d.
Et remanet clare . . .	19l.	4s.	4d.

NUM. IV.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS, temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll, 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE GRATIA DEI INFRA DIOC' LLANDAFF.

Com' Monm'	£.	s.	d.
Gratia Dei—Firma terr' dominical' . .	12	1	4
Skenfrith—Reddit' x ^{mar} ' garbarum et frugum	2	13	4
Skenfrith—Reddit' ten' vocat' Handremest et ter' Foskey	0	5	4
Skenfrith—Redd' terr' juxta Montem Severenny	0	2	6
Stowe—Reddit' assis' tam lib' tenen' quam per indenturam	5	6	7
Monmouth—Reddit' terr' croft', &c. .	9	8	7
Whitccastel—Reddit' tenen' per indentur' et ad volunt'	0	18	4
Llanyhangell—Reddit' terr' et prat' .	0	4	4
Bleytha apud Penrose—Reddit' ten' .	0	7	8
Penrose—Reddit' ten', &c.	5	11	0

Hayles Abbey, in Gloucestershire.



queen, thirteen bishops, most of the barons, and above three hundred knights, whom he entertained with incredible state and plenty, letting fall this gencrous and devout expression, "I wish it had pleased God that all my great expenses in

AYLES ABBEY, called also Tray,^a was founded by Richard, earl of Cornwall, second son to King John, afterwards king of the Romans and Emperor of Germany. He began the buildings here in 1246; and in 1251, when he had expended ten thousand marks in finishing the monastery, had the church dedicated to St. Mary on the ninth of November in presence of the king and

my castle of Walingford had been as wisely and soberly employed." This foundation is said to have been the consequence of a vow, made when the earl was in danger at sea on his return from Gascony. Its first inhabitants consisted of twenty monks from the abbey of Beaulieu, already described. Leland says that the church, the dormitory, the cloister, and the refectory, were all finished in 1251.^b

The Annals of Waverley say that after the solemnity of the dedication was over, the founder gave the monks a thousand marks to purchase lands or build houses: and the king by charter settled on them the yearly rent of twenty pounds.^c

Edmund, earl of Cornwall, son and heir of Richard the founder, having, in his travels in Germany with his father, obtained a portion of a relic considered to be the blood of our Saviour, gave a third part of it, after his father's death, to this monastery in 1272, occasioning a very increased resort to it. Another portion of this blood he gave to the house of the Bonhommes at Ashridge.^d

^a Tanner says, "So Annales Waverl. in anno 1246. The Parcoule MS. placeth this foundation A. D. 1240." He adds, "N. B. whatever is met with upon the records or in historians about *Hales* Abbey, before A. D. 1246 or 1240, belongs to *Hales Owen* in Shropshire." Notit. Mon. Glouc. xvi.

^b Compare the extracts from the different historians in the Appendix, Num. I.

^c See Kennett, Paroch. Antiq. vol. i. p. 346, new edit.

^d Ibid. pp. 423, 424. The Chronicle of Hayles and Aberconwey, in the Harleian Collection, num. 3725, dates the gift in 1270, and says

the relic was authenticated by an account written by Pope Urban the Fourth to accompany it. "A. D. 1267. Eodem tempore Edmundus comes Cornubiæ ibidem (*i. e.* in Alemannia) illam nobilem portionem sanguinis Jesu Christi perquisivit, quam apud Hayles postea, A. D. 1270, die exaltationis Sanctæ Crucis cum propria historia a beato P. Urbano quarto edita et confirmata deportavit."

In 1295 this relic appears to have been placed within a cross. "A. D. m.c.c.xcv. undecimo kalendas Novembris die Sabati, nobilis vir Edmundus comes Cornubiæ crucem auream cum pede de aumail apud Hayles de domo sua transmisit, quæ nobilissimam portionem sanguinis

In 1271, the abbey church of Hayles and most of the surrounding buildings were burnt down, the total loss extending to the damage of eight thousand marks.^a This accounts for the following entry in the chronicle of Hayles in 1277: "Sexto kalendas Januarii feria quinta dedicatum est novum opus ecclesiæ de Hayles, cum scrinio in quo sanguis Christi preciosus reponitur, a domino Godfrido Wigorn. episcopo." In 1337 the abbey of Hayles was again injured, but by floods.^b

In Nasmyth's edition of Tanner the following names and dates of the

ABBATS of HAYLES

are preserved.

WILLIAM.
R. succeeded, 1232.^c
N. died, 1298.
JOHN elected, 1298.
JOHN DE GLOSTER elected, 1305.
WALTER DE FLAGGE elected, 1306.
BARTHOLOMEW elected, 1314.
JOHN, 1332.
ROBERT occurs 1380.
JOHN, 1332.
ROBERT died, 1420.
WILLIAM HENLEY succeeded, 1420.
. . . LANDRAKE. He was succeeded by
WILLIAM WHITCHURCH, 1464.
RICHARD WOTTON elected, 1479.
JOHN COMBECK occurs 1483.
THOMAS STAFFORD occurs 1503.^d
STEPHEN SAGAR was the last abbat.^e

The Abbats of this House were mitred; and were also summoned to parliament. Stephen Sagar surrendered it to the king Dec. 31st, 1539. The Letter from the King's Commissioners upon this occasion to Lord Cromwell, dated Jan. 4th, 1539-40, will be found in the Appendix.^f

In the Taxation of 1291 the Temporalities of this Priory in the dioceses of Worcester, and Coventry and Litchfield, amounted to 80*l.* 19*s.* 5*d.*: among the Spiritualities, the church of Haggele in the diocese of Norwich, valued at 27*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* was appropriated, with the church of Walshale, in the diocese of Coventry, valued at 12*l.*; the monks here had also a portion in the church of Ewenelod, valued at 2*s.* a year, and a portion in the tithes of Swelle, valued at 10*s.*^g

preciosissimæ crucis Christi in se insertam continuit." Chron. de Hayles ut supr. See more of the Blood of Hayles at the end of Hearne's Bened. Petroburg, p. 751.

^a MS. Harl. ut supr.

^b Chron. de Hayles, sub. an.

^c According to bishop Tanner's note, already copied, this abbat must belong to Hayles Owen in Shropshire.

^d Tanner, Notit. Monast. Principals of Relig. Houses, p. xli.

^e See the Pension List in the Appendix, Num. V.

^f See Num. VI.

^g Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 123, 219 b, 222 b, 230, 236, 243, 251.

^h Compare MS. Harl. 4316, p. 200.

ⁱ Tanner, Notit. Mon. Rudder, p. 487.

^k Rudder, ibid.

^l Tanner says, "*Vide* Chronicon. Monasterii de Hailes ad A. Ch. 1314. MS. in bibl. Cotton. Cleop. D. iii. 1. et MS. in bibl. Harleiana 3725, n. 1. Citat. cl. Usserius De Brit. eccl. Primordiis cap. v. et Chronica de Hales, et Chronicon genealogicum monasterii de Hales. In bibl. Bodl. Oxon. MS. Dodsworth, vol. xxiv. fol. 8. Cartam 10 Edw. II. pro abbate et conventu de Hailes, fol. 35. Cartam 2 Edw. III. pro eisdem. Cartas, rentalia, rotulos curiarum, et alia munimenta ad hanc abbatiam spectantia, penes præhonorabilem Gulielm. dom. Tracy. "Cart. antiq. Hen. III. H. n. 13.

"Claus. 6 Hen. III. m. 17. Cart. 17 Hen. III. m. 3. Plac. apud Westm. 27 Hen. III. n. 12, 13. Cart. 29 Hen. III. m. 2. Cart. 33 Hen. III. m. 2. Cart. 35 Hen. III. m. 6. Pat. 37 Hen. III. m. 15. de terris in Pinnoks Church. Cart. 46 Hen. III. m. 3. ne ponantur in placitum nisi coram ipso rege. Cart. 6 Edw. I. n. 7. pro eccl. de Hemelhamsted Hertf. et Northeley Linc. dioc. Cart. 18 Edw. I. n. 64. pro manerio de Langbergh. Plac. apud Westm. 20 Edw. I. rot. 45. de visu franci plegii in Netherswell. Pat. 22 Edw. I. m. . pro licentia Kernallandi. Pat. 28 Edw. I. m. . Cart. 29 Edw. I. n. 42. pro manerio de Lechelade in feod. firm. pro c. marcis. Pat. 5 Edw. II. p. 2,

In the 26th of Henry VIII. this monastery was valued at 357*l.* 7*s.* 8½*d.*

The Scite, valued at 60*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.* per annum, was granted, July 18th, 1st Edw. VIth, to Sir Thomas Seymour, lord admiral;^h and after his attainder, in the 4th Edw. VI. June 12th, to William, marquis of Northampton.ⁱ It was afterwards in the crown; and was purchased by one of the Lords Tracy in the time of Charles the First, in which family it still continues.^k

There is a manuscript illustration of the History of Hayles Abbey among those in the Royal Collection in the British Museum, marked 12 E. xiv.: written in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries, in several hands. It contains, 1. Formulæ Procuratores et Appellationes faciendi in Monasterio de Hales. 2. De Officio Judicis circa Inquisitiones et formam procedendi. 3. Litteræ et alia Instrumenta, præcipue ad Monasterium de Hales spectantia. 4. Articuli inquirendi a Reformatore Ordinis Cisterciensis; cum formula Appellationis. 5. Quæstiones de statu Monachorum et Canonicorum Regularium. 6. Bullæ papales. 7. Statuta Monasterii de Hales, facta an. Dom. 1261, 1394, 1398, et 1442.^l

A matrix of the Abbey SEAL is in existence,^m of which an Impression is in the hands of one of the Editors of this Work, it represents a male figure, supposed to be that of the founder, standing on a pedestal, and having in one hand a globe surmounted by a cross, and in the other a sceptre. The Inscription is SIGILLV. FRATERNITATIS. MONASTERII. BEATE. MARIE. DE. HAYLES.

Rudder, p. 487. has given a full account of the Remains of this Abbey as they stood in his time.

From the ruins, the buildings appear to have formed a quadrangle with a cloister, inclosing an area about forty yards square. The S. W. angle contained the abbat's lodgings; and part of the entrance tower still remains. The other part of the abbat's lodgings extended over the cloister. Some broken arches of the cloister, the conventual barn, and some of the offices made into cottages, are the other chief remains. The Arms and other painted glass which adorned the windows of the abbat's house were removed by the Tracys to Todington Hall in the neighbourhood. Hayles church, a small mean edifice, was constructed from the ruins of the abbey as early as the beginning of the seventeenth century.

m. 6 et 8. de terris in Netherswell. Cart. 6 Edw. II. n. 22. pro ad-vocatione hospitalis et vicariæ de Lechelade, et libertatibus. Brev. 6 Edw. II. Trin. rot. 5. Pat. 9 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 16. de ponte apud Wermington Magna per abbatem reparando. Pat. 11 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 28. pro ten. in Glocestra. Ibid. m. 36. Pat. 12 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 23. de maner. de Sodington et decem marc. redditu in Chelsworth Wilt. perquirend. in excamb. pro manerio de Lechelade. Pat. 14 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 22. de messuag. in Haule Suff. et in Pislely, Totington, et Sudele. Claus. 16 Edw. II. m. 6. de terris in Haughle, Suff. Inquis. 16 Edw. II. n. 61. Suff. Pat. 17 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 6. de advoc. eccl. de Longberwe et Rodborn Wilt. ex dono Hugonis le Despenser. Cart. 19 Edw. II. n. 2. Cart. 2 Edw. III. n. 40. Esc. 3 Edw. III. n. 93. de capella de Shelland Suff. Pat. 7 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 4 vel 5. Pat. 16 Edw. III. p. 2, m. . Cart. 21 Edw. III. n. 13. Pat. 34 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 11. Pat. 39 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 14. pro ten. in Langborn. Ibid. m. 25. pro eccl. de Totindon approprianda. Pat. 11 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 18. Pat. 16 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 17. pro ten. in Rodborn, Netherswell, et Longberen. Ibid. p. 2, m. 26. pro eccl. de Todington, cum capella de Stanley. Claus. 11 Hen. IV. m. 17. Pat. 1 Hen. V. p. 4, m. 13. pro terris in Pynnockshier. Pat. 6 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 23. Rec. in Scacc. 9 Hen. VIII. Trin. rot. 7. pro maner. de Redburn Wilt."

See also Rot. Hundr. vol. i. pp. 172, 173, 178, 179, 182. Vol. ii. p. 192. Abbrev. Plac. p. 341. Plac. de Quo War. pp. 241, 243, 245, 250, 252, 263, 566.

In the King's Remembrancer's Office are,

1. Literæ Regis Patentes Abbati et Monachis de Hayles.—Trin. vel Mich. 1 Hen. V. rot. 24.

2. Commission to survey the lands late of the Monastery there, and the Queen's lands.—Hil. 29 Eliz.

In the Augmentation Office is a Certificate concerning this abbey, temp. Hen. VIII.

ⁿ It was found in a potato-field called Low Garth, near Langrick, on the Ouse, in Yorkshire, in 1821.

Cartae ad Haylesensem Coenobium, in agro Gloucestersensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

[Ypod. Neustr. p. 66, n. 40.]

ANNO Domini millesimo ducentesimo quadragesimo sexto comes Cornubiæ Richardus quandam domum ordinis Cisteriensium, non procul à Winchecumbia, loco opportuno, juxta votum quod in mari periclitans fecerat, competenter fundavit.

[Math. West. p. 649, n. 10.]

Richardus rex Romanorum, frater regis Anglorum, quinta nonas Aprilis, apud castrum de Berkhamsted, viam universæ carnis ingressus est, cujus cor in ecclesiæ fratrum Minorum Oxoniæ, corpus verò in ecclesia monachorum Cisteriensium de Hayles, quam ipse construxit impensis propriis, sepelitur.

[Ex Chron. Evesham. in bibl. Bodleiana (K. 84.) fol. 54 a.]

Anno millesimo ducentesimo quadragesimo sexto. Hoc anno Ricardus comes Cornubiæ fundavit abbatiam de Hayles, et viginti monachos de Bello-loco ad illum secum adduxit; qui unum eorum elegerunt in abbatem, quem ipse comes abbathia cum omnibus ad ipsam pertinentibus investivit.

[Math. Paris. hist. Angl. p. 827, n. 40.]

Anno millesimo ducentesimo quinquagesimo primo, nono Novembris, vigilia sancti Leonardi comes Ricardus solenniter et magnificè nimis fecit dedicari ecclesiam de Hales, quam magnis fundaverat sumptibus, et ædificia construxerat, prout in mari voverat, quando à Gasconia rediens in mari suborta tempestate periclitabatur, vix portum attingens in Cornubia. Erant autem in memorata dedicatione præsentēs, dominus rex et regina, et ferè omnes Angliæ magnates et prælati. Episcopi verò tredecim, qui omnes missam die dedicationis celebrarunt, quilibet vero ad suum altare Lincolnienis ad majus altare missam solenniter valde decantavit. Erat autem dies Dominica in qua splendide et ordinatè cum episcopis et aliis carne vescentibus coëpulabantur. Religiosi verò piscium multitudine et varietate reficiebantur, seorsum collocati. Erantque ibidem milites plusquam trecenti. Istius nempe festi solennis et convivii magnitudinem ad plenum si describerem, limites transgredi dicerer veritatis: mihi autem Matheo Parisiensi super hoc edoceri cupienti, ne falsa huic libro insererem, sub indubitata certitudine comes significavit, quod omnibus sumptibus computatis, in ipsius ecclesiæ constructione decem millia marcarum exposuerat, addens quoddam verbum memorabile, immo et commendabile, Utinam Deo complaceret, ut omnia quæ in castro de Walingeford expendi, tam sapienter et tam salubriter expendissem.

[Lelandi Itin. vol. v. fol. 5.]

Anno Domini millesimo ducentesimo quinquagesimo primo, consummata est ecclesia de Hayles, cum dormitorio, claustro, et refectorio expensis in operationibus octo marcarum millibus.

NUM. II.

Carta Foundationis.

[Cart. 19 E. II. n. 2. per Inspex. Vide Pat. 6 E. IV. part. 2, m. 23. Et Pat. 11 R. II. part. 2, m. 18.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, Richardus comes Cornubiæ, salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra, nos, in honore Dei omnipotentis, et gloriosæ virginis Mariæ, et omnium sanctorum, pro salute animæ nostræ, antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, fundasse quandam abbatiam de ordine Cistercii, in manerio de Hayles, quod habuimus de dono domini Henrici regis Angliæ fratris nostri; et idem manerium cum pertinentiis dedimus concessimus, et hac præsentī carta nostra confirmavimus, abbati et monachis ibidem Deo, et beatæ Mariæ servientibus, et eorum successoribus; habendum et tenendum eisdem abbati et monachis, et eorum successoribus, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, cum advoca-

tionē ecclesiæ ejusdem manerii, et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis et libertatibus suis, in homagiis, et serviciis librorum hominum, et eschaetis, in villenagiis et villenariis, in redditibus et boscis, in pratis, planis et pasturis, in aquis, molenis, stagnis, vivariis, viis et semitis, et in omnibus aliis rebus ad dictum manerium pertinentibus, liberè, quietè, pacificè, integrè, liberum et quietum ab omni seculari servicio, exactione, et demanda, sicut aliqua alia elemosina liberiùs, quietiùs, et meliùs haberi poterit, et teneri imperpetuum; et nos et hæredes nostri prædictum manerium, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ut prædictum est, prædictis abbati et monachis, et eorum successoribus warrantizabimus, et contra omnes homines et feminas, sicut liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam acquietabimus, et defendemus imperpetuum. Et ut hæc nostra donatio, concessio, et hujus cartæ nostræ confirmatio perpetuæ firmitatis robur obtineat præsentī scripto sigillum nostrum apposuimus. Hiis testibus, dominis Simone de Monteforti comite Leycestriæ, Petro de Sabaudia, domino Willielmo de Eboraco præposito Beverlaci, domino Roberto Passelewe archidiacono Lewensi, S. de Everdon archid. Cestriæ, Hugone de Vivonia, Petro de Geneve, Roberto de Musegros, Paulino Pejure, Willielmo de Ireby, Egidio de Cancellis, W. Blundell, Philippo de Eya clericis; et multis aliis.

NUM. III.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

MONASTERIUM DE HAYLES IN COM' GLOUCESTR'.

Summa totalis valoris omnium dominiorum, maneriorum, rectoriarum, portionum, pensionum, ac aliorum proficuum et emolumentorum ultra reprisas

357*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.* ob.

NUM. IV.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 26 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

HAYLES NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Com' Devon'	£.	s.	d.
Cockebury—Redd' assis' maner'	0	0	1
Didbroke, Coscombe, Hayles, et Staunton—Redd' cust' ten'	20	2	2
Peyseley, Didbroke, et Grete—Redd' ten' ad vol'	0	9	0
Hayles—Firma situs mon', &c.	110	17	4
Hayles et Didbroke—Firma rectoriar' et porc' x ^m	15	14	8
Com' Wilts'			
Rodborne—Redd' assis'	0	13	2 ob.
Rodborn—Firma maner' et rector'	15	1	0
Com' Glouc'			
Swell Inferior—Redd' assis'	0	0	0 ob.
Swell Inferior—Redd' cust' ten'	11	1	10
Swell Inferior—Firma mansionis, &c.	27	9	2
Swell Inferior—Vend' bosc'	0	0	6
Swell Inferior—Perquis' cur' et amerc'	0	9	6
Langborough—Redd' assis'	0	10	6
Langborough—Redd' cust' ten'	23	9	9
Langborough—Redd' mobil'	0	8	4
Langborough—Firma situs maner', &c.	38	15	0
Langborough—Perquis' cur'	0	3	6
Wormington—Firma grang' et terr'	40	0	0
Wormington—Porc' x ^{mar}	0	1	0
Wormington Parva—Redd' cust' ten'	0	3	0
Glouc' Villa—Redd' assis'	0	1	6
Glouc' Villa—Redd' ten' ad vol'	7	15	8
Glouc' Villa—Firma domus	2	13	4
Winchelcombe—Redd' cust' ten'	1	6	8
Chalingworth—Redd' cust' ten'	2	7	8

Com' Glouc'	£. s. d.
Chalingworth—Redd' ten' ad vol'	5 12 8
Todington—Firma rector'	20 17 0
Stanley Pountlarge—Reddit' cust'	0 18 0
Stanley Pountlarge—Firm' dccim'	7 6 8
Com' Cornub'	
Paulyn—Firma rector'	41 0 0
S. Breac—Firma rector'	47 0 0
Com' Suff'	
Haughly—Firma rector'	6 10 0
Com' Oxon'	
Northlee—Firma rector'	8 0 0

NUM. V.

From a Pension Book in the Augmentation Office.
HAYLES late Monastery, in the Countye of Gloucest^r.

Pençõns assigned to the late abbot and religious ther by the king^l highnes commissioners appoynted for the taking of the surrendre of the said late monastery the last day of Decembre, in the xxxjth. yere of the reign of o^r Souëigne Lord kinge Henry the viijth. yerely to be payd at the feast^l of thannunciaçõn of o^r blessyd Lady and Seint Michefl tharchungefl by evyn porçõns, the furst payement to begyne at the seid feast of thannunciaçõn of o^r Lady next comynge.

Viz.
To Stephen Sagar, late abbott ther c^{li}.
And also to haue of the king^l magestie the capitall mesuage or mansion howse callyd Coscombe at Costom, wⁱⁿ the pisch of Didbroke, in the countie aforsaid, w^t the stable ther, and oon closse nere therunto adioyng; and the furst vesture of oon lytle mede adgoyng vnto a grove callyd Coscombe Grove w^t the lytle garden and the courte ther duringe the naturall liff of the same Stephen vntill the seid Stephyn be promoted by the king^l magestie to some benefyce or benefyces to the soñe abouseid; and further, to haue fortye lodes of fyrewood, and housebote sufficient owt of the king^l magesties wood^l called Kayles wood by thassignement of the receyvo^r of his highnes Courte of Augment. wⁱⁿ the seid countie, or his suffycient deputie for the tyme beinge.

To John Dawson, Bachelo ^r of	
Diuinite, late por	vij ^{li} .
To Philipp Brode, Bachelor of	
Divinitie	vij ^{li} .
To Willm Choo, senyo ^r	vj ^{li} .
To John Silvester, bychynn ^r	vj ^{li} . vj ^s . viij ^d .
To Thomas Ffarr, cellerer	vj ^{li} . vj ^s . viij ^d .
To John Griffith	vj ^{li} .
To Richard Eddon, Bachelor of	
Diuinite	vij ^{li} .
To Reginolde Lane	c ^s .
To Adm Tyler	c ^s .
To Willm Netherton	c ^s .
To Thomas Hopkyns	cvj ^s . viij ^d .
To Richard Dawnser, subprior	cvj ^s . viij ^d .
To Richard Woodward	c ^s .
To Roger Rede, Bachelor of Di-	
vinitie	vij ^{li} .
To Willm Holydaye	c ^s .
To Thomas Reede	c ^s .

To Elys Dugdeft	liij ^s .	iiij ^d .
To John Hall	liij ^s .	iiij ^d .
To Christofer Hodgeston	liij ^s .	iiij ^d .
To John Holme	xl ^s .	
To Richard Denc	xxvj ^s .	vij ^d .
S ^m	ccvj ^{li} .	xij ^s . iiij ^d .

ROBERT SOUTHWELL^l.
RI. GWENT.
JOHN LONDON.
JOHN AP RICE.
RYCHARDE POULET.
WILLM BERNERS.

NUM. VI.

Letter of the King's Commissioners to Lord Cromwell,
upon the surrender of Hayles Abbey.

[MS. Cotton. Cleop. E. iv. fol. 254 b.]

OWER humble dewties observyd unto your gudde Lordeshippe it may lyke the same to be advertysed that we have taken the surrendre of the late monastery of Haylys, wher we founde the father and all hys brothren very honest and conformable persons; and the Howse clerly owt of dett. Over that the father hadde hys Howse and grounds so well furnysshede with juellys, plate, stuffe, corne, catell, and the wods also so well savyd as thoo he hadde lokyde forre no alteration of hys House. Hys arable londe also wasse in lyke maner husbondyd: no small nombre of acres redy sowen with whete, and the tylth seasonablie orderyd for barlye: and dydde surrendre hys Howse with suche descrete and frank maner as we haue seen no other do better in all owr jorney. The Howse clerly dispacched and commytted according to the Kings Majesties Lettres unto the custody of Mr. Acton. We have from that Howse right honest sorts of juellys, plate, ornaments, and monye besyde the garnyshyng of a small Shryne, wherein was reposyd the counterfett relyk in tymys past; which all we do safly reserve unto the Kyngs Highnes use; and thowzt it our parts to declare and signifie unto your lordeshipe thys honest manne is behavior and doings to thentent he myzt have at your honds condinge prayse and thanks for hys trew dealinge; and to humbly desyer your lordeshippe to be gudde lorde unto hym as hys full trust ys ye will be. We have dispatched Haylys and Winchcombe, and now be at Glocester wher we have taken the surrendre, and be diligently traveling for a new ordre to be sett ther, wherin we fynde the more difficultye, for that as yet the King's Highnes hathe nott determyd hys pleasure upon the master that shall have the governance of thys congregation. From Glocestre we go unto Tewxbury wher thys wek we trust clerly to make a fynall conclusion of all our commissions for thys Schyer, as we have now don in Hampshyer and Wilscher, and schall use no lesse diligins for the nexte of Worcestreschyer by the grace of Almyghty Godde, who with increse of moche honor longe preserve your gudd Lordeschipp. At Glocester iiij^o. Januarij. Your Lordschipp most humbly

to be commandyd,
ROBERT SOUTHWELL. WILLM. BERNES.
EDWARD CARNE. JOHN ARNOLD.
RI. GWENT. JOHN AP RICE.
JOHN LONDON. RYCHARDE POULET.

Abbey of Newenham, in Devonshire.



NEWENHAM ABBEY was founded by Reginald de Mohun, Earl of Somerset, according to the Annals of the two Houses of Parcoude and Chester, in 1241; but Tanner says not before 1246, because Richard bishop of Exeter, who was one of the witnesses to the foundation charter, was not consecrated till 1245.^a Richard Blondy, the bishop of Exeter here alluded to,

was also a benefactor to the establishment.^b The monks who colonised the foundation were brought from Beaulieu, in Hampshire.^c

The ground for the abbey church was marked out on July 6th, 1250, when Prior Walter laid the foundation stone. Other stones of foundation were laid in 1254.^d John de Geytingtone, who was abbat from 1325 to 1338, built the cloister next to the Infirmary and Lavatory, and began a new hall, which was finished by his successor.^e These are all the ancient particulars which we are acquainted with respecting the building. William of Wyrcestre says, the church was two hundred feet in length; the length of the transverse aisle a hundred and fifty-two feet; and the length of the choir eighty feet.^f

Dugdalc has given the charter of foundation from an Insepimus of King Henry the Third:^g with a confirmation of the possessions by King Edward the Third,^h and various memoranda relating to the different benefactors.ⁱ

Mr. Oliver has given the completest List of the

ABBATS of this MONASTERY,

which we here transcribe, with a few corrections and additions made by himself.

JOHN GODDARD, a native of Canterbury, the first abbat, was instituted Jan. 6th, 1246, and resigned August 16th, 1248.

HENRY DE SPERZHOLT succeeded Sept. 6th, 1248. He resigned May 3d, 1250.

JOHN DE PONTE ROBERTI succeeded; but continued in office a few months only. He resigned 25th Feb. 1253.

GALFRID DE BLANCHEVILLE was confirmed abbat March 29th, 1253, and was abbat nearly nine years.

HUGH DE COKESWELL was elected June 14th, 1262; and resigned three years afterward. He clandestinely displaced the old monks of Newenham, and introduced a fresh colony there from Beaulieu.

JOHN DE NORTHAMPTON was elected July 7th, 1265. He resigned Sept. 11th, 1272.

WILLIAM DE CORNWALL or CORNUBIA, next succeeded; but laid down his office after holding it sixteen years.

RICHARD DE CHICHESTER was elected abbat Sept. 13th, 1288. He was deposed Oct. 15th, 1292. He left the monastery incumbered with a debt of 283*l.* 0*s.* 5*d.*

^a Tann. Notit. Monast. Devon. xxxiii.

^b Oliver's Historic Collections relating to the Monasteries in Devon. p. 56.

^c Ibid. The names of the persons who composed this colony, were, JOHN GODDARD appointed to the dignity of abbat; Michael de Brythwalton; Geoffrey de Chypynghourne; Walter de Honespylle, elected for prior; William deputed sub-prior; Henry de Persolte named to be cellarer; Richard de Ildesbye to be precentor; Adam de Esthoelio; Nicholas de Cornewall; Walter de Ovirton; and Ralph de Oviton; with four lay brethren. The colony quitted Beaulieu Jan. 2d, 1246-7. The stages of their journey to Newenham are minutely described in a Register of the Abbey at present in the possession of William Wavell, esq. M.D. of Barnstaple, of which more will be said presently.

^d MS. Communication of the Rev. Mr. Oliver.

^e Oliver, Hist. Collect. p. 57.

^f Itin. Will. Wyrcestre, p. 92. The particulars of the founder's death, in 1257, are minutely recorded in the register already mentioned, together with an account of the vision which preceded it. The registrar adds, "When the pavement of the sanctuary of our conventual church was relaid in the year of our Lord 1333, the body of the said founder

RICHARD DE PEDIRTON was elected abbat Nov. 11th, 1292. He resigned April 7th, 1297.

WILLIAM DE FRIBI or FRIA, was elected April 14th, 1297. He resigned Feb. 4th, 1303.

RALPH DE SHAPERVILLE or SHAPWICK was the next abbat. He succeeded 6th Dec. 1304. He died in 1314.

ROBERT DE PUPPLESBURY was voted his successor Sept. 30th, 1314. He resigned May 12th, 1321.

JOHN DE COKYSWELL succeeded on the ensuing feast of the Purification. He died Dec. 26th, 1324.

JOHN DE GEYTINGTONE was instituted March 17th, 1324-5.

WALTER HOWE, or DE LA HOUSE, was confirmed May 13th, 1338.

RICHARD BRANESCOMBE was admitted abbat by Bishop Grandisson, March 7th, 1361.

JOHN LEGGA was instituted Sept. 24th, 1391.

LEONARD HOUNDALLER.

NICHOLAS WYSBECH was confirmed by Bishop Stafford Oct. 29th, 1413.

TRYSTRAM CRUKERNE succeeded July 27th, 1432.

WILLIAM HUNTEFORD was admitted Sept. 12th, 1456.

JOHN ELLYS instituted July 23d, 1512.

JOHN ILMINSTER, alias CABELL, was admitted Aug. 3d, 1525.

RICHARD GYLL, the last abbat, was confirmed in his dignity by bishop Veysey, Feb. 12th, 1530.^k The pensions granted to him and his monks in 1539 will be found in the Appendix.^l

The sum total of the temporal Revenues of this House, in 1291, amounted to 26*l.* 0*s.* 4*d.*^m In the 26th Hen. VIII. the total of the Revenue amounted to 231*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.*; the clear receipt to 227*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.*ⁿ

The Scite of this House was granted in the 5th Eliz. to Thomas, Duke of Norfolk. His son, Lord William Howard, disposed of it to Sir John Petre, who was created a baron, 1st Jac. I. In his family the possession continued till lately.^o On 22d May, 1824, William the eleventh and present Lord Petre sold the manor of Axminster, including the scite of this Priory, to James Alexander Frampton of London, esquire.

Mr. Oliver says, "In several leases before me, I observe frequent mention is made of certain tenements lying in the parishes of St. Lawrence and St. Mary Major, Exeter, which belonged to this abbey. The abbat's town-house in Exeter was nearly opposite St. John's Hospital, in the eastern corner of the entrance from Fore-street into Castle-street. Until very lately, the remains of a magnificent building were observable there."

Tanner gives references to two REGISTERS of the Abbey of Newenham. One, formerly in the Arundel Collection, now in the Library of the Royal Society; the other, in 1606, in the possession of Robert Roll, Esq. of Heanton Sackville.^p

(seventy-five years after its interment) was found in the sarcophagus perfectly incorrupt and uninjured, and exhaling a fragrant odour. For three days it lay exposed to public view. *I saw it and felt it: 'quod quidem corpus vidi, palpavi, et per triduum publice coopertum jacuit, anno Domini m.ccc.xxxiii.'* William de Mohun, the founder's brother, died at Northam on the feast of St. Lambert, 17th Sept. 1265.

^g See the Appendix, Num. I.

^h Ibid. Num. II.

ⁱ Numm. III. IV. V.

^k See Oliver's Historic Collections, pp. 56, 57.

^l App. Num. X.

^m "Abbas de Neweham habet manerium de Oxmyenstr. quod taxatur 12*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* Manerium de Plenet. et Northon quod taxatur 13*l.* 12*s.* Summa totalis 26*l.* 0*s.* 4*d.*"

Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. p. 152.

ⁿ See Append. Num. IX.

^o Oliver, ut supra, p. 59.

^p Tanner says, "*Vide Registrum Abbatie de Newenham, olim in bibl. Arundel. nunc in bibl. Regie Societatis London. inter Codd. Norf. n. 147. Registrum hujus Abbatie penes Robertum Roll de Heanton Sackville arm. A.D. 1606, ejus apographum extat in museo v. doctissimiet amicissimi Johannis Anstis arm. Garter; ubi etiam extant Collec-*

Subsequent to the setting up of the present page in type, the Contents of another, if it is not the same Register with that which belonged to Mr. Roll, have been communicated to the Editors of the *Monasticon* by the Rev. George Oliver of Exeter, a gentleman whose kindness toward this Work is unremitted. This Register, written in the reign of King Edward the Third, consists of a hundred and twenty two leaves of vellum, and has been for some time in the possession of William Wavell of Barnstable, Esq. M.D.

No COMMON SEAL of this abbey has yet been met with.

Mr. Oliver says, "From a careful inspection of the ground, of the RUINS and dismantled remains of this interesting abbey, I think it easy to trace out the site of the church, the chapter-house, and the cloister quadrangle."^a

Cartae ad Newenhamensem Abbatiam, in agro Devo- niensi, spectantes; fundatam A.D. Mccclj.^d

NUM. I.

Carta Foundationis per Reginaldum de Moun.

[Cart. 31 H. III. m. 2. per Inspex.]

UNIVERSIS Christi fidelibus hoc scriptum visuris vel audituris Reginaldus de Moun salutem æternam in Domino Noveritis me dedisse, concessisse, et hac præsentis carta mea confirmasse totum manerium meum de Axeministre cum omnibus pertinentiis suis Deo et beatæ Mariæ virgini et monachis Cisterciensis ordinis ibidem Deo servientibus et servituris, pro salute animarum Willielmi Briwer senioris et Willielmi Briwer junioris et uxorum suarum; et pro salute animæ meæ et patris mei et matris meæ, et Hawisiæ de Moun et Isabellæ Basset uxorum mearum, et Willielmi de Moun fratris mei, et hæredum meorum et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum. Habendum et tenendum de me et hæredibus meis prædictum manerium de Axeministre cum hundredo forinseco pertinente ad dictum manerium, cum omnibus libertatibus Et cum sectis Mathei de Bainton et hæredum suorum, et Philippi de Grenceweye et hæredum suorum dum suorum, et Willielmi de Hauuill et hæredum suorum tantummodo ad dictum hundredum forinsecum itibus. Aliis servitiis et omnimodis exactionibus mihi et hæredibus meis in perpetuum retentis et cum aliis pertin nemento dicti manerii ad opus meum et hæredum meorum exceptis sectis de me et hæredibus meis et exceptis sectis et exactionibus et omnimodis demandis omnium meorum de Octry, et de Holedich; quæ omnia michi et hæredibus meis quietè et integrè retinui in perpetuum, ad fundandam et construendam ibi abbaciam Cisterc. ordinis in honore Dei et B. Mariæ virginis in prædicto manerio de Axeministre per abbatem Belli-loci Regis, de cujus domo ad dictam abbatiam sumatur conventus. Volo igitur et concedo pro me et hæredibus meis, ut monachi ibidem Deo servientes et servituri habcant et teneant dictum manerium cum omnibus pertinentiis suis de me et hæredibus meis in puram et perpetuam elemosinam liberè, quietè, et solutè ab omni terreno servicio, consuetudine, et demanda et exactione seculari, et ab omnibus sectis, placitis, causis, cavillationibus, et quærclis quæ ad me vel hæredes meos de dicto manerio aliquatenus possent pertinere.

tanea ex quoddam hujus Abbatiae per Franc. Thynne. Notes out of the Abbey Book of Newenham, MS. haud ita pridem penes dom. Hen. St. George mil. regem armorum titulo Garter, A. 42. Excerpta ex Registro, et Nomina Abbatum, MS. Dodsw. in bibl. Bodl. Oxon. vol. lv. fol. 50. Collectanea ex Registro, MS. in bibl. Harleiana, 2044, fol. 36.

"Cart. 31 Hen. III. m. 3. pro maner. de Axeministre. Plac. Devon. 56 Hen. III. rot. 223. Cart. 4 Edw. I. n. 18. Pat. 5 Edw. I. m. 18. Pat. 18 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 8 vel 9, et 17. Pet. Parl. 3 Edw. III. n. 64. de jure patronatus abbatiae, et pro eccl. de Axminstre approprianda. Plac. de banco 7 Edw. III. rot. 262. Pat. 8 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . p. 2, m. 4. Pat. 9 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 24. de advoc. eccl. de Axminstre. Pat. 13 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 1 vel 2. Pat. 14 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 33. Cart. 17 Edw. III. n. 3. pro eccl. de Lovepitt approprianda. Pat. 18 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 11. de eadem eccl. Ibid. p. 2, m. 41 vel 42. Pat. 19 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 25 vel 26. Pat. 25 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 38, d. Cart. 30 Edw. III. n. 1, pro feria apud Plenynt. Pat. 17 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 18. de hundredo de Axminster et advoe. eccl. de Norton. Pat. 11 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 1. Pat. 6 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 26. Rec. in Seaec. 13 Hen. VI. Hil. rot. 6. de Middelwold in Morestowe. Claus. 16 Hen. VI. m. 17 vel 18. pro advoc. eccl. de Loveputt. Pat. 2 Edw. IV. p. 6, m. 17."

See also, Abbrev. Plac. pp. 161, 191, 232. Plac. de Quo War. pp. 110, 166, 167, 170, 173.

Concedo etiam ut ipsi monachi ibidem Deo servientes et servituri, dictum manerium habeant et teneant et plenariè possideant integrè, benè, et in pace, in villa et extra villam, in terris, redditibus, escactis, in wardis, in releviis, et in omnibus rebus, et locis cum omnibus libertatibus et pertinentiis ad dictum manerium spectantibus, ut prædictum est, adeo liberè, quietè, benè et honorificè sicut aliqua elemosina in mundo liberiùs, quietiùs, et honorificentius ab aliquo homine dari poterit vel teneri. Omnia vero servicia et exactiones quæ de dicto manerio regiæ potestati debentur vel deberi poterunt ego Reginaldus de Moun et hæredes mei de aliis terris nostris plenariè acquietabimus, et dictos monachos ibidem Deo servientes et servituros indemnes inde conservabimus. Et ego Reginaldus et hæredes mei omnia prædicta prædictis monachis ibidem Deo servientibus et servituris contra omnes mortales warrantizabimus imperpetuum. Ut hæc autem mea donatio, concessio warrantizatio et præsentis cartæ meæ confirmatio ratam et perpetuam stabilitatem optineat, præsens scriptum sigilli mei impressione roboravi. Hiis testibus, venerabili domino Ricardo abbate episcopo Exoniensi, domino Ricardo fratre domini regis comite Cornubiæ, domino Simone comite de Leicestria, domino Willielmo de Cantelou seniore, domino Johanne filio Galfridi, domino Radulpho filio Nicholai, domino Willielmo de Cantelou juniore, domino Henrico de Tracy, domino Hugone Peverel de Erningthorpe, domino Willielmo de Raleg, domino Willielmo de Moun, domino Hamelino de Deaudon, domino Willielmo Malerbe, et multis aliis.

NUM. II.

Carta Regis Edwardi tertii, Donatorum Concessionem recitans et confirmans.

[Pat. 4 E. III. part. 1, m. 31.]

REX omnibus ad quos, &c. salutem. Donationem, concessionem, et confirmationem quas Reginaldus de Moun fecit per cartam suam Deo et beatæ Mariæ virgini et monachis Cisterciensis ordinis de toto manerio suo de Axeministre ad fundandum abbaciam ordinis prædicti in honore Dei et B. Mariæ virginis in manerio prædicto, quæ quidem abbacia nunc Neweham nuncupatur, una cum hundredo forinseco pertinente ad dictum manerium, ac libertatibus et liberis

Among the proceedings in Chancery temp. Eliz. at the Tower, are some respecting the Possessions of this Monastery, marked Aa, 6. 3. Mm. 9. 38.

Mr. Oliver says, "In vol. i. Grandison's Register," (bishop of Exeter) "fol. 4. it is stated that Pope Alexander IVth. (between the years 1254 and 1261) appropriated to Newenham Abbey the church of Lovepit or Luppit, in the deanry of Dunkeswell."

He adds, "From different passages in the Registers, it appears that the abbey pretended a claim to the church of Axminster, which was the cause of much litigation. But the claim was protested against by the rectors, and rejected by the bishops. The living, at least for a considerable period, was in the gift of the bishop: still, however, two prebends in Axminster church, called Warthell and Greendale, belonged to St. Peter's church, in the city of York. Bishop Stapledon, in fol. 153. of his Register, acquaints us that they had formerly been annexed to that cathedral, by one of the Kings of England."

"Axminster fair was held on the vigil and on the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, as I find in an ancient lease. The profits of this fair are reserved by the abbat to himself and his convent: but he leases out the profits of the market for the annual consideration of sixty shillings."—Historic Collections, ut supr. pp. 58, 59.

^a Historic Collections, p. 58.

^b Chron. S. Werburgæ Cestr. in bibl. Cottoniana.

consuetudinibus, et sectis Mathei de Maunthon, et hæredum suorum, Philippi de Greneweve et hæredum suorum, Andree de Luuepitte, et hæredum suorum, et Willielmi de Hauvill et hæredum suorum, tantummodo ad dictum hundredum faciendum de jure ibidem spectantibus; necnon placitis, causis, querelis, serviciis, redditibus, esactis, wardis, releviis, et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis, exceptis sectis, consuetudinibus, exactionibus, et omnimodis demandis omnium aliorum hominum ipsius Reginaldi, de Ottry, et Holedich. Remissionem eciam, &c. quas Ricardus filius Willielmi de Aleth fecit, per scriptum suum, abbati et conventus dicti loci de Neweham de toto jure quod habuit vel habere potuit in manerio de Plenynt et advocacione ecclesiæ ejusdem loci, cum redditibus, homagiis, sectis, wardis, esactis, fidelitatibus, releviis, herietis, scutagiis, tallagiis, auxiliis, et aliis pertinentiis suis. Remissionem insuper et quietam clamanciam quas Walterus de Aleth filius et hæres Johannis de Aleth fecit per scriptum suum præfatis abbati et conventui et successoribus suis de toto jure quod habuit vel habere potuit in manerio de Plenynt, et advocacione ecclesiæ ejusdem loci cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Donationem, &c. quas Johannes de Cancellis filius et hæres Egidii de Cancellis fecit per scriptum suum eisdem abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus de manerio de Plenynt in Cornubia et advocacione ecclesiæ ejusdem manerii cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Remissionem insuper et quietam clamanciam quas Johannes de Calvo-monte fil. et hæres Bartholomei de Calvo-monte, et Isabellæ uxoris ejus fecit per scriptum suum præfatis abbati et conventui, et successoribus suis de manerio de Plenynt et advocacione ecclesiæ ejusdem loci cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Donationem, &c. quas Ricardus Wranghe fecit, &c. de toto tenemento suo de Wrangahegh, cum pratis, pascuis, pasturis, aquis, redditibus, et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis. Donationem, &c. quas Thomas Stede fil. et hæres Radulfi Stede fecit, &c. de tota terra sua quam habuit in manerio de Axeministre cum ædificiis, curtellis, &c. Donationem, &c. quas Henr. de Burton et Mabilla uxor ejus fecerunt per cartam suam eisdem abbati et conventui de toto tenemento suo cum pratis, &c. quod habuerunt apud Sapwike in manerio de Axeministre de dono Ricardi de Burton. Donationem, &c. quas Alicia de Tynten Calweheigh fecit per cartam suam eisdem abbati, &c. de toto illo tenemento et terra quæ Philippus Rog. de Schapewyk quondam tenuit apud Schapewyk in manerio de Axeministre; et eciam de tota terra et prato quæ eadem Alicia habuit de dono Johannis de Schapewyk ibidem cum curtellis, &c. Relaxationem eciam, &c. quas Johannes de Tynten miles fil. et hæres Aliciæ de Tynten fecit, &c. de toto jure et clamio quæ habuit, &c. in toto illo tenemento et terra quæ Philippus Rog. de Schapewyk quondam tenuit apud Schapewyk, &c. Donationem insuper, &c. quas Nicholaus de Bolevill fecit per cartam suam eisdem abbati, &c. de viginti et quinque solidatis et quatuor denariis annui redditus quas Alexander de Chelesham et hæredessui aliquando eidem Nicholao reddere consueverunt de terris quas de ipso tenuerunt in Kelmeton in com. Devon. et Dalwud in com. Dors. cum wardis, &c. Donationem, &c. quas Robertus nuper abbas monasterii beatæ Mariæ de Gresten et ejusdem loci conventus fecerunt per scriptum suum eisdem abbati et conventui de Neweham de Sexaginta solidatis annui redditus quas aliquando prædicti abbas et conventus de Gresten percipere consueverunt de quodam manerio quod vocatur Northon in Cornubia: et de toto jure et clamio quæ predicti abbas et conventus de Gresten unquam habuerunt vel habere potuerunt in prædicto manerio de Northon cum omnibus pertinentiis suis ratas habentes et gratas eas pro nobis et hæredibus nostris quantum in nobis est, &c. confirmamus, &c. In cujus, &c. T. R. Apud Wodestok primo die Aprilis.

NUM. III.

Progenies Aliciæ quartæ Filiarum et Hæredum Willielmi Brewer.

[Ex Registr. abbatiae de Sibeton.]

ALICIA de Mohun quarta filia Willielmi Bruer, ad cujus participationem, inter quinque filias, hæredes dicti Willielmi Bruer, cecidit manerium de Axeminster cum pertinentiis. Quæ Alicia prædicta nupta fuit domino Reginaldo de Mohun, domino de Dunstetre, de qua procreavit Reginaldum de Mohun hæredem ipsorum Reginaldi et Aliciæ, et ille Reginaldus filius Reginaldi prædicti fundavit abbatiam

de Nyweham in manerio de Axeminster anno gratiæ MCC.XLVJ. octavo idus Januarii die dominica, luna xv. epacta prima concurrente prima, sub papa Innocentio quarto, regnante in Anglia Henrico christianissimo rege, filio Johannis regis; regnante in Francia Lodovico filio Lodovici filii regis Philippi, vacante imperio Romano, Frederico deposito; gubernante ecclesiam Cantuariensem Bonifacio, ecclesiam verò Exoniensem magistro Richardo Albo, de eadem civitate Exoniensi nato; abbatizante apud Bellum locum dompno Acio de Gysortis, cum dicta domus Belli loci esset quadraginta duorum annorum et dimidii; abbatizante apud Furdam domino Adamo. Qui supradictus Reginaldus de Mohun, habuit duas uxores; scilicet, Hawysiam de Mohun et Isabellam Basset, et in dicta Hawysia procreavit unum filium nomine Johannem, hæredem ipsius. Qui Johannes prædictus in Gasconia moriebatur; cujus corpus jacet coram magno altare, inter sepulcrum Reginaldi de Mohun, et Willielmi de Mohun, domini de Moun-Otery, et de Neweham, corpus verò apud Brewiton. Qui Johannes de Mohun secundus, habuit unum filium hæredem nomine Johannem. Qui Johannes modo tertius, fuit in custodia domini regis, in tempore quo justiciarii domini regis itinerantes in Devoniam scderunt. Qui Johannes de Mohun tertius sumpsit uxorem Audam Typetoft, in qua procreavit de se septem filios, et unam filiam, quorum nomina patent. Idem Johannes de Mohun tertius mutavit arma antiqua eorum qui solebant portare manicam ermiatam. Iste Johannes tertius portavit scutum aureum, cum nigra cruce engrellata.

Filii Johannis de Mohun tertii.	{	Johannes hæres ipsius.
		Robertus dominus de Purbec.
		Baldewynus rector de Bycheford.
		Paganus.
		Reginaldus miles.
		Patricius.
		Hervicus et Laurentius.

Filia supradicti Johannis de Mohun tertii Elianora nupta Radulfo de Wylton. Johannes de Mohun quartus habuit unum filium hæredem ejus, et duas filias procreatas. Filius dicti Johannis quarti Johannes, hæres ejusdem. Filiæ dicti Johannis quarti, Margareta nupta Johanni de Carru, Elizabetha quæ moriebatur sine exitu. Dominus Johannes de Mohun quartus moriebatur in Scocia, per plurimos annos, ante Johannem tertium patrem suum. Et filius ejus et hæres Johannes modo quintus, post mortem avi sui, fuit in custodia domini Henrici de Burghwath Lincolnensis episcopi. Qui Johannes quintus sumpsit in uxorem Joannam filiam domini Bartholomei de Burghwasche fratris dicti episcopi.

NUM. IV.

De Fundatoribus de Niweham.

[Ex Registr. de Niweham in bibl. Arundel. fol. 50.]

PRIMUS fundator est dominus Henricus rex Angliæ filius regis Johannis, qui anno regni sui 30. dedit licentiam suam construendi abbatiam hoc loco, vocatam Niewham. Secundus fundator erat Reginaldus de Moun, qui dedit manerium de Axminster, cum hundredo, huic monasterio; et anno quolibet vitæ suæ centum marchas assignavit argenti ad constructionem ejusdem, et in testamento suo septingentas marcas argenti legavit, ut in cronicis de Forda plenius apparet; item dedit advocacionem ecclesiæ de Lovepitte.

Willielmus de Moun, frater ejusdem Reginaldi, dedit fratri suo prædicto, omnes terras et tenementa, pro manerio de Axminster, ad sustentandum ibidem dictum monasterium, qui dedit supradicto fratri nomen fundatoris, eo quod ipse erat totalis causa foundationis. Idem perquisivit totum manerium de Nortona, cum hundredo et balliva de Strat-tone, et multa alia bona innumerabilia huic loco procuravit, et fecit. Dominus Egidius de Cancellis habuit manerium de Plenint in Cornubia, in feodi firma, pro cujus anima ejus executores dictum manerium huic monasterio assignaverunt, cum advocacione ecclesiæ.

Et Willielmus filius Richardi Alre, eundem manerium relaxavit et quietum clamavit, &c. Bartholomeus de Chaumond, similiter, et Johannes de Ancell similiter relaxavit.

Dominus Nicholaus de Boleville dedit nobis viginti sex solidos annui redditus in Tuddeshere, cum corpore suo.

Richardus de Stamerligh dedit nobis terram suam in Stamerligh.

Radulfus Steede dedit nobis omnes terras suas in Stedehers.

Richardus de Wrange dedit nobis omnes terras suas in Wrangth.

Robertus de Bacheler dedit nobis terram suam in Bacaler.

Johannes de Burton dedit terram suam in Shapwicke.

Dominus Johannes Miles de Tinten, dedit quadraginta acras terræ in Shapwicke.

Johannes de Shapewicke dedit nobis omnes terras suas in Shapewicke.

Adam de Cranmore dedit nobis terram suam in Cranmore.

Hillarius Borda, molendinum dedit nobis de Hoddesclive.

Dominus David Anselmus, cantor Crydionensis, dedit nobis domos in civitate Exoniæ.

Richardus Cotehere, xiiij. acras terræ in Cotehere.

Robertus de Lou dedit nobis domos juxta barbicanum in civitate Exoniæ.

NUM. V.

De Anniversario Fundatorum hujus Monasterii.

[Ibid.]

1257. TERTIO kal. Februarii, obiit dominus Reginaldus de Mohun fundator.

1260. Obiit Isabella Basset uxor Reginaldi prædicti.

1265. Obiit Willielmus de Moun, fundator hujus monasterii, et frater germanus supradicti Reginaldi, qui apud Nortun in Cornubia, in manerio hujus domus moriebatur.

1248. Obiit dominus Egidius de Cancellis, dator de Plennynt.

1264. Obiit Johannes de Boleville, qui contulit huic domui octoginta solidos annui redditus in Kilmeton, et Blecceshere.

1280. Obiit dominus Willielmus de Mohun, filius domini Reginaldi, qui quidem Willielmus fuit dominus de Oteri-Moun; et jacet sepultus coram magno altari de Nyweham, et reliquit hæreditatem duabus filiabus.

1258. Obiit Wymundus de Raleghe in vigilia sancti Nicolai.

1258. Obiit dominus Richardus abbas.

1291. Obiit Petrus Squinel episcopus Exon.

1307. Obiit dominus Thomas de Bintone, episcopus Exoniæ.

1326. Obiit dominus Walterus de Stapleton, episcopus Exoniæ.

1326. Obiit dominus Jacobus de Berkeley, episcopus Exoniæ.

NUM. VI.

Corpora istorum qui jacent humata coram magno Altare de Nyweham.

[Ibid.]

EGIDIUS de Chanceaux, dator de Plenent, jacet in dextra presbyterii prope sedes ministrorum.

Item juxta illum, in sinistra parte, jacet Willielmus de Moun, frater Reginaldi, et alter fundator dictæ abbatihæ.

Item juxta illum, in sinistra parte, ultra stationem diaconi, jacet Reginaldus de Moun, principalis fundator.

Item juxta illum, in sinistra parte, sub parva petra, jacet cor Johannis de Moun, filii et hæredis dicti Reginaldi, et ejus corpus jacet apud Brumton. Et juxta illud cor, in sinistra parte, jacet dominus Willielmus de Mohun, dominus de Oteri-Moun, filius dicti Reginaldi, de Isabella secunda uxore sua procreatus. Item in sinistro muro presbyterii, jacet Nicholas de Bolevilla, qui dedit nobis xxvj. s. iiij. d. annui redditus.

Omnes supradicti milites fuerunt.

NUM. VII.

Nomina Abbatum Belli Loci Regis.

[Ibid.]

DOMPNUS Hugo primus abbas.

Hugo.

VOL. V.

Alcius de Gisortio misit primum conventum Neweham, ad abbatiam construendam.

Dionisius mutavit conventum primum, et misit conventum secundum ad Neweham.

Willielmus de Gisortio.

Robertus de Boclonde.

Petrus de Chicestria; iste dedit imaginem beatæ Mariæ ad magnum altare de Newcham.

Willielmus de Hameldon, qui dedit nobis tabulam sex imaginibus ornatam, ad magnum altare hujus ecclesiæ.

NUM. VIII.

Nomina Abbatum de Neweham

[Ibid.]

JOHANNES GODARD, natus in Cantuaria, primus abbas hujus monasterii, vir nobilis scientiæ, et mirabilis eloquentiæ, qui octavo idus Januarii, die videlicet dominica, in festo Epiphaniæ Domini, dictam domum cepit regendum anno ejusdem millesimo ducentesimo quadragesimo sexto, et anno regis Henrici filii regis Johannis xxxj. Et anno Domini m.cc.xlvij. quarto die mensis Aprilis cessavit, et apud Clivam in comitatu Somerset per annos plurimos postmodum abbatizavit.

Cui successit HENRICUS DE SPERSHOLT in Barkschire natus, primus cellerarius ejusdem domus in abbatem creatus, sexto die mensis Aprilis, anno Domini m.cc.xlvij. qui adquisivit manerium de Plenint in Cornubia cum advocacione ecclesiæ ejusdem manerii, tenementa de Tuddesheire, manerium de Shapewike in una parte, Bacalre, Cromor juxta Furshagh, et ecclesiam de Lovepitte, et primam petram posuit pro fundamento hujus ecclesiæ. Idem relaxavit abbati, et conventu de Glastonbiri sectas ad hundredum de Axeminster, et ad turnum vicecomitis, cum sexdecim solidis, et octo denariis, qui solebant solvi in auxilium ad turnum, et ad hundredum, pro Hardrisgene, compulsus per placitum. Et anno Domini m.cc.liij. tertio die mensis Maii, cessit propter quandam infirmitatem intervenientem.

Cui successit JOHANNES DE PONTE-ROBERTI prior Belli loci, vir valdè religiosus, ad cujus rogatum Richardus Blund, qui abbas dicebatur, situm hujus abbatie dedicavit, et, pro signo dedicationis, poni fecit cruces ligneas, ad sancta loca, et benedicta discernenda, donec circumdata extitit curia sive abbatia opere fossario. Idem episcopus sententiam dedit tunc, super omnes, qui aliquam violentiam fecerunt, in locis supradictis. Idem abbas contulit huic ecclesiæ, librum unum, videlicet ex quatuor evangelistis. Anno Domini m.cc.lij. vicesimo quinto die Februarii cessit.

Cui successit GALFRIDUS DE BLANCHEVILLE placitator Belli-loci, in abbatem creatus vicesimo nono die mensis Martii anno Domini m.cc.lij. qui perquisivit omnia privilegia hujus domus, et appropriavit, per curiam Romanam, ecclesias de Plunynt et Lovepitte, et primò præsentavit ad ecclesiam de Plunynt quendam Robertum Everard, &c. Idem Galfridus adquisivit manerium de Norton, in comitatu Cornubia, per consilium et auxilium Willielmi de Moun fundatoris, pro quo quidem manerio idem Willielmus de bonis suis, pro nobis satisfecit, usque ad magnam summam pecuniæ. Idem Galfridus adquisivit Wrangeheis et Slamerligh in parte. Idem Galfridus incepit ædificare super fundamentum ecclesiæ, et in tantum expedit in ædificatione prædicta, quod missam primam celebrari fecit in eadem ecclesia; et post multos labores, huic ecclesiæ valdè fructuosos, moriebatur extra abbatiam prædictam, anno Domini m.cc.lxij.

Cui successit HUGO DE COKESWELL, portarius Belli-loci, in abbatem creatus quarto decimo die mensis Junii anno Domini m.cc.lxij. qui benedictionem episcopalem nunquam recepit. Idem, callidis machinationibus suis, mutavit conventum hujus domus, et anno Domini m.cc.lxv. tertio nonas Julii, apud Bellum-locum secretè cessit, et ibidem, in crastino alium abbatem et conventum elegerunt, ad Nyweham transmissuros, unde sors electionis cecidit super Johannem de Northampton, custodem de Faringdone, et super duodecim monachos pro conventu suo computandos, &c. Et anno Domini m.cc.lxxij. tertio idus Septembris, cessit.

Cui successit WILLIELMUS DE CORNUBIA prior Belli-loci, in abbatem creatus duodecimo die mensis Septembris, anno Domini m.cc.lxxij. &c. et post multos labores, cæcus factus est et decrepitus. Et anno Domini m.cc.lxxxviiij. apud Bellum-locum, cessavit, et ibidem vitam finivit.

Cui successit RICHARDUS DE CHICHESTRE monachus Belli-loci, in abbatem creatus tertio decimo die mensis Septembris, anno Domini quo supra; qui propriis manibus cartam domini regis de advocatione ecclesiæ de Axeminstre, in curia regis cancellavit, et adnullavit, et detruncavit; pro qua quidem cancellatione, a canonicis Eboraci recepit argentum multum, qui per Bellum-locum regrediens, ibidem legitime fuit depositus de suo regimine, et sigilla hujus domus ablata ab eo; et anno Domini M.CC.LXXX. iij. idus Octobris, hæc omnia ab ipso sunt facta, vel orta.

Cui successit RICHARDUS DE PEDIRTON, subcellarius Belli-loci, in abbatem creatus tertio idus Novembris, anno Domini M.CC.LXXXiij. qui quietam clamavit advocationem dictæ ecclesiæ canonicis Eboraci, et sic erat novus error pejor priore, pro qua quidem quietam clamancia pecuniam recepit, de qua fecit convivia, et letè, et lautè vixit, dum duravit. Et anno M.CC.XC. vij. idus Aprilis cessit.

Cui successit WILLIELMUS LE FRIA, in abbatem creatus decimo quarto die mensis Aprilis, anno quo supra, qui custodivit domum intra et extra, sine lite, et placito, sumptuosus. Et anno Domini M.CCC.iij. cessit, et in domo ista vitam finivit, et apud Fordam jacet humatus.

Cui successit RICHARDUS DE PEDIRTONE, alia vice in eodem anno creatus in abbatem, secundo nonas Februarii. In cujus tempore justiciarii itinerantes sederunt in Cornubia, qui anno Domini M.CCC.iiij. nonas Novembris, in redeundo de capitulo generali, moriebatur, cujus corpus jacebat humatum apud Waverleigh.

Cui successit RADULFUS DE SHAPEWIKE, pro hujus domus, in Summersetia natus, in abbatem creatus octavo idus Decembris anno quo supra, qui perquisivit quatuordecim acras terræ arabilis in Cotehere, &c. Et anno Domini M.CCC.xiiij. idus Augusti, apud Bellum-locum cessit, et apud Nyweham vitam finivit, cujus corpus jacet humatum ante ostium ecclesiæ in pannelo in claustrali, quod ipse fecit.

Cui successit ROBERTUS DE PUPPLYSVYRIE, in Summersetia natus, cellerarius Belli-loci, in abbatem creatus tricesimo die mensis Septembris anno quo supra, et anno Domini M.CCC.xxj. quarto idus Maii, apud Nyweham cessit, et apud Bellum-locum finivit.

Cui successit JOHANNES DE COKYSWELL, prior Belli-loci, et post diuturnam infirmitatem, die sancti Stephani, hora tertia, moriebatur, cujus corpus jacet humatum in fronte capituli hujus domus, anno Domini M.CCC.xxiiij.

Cui successit JOHANNES DE GEYTYNGTONE, natus in comitatu Northamptoniæ, portarius Belli-loci, et prius archidiaconus de Lewes, ac canonicus Chichestre, in abbatem postulatus, die Lunæ in festo cathedræ sancti Petri, anno Domini millesimo trecentesimo vigesimo quarto, qui novam fecit introductionem in ecclesiam de Lovepitte, et pacifica possessione nacta, expulsi fuerunt ejus procuratores à possessione ejusdem ecclesiæ, &c. Idem abbas portavit breve de ingressu super Johannem de Melleplas, pro manerio de Bremelham recuperando. Idem abbas adquisivit terram Johannis de Shapewike, et terram Williclmi Tudder, ac domos juxta Crakenepitte in civitate Exoniæ. Fecit etiam tria panella in claustris, per auxilium, et adjuvamen domini Walteri de Stapildon Exoniensis episcopi secundi, qui semper amicus hujus domus extitit, et multa bona domui contulit; fecit etiam claustrum, versus infirmarium monachorum, lavatorium; et incepit novum refectorium, quod ejus successor complevit. Idem fecit voltam calcfactorii, grangias de Bewere, et Breweshegge, et columbare de Sursligh; et fecit confirmare cartas hujus domus, confirmatione regia, et licentiam obtinuit à rege decem libratas terræ, vel redditus perquirendi; et post multos labores, lumen oculorum amisit, et anno Domini M.CCC.xxxviiij. die dominica in vigilia Præcratii, cessavit, et die sancti Petri in cathedra moriebatur, in eodem anno, cujus corpus jacet sepultum in prima archa in claustris, ubi illud incepit ædificare. In cujus tempore fuerunt anni fertiles in blado et vino.

Cui successit WALTERUS DE LA HOVE, hujus domus portarius, in Devoniam natus, in abbatem creatus tertio decimo die mensis Maii, anno Domini millesimo trecentesimo octavo decimo.

NUM. IX.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

ABBATIA DE NEWHAM.

Summa totalis temporalium 202*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.* Spiritualium 29*l.* 5*s.* 2*d.* dicti abbatis ultra reprises per annum 231*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.*

NUM. X.

From a Pension Book in the Augmentation Office.

NEWHME.

HERAFTER ensuyth the names of the late abbott and convent of Newhm̃ in the countie of Devonshire, w^t the annuall pençõns assigned vnto them by vertue of the king^e highnes cõmission. the ixth day of Marche, in the xxxth yere of the reigne of o^r most dradde soveigne lord king Henry the viijth. the first payment of the seid pençõns and evy of them to begyn at the feaste of thañunciaçõn of o^r blessid Lady next cõmyng for one quart of do yere, and at the ffeaste of Seynt Michael^e tharchangel^e next cõmyng for one half yere, and so to be payd evy half yere during ther liffe.

that is to saye,

First to Richerd Gylle, abbott.	xliij ^{li} .		
It to Robt Cogan, p ^{or}	vj ^{li} .	xiijs.	iiij ^d .
It to Willm West, mester at ffaute	vj ^{li} .		
It to Willm Pedo, subp ^{or}	v ^{li} .	vjs.	vij ^d .
It to Thomas Whyte	v ^{li} .	vjs.	vij ^d .
It to John Baker	v ^{li} .		
It to John Roper	v ^{li} .		
It to Thomas Mele	v ^{li} .		
It to John Riche	iiij ^{li} .	xiijs.	iiij ^d .
It to Raffe Alford	iiij ^{li} .	xiijs.	iiij ^d .

THOMAS CRUMWELL.

Some of the yerly } xx.
pençõns afforseid } iiijxj^{li}. xiijs. iiij^d.

JO. TREGONWELL.
JOHN SMYTH.

NUM. XI.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE NEWNEHAM.

Com' Devon'	£.	s.	d.
Newneham—Firma situs cum terris dominicalibus	29	10	0
Shapwike—Firma grangiæ	20	0	0
Bever et Fursleigh—Firma grang'	20	0	0
Axminster—Redd' lib' ten'	4	18	0
Westwater et Cleghill—Redd' cust' ten'	16	2	2
Axminster—Redd' cust' ten'	47	12	3
Axminster—Firma molend'	5	0	0
Axminster—Vend' operum	0	3	9
Exmouth—Firma piscar'	2	0	0
Axminster—Exit' nund'	2	3	4
Axminster—Perquis' cur'	1	2	3
Axminster—Perquis' cur' hundred' cum cert' redd'	3	17	5 ob.
Norton—Redd' lib' ten'	0	5	0
Norton—Redd' cust' ten'	18	17	0
Norton—Perquis' cur'	0	3	6
Plenynt—Redd' lib' ten'	1	15	4 ob.
Plenynt—Redd' tam cust' quam convent' ten'	21	5	7
Plenynt—Firma rector'	14	0	0
Plenynt—Perquis' cur'	0	11	10
Lovepyt—Firma rector'	12	13	4
Lovepyt—Terr' gleb'	3	5	2
Exon' Civ'—Divers' redd' burgag'	2	4	0



Drawn & Engraved

Remains of the



John Goussier

Fountains Abbey

Netley Abbey, in Hampshire.



NETLEY, Nettely, Lettely, Edwardstow, or De loco Sancti Edwardi: these are the various names by which the Abbey of Netley was designated. It was founded by King Henry the Third, in 1239, and commended by him to the patronage of the Virgin Mary and St. Edward.^a The first monks of this House came from Beaulieu.

John earl of Warren and Surrey, confirmed to this monastery the grant of the manor of Schire, which had been made to the monks by Roger de Clere, in the year 1252.^b

According to the entries in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas the Fourth, the revenues of this abbey must then have been exceeding small, the total of the temporalities amounting to scarcely more than 17*l*.^c

It was subsequently, however, still further endowed by Edmund earl of Cornwall, Robert de Ver, and Walter de Burg; the last of whom invested it with lands in the county of Lincoln, which he held of the king in capite, by the service of presenting him with a head-piece lined with fine linen and a pair of gilt Spurs.

Tanner, from a Manuscript in the Library of Benet College Cambridge, says, that about the time of the Dis-solution here were an Abbat and twelve Monks.

The following Names of the

ABBATS of NETLEY

occur among Cole's Manuscripts, and in Tanner :

ROBERT, 1235, not as in Tanner, 1255.

WALTER, 1290.

HEN. DE INGLESHAM, el. 1371.

JOHN STELHARD, el. 1374.

PHILIP DE CORNHAMPTON, el. 1387.

JOH. DE GLOCESTER and } post 20 Ric. II. (1396).
RIC. DE MIDDLETON

The Revenues in the 26th Henry VIIIth. amounted in the gross to 160*l*. 2*s*. 9½*d*. The clear income was no more than 100*l*. 12*s*. 8*d*. per annum.

The Scite was granted in the 28th Hen. VIIIth. to Sir William Paulet.^d From his family it passed to that of the Earls of Hertford. It afterwards became the property of the Marquis of Huntingdon; and subsequently passed through several families to Sir Nathaniel Holland, Bart.

^a King Henry the Third's charter, reciting the foundation and endowment of this House, will be found in the Append. of Instruments, Num. I. Tanner, in a note upon the name of EDWARDSTOW, says, "So Godwin, in the life of Peter de Rupibus, bishop of Winchester, whom he makes Founder; as doth Leland, Collect. tom. i. p. 69. He might intend," he adds, "or begin this monastery, but died 5 id. Jul. 1238. and hence Weaver makes this bishop Peter founder of the Priory of Edmundston, in Suffolk." The date of 1239 for King Henry the Third's foundation occurs in the Annals of Waverley and Parcolude.

^b See the Append. Num. II.

^c "Abbas de Letteleye habet grangiam de Letelegh tax. ad 2*l*. 2*s*.; grangiam de Welowell tax. ad 3*l*.; grangiam de Raydone tax. ad 1*l*.; grangiam de Gunnehelne tax. ad 10*l*.; in villa Winton et de Hampton, de redd. 19*s*. Summa 17*l*. 1*s*." Taxat. P. Nich. IV. p. 214.

^d Orig. 28 Hen. VIII. Suth. Dors. Rex iij. die Augusti concessit Willielmo Powlett mil. scitum, ambitus, fundus, et procinctus nuper Monasterii de Letleye, et mesuag. &c. spectan. necnon maner. R. de Hownde, ac omnia terras, &c. in Hownde, &c. habend. ei et hæred. suis imperpetuum. Ro. lix.

^e He says, "Vide Rot. Cart. 24 Hen. III. m. 2. Cart. 25 Hen. III. m. 3. Cart. Vascon. 26 Hen. III. m. 2. Claus. 30 Hen. III. m. 20. Pat. 32 Hen. III. m. 6. de assartis in Welewe. Cart.

No REGISTER of this Abbey is known to exist. Tanner's references to public Records relating to it will be found in the note below.^e

Leland, in his Collectanea, notices but one manuscript in the LIBRARY of this Monastery; the "Rhetorica Ciceronis."

SEALS. Jan. 26, 1797, the late Rev. John Brand exhibited to the Society of Antiquaries the Matrix of a Seal, the property of Mr. George Spence, of Old Bond-street: the form round, and little bigger than a shilling: device a priest praying to the Virgin Mary, circumscribed s' BEATE MARIE DE STOWE SÆI EDWARD'. Mr. Brand was of opinion that the kneeling figure might be St. Edward. Drawings of two other Seals of this abbey are preserved in the Archives of the Society appendant to a Deed of the time of Edward the IIIrd. One is the Abbat's Seal, representing the full length figure of an abbat, holding a book in one hand, and a crozier in the other, with this inscription s' ABB'IS LOCI. SÆI EDWARDI. The other is much mutilated; the area represents an abbat with four monks, two on each side of him: the remains of the Inscription are . . . COMMUNE . ABB . . . EDWARDI . DE . LETTE . . . An Impression of this Seal, appendant to the Harleian Charter, 44 F. 22. has the preceding Impression here noticed stamped upon the back as a counter-seal.^f

The destruction of the Abbey Church, or Chapel of Netley, according to Browne Willis, commenced about the period when it was inhabited by the Marquis of Huntingdon,^g who converted the nave, or west end, into a kitchen and offices. Sir Bartlet Lucy, as appears from this writer, (but others say the Marquis of Huntingdon) sold the materials of the whole fabric to a Mr. Walter Taylor, a builder of Southampton, soon after the beginning of the eighteenth century; but an accident which befel Mr. Taylor saved the edifice. The Chapel was built in the form of a cross, and was originally an elegant structure. The east end and the southern transept still afford the best remains of its Ruins, which have been so long known to the lovers of the picturesque, that little need be said here of their beauty. The length of the chapel appears to have been about two hundred feet, and its breadth sixty; the extent of the transept, when entire, was nearly a hundred and twenty feet. There are a few remains also of the offices of the abbey; among which, the outlines of the abbat's Kitchen, the Chapter House, and the Refectory, or Dining Hall, may be distinctly traced. The precinct was surrounded by a moat. Many parts of the Ruins of this Abbey are beautifully mantled with ivy; and the numerous trees which have sprung up amongst the mouldering walls add much to the beauty of the Ruins.

35 Hen. III. m. 10. pro mercato apud Hune, feria apud Welewe, et lib. war. in aliis maneriis. Cart. 36 Hen. III. n. 26. pro mercat. apud Weluwe. Pat. 18 Edw. I. m. . pro uno dolio vini annuatim. Cart. 13 Edw. I. n. 18. pro terris, &c. Pat. 4 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 24. de terris in Weld et Lime. Pat. 5 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 13 vel 14. Brev. 8 Edw. II. Hill. rot. 9 et 11. Plac. forest. in com. Southampt. temp. Edw. III. rot. 14, et 19, et 21. Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 9. pro maner. de Manebrigge perquirend. de com. Oxon. Pat. 4 Edw. III. p. 2, m. . Cart. 4 Edw. III. n. 89. Cart. 5 Edw. III. n. 44. Pat. 5 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . Pat. 12 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 4 vel 5. Esc. Southampt. 32 vel 37 Edw. III. n. 28. quod abbas tenet manerium de Tounhall per serv. reparandi pontem de Mannesbrige. Pat. 1 Ric. II. p. 4, m. 35. recit. cartam 24 Hen. III. Pat. 1 Hen. IV. p. 8, m. 18. Pat. 2 Hen. IV. p. 3, m. 14. pro iii. carucat. terræ, quarum quælibet continet c. acras in Nova Foresta includendis, &c. et ibid. m. 33. Pat. 2 Hen. V. p. 3, m. 32. Pat. 4 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 11. Pat. 1 Edw. IV. p. 6, m. 26."

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office is, "Lettele. De certificatione facta pro abbate de Lettele in com. Southton."—Pasch. Rec. 21 Edw. III.

^f See also upon the Seals of this Abbey the Archæologia, vol. xiii. p. 193.

^g Quære EARL, as there never was a Marquis of Huntingdon.

Cartae ad Letleyensem Abbatiam, in agro Hantoniensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Regis Henrici tertii Donatorum Concessionem recitans et confirmans.

[Cart. antiq. L. n. 26. Vide Pat. 1 H. IV. part. 8, mem. 18. Et Pat. 1 E. IV. part. 6, m. 26. Et Cart. 5 E. III. n. 44. Et Pat. 2 H. V. part. 3, memb. 32.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, dux Normanniæ et Aquitaniæ, et comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopus, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos pro salute animæ nostræ, et animarum antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, concessisse, et hac carta nostra confirmasse Deo et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de loco sancti Edwardi, quam nos fundavimus in Suthamptescir, et abbati et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus et servituris, ipsum locum in quo abbatia eorum sita est, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et cum omnibus terris subscriptis, videlicet de Lettelege, de Hune, de Welewc, de Totinton, de Gumelculne, de Nordleg, de Deverell-Kingston, de Waddon, de Ayheleg, de Lacton, cum omnibus pertinentiis earum, et cum redditibus de Cherleton, de Suthampton, et de Suthwerk cum pertinentiis, et c. acras terræ in manerio de Schire cum advocacione ecclesiæ ejusdem manerii. Concessimus eciam eisdem monachis, et confirmavimus omnes rationabiles donationes terrarum, hominum, et elemosinarum eis vel in præsentem à nobis collatas vel in futuro à regibus vel ex aliorum liberalitate conferendas, tam in ecclesiis quam in rebus et possessionibus mundanis, sicut cartæ donatorum quas inde habent rationabiliter testantur, Quare volumus, &c. Datum per manum nostram apud Westmonasterium, septimo die Martii, anno regni nostri tricesimo quinto.

NUM. II.

Carta Johannis de Warena Comitis Surregiæ.

[Ex autogr. in bibl. Hatton. an. 1640.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit Johannes de Warena comes Surreiæ filius Willielmi quondam comitis de Warena, salutem in Domino. Noveritis nos cartam Rogeri de Clere inspexisse in hæc verba. Sciant præsentem et futuri quod ego Rogerus de Clere dedi, concessi, et hac præsentem carta mea confirmavi, pro me et hæredibus meis, abbati et conventui loci sancti Edwardi, Cisterciensis ordinis, totam culturam illam cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in manerio de Schire, quæ se extendit ex orientali parte usque terram dictorum abbatum et conventus, manerii de Cumesulue, ex occidentali parte usque ad sepem viæ vocatam Hcyrew de Schyre; ex australi parte usque ad regiam viam quæ est inter Guldeforde et Dorkynge; ex parte aquilonali, usque ad angulum occidentalem terræ quæ vocatur le Stapellond, cum tota pastura quam habui vel habere potui infra prædictas metas; et advocacionem ecclesiæ de Schyre cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, habendum et tenendum sibi et successoribus suis imperpetuum, libere, integre, et quiete, in viis, semitis, planis, cum omnibus aliis libertatibus, et liberis consuetudinibus ab omni servicio, exactione, et sæculari demanda, et secta curiæ ad me vel ad hæredes meos pertinentibus. Pro hac autem donatione, concessione, et præsentis cartæ meæ confirmatione, dederunt mihi prædicti abbas et conventus trecentas marcas esterlingorum. Et ego dictus Rogerus et hæredes mei totam prædictam culturam terræ cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et prædictam pasturam una cum prædicta advocacione dictæ ecclesiæ de Schyre cum pertinentiis suis dictis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus contra omnes homines et feminas warrantizabimus, defendemus, et acquietabimus imperpetuum. Ut autem hæc mea donatio, concessio, et præsentis cartæ meæ confirmatio rata et stabilis imperpetuum perseveret, præsentem scripto sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus, Waltero de Cotewrth, Hugone de Wyndesore, Thoma de Hertmere, Roberto de Mekelham, militibus. Thoma de Polesdene, Johanne de Hale, Henrico de Weston, Willielmo de Pollingfonde, Willielmo Baynard, Thoma

de Haselholte, Johanne de Radmore, Martino Kempe, et multis aliis. Actum anno gratiæ millesimo ducentesimo quadragesimo tertio in octavis assumptionis beatæ Mariæ. Nos igitur prædictam donationem, &c. confirmamus. Pro hac vero ratificatione et præscriptæ cartæ confirmatione, dederunt nobis prædicti abbas et conventus loci sancti Edwardi viginti marcas sterlingorum. Cujus rei testimonio præsentem scripto sigillum nostrum apposuimus. Hiis testibus, domino Ailmero tunc Wynton. electo, Johanne de Gray, Roberto Walerand, Waltero de Ottewrth, Hugone de Windesore, Roberto de Mihelham, militibus, Johanne de la Hale, Henrico de Weston, et multis aliis. Actum anno gratiæ millesimo ducentesimo quinquagesimo secundo, die Epiphaniæ Domini.

NUM. III.

Valor Ecclesiasticus 26 Hen. VIII.

ABBACIA DE LETO LOCO.

ORDINIS CISTERC' exempt' jurisdict'.

THOMAS STEVENS modo Abbas.

Valet in firma terrarum unacum alijs redditibus tam spiritualibus quam temporalibus ut patet per quaternum manibus commissionar' domini regis signatum

160*l.* 2*s.* 9½*d.*

Repris' in elemosinis feodis et alijs resolutis ut patet per dictum quaternum 59*l.* 10*s.* 1½*d.*

Et valet ultra 100*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.*

NUM. IV.

COMPUT' MINISTRIORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

MONASTERIUM DE LETO LOCO.

Com' Southton'	£.	s.	d.
Welowe—Redd' assis'	0	8	3ob.q.
Welowe—Redd' cust' ten'	8	14	2
Welowe—Firma maner' cum x ^{mis}	5	6	8
Welowe—Perquis' cur'	0	1	6
Welowe—Firma rector'	3	0	0
Totton—Redd' assis'	0	6	1
Totton—Redd' cust' ten'	3	17	8 ob.
Totton—Perquis' cur' cum pannag' porcorum	0	2	5
Southton' Vill.—Firma tenementorum	3	0	0
Roydon—Firma maner'	5	6	8
West Setley—Firma claus'	0	10	0
North Leigh—Redd' assis'	1	11	0
North Leigh—Redd' assert' lib' ten'	3	3	5 ob.
North Leigh—Redd' cust' ten'	23	14	3
North Leigh—Firma maner'	6	13	4
North Leigh—Perquis' cur'	1	6	3
Com' Surr'			
Gomeshulve—Firma maner'	15	0	0
Kyngeston Deverell—Firma maner' cum x ^{mis}	22	0	0
Kyngeston Deverell—Perquis' cur'	0	14	9 ob.
Mitcombe Regis—Firma tenitorum	0	16	8
Charleton—Firma tenitorum	5	13	10
Letley—Situs abbatie	1	0	0
Letley—Redd' assis' ten'	7	11	3
Letley—Firma grangiae	7	9	4
Letley—Firma mol' aquat'	1	0	0
Hownd—Redd' assis'	6	0	0
Hownd—Firma mol' ventrit'	2	0	0
Shottishaa—Redd' assis'	6	1	8
Sholinge—Redd' et firmæ	2	14	0
Hownd—Perquis' cur'	1	0	0
Shamelhurst—Redd' assis'	8	19	9

Com' Surr'	£.	s.	d.	Com' Dors'	£.	s.	d.
Townehill—Firma maner' . . .	8	0	0	Waddon—Firma maner' . . .	32	0	0
Townehill—Perquis' cur' . . .	0	11	8	Aishley—Firma maner' . . .	8	0	0

Abbey of Rewley, or De Regali Loco, IN THE SUBURBS OF OXFORD.



RICHARD, King of the Romans, says Tanner, having by his will directed a foundation for some secular priests to pray for his soul, his son and heir, Edmund earl of Cornwall, thought his father's desire would be better fulfilled by Regulars;^a and therefore, in the year 1280,^b he built a monastery here for an abbat and fifteen monks of the Cistercian Order.^c Its tutelar saint was the Virgin

Mary.

Stevens, in his Continuation of the Monasticon, has given the following details of the History of this Abbey from Antony à Wood's Manuscripts, at Oxford.

"RULEY ABBY OF CISTERCIANS, NEAR OXFORD.

"Westward from this city, beyond Kithbridge,^d stand the ruins of an abby, called Rewly, in Latin evidences stiled Locus Regalis, in North Ousney. It was sometime seated within pleasant groves, and environed with clear streams, remote from the city, and for its solitariness agreeable to the disposition of the inhabitants, who, as it has always been observed, made choice of such places to exercise their devotion. I shall now proceed to speak of its foundation, of which a certain author writes thus.

"Eodem anno, viz. 1281, Edmundus comes Cornubiæ fundavit, &c. In the same year (that is to say anno 1281) Edmund Earl of Cornwall, founded a new studying place at Oxon, of the Cistercian order, and brought from Thame monks of that fraternity, whom he there planted, &c. causing Robert Burnett, then Bishop of Bath and Wells, and the king's chancellor, to dedicate the place of this abby, which he did the third of the Ides of December, in the aforementioned year, and the same day laid the foundation, and called the church by the name of North-Ousney. Thus the said author; but Rossus Warwicensis will tell us otherwise, in Histor. de Regibus, in Hen. 3. MS. Bib. Cotton; for he in his history, speaking of the bountifulness of King Henry the III^d. that founded St. John's Hospital at Oxon, saith, that Richardus frater hujus, Richard brother of this man, (meaning Henry III^d.) built Royall, alias Rewley Oxon; which is altogether disagreeable to the former, thereby making the father to be the author of the son's work, which is plainly a mistake, as may be proved from Mat. Paris, Chronic. p. 1007, edit. anno 1640, who saith, that the said Richard Earl of Cornwall died, anno 1271, which is full ten years before the foundation hereof.

"To let that pass, therefore, you must know, that before the founder had laid any stone of this fabrick, there happened a controversy between Richard abbat of Thame, (whose discretion in this work he much relied on) and Wil-

liam, the abbat of Ousney, concerning the payment of the tithes due from North-Ousney,^e wherein this abby was to be erected, and which was in the limits of Ousney Abby, called South-Ousney, but Oliver, bishop of Lincoln, assuming the matter wholly into his own hands, did reconcile them together by a fair composition, dated 8 Cal. September, 1281, the tenor and substance of which being too long and tedious now to relate; but amongst the rest of the articles one was (which the said bishop appointed), that because of the subtraction of tithes, by reason of the ingress of these monks, in North-Ousney, they should allow those of South-Ousney 36%. and so the business was concluded. Other controversies also happened afterwards between the abbats of the same churches, concerning the consecration of this place, the abbat of Thame having the office thereof (as he said) granted to him by Oliver bishop of Lincoln;^f but this also being large I shall baulke, and for brevity sake omit.

"The abbat of Rewly took out monks out of St. Edmund's School, which makes me think 'twas before founded.

"Come we now to speak of the lands they did enjoy, either from the hands of their founder, or other benefactors. The founder, Edmund Earl of Cornwall, did in his foundation-charter, dated anno 1281, anno Edward I. 9. institute, &c. V. Dugdale in the front of the said charter; where before I go any further, I must examine a certain note, Thom. Alleni Aulæ Gloc. Oxon. int. Collect. Twinianas, that I accidentally met with in the writing hereof. It speaks thus; Eodem anno (viz. 8 Ed. I.) Edm. comes Cornubiæ fundavit juxtà Oxon. monasterium Cisterciensis ordinis Roley dictum, ea intentione, ut pro tribus sacerdotibus secularibus, quos pater ejus Ricardus, pro anima sua, divina voluit celebrare, et sex monachis de quibus magis confidebat Deum devotius exorarent. Thus he. By which it should seem that there were but nine at first planted here; but I suppose this author, whosoever he was, which to me is as yet unknown, is, with Rossus Warwicensis, aforementioned, much mistaken. To go on therefore and speak of their maintenance which their founder gave them, was in the first place all his lands and tenements that he had in North-Ousney, being the antient honor of St. Waleries, and the place whercin the abby, as I have said, was founded, which, as I understand from an inquisition, did descend hereditarily to him from his father, part of which ground containing sixteen acres, valued then at 10s. 8d. lying on the west side of the said abby did King Edward I. anno reg. 26. at the desire of the founder, give leave to the abbat and monks of this place towards the enlarging of their walks, and for their own private use, to include. The next portion of land that the founder gave them, was all his mannor of Erdington, &c.^g Concerning the title of which there was afterwards great controversy between the abbat of Einsham and of this place; for in a certain note that I have seen, it is said, that the mannor of Yarnton did belong to Einsham Abby before the conquest, which afterwards came into the hands of Remigius, bishop of Lincoln. After his death (some time

^a "Edmundus comes Cornubiæ fundavit Oxoniæ Monasterium Cisterciensium monachorum eâ intentione, ut pro tribus sacerdotibus sæcularibus, quos pater ejus Ricardus pro animâ suâ divina voluit celebrare, sex monachi, de quibus magis confidebat, Deum devotius exorarent."—Annal. Wigorn. Angl. Sac. tom. i. p. 505. sub an. 1281. See also Lel. Collect. tom. i. p. 283. Stowe, Annales, edit. 1592, p. 300.

^b So the MS. Annals of Louth Park, which might be consistent with the first designing it in 1279 (as Paroch. Antiq. p. 291.) and the finishing the buildings and dedication of the church in 1281. (Ibid. p. 297. and Mon. Angl.) but the foundation of this abbey by Richard King of the Romans (as J. Ross has it), who died in the beginning of

the year 1272, is reconcileable with none of those dates. Tann. Notit. Monast.

^c This House is in some of the Cistercian Annals often stiled "Studium Oxoniæ," and seems to have been the only place for the monks of that Order to improve in academical learning, till archbishop Chicheley founded St. Bernard's.

^d It should be HITH bridge. EDIT.

^e Ex quodam scripto inter varios Chirographos Monast. Ousney in Chartul. Ædis Christi Oxon.

^f Ex Prefatis Chirographis.

^g See Dugdale.

coming between) it came to King Henry II. who granted it to Bernard de Sancto Walerico, and so it did descend to his son Thomas, and from Thomas to Earl Robert de Brus, but the aforesaid Edmund, Earl of Cornwall, having it by descent, and belonging to the honour (as I take it) of St. Waleries did (though the title thereof was somewhat fickle) give it to this abbey; but the monks of Einsham, not willing to part with it in that manner, commenced a suit against these, and ending in a determination or composition, the abbat of Einsham, by his charter,^a dated anno Ed. fil. Johis, did wholly remit to these monks all their right in the said manor; and they again the same year,^b 1294, grant the said abbat of Einsham a free enjoyment of the tithes thereof for ever, and so the controversy was concluded.^c

"Another of their benefactors was one Joane Gille, wife of Edmund Gille, of Oxon, the daughter of William Daguyll, of the same place, gentleman, who in the year of her decease, anno 1486, gave these monks her farm place in St. Giles's parish, Oxon, called by the name of Black-hall, with twenty acres of arable land, and a meadow behind Ousney, conditionally that they should in their prayers remember the health of her and her friends' souls, and yearly keep her obit, whereon the monks should receive 6s. 8d. to be distributed amongst them for ever. Other sums they had given them by charitable folk of this city, as I find in their wills; but being small they need not inserting in this place. Thus much of their lands. Moreover that this abbey was at its first foundation appointed for one abbat and fifteen monks, yet, as I have seen, in Collect. Dris Leonardi Hutten *Ædis Christi Oxon*, quondam canon pence me A. W. there were at the Dissolution, I mean in King Henry the VIIIth.'s days, one abbat and 21 monks, which doth denote, that their number was increased by other benefactors, but who they were I am doubtful of; a representation of which number were 21 elm trees standing in two ranks, between the outward and inward gates of the abbey, through which was the common passage from one to the other, and at the upper end a tree by itself, which they said did represent the abbat. As for their privileges, which they had throughout most of their lands, were of no mean consideration, for I find that all their lands in the county of Oxon, owned suit and service to no court or hundred within the same county, that they were exempt from the power of the bishop of Lincoln (whose diocese they were in) from all taxations and subsidies; that they had visum franciplegij,^d which, according to our lawyers, is a writ to exempt one from coming to the view of frankpledge, who is not within the hundred resident, it being worth to the said monks, 28 Ed. I. in profits and perquisites of the court, 2s. per annum. The site of North-Ousney, moreover, they had free, excepting some small suit to the founder and heirs, which he reserved to himself, as 'tis expressed in his charter, but after his death divers controversies happened between these monks and the townesmen, who pretended jurisdiction therein, till such time as the monks complained and appealed to King Edward the III. who thereupon sent his brief to the mayor and commonalty to cease their suit, and committed the hearing thereof to William Breden, guardian of the honours of Walingford, and St. Waleries,^e whose grievances I find arose, because they claimed cognisance of pleas of lands and tenements, within the lordships of St. Walerie. Concerning which controversy I have not as yet met an issue, but amongst many other privileges they did enjoy in relation to other matters, I find^f one they wanted, and that was, they had no place either amongst us, or monks of this university, in our general possessions, and this it seems they had no licence from the pope so to do, and therefore they did not enjoy so many indulgences as we did.

"The church here which stood by the lock, on the right hand, as we go from the outward gate to the abbey itself, with the site of the abbey, as also the church-yard adjoining, was dedicated to the memory of the blessed Virgin St. Mary, by Robert Burnell, bishop of Bath and Wells, the third of the Ides of December, anno Dom. 1281. Much of this house, as also of the refectory, is yet standing, and sometime encompassed with rivulets, pleasant walks, and

convenient fish-ponds; in one of the windows of the upper chambers is the proportion of a shorn monk kneeling and having his habit on; other antique effigies there were with inscriptions, formerly in the same windows, but defaced in the late war, by soldiers that kept watch and ward here. Over the gate which is the entrance into the court, are two ancient coats of arms carved in stone, the one being an eagle with two heads displayed, which was the arms of the founder's father, as he was king of the Romans, the other a lion rampant within a bordure of besants, which was also the paternal coat of the founder, and always borne by the abbat and convent hereof, as the common arms belonging to their abbey.

"Having now concluded what I have to say concerning this abbey, I come to its fatal survey in the 26 of Henry the VIIIth. being the bad omen of its dissolution, though 'tis said that it was dissolved as an alien abbey, long before, viz. anno 1414, but afterwards I find 'twas inhabited by the same order, till Henry the VIIIth.'s time, when it was dissolved, and then the yearly revenues belonging thereunto were certified to be 174*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.* per annum. The site of which was, 33 of Henry the VIIIth. inter alia, granted to George Owen, doctor of physick, who, as I find, was sometime Fellow of Merton College, physician to Queen Jane, King Edward the VIth. and Queen Mary successively, who, it seems, did not long keep it, for the same year (whether by an exchange or otherwise I know not) it was given by King Henry the VIIIth. to the dean and canons of his cathedral of Christ-Church, Oxon, excepting the bells and the lead thereto belonging, who ever since, and to this day, are the owners thereof.

"Mr. Robert Parret, organist of Magd. (one that enriched himself by the spoil of religious houses) seems to have bought the church of Ruly, for at its dissolution he sold much stone, and int to the proctors of our Lady's Chapel, in St. Mary Magd.

"Mr. Hearne, in his preface to *Textus Roffensis*,^g speaking of North-Ousney, alias Rewley Monastery, tells us, that beside the chapter-house (as he takes it to be) now converted into a brew-house, there still remains a considerable part, though that also be put to the use of the brew-house. Then he proceeds thus: Would to God the church of the monastery were standing, as also the chapel of Ela Longespe here seated, and other parts of the monastery, and that sacrilegious hands had not pulled down and taken them away, which I guess partly hapned in the reign of Elizabeth. For on a certain chimney of the place we read, anno Dom. 1574, under which note, Leonard Cox, a late inhabitant, has caused 1711 to be cut with the first letters of his name, at the time when that chimney was repaired. Men of good credit report many things of the misfortunes of the inhabitants, who likewise relate, that many ruins of the church, among which were the foundations of the belfry, were dug up about 30 years since. But, in discoursing of these things, they also tell wonders of some sacrilegious persons, who in this place were reduced to want bread and all other necessaries, though ever so rich before. Besides I have been told by old men that great quantities of men's bones (not to mention a multitude of stones, and rafters, beams, and leavers drawn hither) are frequently dug up in the churchyards of both Ousneys, and that they are often barbarously used, without considering that the persons there buried were renowned for all sorts of virtues, and particularly for justice, clemency, and bounty towards the poor. But enough of this. For I foresee what the advocates of sacrilege will say, not regarding those who bewail the calamity of so many churches and monasteries avariciously and cruelly robbed. Thus this worthy lover of antiquity, and professed enemy to sacrilege.

"As for the abbats of this place, I have not met with any more than those few Mr. Willis gives us from Mr. Twyne's Collections, A. Wood, &c. as follows,

ABBATS of REWLEY.

"1. ROBERT was appointed first abbat. Next after him I meet with

^a Ex lib. continent. placita de Banco in Thesaur. Scacca. F. 96.

^b Reg. Ab. Eins. cap. 501.

^c For the rest see Dugdale.

^d Ex fasci. Excet. de anno 28 Ed. I. in Comit. Berks. 27. v. D. 110.

^e In fasciculo variar. Libert. majoris Oxon. in Scriniis Civit. D. 221.

^f Reg. Univer. 2902. Ox. 424.

^g Hearnii, Præf. ad Text. Rof. p. xliii.

"2. PETER DE DIVIONE, anno 1287 and 1290; and then

"3. RICHARD, anno 1294. Next

"4. THOMAS DE KIRKBY presided, anno 1316; as did

"5. SIMON, anno 1327, and

"6. THOMAS, anno 1444.

"7. HENRY RYTONER. He occurs, anno 1502, and 1527. About five years after which last date, I meet with one

"8. JOHN RYTONER, abbat, an. 1528 and 1533. To whom, as A. Wood tells us, succeeded

"9. NICHOLAS AUSTEN, the last abbat; who surrendering his convent had a pension assigned him of 22*l.* per annum, which I find him possessed of anno 1553, though there were no other payments out of this house at that time."

To Stevens's or rather Willis's List of the Abbats of Rewley,

ADAM may be added, who occurs in 1368,^a as does

GILBERT BILBEY in 1480.^b

PETER, abbat of Rewley, being a foreigner, gave security to the King, 21 Aug. 18 Edw. II.

The Entries relating to the property of Rewley Abbey in Pope Nicholas's Taxation, A. D. 1291, will be found in

the note below.^c In the 26th of Henry VIII. the gross annual value was rated at 188*l.* 15*s.* 11*d.*; the clear income at 174*l.* 3*s.* 0½*d.*

The Scite was granted in the 33d of Henry VIII. to Dr. George Owen;^d and in the 38th Henry VIII. to the dean and canons of the King's New College, or Christ Church, Oxford, with whom it still continues.

No REGISTER of Rewley Abbey is mentioned anywhere. Tanner, however, has given a few references concerning it to Manuscripts and Records.^e

The COMMON SEAL of Rewley is engraved in the Lives of Leland, Hearne, and Ant. à Wood, vol. i. p. 138, and re-engraved by Mr. Skelton in his Oxonia Antiqua Restaurata.

The RUINS of this Abbey, as they stood in 1720, were engraved by Hearne in the Appendix to the Textus Roffensis; whose Views were copied by Steevens, and lately by Mr. Skelton in the Work already mentioned, pl. 113. Mr. Skelton has also engraved, pl. 117, another View of what, beside the shields of arms of the earl of Cornwall and the kingdom of the Romans, now constitutes the principal remain.

Cartae ad Rewleyensem Abbatiam, in suburbio Civitatis Oxoniae, spectantes; fundatam anno Mccclxxi. 9 Edw. I.^f

NUM. I.

[Hist. MS. Joh. Rossi, Warwicensis, in bibl. Cottoniana, lib. x. de regibus.]

FRATER etiam hujus regis (Henrici tertii) Ricardus primo comes Cornubiæ, post rex Alemanniæ, et semper Augustus, fundavit abbatias monachorum Cisterciensis ordinis de Royal alias Rewley Oxon. et de Hayles, in comitatu Gloucestriæ, ubi honorificè est sepultus. Cor tamen suum Oxoniæ, in choro fratrum minorum, sub sumptuosa et mirandi operis pyramide decentissimè humatum est.

NUM. II.

Carta Edmundi Comitis Cornubiæ.

[Pat de anno 22 Edw. I. m. 16. per Inspex. Vide etiam Cart. 3 Edw. II. m. 33.]

SCIANT præsentēs et futuri quod nos Edmundus claræ memoriæ domini Ricardi regis Alemanniæ filius et comes Cornubiæ dedimus, concessimus, et hac præsentī cartā nostrā confirmavimus Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Regali-loco in North-Oseney juxta Oxon. ac abbati inibi commoranti et quindecim monachis, capellanis, ordinis Cisterciensis sibi professis, pro anima Ricardi quondam regis Alemanniæ patris nostri divina celebrantibus, et eorum successoribus ibidem commorantibus Deo servientibus, et imperpetuum servituris, omnes terras et tenementa quæ habuimus in North-Oseneye, propè Oxon. cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ut in dominicis, homagiis, vilenagiis, redditibus, serviciis, fidelitatibus, aquis, vivariis, gardinis, ortis, virgultis, cotagiis, pratis, pascuis, pasturis, piscariis, fossatis, haiis,

viis, semitis, wardis, relevis, escaetis, sectis curiarum nobis debitis omnium tenentium ibidem commorantium. Salva tamen nobis sufficienti placea ad curiam nostram de honore sancti Walerici tenendam; quam quidem placeam et curiam, cum suis pertinentiis, ad opus nostrum et hæredum nostrorum retinemus. Dedimus etiam et concessimus, et hac præsentī cartā confirmavimus Deo et dictæ ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ, et prædictis abbati et monachis, pro anima dicti Ricardi regis, patris nostri, totum manerium nostrum de Erdington, in comitatu Oxon. tam in mesuagiis, ædificiis, terris arabilibus, dominicis, pratis, pascuis, pasturis, quàm in homagiis, fidelitatibus, serviciis, consuetudinibus, una cum vilenagiis et villanis, eorum catallis et sequelis, wardis, relevis, herictis, escaetis et aliis pertinentiis ad dictum manerium spectantibus, simul cum molendinis nostris quæ sunt sita in Kersintona.

Præterea dedimus, concessimus, et hac præsentī cartā nostrā confirmavimus Deo et dictæ ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ, et prædictis abbati et monachis, pro anima dicti Ricardi regis, patris nostri, unam acram terræ, secundum Angliæ consuetudinem mensuratam, de dominico nostro in terra de Bel juxta Roslyn, cum advocatione ecclesiæ de sancta Wendrova, et aliis pertinentiis suis in hundredo de Kerier in Cornubia. Præterea dedimus et concessimus, et hac præsentī cartā nostrā confirmavimus Deo et dictæ ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ, et prædictis abbati et monachis, pro anima dicti Ricardi regis, patris nostri, totum nemus quod habuimus apud Netlebedde, videlicet duos parcos nostros, unum qui vocatur Heymere minorem, et alium parcom majorem secundum quod fossata et haye, utriusque parci circumquaque propertant, cum omnibus juribus, libertatibus, et pertinentiis suis.

^a Princ. of Relig. Houses prefixed to Tanner, p. xlv.

^b MS. Cole, Brit. Mus. vol. xxvii. p. 84 b.

^c Temp. Dioc. Lond. in parochia S. Tho. Apost. 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Dioc. Linc. decanat. de Wodestok, in Erdington et Bassing, in terris, &c. 11*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.* In decanat. de Henle, in Nettlebed, in terris 1*l.* 10*s.* In decanat. de Burncestr. in terr. redd. et fruct. animalium 4*l.* 6*s.* In Wedlingbar. in terris, redd. &c. 3*l.* 17*s.* 8*d.* In Willameston, in terris, redd. &c. 8*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.* Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 13, 44 b, 45, 45 b.

^d Orig. 33 Hen. VIII. p. 2. Oxon. "Rex xxij. die Novembr. concessit Georgio Owen maneria de Wolgercote et Walton cum pertin. ac etiam domum et scit. abbatie de Regali Loco alias Rewley ac mesuag. &c. in Erington alias Erdington sancti Egidii extra portam boriālem Villæ Oxon. et Garryngton in com. Oxon. habend. ei et hæred. suis." Ro. xxxij. Abbrev. Rot. Orig. MS. Brit. Mus. vol. iii. p. 218.

^e Viz. "Vide In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 60, fol. 16. taxationem possessionum abbatīs de Regali loco." This is only the entry of a rent in London already quoted among the extracts from Pope Nicholas's Taxation. "In libro Institutionum, &c. temp. Walteri Lyhert episc.

Norwic. fol. 272. Cartam abbatīs et conv. conced. eccl. de Saham, &c. magistro et scholaribus Aulæ B. Mariæ de Valentia Cantabr. 26 Hen. VI. Plac. ad Husteng Lond. 10 Edw. I. rot. 1. pro domibus in paroch. S. Thomæ Apostoli ex dono Edm. com. Cornub. Plac. in com. Oxon. 13 Edw. I. quo war. rot. 39. pro maner. de Williamscoth. Cart. 17 Edw. I. n. 10. Pat. 31 Edw. I. m. 10 d. et m. penult. vel antepenult. Pat. 32 Edw. I. m. ult. Pat. 3 Edw. II. m. 33. Brev. 7 Edw. II. pasch. rot. 4. Brev. 8 Edw. II. Hill. rot. 5, 6. Pat. 11 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 18. de terris in Williamston. Pat. 13 Edw. II. m. 22. de mess. et terris in North Oseney et Erdington. Pat. 16 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 30. d. de terris in Nettlebed et Bensington. Pat. 18 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 34. Claus. 2 Edw. III. m. 1. in cedula, de terris in Bensington. Pat. 27 Edw. III. p. 3, m. . pro advoc. eccl. de Stechient Cornub' in excambio pro maner. de Netilbed concessio Principi Walliæ. Pat. 33 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 33. de ten. in Coleman-strete, Lond. Pat. 35 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 27 vel 28. Pat. 43 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 8. Pat. 50 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 36. pro ten. in Coventre. Brev. 2 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 26. de mess. &c. in London. Pat. 4 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 26.

^f Cart. 3 Edw. II. m. 33.

Dedimus etiam et concessimus, et hac præsenti carta nostra confirmavimus Deo et dictæ ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ, et prædictis abbati et monachis, pro anima dicti Ricardi, patris nostri, totam terram illam cum domibus super ædificatis, redditibus, et aliis pertinentiis suis, quam habuimus in civitate London. in parochia sancti Thomæ apostoli, ex concessione et dimissione Poncii de la More, quæ terra cum domibus superædificatis, redditibus, et pertinentiis suis quondam fuit Johannes Renger. Dedimus etiam et concessimus, et hac præsenti carta nostra confirmavimus Deo et dictæ ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ et prædictis abbati et monachis pro anima dicti Ricardi regis patris nostri totam terram cum suis pertinentiis, quam habuimus in villa de Wylauston, et sexaginta solidos sterlingorum annui redditus, cum pertinentiis suis quos de abbate et conventu de Thame, in villa de Stoke-Talcumache consuevimus percipere, provenientes de duobus feodis militum quæ dicti abbas et conventus de Thame de nobis tenere consueverunt in eadem, cum omnibus juribus, libertatibus, et aliis pertinentiis suis, ut in dominicis, homagiis, fidelitatibus, wardis, releviis, escaetis, serviciis, consuetudinibus, sectis curiarum et hundredorum, scutagiis, vilenagiis, villanis, cum catallis et sequelis eorum. In aquis, molendinis, pratis, pascuis, pasturis, in viis, semitis, fossatis, et hais, infra villam et extra, et in omnibus locis et rebus. Habenda et tenenda Deo et dictæ ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ et prædictis abbati et monachis, ac eorum successoribus, hæc omnia et singula prænominata, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, absque ullo retenemento. Volumus etiam et concedimus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, vel assignatis nostris, quod prædicti abbas et monachi, et eorum successores, habeant visum franci plegii, cum omnibus quæ ad visum pertinent, et omnes libertates et liberas consuetudines quæ in supradictis terris et tenementis nos vel antecessores nostri hactenus habuimus, vel hucusque usi fuimus, sine ullo retenemento nostri vel hæredum nostrorum. Et quod nullus ballivorum nostrorum in dictis terris vel tenementis distructionem aliquam faciat nec de aliquo se intromittat. Ita quod nec nos, nec hæredes nostri, in dictis terris et in aliis prænominatis, aliquid juris servicii vel clamii de cætero exigere vel clamare poterimus. Et nos prædictus Edmundus, et hæredes nostri, prædictis abbati et monachis, et eorum successoribus, omnia supradicta cum suis pertinentiis, sicut prædictum est, contra omnes gentes, sicut nostram et prædicti patris nostri liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, warantizabimus, acquietabimus, et imperpetuum defendemus. Et ut hæc omnia rata et stabilia permaneant imperpetuum præsentem cartam sigilli nostri impressione fecimus roborari. Hiis testibus dominis Thoma de Breante, Ricardo de Cornubia, Henr. de Sottebrok, Petro Becard, Waltero de la Puylle, militibus, Rogero de Draytone, Rogero de Walingford, Johanne de Heddesore, Willielmo de Harpedene, et aliis.

NUM. III.

Carta Abbatis et Conventus de Pynn in Pictavia, de quibusdam Terris in Territorio de Saham.

[Pat. 14 Edw. II. part 1. memb. 7. per Inspex.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis frater Petrus dictus abbas de Pynn, et ejusdem loci conventus, Cisterciensis ordinis, Pyctavien. dioc. salutem in Domino sempiternam. Ad vestræ universitatis noticiam volumus pervenire, nos, pro nobis et successoribus nostris, monasterio nostro de Pynn, dedisse, concessisse, tradidisse, abbati et conventui de Regali loco juxta Oxoniam, Cisterciensis ordinis supradicti, Lincoln. dioc. et successoribus suis, et monasterio suo prædicto, et in dominium et proprietatem suam, et monasterii sui prædicti, pleno jure et perpetuo transtulisse, omnes terras et tenementa, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis quæ habebamus in villa, loco, seu territorio de Saham prope Ely in episcopatu Norwycensi, cum jure patronatus ecclesiæ prædictæ villæ, et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis in quibuscunque consistunt, ut in possessionibus ecclesiasticis et mundanis, juri- bus, jurisdictionibus, decimis, fructibus, proventibus, &c. ad nos et monasterium nostrum prædictum quocunque jure vel modo spectantibus, una cum jure quod habebamus vel habere poteramus in decimis de Henneye, et capella de Barneye, cum pertinentiis suis. Habenda et tenenda universa et singula supradicta prædictis abbati et conventui et successoribus suis, et monasterio suo prædicto integrè, liberè, et in pace,

jureque perpetuo possidenda. Reddendo nobis et successoribus nostris, et monasterio nostro prædicto annuatim imperpetuum quadraginta tres marcas bonorum et legalium sterlingorum apud S. Bernardum Parisiis in xv. nativitate S. Johannis Baptistæ. Et ut hæc præmissa rata et stabilia perseverent sigilla capituli generalis Cisterc. et abbatis de Pontynaco et nostrum, præsentis scripto apponi fecimus, tam pro testimonio facti, quam pro munimine firmitatis. Datum Londini pridie idus Maii anno Domini m.cc.lxxxv.

NUM. IV.

Inquisitio.

[Esc. 21 Edw. I. n. 128.]

INQUISITIO capta coram vic. Oxon. et Roberto le Eyr ballivo domini regis de Wodestoke, in pleno com. per breve domini regis per sacramentum Walteri de Wythulle, &c. juratorum ad inquirendum utrum abbas de Loco Regali juxta Oxon. sectam aliquam ad comitatum Oxon. seu ad hundredum domini regis de Poghedelegh, vel ad aliquod aliud hundredum domini regis in com. prædicto pro terris et tenementis suis quæ tenentur in eodem com. facere debeat, et ipse et prædecessores sui hujusmodi sectas aliquibus retroactis temporibus pro terris et tenementis suis prædictis facere consueverint, vel terræ et tenementa prædicta de aliqua secta ad prædictum com. vel ad aliquod hundredum domini regis infra prædictum comitatum facienda antequam ad manus ipsius abbatis aut prædecessorum suorum devenerunt onerata fuerunt necne. Quidicunt super sacramentum suum quod prædictus abbas, nec prædecessores sui a tempore fundationis abbatiæ prædictæ hujusmodi sectas fecerunt, nec facere consueverunt pro terris et tenementis quæ tenet in com. prædicto, nec terræ prædictæ de aliquibus sectis ad com. prædictum, seu ad hundredum de Pothedelegh, aut aliquod aliud hundredum domini regis in com. prædicto faciendis onerata fuerunt temporibus retroactis antequam ad manus prædicti abbatis et prædecessorum suorum devenerunt, quia prædictus abbas nullas habet terras in comitatu prædicto nisi manerium de Erdinton, et Willaiston, et situm abbatiæ prædictæ quæ sunt de honore sancti Walerici, cum duabus placeis nemoris apud Nettelbedde fossatis undique inclusi in procinctu manerii de Bensington, quæ quidem omnia habuerunt de dono Edmundi comitis Cornubiæ, et unum messuagium cum dimidia carucata terræ et quadraginta acras bosci quæ sunt infra procinctum manerii de Bensington quæ habuerunt de dono Thomæ Costard. Et octo virgatas terræ cum viginti acris prati cum pertinentiis in Wendelebury quæ sunt de feodo Almarici de sancto Amando, qui nunquam aliquam sectam ad comitatum prædictum, nec ad aliquod aliud hundredum domini regis in com. prædicto fecerunt, nec tenementa prædicta inde fuerunt onerata. In cujus rei testimonium prædicti juratores sigilla sua huic inquisitioni apposuerunt.

NUM. V.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

MONASTERIUM DE REGALI LOCO JUXTA OXON.

Summa omnium possessionum tam spiritualium quam temporalium	188 <i>l.</i> 15 <i>s.</i> 11 <i>d.</i>
Summa onerum	27 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i>
Summa clare remanen'	174 <i>l.</i> 3 <i>s.</i> 0½ <i>d.</i>

NUM. VI.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 29 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE REWLEY.

Com' Oxon'	£.	s.	d.
Oxon Civ'—Redd' ten' ad vol' . . .	9	7	8
Erdyngton—Redd' ten' ad vol' . . .	21	6	0
Wendylbury—Redd' cust' ten' . . .	1	14	8
Netelbed—Redd' mes' et terr' . . .	0	6	8
Wytham—Redd' un' mesuag' . . .	0	3	4
Oxon—Firma redd' in paroch' S.			
Egid.	3	10	0

Com' Oxon'	£.	s.	d.	Com' Midd'	£.	s.	d.
Erdyngton—Redd' mes' et terr' vocat' Alleluya	4	6	8	London—Redd' divers' gardin' in Myl Alley	6	15	8
Erdyngton—Firma maner'	18	5	4	London—Redd' divers' gardin' in Hors Alley	3	11	0
Lympton—Redd' clausi	8	0	0	London—Redd' divers' cotag' in Hors Alley	3	4	8
Erdyngton—Redd' divers' claus'	8	3	4	Chesterton parva—Redd' de med' maner'	3	18	4
Wyllaston—Firma maner'	10	0	0	Com' War'			
Erdyngton—Firma duorum mol' aquat'	3	6	8	Coventr' Civ'—Redd' et firmæ	12	8	2
Com' Midd'				Com' Oxon'			
London—Redd' in paroch' S. Tho. Apli	16	3	4	Rewley—Firmæ terrarum dominical' ibidem	8	14	8
London—Redd' in paroch' S. Stephanani in Coleman-strete	16	2	4	Com' Cornub'			
London—Redd' divers' ten' in Myl Alley	7	6	4	Wendromo et Stadyan—Firmarector'	22	0	0

Abbey of Vale Royal, or de Valle Regali, in Cheshire.



VALE ROYAL ABBEY has been so amply written on by Mr. Ormerod in his History of Cheshire, that the Editors of the New Monasticon have little to add to his materials.

The foundation, it appears, was owing to a vow made by Prince Edward, eldest son of Henry the Third, when upon the point of suffering shipwreck. Tanner says, he began in his father's lifetime, A. D. 1266,

an Abbey in his manor of Dernhale for one hundred monks of the Cistercian Order: but Mr. Ormerod informs us that the colony of monks who were first introduced to it from Dore Abbey were not brought there till 1273; eight years after which the whole were removed to Vale Royal.

King Edward the First laid the first stone of the buildings of Vale Royal Abbey on the 2d of August, 1277, upon the site of the high altar, in the presence of a great concourse of his nobles. Two other stones were laid by Queen Eleanor, one for herself and one for her son Alphonso. The site was consecrated by Anianus, the second bishop of St. Asaph of that name.

Tanner says the monks removed hither about the year 1281, but were forced to live in mean and strait lodgings for several years, till their great Abbey and all its offices, which in this cheap country cost 32,000*l.* in building, were finished A. D. 1330.

The Conventual Church was dedicated to our Lord Jesus Christ, the Virgin Mary, St. Nicholas, and St. Nicasius.

The following is Mr. Ormerod's List of the

ABBATS of VALE ROYAL,

the four earliest of whom resided in a temporary edifice near the abbey which was erecting for their successors.

JOHN CHAMPNEYS was the first abbat, by whose perseverance and interest with the crown the greatest part of the estates were gained to the abbey. He was succeeded by

WALTER DE HEREFORD, who occurs soon after 1300.

JOHN DE HOO was the next abbat. He resigned.

RICHARD DE EVESHAM was the fourth abbat.

PETER was his successor in 1327; during whose abbacy great quarrels took place between the monks of Vale Royal and the inhabitants of Dernhall. Mr. Ormerod has given various details of the excesses committed.

ROBERT was abbat in 1342.

THOMAS occurs abbat in 1346, and again in 1366.

STEPHEN, Mr. Ormerod says, is incorrectly stated by Willis to have been abbat in 1349. He occurs in the Leiger Book of Vale Royal in 1373; and again in 1389.

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HENRY DE WEYNGTON is the next abbat who occurs, about the beginning of the reign of Henry the Sixth.

WILLIAM occurs in the 17th of Henry VI.

THOMAS DE KIRKHAM, bishop of Sodor and Man. He occurs first in the Leiger Book in 1440, and again in 1472. He died before 1475.

WILLIAM STRATFORD occurs in the latter year.

JOHN BUCKLEY, called Butler by Willis, occurs early in the sixteenth century. He commanded his tenantry in person, to the number of three hundred men, in the battle of Flodden, with the assistance of Sir George Holford and John Bostock, Esq.

JOHN HARWOOD was abbat of Vale Royal at the time of the Suppression.

Mr. Ormerod has preserved the following Letter of this Abbat to Lord Cromwell. The original is in the Bodleian Library at Oxford.

"To the right honorable and my singulere good lord, my lord of the kinges most honorable prive sealle.

"Right honorable and my singulere good lord, in my most humble manore, that I can, I recommend me unto your good lordship, and pleseth it your good lordship, I have received your most honorable letters, dated at the Rolles the viiith day of March, whereby I do perseave it is your lordship's pleasure to have the farm of Darnall, with the demeans thereof, according to your former letters to me in that behalf directed, my aunswer thearunto made affoare time to your good lordship notwithstanding.

"And I do perseave by your laste letters, that your lordship is enformed, that I have in my hand the maner of Knighte, the maner of Bradford, the maner of Heffreston, the ferme of Conersley, besyde the demeasnes of my monastery, and also the personages of Frodsham, Weverham, Kirkham, and the tenth of Overe, and that they be sufficient to furnishe the monastery of corne and pasture.

"My lord, it is truth, the moast part of the grounds belonging Knighte, Bradford, and Conersley be let out to ferme for terme of yeares unto diveres of my tenants: and the foarsayd maner of Heffreston is let unto one person in farme; and as touching a great part of the tenths of Weverham and Frodsham, they are let out to sundry persons, for terme of yeares; and the whoale personage of Kirkham is let out to farm for many yeares; and I have not the tenthes of Overe, but in ferme of the prioress of the noones of Cheshire at her will and pleasure; and moreover I have not in wheate, of the tyeth of the parish of Weverham and Frodsham yearly above xii bushels or thereabouts; and the most part of the demeasne ground of the abbey, is sound (sand) ground, and will bear no wheate.

"So that the substance of the finding of my house in wheate is gotten and had at the maner of Darnall; and without the said manor and demeans I am not able to furnishe my house accordingly as I have written and advertysed your

lordship by my other letters—wherefore, yf it might please your good lordship, that if thear be any other ground, that I have in my hande, that might please your good lordship to have, the same shall be at your pleasure during your lyffe, without any rent for the same, paying the premeses notwithstanding.

“Now your good lordship knoweth the truth in the same, I am contented to accomplish your pleasure and commandement in the foresayd maner and demeanes of Darnall, reserving the woode and waters, with the barne there to receive our sayd tythe of corn of Overe, and also all such ground, as is lett out by our convent sealle or otherwise, there, for terme of yeares to diveres persons.

“My lord, I most humbly beseech your good lordship, for the love of God and our blessed Lady, and for the mayntenance of good service, and pooare hospitalletye to be kept in the house, which we are not able to do, as we do now, unless it may please your good lordship of your graciouse pettye to have good . . . elle and respect for us in the pre-messhes—I am at your commandement and will in all thinges that I can do, to my lytell power; for in your good lordship is all my most single trust, and confydence under God, and the kyng our sovereign lord, as knowethe the Holly Goste, who evermore have your good lordship in his blessed keeping, with ogmentac'on and increase of honor.

“Scribled at Vale Royall, this *xxi* day of March, by your humble, obedient and dayly oratour,
JOHN, Abbot of Vale Roial.

The compromise, Mr. Ormerod says, offered in this letter was rejected, and on the 7th of September, 30 Hen. VIII. a deed of surrender was completed, purporting to be signed by the abbot, Alexander Sedon the prior, and thirteen monks. In the Harl. MSS. is a fragment of an original letter, written by the abbot, from Lichfield, two days after, in which he roundly denies the authenticity of these signatures, and states himself to be coming to London as fast as his sickness would permit. It appears from this document that Holcroft, the subsequent grantee, was the principal agent in extorting or forging the deed of surrender. It is impossible to read the abbot's simple and earnest protestations, without a high degree of compassion for the poor wretches on the brink of being turned out into a world they were so unfit to struggle with: and their rapine, their oppression, and their bigotry, are all lost for a moment in idcas that only turn in compassion to the hospitality, the alms, and the piety of Vale Royal.

The letter most probably commenced with mentioning that Holcroft had shewn to — “me and my brethren, the kyng's most graciouse as drad commyssion, wherein his graciouse plesurc was, that, for the gratuytye that his grace trusted in me and my brethren, that we wold clerelye of one

consente surrendre into his graciouse honds o' monast'ye, beyng of his mostgraciousefundacion, and whereof your lordship is steuard. My good lord, the truthe is, I, nor my said brethren, have never consented to surrender our monast'y, nor yet doo, nor never will doo by our good willes, unles it shall please the kyng's grace to giff to us commandem't so to doo, which I can not p'ceve in the comission of maist' Holcroft so to bee. And if any informacyon be giffon unto his magestye, or unto your good lordship, that we shulde consent to surrender as is above sayd, I assure your good lordship, upon my fidelitye and truthe, there was never non such consente made by me nor my brethren, nor no person nor persons had auctoritye to do so in our names. Wherefore I humbly beseech your good lordship, in whom is my single trust under God and the Kyng's mag'stye, to be meane for us unto his grace, so that wee may continewe in our said monast'ye to pray for his most noble grace and your good lordship, which we shall dayly doo, according to our bounden duties, during our lyves. I assure your lordship I am cumyng upwards as fast as my sekenes will suffer me, to besече your lordship of charite to be good to our poor monastery. I send unto your lordship the bill indented, made by me and my brethren, which, in presence of worshipfull men, I offered to m' Holcroft, which to take he refused. And thus o' Lord God p'serve your lordship in good helthe. Wrytten at Lychefylde the *ix* day of September,

By your pou'r bedeman,

JOHN, Abbot of Vale Royall.”

“To the ryght honorable S^r Thomas Cromewell, Lord Cromewell, Lord privye sealle, and chefe Secretarye to the Kyng's Hygheness.”^a

The ruin of the house was now finally accomplished, and the distribution of its possessions quickly followed. Of its Cheshire estates, Darnall, with its appendages,^b was granted 33 Hen. VIII. to Sir Rowland Hill, Knt. and merchant of the city of London. In the same year,^c March 7, the site of Vale Royal, with the granges of Conersley, Bradford, Ernesley, and Merton, Petty Poole Hill and Dam, and Bradford Mylne in the parish of Whitegate, Heffreston Grange and Onston Mylne in Weverham, Ernesley House in Weverham and Whitegate, and the Pool of Oakmere, were granted to Thomas Holcroft, an esquire of the body, for the sum of 450*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.* subject to the reserved rent of 3*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.* payable to the court of augmentation of the king's revenue.

In the 37th of the same reign, Aug. 1, the manors of Weverham and Over, with all their privileges, were granted to the same, now Sir Thomas Holcroft, subject to the rent, of 10*l.* 0*s.* 4*d.* in consideration of the sum of 464*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.* and the manor of Cartmell given in exchange by Sir Thomas.^d

^a Harl. MS. 604, fol. 62. Harwood's journey, Mr. Ormerod says, as might be expected, failed in attaining its object, but his resolution remained unshaken, and a capital indictment was the only resource of his enemies. The jurisdiction of the abbey court afforded an easy opportunity of gratifying their wishes, and lord Cromwell, the senechall of the abbey, presided in person, at a court held at Vale Royal on the Monday after the feast of the Annunciation, 30th Hen. VIII. in which fourteen jurors found a bill against the late abbot and others for the following offences.

“That John Harwood, late abbot of the monastery of our Blessed Ladi of Vale Royal, consented to the slaying of Hughe Chaliner his monke, and that the day before the said monkes throat was cut, the saide monke saide unto a childe, being his brother's son, of *xii* yeares of age or thereabouts, that he, the saide monke, would be with his brother at Chestore, before the Assumption of our Blessed Lady then next after, or else he said he should suffer death, if he tarried any longer in the said monasterie.

“And furthermore the sayde jury sayth that the sayde late abbot sayde unto Richard Nightingale, that if the sayde Richard Nightingale wolde go in the Kynges warres, at the tyme of the insorectyon, that he should syt in no house of his, nor that he wold not take hym for hys tenant, nor do the kynges grace service at his putting.

“And further the sayde jury sayth, that the tenant asked the sayd abbot who should be their captain at the said insorection, and he answered and said unto them, that it made no matter for them, for they shold do no service to the kyng his Grace, for no house of his, nor at his bidding; and if that Peter Dutton, knight, and Hughe Starkey, esquier, had not bync, the sayde abbot would have caste ceten of them into prison.

“Furthermore the sayde Jury sayth, that when there came a license to the vicker of Weram, for towe poore persons to marry together, from the offiere of our most soverayne lord the kyng, supreme head, under God, of the Chorche of England, the sayd vicker sayd, at that

time, that the sayd license was not lawful, and caste it away in despite, and over sayd that the kynges grace was not lawfully married.

“Furthermore the sayde Jury sayth that Roger Harwood, brother to the late abbot, in the tyme of the insorection, asked of one William Robinson, of the lordship of Weram, and of others, what tydings? and the sayde Robinson and others sayde to him, none; and then the said Roger sayd to them, I can shewe to you good tydinge, for the commons be uppe; and sayd that the kynges good grace did overpresse his poor commons.

“And the Jury sayd that Roger Bromfield, and others, his father's servants and partakers, tooke and led away out of the Haywoode, certein loade of woode and where John Cowper, baylyfe of Overe and Weram did arreste to the kynges good graces use; and that Ralphe Bostocke is a common hontere within the libertyes.”

The copy of the original inquisition from which this is transcribed, is preserved in the Bodleian, and appears to have been written with a view of conveying to Thomas Holcroft the earliest intelligence of the final success of his machinations against the abbat; it is indorsed:

“To my brother, Thomas Holcrofte, be thes d'd with speede.”

Cheshire tradition has given to the story the tragical catastrophe which might naturally be expected from the protracted resistance of the abbat, and these formidable preparations; and has grounded there-upon the fulfilment of one of the prophecies of Nixon. Willis states that the final consummation of his injuries was spared the poor abbat, who was allowed to retire on an inconsiderable annuity; but, from an examination of the pension roll of the reign of Queen Mary, the statement of Willis appears to be incorrect, as the name of the abbat is omitted in this document, and no notice whatsoever is taken of him or his convent in the earlier roll of the time of Hen. VIII.

^b Leycester MSS. 2060. Harl. MSS. 164. being copies of grants in the Augmentation Office.

^c Ibid. 165.

^d Ibid. 168.

The impropriation and advowson of Frodsham were given to the dean and chapter of Christ Church, Oxon, and the impropriation and advowson of Weverham to the bishopric of Chester.

The revenues were valued in the 26th Hen. VIII. at the gross sum of 540*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.* The clear income amounted to 518*l.* 19*s.* 8*d.*^a

Thus, says Mr. Ormerod, fell the abbey of Vale Royal, the abbat of which, for nearly three centuries, had maintained a style of splendour equal to that of many powerful barons. Like them he had his seneschall and his under seneschall, the former of which offices was filled, as an office of honour, by Cromwell himself at the Reformation. The ordinary law of his court was administered by a coroner, and the bailiffs of Over and Weverham, in whom a capital jurisdiction was vested, with the powers of "Infangtheof and Outfangtheof," equally serviceable in screening his own vassals from whatever enormities they might commit, and of subjecting to the abbat's vengeance, without possibility of appeal, all trespassers on his privileges within the limits which the charter had assigned him. He had his page to attend upon him in the abbey, and his palfreyman to hold the reins of his horse on his journeys, in which, from the account of the skirmish in Rutlandshire, he appears to have travelled with a powerful retinue, and to have been attended by considerable families of the county. The names of Coton and Walensis, or Hooton, appear in this instance, and, at another time, we find the families of Holford and Bostock, serving under his orders at the battle of Flodden.

The abbat of Dore was visitor, and on each visitation received xxx*s.* iv*d.* for his travelling expenses, a quarter of a mark for each of his chaplains, and 1*s.* for each of his other attendants.

Tanner says, "*Vide* REGISTRUM Abbatiae de Valle Regali, penes Thomam Merbury de Merbury in com. Cestr. arm. A. D. 1658, 1666." This was, Sept. 15th, 1733, in the possession of Thomas Cholmondeley, of Vale Royal, Esq.^b Tanner adds, "*Vide* 'Apographum Registri hujus Abbatiae penes dom. Thomam Mainwaring baronettum, A. D. 1662.'" In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 2064, fol. 241.^c

The remaining References which Tanner gives to Manuscripts and Records will be found below.^d

An imperfect Impression from the SEAL of this Abbey, as appended to the Surrender, is engraved by Mr. Ormerod, Hist. Cheshire, vol. ii. p. 90.

^a In the Taxation of 1291, the total of the possessions of Vale Royal Abbey were returned at no more than 68*l.* 16*s.* 10*d.* See the Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 259, 307 b.

^b Tanner mentions "A copy of this book among the Evidences of Dutton, of Dutton, A. D. 1666. Leycester, p. 220." also "Collectanea de fundatione," &c. ex eodem Registro, MS. in bibl. Bodl. Dodsworth, cx. fol. 80, &c.

^c Mr. Ormerod has given the titles of the several Documents contained in this manuscript, with abstracts of the most important articles: Hist. of Cheshire, vol. ii. p. 80 to p. 86, to which we refer.

^d "*Vide* In eadem bibl. MS. 139, fol. 27. concerning the manor of Parme and four Wych-houses given by the lord of Bostock. MS. 280, fol. 77. nomina quorundam abbatum" (but the name of one abbat only occurs). "MS. 1249, fol. 96. Cartam Thomae Fastolf episcopi Menevensis de appropriatione ecclesiae de Lampadavaar. MS. 2010, fol. 250. Complaint of the men of Middlewich against the abbat of Darnhale. MS. 2060, p. 159. Notes relating to the monastery and manor of Dernhale, and to Over, which was formerly a part of it: p. 174. Analecta ex libro Abbatiae de Valle Regali vocat. the Leger Booke, or Green Booke, penes Thomam Marburie. MS. 2072, fol. 43. particular privilege granted to this abbey by the king its founder. MS. 2074, fol. 202. grant of a market and fair in the manor of Owere in Cheshire, 10 Edw. I. MS. 2079, p. 124. de catallis deodandis infra dominium abbatis. MS. 2115, fol. 158. plea of the abbat to a quo waranto, 24 Edw. III.

"Cart. 4 Edw. I. n. 11. pro manerio de Cornwardesley. Ibid. n. 20. pro maner. de Weverham deafforestando. Pat. 5 Edw. I. m. 22 vel 23. pro deafforestatione omnium terrarum, com. pasturæ, estoveriis, et quarrera infra forestam regis in com. Cestrie. Cart. 7 Edw. I. n. 7. pro Wetenehalews et Munichenwro, locis ad fundandum domum. Cart. 8 Edw. I. n. 49. pro maner. de Geyton in Wythale. Pat. 9 Edw. I. pro m. marcis ann. ad operationes abbatiae. Cart. 9 Edw. I. n. 44. de terra in Thramlawe. Ibid. n. 88. pro eccl. de Kirkham approprianda. Ibid. n. 106. pro merc. et feria apud Overe. Pat. 11 Edw. I. m. 15. pro minera de Englefield. Cart. 12 Edw. I. n. 46, 47. pro ten. in Morebarewe, et pro lib. war. in Cunewardesley, Stanthorne, Weverham, Moribarewe, et Twenilawe Cestr. Cart. 13 Edw. I. n. 34. pro terris

There is nothing now remaining that can be referred with probability to the original abbey, but a few door-ways in the offices, of a style anterior to the additions by the Holcrofts. Parts of the ancient walls and gates of the abbey were removed by the present proprietor. A name attached to one spot preserves the site of the high altar, and another, called the Nun's Grave, indicates a place where most probably some inmate of the Chester priory wished to be interred, from a confidence in its superior sanctity. The ancient road from the abbey to Northwich, now disused, sweeps over some of the hollows near the monastery with mound worthy of the workmanship of a Roman legion.^e

Sir Thomas Holcroft, the grantee of Vale Royal, was second son of John Holcroft, of Holcroft Hall, near Leigh, in Lancashire. He owed his fortunes to his situation as an esquire of the body to King Henry the Eighth, and was one of the Cheshire gentlemen who were knighted at Leith, in Scotland, in 1544. The Vale Royal estate continued in his family two generations, and was sold, A. D. 1616, 15 Jac. I. to Mary, Lady Cholmondeley, widow of Sir Hugh Cholmondeley, of Cholmondeley, and daughter and sole heir of Christopher Holford, of Holford, Esq. called by King James, who visited her here in 1617, "The Bold Ladie of Cheshire."

By Inq. 1 Car. I. Lady Cholmondeley died seised (inter alia) of the site of the late dissolved monastery of Vale Royal, with messuages, gardens, 2460 acres of land, free warren, goods and chattels of felons and fugitives, wayfes and strays in Vale Royal, Bradford, Conwarsley, Sutton, Weverham, Over, Merton, and Whitegate, and common of all kinds on Delamere; all of which, except a place called New Bottoms, she had given, 16 Jan. 21 Jac. I. to Thomas Cholmondeley, Esq. her fourth son, and his heirs male, held by the tenth part of a knight's fee.

From this period, the dissolved monastery of Vale Royal has lineally descended to Thomas Cholmondeley, Esq. the present proprietor, who also inherits from Thomas Cholmondeley, son of Lady Cholmondeley, the manor of Over; and from Thomas Cholmondeley, Esq. his father, the manor of Knights Grange; and has himself added to the estates, by a recent purchase, the estate of Merton Grange. By these successive acquisitions, nearly the whole property of Vale Royal Abbey, in the parishes of Over and Whitegate, with the exception of the granges of Darnall and Hefferston, is now vested in this branch of the family of Cholmondeley.

in Nether Littlemare, Bradford, Sutton, &c. Cart. 15 Edw. I. n. 1. pro approprianda eccl. de Kirkham. Pat. 22 Edw. I. m. 23. Pat. 27 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 2 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 12 d. de maner. de Overe et Overham. Claus. 5 Edw. II. m. 21. Pat. 5 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 9 vel 10. pro uno dolio vini de prisus vinorum apud Cestre. Cart. 6 Edw. II. n. 33. pro libertatibus et confirm. excambii maner. de Geyton et Leche cum Ran. de Merton, pro maner. suo de Merton in foresta de la Mere. Fin. 2 Edw. III. m. 2. Pat. 35 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 21 et 22. pro eccl. de Lampadernaur in archidiaconatu Cardigan. approprianda. Pat. 22 Ric. II. p. 3. m. 43. Rot. pardon. 11 Edw. IV. m. 26. Cart. 1 Hen. IV. p. 1, n. 23. Pat. 2 Hen. IV. p. 3, m. 3 vel 4. pro mercato et feria apud Kirkham, Lanc. Pat. 6 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 18. Pat. 9 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 30. Pat. 17 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 22. Pat. 26 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 39. Fin. et recup. Derb. 5 Hen. VIII. Pasch. rot. 320."

See also the Plac. de Quo Waranto, pp. 382, 384, 793.

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office is,

Vallis Regalis.—De Maria domina Cholmondeley occasionat. ad ostendendum quo titulo tenet Situm Monasterij de Valle Regali in Com. Cestrie.—Hil. Rec. 13 Jac. I. rot. 4.

There is a long Survey on Paper, temp. Hen. VIII. in the Augmentation Office, touching this abbey and its possessions. There are also in the same repository some Proceedings in the Court of Augmentations, temp. Hen. VIII.

^e The situation is in every thing contrary to what it is described in Warton's elegy, who speaks of Edward diffusing "His crowded spires on the broad mountain's brow," and the illuminated windows "high o'er the trackless heath at midnight seen." It is, in fact, seated in a deep valley on the immediate banks of the Weever, now confined by artificial limits, but formerly spreading a wide surface over the ground, which presents a range of luxuriant meadows. The oak thrives well in the vicinity, being sheltered from the injuries of the sea breezes; and, at the period of the foundation, when the woods descended from the heights of the neighbouring forest in thickets of natural growth, there is no doubt, if the taste of the inhabitants bore any analogy to the rules of the order they professed, that the whole scene was as solemn and sequestered as any that could be selected for the residence of a Cistercian.

Cartae ad Abbatiam de Valle Regali, in agro Cestriensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

De Initio Foundationis Abbatiae de Valle Regali, et de Voto Regis.

[Ex Registro Abbatiae de Valle Regali penès Thomam Marbury de Marbury, in com. Cestriae, arm. 18. Aug. a. 1658. fol. 3. a.]

INCIPIUM foundationis abbatiae de Valle Regali, erat miraculosè per Mariam Virginem præmonstratum: nam dominus Edwardus princeps Walliae et comes Cestriae, cum haberet patrem sanctissimum, Henricum, viz. regem Anglorum, qui fuit filius regis Johannis, et iste Henricus quinquaginta sex annis regnavit, undè præfatus Edwardus in armis tam strenuè se gerebat, quod ob amorem crucifixi, ad paganorum exterminium Terram Sanctam pluriès visitaret: igitur, cum quadam vice versùs Angliam rediret, et ad mare jam venisset, in navi cum suis omnibus decenter receptus est; ipso ergò versùs Angliam, cum maximâ multitudine navigante, tempestates in mari subito exortæ sunt, ita ut omnia navis armamenta minitatum, in momento, rumpebantur: nautæ igitur, non habentes ultrà quid facerent, et de suâ salute penitùs desperantes, præ timore ad Dominum fortiter vociferârunt, et hii qui in navi cum ipsis fuerant persuaserunt, ut singuli Domino voverent quid unicuique Spiritus Sanctus inspiraret: quod, cum ab omnibus devotissimè fuisset impletum, nondum pro hiis cessârunt tempestates, sed magis ac magis in eos ingruiebant: contemplantes ergo sibi mortem adesse vicinam, omnes qui erant in navi, unanimiter principem devotissimis precibus, cum lacrimis exorabant, quod et ipse, qui cum aliis votum non emiserat, dignaretur votum aliquod emittere, per quod et Dominum placaret, et ipsos periclitantes posset ab imminente periculo confestim liberare.

Quorum lacrimalibus precibus princeps sacratissimus delinitus, Deo et beatissimæ Virginis Mariæ humillimè devovit, quod si se suos et sua Dominus salvos faceret, et ad terram usque perduceret illæsos, quod tunc monasterium alborum monachorum, ordinis Cisterciensis, in honore Dei genitricis Mariæ, de novo infra regnum Angliæ, in loco ad hoc competenti, citissimè fundaret; quod quidem tam copiosè rebus et possessionibus ditaret, quod ad centum monachorum sustentationem sufficeret in æternum. Et ecce virtus Dei ad salvandas gentes statim apparuit; nam vix princeps Christianissimus expleverat sermonem, et tota illa tempestas, aeris serenitate apparente, penitùs dissipata est, ita ut omnes de tam subitâ mutatione mirarentur; undè factum est, ut navis illa, quæ per multa loca rupta, fissa, et lacerata erat, ita ut aquæ periculosissimè undique introirent, per Mariam Virginem, in cujus laudem princeps votum emiserat, absque omni humano ministerio, navis eadem, cum omnibus in ea contentis, miraculosè ad terram transportata est; cunctis hæc videntibus, et præ gaudio mirantibus, atque Virginem gloriosam, supra humanum modum, letanter venerantibus, quæ sic devotos nunquam sinit perire. Cæterùm, præter hoc res mira valdè horâ eâdem, quæ non est silentio transigenda, fertur accedissee; nam cum cuncti de navi res suas asportassent, princeps post omnes in navi residebat: cum autem navis jam esset vacua, ipse ad terram de mari egressus est, quo ascendente, navis in duas partes, in ictu oculi, divisa est; ut per hoc daretur intelligi, quod vir sanctus, dum in navi mansit, suis meritis integram eam præservavit; nam postquam prædicta navis divisa apparuit maris profunda concitò quæsivit, nec ultrà se humanis aspectibus repræsentare curavit.

NUM. II.

Quomodo Dominus Rex assumpsit sibi Conventum de Monasterio de Dorâ, et de tempore quo venerat idem Conventus apud Dernehale, et dehinc ad quandam parvam Abbatiam juxta Vallem Regalem.

[Ibid.]

Hiis igitur ita peractis, applicuit prædictus princeps in

Angliam; et cum esset quædam dissensio inter dominum Henricum regem patrem suum, et Anglorum nobiles, comites, et barones exorta, prædictus princeps fortiter omnes expugnabat. Factum est autem, ut in conflictu quodam præfatus Edwardus captus esset, et usque ad civitatem Herefordiæ transmissus carceri et custodiæ à suis emulis ibidem commendatus, sed postmodum gratiosè è manibus custodum, Domino sic disponente, evasit: mansit tamen aliquandiu in custodiâ in civitate prænotatâ: erant igitur viri valdè religiosi et sancti juxta eam habitantes in abbathia de Dorâ, qui crebro prædictum principem, in captivitate positum, juxta vires consolabantur; et eidem, cum Marthâ, necessaria sæpissimè ministrabant; et tandem ab eo pro suâ reverentiâ invenire gratiam meruerunt. Igitur prædictus Edwardus sui juris effectus, votum quod in mari Virgini devovit, cogitabat adimplere; et ob devotionem quam gerebat erga monasterium de Dorâ, pro beneficiis eidem in captivitate ab ipso impensis, conventum suum de memorato monasterio sibi assumpsit. Exivit autem conventus de monasterio de Dorâ usque Vallem Regalem quinto idus Januarii anno Domini m.cc.lxxiii. et xix. kal. Februarii, venit idem conventus apud Dernehale, et ibi morabatur per octo annos et ampliùs, quantum distat à die adventus sui usque ad diem sancti Roberti; quo die primò venit de Dernehale ad Vallem Regalem: et anno Domini m.cc.lxxvii. viz. ix. kal. Augusti consecratus est locus, qui primò dicebatur Wetenhalewer et Munechenc-wro, à venerabili patre Aniano Assavensi episcopo, ad abbatiam novam construendam; cui imposuit præfatus Edwardus nomen Vallis Regalis; dans evidenter cunctis intelligi, quod suæ esset voluntatis, quod non esset aliquod monasterium illo regalior in libertatibus, divitiis, et honore, in universâ terrâ; sed, heu! morte naturali præventus, quodammodò frustratus est desiderio suo.

NUM. III.

Quomodo Dominus Rex posuit, in novo opere, primum Lapidem; et de hiis qui interfuerunt.

[Ibid.]

POSTEA verò eodem anno sexto, viz. idus Augusti, anno Domini m.cc.lxxvii. præfatus Edwardus tunc illustrissimus rex Angliæ, congregatis ad hoc majorum natu totius regni sui, manibus suis posuit primum lapidem, in loco ubi majus altare construi deberet. Domina etiam Alianora regina Angliæ, quæ et ipsa præsens fuerat, posuit duos lapides, unum pro se, et alium pro domino Alfonso filio suo. In eodem verò loco venerabilis pater, dominus Robertus Burnel, tunc Batoniensis et Wellensis episcopus et etiam domini regis cancellarius, solempniter quoque assistente sibi Aniano Assavensi episcopo, missam celebravit.

Erant et subscripti cum rege, Gilbertus de Clare comes Gloucestriae, Edmundus comes Cornubiæ, Johannes de Warennâ comes Surreihæ, Willielmus de Bellocampo comes de Warwiko; dominus Mauricius de Croun, Oto de Grandisono; Johannes de Greyly; Robertus Typpethoth; Robertus de Vere; qui omnes, post dominum regem in loco prædicto majoris altaris lapides posuerunt. Qui quidem rex lapidem posuit in honore Domini nostri Jesu Christi, et gloriosæ Virginis Mariæ, et sanctorum confessorum Nicholai, Nichasiique episcoporum; et locum tunc illum deinceps fecit appellari Vallem Regalem, quod Anglicè sonat Kynggesdale. Fuerunt etiam ibi tunc cum domino rege duo comites de partibus transmarinis.

NUM. IV.

De parvâ Abbatia, in qua Monachi habitabant per tempora quatuor Abbatum, et quomodo ad novum Monasterium translati sunt.

[Ibid.]

ISTIS igitur sic peractis, fecerat dominus rex parari unam abbatiam pro illo conventu suo, non longè à novo opere Vallis Regalis distantem. Ibi per longa tempora

abbas et conventus moram traxerunt, eo quod juxta novum opus prænotatum, nondum erat ædificium aliquod constructum: undè ad abbathiam illam parvulam, translatus est conventus de manerio de Dernehale, tertio idus Maii, die viz. S. Roberti abbatis, anno Domini m.cc.lxxxii. In eodem verò loco, quatuor abbatum temporibus, integrè remanserunt, viz. domini Johannis Cheampeneys primi abbatis; et etiam domini Walt. de Herford, qui erat secundus; et domini Joh. de Ho, qui in numero fuerat tertius; et domini Ric. de Evesham, qui æquè quartus extiterat. Tandem mediante gloriosissimâ virgine Mariâ, de illâ abbathiâ deformi et ruinosâ, superiùs expressâ, ad novum usque monasterium de Valle Regali, in festo viz. Assumptionis beatissimæ Dei genetricis, Mariæ, anno Domini m.ccc.xxx. reverendus ille conventus magno cum honore translatus est.

Abbas autem, qui tunc præerat, quoscunque nobiles et etiam prælatos, cæterosque vicinos, ad hanc solempnitatem specialissimè evocarat; qui omnes in tantâ multitudine confluebant, quod vix præ turbâ, illud novum monasterium ipsos infra se poterat continere; inter quos advenerat bonæ memoriæ magister Ric. abbas de Dorâ, qui et ipse illo die solempniter celebravit, et sermonem de beatâ Virgine, ad populum faciens, cibo specialis alimonie, more suo consueto, devotissimè reficiebat. Sacer igitur iste conventus, cum hiis qui advenerant prælatis, et aliis viris magni nominis, deducebant festum Virginis cum jubilo, in ymnis et psalmis, et canticis spiritualibus, in organis etiam, ac ferè omnium genere musicorum, et illam devotissimè benedicebant; in cujus honore locus ille extitit consecratus, per quem in mari miraculosè fuerat voto solempni iniciatus.

Contigit autem in prædicto festo Assumptionis, mirum quoddam, relatu dignum; nam inter illud festum, per quadraginta dies ferè et noctes, tanta inundatio omnes circumquaque adeo commovit, ut credebatur iteratò Dominum, diluvium, sicut in diebus Noæ, adduxisse super terram; sed res mira valde accidit; nam in vigiliâ Assumptionis, et duobus sequentibus diebus, tanta apparuit aeris serenitas, ut nec gutta quædam aquæ caderet super terram; sed omnibus, ad tantî festi solempnitatem, necessariis rite consummatis, et omnibus in suâ receptis, inundatio, ut priùs suborta est, quæ per multa tempora postea non quievit. Quis ergo dubitet istam aeris serenitatem meritis ac precibus beatissimæ virginis Mariæ, non fuisse veraciter impetratam, ne sibi in hiis solempniis devote ministrantes, per aeris intemperiem à suo ministerio vel in modico impedirentur? Sicque luce clariùs patet, secundùm jam relata, quod valde acceptus erat Virgini beatæ ad suum monasterium in ipsius honore in maris periculo mirabiliter fundatum, suorum monachorum accessus et adventus; unde, ut reor, quilibet intra se monachorum, cum ad locum Domini desideratum jam venisset, ait, Hæc requies mea in seculum seculi; hic habitabo, quoniam elegi eam; quos omnes Virgo beata alloquebatur, dicens quod in Apocalypsi describitur, Ambulabunt mecum in albis, quoniam digni sunt, et non delebo nomina eorum de libro vitæ.

NUM. V.

Qualis erat Locus Abbathie ante ipsius Foundationem.

[Ibid.]

FERUNT enim antiqui, quod in loco ubi præfatum monasterium modo situm est, erat prædorum habitatio, et nunc per Mariam virginem factus est locus ille sanctorum monachorum conversatio; non quorumcunque monachorum, sed alborum monachorum, secundùm quod in capitulo ex parte tuâ noveris de decimis, patet manifestè. Tales enim sunt omnes professi in ordine Cistercii, sicuti tenet curia Romana, et ideo in partibus transmarinis dicuntur albi monachi, monachi beatæ Mariæ, qualis erat dominus Benedictus papa duodecimus, et alii quamplures summi pontifices, qui de ordine Cistercii eum præcesserunt: girant proinde miseri ac ydiotæ, qui ipsos griseos monachos, in contemptum apostolicæ sedis, præsumunt appellare, cum hiis diebus pauci vel nulli vix inveniantur de ordine griseorum; nam albi monachi juxta canonum instituta, tenent locum in ecclesiâ, quoad proprietatis abdicationem, duodecim apostolorum; et de quocunque ordine à se venientes admittere possunt, per paucis exceptis: ipsi autem ad aliorum ordines, ne videntur descendere, transire non possunt.

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NUM. VI.

De Mutatione Nominis Loci ubi modo Abbathia sita est, per Regem facta.

[Ibid.]

LOCUS namque in quo monasterium modò situm est, binominus erat ab antiquo; dicebatur enim Munechnewro, quod Latinè interpretatur Monachorum silva; ad designandum, quod locus ille veraciter futurus esset religiosus, seu religioni applicandus, quia Munechene Anglicè, Monacha seu Monialis dicitur Latinè. Wro verò Anglicè, Latinè dicitur silva.

Dicebatur etiam locus ille Quetennchalewes, quod Latinè sonat Frumentum sanctum, vel Frumentum sanctorum; et congruè dici potuit Frumentum sanctum; nam de puro grano frumenti, et non de alio conficitur sanctum corpus Christi; ideo, quia futurum erat illud frumentum ibidem consecrandum, de quo in Evangelio scribitur, Nisi granum frumenti cadens in terra mortuum fuerit, ipsum solum manet meritò Quetenne-halewes locus ille dictus est. Benè autem Frumentum sanctorum locum illum appellamus, quia frumentum Latinè whete Anglicè; et halewes Anglicè, sancti dicuntur Latinè; ad designandum, quod de loco eodem esset frumentum excolendum, per quod viri sancti et religiosi in hac lachrymarum valle degentes, corporaliter ad literam ibidem alerentur; ut sic, per temporale subsidium pervenirent sancti ad regnum sine fine mansurum. Et ideo convenienter dominus rex locum illum fecerat Vallem Regalem appellari, quod Anglicè sonat Kingesdale, per quod designatur, quod quælibet creatura rationalis ab ipso Domino ad vitam æternam præordinata, debet esse Kingesdale; hoc est rex, se ipsam benè regens in valle humilitatis; et sic à Christo merebitur audire istud; Veni, sponsa Christi, accipe coronam quam tibi Dominus præparavit in æternum; quam coronam non accipit, nisi qui legitimè voluerit decertare in Regali valle, scil. in Christi humilitate.

NUM. VII.

De Visione quam viderant Pastores, et alii, in loco ubi nunc Abbathia est.

[Ibid.]

NARRANT viri catholici et valdè veraces, quod dum locus, qui nunc Vallis Regalis dicitur, erat vasta solitudo, multa annorum curricula priusquam abbathia ibidem fundaretur, à patribus suis multotiens se audisse, quod in festis sollemnibus Dei genetricis Mariæ, ipsi et pastores sui in eodem loco circa medias noctes audièrunt voces, tanquam in cœlo psallentes: splendor etiam coruscæ lucis eisdem apparuit, qui noctis obscura in diem transmutavit; nec in hiis defuit sonitus campanarum. Et postquam ecclesia constructa fuerat, quidam qui usque ad hæc tempora superfuerunt, asserebant se tantum in eadem luccm contemplasse in noctis oppaco, quod multi hæc videntes credebant ecclesiam totam fuisse igne succensam: factumque est, ut ad tam grande spectaculum, quidam cum maximâ admiratione accurrerunt: alii ab eodem loco longè positi, extra sua domicilia, ab aliis excitati, salientes, pro visione mirificâ, Dominum colladabant. Hæc autem dixerim, ut cunctis appareat, quod locus ille à Christo veraciter pro monasterio fuerat ab æterno præordinatus, qui mortalibus de ipso tot et tanta miracula reserare dignatus est. Et ad majorem hujus rei probationem, unum relatu dignum in fine non omitto; quod cum rex Angliæ, fundator abbathie memoratæ, monachis suis, tunc in manerio de Dernehale conventualiter residentibus; quia locus ille pro abbathiâ aptus non fuerat, dedisset in mandatis, ut per totum regnum Angliæ locum sibi providerent, in quo competenter posset abbathia ordinari; qui jussa regis implentes, circuibant ubique terrarum, et quamvis diversis in locis sumptos magnos apposuissent, nunquam tamen, quousque venissent ad locum qui Munechenewro et Quetennchalewes dicitur, requiem invenerunt; quod nutu Dei factum fuisse, nullus sanæ mentis est, qui ambigat; ibi ergo fixerunt tabernacula sua temporibus sempiternis.

NUM. VIII.

De Portione Ligni S. Crucis, de Terra Sancta per Regem adquisita, et cum rebus aliis Monasterio collata.

[Ibid.]

SILEAMUS interim de secretis cœlestibus; et quomodo

rex piissimus votum suum implere curavit, ulteriùs prosequemur. In superioribus, qualiter præfatus dominus rex, dummodo comes Cestriæ extiterat, patre suo vivente, Terram Sanctam quæsierat, enarravimus transcurrenter; sed quid indè attulerit, nusquam declaratur. Ipse etenim rex, pro Christi sui nomine, paganos ac Saracenos, cum esset ibidem, non cessavit expugnare; quinimo, tanquam bonus miles Christi, pro Domino suo animam suam morti addixit; et quousque ad locum ubi lignum crucis residebat, in quo pendit salus mundi, pervenisset, pes ejus non quievit; unde et ab ipso portionem pulcherrimam, cum ingenti gaudio violenter auferebat, quam usque in Angliam secum lætanter transportavit; per cujus virtutem, omnes sibi undecunque adversantes tam fortiter debellerat, ut nullus esset sibi similis in regibus in universâ terrâ: nec mirum, nam circa colli nuda, in omni exercitu secum gerebat sanctissimum Christi vexillum, per quod et diabolus est victus, et mundus Christi sanguine redemptus. Istam sanctæ crucis sacratissimam portionem, in primâ fundatione abbathiæ, magnâ contulit cum devotione, ut ex ipsâ persecutoribus incuteret timorem, et religiosè viventibus vitam conferret sempiternam.

Et præter istud jocale pretiosissimum, quæsivit rex devotus ibique sanctorum reliquias, canonicè approbatas, et illas suo monasterio benignissimè commendavit, de vasis insuper sacratis, ac vestimentis eloceris, unâ cum libris pretiosis, illud nobilissimè ditavit. Dulcissima præterea, et in Christo præamanda domina Alianora, tunc Angliæ regina, tanquam altera Maria, quæ pro peccatoribus non desinit exorare; sic et ipsa regem, pro monasterii confirmatione, non destitit imprecare: nec sic est satiata concupiscentia sua, sed monasterium ac monachos immensis honoribus ac muneribus incessanter adornavit. Quapropter viri illi sanctissimi et Deo devoti, non degeneres, neque tantorum beneficiorum immemores, inter se statuerunt, quod annis singulis in eodem monasterio, in festo translationis S. Thomæ martyris, fieret regis prædicti anniversarium, cum solempnitate; et pro dominâ reginâ fiet illud idem tertio kal. Decembris, in vigiliâ S. Andreæ. Ad hæc statuitur et ordinatur, quod diebus singulis, pro prædicto domino rege, missa peculiaris, ac pro dominâ reginâ, in eodem monasterio, celebretur usque in sempiternum; et quod unusquisque divina in altari pertractans, collectam pro rege effundat Domino specialem, præter cotidianam memoriam, quam de rege ac reginâ in memoria pro defunctis habendâ cotidiè tenebuntur facere specialem. In horis etiam canonicis collectam optinent ab omnibus constitutam. Insuper et in fine gratiarum, post refectionem corporalem, semper à præsidente dici consuevit, Animæ regis Edwardi, reginæ Alianoræ, et omnium fidelium defunctorum, per misericordiam Dei requiescant in pace; ad quod cuncti respondeant, dicentes, Amen.

NUM. IX.

De Ecclesiâ de Kyrkham, quomodo Rex Monasterio suo eam contulerat: et de Placito inter ipsum Regem, et Dominum Theobaldum le Botiller, et Otonem de Grandisono.

[Ibid.]

IN superioribus utcunque de rebus variis monasterio collatis pervagati sumus, nunc verò de hiis quæ omisimus, aliqua disseramus. Quodam namque tempore dominus rex volens certiorari super valore omnium reddituum præfato loco de Valle Regali spectantium, quibusdam suis justiciariis dederat in mandatis, ut diligenter de præmissis inquirerent veritatem, et ipsum super hiis redderent certiores. Quibus juxta præfati regis ordinationem ritè peractis, perpendit dominus rex illa, ad onera prædicto monasterio incumbentia sufficere non posse; ideoque liberato consilio suo, advocacy ecclesiæ de Kirkham decrevit eidem erogandam. Quo audito, dominus Theobaldus Walteri, majestati regiæ in facie resistebat: asserebat namque advocacy illam hæreditario jure sibi competere debere, pro intentione suâ plura in medium perducens argumenta. Rex verò, adunato consilio suo, omissis illis quæ ad propositum non faciebant; allegabat, quod pater suus ultimò de jure regali ad prædictam ecclesiam, tanquam rex, nomine coronæ suæ, præsentabat clericum suum quendam, qui admissus fuerat et institutus in eadem, et non ratione custodiæ hæredum Theobaldi

Walteri. Præfatus verò Theobaldus, per attornatum suum, coram justiciariis domini regis fatebatur cum rege, quod rex nomine suo præsentaverat, sicuti inferioribus continetur, et non ratione custodiæ, quapropter advocatio domino regi extitit adjudicata, et dominus Theobaldus in misericordiâ remanebat.

Erat autem illo in tempore cum domino rege vir bonus et sanctus, ac in armis miles strenuissimus, Oto videlicet de Grandisono, cujus memoria sit in benedictione in seculum seculi. Ipse verò propter negotia regni ad sedem apostolicam nuncius destinatus est, ubi cum pervenisset, instinctu Spiritus Sancti, ut credi potest, ductus, appropriationem ecclesiæ de Kirkham monasterio de Valle Regali, ab Honorio papâ quinto perpetuò impetravit. Cum autem in Angliam, cunctis negotiis regiis gratiosè jam peractis, applicuisset, abbati de Valle Regali bullam ejusdem ecclesiæ de Kirkham devotissimè commendavit. Ipse verò abbas, tantorum non immemor beneficiorum, perpendens, quod nullus tenetur propriis stipendiis militare, præfato militi optulit auri et argenti non parvam quantitatem. Miles verò malens à Deo, quàm ab homine præmiari, cuncta penitus tanquam vana recusabat: quapropter abbas, cum unanimi consensu conventus sui, statuit ac decrevit, ut præfati militis memoria perpetuò à cunctis haberetur in eodem monasterio specialiter recommendata; et ideo gesta ejusdem militis præsentibus sunt inserta, ut per hoc futuris in monasterio annuntientur, pro eo incessanter Christum exorare, quatinus pro suo labore temporali ad præmia perveniat sempiterna.

NUM. X.

De Consecratione Loci ubi nunc Abbathia sita est; et de Pœnâ ingredientium aliunde quam per Fores Monasterii.

[Ibid.]

REX etenim sacratissimus considerans, quod benedictio patris firmat domos filiorum, volens providè relinquere post se benedictionem, advocat archiepiscopos, episcopos, et cæteros regni sui prælatos, ad locum de Valle Regali benedicendum: qui omnes jussa regis adimplentes, de finibus suis adventârunt; atque locum illum suis sacratissimis benedictionibus consecrantes, postquam divina inibi in altari optulissent, sacras suas vestes, quibus induebantur, in sui perhennem memoriam devote satis referuntur ibidem optulisse. Erat autem inter eos tunc temporis quidam magnus, et apud regem valde carus, patriarcha Jerosolomitani, dominus Antonius de Beck, episcopus Dunelmensis; qui et ipse, cum aliis, locum prælibatam benedicebat, et missam celebrabat. Igitur benedictione solempniter consummatâ, præfati episcopi indulgendo separatim omnibus, præfatum locum ob amorem Christi frequentantibus, et gloriosissimæ virginis Mariæ, matris ejusdem, quadraginta dies de injunctis sibi pœnitentiis perpetuò concedendo relaxârunt.

Insuper dominus rex terminos ejusdem abbathiæ suæ, sub isto procinctu quadrangulum ordinavit; incipiendo, viz. ad locum illum, ubi nunc parvus exterior, quæ barra abbathiæ Wlgodre situatur; et sic sequendo quoddam magnum fossatum usque ad grangiam conventus de novo constitutam, et crucem supstantem pro signo in primâ fundatione per regem ibidem collocatam, linealiter usque ad aquam de Wevere procedendo: et sic sequendo aquam de Wevere usque ad finem fossæ de novo circa parvum fabricatæ, quæ usque in eandem aquam de Wevere æquè derivatur: et sic sequendo fossam circa parvum, usque ad molendinum abbathiæ, et de molendino abbathiæ, ascendendo directè usque ad prædictum parvum exteriorem, barram primitus nuncupatam. Et ne locus iste sacer, à tot et tantis patribus benedictus, de cætero pateret despectui, seu gressibus impiorum esset conculcatus, ad nutum domini regis prædicti, prælati excitati, statuerunt omnes et singuli patres annotati, ne qui alteriùs aliunde quam per portas monasterii quoquo modo introirent. Ac etiam in contra venientes majoris excommunicationis sententiam solempniter fulminârunt; quæ quidem sententia à cunctis illius monasterii habitatoribus, et illam etiam contempnentibus, usque in hodiernum diem non mediocriter formidanda est. Post multum verò temporis episcopus Evachdunensis sex altaria in novo opere, perfectè ædificata, consecravat, atque suis indulgentiis gratiosissimè decoravit.

NUM. XI.

De quatuor primis Abbatibus, qui in eodem Monasterio præfuerunt; quomodo Monasterium rexerunt, et de ipsorum Conversatione.

[Ibid.]

INTER opera caritatis non censetur esse minimum, gesta virorum fortium in ecclesiâ pro Christo dimicantium, ad aliorum informationem cunctis enarrare: ad hoc namque Christi exemplo provocamur, qui idcirco sua facta per ewangelica scripta nobis voluit denudare, ut sic per ea instruerentur mundum debellare; igitur de abbatum virtutibus, qui ante nos præfuerunt, quædam brevia præsentibus duximus inserenda, ut præsentis et futuri eorum edocti exemplo, discant in templo Christi ad consimilia hannelare, quatinus ipsorum opitulantis meritis, ad gaudia æterna pervenire mereantur.

Primus igitur omnium abbas de Valle Regali, JOHANNES CHAUMPENEYS hic erat. Et reverâ, de virtute sermonis nominis sui, et cognominis, justè iste præfectus est primus in abbatem loci memorati: nam Johannes ille, in quo est gratia, vel Domini gratia interpretatur; quia ergò gratiâ Dei mediante monasterium fundatum fuerat, per votum regis emissum in mari, per cujus virtutem populus innumerus extitit à periculo mortis mirabiliter liberatus: ideo, quia Salvator noster Johannem voluit monasterio suo primum præesse pastorem, ut per hoc cunctis patesceret, quod non solùm abbas à Domino electus, sed etiam locus ipse sacer gratiosus esset futurus: quia ergò Domini gratiâ regem salvavit in maris fluctibus, ipsâ eadem gratiâ Johannem abbatem gubernabat in terris. Ipse etenim Johannes illi discipulo similis erat, qui requievit in cœnâ supra pectus Jesu: nam inter cæteras quas habebat virtutes, erat inter omnes humilimus; edoctus ab eo, qui ait, Discite a me, quia mitis sum et humilis corde, et invenietis requiem animabus vestris. Ferunt enim de eo, qui eum noverant, in hac luce, quod injurias etiam à subjectis sibi allatas non vindicabant; sed juxta præceptum Domini eas dimisit Domino vindicandas; ideo animæ suæ requiem invenire merebatur: et sic Johannes Ewangelista præfuit apostolis et discipulis Christi in castitate, sicut et iste Johannes votum castitatis emittens in eo usque in finem puriter perseveravit; et ideo benè Johannes dictus est; id est gratia Dei; quippe qui tantâ in conspectu domini regis meruit gratiâ decorari, ut monasterium cui præerat, rebus et possessionibus rex, sui contemplatione, a Deo ditaverat, ut ei similis inventus non sit prælatus in universâ terrâ: quapropter convenienter Chaumpneys cognominatur, per quod campio designatur. Et reverâ iste campio erat fortissimus, qui tres hostes, diabolum, carnem, et mundum viriliter devincebat; mundum per terrenorum abdicationem, carnem per ipsius macerationem, et diabolum per propriæ voluntatis renunciationem. Insuper alios hostes domui suæ nocere volentes, gratiosè expugnabat; ut sic non immeritò Johannes, id est gratia Dei, et cognomento Chaumpneys diceretur, qui gratiâ Dei mediante taliter se habebat: nec injustè campio Christi appellari mereretur, qui ubique victoriâ potitus est. Quæ omnia præsagium futurorum erant; viz. quod locus de Valle Regali foret in eventum, tam Deo, quàm hominibus, satis gratiosus, et ecclesiæ persecutoribus cunctis Christi inimicis terribilis ac timorosus; undè de loco illo jam infallibiliter dici potest, Non est hic aliud nisi domus Dei et porta cœli.

Tandem, post Johannem abbatem primum, supervenit abbas secundus, WALTERUS DE HEREFORDIA, qui et ipse vir pulcherrimæ figuræ, quantum ad exteriorem aspectum erat: verumptamen, quia talis pulchritudo vanitati comparatur, absque eâ, quæ intrinsecus latet, de interiori quæ nituit pauca perloquamur. Fuit enim vir iste vitæ venerabilis, Deo et beatæ Virgini semper et ubique devotus; qui etiam in bonis operibus strenuè Christo militavit: cilicio namque utebatur carnem edomando, per cujus excercitium illam spiritui servire coegit. Carnibus raro, vel nunquam, nisi in casu permissio, propter infirmitates, vescebatur. Ipse etiam, tanquam pastor bonus, pro ecclesiâ suâ se ultrò morti addixit, ut cum illo mereretur annumerari, qui ait, Ego sum pastor bonus, qui pono animam meam pro ovibus meis. Aliquando namque accidit, quo major pars provinciæ, in quâ habitaverat, ad instanciam cujusdam tyranni, tunc temporis justiciarii ibidem, levato vexillo insurgeret contra eum in monasterium suum. Factum est autem, cum venisset ante tribunal in conspectu tyranni supradicti abbas memoratus, ac secum

maximam multitudinem nobilium adduxisset, omnes timore percussi, relicto abbate domino suo, solo, in fugam versi sunt; sed ipse solus intrepidus, fundatus super petram, usque in finem perseverans, causam ecclesiæ suæ audaciter defensavit; et ideo meritò impositum est ei nomen Walterus, quod interpretatur valdè ferus; quia opprobria hominum pro Christo nunquam legitur expavisse. Aliâ autem vice quidam miles, cum maximâ multitudine armatorum advenerat, qui iter per medium monasterii sui sibi competere maliciosè vendicabat: quo audito, abbas inermis præfatæ multitudini tam fortiter, cum paucis, pro jure ecclesiæ suæ resistebat, ut omnes in momento in fugam versi sunt; quod meritis viri sancti accidisse dubium non est: dignè igitur iste Walterus, id est valde ferus, abbas istius novi monasterii factus est, velut quia propter novitatem ab omnibus impetebatur, esset ferus, qui staret murus ex adverso, et ipsorum malicias in principio expugnaret, juxta illud,

Principiis obsta, serò medicina paratur.

Legitur etiam, quod quodam vice, ubi sanctus in sellâ suâ orationi, more suo incumberet; factum est, postquam ab oratione surrexisset, et ecce intuebatur dæmonem, pice nigriorem, in fenestrâ sellæ suæ residentem; quem cum evidenter aspexisset, quæsit ab eo quisnam esset: qui respondet ei, Legio sum. Cui præcipit sanctus, ut statim discederet, et deinceps in loco eodem, nullum Deo devotum molestaret: cujus sanctitatem malignus spiritus ferre non valens, continuò discessit; et ultra, juxta sermonem viri Dei, humanis aspectibus se ibidem non exhibuit. Ne ergo sine causâ iste Walterus, id est valdè ferus, secundus in ordine successit Johanni, id est gratiæ Dei, velut per hoc cunctis daretur intelligi, quod feritas Walteri, per quam et hostibus et malignis spiritibus resistebat, non sibi, sed Dei gratiæ esset attribuenda, ut in veritate dicere posset cum apostolo, Gratiâ Dei sum id quod sum; et gratia ejus in me vacua non fuit. Nec abs re de Herfordiâ extitit oriundus; nam in illâ nobili civitate et regiâ, ab olim erat virorum sanctorum habitatio, inter quos et ipse ab infantiâ erat educatus, à quibus didicerat Jesu Christo humiliter ministrare, ut sic sanctorum meritis et ipse sanctus efficeretur, juxta quod scriptum est, Cum sancto sanctus eris, et cum viro innocente innocens eris. Et non solùm acciderat ei sanctitas à sanctorum cohabitatione, verùm etiam à naturali imitatione; quâ ratione, de suis progenitoribus intelligi potest, quod de sancto quodam dictum est, Omnis cognatio ejus in sanctâ conversatione permansit.

Isti igitur viro nobili et religioso, vir bonus, mitis et simplex, tertius in ordine successerat, qui JOHANNES DE Oo cognominatus est: ipse etenim, sicuti et prædecessores sui, sacrum illum conventum sibi commissum honestissimè in omnibus gubernabat, qui à Deo gratiosus et mansuetus erga omnes extiterat, ut justè Johannes, id est ille in quo est gratia, appellari mereretur: ipse enim tantâ pietate nituit, ut pro fratribus delinquentibus sæpissimè lacrymas non poterat continere; et tamen rigorem quandoque cum mansuetudine visus est temperare; nam quos à viâ Domini reperit devios, ad tempus à grege suo segregavit, ut sic spiritus salvus esset in die Domini nostri Jesu Christi. Erat etiam Johannes iste valdè graciosus erga dominum regem, ita ut ei à rege pluriès diceretur, Pete è me quod vis, et dabo tibi: qui peccato avariciæ, et alterius mali omnino expers, ut sibi officio suo cedere liceret, à rege simpliciter postulavit: cum et rex eidem nullatenus acquiesceret, ipse corporis infirmitatem et plebis maliciam constanter allegabat, malens apud regem periclitari, quàm contemplationis secreta declinare; volens cum illis annumerari, quibus loquitur Dominus in Ewangelio, dicens, Vos qui reliquistis omnia, et secuti estis me, centuplum accipietis, et vitam æternam possidebitis. Rex igitur viri Dei supplicationibus inportunis devictus, abbati de Dorâ literas suas speciales, pro ipsius cessione admitteudâ quamtotiùs destinavit; atque ipsius simplicitati compaciens, quadringentas libras, in quibus monasterium præfato regi fuerat, pro quodam converso escaetore obligatum, ob dicti Johannis abbatis reverentiam et amorem penitus relaxabat; volens similiter, quod in vitæ necessariis, tanquam benè merito, juxta proprii arbitrii discretionem perpetuò eidem provideret; quod et factum est: igitur iste Johannes non immeritò dici potest ille in quo est gratia, qui tantam in conspectu regis optinuit gratiam, qualem nullus ante eum assecutus est.

Dictus est insuper cognomento Hoo, per quod interpretatur excitatio; nam quando quis vult aliquid excitare, Hoo scilicet proclamare; id est, surge et parate: congruè igitur Hoo cognominatus est, pro eo quod vocem Domini eum excitantem audivit, quâ dicit, Nisi quis renuntiaverit omnibus quæ possidet, non potest meus esse discipulus: quo audito, ipse relictis omnibus secutus est Christum redemptorem; à quo Johannes, id est, Dei gratia, meruit appellari: benè ergo iste Johannes graciosus successit Waltero, qui erat ferus, juxta sui nominis interpretationem; quia nisi prælati essent misericordes, non invenirentur in hominibus, qui pœnas canonicas, pro peccatis irrogandis aliquantulum sustinerent. Sanctus iste Johannes adeo mitis et misericors et mitis apparuit, ut dissimularet peccata hominum, saltem occulta propter pœnitentiam; considerans sententiam Domini, dicentis, Estote misericordes, sicut et pater vester misericors est; et nolite judicare, et non judicabimini; et illud

Peccantes dampnare cave, nam labimur omnes;
Aut sumus, aut fuimus, aut possumus esse quod hic est.

Quia verò scriptum est, Ne laudes hominem in vitâ suâ, lauda post mortem.

De præfato venerabili viro Joh. adhuc superstitie, ulterius non prosequamur, ne scriptori simulatio imponatur, quia simulator ore decipit amicum suum; et ne etiam commendatus in superbiâ erigatur, qui potius cum omnia benefecerit, quod servus inutilis sit proprii vocis oraculo, à summo doctore, Christo Domino instructus habet profiteri; ut per hoc ab eo, pro suâ humilitate, ut supernis ascendat cum gloriâ evocari mereatur.

Istis igitur tribus margaritis in arâ Christi, hostiam sanctam, Deo placentem, se ultrò offerentibus, atque in pace ecclesiæ cum Domino quiescentibus interim omissis, ad quartum abbatis commendationem, quamtotiùs properemus. Vir namque iste sanctus et justus, qui quartus rexerat monasterium de Valle Regali, RICARDUS DE EWESHAM hic erat; quique à flore juventutis ex omni corde suum dilexerat Creatorem, tandem cum Mariâ optimam partem, quam elegit, à Domino meruit optinere. Benè ipsius virtutes absconderat sub modio, ne laudem ab hominibus in hoc mundo, loco mercedis acceptaret. Et quia perfectus est, qui non offendit in verbo; iste quasi mutus, et non habens in ore suo redargutionem effectus, ad vana os suum non aperuit. Insuper vacabit die noctuque legi Domini, quantum per hanc, corpus et animam Deo mundissimè conservaret: legerat namque ubi sanctus, quod amans scientiam scripturarum, carnis vicia non amabit. Corpus etiam suum vigiliis ac jejuniis macerando, cilicii asperitate non minùs edomabat. Ipse autem incessanter cœlestia cogitans, mundum penitus deserebat; nec minùs didicerat; namque ab apostolo, quod nemo militans Deo implicat se negotiis secularibus; quia juxta veritatis vocem, Non potest quis Deo servire et Mammonem: quapropter vir Dei, spontè, virtutis amore, dignitati suæ renunciens, usque ad ultimum vitæ suæ hiatum, in sanctâ conversatione jugiter permanebat: et ideo verè beatus dici potest, qui post aurum non ambiit, nec speravit in pecuniæ thesauris. Fecit enim mirabilia in vitâ suâ, quæ per sequentia patebunt.

Quidam monachus viri Dei, ipso in remotis agente, infirmitate gravissimâ detentus est, et accersito quodam confessore, omnia peccata sua, undè et apertè eidem confitetur, confestim viam universæ carnis ingressus est. Post hæc abbas ad proprium monasterium regressus est; et cum audisset de morte confratris sui, dolore cordis attactus est; sequenti autem nocte, iis, qui defunctus est monachus abbat, post matutinas paululùm quiescenti, in vestibulis albis, sui habitus formam prætententibus, legitur apparuisse; qui quidem defunctus abbatem piis precibus humiliter, inclinato toto corpore ad terram, absolutionem postulabat; qui statim de loco consurgens, et cuncta per ordinem fratribus enarrans, præfatum defunctum in capitulo absolvebat, et sic eum liberum ad cœlos usque compulit avolare; ex quibus liquet evidenter, quod vita ipsius multum Deo placuit, quia sic rebus humanis exutus, pro absolutionis beneficio tam devotè exquisivit.

Aliud etiam miraculum temporibus viri Dei accidisse certissimè enarratur, quod cum per triennium fames tam valida adeo totam terram occupaverat, quod ipsa, præ nimiam egestate populos compulit interire, ita quod de fœtore mo-

rientium plurimi periclitabantur: ipse tamen ita opulenter suos protegebat ab hac peste, cum in rei veritate parvum vel nihil possideret, ut nullus dubitaret quin ab omnipotenti Deo ista procul dubio essent à cœlo usque ad terras, meritis beati viri infallibiliter derivata. Alio quoque tempore, vir Dei, priusquam monasterio præerat, ab abbate suo, contra quosdam tyrannos, pro decimis colligendis, ad quendam locum, non longe à dicto monasterio transmissus est; quo cum venisset, tyranni insurgentes, volebant eum trucidâsse, et non poterant; sed equum, quem insedebat, per medium sagittantes, ipse illæsus, Domino disponente, mirabiliter evasit. Istis, et aliis signis claruit vir Domini Ricardus; qui idcirco dici potest Ricardus, id est ridens, carus, et dulcis; qui quia in hac vitâ, propter Dominum, à risu se abstinuit; idcirco nunc, cum Domino, ipsius tristitia in gaudium conversa est. Erat etiam dulcis, quia illi soli perfectè adhæserat, de quo canit ecclesia, dicens, Dulcis et rectus Dominus, propter hoc legem dabit delinquentibus in viâ. Et iterum, Spiritus meus super me dulcis: et propter hanc sanctitatis dulcedinem, quam ab ipso summo vero Deo habuerat, potest dici Deo carus; et ideo ne malicia mutaret intellectum illius, de seculo nequàm raptus est, atque à Domino ad cœli culmina evocatus, ubi jam cum ipso regnat in gloriâ in secula seculorum.

Istos igitur quatuor abbates, qui pro monasterio de Valle Regali tam viriliter diebus suis agonizârunt, ut pro ipso parati essent etiam muros ferreos penetrare, quatuor angelis eos possumus comparare, quos in Apocalypsi Johannes viderat stantes supra angulos quatuor terræ, tenentes quatuor ventos terræ, ne flarent super terram, vel alicui nocerent; sic et istorum sonus ad instar quatuor ewangelistarum, exivit in omnem terram, ad expugnandas gentes, et omnes præfati monasterii inimicos: quapropter, de illis intelligi potest, quod ab angelo Johanni dictum est in Apocalypsi, Hii qui amicti sunt albis, hii sunt qui venerunt ex magnâ tribulatione, et lavârunt stolas suas, et dealbaverunt eas in sanguine Agni. Et ne frustra in vineâ Domini, et absque denario diurno contingeret eos desudare, adnectitur, Ideo sunt ante thronum Domini, et Agni, et serviunt ei die ac nocte in templo ejus, ubi non esurient, neque sitient amplius; et non cadet super eos sol, neque ullus æstus; quoniam Agnus, qui in medio throni est, reget illos, et deducet ad vitæ fontes aquarum, cum quo jam coronantur et vivunt in secula seculorum, Amen.

NUM. XII.

De Deliberationibus Denariorum antiquitus factis novo operi.

[Adhuc ex eodem Registro de Valle Regali, fol. 32 b.]

ABBAS de Valle Regali capiet per annum de rege ad constructionem abbathie prædictæ D.CCC.III^{xx}. et decem marcas; de quibus recipiet in festo Omnium Sanctorum c.l. et in primâ ebdomadâ Quadragesimæ cc. marcas, et in die Ascensionis cc. marcas, et in festo S. Petri ad vincula c.lx. marcas.

Item debet recipere idem abbas c.lxxx. marcas; viz. ad quemlibet dictorum terminorum xlv. marcas; et incipiet prima solutio sua die Ascensionis proximo futuro, et sic de cætero satisfaciât ei de prædictis summis ad prædictos terminos in formâ prædictâ, super breve de liberatâ, nomine magistri Willielmi de Ludâ, de quibus recipiet xlv. marcas, et de termino primæ ebdomadæ Quadragesimæ xcv. marcas, quas recipiet de scaccario.

In parlamento regis apud Acton-Burnell, anno regni sui xi. ordinatum fuit, quod abbas de Valle Regali recipiet de Garderobâ, ad operationes abbathie suæ annuatim, inter festum S. Michaelis et Natalis c.l. et in Natale et Paschâ cc. marcas: inter Pascham et festum S. Johannis Baptistæ, et festum S. Michaelis octo viginti marcas; et præter hoc, de exitibus comitatus Cestriæ, per manus justiciarii ibidem, septingintas quater viginti et decem marcas: et in universo recipiet, ad operationes prædictas, annuatim mille libras.

Abbati de Valle Regali super operationes ecclesiæ suæ de termino Omnium Sanctorum, anno xi. finiente, c. l.

Item eidem abbati super eisdem operationibus, anno xii. tam per scaccarium, per mercatores de Lucâ, quàm per Garderobam D.xxvi. l. i. marc.

Eidem abbati anno tertio decimo, per manus prædictorum, ccc. l.

Eidem abbati anno xiiii. per manus prædictorum, dccc.xxiii. l. dim. marc.

Eidem abbati anno xv. per manus mercatorum, et per scaccarium, ccc.lxiii. l. dim. marc.

Eidem abbati anno xvi. per scaccarium, et per mereatores, d.xvi. l. t. marc.

Eidem abbati anno xvii. per scaecarium, et per mercatores, d.lxx. l.

Eidem abbati anno xviii. per scaecarium tantum, super brevibus de liberatæ magistro W. de Ludâ, cc.lx. l.

Summa MMM.CCCC.lxxx. l.

[Ibid.]

Memorandum, quod dominus rex solvit per compotum thesaurarii sui, pro novo opere de Valle Regali, triginta duo millia librarum sterlingorum.

NUM. XIII.

Carta Fundationis.

[Cart. 54 Hen. III. m. 2. per Inspex.]

EDWARDUS illustris regis Angliæ primogenitus, archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos pro salute animæ nostræ et animarum omnium antecessorum et hæredum, seu aliorum successorum nostrorum, dedisse, concessisse, et præsentī cartā nostrā confirmasse pro nobis, et hæredibus et successoribus nostris universis, Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et monasterio ejusdem gloriosæ Virginis de Dernhall, Cisterciensis ordinis, quod ex voto nostro aliquando in periculo maris constituti Deo et beatæ Mariæ facto, fundavimus in comitatu nostro de Cestria, Coventr. et Lich. dioc. et abbati et monachis omnipotenti Deo et prædictæ dominæ nostræ ibidem servientibus et servituris, ipsum locum in quo sita est dicta abbatia eorum, cum totis maneriis de Dernhall et Over, una cum parco, in bosco, in plano, in hominibus et rebus aliis seu libertatibus universis, et cum aliis ad dicta maneria pertinentibus, sicut nos eadem plenius et liberius unquam tenuimus absque ullo retenemento: et præterea totam hanc de Langwyth in comitatu Eboracensi, cum solo, brueria, mariseo, et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis; adeo plenè, liberè, integrè et pacificè, sicut dominus rex, pater noster, eam tenuit, et nobis dedit, cum advocationibus ecclesiarum de Esseburn, de castro de Peeke, de Froddesham, et de Weverham, cum capellis earum, et aliis pertinentiis suis. Concedentes et desiderantes, ut prædictæ ecclesiæ, cum capellis suis, in proprios usus eorundem monachorum et successorum suorum, ad sustentationem suam in divino servitio convertantur. Concessimus etiam eisdem monachis, et confirmavimus omnes rationabiles donationes terrarum, hominum, et elemosinarum eis vel in præsentī à nobis collatas, vel in futuro, à quorumcumque aliorum liberalitate, conferendas, vel aliter adquisitas, vel acquirendas, tam in ecclesiis quam in rebus et possessionibus mundanis. Concessimus insuper hac carta nostra, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, prædictis abbati et monachis, de dono nostro, quod quodocunque contigerit nos, vel hæredes nostros, dominica nostra communiter talliare, ipsi abbas et monachi, et eorum successores imperpetuum talliare possint maneria sua, sine speciali præcepto nostro vel hæredum nostrorum. Quare volumus, &c. Testibus, venerabilibus patribus Waltero Eboracen. archiepiscopo, N. Wynton. G. Wygorn. R. Coventr. episcopis, Edmundo fratre nostro charissimo, Gilberto de Clare comite Glouc. et Hertford. Johanne de Warena com. Surr. Humphrido de Bohun comite Herefordiæ et Essexiæ, Henrico de Alemania, Philippo Basset, Rogero de Mortuomari, Rogero de Clifford, Reginaldo de Grey tunc justiciario Cestriæ, Jacobo de Audelgh, Roberto Walleraund, Roberto Burnell magistro de Fremgham, Johanne de London, et aliis. Dat. per manum nostram apud Wynton. secundo die Augusti anno regni domini regis patris nostri liv.

NUM. XIV.

Litteræ Domini Regis Henrici tertii Commendatoriæ, pro Libris eidem Abbatie conferendis.

[Pat. 55 Hen. III. m. 24.]

REX abbatibus, prioribus, et eorum conventibus per regnum Angliæ constitutis, cujuseunque ordinis vel religionis

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extiterint, salutem. Cum Edwardus primogenitus noster dilectus, ad ampliandum divini cultus honorem novam de ordine Cisterciensi jam inceperit abbaciam fundare in manerio suo de Dernhale, universitatem vestram attentè requirimus et rogamus quatinus ad ejusdem abbaciæ subsidium, monachos dieti loci de aliquibus libris theologicis assignandis gratiam facere precumstrarum contemplatione velitis. Et quid super hiis duxeritis faciendum singuli vestrum nobis per dilectum et fidelem nostrum Thomam de Boulton per vestras literas significare eurentis, ut pro curialitatis vestræ gratia ad precumstrarum instantiam dieto primogenito nostro facta vobis ad merita gratiarum condigna specialius teneamur. T. rege apud Westm. x. die Januarii.

NUM. XV.

Translatio ejusdem Abbatie ad Vallem Regalem.

[Cart. 27 Edw. I. n. 17. Vide Pat. 6 Hen. VI. part 2, m. 18.]

REX archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis quod cum nos pro salute animæ nostræ, et pro salute animæ celebris memoriæ domini Henrici regis patris nostri et animarum hæredum et antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, abbatiam de Dernehale ordinis Cisterciensis, quam, ex voto, aliquo tempore in periculo maris constituti, nuper fundavimus infra præinctum manerii de Dernehale in comitatu Cestrensi: et nos ad procuracionem abbatis et monachorum abbatie prædictæ abbatiam illam in aptiori loco non longè à loco prædicto de Dernehale, qui Whetenehalewes et Munecheneswro vocabatur, quem iidem abbas et monachi possident sibi et successoribus suis imperpetuum ex concessione nostra, et quem locum Vallem Regalem fecimus nuncupari, jam de novo fundaverimus: nos ne abbati et conventui ejusdem abbatie de Valle Regali, aut successoribus suis super terris, rebus, possessionibus, ecclesiis, juribus aut libertatibus suis sibi dum abbatia prædicta sita fuit per nos concessis, occasione transmutationis prædictæ, dampnum vel periculum per processum temporis possit imminere quoquo modo: volumus et concedimus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, quod prædicti abbas et monachi, et eorum successores, abbatiam illam in eodem loco de Valle Regali, de novo fundatam, cum maneriis, terris, et tenementis, boscis, pratis, pasturis, vivariis, piscariis, ecclesiis de Kirkham, Froddesham, Weverham, et castro de Pek, cum capellis, membris, et aliis eisdem ecclesiis pertinentibus, cum omnibus juribus et libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus subscriptis, habeant et teneant, liberè, quietè, plenariè, benè, et in pace, sibi et successoribus suis, ibidem Deo servituris, in puram elemosinam imperpetuum, sub hac forma; videlicet, totum manerium de Dernehale et Oure, una cum prato, in bosco et plano, in hominibus et rebus aliis, seu libertatibus universis, et cum omnibus aliis ad dicta maneria pertinentibus sicut nos eadem plenius et liberius unquam tenuimus absque ullo retenemento: et etiam advocationes ecclesiarum de Froddesham et castro de Pek, cum capellis earum et aliis pertinentiis suis.

Et etiam totum manerium de Weverham cum advocatione ecclesiæ ejusdem villæ, homagiis, et serviciis liberè tenentium ejusdem manerii, villenagiis, villanis et eorum sequela, wardis, releviis, escaetis redditibus, boscis, pratis, pasturis, hais, aquis, molendinis, stagnis, vivariis, et cum omnibus aliis libertatibus, liberis consuetudinibus ad idem manerium aliquo modo spectantibus, salvis nobis et hæredibus nostris homagiis et serviitiis eorum, qui de nobis tenent in dicto manerio per serjantiam vel servicium militare, adeo liberè, integrè, et pacificè, sicut nos illud manerium melius et integrius unquam tenuimus, et quod manerium dudum dedimus dilecto et fidei nostro Rogero de Clifford, qui illud postea nobis reddidit, et de se et hæredibus suis imperpetuum quietum clamavit.

Et etiam totum manerium de Conewardesle cum pertinentiis quod olim dederamus Waltero de Vernoun, et quod idem Walterus per eartam suam mera et spontanea voluntate sua nuper nobis reddidit, et de se et hæredibus et assignatis suis, nobis et hæredibus seu assignatis nostris imperpetuum quietum clamavit, cum homagiis, redditibus, dominiciis, villenagiis, serviitiis liberè tenentium, et villanorum, villanis et eorum sequelis, wardis, releviis, escaetis, boscis, pratis, pasturis, moris, turbariis, hais, vivariis, stagnis, molendinis, et omnibus aliis aisiamentis, libertatibus, et liberis consuetudinibus ad prædictum manerium aliquo modo spectantibus. Et

etiam totum manerium de Gayton in Wyrhale in comitatu Cestriæ, cum pertinentiis, quod dudum dedimus et concessimus Reginaldo de Tybermont de Normania, et idem Reginaldus, prædictum manerium, cum omnibus ad idem manerium spectantibus, postmodum in manus nostras reddidit, et per cartam suam, nobis et hæredibus nostris, seu assignatis, de se et hæredibus suis imperpetuum quietum clamavit. Et etiam totam terram cum pertinentiis suis in Moreshbarewe, quam per cartam nostram dederamus et concesseramus Jacobo le Vilur, et quam terram idem Jacobus nobis postmodum in manus nostras reddidit, et etiam nobis pro se et hæredibus suis, per cartam suam, imperpetuum remisit et quietum clamavit. Et etiam totam terram in Nethrelitel Ourc, quæ fuit Hugonis de Merton, fratris, et hæredis Ranulphi de Merton clerici, et totam terram Ranulfi filii Johannis de Littel-over, et totam terram Nicholai Baret, filii Ricardi Baret, in Nether-litel Oure. Et totam terram Hervici de Bradeford, et Roberti filii et hæredis ejusdem Hervici in Bradeford. Et etiam totam terram Ranulphi de Sutton filii et hæredis Ranulphi de Merton in Sutton, quas quidem terras prædicti, Hugo, Ranulphus, Nicholaus, Hervicus, Robertus, et Ranulphus, cum omnibus libertatibus, quas habuerunt, vel habere potuerunt in boscis, communis, moris, pasturis, vastis, et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis, sine aliquo retenemento, in manus nostras, quietas de se et hæredibus suis imperpetuum reddiderunt. Et etiam duas bovatas terræ, cum pertinentiis in Lachemanbank, quas habuimus de dono et concessione Rogeri Throstel de Makelesfeld. Et totam terram cum pertinentiis, quam habuimus de dono et concessione Johannis de Cotun filii Matildis de Lache, quæ fuit filia Gralami de Lostoke in manerio de Lachemanbank. Et etiam totam terram de Twamelawe, quam Willielmus de Hawardyn nuper vendidit, cum omnibus suis pertinentiis, absque ullo retenemento, in hominibus, redditibus, bosco et plano, semitis, viis, pratis, pasturis, moris, haiis, aquis, stagnis, molendinis, vivariis, et omnibus aliis aisiamentis, libertatibus, et liberis consuetudinibus ad prædictam terram pertinentibus; et etiam moram et vivarium cum pertinentiis, quod vocatur Ocinarc, in foresta nostra de la Mare. Concedimus etiam et confirmavimus, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, eisdem abbati et monachis et eorum successoribus, omnes rationabiles donationes terrarum, hominum, et elemosinarum cis, vel in præsentia à nobis collatas, seu in futuro, à quorumcunque liberalitate conferendas seu aliter adquisitas, vel acquirendas, tam in ecclesiis, quam in rebus et possessionibus mundanis, una cum subscriptis tenementis; videlicet, totam terram quæ fuit Johannis de Wydynton in parva Ouer, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et libertatibus, ac juri-bus, ad dictam terram spectantibus, quam habuimus ex dono et concessione dicti Johannis, assensu et consensu Sibillæ filiæ et hæredis Ranulphi de Asshe, uxoris dicti Johannis. Et totam terram quæ fuit Hugonis de Norwichco clerici, cum omnibus ædificiis constructis, aisiamentis, commoditatibus, libertatibus, et pertinentiis, quam quidem terram dictus Hugo nobis dedit et concessit, et per cartam suam confirmavit. Et unam salinam in medio Wichco, quam habuimus ex dono et concessione Willielmi filii Radulphi Selysawell; illam videlicet, quæ est juxta Newesed, per divisas, et metas, quas Ricardus de Wodford capellanus eandem salinam aliquando tenuit, et habuit, cum omnibus libertatibus, et aisiamentis ad dictam salinam pertinentibus. Et totam octavam partem totius bosci de Twamelawe, quam habuimus ex dono et concessione Thomæ Bathel, et totam illam partem totius bosci, et vasti, et illam partem illius prati, quod vocatur le Tounemedowe, tam in exteriori bosco, quam in les greves, quæ habuimus ex dono et concessione Thomæ filii Brun de eadem villa, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis.

Concedimus etiam et confirmamus, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, eisdem abbati et conventui, et successoribus suis, totam terram de Westcroft in villa de parva Stanthirle, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, quam habent ex dono et concessione Radulphi de Vernon; et totam terram quam habent de Radulpho de Vernon, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in eadem villa, quam dictus Radulphus de Vernon emit de Henrico Dufeyn, et totam mussam quam dictus Radulphus habuit ex dono Gilberti Dufeyn, cum pertinentiis suis in eadem villa; et totum campum illum in magna Stanthirle, quem dictus Radulphus habuit de dono Hugonis le Royer, una cum tota parte moræ pertinente prædictæ terræ dicti Radulphi, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et totam terram

in civitate nostra Cestriæ, quam Robertus le Bern dedit et concessit prædictis abbati et monachis, quæ jacet inter terram hospitalis sancti Johannis Cestriæ, ad domum Radulphi del Pillori, et etiam domum in qua Thomas de Newenawe aliquando mansit, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et unam seldam quam Ricardus apothecarius aliquando tenuit, et seldam quam Cristiana mater uxoris dicti Roberti le Bern quandoque tenuit, et undecim seldas, quæ vocantur seldæ sutorum in Bruggestrete, quas Alexander Hurel aliquando tenuit, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis, et totam terram illam in vico orientali civitatis Cestriæ, jacentem inter terram quæ fuit Mathci clerici, et terram quæ fuit Johannis filii Hulkel, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis et libertatibus, et etiam illam placeam terræ quæ fuit Roberti, dicti, camerarii, jacentem inter terram dicti Roberti, et terram abbatis de Valle Regali in Bruggestrete, in civitate Cestriæ, quæ quidem placea terræ continet in latitudine decem et novem pedes, et in longitudine extendit se à terra quæ fuit Ricardi le Mercer, usque ad terram domus dicti abbatis de Valle Regali, et continet in illa longitudine triginta et duos pedes, una cum omnibus pertinentiis, et suis libertatibus, et etiam unam salinam in villa de Northwiccho, quam habent ex dono et concessione Hugonis de Wynnynton, et Matildis uxoris suæ, et ex dono et concessione Radulphi Swetbrond, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis et libertatibus, et etiam illud mesuagium in Kyngesle quod habent ex dono et concessione Willielmi Launcelyn, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis et libertatibus; et etiam illam bovatom terræ in Lache, apud Rudhethc, quam habent in escambio à priorissa et monialibus Cestriæ, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis. Volumus etiam et concedimus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, quod prædicti abbas et conventus, et successores sui, habeant pasturam, et rationabilia estoveria sua cum aliis aisiamentis in forestis nostris in comitatu Cestriæ, et etiam quareram et alia quæ necessaria fuerint ad ædificia infra abbatiam nostram prædictam construenda et sustentanda, et pro vitro faciendo. Et quod homines et tenentes prædictorum abbatis et conventus habeant pasturam, et rationabilia estoveria sua in forestis nostris prædictis, sicut tempore comitis Ranulphi, et aliorum quondam dominorum Cestriæ habere consueverunt.

Volumus etiam et concedimus, et præsentia carta confirmavimus, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et prædictis abbati et monachis de Valle Regali, ac eorum successoribus, quod habeant et teneant omnia maneria, ecclesias, terras, et tenementa prædicta, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam imperpetuum, cum homagiis, redditibus, dominicis, villenagiis, serviis liberè tenentium, et villanorum, villanis, et eorum sequelis, advocariis, wardis, releviis, escaetis, boscis, planis, pratis, pasturis, viis, semitis, moris, turbariis, haiis, aquis, vivariis, stagnis, piscariis, molendinis, in grangiis, virgultis, infra burgam et extra, et in omnibus aliis locis, cum omnibus aisiamentis, libertatibus, quietanciis, et liberis consuetudinibus, ad prædicta maneria, ecclesias, terras, et tenementa aliquo modo spectantibus. Concedimus etiam pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, præfatis abbati et monachis, et eorum successoribus, quod quandocunque nos, vel hæredes nostros, dominica nostra talliare contigerit, quod ipsi abbas et monachi, et eorum successores imperpetuum, homines et tenentes suos de maneriis de Darnhale, Weverham et Conewardesle talliare, sine licentia, vel mandato nostro speciali, vel hæredum nostrorum et tallagia illa, per se vel ministros suos, ad opus suum levare possint et habere. Concedimus etiam pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, eisdem abbati et monachis, et eorum successoribus, quod ipsi sint quieti de omnibus misericordiis imperpetuum, et quod habeant in maneriis prædictis, socam et sacam, toll et team, infangenthefe, utfangenthefe, wysgilthefe, hamsokam, wayf grythebruche, blodewyte, fyghtwyte, ferdewite, frythewyte, hengwyte, leyrwyte, flemenewyte, flemenefrethe, murdrum, latrocinium, forstall, ordelf, orest, et emendas panis et cervisiæ, et etiam amerciamenta hominum suorum ubicunque et qualitercunque fuerint amerciati in curia nostra, vel hæredum nostrorum, coram nobis et hæredibus nostris, vel justiciariis seu ballivis aut ministris nostris quibuscunque. Et etiam si aliquis hominum suorum sit amerciatus erga nos vel ballivos nostros, pro quacunque causa vel debito, seu forisfacto, mercie et amerciamenta prædictis monachis reddantur.

Concedimus etiam pro nobis, et hæredibus nostris, quod prædicti abbas, et monachi, et eorum successores, et eorum successorum homines liberi sint ab omni scotto, et geldo, et

omnibus auxiliis regum, viccomitum, et omnium ministrorum suorum, et de hidagio, carucagio, danegeldo, hornegeldo, et de scutagiis, tallagiis, lestagiis, stallagiis, et shyris, hundredis, wapentachiis, placitis, et quærelis, wardis, warderpayni, haverpeny, hundredpeny, scotpeni, borcdhalpeny, botelpeny, tynigpeny, et de operibus castellorum, parcorum, pontium, et de clausuris, et de omni cariagio, muragio, summagio, navigio, et domorum regalium ædificatione, et omnimoda operatione. Et prohibemus ne bosci eorum, vel hominum suorum, seu tenentium, ad prædicta opera, vel ad aliqua alia, aliquo modo capiantur, sine eorum licentia et voluntate. Et similiter ne bladum eorum, vel hominum seu tenentium suorum prædictorum, aut aliqua alia bona sua ad castella munienda capiantur.

Concedimus etiam, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, eisdem abbati, et monachis, et eorum successoribus, quod omnes terræ et tenementa sua, et hominum ac tenentium suorum, in maneriis, et locis prædictis, tam in bosco, quam in plano existentia, sint deaforestata, et extra omnem potestatem forestariorum, viridariorum, regardatorum, agistatorum, et omnium aliorum ballivorum, et ministrorum forestæ nostræ, et quod possint de boscis suis, de maneriis prædictis, pro voluntate sua, quotienscunque, et quandocunque voluerint, et sibi viderint expedire, commodum suum facere et boscos illos assartare, et in culturam redigere, et eos in culturam redactos, sibi, et successoribus suis imperpetuum tenere, sine impedimento nostro, et hæredum nostrorum, forestariorum, et viridariorum, et quorumcunque aliorum ballivorum seu ministrorum forestæ nostræ, vel aliorum. Prohibentes ne quis forestariorum, viridariorum, agistatorum, regardatorum, vel omnium aliorum ministrorum forestæ nostræ, vel hæredum nostrorum, terras, et tenementa, ad abbatiam prædictam spectantia ingrediatur ad distractiones aliquas faciendas, seu namia in eisdem capienda, seu aliqua alia facienda quæ ad forestarium, seu ministrum forestæ pertinent.

Concessimus insuper, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, quod prædicti abbas, et monachi, et eorum successores, ac homines et tenentes sui prædicti, imperpetuum sint quieti ab omni theoloneo, præstando pro rebus et mercandis suis propriis, quas vendiderint, vel ad usus proprios emerint, in omni foro, et in omnibus nundinis, et in omni transitu pontium, viarum, et maris, per totam terram, et potestatem nostram, et in omnibus aliis locis, in quibus libertates eis dare possumus et concedere, et omnia mercata sua, et hominum suorum sint similiter in prædictis locis, ab omni theoloneo quieti. Et quod naves eorundem monachorum liberum transitum per omnem potestatem nostram habeant, absque omni exactione et consuetudine.

Concedimus etiam, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, præfatis abbati, et monachis, et eorum successoribus, quod si quis hominum, seu tenentium suorum prædictorum, pro delicto aliquo, vitam vel membrum debeat amittere, vel fugerit et iudicio stare noluerit, vel delictum aliud fecerit, pro quo catalla sua perdere debeat, catalla ipsa sint abbatis et monachorum prædictorum, et successorum suorum, una cum anno, et vasto terrarum et tenementorum prædictorum quæ ad nos, vel hæredes nostros, de terris et tenementis illis pertinere deberent. Præterea cum sanctissimi patres in Christo, domini Onorius papa quartus et Nicolaus papa quartus, Dei ducti ducatu, et ad nostram instantiam, ecclesias de Kyrkham in comitatu Lancastre et castri de Peck in comitatu Derbiæ et Frodesham et Weverham in comitatu Cestriæ, quarum advocaciones præfatis abbati et monachis de Valle-Regali et eorum successoribus per cartas nostras concesseramus, prædictis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus in proprios usus concesserint: nos concessionem et appropriationem hujusmodi ratas habentes et gratas, eisdem pro nobis et hæredibus nostris regium præbemus assensum. Unde licet prædicti abbas et conventus ante appropriationem eis ut præmisimus factam seu in Romana curia impetratam nullas personas ad ipsas ecclesias de Kirk-

ham castro de Pek, et Frodesham, et Weverham prædictas præsentaverint; nichilominus tamen volumus et concedimus, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, quod prædicti abbas et conventus et eorum successores memoratas ecclesias sic appropriatas eisdem, imperpetuum habeant, teneant, et possideant in pace omnimoda et quiete, ita quod nec nos nec hæredes nostri aliquod jus vel clamium seu aliquam actionem per breve de ultima præsentatione vel sine brevi seu per aliud breve quodcumque, aut etiam ratione statuti nostri nuper editi de terris aut tenementis aliquibus ad manum mortuam non ponendis, versus prædictos abbatem et conventum vel eorum successores habere poterimus vel movere, nec aliquod jus vel clamium in advocationibus prædictarum ecclesiarum imperpetuum vindicare. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum nostram, apud Stebenheth xv. die Maii. Per ipsum regem.

NUM. XVI.

Valor Ecclesiasticus 26 Hen. VIII.

MONASTERIUM BEATÆ MARIÆ DE VALLE REGALI.

WILLIELMUS Abbas ejusdem.

Temporalia et spiritualia . . .	540 <i>l.</i>	6 <i>s.</i>	2 <i>d.</i>
Repris' . . .	21 <i>l.</i>	6 <i>s.</i>	6 <i>d.</i>
Et remanet clare . . .	518 <i>l.</i>	19 <i>s.</i>	8 <i>d.</i>

NUM. XVII.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[*Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.*]

Com' Cestr'	£.	s.	d.
Vall' Regal'—Firma terr' dominical' cum rector' de Wyverham et Froddesham	59	1	6
Vall' Regal'—Firma terr' dimiss'	12	11	8
Froddesham—X ^{ma} in Helesby et Albandleg	8	13	4
Vall' Regal'—Vendic' bosc'	6	13	4
Over—Redd' assis'	0	9	0
Stanthorne—Redd' assis'	0	6	0
Capisthorpe—Redd' assis'	0	6	0
Over—Firma terrarum	56	10	11 ob.
Wyverham—Redd' assis'	0	19	1
Dutton, Acton, et Brotherton—Redd' assis'	0	2	0
Wyverham—Firma terrarum	49	7	7
Wyverham—Perquis' cur'	4	3	10
Over—Perquis' cur', &c.	2	17	0
Over—Recept' forinc'	55	12	5 ob.
Hefferston—Firma grangiæ	4	2	8
Ownston—Firma mol' aquat'	4	3	4
Whytegate—Firma grangiæ	3	10	0
Whytegate—Firma alterius grangiæ	6	0	0
Darnehalles—Firma grangiæ	22	0	0
Com' Derby			
Castylton in le Peke—X ^{ma}	11	0	0
South Wall			
Llanbadarne Vavre—Firma totius dominij sive manerij	120	0	0
Com' Lanc'			
Kyrkham—Firma x ^m rector'	64	0	0
Kyrkham—Firma al' x ^m in capella de Gosnarthe	29	9	0
Kyrkham—Firma cap' mansionis	8	10	0
Cestr' Civit'—Firma divers' ten' et shoparum	16	10	8
Aldsoke—Redd' assis'	1	3	2
Wytington—Redd' assis'	0	4	0
Swetynham—Redd' assis'	0	2	0
Lynna—Redd' assis'	0	1	4
Nether Pyner—Redd' assis'	0	1	0

Buckland Abbey, in Devonshire.



BUCKLAND, or Buckland, Abbey, seated on the eastern banks of the Tavy, was founded in honour of our Lady and St. Benedict, in the year 1278, by Amicia countess of Devon. For this new foundation, says Mr. Oliver, she obtained a colony of Cistercian monks from Quarrer, in the Isle of Wight. These Religious, without the previous licence and approbation of Walter Bronescombe, the bishop of

Exeter, presumed to celebrate mass, and to exercise their functions. The bishop resented this trespass on his diocesan jurisdiction, and subjected the community to excommunication and suspension. But he soon relieved them from this penalty, at the solicitation of the Queen Eleanor.^a

The following is Mr. Oliver's List of the

ABBATS of BUCKLAND.

GALFRIDUS occurs in 1304.

THOMAS, in 1311.

THOMAS WAPPELEGH, in 1373.

JOHN BRYTON was admitted August 1st, 1385.

JOHN SPORE, confirmed Sept. 28th, 1449.

JOHN HYLLE, admitted Oct. 16th, 1453.

THOMAS OLYVER succeeded March 20th, 1464.

JOHN BRUNDON was the next abbat.

THOMAS WHYTE, who succeeded Brundon, was alive in 1527.^b

JOHN TOKER, or TUCKER, was the last abbat.^c

In Pope Nicholas's Taxation, A.D. 1291, we have the following churches entered among the spiritualities of the

diocese of Exeter, as appropriated to the Abbey of Buckland: "Ecclesia de Tany Sanctæ Mariæ 3*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*., ecclesia de Walkamton 4*l*., ecclesia de Tany beati Petri 4*l*." The following are the manors entered as the temporal possessions: "Boklund quod taxatur 16*l*. 2*s*. 8*d*., Bikeley quod taxatur 16*l*. 2*s*. 8*d*., Wolkampton et in Dertemore quod taxatur 6*l*. 10*s*. 8*d*., Colompton quod taxatur 9*l*. 15*s*. 4*d*., Item apud Bikecumbe quod taxatur 13*s*. 4*d*." The sum of the Temporals amounting to 39*l*. 13*s*. 5*d*.^d

The total of the Spiritualties and Temporalities in the 26th of Henry the Eighth was 241*l*. 17*s*. 9½*d*. dim. q. Steevens mistakes in valuing it at 341*l*. 17*s*. 9½*d*. et dim. q.

Sir William Pole, in p. 337. of his Collections, says Mr. Oliver, mistakes the order of the occupants of this dissolved monastery. The scite was first granted 33 Hen. VIII. to Richard Greynfeld,^e and four years after conveyed to Richard Crymes, of London. In the time of Queen Elizabeth it was purchased by Sir Francis Drake, in a descendant of whose family it still continues.

Bishop Tanner's References to public RECORDS concerning this monastery will be found below:^f beside which, there are divers copies of Charters respecting this abbey and its estates in the Chapter-house at Westminster.

Mr. Oliver says the ARMS were Ar. and Gu. a crozier in bend, Or.

Buckland having been founded by Amicia countess dowager of Devonshire, her name is inserted in the COMMON SEAL of the abbey. A drawing of it, taken from an Impression attached to a Deed, A.D. 1310, is in the possession of one of the Editors of the present Work: it represents the blessed Virgin and Child; underneath is the word AMICIA, and a shield of arms, being a lion rampant. The Legend is, SIGILLVM . ECCLESIE . LOCJ . SĈI . BENEDICTJ . DE . BOCLAN'.

Cartae ad Boclandensem Abbatiam, in agro Devoniensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Foundationis per Amiciam Comitissam Devoniae.

[Cart. 8 E. I. n. 85.]

IN nomine gloriosissimæ et individuae Trinitatis, Patris

^a Oliver's Historic Collect. relating to the monasteries in Devon, p. 71. See the Instruments quoted by him from Registr. Bronescombe, foll. 96, 97, in the Append. Numm. II. III.

^b I have seen an Indenture, says Mr. Oliver, made between the abbat, Thomas White, and Robert Derkeham, organist; it is dated 28th May, 1522. The abbat engages to pay Robert an annuity of 2*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*.; to provide him a decent table; to allow a furnished room over the west gate of the monastery, and a gown every year of the value of 12*s*. He farther engages to Robert the reversion of a tenement at Milton, then occupied by John Brooke; and in the mean while to provide a decent dwelling-house garden, the moiety of the rent to be paid by Robert Derkeham, who is however to have the feeding of two cows, until he obtains possession of John Brooke's tenement. Robert is also to be allowed five ounces of bread and a quart of beer every night throughout the year; a wax candle from 1 Nov. until 2 Feb.; and thirty horse-loads of faggots for his fire. In consideration of all this, the said Robert is to assist in the choir every day during divine service, and to teach four boys of the convent, any one of whom he may choose to wait upon him as his servant.. He further engages to instruct the boys, and those monks who may wish to learn, in the art of music and playing the organ.

N.B. This indenture was admitted and allowed by the Augmentation Court, 18th Dec. 1540.

^c The following pensions were granted to him and his monks at the Dissolution :

	£.	s.	d.
To John Toker, abbat	60	0	0

et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti, Amen, ac intuitu beatissimæ Mariæ virginis, et beati Benedicti, nos Amicia comitissa Devoniae, et domina de Insula, de summi rerum et bonorum Opificis bonitate confisa, ejusdem gratia qui vota hominum, et mulierum, pro sua voluntate, ad bonum disponit, et diri-

	£.	s.	d.
Thomas Maynard	5	6	8
William Gye	5	0	0
Thomas Hooper	5	0	0
Robert Toope	5	6	8
John West	5	0	0
William Alford	5	0	0
Hugo Harvey	4	13	4
Benedict Lovedge	4	13	4
Simon Rugewaye	4	0	0
William Myllford	4	0	0
William Ebbesworth	3	6	8
John Jordan	3	6	8

^d Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 149 b, 153.

^e Orig. 33 Hen. VIII. p. 2. Devon. Cornub. Rex xxvj. die Maii concessit Ricardo Greynfeld de Bedyford scitum nuper Monasterii de Bucklund ac etiam Rectoriam de Morewystowe in com. Cornub. cum pertin. habend. ei et hered. suis imperpetuum. Ro. lxxv.

^f "Pat. 34 Edw. I. m. . . Pat. 7 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 5. Pat. 8 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 14. Inquis. Devon. 11 Edw. II. n. 27. Cart. 11 Edw. II. n. 38. pro mercat. et feria apud Buckland et Columpton. Pat. 11 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 31 vel 32. pro Kernellatione mansi abbatiae. Pat. 17 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 4. de maner. de Bocland, Bickele, Walkhamton. Pat. 19 Edw. III. m. 4. Escaet. Devon. 43 Edw. III. n. 57. de visu franciplegii, &c. in hundredo de Rouburgh. Pat. 6 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 24 vel 25. pro mercat. et feria apud Bocland. Cart. 25 Hen. VI. n. 8. Pat. 1 Edw. IV. p. 5, m. 9."

git fidentér invisæ, animique revclatione spe sollicitet, si quid sui nominis honori ad perpetuam memoriam retribuamus, abbatiam quam locum sancti Benedicti de Bocland intitulari seu nuncupari volumus, et quam in manerio nostro de Bocland, ad perpetuam sustentationem abbatum et monachorum ordinis sancti Benedicti, Cisterciensis, ibidem degentium, pro salute animarum domini Henrici quondam regis Angliæ, et nobilis reginæ dominæ Alianoræ uxoris suæ et liberorum suorum, et domini Edwardi illustris regis Angliæ, filii ejusdem Henrici et nobilis reginæ dominæ Alianoræ uxoris suæ et liberorum eorundem; et pro salute animarum domini Gilberti de Clare quondam comitis de Glocestria, et Herefordia, patris nostris, et Isabellæ comitissæ matris nostræ, et animarum Baldwini comitis Devon. mariti nostri, et Issabellæ filiæ nostræ comitissæ Devon. et Albemarlæ, et Margaretæ filiæ nostræ sanctimonialis de Lacock, et omnium antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, et omnium quibus tenemur pro aliquo beneficio, fundamus, appropriamus, locumque eisdem abbatibus, et monachis, et abbatiam damus, concedimus, et assignavimus, atque in eadem abbatia abbates et monachos ordinis prædicti esse decernimus, perpetuò moraturos. Cui siquidem abbatiae, fratri Roberto abbati, et monachis in eadem domo existentibus, de abbatia de Quarera per nos assumptis, et successoribus suis perpetuò sustinendis, in honore Dei, et beatissimæ Dei genetricis Mariæ, et beati Benedicti, ipsum manerium nostrum de Bocland, et maneria nostra de Columpton, Bykeley, et Walkhampton, cum advocationibus ecclesiarum, et cum hundredo Dughe-Berewe, cum tota secta, tam liberorum, villanorum, quam aliorum, quæ ad prædictum hundredum pertinent, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ut in dominiis, dominicis, feodis militum, servitiis liberorum hominum, villanis, villenagiis, cum eorum catallis, et sequelis, releviis, auxiliis, redditibus, herietis, escaetis quibuscunque, pratis, pascuis, pasturis, viis, semitis, boscis, planis, molendinis, aquis, piscariis, moris, brueriis, turbariis, una cum omnibus libertatibus, et liberis consuetudinibus eidem abbatiae per nos acquisitis, et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis nominatis et non nominatis, quæ ad prædicta maneria, et prædictum hundredum pertinent, vel aliquo modo pertinere poterunt, quocunque nomine censeantur, sine ullo retenemento nostri vel hæredum nostrorum, damus, concedimus, et hac præsentis carta confirmavimus, in liberam et puram elemosinam, imperpetuum habendum dictis abbati et conventui, et eorum successoribus, liberè, quietè, benè, et in pace imperpetuum, sine aliqua contradictione vel impedimento nostri, vel hæredum nostrorum. Et nos prædicta Amicia et hæredes nostri præfatis abbati et conventui, et eorum successoribus, prædicta maneria cum advocationibus ecclesiarum, et cum prædicto hundredo, una cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus et aliis pertinentiis nominatis et non nominatis quæ ad prædicta maneria et hundredum prædictum aliquo modo pertinent, vel pertinere poterunt, in sanctam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, ut prædictum est, contra omnes gentes Christianos et Judæos warrantizabimus, ac acquietabimus, et defendemus imperpetuum. Et ut hæc mea donatio, concessio, et præsentis cartæ meæ confirmatio rata et stabilis permaneat, huic cartæ sigillum nostrum apponi fecimus. Hiis testibus, Hugone Peverell, Willielmo de Bikells, Thoma de Pyn, Warino de Sethevell, Reginaldo de Ferrariis, militibus, Johanne de Vautort, Richardo Mowy, Radulpho de Lenham, Stephana de Stoyll, Baldwino le Bastard, Humphrido de Donesterre, et aliis.

NUM. II.

Carta Walteri Exon. Episcopi.

[Oliv. Hist. Collect. e Reg. Bronescombe Exon. Episc. fol. 96.]

WALTERUS Dei gratia Exon. episcopus dilecto filio officario suo, salutem, gratiam, et benedictionem. Cum ad instantiam et petitionem serenissimæ dominæ Aleanoræ reginæ Angliæ, dudum vobis scripserimus, ut suspensionis seu interdicti sententias in monachos de Bocland Cystercien. ordinis, seu loca sua, pro eo quod iidem monachi in diocesi nostra absque auctoritate nostra seu licentia divina celebrare præsumperunt, latas seu promulgatas relaxaretis, permitteres eosdem divina celebrare, usque ad festum Pentecostis, ut quousque cum dicta domina nostra regina colloquium haberemus personale; ejusdem dominæ nostræ precibus iterum inclinati, vobis mandamus, quatenus eosdem mona-

chos usque ad quindenam Sancti Michaelis proximè venturi divina ibidem liberè celebrare permittatis, ullam nemini eorum inserentes molestiam vel gravamen. Datum London. 6 kal. Junii, A.D. 1280.

NUM. III.

Carta alia Walteri Episcopi.

[Ibid. e Reg. Bronesç. fol. 97.]

UNIVERSIS, &c. Walterus, &c. miseratione divina Exon. episcopus. Ad universitatis vestræ notitiam volumus pervenire, quod nos interdictum factum in abbatia de Bocland, nostræ diocesis de novo fundatâ, tenore præsentium relaxamus; et concedimus quod abbas et monachi Cisterciensis ordinis ibidem commorantes divina ibidem licitè celebrare, et quæ ordinis Cisterciensis sunt secundum regulam Sancti Benedicti liberè exercere valeant, jure, honore, et dignitate episcopali et ecclesiæ Exon. in omnibus semper salvis. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum nostrum præsentibus fecimus apponi. Datum apud Teynton episcopi in festo beatæ Mariæ Magdalenæ A.D. 1280, et consecrationis nostræ xxiiijº.

NUM. IV.

Carta Isabellæ de Fortibus Comitissæ Albemarlæ.

[Pat. 9 Hen. IV. part 2, m. 18. per Inspex.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, Isabella de Fortibus comitissa Albemarlæ et Devonæ ac domina Insulæ, salutem in Domino. Noveritis nos concessisse, confirmasse, et præsentis scripto quietas clamasse pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, Deo et monasterio beatæ Mariæ et beati Benedicti de Bocland, ac abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus Cisterciensis ordinis in ipso monasterio Deo servientibus et imperpetuum servituris, omnes donationes et concessionem quas nobilis mulier mater nostra carissima domina Amicia quondam comitissa Devonæ ac domina Insulæ adquisivit et dedit eisdem; videlicet maneria de Bocland, Bykelie, et Walkampton secundum metas et divisas eorundem; scilicet de la Lobbapilla ex occidentali parte de Bocland versus aquilonem, et orientem, per medium cursum aquæ de Tavie, et de Walkamp ad divisas de Dertemore ex parte boriali de Mistorr; et inde versus austrum per metas regardorum de Dertemore; videlicet per Mistorpanna, et per Hysfochres, et crucem Siwardi et Gyllesburgh, et Plymcrundla ad Plymma, et inde per Plymma versus occidentem ad Yaddabrok; et sic per bundas quæ cingunt Rydemore et Smalacumba; scilicet per fossam veterem ad angulum fossæ de Yllalonda, et inde per Hurtwallen ad Smalacumbacrosse, et Smalacumbalak, et per cursum aquæ de Mewy ad Olyaka; et per fossam ad viam quæ ducit de Plympton ad Schitestorr; et sic per divisas lapideas ad Biricombaforda et per Crewe-cumba, et Denebrok, et cursum aquæ de Mewy ad Schollaforda; et sic per veteres metas ad Yanedonecrosse, et inde per bundas ad Stoford, et Lak, et Churcheford, et per divisas inter Elleford, et Cropeton, ad Ellefordlak, et ad cursum aquæ de Mewy, et sic ad locum ubi Mewy cadit in Plymma, et per Plymma ad divisas de Hescumbe et ad divisionem itineris super Purpris, et inde pertranseundo viam quæ ducit de ponte de Cadaworth ad Plympton per terram de Schagh versus orientem usque ad Shitaburgh, et inde per veteres metas lapideas ad Hanekctorr, et inde versus occidentem et aquilonem per terram de Farnhill ad Maynstonkvilla et Maynstoncrossa et Horingbrok, et ad Writewillclak, et inde per semitam quandam ad Pudehel includendo Southpodehel, et sic per bundas versus orientem ad Horsford, et inde per metas veteres ad Writewille, et ad Horynbrok et sic ad Plymma et ad Willebroke et ad crucem de Wolewille, et inde per viam quæ ducit de Sutton ad Tavistok ad Copris-crosse; et inde versus boream per fossam veterem ad Bycumbayoneda, et sic per veteres bundas ad Lobbapilla. Et terram et villanos de la Torr apud Shitestorr adjacentes manerio de Bykelie cum pertinentiis cum eorum villenagiis, catallis, et sequelis, et hundredis de Rugheburgh cum omnibus proficuis inde provenientibus cum tota secta liberorum hominum et villanorum et cum omnibus quæ ad hundredum pertinent vel pertinere poterunt. Et manerium de Culump-ton secundum bundas ipsius; videlicet de Culump per terram prioris sancti Nicholai Exon. ad Smalabrok, et per exteriores

metas terræ de la Brok ad viam quæ ducit ad Padokbrok, et inde per Luttekeshel, et Ponteford, et per divisas de Hillesdon ad Burn et per Linor, et Sweton, et Morston. et Burn ad Culump, et sic per la Nywelond ad Rothnesfordbrigg et quandam peciam terræ ex orientali parte ipsius aquæ apud Kyngesmill; et inde per Stonweya, Crundla, Waterleta, Halstrewa, Westeshayes, et Lathemere ad Clifbrigg cum terris de la Halsholte et pratis et boscis de Swenham cum pertinentiis. Et terram de Lygh cum pertinentiis in Samford-Spinee. Et advocaciones ecclesiarum de Boclond, Walkampton, et Bykelie cum capella de Scitestorr. Et omnia quæ ad prædicta maneria et terras et ad hundredum prædictum pertinent ut in sectis curiæ, dominiis, dominicis, feodis militum, homagiis, scutagiis, serviciis liberorum hominum, villanis, villenagiis, cum eorum serviciis, catallis, et sequelis, cum wardis, maritagiis, releviis, auxiliis, redditibus, herietis, et quibuscumque escaetis, cum pratis, pascuis, pasturis, viis, semitis, boscis, planis, molendinis, cum eorum bedis et multuris, columbariis, aquis, piscariis, vivariis, alnetis, moris, vastis, brueris, turbariis, strauris, et weyf, una cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus et omnibus aliis rebus et pertinentiis nominatis et non nominatis quæ ad prædicta maneria et terram et ad hundredum prædictum pertinent vel quæ de eis nobis aut hæredibus nostris accidere vel descendere poterunt, sine ullo retenemento nostri vel hæredum nostrorum imperpetuum. Habendum et tenendum prædicta maneria, terras, hundreda, et advocaciones ecclesiarum, et capellæ prædictæ, cum omnibus eorum libertatibus, rebus, et pertinentiis quocumque nomine censeantur, de domino rege et hæredibus suis, præfatis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus ordinis prædicti liberè, quietè, integrè, benè et in pace sine ulla exactione vel demanda, calumpnia, vel impedimento nostri vel hæredum nostrorum, in liberam et puram elemosinam imperpetuum. Et nos prædicta Isabella et hæredes nostri prædictis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus prædicta maneria et terras, advocaciones ecclesiarum, et capellæ prædictæ ac hundredum prædictum, cum omnibus libertatibus, rebus, et pertinentiis suis nominatis et non nominatis, contra omnes gentes Christianos et Judæos warantizabimus, acquietabimus, et defendemus imperpetuum. In cujus rei testimonium præsentis scripto sigillum nostrum apponifecimus. Hiis testibus, fratre Ricardo priore Christi ecclesiæ de Twynham, fratre Thoma priore de Brommor, dominis Ricardo fil. Johannis, Ricardo de Affeton, Hugone de Peverell, Gilberto de Knovile, Reginaldo de Ferariis, militibus; Radulfo de Lynham, Stephano Stoil, Willielmo de Stapeldon, Simone de Travailesworth, Willielmo de Budekeside, Roberto de Coleford, et aliis. Dat. apud Brommor die sancti Edmundi regis et martiris anno Domini millesimo ducentesimo nonagesimo primo.

NUM. V.

Carta Amiciæ Comitissæ Devonæ, &c.

[Ibid.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri quod nos Amicia comitissa Devonæ ac domina Insulæ, in ligia viduitate nostra, intuitu Dei et pro salute animarum domini Henrici quondam regis Angliæ et nobilis reginæ dominæ Alianoræ uxoris suæ et liberorum suorum, et domini Edwardi illustris regis Angliæ, filii ejusdem regis Henrici, et nobilis reginæ dominæ Alianoræ uxoris suæ, et liberorum eorundem, et pro salute animarum domini Gilberti de Clare quondam comitis Glouc. et Hertford patris nostri et Isabellæ comitissæ matris nostræ et Baldewini comitis Devon. mariti nostri, et pro salute animæ nostræ et animarum Baldewini filii nostri quondam comitis Devonæ et Isabellæ filiæ nostræ comitissæ Devon. et Albemariæ et Margaretæ filiæ nostræ sanctimonialis de Lacok, et omnium antecessorum et successorum nostrorum et omnium quibus tenemur pro aliquo beneficio, et cæterorum qui elemosinas vel aliquod beneficium conferunt vel collaturi sunt, dedimus et concessimus et hac præsentis carta nostra confirmavimus Deo et beatæ Mariæ et sancto Benedicto et fratri Roberto et ejus conventui de Quarrera assumpto et eorum successoribus ordinis Cisterc. in sanctam, liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam ad construendum abbatiam et perpetuo sustinendum in honore beatissimæ Dei genitricis Mariæ et beati Benedicti, maneria de Boclond, Bickely, et Walkampton secundum metas et divisas eorundem; videlicet de Lobbapilla, ex occidentali parte de Boclond, &c. (sicut in carta præcedente.)

Dedimus etiam concessimus et confirmavimus prædictis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus terras et villanos cum eorum catallis et sequelis de la Torr apud Schitestorr adjacentes manerio de Buckeleye. Dedimus etiam concessimus et confirmavimus eisdem abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus hundredum de Rugheburgh cum omnibus proficuis inde provenientibus et cum tota secta liberorum hominum et villanorum et cum omnibus libertatibus, liberis consuetudinibus, seu quibuscumque rebus quæ ad hundredum pertinent seu accidere vel pertinere poterunt quocumque modo. Dedimus etiam concessimus et confirmavimus eisdem abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus manerium de Colomptun secundum metas et bundas ipsius; videlicet de Colump per terram prioris sancti Nicholai ad Smalebrok, et per exteriores metas terræ de la Brok ad viam quæ ducit ad Padokbrok; et sic per Littekeshel ad Ponteford; et per divisas de Hillesdone ad Burr, et per Linor, et Sweton Morston, et Burn ad Colump. et sic per la Nywelond ad Rothnesfordbrigg cum illa pecia terræ ex orientali parte ejusdem aquæ apud Kyngesmill; et inde per Stonweya, Crundla, Waterleta, Halestrewa, Wyesteshayes, et Lachemer ad Clifbrigg cum terris de la Halsholte, et pratis, et boscis de Swenham, et cum advocacionibus ecclesiarum de Boclond, Walkampton, et Bykelie cum capella de Schitestorr cum omnibus quæ ad prædicta maneria et terras et ad hundredum prædictum pertinent, ut in sectis curiæ, dominiis, dominicis, feodis militum, homagiis, scutagiis, serviciis liberorum hominum, &c. sine ullo retenemento nostro vel hæredum nostrorum. Habenda et tenenda de domino rege et hæredibus suis præfatis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus prædicta maneria et terras cum advocacionibus ecclesiarum de Boclond, Walkampton, et Bykelie, et capellæ de Schitestorr, et cum hundredo prædicto, &c. in sanctam, liberam, puram et perpetuam elemosinam liberè, &c. Hiis testibus, dominis Henr. de Chaumbernon, Olivero de Denham, Hugone Peverell, &c.

NUM. VI.

Carta Regis Edwardi Secundi.

[Ibid.]

EDWARDUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ dominus Hiberniæ et dux Aquitaniæ omnibus ad quos præsentis literæ pervenerint salutem. Noveritis nos concessisse et confirmasse Amiciæ de Redverii comitissæ Devon. manerium de Bocland cum hamelettis de Columpton, Walkampton, et Bykele, una cum omnibus et singulis eorum pertinentiis ubicumque existentibus. Habendum et tenendum eidem Amiciæ secundum formam et tenorem cartarum quas inde habet de dono Isabellæ de Fortibus comitissæ Albemarl. filiæ suæ. Et si contingat quod prædicta Amicia dictum manerium et hameletta cum eorum pertinentiis quibuslibet viris religiosis dare velit et assignare, et inde novam domum religiosam construere, noveritis nos pro nobis et hæredibus nostris dictum donum gratum habituros et acceptum; ita tamen quod dicta domus post decessum dictæ Amiciæ de nobis et hæredibus nostris teneatur in capite. Et bona fide promittimus ipsam cum constructa fuerit aut ordinata, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam confirmare. In cujus, &c. T. meipso apud Odiham viij. die Aug. anno regni nostri quarto.

NUM. VII.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

ABBATIA MONASTERIJ BEATÆ MARIE IN BUCKLOND MONACHORUM IN DECANAT' DE TAMERTON IN DIOC' EXON' IN COM' DEVON'.

Summa totalis omnium possessionum temporalium dicti abbatis	201 <i>l.</i> 15 <i>s.</i> 2 <i>d.</i> q. di. q.
Summa totalis omnium possessionum spiritualium prædicti abbatis	40 <i>l.</i> 2 <i>s.</i> 7 <i>d.</i>
Clare	241 <i>l.</i> 17 <i>s.</i> 9 <i>d.</i> q. di. q.

NUM. VIII.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS *temp.* HEN. VIII.

[*Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.*]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE BUCKELAND.

Com' Devon'	£. s. d.
Buckland—Situs nuper monaster' cum terris dominicalibus	23 3 5

Com' Devon'	£.	s.	d.
Colompton—Redd' lib' ten'	5	4	6
Colompton—Redd' cust' ten'	56	12	11
Exon' Civ'—Redd' ten'	1	6	8
Colompton—Perquis' cur'	0	10	10
Buckeland—Redd' assis'	59	12	11 ob.
Rowburgh et Hale—Redd' assis'	21	13	8 ob.
Shittistor et Rynmore—Redd' assis'	3	2	11
Salteayshe—Redd' un' ten'	0	8	0
Buckeland, &c.—Perquis' cur'	1	4	9

Com' Devon'	£.	s.	d.
Byckeleigh—Redd' tam lib' quam			
cust' ten'	24	4	7
Byckeleigh—Firma un' molend'	4	6	8
Byckeleigh—Perquis' cur'	1	7	7
Buckelonds—Firma rector'	18	0	0
Walkehampton et Shittistor—Fir-			
ma rector'	7	10	0
Bampton—Firma rector'	40	0	0

Hilton or Hulton Abbey, in Staffordshire.



F Hulton Abbey our information is extremely scanty. The Annals of Parcolude date its foundation in 1219; but Tanner says it was erected by Henry de Audeley in 1223, to the honor of the Virgin Mary. The charter of foundation, another from Herveus de Stafford of land in Normancote, and the licence for the assignment to this house of the Alien Priory of Cameringham in Lincoln-

JOHN was the last abbat.

Tanner says, "In bibl. Harleiana, MS. 280, fol. 77. Nomina quorundam abbatum:" but Robert, just mentioned, is the only abbat who occurs. He also refers to the Harleian MS. 2060, fol 1. for a composition between the abbat of Hulton and prior of Trentham.^c

At the Dissolution this House was valued in the gross at 89*l.* 10*s.* 1½*d.* per annum. In the clear sum, at 76*l.* 14*s.* 11½*d.*

The Scite was granted in the 34th Hen. VIII. to Sir Edward Aston, Knt.

The COMMON SEAL of the priory is appendant to the Surrender in the Augmentation Office, dated in the 30th Hen. VIII. Like most of the religious houses of the Cistercian Order, the subject is the blessed Virgin with the divine Infant; underneath is a shield with the arms of the priory. The Inscription is not perfect: all that remains, SIGILLV. COMVNE TE . MARIE . DE . HVI

Of the Priory buildings there are but . . . stiges.

shire from the Abbey of Blanchland in Normandy, in the 19th Ric. II. will be found in the Appendix.^a

In Pope Nicholas's Taxation one spiritual possession of this Abbey occurs, in "Ecclesia de Audeley 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*" The total of the temporal possessions amounted to 20*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.*^b

ROBERT occurs abbat, 1240 and 1241.

Cartae ad Hiltonensem Abbatiam, in agro Staffordiensi spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Foundationis.

[Ab exemplari autentico penes Ric. Leveson de balneo militem, a. 1640. Vide Cart. 41 H. III. m. 13.]

IN nomine sanctæ Trinitatis, Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti, et in honore beatissimæ Dei genetricis, semperque virginis Mariæ, sanctique Benedicti, et omnium sanctorum, anno ab incarnatione Domin imillesimo ducentesimo vicesimo tertio, ego Henricus de Andethele, in remissionem peccatorum meorum, et pro redemptione et salute animæ meæ, atque uxoris meæ, et liberorum meorum, et hæredum, et pro salute animarum patris mei et matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, do atque concedo, et præsentî carta confirmo Deo et sanctæ Mariæ, et abbati et monachis meis, villam de Hulton, et boscum de Sned, cum haia clausa de Kennermunt, et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, ad fundandum cœnobium monachorum ordinis Cisterciensis, secundum regulam sancti Benedicti viventium. Doque et concedo prædictis monachis meis villam de Ruston, cum Mannesmor, et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis. Doque et concedo prædictis monachis meis, totam terram meam in Bekenhall, et pratum meum quod vocatur Bukkeleg, cum pertinentiis suis. Doque et concedo monachis meis

totam terram meam de Normancote, et quicquid ibi in dominico meo habui, in terris et in omnibus locis, et in omnibus aliis rebus, per has divisas, scilicet de Walderslaw, per viam descendentem usque Apletrestade, et sic descendentem usque in White-siche, et inde descendendo usque Horeston, et sic usque Whitewell, et sic usque Old-Blithford, et sic per antiquum cursum de Blithe, usque ad Wetemotesbroc, et sic descendendo per medium Thuresmore, usque ad Hyndewell, et inde ascendendo per Richmildestreete, et per villam de Meere, usque ad fontem fluentem de assartis de Meere, et per sichetum ejusdem fontis usque in Ebroc, et per quendam sichetum usque in Longadone or Puttes, et sic in Whitewellsiche, et inde descendendo per eundem sichetum usque Blurton-broc, et sic ascendendo usque in Lindinehurst, et inde ascendendo per Depelowe et per Hesileg, usque in Sondiford, et ascendendo per vetus fossatum usque in Walderslowe.

Præterea do et concedo prædictis monachis meis villam de Mirne, cum pratis et pasturis adjacentibus, et villas et tenementa de Bradenhope, et Middlesclif, Arpelford, Ruhegg et Mulnesley, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis, et cum servitiis hominum in dictis villis manentium, scilicet, quod ipsi homines faciant prædictis abbati et monachis meis omnimoda servitia, quæ mihi facere consueverunt, vel aliquo

Pat. 25 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 32. Pat. 8 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 34. pro eccl. de Audly approprianda. Pat. 14 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 40. pro eccl. de Budulf. Pat. 18 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 6. quod abbas de Blancheland possit amortizare prioratum de Cameringham abbatiæ de Hulton."

There is in the Augmentation Office a Paper Survey of the demesnes, &c. of this abbey temp. Hen. VIII.

^a See Numm. I. II. III.
^b Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. p. 242 b, 252 b.
^c Tanner's other References are, "Cart. 41 Hen. III. m. 14. Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 27. de commun. pastur. in Blorton. Pat. 22 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 11. pro eccl. de Merwoode. Pat. 23 Edw. III. m. 25 vel. 26.

modo facere debuerunt. Do et concedo prædictis monachis meis pasturam de Morrugg, cum bosco de Whiterward, et cum vasto et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis, appropriantiis et libertatibus suis, per has divisas, scilicet, de Risenebrugg usque Rederesley, et inde usque Sneitesiche, et inde usque Godenesiche, et inde usque in Rutindepol, et inde usque in Housp, et inde ascendendo usque ad grangiam de Avecote, et inde usque in Smalebroc, et inde usque in Blakelond, et inde usque in Wridelache, et inde usque in Merrylennes-love, et sic descendendo usque in Bircheneford, et inde usque in Hengindeston, et inde usque in Thorneteley, et inde usque in Elinges-broc, et inde usque in Knynedenebroc, et inde usque in Finyes, et sic usque in Rysenebrigg. Præterea do et concedo prædictis monachis meis annuam pensionem decem marcarum de ecclesia de Audiddeley, percipiendam singulis annis per manus cujuscunque rectoris dictæ ecclesiæ, qui pro tempore fuerit, sicut ordinatio domini Hugonis Coventriæ et Lichfeldiæ episcopi, quam prædicti monachi mei inde habent plenius testatur. Hæc omnia prænominata ego Henricus de Audiddeley do et concedo, et per præsentem cartam meam confirmo Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis meis prædictis, habenda et tenenda sibi et successoribus suis imperpetuum, liberè et quietè, pacificè et honorificè, absque omni terrenis ervitio, et consuetudine, et exactione sæculari, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, sicut aliqua elemosina liberior et quietior esse potest, cum omnibus pertinentiis et libertatibus suis, in bosco et in plano, in pratis et pasturis, in stagnis et molendinis, in aquis et piscariis, in moris et mariscis, in viis et semitis, in omnibus locis, et in omnibus rebus, cum omnibus aisiamentis et commoditatibus quæ ibi sunt, vel quæ ibi fieri poterunt; et ego et hæredes mei omnia prænominata prædictis monachis warantizabimus, defendemus, acquietabimus et manutenebimus contra omnes homines imperpetuum. Ut igitur hæc mea donatio, concessio, et confirmatio stabilis et firma permaneat imperpetuum, præsentem cartam sigilli mei impressione corroboravi. Hiis testibus, Nicholao de Verdon, Willielmo Pantun, Willielmo de Audithelie, Willielmo Ruffo, Henrico de Chetham, Henrico de Verdun, Willielmo de Erdinton, Galfrido Griffin clerico, Bernardo clerico et Waltero capellano, Nicholao clerico, Bertramo Griffin, Willielmo de Bromlegg, Roberto Blundo, Willielmo de Stant, et multis aliis.

NUM. II.

[Ab exemplari quodam in officio Armorum.]

HERVEUS de Stafford filius Hervei Bagoth, salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra me concessisse et hac præsentem carta mea confirmasse Deo et beatæ Mariæ et abbatæ et monachis de Hulton ibidem Deo servituris, in liberam et quietam et puram et perpetuam elemosinam, totam terram quam habui in Normanchote quam dedi Simoni de Verney pro homagio et servicio suo; videlicet illam terram quam in excambiis recepi de domino H. de Auditheleg pro bosco et terra quam ipse Henricus inclusit in parco suo de Helæ, et quam ipse Simon de Verney dedit abbatæ et monachis de Hulton, &c.

NUM. III.

De Manerio de Camerynham Abbatæ de Hilton concessio.
[Claus. 19 R. II. In dorso memb. 15.]

REX thesaurario et baronibus suis de scaccario, salutem. Cum de gratia nostra speciali, et pro quodam fine quem Elizabeth, quæ fuit uxor Nicholai de Audeley chivaler, nobis solvit in hanaperio nostro, concesserimus et licentiam dederimus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris quantum in nobis fuit, abbati et conventui de Blaunclanda in Normannia de potestate Franciæ, quod ipsi dare possent, concedere et assignare dilectis nobis in Christo Richardo abbati ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Hulton in comitatu Staffordiæ et conventui ejusdem ecclesiæ de Hulton, manerium de Camerynham, aliter vocatum prioratum de Camerynham, cum omnibus terris, tenementis, redditibus, feodis, serviciis, pensionibus, reversionibus, libertatibus, et possessionibus quibuscunque ad manerium, sive prioratum prædictum spectantibus, sive pertinentibus, necnon advocacionem et patronatum ecclesiæ de Camerynham cum advocacione et patronatu vicariæ ejusdem ecclesiæ de Camerynham, quam quidem ecclesiam de Camerynham prædicti abbas et conventus de Blaun-

lande habent et tenent in proprios usus de advocacione et patronatu suis propriis, sibi et ecclesiæ suæ sancti Nicholai de Blaunclande appropriatam ut dicitur.

Concesserimus insuper, et licentiam dederimus, pro nobis et hæredibus nostris quantum in nobis fuit quod prædicta ecclesia de Camerynham, præfatis abbati et conventui de Blaunclande, ac prædictæ ecclesiæ suæ sancti Nicholai de Blaunclande sic appropriata, et quam ipsi tenent in proprios usus ut præmittitur, licetè transferri possit, in et ad prædictos abbatem et conventum de Hulton et successores suos ac dictam ecclesiam suam beatæ Mariæ de Hulton, melioribus modo et forma, quibus fieri posset imperpetuum, et quod unio, appropriacio, et incorporatio prædictæ ecclesiæ de Camerynham prædictis abbati et conventui de Blaunclande, ac prædictæ ecclesiæ suæ sancti Nicholai de Blaunclande antea factæ penitus dissolverentur, et de eis penitus exonerarentur; et quod prædicti abbas et conventus de Hulton, et concessores sui prædictam ecclesiam de Camerynham de novo appropriare et prædictæ ecclesiæ suæ de Hulton unire et incorporare, et eam sic appropriatam, unitam, et incorporatam, habere possent, et tenere, sibi et successoribus suis imperpetuum. Quæ quidem manerium sive prioratus, terræ, tenementa, redditus, feoda, servicia, pensiones, reversiones, libertates, et possessiones cum pertinentiis, ac advocaciones et patronatus prædicti in manu nostra occasione guerræ inter nos et adversarium nostrum Franciæ motæ extiterunt, &c. Habend. et tenend. prædictum manerium, sive prioratum, cum omnibus terris, tenementis, redditibus, feodis, possessionibus, serviciis, pensionibus, et reversionibus, cum pertinentiis, et advocacionibus, et patronatibus prædictarum ecclesiæ et vicariæ de Camerynham, necnon libertatibus, franchisesiis, privilegiis, quietanciis, immunitatibus, juribus et consuetudinibus, ac omnibus aliis ad prædictum manerium, sive prioratum de Camerynham qualitercunque spectantibus sive pertinentibus, eisdem abbati et conventui de Hulton, et successoribus suis de nobis et hæredibus nostris, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam imperpetuum, &c. Teste rege, apud Westmonasterium vigesimo septimo die Novembris.

NUM. IV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

Verus Valor omnium Maneriorum Terrarum et Tenementorum pertinentium JOHANNI abbati beatæ Mariæ de Hulton, in Comitatu Stafford.

Summa totalis	67 <i>l.</i>	0 <i>s.</i>	1 <i>d.</i>	ob.
Summa abatat'	7 <i>l.</i>	3 <i>s.</i>	6 <i>d.</i>	
Summa de claro	59 <i>l.</i>	16 <i>s.</i>	7 <i>d.</i>	ob.

NUM. V.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll, 31 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

HULTON NUPER MONASTERIUM.

Com' Staff'	£.	s.	d.
Hulton—Lib' redd' terr'	0	1	0
Novum Castrum—Lib' redd' terr'	0	6	8
Stoke—Lib' redd' terr'	0	6	0
Burdeslyme—Redd' terr'	0	9	0
Hulton—Redd' cotag'	0	15	8
Burdeslyme—Redd' custum'	2	4	9
Snede et Burdeslyme—Diversæ firmæ	16	14	6
Hulton—Situs nuper monaster' cum terris dominicalibus	7	10	4
Hulton—Miner' carbonum	1	6	8
Rushton—Firma grangiæ	7	5	0
Normecote—Firma mediet' maner'	2	1	0
More—Firma terr'	1	18	0
More—Firma un' mol' aquat'	0	14	0
Com' Cestr'			
Northwyche—Annual' reddit'	0	10	0
Com' Salop'			
Bridgnorth—Annual' reddit'	0	2	0
Com' Staff'			
Bradicop—Redd' assis'	11	8	5
Myxton Heys—Reddit' pastur'	5	16	8
Bradicop et Bradnap—Firma mesuag', &c.	6	14	4
Hulton—Reddit' repert'	0	19	4

Abbey of St. Mary Graces, East-Minster, or New-Abbey, without the Walls of London.



THE following, with the correction of a single date, 1359 to 1349, is Newcourt's Account of the Abbey of St. Mary Graces. He says,

"It stood east from East-Smithfield, and was founded by King Edward the III^d. in the year 1349, upon the following occasion.

"In the year 1348, 23 Edward the III^d., the first great pestilence in his time began, and increased so sore, that for want of room in

church-yards, to bury the dead of the city and of the suburbs, one John Corey, clerk, procured of Nicholas prior of the Holy Trinity, without Ealdgate, one toft of ground, near East-Smithfield, for the burial of them that died, with condition that it might be called The Church-yard of the Holy Trinity; which ground was caused, by the aid of divers devout citizens, to be enclosed with a wall of stone; and the same was dedicated by Ralph Stratford, bishop of London, where innumerable bodies of the dead were afterwards buried, and a chapel built in the same place to the honour of God. To which King Edward aforesaid, having regard, after having been in a tempest on the sea, and in peril of drowning, at which time he made a vow to build a monastery to the honour of God, and the Lady of Graces, if God would grant him to come safe to land, he there built a monastery, causing it to be called East-Minster, placing in it an abbat and monks of the Cistercian, or White Order.

"To this purpose and for the founding and endowing thereof, the said King Edward, by his letters patents, bearing date at Westminster, March the 20, in the 24th of his reign, 1349, gave to the abbat and monks thereof all those messuages, with the appurtenances at Tower-hill, which he had of John Corey aforesaid, in pure and perpetual alms; ordering this house to be called The Royal free Chapel of St. Mary of Graces. And afterwards by other letters patents, dated October 5, in the 50th of his reign, he gave and granted to John duke of Lancaster, Simon archbishop of Canterbury, John bishop of Lincoln, and others, certain manors and lands, which he purchased in Kent, and elsewhere, for the farther endowment of this abby, which they after his death granted and confirmed to the said abbat and monks, for a certain term of years.

"But these lands being for certain causes seized into the hands of King Richard the II^d. as forfeited, he, by his letters patents, dated August 3, in the 12th of his reign, by advice of his council, gave and granted the rents, issues, and profits of those manors and lands, which were the manors of Leybourne, Gravesend, Leach, Wattingbury, Gore, Parrock, and Bykenore, with their appurtenances, together

with the advowsons of the churches above-mentioned, with all their appurtenances, in the county of Kent; as also the reversion of the manor of Gonshalf, with its appurtenances, in the county of Surrey, after the death of Thomas de Stowes, to pray for the good estate of the said king whilst living, and for his soul when dead, and for the soul of his grandfather, King Edward the III^d. and for the souls of all his progenitors, his heirs and successors, and all the faithful deceased, according to the intention and will of his said grandfather. And farther, gave license to the said John duke of Lancaster, and John bishop of London, the surviving feoffees of Edward the III^d. to release and quit claim the said manors and lands, to the said abbat and monks, and their successors, as appears by his letters patents, dated at Nottingham, July 3.

"WILLIAM DE SANTA CRUCE, or the Holy Cross, then abbat of Geronden, of the Cistercian order, was, at the king's instance, made the first abbat of this house, to whom the king gave 20*l*. per annum, for the maintenance of himself and his monks, March 24, 1349.

"WILLIAM WARDEN, it is likely, was his successor, being made abbat of this house, August 27, 1360. And these are all the abbats we can meet with of this monastery.

"The abby was surrendered in the year 1539, 30 Henry the VIIIth. and was valued at 546*l*. 10*s*. per annum, according to Dugdale; Speed says 602*l*. 11*s*. 6*d*. Of the manner of the surrender we find no account, which gives occasion to guess that it was done by such as were in no authority, and therefore it was thought fit to conceal the knowledge thereof.

"Since which time, the said monastery being by King Henry the VIIIth. in the 34th year of his reign, granted to Sir Arthur Darcy, was clean pulled down; and of late time, in place thereof is built a large storehouse for victuals, and convenient ovens are built there, for baking of biskets for the royal navy, and it is the victualling office for the same to this day. The grounds adjoining and belonging formerly to the said abby, have small tenements built thereon."

The following particulars are all which the Editors of the New Monasticon have been able to collect, supplementary to Newcourt.

PASCHALIS occurs in a Record which will be quoted presently in the 8th Hen. V.

JOHN LANGTON, abbat of Graces was presented by the abbat and convent of Pipewell to the vicarage of Gedingham, Aug. 28, 1494, and in 1498 by Sir Thomas Lovel to the vicarage of Stokedanbeneye, in the diocese of Lincoln.^a

JOHN, probably the same person, occurs in 1503.^b

HENRY MORE made his profession as abbat May 7th, 1516.^c

Tanner's References to public Records, with a few others, relating to this House, are given in the note below.^d

^a MS. Harl. 6953, p. 10.

^b MS. Cole, Brit. Mus. vol. xxvii. fol. 214 b.

^c MS. Harl. 6955, p. 74.

^d "Vide Rot. pat. 24 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 24." copied in MS. Lansd. Brit. Mus. 293, p. 17. "et p. 2, m. . Claus. 25 Edw. III. m. 20. dorso et m. 35. Pat. 27 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 12 bis. Pat. 30 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 3. Pat. 32 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 20 vel 21. Pat. 33 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 5 vel 6. Pat. 35 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 23. pro bracinio vocat. *Le Ram* apud Tower Hill. Ibid. p. 3, m. 35 pro messuagio apud Le Salt Wharf, London. Pat. 36 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 21. et p. 2, m. 9 et 28. pro ten. in London. Pat. 39 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 14 et 31. Pat. 40 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 15, et p. 2, m. 6 vel 7, et 13, et 39. Pat. 41 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 23. pro advoc. eccl. de Stanes Cherch et Barthol. Parva. Ibid. p. 2, m. 14, &c. Pat. 43 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 12. Pat. 45 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 9. Pat. 47 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 23 vel 28. Pat. 48 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 1 vel 2. de ten. rectoris de Roderhith. Pat. 49 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 14. et p. 2, m. 2. Pat. 50 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 20. et p. 2, m. 16. pro maneriis de Westmilne, Hormede Parva, et Mesden Hertf. et m. 30. Pat. 51 Edw. III. m. 35. pro domo in paroch. S. Antonii. London. Pat.

1 Ric. II. p. 5, m. 4. Pat. 3 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 37. Pat. 9 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 32. pro c*l*. ann. redd. exeunt. e maneriis de Gravesend, Leuches, &c. Pat. 12 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 1. et p. 2, m. 18. pro eisdem maneriis restituendis. Claus. 13 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 23. relaxat. pro eisdem maneriis per Walterum de Sondey et Thomam de Sakevill. Pat. 14 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 40 vel 41. Pat. 19 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 5. Pat. 20 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 3. et p. 2, m. 1. et p. 3. prope finem rotuli. Pat. 21 Ric. II. p. 3, m. 15. et m. 25 vel 26. de dimissione manerii de Rotherhith Priori de Bermondsey pro xx*l*. per ann. Pat. 1 Hen. IV. p. 5, m. 28. et p. 7. m. 29 et 38. et p. 8, m. 5 et 25, bis. Pat. 2 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 10. pro diversis maneriis in com. Devon. Cornub. Somerset, &c. Ibid. p. 2, m. 4. Pat. 4 Hen. IV. p. 2, m. 5. Pat. 2 Hen. V. p. 2, m. 31. Claus. 6 Hen. V. m. 15, de maner. de Popeller, cix. acris terræ, cxx. acris pasturæ, &c. in Stebenhith, Esthamme, Stratford, &c. Pat. 1 Hen. VI. p. 3, m. 28. Pat. 12 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 12. Rec. in Scacc. 14 Hen. VI. Mich. rot. 12 et 13 pro maner. de Pountner. Claus. 15 Hen. VI. m. 13 dorso, pro maner. et advoc. eccl. de Measdon Hertf. Pat. 19 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 21. Pat. 20 Hen. VI. p. 4. in sedula. Fin. div. com. 21 Hen. VI. n. 10. de mess. et terris in Hadley, Enfield, et Barnet. Rec. in Scacc.

In the Chapter House, Westminster, is an Impression of the COMMON SEAL of this House, affixed to one of the Indentures for the Foundation of Henry the Seventh's Chapel, representing the Virgin and Child, with a royal personage praying to her on the dexter side, and divers other

persons also praying on her left: underneath is a shield with the royal arms, the abbey having owed its origin to King Edward the Third, who founded it in 1349-50. The Legend is, SIGILLVM . COMVNE . MONASTERIJ . BEATE . MARIE . DE . GRACIIS.

De Gratiis Abbatia juxta Turrin Londini.

NUM. I.

Carta Regis Ricardi secundi, Foundationem Edwardi Regis avi sui, aliasque Donationes recitans et confirmans.

[Pat. 22 R. II. part. 1, mem. 26. Vide Claus. 25 E. III. mem. 20. In dorso. Et Pat. 24 E. III. part. 1, m. 14. Et Pat. 1 H. IV. part. 5, m. 28.]

REX omnibus ad quos, &c. salutem. Sciatis quod cum dominus Edwardus nuper rex Angliæ avus noster defunctus abbatiam beatæ Mariæ de Graciis juxta Turrin nostram London ex devotione fundasset, et literas suas patentes de fundacione ejusdem abbatie sub magno sigillo suo fieri fecisset, in hæc verba: Edwardus Dei gratia rex Angliæ et Franciæ et dominus Hybernæ, omnibus ad quos præsentis literæ pervenerint, salutem. Dum pericula varia quibus pluries tam in terra quam in mari irremediabiliter juxta rationis humanæ judicium expositi fuimus, ac profusas gracias quibus Christi clemencia tunc ad invocationem suam et gloriosissimæ virginis matris suæ Mariæ misericorditer nos prævenit, devota consideratione pensamus, nimirum concalescit cor nostrum in nobis, et in amorem accendimur ipsius Domini nostri Jesu Christi et dominæ nostræ dilectissimæ genetricis suæ Mariæ prædictæ, desiderantes ad ipsorum laudem et gloriam aliquid in memoriam graciæ hujusmodi humiliter ordinare, sperantes quod qui sic tantis graciis misericorditer nos prævenit nos semper per piam mediationem matris suæ super infusione graciæ celestium misericorditer subsequetur. Ex hac itaque consideratione quandam domum monachorum ordinis Cisterciensis quam Libram Capellam Regiam beatæ Mariæ de Graciis volumus appellari, ad immolandum devotas laudes, gratias, et hostias Deo, et protectrici nostræ præcipuæ beatissimæ Mariæ prædictæ specialiter, ex hac causa in novo cimiterio sanctæ Trinitatis juxta Turrin nostram London fundare disposuimus et dotare. Unde sciatis quod pro fundacione et dotatione primaria dictæ domus, dedimus et concessimus præsidenti et monachis Deo et beatæ Virginæ prædictæ juxta ordinationem inde faciendam ibidem perpetuo servituris, omnia illa mesuagia nostra apud le Tourhull, cum gardinis, et curtillagiis eisdem adjacentibus, et aliis pertinentiis suis, quæ habuimus ex dono et feoffamento Johannis Cory, prout charta ipsius Johannis Cory nobis indè confecta et in rotulis cancellariæ nostræ irrotulata plenius testatur: habend. et tenend. præfatis præsidenti et monachis et eorum successoribus de nobis et hæredibus nostris in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam imperpetuum. In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste meipso apud Westm. vicessimo die Martii anno regni nostri Angliæ vicessimo quarto, regni verò nostri Franciæ undecimo.

Et postmodum idem avus noster quinto die Octobris anno regni sui quinquagesimo per alias literas suas patentes dedisset et concessisset charissimo avunculo nostro Johanni duci Lancastriæ tunc regi Castellæ et Legionis, ac venerabilibus patribus Simoni tunc archiepiscopo Cantuariensi,

Johanni episcopo Lincoln. Henrico tunc episcopo Wigornæ, Will. domino le Latymer, Johanni Knivet tunc cancellario, Roberto de Ashton militi tunc thesaurario, Rogero de Beauchamp militi tunc camerario, Johanni de Ipris militi tunc senescallo hospitii, et Nicholao Carreu seniori tunc custodi privati sigilli dicti nostri avi, certa maneria, terras, redditus, et reversiones quæ prædictus noster avus adquisivit de certis personis tam in dominico quam in reversione in com. Kantia, et aliis comitatibus regni nostri Angliæ, habend. et tenend. prædictis Johanni duci, Simoni archiepiscopo, &c. et hæredibus suis imperpetuum, ad ipsos abbatem et monachos et alias certas personas et domos de fundacione ejusdem avi nostri in maneriis, terris, tenementis, et redditibus hujusmodi dotandum et feoffandum imperpetuum. Ac post mortem dicti avi nostri idem avunculus noster et prædicti episcopi Lincoln., &c. ultimam voluntatem et intencionem ipsius avi nostri prout in testamento suo expressè onerabantur summo desiderio cupientes adimplere, per scripta sua indentata concessissent et dimisissent et per eadem scripta confirmassent præfatis abbati et monachis maneria de Gravesende, Leuches, Laybourne, Wattingbore, et Gore, cum pertinentiis; cum advocationibus ecclesiarum dictorum maneriorum de Gravesend et Laybourn in dicto comitatu Kantia, quæ dicti feofati habuerunt ex dono et feoffamento dicti avi nostri ut prædictum est, una cum stauro vivo et mortuo in maneriis prædictis ad tunc existentibus, ac reversione manerii de Gomsulph cum pertinentiis in comitatu Surria post decessum Thomæ de Staines, cum acciderit, habend. et tenend. omnia prædicta maneria de Laybourne, &c. post mortem Thomæ Stanes prædicti præfatis abbati et monachis et successoribus suis à festo Paschæ anno regni nostri quinto usque ad finem quadraginta annorum ex tunc proximè sequentium plenariè complctorum, ad effectum et intencionem quod eadem maneria, terræ, &c. eisdem abbati ac monachis de Graciis per nos seu hæredes nostros ad manum mortuam data et concessa forent imperpetuum, prout, &c. de quibus quidem maneriis de Leybourne, &c. iidem abbas et monachi seisis fuerunt de termino suo prædicto, et in plena possessione eorundem maneriorum, terrarum, et tenementorum cum omnibus pertinentiis suis per tempus non modicum existentes, omnia eadem maneria, terras, tenementa cum pertinentiis Simoni de Burley chivaler jam defuncto ad dictum terminum annorum nondum completum ad firmam dimisissent pro certa summa pecuniæ eisdem abbati et monachis inde annuatim reddenda durante termino supradicto, prout per indenturas inter prædictos abbatem et monachos et præfatum Simonem inde confectas planè liquet, et post mortem ipsius Simonis omnia prædicta, &c. simul cum maneriis de Parroke et Bykenore cum pertinentiis et cum advocatione ecclesiæ de Bykenore quæ dicti feofati similiter habuerunt ex dono et feoffamento ejusdem avi nostri in eodem comitatu Kantia, certis de causis seisis et capta fuerunt in manum nostram tanquam nobis forisfacta. Subsequenterque tertio die Augusti anno regni nostri duodecimo ad supplicationem præ-

26 Hen. VI. Mich. rot. 25. Pat. 26 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 21 vel 22. Pat. 1 Edw. IV. p. 6, m. 8. Pat. 8 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 20. Claus. 12 Edw. IV. m. 13. Pat. 16 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 23."

In the Lord Treas. Rem. Office are three Records relating to this abbey, thus referred to:

I. Mich. Rec. 2 Hen. V. rot. 2.

II. Trin. Rec. 3 Hen. VI. rot. 13.

III. Mich. Rec. 14 Hen. VI. rot. 12.

An ancient Book of Rentals belonging to this abbey is in the King's Remembrancer's Office.

Among the ancient Charters preserved in the British Museum there is an Indenture marked T. 2. dated March 28th, 27 Hen. VIII. between

the abbat of St. Mary of Grace, and William Sedley of Southfleet, in Kent, for the lease to the said William of the advowson and parsonage of Ridley, in Kent, for the term of ninety-nine years.

Cart. antiq. Brit. Mus. L.F.C. XIV. 27. Indentura inter religiosos viros dompnū Paschalem abbatem Monasterii B. M. de Graciis juxta Turrin London. et ejusdem loci Conventum, ex una parte, et Arnulphum Chagystey, ex parte altera, de terris in Holdesworthy Com. Devon. 8 Hen. V.

Ibid. XXIV. 1. An exemplification under the Great Seal of a Grant from Henry More, abbat of the Mon. of our Lady of Grace, to William Sedley of Southfleet, esquire, of the Advowson and Parsonage of the Church of Ridley, in Kent. 24 Hen. VIII.

dictorum abbatis et monachorum, de assensu et avisamento concilii nostri, per literas nostras patentes, dederimus et concesserimus præfatis abbati et monachis omnia exitus, redditus, et proficua de maneriis prædictis cum pertinentiis provenientia habend. et percipiend. sibi et successoribus suis singulis annis quousque eis per nos et dictum nostrum consilium de maneriis prædictis seu aliis possessionibus pro sufficienti dotatione sua aliter ordinatum foret et provisum. Et insuper voluerimus et concesserimus quod præfati abbas et monachi haberent omnia domos et ædificia maneriorum prædictorum pro custodia et hospitalione bonorum et catallorum suorum, ac exituum et proficuum prædictorum: et nos eciam secundo die Octobris dicto anno duodecimo quibusdam certis de causis coram nobis et consilio nostro in parlamento nostro apud Cantabrigge motis et propositis ac expressè declaratis, volentes eisdem abbati ac monachis gratiam facere ampliorem, de assensu et avisamento prælatorum, procerum, et magnatum nobis in dicto parlamento nostro assistentium, dictas donationes et concessionem nostras ac feofforum prædictorum præfatis abbati et monachis, sic factas, juxta intentionem et voluntatem dicti avi nostri pro nobis et hæredibus nostris per literas nostras patentes acceptaverimus, approbaverimus, declaraverimus, et plene affirmaverimus. Et præterea de avisamento et assensu prædictis in eodem parlamento nostro ad finem quod præfati abbas et monachi omnia exitus, redditus, blada, fenum, et proficua maneriorum prædictorum cum pertinentiis juxta effectum donationum et concessionum nostrarum prædictarum melius, liberius, et quietius habere et percipere valerent, ex mero motu nostro, pro majori securitate sua ne ipsi imposterum quovis modo defraudentur, concesserimus et commiserimus dilectis nobis Waltero de Sondeye ac Thomæ Sakeveyle, custodiam omnium maneriorum prædictorum cum pertinentiis universis in dicto comitatu Kantie, exceptis domibus et ædificiis prædictis, præfatis abbati et monachis ex causa prædicta sic per nos prius concessis, habend. eisdem Waltero et Thomæ et assignatis suis, una cum escaetis, reversionibus, &c. usque ad finem triginta annorum ex tunc proximè sequentium plenariè completorum. Reddendo inde nobis et hæredibus nostris, quolibet anno, unam rosam tantum ad festum nativitatis sancti Johannis Baptistæ, pro omnibus servitiis et demandis. Salvis semper et reservatis prædictis abbati et monachis et eorum successoribus omnibus prædictis exitibus, redditibus, bladis, feno, commoditatibus, et omnibus aliis proficuis quibuscunque maneriorum prædictorum cum pertinentiis ut prædictum est, prout in iisdem literis nostris patentibus plenius continetur. Nos jam considerantes pium et benignum propositum sanamque et devotam intentionem prædicti avi nostri in hac parte quod prædicta intentio et ultima voluntas dicti avi nostri penes dictam abbatiam beatæ Mariæ de Graciis adhuc minime perficiuntur, et quod eadem abbatia quæ jam de patronatu nostro fore dinoscitur, secundum primam foundationem ejusdem, nondum sufficienter ædificata nec dotata existit; volentesque hujusmodi intentionem ac ultimam voluntatem ipsius avi nostri ex regio favore feliciter adimplere, in exonerationem nostram et hæredum nostrorum, de gratia nostra speciali, et ex certa scientia nostra, ac de assensu consilii nostri dedimus et concessimus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris, præfatis abbati et monachis beatæ Mariæ de Graciis, omnia prædicta maneria de Leybourne, Gravesende, Leuche, Wattingbury, Gore, Parroke, et Bykenore, cum pertinentiis et cum advocacione ecclesiæ de Bykenore, et aliarum ecclesiarum prædictarum, et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis in dicto comitatu Kantie; nec non prædictam reversionem manerii de Gomshulf cum pertinentiis in dicto comitatu Surrie, post mortem dicti Thomæ de Stanes quando acciderit, una cum feodis militum, &c. Habend. et tenend. prædictis abbati et monachis et eorum successoribus in libram, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam in perpetuum ad missas et alia divina servitia singulis diebus celebrandas et faciendas in abbatia prædicta pro salubri statu et prosperitate nostra dum vixerimus et pro anima nostra cum ab hac luce migraverimus, et pro anima ejusdem avi nostri specialiter, et animabus omnium aliorum progenitorum, hæredum, et successorum nostrorum ac omnium fidelium defunctorum in perpetuum, juxta intentionem et ultimam voluntatem avi nostri supradicti. Insuperque concessimus et licentiam dedimus pro nobis et hæredibus nostris quantum in nobis est præfatis Johanni duci Lancastrie et Joh. episc. Lincoln. qui alios dictos feofatos supervixerunt, quod ipsi relaxare possint et quietum clamare prædictis ab-

bati et monachis et successoribus suis, omnia prædicta maneria terras et tenementa ac redditus, et reversionem prædictam cum pertinentiis et dictis advocacionibus ecclesiarum et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis supradictis, ac totum jus et clameum quæ iidem dux et episcopus Lincoln. habent, habuerant, seu habere poterunt qualitercunque in eisdem, habend. et tenend. eisdem abbati et monachis et successoribus suis in perpetuum sicut prædictum est, statuto de terris et tenementis ad manum mortuam non ponendis edito seu eo quod prædicta maneria, terræ, tenementa, redditus ac reversio cum advocacionibus ecclesiarum et omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis de nobis tenentur in capite seu aliquo alio statuto in contrarium facto aut aliqua alia causa quacunque, non obstante, &c. In cujus, &c. T. R. apud castrum de Nottingham tertio die Julii.

NUM. II.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

MONASTERIUM BEATÆ MARIÆ DE GRACIJS JUXTA TURRIM LONDON'.

Summa totalis hujus monasterij	60 <i>l</i> . 11 <i>s</i> . 10 <i>d</i> . ob.
Summa totalis reprisarum	55 <i>l</i> . 11 <i>s</i> . 4 <i>d</i> .
Et remanet clare	547 <i>l</i> . 0 <i>s</i> . 6 <i>d</i> . ob.

NUM. III.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM BEATÆ MARIÆ DE GRACIJS INFRA TURRIM LOND'.

London	£.	s.	d.
Scitus nuper Monaster'	6	13	4
Firma terr' in Est Smythfeld et al'	124	12	8
Redd' ten' in paroch' S. Dunstani in Oriente	3	6	8
Redd' ten' in paroch' S. Andr' Hubbarde	4	18	8
Redd' ten' in paroch' S. Michis in Croked Lane	4	0	0
Redd' ten' in paroch' S. Botolphi juxta Byllingsgate	35	0	0
Redd' ten' Omnium Sanctorum apud Dowgate	10	6	4
Redd' ten' in paroch' S. Martini in le Venetria	2	2	0
Redd' ten' in paroch' S. Michis apud le Quenehyth	9	0	0
Redd' in paroch' S. Margaretæ Moysez in Fryday-strete	19	16	8
Redd' in paroch' S. Sepulcri extra Newgate	16	16	8
Firma gardini in paroch' S. Andreae in Holborne	0	10	0
Redd' ten' in paroch' Sanctæ Brigittæ in Flete-strete	3	6	8
Redd' ten' in paroch' Sanctæ Antolinæ	3	10	0
Redd' magni teñti voc' le Sterre in paroch' S. Botolphi apud Aldersgate	2	3	4
Redd' ten' in Paroch' S. Barthi parvi	7	10	4
Redd' ten', &c. in paroch' S. Benedicti Fynke	6	4	4
Redd' un' ten' in paroch' S. Andreae Undershafte	1	10	0
Redd' un' ten' in paroch' S. Gabrielis in Fanchurche-strete	4	13	4
Firma ten' in paroch' S. Olavi in Marke Lane	7	6	8
Firma ten' in paroch' Omn' Sanct' Staynynge	5	3	4
Firma ten' in paroch' S. Michis ad Bladum	2	6	8
Firma gildæ de textoribus voc' wevers	13	6	8
Pens' recept' de abb' Westmonaster'	3	6	8
Pretium duarum pip' vin' rubij ex dono domini regis	5	0	0
Firma rector' Omnium Sanctorum Staynyngs	8	0	0

Com' Midd'	£. s. d.	Com' Kanc'	£. s. d.
Popler—Firma maner'	7 0 0	Newyngton—Firma marisci	2 0 0
Popler—Firma terr'	43 1 4	Gore—Firma maner'	non respond'
Popler—Redd' assis' cust' ten'	3 17 6		quia concess. Tho. Audley mil.
Com' Kanc'		West Mill—Firma maner'	non resp. causa ut supra.
Gravesend—Firma maner'	16 5 0	Com' Hertf'	
Mylton—Firma domus	0 16 8	Meseden—Firma maner'	19 0 0
Parroke—Firma maner'	11 6 8	Horemeade parva—Firma maner'	6 13 4
Parroke—Firma terr'	1 3 8	Com' Surr'	
Parroke—Redd' assis' cust' ten'	1 0 0	Gumshull—Firma maner'	19 0 0
Mynches—Firma maner'	2 6 8	Reddereth—Annual' redd'	20 0 0
Leyborne—Firma maner' et bosc'	19 13 4		
Bekenor—Firma maner'	4 0 0		
Wateringbury, Charte, et Fowlks—			
Firma maner'	5 0 0		

De Valle Crucis Abbey, in Denbighshire, sometimes called Llanegwast.



UGDALE quotes no more than a brief notice of the foundation of this Monastery from Leland; from whose Collectanea we learn that Madoc ap Griffith Maylor, prince of Powis, founded it.^a about A. D. 1200;^b and dedicated it to the blessed Virgin.

The revenues of the Abbey of Vale Crucis in 1291 amounted to the sum of 14*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.*^c The clear

value of this House in the 26th Hen. VIII. amounted to 188*l.* 8*s.*; the gross income to the annual sum of 214*l.* 3*s.* 5*d.*

The Scite was granted in the 9th James I. to Edward Wotton.

Tanner says, "*Vide* Godwinum de præsulibus Angliæ, p. 657. de decimis Wrexhamiæ et Llangollen appropriatis huic Cœnobio per Reinerum, Abrahamum, et Howel epis-copos Asaphenses."^d

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office is "De E. H. arm. et aliis assignatis ad inquirendum de Intrusionibus factis super possessione Situs nuper Mon. de Valle Crucis in com. Denbigh et aliis articulis." Hil. Commiss. 15 Eliz. vol. iv.

The SEAL of this Abbey was oval, representing the Virgin Mary, crowned, sitting under a canopy holding the Infant Jesus with the right hand, standing, and a sceptre in her left. In the base a shield of arms, checky. Legend, SIGILLV . COMVNE . DOMVS . BE . MARIE . DE . VALLE . CRUCIS. An imperfect impression of this seal is in the Augmentation Office on red wax.

A large portion of the remains of Valle Crucis Abbey has been converted into a farm-house. The east and west ends, with part of the transept of the abbey church, are also remaining.

The Abbey of Strata Marcella or Stratmargel in Montgomeryshire, was also called Vall-Crucis Abbey.

Abbatia de Valle Crucis, in agro Denbiensi.

NUM. I.	Com' Denb'	£. s. d.
Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.	Llanegwest—Terr'	23 11 0
MONASTERIUM SIVE ABBATIA DE VALLE CRUCIS.	Wrexam—Terr' in villa	14 8 10
Valet clare communibus annis	Halton—Terr' in villa	4 11 3 ob.
Viz. de	Churk—Rector'	10 0 0
Temporalibus	Wrexham—Rector'	5 0 0
Spiritualibus	Ruabon—Rector'	29 16 8
NUM. II.	Llangothlyn—Rector'	20 6 8
COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.	Llansanfraude—Capell'	7 13 4
[Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]	Llandesilio—Capell'	12 2 4
NUPER MONASTERIUM DE VALLE CRUCIS.	Bringhest—Capell'	7 11 4
Com' Denb'	Churk—Terr' dominical'	5 0 0
Vall' Crucis—Situs monaster'	Wrexham—Molend'	5 0 0
	Llangollyn—Molend'	2 0 0

^a Lel. Collect. tom, i. p. 103.
^b Hist. of Wales, 8vo. Lond. 1702, p. 221. Bishop Godwin, p. 657, saith, A. D. 1100, but that probably is falsely printed; for the founder lived till A. D. 1236, and was then buried in this abbey, as Hist. of Wales, p. 257. See Tann. Notit. Monast.
^c Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. p. 289.
^d Godwin gives a short Account of a contention between Anianus

II. bishop of St. Asaph from 1268 to 1293, and the abbat of Valle Crucis: "Lis exorta est inter ipsum et abbatem de Valle Crucis, circa vicarias de Langollen, Wrexham, Ruabon, Chirk, Lansanfrayd, et Landegla, quarum ecclesiarum patronatus ab officiali Cantuariensi et abbate de Tallelechen (Pontificis delegatis) episcopo et successoribus adjudicata est. Sed quoniam de jure patronatus ecclesiæ de Landegla nonnihil dubitatum est (ut videtur) tertiam partem decimarum de Brineglwis oportuit eum monachis de Valle Crucis appropriare."

Gokwelle, or Goykewell Nunnery, in Lincolnshire.



OKWELLE, Gaukevel, or Gowkeswell, says Tanner, a Cistercian Nunnery founded by William de Alta Ripa before A. D. 1185.^a It had a prioress and six nuns about the time of the Dissolution, whose yearly income was rated according to Dugdale at 16*l.* 12*s.* 10*d.*; according to Speed at 19*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.*

One giving the clear, the other the gross value. Leland says 20*l.*^b

The Scite of this monastery was granted in the 30th Hen. VIII. to Sir William Tyrwhit.

No SEAL of this Nunnery has, as yet, been discovered; nor have the Editors of the Monasticon met with any charters, originals or transcripts, relating to it.

There are but small traces of the Remains of this Monastery.

Goykewellensis Coenobium Monialium, in agro Lincolnensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

Valor Ecclesiasticus 26 Hen. VIII. *

DOMUS SIVE MONIALES DE GOYKEWELL.

Summa totalis spiritualium et temporalium cum terris dominicalibus	19 <i>l.</i> 18 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i>
Summa totalis reprisarum	3 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i>
Et remanet clare	16 <i>l.</i> 12 <i>s.</i> 10 <i>d.</i>

NUM. II.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS, temp. HEN. VIII.

[*Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.*]

PRIORAT' DE GOYKWELL.

Com' Linc'	£.	s.	d.
Clyxby—Reddit' assis'	1	8	4
Hybaldston—Firma mesuag', &c.	3	9	0
Com' Ebor'			
Dawne—Firma maner'	3	13	4

Com' Linc'	£.	s.	d.
Wynterton—Terr', &c.	2	1	0
Alkebarow—Unum tenementum	0	14	0
Com' Ebor'			
Fereby—Un' cotag'	0	1	8
Com' Linc'			
Crorbye—Un' cotag'	0	10	0
Clyxby—Mess' cum croft'	1	12	0
Broughton—Unum tenementum	1	0	0
Skawby—Unum tenementum	0	6	9
Normanby—Unum tenementum	0	12	0
Fyllingham—Firma terr'	0	12	0
Glentworth—Firma terr'	0	15	0
Marshchapel—Firma domus	1	0	0
Gouxill—Un' ten' cum terr'	0	14	0
Barton—Ten' et terr', &c.	3	10	0
Malmeton—Domus, &c.	0	5	4
Swalby—Firma terr'	0	4	0
Clyxby—Mess' et terr'	1	2	9
Pocklyngton—Domus	0	6	8
Goykewell—Molend' ventrit'	0	13	4
Goykewell—Terr' dominical'	1	10	2

Winteneye Nunnery, in Hampshire.



UGDALE, in the former edition of this work, placed Winteneye among the Benedictine monasteries; but the registers of the see of Winchester, as well as other authorities of the better kind, speak of it as Cistercian. Tanner says it was built to the honor of the blessed Virgin Mary and Mary Magdalene, or St. Mary Magdalene and St. John the Baptist. Jeffrey the son of

Peter, he adds, is said by one to have been the founder,^c and Roger Colrith, Esq. and Thomas his son, by another.^d Little mention of it occurs till after the year 1200.

The only charter which Dugdale has printed of this monastery, is the confirmation of a grant from Richard Makarel of lands in Southorp and Eslande.^e

No mention of Winteneye occurs in Pope Nicholas's Taxation A. D. 1291. In the 26th of Henry the VIIIth. its gross income amounted to 59*l.* 1*s.*: the clear revenue to 43*l.* 3*s.*^f The best enumeration of the lands which belonged to it in the 29th Hen. VIII. will be found in the Abstract of the Ministers' Accompts.^g

The Scite was granted in the 30th Hen. VIII. to Richard Hill, Esq. serjeant of the king's cellar.

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office is "De Joh. Negles, occasionato ad ostendendum quo titulo tenet Situm nuper Monasterii de Goykewell in com. Linc. Hil. Record. 13 Eliz. rot. xx.

^c In the Obituary of this House, which will be noticed presently.

^d Leland, Collect. tom. i. p. 69.

^e See the Append. Num. I.

^f Compare Num. III.

^g Num. IV.

^a Because mentioned in the Rental of the Templars' lands drawn up that year for a rent due from these nuns. See the former edit. of this work, vol. ii. p. 535.

^b Tanner gives the following References to Records concerning this Nunnery: "*Vide* Rot. cart. 41 Hen. III. m. 1. Pat. 4 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 11 vel 12. Pat. 12 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 17. de ten. in Hilbaldestok. Pat. 14 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 13. de mess. et ten. in Berghton juxta Salby. Pat. 48 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 24. pro ten. in Barton super Humber. Pat. 13 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 25. pro ten. in Clixby.

The Cottonian manuscript Claud. D. III. the contents of which will presently be noticed below, contains an obituary of Winteneye Monastery,^a from which it appears that the convent church was dedicated in 1234.

The ABBESSES, or PRIORESSES

as they are called, which occur in this obituary, are EMMA, SABINA, CLARICIA, LUCIA, JULIANA, ALICIA, a second LUCIA, HAWISA, CECILIA, and ROISA: but the dates of the months only are given, without the years, of their deaths.

The following persons are named in this obituary as benefactors; Nicholas bishop of Winchester, Philip de Barton archdeacon of Surrey, Richard de Hierde who is called "fundator ecclesiæ nostræ lapideæ," William de Farneham,

Geoffrey the son of Peter "fundator ecclesiæ nostræ," William Wichet, Elias abbat of Reading, Matilda de Cumens "fundatrix dormitorii nostri," Richard Holte, Margaret Zowche lady of Farelehe, John who is called "Prior de Novo Loco," probably Aldebury in Surrey, and Peter Ruscivale.

ALICE PRESTON occurs prioress in 1420.^b

Tanner says about the time of the Dissolution here were a prioress and seventeen nuns.

No REGISTER of this monastery is known;^c nor has any SEAL belonging to it been as yet discovered.

Winteneye Nunnery was situated near Hertford Bridge,

Wintenenense Coenobium, in agro Hantonienſi.

NUM. I.

Confirmatio Cartæ Richardi de Hereard per Regem Edwardum Primum.

[Cart. 19 Edw. I. nu. 11.]

REX archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Inspeximus cartam quam Richardus filius Richardi de Hereard fecit Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Winteneye, et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo, et beatæ Mariæ, et S. Mariæ Magdalenæ, et omnibus S. servientibus, in hæc verba. Omnibus S. matris ecclesiæ filiis ad quos præsens carta pervenerit, Richardus filius Richardi de Hereard, salutem in Domino, qui est salus omnium. Sciatis me concessisse, et hac præsentī carta mea confirmasse intuitu caritatis, et pro salute animarum patris mei Richardi de Hereird, et Elæ matris meæ, et pro salute animæ meæ, et Gunnoræ, quondam uxoris meæ, et pro salute omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, donum quod Richardus Makerel fecit Deo et ecclesiæ beatæ Mariæ de Winteneye et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo, et beatæ Mariæ, et sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ, et omnibus sanctis scrvientibus, ad sustentandum unum capellanum in perpetuum, qui pro salute omnium fidelium defunctorum, ibidem divina celebrabit, scilicet, de terris, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, quæ fuerunt Johannis et Thomæ Makerell in Sudetrope, et in Eslande, cum bosco de Petsete, &c. quas terras, &c. prædicti Johannes et Thomas habuerunt ex dono Richardi de Hereird patris mei, et dono mco, videlicet, unam virgatam et dimidiam terræ, &c.

NUM. II.

Inventarium bonorum.

[MS. Cotton. Claud. D. III. fol. 1 b.]

ANNO Domini millesimo cccc.xx°. et xvj. die mensis Octobr. Inventarium omnium bonorum existenc. in offic. refect. per decessum dominæ Aliciæ Preston.

In primis Tapet. debil. ad pend. super mur. ad mens. magn. ij. Item banker. delect. ij.

Item Mapp. mens. xv.

^a Printed at the end of Hearne's Annals of John de Trokelowe.

^b The following is the List of Prioresses supplied in Willis's List of Principals of Religious Houses. Tann. Notit. Mon. edit. Nasmith, p. xlii.

"SABINA, ISILIA, CLARITIA, JULIANA, HAWISIA, ROESIA, in old chartularies, without dates. LUCIA, 1225. CECILIA resigned 1294. ALICE DUMMORE succeeded. CHRISTIANA died 1329. ALICE WESTCOTE succeeded. CAMINA DE MARREYS elected 1336. EMMA WINTERBORNE elected 1349. JOHN BUNBURY elected 1414. ELINOR SQUIRRELL died 1452. ALICE SOMMERSET succeeded 1452, and died 1460. PETRONILLA PIGEON elected 1460. ANNE THOMAS succeeded 1497."

^c Tanner gives the following references to materials relating to the history of this monastery: "MS. Dodsworth in bibl. Bodl. Oxon. vol. xxiv. fol. 72. Cart. 19 Edw. I. pro monialibus de Wynteneye. Fin. div. com. 8 Hen. III. n. 30. de reddit. in Bedefont. Pat. 9 Edw. I. m. 3 vel 4. Pat. 8 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 28. pro ecclesia de Heryard. Cart. 11 Edw. III. n. 62. de commun. pastur. pro bovis, porcis, bidentibus, &c. super dominicis Hugonis de Wingham et Aliciæ de Byflete, et in maner. de Welle. Pat. 12 Ric. II. p. 1.

Item Tuell. de opere Parys. iiij.
Item Tuell. de pann. lin. ij.
Item manuterg. x.
Item pelv. cum lavacr. j. debil.
Item Salet. de pewter.
Item Candelabr. de laton ij. et de pewter j.

NUM. III.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

PRIORATUS WYNTNEY IN DECANAT' BASINGSTOKE.

Valet in firma terrarum una cum alijs redditibus spiritalibus et temporalibus	59l. 1s. 0d.
Reprisæ in diversis resolutis	15l. 18s. 0d.
Et valet ultra	43l. 3s. 0d.

NUM. IV.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 29 Hen VIII. Augmentation Office.]

WINTENEY NUPER PRIORATUS.

Com' Southton'	£.	s.	d.
Winteneye Hertley—Reddit' assis' tam liber' quam cust' ten'	31	18	6
Winteneye—Firma situs maner' cum terr' dominical'	20	0	0
Herteley Wintney—Firma rector'	4	0	0
Winton civ'—Firma tenementor' et gardinor'	2	5	0
Spersholt—Firma rector'	20	0	0
Com' Surr'			
Novus Locus—Penc' de prior'	2	0	0
Com' Southton'			
Dogmersfield—Penc' de rector'	2	0	0
Ichinstoke—Penc' de maner'	0	4	0
Com' Berk'			
Redinge—Penc' de abbat'	1	6	8

The Cottonian MS. Claud. D. III., already mentioned above, contains several articles relating to Winteneye.

1. Rythmi aliquot Gallici, seu Gallo-Normannici, fratris Symonis, ad J. Christum, pro salute conventuum de Winteni et Waverle, fol. 1 b.

2. Inventarium bonorum existentium in officio refectorii (monasterii de Winteneia?) per decessum Dom. Aliciæ Preston, A.D. 1420. Ibid. See the Append.

3. Precepta quædam Gallicè ad kalendarium recte intelligendum; forte in usum monialium de Winteneia, fol. 3.

4. Kalendarium in quo inseruntur nomina benefactorum, professorum, fratrum, sororumque ecclesiæ de Winteneia, fol. 138 b. Printed in the Append to Hearne's edit. of the Annales Johan. de Trokelowe. 8°. Oxon. 1729.

Among Dr. Ducarel's Excerpts from the Lambeth Registers also, vol. iv. pp. 402, 403, are the following:

Commissio ad visitand. monasterium monialium de Wynteneye sede vacante, 13 kal. Aug. 1316. Registr. Reynolds, fol. 117 b.

Litera archiepiscopi episcopo Wynton. ut reformat. monasterium de Wynteneye. Dat. ap. Lambeth prid. id. Maii, A.D. 1316, fol. 38 b.

Heyninges, or Hebenynge Nunnery, in Lincolnshire.



Of this Nunnery we know little more than is preserved in Tanner. It was founded by Rayner Evermue about A.D. 1180, and was dedicated to the Virgin Mary. Leland, and the Surrender of this House, speak of it as “Ordinis Sancti Bernardi,” but other authorities call it a Benedictine House. Tanner says, “Here were at first Religious of both sexes, like one of the Gilbertine Houses, and it is reckoned as such in the Monasticon, without good authority.” It had a prioress and twelve nuns, and was

maintained with a yearly revenue which in the 26th Hen. VIII. amounted to 58*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* in the gross, and to a clear income of 49*l.* 5*s.* 2*d.*^a

The Scite was granted in the 31st Hen. VIII. to Sir Thomas Henneage.

Tanner’s references to Records relating to this Monastery will be found below.^b No REGISTER of it is known to exist.

An impression of the COMMON SEAL of this Nunnery to a deed without date, but apparently of the 13th century, on white wax, is in the Office of the Duchy of Lancaster: it is a coarse seal, with the usual subject of the blessed Virgin and divine Infant, but little of the legend remains.

The small vestiges of this monastery are situated in the parts of Lindsey, in the parish of Lea.

Coenobium Monialium de Heyninges, in agro Lincolnensi.

NUM. I.

Carta Regis Henrici Tertii, Donatorum Concessionem recitans et confirmans.

[Cart. 52 Hen. III. m. 3. per Inspex.]

HENRICUS, &c. Inspeximus cartam, quam Reynerus de Evermu fecit Deo et beatæ Mariæ et omnibus sanctis et fratribus ac sororibus de Heyninges ibidem religiosè conversantibus, in hæc verba. Episcopo Lincolnæ, et capitulo, et omnibus sanctæ Dei ecclesiæ fidelibus, Reynerus de Evermu salutem. Noverit universitas vestra, me concessisse, dedisse, et hac præsentî cartâ meâ confirmâsse Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et omnibus sanctis, et fratribus et sororibus de Heyninges ibidem religiosè conversantibus, totum nemus, ubi habitant, et communem pasturam mariscorum, et turbariam; et duas hirstes circumjacentes; et sartum juxta mariscum; et warnotum de Linley, et angulum prati de North, cum duabus acris de creis, in eodem prato; et veterem piscariam de North; et ecclesiam de Uptone, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; et duas garbas de dominio meo de Clineyâ, et decem sticcas anguillarum de ecclesiâ de Clineyâ, salvâ donatione ejusdem ecclesiæ mihi et hæredibus meis. Concedo etiam prædictis sanctimonialibus, omnes decimas suas de eadem parochiâ, quietas; et unam carucatam terræ in Holo-wellâ, quam Agnes filia mea tenet, quando se demiserit de eadem terrâ quocunque modo. Hæc omnia concessi prædictis sanctimonialibus, et dedi in liberam et puram et perpetuam elemosynam, et solutam ab omni seculari servicio. Testibus Gwaltero de Amundevill, et uxore ejus Haviz, et Jost, et Guilelmo de Evermu, Gilberto de Nevill, Guilelmo filio Roberti, &c.

Inspeximus etiam cartam, quam Odo de Sanctâ Cruce fecit eisdem fratribus et sororibus, in hæc verba. Odo de S. Cruce omnibus, &c. Notum vobis omnibus fieri volo, quod ego et Odo filius et hæres meus, dedimus at concessimus Deo et S. Mariæ et sanctimonialibus de Heyninges, xl. acras terræ, cum communi pasturâ in campis de Uptone, xx. scilicet ex unâ parte villæ, et xx. ex alterâ parte; tenendas et habendas imperpetuum, pro iii. s. annuatim reddendis, xviii. d. in dominicâ ramis palmarum et xviii. d. ad festum S. Michaelis pro omni servicio, &c. Testibus, Willielmo filio Oberti archid. Jordano thesaurario, et Adam filio ejus, &c. Nos autem prædictas donationes, &c. confirmamus, &c. Da-

^a In Pope Nicholas’s Taxation we have two or three entries relating to this priory. The prioress is stated to have had temporalities to the amount of 6*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.* in the archdeaconry of Leicester and diocese of Lincoln, and in the deaneries of Lincoln, Luthesk, and Lutheburg, Coryngham, Laurys, and Frameland, to the amount of 27*l.* 2*s.* 7*d.* In the diocese of York, in Newerk, temporalities to the annual income of 5*s.* 5*d.* See the Taxation, pp. 67, 73 b, 75, 312 b, 339.

tum per manum nostram apud Lincolniam xvi. die Augusti, anno regni nostri Lii.

NUM. II.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

DOMUS SIVE MONIALES DE HENYNG IN DEC. DE LAWRES.	
Summa totalis spiritualium et temporalium cum domi- nical’	58 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i>
Summa totalis allocationum	9 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> 2 <i>d.</i>
Et sic remanet clare	49 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> 2 <i>d.</i>

NUM. III.

[From a Pension Book temp. Hen. VIII. in the Augmentation Office.]

THE NUNRYE OF HAYNYNGE.

Furste to Janne Stanforde, late pores there	vj <i>li.</i> xii <i>j</i> ^{s.} iii <i>j</i> ^{d.}
Agedd women.	
To Margaret Tyndaft	xxxii <i>j</i> ^{s.} iii <i>j</i> ^{d.}
To Johanne Duffelde	xxii <i>j</i> ^{s.} iii <i>j</i> ^{d.}
Yownge women.	
To Johanne Amcott	xxx <i>s.</i>
To Jane Amcott	xxx <i>s.</i>
To Isabel Lyndley	xxx <i>s.</i>
To Elizabeth Redd	xxx <i>s.</i>
To Elizabeth Burghe	xxx <i>s.</i>
To Johanne Clayton	xxx <i>s.</i>
To Margaret Nelson	xxx <i>s.</i>
To Margaret Marshall	xxx <i>s.</i>
To Agnes Nuttynge	xxx <i>s.</i>

NUM. IV.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

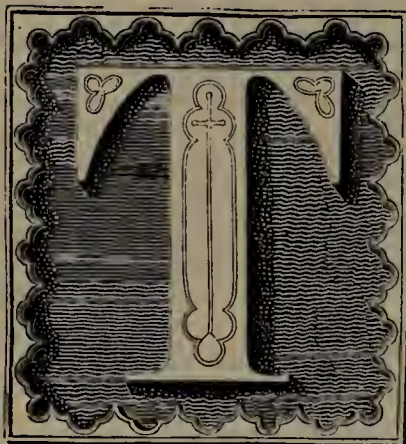
HEVENYNG NUPER PRIORATUS.	
Com’ Linc’	£. s. d.
Sturton juxta Stow—Reddit’ assis’	1 4 4
	1 lib. cumin.

^b “Vide Plac. in com. Linc. 9 Edw. I. assis. rot. 76. de commun. pastur. in Kneye, et rot. 78. Pat. 21 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 6. pro eccl. de Wilmerslee, p. 3, m. 5. Pat. 22 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 37. pro eccl. de Knayth. Pat. 50 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 13. pro maner. de Ledenham, Brayland, &c. Plac. assis. in div. com. temp. Hen. IV. rot. 98. de redd. in suburb. Lincoln.”

See also Rot. Hundr. vol. i. p. 363.

Com' Linc'	£.	s.	d.	Com' Linc'	£.	s.	d.
Willingham—Reddit' assis'	0	2	7	Sturton juxta Stowe—Firma ten'			
Upton—Reddit' assis'	1	9	11 ob.	et ter'	5	7	8
			1 lib. piperis.	Wyllingham—Firma terr'	0	6	8
Keyxby—Reddit' assis'	0	14	5	Com' Bedf'			
Lincoln—Reddit' assis'	0	5	0	Dunstable—Firma un' mesuag'	0	10	0
Hokewell—Reddit' assis'	0	8	0	Com' Nott'			
Ledenham—Reddit' assis'	0	2	1 ob.	Stokkethe—Firma un' croft'	0	4	0
Abkettily—Reddit' assis'	0	6	8	Mysterton—Firma ten' cum terr'	0	18	0
Upton—Reddit' ad vol'	1	11	2	Com' Leic'			
Keyxby—Reddit' ad vol'	1	16	0	Howell—Firma ten' cum terr'	2	0	0
Stowe—Firma duorum toft'	0	1	6	Com' Linc'			
Upton—Firma divers' toft' et terr'	2	13	3	Ledenham—Firma ten', &c.	4	4	1
Lincoln—Firma toft' et gardin'	0	6	0	Braylonde—Firma pastur'	5	6	8
Nun Ormsby—Firma un' ten'	0	5	6	Heynings—Firma terr' dominical'	9	11	9
Gaynesburgh—Firma un' croft'	0	1	6	Upton—Firma mol' ventrit'	1	1	8
Com' Nott'				Heynings—Perquis' cur'	0	0	8
Newerke—Firma un' cotag'	0	3	8	Upton—Firma rector'	10	0	0
Com' Linc'				Com' Ebor'			
Sturton Owtyngs—Firma terr'	0	8	9	Wylmersley—Firma rector'	22	0	0

Stykoswold, or Styrwold Nunnery, in Lincolnshire.



HE Countess Lucy, says Tanner, relict of Yvo de Tailbois, Roger de Romara, and Ranulf the first earl of Chester, built here, in the time of King Stephen, a monastery of Cistercian^a Nuns, under the direction of a master.^b It was dedicated to the blessed Virgin.

In Pope Nicholas's Taxation, A.D. 1291, the Nuns of Stykeswold are represented to have received a pension of 1*l.* from the

church of Alford, in the diocese of Lincoln. The temporalities of this House in the same diocese are rated at the sum of 6*l.* per annum.^c

Tanner says, here were thirteen nuns, whose possessions appear to have been rated in the gross, in the 26th

Hen. VIII., at 163*l.* 1*s.* 2½*d.*; in clear income at 114*l.* 5*s.* 2½*d.*

Being one of the lesser monasteries, this House came to the crown by the act 27 Hen. VIII.; but that King was pleased, in the 29th year of his reign, to refound the same for a prioress and nuns of the Premonstratensian Order,^d which continued only two years, till the dissolution of the greater abbies.^e

The Scite was granted in the 32 Hen. VIII. to Robert Dighton.

JOHANNA occurs as prioress of this House Feb. 18th, 1502.

MARIA MISSENDEN was the name of the prioress appointed upon the re-foundation in the 29th Hen. VIII.

Tanner says that a REGISTER of this Abbey was formerly in the possession of John Coventry, Esq. son of Thomas, Lord Coventry. His other references will be found in the note.^f

^a Tanner has a note upon the word *Cistercian*, referring to the old edition of the Monasticon. "Thus the charter of Hen. III. Mon. Angl. vol. i. p. 924. and Leland, Collect. vol. i. p. 92. but the Monasticon, vol. i. p. 486. placeth it among the Benedictine monasteries; and ibid. vol. i. p. 1041. and vol. ii. p. 809. amongst the Gilbertine; and so doth Mr. Speed. The last foundation was undoubtedly Premonstratensian; which makes it probable that the old monastery was so too. But it is neither to be found in the protections of that order, 22 Edw. I. nor in the Visitations of bishop Redman. MS. Ashmol. 1519. In the old Catalogue ascribed to Gervase, of Canterbury, or Hen. Sulgrave, here are placed canons and nuns as at Sempingham, Haverholm, and other Gilbertine monasteries; but it not being mentioned among the houses of that order, either in Mon. Angl. vol. i. p. 788. or any of the bulls and confirmation of the Sempingham houses, there seems to be most grounds to make it Cistercian."

^b So in the Records, "Magister et moniales de Stikeswold;" or "Magister monialium de Stikeswold;" but according to Mr. Willis, History of Abbies, vol. ii. p. 117. here were more men besides the master or prior. Leland. Collect. vol. i. p. 92, says, that there were formerly, as he had heard, brethren in this House, which seems to imply that at the Dissolution it consisted only of females.

^c Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 59, 67.

^d See the Appendix Num. III.

^e Strype, in his Ecclesiastical Memorials, vol. i. p. 256, has printed a letter to Mr. Heneage, one of Cromwell's visitors, in 1536, in which the favour shewn to the nunnery upon this occasion is announced by the convent, and the hard terms upon which it was for a short time granted.

"Right worshipful sir, as your poor and daily bede women, we humbly commend us unto you; adverteising you that by the goodness of my Lord Privy Seal, and by his only means and suit to the king's Majesty, our House doth stand, paying to his Highnes nine hundred mark for a fine, besides our first fruits, which is 150*l.*, and also a pen-

sion of 34*l.* by the year for ever. Good Mr. Heneage, we most humbly pray and desire you in the way of charity, and for God sake, to be mean to my Lord Privy Seal, that he will of his goodness be suitor to the King's Majesty for to remit and forgive the said pension of 34*l.* a year; or else we shall never be able to live and pay the king the afore-said money.

"We be eighteen nuns, and a sister, in our House; besides officers and servants, to the number of fifty persons in all: and our stock and cattel being delivered up this year past; which was our chief hope and living. And if, by my Lord Privy Seal's goodness and yours, we may obtain redemption of the said yearly pension, we shall take pains, and live poorly, and serve God, and pray daily for the King's Majesty, my Lord Privy Seal, and you, during our lives. And if at your contemplation we cannot obtain grace of the said pension, we shall upon necessity, for that we shall not be able to pay and perform all such payments as we be bound, give up the House into the King's Highnes hand: which were great pity, if it pleased God and the King otherwise. And thus we pray God send you much worship. From Styxwold the viij. day of January.

By your poor bedes-women,
the whole Convent of Styxwold."

^f "Collect. è rot. Hundred. in com. Lincoln. MS. Dodsworth, vol. lxxxix. foll. 61, 83, et 84. de terris in Horkeston, ex donationibus Eustachii le Fleming, Godwini filii . . . Radulphi filii Gilberti; et fol. 88 b. Plac. in com. Lincoln. 9 Edw. I. quo war. rot. 20. Cart. 22 Edw. I. n. 43. pro lib. war. in Stykeswold et Thorp, Linc. Brev. reg. 51 Edw. I. rot. 49. recit. cartam fundationis. Pat. 9 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 1. Pat. 15 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . Pat. 21 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . Pat. 51 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 21. pro eccl. S. Mariæ de Wainflete. Pat. 13 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 19. Pat. 7 Hen. IV. p. . m. 6."

See also Rot. Hundr. vol. i. pp. 260, 313, 317, 368, 389, 393. Abbrev. Placit. pp. 3, 46, 58, 258. Plac. de Quo Waranto, p. 428.

The COMMON SEAL of this Nunnery had for its subject the blessed Virgin seated, crowned, and having the divine Infant in her lap: the Legend gone, and the Im-

pression itself nearly so: a drawing of it is in the possession of one of the Editors of this Work.

The REMAINS of this Nunnery are small and unimportant.

Cartae ad Abbatiam de Stixwold, in agro Lincolnensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

De quibusdam Possessionibus hujus Cœnobii.

[Ex Rotul. Hundredorum in arce Lond. 3 E. I. Lincoln. Hundr. de Trehowe.]

INQUISITIO facta apud Stanford, coram dominis Will. de S. Omero, et Warino de Chawcombe, justiciariis domini regis, ad hoc assignatis, per duodecim de Trahow juratos, et subscriptos, &c. Qui dicunt super sacramentum, quot et maneria dominus quæ rex habet in manu sua, &c. Dicunt quod dominus rex nullum manerium habuit in wapentac de Trehow.

Item dicunt quod magister et moniales de Stikeswald tenent in Huntingdon duas carucatas terræ, quæ valent per annum iiii. lib. de quibus elemosinantur, ex dono domini Galfridi de Ezmondeys lx. annis elapsis. Et idem Galfridus eas tenet de domino Gilberto de Gaunt, quo servitio dicunt quod nesciunt. Et sunt geldabiles, ad wapentacium, ad dampnum domini regis per annum . . . iiii.s. vii.d. Et dicunt quod dominus rex amittat de auxilio vicecomitis, quo waranto nesciunt; nihilominus terræ, warda, et maritagium cum acciderit, eo quod dicta terra elemosinatur, iiii. lib. per annum. Postea venit prædictus magister et recognovit, quod prædictum tenementum est geldabile, &c.

Item dicunt quod idem magister de Stikeswald et moniales tenent in elemosinam in villâ de Huntingdon, duas carucatas terræ, et quatuor bovatas terræ, quæ valent per annum c.s. de dono domini Alexandri de Crevequer: et idem Alexander eos tenuit de domino Gilberto de Gaunt, pro quadam sectâ ad curiam dicti Gilberti apud Folkingham, de tribus septimanis in tres septimanas; et idem Gilbertus eas tenet de domino rege in capite, quo servitio, vel quo waranto dicunt quod nesciunt, et sunt geldabiles, &c.

Item dicunt quod prædictæ moniales de Stikeswald tenent in Huntingdon, septem carucatas et quatuor bovatas terræ, et valent per annum xv. libras. De quibus elemosinantur, ex dono dominæ Lucie matris domini Ranulfi comitis Cestrie, jam centum annis elapsis; et dicta domina Lucia eas tenet de domino rege in capite, quo servitio, vel quo waranto dicunt quod nesciunt. Et dicunt quod non sunt geldabiles ad wapentacium, quia sunt de libertate Cestrie, &c.^a Et dicunt quod dominus rex amittit terræ wardam et maritagium, cum acciderit, eo quod prædicta terra elemosinatur, xv. l. per annum, quia de tempore c. annorum; ideo inde nihil, &c.

Et dicunt quod dictæ moniales de Stikeswald tenent in Bareston, unam carucatam, et duas bovatas terræ, et valent per annum l.s. de quibus elemosinantur, ex dono domini Ranulfi comitis Cestrie c. annis elapsis, et dictus comes eas tenet de domino rege in capite, quo servitio, vel quo waranto dicunt quod nesciunt. Et dicunt quod non sunt geldabiles ad wapentacium, quia sunt de libertate Cestrie. Et dicunt quod dominus rex amittit terræ wardam et maritagium, cum acciderit, eo quod dictæ terræ elemosinantur, l.s. per annum, quia de tam longinquo tempore; ideo inde nihil, &c.

NUM. II.

[Ex Rot. Hundr. de com. Linc. temp. Edw. I.]

JURATORES dicunt quod magister et moniales de Stikeswold tenent in Hundyngdon duas carucatas terræ quæ va-

lent per annum quatuor lib. de quibus elemosinantur de dono domini Galfridi de Ermondeys lx. annis elapsis, et idem Galfridus eas tenuit de domino Gilberto de Gaunt, quo servitio dicunt quod ignorant, et sunt geldabiles ad wapp. ad dampnum domini regis per annum iiii.s. vii.d. de auxilio vicecom. quo waranto nesciunt. Et dicunt quod dominus rex amittit nihilominus tempore wardæ et maritagi cum accidit, eo quod dicta terra elemosinatur iiii.l. per annum. Item dicunt quod idem magister de Stikeswold et moniales tenent in elemosinam in villa de Huntingdon duas carucatas terræ, et iiii. bovatas terræ quæ valent per annum cent. solidos de dono Alexandri de Crevequer, et idem Alexander eas tenuit de domino Galfrido de Gaunt pro quadam secta ad curiam dicti Gilberti apud Folkingham de tribus septimanis in 3. septimanas, et idem Gilbertus eas tenuit de domino rege in capite, quo servitio, vel quo waranto dicunt quod nesciunt, et sunt geldabiles ad wapp. et dant auxilium vicecom. v. sol. per annum et communem misericordiam quando accidit. Et dicunt quod dominus rex amittit tempore ward. et maritag. cum acciderit, eo quod dicta terra elemosinatur c. sol. per annum. Quoad servitium quod dominus rex est in seisinâ, ideo inde nihil. Et quia nihil ostendunt de confirmatione ideo inde ad iudicium.

Item dicunt quod prædictæ moniales tenent in Huntingdon vij. caruc. et iiii. bovat. terræ quæ valent per annum xv. li. de quibus elemosinantur ex dono dominæ Lucie matris domini Ranulfi comitis Cestrie jam centum annis elapsis, et dicta domina Lucia eas tenuit de domino rege in capite, quo servitio vel quo waranto dicunt quod nesciunt. Et dicunt quod non sunt geldabiles ad wapp. quia sunt de libertate Cestr. et dicunt quod dominus rex amittit tempore ward. et maritagi cum accidit, eo quod prædicta terra elemosinatur, xv.l. per annum. Quia de tempore c. annorum ideo inde nihil, &c.

NUM. III.

Carta Foundationis ejusdem per Regem Henricum Octavum.

[Pat. 29. H. VIII. part. 1.]

Rex archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Sciatis, quod nos ob sinceram devotionem quam ad Dei genetricem virginem Mariam, ac ad virtutis incrementum et divini cultus augmentationem, necnon ad religionis observantiæ studium gerimus et habemus, de gratiâ nostrâ speciali, ac ex certâ scientiâ et mero motu nostris, ad laudem et honorem Dei, et matris Domini nostri Jhesu Christi virginis Mariæ, quoddam novum monasterium, sive quandam domum conventualem sanctimonialium ordinis Benedicti Præmonstratensis, in fundo, loco, terrâ, scitu, præinctu et circuitu veteris monasterii de Stixwold in comitatu Lincoln. nuper prætextu et auctoritate parlamenti nostri apud Westmonasterium tenti suppressi, duximus ordinandum et fundandum, ac in eisdem solo et loco novum monasterium sive domum, de unâ priorissâ et sanctimonialibus ordinis Præmonstratensis inibi divina officia indices ministraturis; ac pro bono et salubri statu nostro, et præcharissimæ consortis nostræ Johannæ reginæ Angliæ, dum vixerimus; et pro animabus nostris cum ab hac luce migraverimus, et pro animabus liberorum et progenitorum nostrorum, et omnium fidelium defunctorum in eodem monasterio oraturis cæteraque omnia et singula alia facturis et perimpleaturis juxta ordinationes, dispositiones,

2. De Nich. E. occasionato ad ostendendum quare situs prioratus de Stixwold in manibus regis seisi non debet.—Mich. Record. 6 Jac. I. rot. 315.

3. De manibus regis amovendis de situ Priorat. de Stixwold ac Henrico Hobart mil. et alijs liberand.—Trin. Record. 13 Jac. I. rot. 239.

^a Vide Pat. 7 H. IV. l. 2. m. 5.

There is a Paper Survey of this Nunnery, temp. Hen. VIII. in the Augm. Office.

In the Lord Treas. Rem. Office are,

1. Erectio Novi Monasterij Ord. S. Benedicti, loco et statu Veteris Monasterij de Stixwold, et terr. Priorissæ inde concess.—Orig. 29 Hen. VIII. rot. 104.

provisiones, et statuta quæ per nos, hæredes, executores, vel assignatos nostros in câ parte erunt ordinata, disposita, et provisâ tenore præsentium realiter facimus, erigimus, fundamus, ereamus et stabilimus perpetuis futuris temporibus duraturum: quod quidem monasterium sive domus novum monasterium regis Henrici Octavi de Stixwold imperpetuum nominabitur, nuncupabitur, et vocabitur; sicque monasterium illud imperpetuum nominari, nuncupari, et vocari volumus et ordinamus. Et idcirco nos affectantes nostram foundationem plenum sortiri effectum, locum, terram, fundum, seîtum, procinetum et circuitum prædicti veteris monasterii de Stixwold, cum omnibus et singulis ædificiis, domibus, claustris, ecclesiâ, campanili, cimiterio, campanis, ornamentis, jocalibus, catallis, et aliis rebus et utensilibus quibuscunque, ad prædictum vetus monasterium nuper pertinentibus sive aliquo modo spectantibus, dilectæ nobis in Christo Mariæ Missenden dieti ordinis sanctimoniali, et in ordine illo professæ quam nos in priorissam novi monasterii nostri prædicti præficimus, ordinamus, et constituimus per præsentem, ac sanctimonialibus ordinis prædicti Deo ibidem servituris et religioni prædictæ mancipandis, pro divinis obsequiis et elemosinis, et aliis pietatis operibus ibidem sustinendis, ministrandis, et supportandis, juxta ordinationem nostram ut præmittitur plenius fiendis damus, concedimus, et hac præsentem eartâ nostrâ confirmamus; habendum et tenendum sibi et successoribus suis de nobis et hæredibus nostris in capite per vicessimam partem unius feodi militis. Sciatis insuper quod nos de gratia nostra speciali, ac ex certâ scientiâ et mero motu nostris, concessimus ac per præsentem concedimus, pro nobis, hæredibus, et successoribus nostris, præfatis priorissæ et sanctimonialibus novi monasterii regis Henrici Octavi de Stixwold, quod ipsa nunc priorissa et sanctimoniales et successores sui sint de cætero imperpetuum unum corpus incorporatum re et nomine, habeantque successionem perpetuam, ac per nomen et sub nomine priorissæ et conventus novi monasterii regis Henrici Octavi de Stixwold nominabuntur et vocabuntur imperpetuum; et quod ipsa et successores sui per idem nomen et sub eo nomine sint et erunt personæ habiles et in lege capaces ad perquirendum, recipiendum, et acceptandum terras, tenementa, redditus, reversiones, servicia, advocaciones, libertates, franchises, privilegia, ac alia emolumenta, possessiones, et hæreditamenta quæcunque, tam spiritualia quàm temporalia: et quod habeant sigillum commune pro rebus et negotiis dieti monasterii agendis serviturum; et quod ipsa et successores sui per nomen supradictum sequi possint et defendere omnimodas causas, quæclas, et actiones, tam reales quàm personales et mixtas, ejuscunque fuerint generis vel naturæ, et in eisdem placitare possint et implacitari, tam coram nobis et hæredibus nostris quàm coram quibuscunque justiciariis et iudicibus, tam ecclesiasticis quàm secularibus, et in quibuscunque curiis nostris hæredum et successorum nostrorum, ac aliis curiis et placeis quibuscunque.

Et ulterius de uberiori gratiâ nostrâ dedimus et concessimus, ac per præsentem damus et concedimus præfatis priorissæ et conventui prædictum vetus monasterium de Stixwold, cum pertinentiis, ac omnia et singula maneria, terras, tenementa, advocaciones, et patronatus ecclesiarum, capellarum, et cantariarum, portiones, pensiones, decimas, oblationes, feoda militum, ferias, mercato, nundinas, warrennas, curias letas, visus franci plegia, libertates et consuetudines ad prædictum vetus monasterium de Stixwold qualitercunque, quarto die Februarii anno regni nostri vicessimo septimo, pertinentia sive spectantia; viz. maneria de Stixwold, Horsyngtone, Hunnyngtone, Ferebye, Horstowe, Hundelby-Hallmat, et Hundelby-Grange, et Besewynthorpe, cum pertinentiis: necnon rectorias sive ecclesias de Waynflete, Hunnyngton, Hundely, et Levyngton, ac omnia et singula terras, tenementa, redditus, reversiones, servicia, advocaciones, et patronatus ecclesiarum, capellarum, et cantariarum, portiones, pensiones, decimas, oblationes, feoda militum, ferias, mercato, nundinas, warrennas, aquas, stagna, vivaria, piscarias, boscus, subboscus, redditus, reversiones, servicia, wardus, maritagia, et relevia, ac alias possessiones et hæreditamenta nostra quæcunque, tam spiritualia quàm temporalia ejuscunque generis, naturæ, vel speciei fuerint, et quibuscunque nominibus censeantur in Stixwold, Horsyngton, Hunnyngton, Ferebye, Horstowe, Hundelby, Besewynthorp, Waynflete, et Levyngtone in com. Lineol. dicto

nuper veteri monasterio sive prioratui de Stixwold quovis modo pertinentia, sive spectantia, adeo plene et integre, ac in tam amplis modo et forma, prout Helena Key, nuper priorissa dicta veteris monasterii sive prioratus de Stixwold in jure prioratus illius quarto die Februarii anno regni nostri vicessimo septimo, aut antea, scitum, maneria, et rectorias prædicta, ac cætera omnia et singula præmissa cum pertinentiis habuit, tenuit, vel gavisus fuit; ac adeo plenè et integrè, ac in tam amplis modo et formâ, prout illa ad manus nostras ratione et prætextu cujusdam actus de quibusdam monasteriis et prioratibus dissolvendis, in parlamento nostro apud London. tertio die Novembris anno regni nostri vicessimo primo inchoato, et deinde usque Westmonasterium adjornatum, et ibidem per diversas prorogationes usque ad et in quartum die Februarii dicto anno regni nostri vicessimo septimo continuatum et tunc tentum, inter alia edita et provisâ, ac ratione suppressionis dieti veteris monasterii de Stixwold ad manus nostras devenerunt seu devenire debuerunt, ac in manibus nostris jam existunt, aut existere deberent; et in tam amplis modo et formâ prout nos ea habere seu teneremus si præsens concessio nostra præfatis priorissæ et conventui dieti novi monasterii nostri inde facta fuisset: necnon omnes et omnimodas visus franci-plegias, curias letas, ac omne id quod ad visum franci-plegii pertinet, jura, jurisdictiones, libertates, et franchises quæcunque in prædictis maneriis, grangiis, terris, tenementis, et cæteris omnibus et singulis præmissis superius concessis et specificatis, cum suis membris et pertinentiis quibuscunque, ac in qualibet eorundem parcellâ, quæ prædicta nuper priorissa in jure dicti nuper veteris monasterii de Stixwold, dicto quarto die Februarii, anno regni nostri vicessimo septimo, aut antea in prædictis maneriis sive grangiis, et cæteris præmissis aut in aliquâ inde parcellâ habuit, tenuit, vel gavisus fuit; ac adeo plenè et integrè, ac in tam amplis modo et formâ prout visus franci-plegii, curiæ letæ, jurisdictiones, franchises, et libertates prædictæ ad manus nostras ratione et prætextu actus prædicti devenerunt aut devenire deberent. Quæ quidem seîtus maneria et cætera præmissa cum suis pertinentiis extenduntur et ratæ sunt ad clarum annum valorem centum quinquaginta et duarum librarum decem solidorum et septem denariorum, et non ultra. Habendum et tenendum dictum vetus monasterium, et scitum ejusdem, necnon maneria, terras, tenementa, rectorias, ecclesias et cætera omnia et singula præmissa cum suis pertinentiis præfata priorissæ et conventui dicti novi monasterii nostri de Stixwold et successoribus suis, de nobis et hæredibus nostris in capite per vicessimam partem unius feodi militis, ut prædictum est, et per redditum quindecim librarum quinque solidorum et unius denarii ad curiam nostram augmentationum reventionum coronæ nostræ, ad festa S. Michaelis archangeli, et annunciationis beatæ Mariæ virginis, per æquales portiones solvendum, pro omnibus aliis serviciis, exactionibus, et demandis quibuscunque. Qui quidem redditus quindecim librarum quinque solidorum et unius denarii est vera decima penes prædictorum scitus, maneriorum, rectoriarum, et cæterorum præmissorum: necnon dictas rectorias sive ecclesias in proprios usus ipsarum priorissæ et conventus et successorum suorum imperpetuum, statuto de terris et tenementis ad manum mortuam non ponendis; aut aliquo alio statuto, actu, ordinatione, provisione, sive restrictione in contrarium inde antehæc editis, ordinatis, seu provisâ, aut eo quod prædictum vetus monasterium suppressum, vel prædictum novum monasterium in loco ipsius erectum seu fundatum existit; aut eo quod expressa mentio de certitudine præmissorum in præsentibus minime facta existit; aut aliquâ aliâ re, causâ, vel materiâ quacunque in aliquo non obstante.

Et ulterius de uberiori gratiâ nostrâ dedimus et concessimus, ac per præsentem damus et concedimus præfatis priorissæ et conventui omnia et singula exitus, redditus, reversiones, et proficua de prædictis scitu, maneriis, terris, et tenementis, ac cæteris præmissis à prædicto quarto die Februarii anno regni nostri vicessimo septimo hucusque provenientia, sive aliquo modo crescentia; tam per manus suas proprias, quàm per manus escaetorum, vicecomitum, receptorum, ballivorum, tenentium, firmariorum, aut aliorum occupatorum eorundem et cujuslibet inde parcellæ, aut officiariorum seu ministrorum nostrorum quorumcunque, habenda et percipienda eisdem priorissæ et conventui de dono nostro absque compoto seu aliquo alio proinde nobis vel

hæredibus nostris reddendo, solvendo, vel faciendo. Hiis testibus, reverendissimo in Christo patre T. archiepiscopo Cantuar. totius Angliæ primatæ; ac venerabilibus patribus C. Dunelm. et E. Hereforden. episcopis; ac prædilecto consiliario nostro Thomâ Audeley milite cancellario nostro Angliæ: necnon charissimis consanguineis nostris Thomâ Norfolkciæ thesaurario Angliæ, et Carolo Suffolciæ ducibus, Johanne Oxon. camerario Angliæ, et Georgio Salop. senescallo hospicii nostri comitibus, ac Thomâ Crumwell milite, domino Crumwell custode privati sigilli nostri, Willielmo Fitz-William magno admirallo Angliæ, et thesaurario hospicii nostri; et Willielmo Paulet contrarotulatore ejusdem hospicii nostri, militibus, et aliis. Datæ per manum nostram nono die Julii.

NUM IV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

ABBATHIA DE STIXWOLD.

Summa tam spiritualium quam temporalium	163 <i>l</i> .	1 <i>s</i> .	2 <i>d</i> . ob.
Summa omnium allocationum	48 <i>l</i> .	16 <i>s</i> .	0 <i>d</i> .
Et remanet	114 <i>l</i> .	5 <i>s</i> .	2 <i>d</i> . ob.

NUM. V.

From a Pension Book in the Augmentation Office.

STYXWOLD PRIORY.

Here follos the yerly pencyons by the kyng℥ hyghenes to the late pryores and noons of Styxwold in Lyncolnshere beyng dyssolved at the feast of Seynt Miche℥ tharchâge℥, anno xxxj. R. Henrici viij. and them, they, and every of them to receyue ther halfe yeris annuit℥ at thannücyacôn of oʀ ladye than next ffollowynge, and so ffrom halfe yere to halfe yere durynge ther lyves.

To Marye Myssendyne late pryores theʀ by yere	xv <i>li</i> .
To Margaret Smythe, by yere	lxvj <i>s</i> . viij <i>d</i> .
Page Oŵton, by yere	liij <i>s</i> . iiij <i>d</i> .
Margaret Westlye, by yere	liij <i>s</i> . iiij <i>d</i> .
Elizabeth Grauntham, by yere	xl <i>s</i> .
Margaret Londe, by yere	xl <i>s</i> .
Margaret Barnbye, by yere	xlvj <i>s</i> . viij <i>d</i> .
Matylde Myssenden, by yere	xlvj <i>s</i> . viij <i>d</i> .
Elizabeth Houghe, by yere	xl <i>s</i> .
Altes Teũte, by yere	xlvj <i>s</i> . viij <i>d</i> .
Ellyn Myssenden, by yere	xl <i>s</i> .
Johañ Geffere, by yere	xl <i>s</i> .
Margaret Adlarde, by yere	xxvj <i>s</i> . viij <i>d</i> .

Elizabethe Maye, by yere	liij <i>s</i> . iiij <i>d</i> .
Annes Bounces, by yere	xl <i>s</i> .
P me JOHN FREMAN.	
P me JOHE'M WYSEMAN.	

NUM. VI.

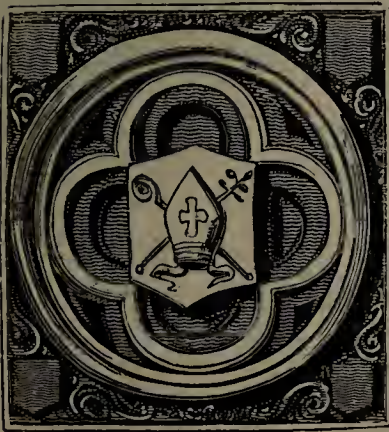
COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 32 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER PRIORATUS DE STYXWOLD.

Com' Linc'	£.	s.	d.
Styxwold—Liber' reddit'	0	5	1
Styxwold—Firma terr'	19	9	8
Halton—Firma un' claus'	0	13	4
Lincoln—Firma gardin' et terr'	0	4	0
Freyston—Firma un' ten'	0	3	4
Styxwold—Firma terr' dñic'	9	1	4
Styxwold—Firma mol' ventrit'	1	0	0
Styxwold—Firma rector'	9	0	0
Horsyngton—Reddit' assis'	10	17	4 ob.
Horsyngton—Firma terr'	4	0	3
Buckenhole—Firma divers' dom' et terr'	4	9	8
Hemyngbye—Firma divers' dom' et terr'	2	3	6
Hameryngham—Firma terr'	0	2	6
Esterbye—Firma dom' et terr'	1	12	9 ob.
Muston—Firma prat'	0	2	4
Fereby—Liber' reddit'	0	5	5
South Fereby—Firma dom' et terr'	5	7	6
Middell Rasen—Firma terr' et pastur'	2	10	0
Drysby—Firma terr' et prat'	1	19	0
Hundelby et Freeston—Reddit' assis'	1	13	6
Hundelby—Firma grang', &c.	6	2	10
Taynton—Firma un' domus	0	0	6
Enderby—Firma terr'	0	4	0
Wyberton—Firma toft' cum' terr', &c.	7	6	8
Boston—Firma un' domus	0	4	0
Honyngton—Firma maner', &c.	26	11	3
Honyngton—Reddit' noviter invent'	0	3	4
Basewynthorp, Westlye, et Newton juxta Folkingham—Reddit' assis'	5	11	4 ob.
Basewynthorp—Firma maner'	14	0	9
Wayneffete—Firma rector'	17	0	0
Hunyngton—Firma rector'	4	0	0
Hundelby—Firma rector'	2	13	4
Lavyngton—Firma rector'	6	16	8

Caerleon, or Caeruske Abbey, in Monmouthshire.



F the history of this monastery little is known but what is detailed in Tanner; and he has combined it with the notice of several earlier foundations at Caerleon. "It is said by Jeffrey of Monmouth,"^a he observes, "Giraldus Cambrensis,"^b and their followers, that in this old city were built, long before the coming of the Saxons, three magnificent churches; one of the martyr Julius, adorned with a convent of religious virgins; a second, dedicated to the honour

of his companion St. Aaron, graced with a noble choir of canons; the third was for monks, and was the metropolitan Church of all Wales, till that honour was translated by St. David to Menevia." But "It is more certain that after the conquest there was at Karliun, or Karlynn, an abbat and monks of the Cistercian order, whom King John, whilst earl of Morton, privileged to be free of paying toll at Bristol;^c and they had leave to appropriate the church of Llankathelen."^d

The property of this monastery enumerated in Pope Nicholas's Taxation in the diocese of Llandaff, amounted to the annual revenue of 18*l*. 8*s*. 4*d*.; beside 13*l*. arising from what was called "exitus animalium."^e

An Impression of the SEAL of one of the Priors of

^a Tho. Rudb. Hist. Maj. Wint. Angl. Sacr. tom i. p. 282.
^b Lel. Collect. tom. ii. p. 90.
^c Cart. 36 Hen. III. m. 5.
^d Notit. Monast. Monm. iii. Tanner's References are, "Vide in

Auctuario ad Adamum de Domerham, p. 610. Compositionem inter Abbatem et Conventum de Karlyon et Priorem et Monachos de Basselech super decimis. Pat. 18 Edw. II. p. 2. m. 28.
^e Taxat. P. Nieh. IV. pp. 281 b, 284 b.

Caerleon is in the Augmentation Office ; it is on green wax, appendant to an instrument bearing date A.D. 1237 ; it represents a prior with his staff. No parts of the Legend are visible but SIGIL CARLYON.

An old house in the High Street of Caerleon, and some few adjoining tenements, form the REMAINS of this Monastery.

Coenobium de Caerleon, in agro Monemutensi.

Concordia finalis inter Abb. et Conv. de Karlyon et Pr. et Mon. de Basselech.

[Adam de Domerh. ed. Hearne, p. 610.]

IN nomine sanctæ et individue Trinitatis facta est finalis concordia inter abbatem et conventum de Karlyon Cisterciensis ordinis, et priorem et monachos de Basselech, coram viro venerabili H. de Karliun, mera et spontanea voluntate, auctoritate et assensu prioris et conventus de Glastonia se miserunt^a abbati et conventui de Karlyun omnes querelas et calumpnias super omnibus terris et decimis quas tenuerunt et tenent prædicti abbas et conventus de Karlyon usque ad diem in quo hæc finalis concordia facta est, et remittunt in posterum imperpetuum. Quod si de cætero præ-

dictus abbas et conventus de Karlyun in parochiis eorum terram vel terras cultas adquisierint, decimas solvent vel amicabiliter componant. Abbas et conventus etiam de Karliun remiserunt priori et monachis de Basselech omnes quærelas et calumpnias quæ inter eos exortæ sunt usque ad diem in quo hæc finalis concordia facta est, et remittunt in posterum imperpetuum. Dederunt prædicti abbas et conventus de Karliun pro bono pacis antedicti^b priori et monachis de Basselech x. marcas et iiij. boves. In hujus ergo concordie testimonium H. Dei gratia Landavensis episcopus, abbas et conventus de Karliun, prior et conventus de Glaston, capitulum Landavensis ecclesie, dominus H. de Karliun, qui eorum est patronus, præsentì scripto sigilla sua apposuerunt. Hiis testibus, &c.

Llantarnam Abbey, in Monmouthshire.



Cairlleon." Tanner says here were six monks.

HIS is another of the Cistercian abbies of which our information is most scanty. Leland, Collect. tom. i. p. 104. says, "Lanternam abbat. Cistert. ecclesia de Penrise appropri." In his Itin. vol. v. p. 8. "Lanternham Abbey of White Monkes, a ii. myles from Cairlion lately suppressed." In another place, Ibid. p. 13. he speaks of it as "standing in a wood, iii. miles from

In the 26th Hen. VIII. its income was rated in the gross at 79*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.*; the deductions amounted to 8*l.* only; leaving a clear income of 71*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.*

The Scite was granted in the 31st Hen. VIII. to John Parker;^c and again in the 1st of Queen Mary to Thomas Carpenter and William Savage.

It is said there is a matrix of the Seal of this monastery in the Bodleian Library, Oxford.

The only Remains of the original buildings of this religious House are the Stone Cells converted into stables, the conventual Garden Walls, and a Gateway with a fine arch in the pointed style, that formed the entrance. Llantarnam House, erected out of the materials of the abbey, belongs to D. Hollingworth, Esq.

Coenobium de Lanternam, in agro Monemutensi.

NUM. I.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

LANTERNAM.

Valor omnium reddituum terrarum et possessionum	79 <i>l.</i>	3 <i>s.</i>	2 <i>d.</i>
Deductiones annuales	8 <i>l.</i>	0 <i>s.</i>	0 <i>d.</i>
Et sic remanet de claro recipiend' usui dicti monaster' Lanternen' annuatim	71 <i>l.</i>	3 <i>s.</i>	2 <i>d.</i>

NUM. II.

COMPUT' MINISTRO-
RUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll, 26 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

NUPER MONASTERIUM DE LANTERNAM INFRA EPAT'
LLANDAFF.

	£.	s.	d.
Lanternam—Redd' terr' dominical'	5	6	8

	£.	s.	d.
S. Michael, &c.—Maner, &c.	25	19	0
Wenteslond et Bryngwyn—Reddit' tenen' per virg' et per indentur'	18	11	10 ob.
Menahustely infra dominium de Abercarne—Reddit' diversorum tementorum, &c.	35	16	11 ob.
Parke Pyll—Reddit' un' mesuag'	0	10	0
Penryse infra dominium de Myskyn—Maner', &c.	14	15	0
Penryse—Le Taverne House	2	0	0
Pulpen infra dominium de Karlyon—Redd' grangiae	20	0	0
Llystelabonte—Firma grangiae	2	0	0
Managhtyrwyn—Redd' grangiae	2	0	0
Penryse—Oblationes capellæ	10	0	0
S. Darvally—Oblationes capellæ	3	6	8
S. Darvally—Redd' capellæ	1	0	0
Uske—Redd' piscar'	2	0	0

^a Remiserunt.
^b Antedictis.
^c Orig. 31 Hen. III. p. 1. Suthwall. Rex, xx^o. die Sept. concessit

Johanni Parker scitum nuper Monasterii de Lanternam infra episcopatum Landaven. et al. terr. habend. ei et hered. masculis de corpore suo legitime procreatis. Ro. 57.

Sewardestley Nunnery, in Northamptonshire.



SEWARDESLEY NUNNERY was founded by Richard de Lestre, lord of the manor of Eston Neston, in the reign of Henry the Second; and continued under the patronage of his several successors in the said manor. To these Nuns Robert de Pinkeny gave a virgate of land in Canon's Ashby, which was confirmed to them by Simon de Pinkeny his grandson.^a This with six messuages in the same

parish were afterwards exchanged with William de St. John for the manor of Eston Neston.^b

Geoffrey de Leifermuter, about the time of Henry the Second or Richard the First, gave the Nuns here his wood in Middleton and Colintre.^c

The revenues of Sewardestley were reduced so low in 1459, the 23d of Henry VI. that at the petition of Sir Thomas Green, the then patron, the bishop of Lincoln appropriated this Nunnery to the Monastery of St. Mary de la Pré near Northampton, as not being sufficiently endowed for the support of the nuns, and the repair of their house.^d

Tanner says, a little before the Dissolution here were only four nuns.^e

The revenues of this nunnery are totally unnoticed in Pope Nicholas's Taxation.

By the Survey of 1535, 26th Hen. VIII. it appears that the revenue of this house then amounted to 18*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.*; five pounds of which arose from the demesne lands kept in the hands of the nuns; 6*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.* from rents and farms in Sewardestley, Harleston, Hardingston, Heythencote, Tyffield, Kittyhanger, Aldrington, South Newton, Whitfield, Northampton, and Stoke-Bruern; and 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* from the tythes, oblations, and other profits of the appropriate rectory of Eston Neston: out of which deducting for pensions to the bishop of Lincoln 16*s.* 8*d.*; for synodals and procurations to the archdeacon of Northampton 10*s.* 7*d.*; for rents re-solute paid to the king for certain tenements in Northampton 12*d.*; to Sir John Longueville and Sir Edmund Knightley, as the price of one pound of pepper, 2*s.*; to the lord of Duston for a rent charge called Peverels fee 12*d.*; for a stipend to the chaplain 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; amounting in all to 6*l.* 4*s.* 7*d.*; the clear value left to the convent was no more than 12*l.* 6*s.* 7*d.*^f

PRIORESSES of SEWARDESLEY.

FELICIA.^g

JULIANA resigned in 1238.^h

FLORENTIA, one of the nuns, succeeded. She was

^a See the App. of Instruments Num. I.

^b See Bridges, Hist. Northampt. vol. i. p. 295.

^c Madox, Formul. Anglic. præf. p. vii.

^d Reg. Chedworth episc. Lincoln.

^e Notit. Monast. Northampt. xxxiii.

^f See Bridges, ut supr.

^g Ibid. è Reg. Priorat. de Esseby.

^h Reg. Grosth. Linc.

ⁱ Reg. Gynewell, Linc.

^k Ibid.

¹ Reg. Alnwick episc. Linc.

^m Reg. Longland, Linc.

ⁿ Ibid.

^o MS. Cole, vol. xxvii. fol. 226 b.

^p Pat. 4 Edw. VI. p. 9.

^q Esc. 5 Edw. VI. n. 30, p. 2.

^r Tanner in his References relating to this monastery says,

"*Vide Cartas, &c. penes prænobilem dom. W. Fermer baronem de Lempster. In bibl. Harl. MS. 2044. fol. 105, &c. Transcripts of one*

chosen by the convent with the consent of Sir Robert de Paveli their patron.¹

MARGARET DE LODBROKE was appointed by the convent in 1349, but the election was set aside by the bishop of Lincoln.^k

ALICE BASING resigned in 1439, when

AGNES DRAKELOW was chosen.^l

ELEANOR SCARESBRIG was appointed in 1525 at the nomination of the bishop of Lincoln.^m She presided five years. Upon her death the convent made choice of

AGNES CARTAR; but this election was declared void by the Bishop of Lincoln by reason that the said Agnes was "mulier corrupta, apostata, et unius prolis mater, et eo prætextu ad hujusmodi officium indigna."ⁿ

ELIZABETH CAMBELL was the last prioress.^o

The Scite of this Nunnery with the possessions which the nuns had in Sewardestley were granted in 4th Edw. VI. to Richard Fermor, Esq.^p who died seised of them in the year following, and left them to Sir John Fermor his son.^q

No REGISTER of Sewardestley Nunnery is known.^r

A very imperfect Impression of the COMMON SEAL of this Nunnery, representing the Virgin Mary crowned, sitting with outstretched hands, and the Infant Jesus in her lap, remains in the Augmentation Office: the whole of the Legend is gone; the Impression is on white wax, of the reign of Edward the Third.

Bridges says, "To the north-east of Hulcote, at a small distance, lies Shordsley or Sewesley, and more anciently Sewardestley, at present a farm-house of no considerable note, but formerly a Nunnery of the Cistercian Order, dedicated to the Virgin Mary. It was seated near a large wood, part of which is now called Nun-wood and Chapel-coppice. On the right-hand side of the House, which in some parts of it consists of very old walls, and hath belonging to it a very old kitchen, are the remaining marks of ponds, which were fed by a water out of Chapel-close. The foundations of the Chapel, not many years ago, were dug up to build a barn. By the footsteps of it which are left, it appears to have been forty-six foot long, and twenty-four foot eight inches broad, when measured on the outside, and to have been round at the east end."^s

The Kitchen and a few other vestiges are still visible in a house occupied by a farmer.

The Will of William de Paveli, who about A.D. 1240 bequeathed his body to be buried in the Nunnery Chapel, is printed in Madox's Formulæ Anglicanum.

or two Deeds relating to this Priory. Cartam Galfridi de Insula monialibus de Sewardestley, MS. in bibl. Bodl. Dodsw. vol. xxx. fol. 50.

"Rot. claus. 8 Hen. III. m. 18. recit. et confirm. cartam Henrici avi domini regis huic prioratui. Fin. div. com. 45 Hen. III. n. 76. pro terris in Holecote et Eastneston, Roberto de Paviley et Joannæ ux. tunc patronis. Pat. 2 Edw. I. m. 22. dorso, pro ten. in Cotes et Hamwik. Pat. 3 Edw. I. m. 35. pro ten. in Stoke-Goldington. Pat. 18 Edw. I. m. 11. pro terris in West Pery. Pat. 9 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 29. pro eccl. de East Neston juxta Tocestre. Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 7. pro maner. de East Neston in excambio pro vi. mess. et iv. virgat. terre in Canon Esseby. Pat. 16 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 5 vel 6. Pat. 34 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 25. pro ten. et redd. in Northampton. Pat. 1 Ric. II. p. 4, m. 28. pro eccl. de East Neston approprianda."

In the Augmentation Office there is a paper Survey of the Lands of this Nunnery temp. Hen. VIII.

^s Hist. Northamptonsh. ut. supr.

Cartae ad Swardesleyensem Prioratum, in agro Northamptoniensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Simonis de Pinkeny.

[Pat. 12 Edw. II. part 1. m. 32. per Inspex.]

SCIANT præsentes et futuri quod ego Simon de Pinkeny, filius Henrici de Pinkeny, dedi, concessi, et hac præsenti carta mea confirmavi, Deo et beatæ Mariæ et sanctimonialibus de Scuardelia ibidem Deo servientibus, pro anima mea, et pro animabus antecessorum meorum, quatuor solidatas redditus, quas prædictæ sanctimoniales michi reddere solebant pro quatuor virgatis terræ, quas Robertus de Pynkeni avus meus illis dedit in villa de Esseby. Et ego prædictus Simon volo quod prædictæ sanctimoniales teneant istas quatuor virgatas terræ præfatas, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, infra villam et extra, liberè, quietè, plenariè et honorificè, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, sicut aliqua elemosina melius et liberius potest dari, &c. Hiis testibus, domino Johanne de Hulecote, Radulfo de Wedune, Henrico Gubiun, Willielmo de Paveli, Willielmo de Atrio, Radulfo de Atrio, Willielmo de Plumtune, &c.

NUM. II.

Carta Edw. III. Regis.

[Cartæ 2 Edw. III. m. 7.]

REX licentiam dedit priorissæ de Swardesleye, accipere de Willielmo de sancto Johanne manerium de Estueston, cum pertinentiis in comitatu Northampton, in escambium pro sex mesuagiis et quatuor virgatis terræ, cum pertinentiis, in Esseby canonicorum in eodem comitatu.

NUM. III.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

SEWESLEY PRIORAT' INFRA DECANAT' DE PRESTON.

Valet in temporal' et spiritual'	18l.	11s.	2d.
Deductiones	6l.	4s.	7d.
Et remanet ultra	12l.	6s.	8d.

NUM. IV.

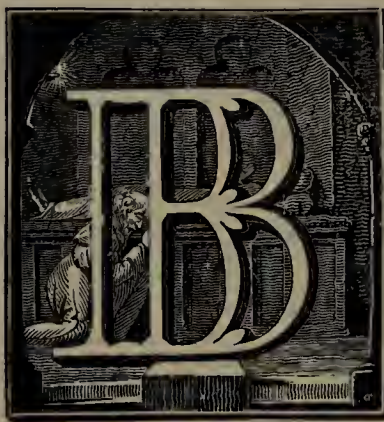
COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. Hen. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 30 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

SEWARDESLEY NUPER PRIORAT'.

Com' Northton'	£.	s.	d.
Swardesley et alibi—Reddit' assis'	1	7	0
Northampton Vill'—Redd' ten' ad vol'	0	14	8
Shytlehanger—Redd' ten' ad vol'	1	10	4
Stokemere—Redd' ten' ad vol'	0	5	0
South Newenton—Redd' ten' ad vol'	0	12	0
Hedyngcote—Redd' terr' ad vol'	0	10	0
Tyghefeld—Firma ten' et pastur'	0	4	0
Swardesley—Firma sit' priorat' cum terr' &c.	5	2	6
Etneston—Firma rector'	6	13	4
Nunwood alias Henwood—Vendic' bosc'	2	0	0

Brewood Nunnery, in Shropshire.



REWOOD, Byrwoodde, or Briwerne Nunnery, dedicated to St. Leonard, is believed to have been as old as the time of Richard the First or King John. Leland, in his Itinerary, vol. vii. pag. 22, says it was situated "In the very marche of Shropshire toward Derbyshire." The parish, says Tanner, is part in Staffordshire and part in Shropshire: so that the *White Ladies* here, and

the *Black Ladies* mentioned in Staffordshire, were in the same parish, though in different counties.

At the time of the general dissolution the convent of Brewood consisted of only six religious.

The total value of the revenue of this house amounted annually to 31l. 1s. 4d. The clear income to 17l. 10s. 8d. per annum.

The Scite was granted in the 31st Hen. VIII. to William Whorwood; and is still called White Ladyes, the same that is mentioned in the account of the escape of King Charles II. from Worcester fight.

No Impression of the COMMON SEAL of Brewood has yet been met with.

Tanner's references to Records relating to this house will be found in the note.^a

^a "Vide Cart. 14 Joan. m. 26. quod vi. bovatæ in Calverton, Nottingham. sint quietæ de cariagiis. Cart. 25 Hen. III. m. 5. pro iii. acris apud Brennon in Shirewood. Cart. 51 Hen. III. m. 2. de terris in Brome Assis. in com. Salop. 28 Edw. I. Pasch. rot. 15. priorissæ Albarum monialium de Brewood recup. commun. pastur. in Rugg juxta Claverlegh, et priorissa Nigrarum monialium de Br. in misericordia. Pat. 32 Edw. I. m. . Pat. 3 Edw. II. m. 35 et 41. pro terris in la Bold cum advoc. eccl. Pat. 9 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 17. pro eccl. de Tibbetshef Derby.

approprianda. Cart. 12 Edw. II. n. 80. pro libertat. vi. bovat. terræ in Calverton. Pat. 13 Edw. II. Cart. 10 Edw. III. n. 16. pro includ. terris in bosco suo de Branhow in Calverton in foresta de Nottingham, et apud Brennon in foresta de Shirwode."

See also the printed Rotuli Hundredorum, vol. ii. p. 83. There is a paper Survey of the lands belonging to this Nunnery t. Hen. VIII. in the Augmentation Office.

Coenobium de Brewood, in agro Salopiensi.

NUM. I.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

MONASTERIUM ALBARUM MONIALIUM DE BREWOOD IN
COMITATU SALOPIÆ.

Summa totalis valoris monasterij prædicti	31 <i>l.</i>	1 <i>s.</i>	4 <i>d.</i>
Summa totalis reprisarum . . .	13 <i>l.</i>	10 <i>s.</i>	8 <i>d.</i>
Et remanet clare . . .	17 <i>l.</i>	10 <i>s.</i>	8 <i>d.</i>

NUM. II.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

BREWOOD ALBÆ MONIALES.

Com' Salop'	£.	s.	d.
Brignorth—Lib' reddit'	0	3	0
Com' Staff'			
Bekebury—Lib' reddit'	0	6	8
Com' Salop'			
Ercall—Lib' reddit'	0	6	8
Bromehall—Lib' reddit'	0	5	0
Brinsforte—Lib' reddit'	0	3	0
Ingwarden—Lib' reddit'	0	13	1
Hopton—Lib' reddit'	0	0	6

Com' Salop'	£.	s.	d.
Brignorth—Reddit' croft', &c. . .	0	2	0
Rigge—Redd' tenementi	0	1	4
Chetwall—Redd' ten' et terr' . .	1	0	0
Abriton—Redd' terr'	0	3	0
Bekbury—Redd' croft'	0	2	0
Salop'—Redd' mesuag'	0	5	0
Haughton—Redd' terr'	0	6	8
St. Margaret Clee—Redd' croft' .	0	1	4
Higsley—Firm' mes' et mol' . . .	1	10	8
Sutton Madok et Brewood—Me- suag' et terr'	0	16	0
Bexbruke—Firma terr'	0	10	0
Brignorth—Firma un' ten'	0	6	0
Bereton—Firma terr'	0	8	0
Fidestell—Firma un' ten'	1	0	0
Homepeston—Firma cot' et terr' .	0	7	6
Rigge—Firma un' mes'	0	15	0
Donyngton—Firma un' ten'	0	12	0
Bolde—Pensio rector'	0	6	8
Brewood—Maner' et ten' dñical' .	10	9	6
Com' Nott'			
Calverton—Divers' redd' et firm'	2	0	0
Com' Salop'			
Mounteford—Firma rector' . . .	8	0	0
Tydshull—Firma rector'	5	6	8

Abbey of Clybe, in Somersetshire.



CLYVE or Cliff Abbey was founded by William de Romare, youngest son, or rather nephew of William de Romare, earl of Lincoln, before A.D. 1188, to the honor of the Virgin Mary.

For the early endowment of this monastery the reader is referred to the charters in the Appendix.

In Pope Nicholas's Taxation, A.D. 1291, the following temporalities occur

of this House: In the diocese of Exeter, "Apud Branton quodtaxatur 4*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.*; manerium de Boghewill 6*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.*; manerium de Treglast 5*l.* 10*s.*: In the diocese of Bath, Bcnham cum membris 15*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.*: making a total temporal revenue of 32*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.*^a

Tanner says, not long before the Dissolution here were seventeen monks, who were endowed with 155*l.* 9*s.* 5½*d.* per annum.

^a Taxat. P. Nich. IV. pp. 152 b. 153 b. 205 b.

^b Orig. 29 Hen. VIII. Somers. Rex xxx^o die Januarii concessit Roberto comiti Sussex reversionem domus et scitus nuper abbatie de Clyve ac omnia mesuag. &c. in parochiis de Veteri Cliffe, London, Bylbroke, Wassheford, Hungerford, Golsyngcote, Roodwater, Leigh, et Bynham, in com. Somers. excepta rectoria de Old Clyve habend. ei et hæred. masculis de corpore suo. ro. 28^{vo}.

^c Orig. 33 Hen. VIII. p. 3. 24 Mart.

^d Tann. Notit. Mon. Somers.

^e Aug. 23. 1455. Commissio Jacobo Bangor. episcopo ad dedicand. Capellam prope mon. de Clyve quam David abbas ejusdem mon. in honorem B. V. Mariæ decenter et sumptuose nuper ex integro edificari et construi fecit, atque certam portiunculam terræ eidem capellæ adjacentem et contiguum arbitrio dicti episcopi limitand. in cimiterium redigend. ipsamque consecrand. proviso quod nihil cedat in prejudicium paroch. ecclesiæ. Excerpt. è Reg. episc. Linc. Harl. MS. 6966. p. 82.

^f "Vide Pat. 11. Hen. III. p. 1, m. 3. de maner. de Treglaston et Rochewel Corn. Cart. 13 Hen. III. p. 1, m. 4. de firma maner. et hundred. de Brampton pro xxii. l. annuis concessis per regem. Fin. 13 Hen.

The Scite of this Abbey was granted in the 29th Hen. VIII. to Robert earl of Sussex:^b the grant being again repeated in the 33d Hen. VIII.^c In the 14th of Eliz. it was granted to Thomas earl of Sussex.^d

ABBATS of CLYVE.

HENRY occurs in 1297.

RICHARD LE BRET elected, 1315.

ROBERT DE CLIRE elected, 1321.

JOHN occurs 1407.

LEONARD, 1416.

WILLIAM SEYLAKE, confirmed 28th Sept. 1419.

JOHN STONE professed obedience as abbat 1 Oct. 1421.

DAVID JOYNER, 1435. He occurs again in 1463.^e

JOHN PAYNTER occurs in 1509.

WILLIAM DAVAL, DOVELL, succeeded in 1510. He had a pension of 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* at the Dissolution, which was still payable in 1553.

Tanner mentions a REGISTER of this Abbey, which in 1662 was in the possession of Wadham Windham, Esq. Justice of the Common Pleas. Other references to Records concerning this Monastery will be found below.^f In the

III. m. 7. Claus. 13 Hen. III. m. 4. Pat. 39 Hen. III. m. 16. pro libertat. in Brampton Devon. Cart. 51 Hen. III. m. 10. Pat. 9 Edw. I. m. . Plac. apud Exon. 9 Edw. I. quo war. rot. 19. de libertat. in hundred. de Bramton. Pat. 20 Edw. I. m. . Rec. in Scacc. 24 Edw. I. Trin. rot. pro libertat. in maner. de Bramton, Hacharden, &c. Pat. 27 Edw. I. m. . Brev. 6 Edw. II. pasch. rot. 11. Rec. in Scacc. 7 Edw. II. Mich. rot. . de maner. de Bramton. Cart. 12 Edw. II. n. 37. pro eodem maner. et hundred. Cart. 14 Edw. II. n. 30. de libertatibus. Pat. 14 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 13. de maner. de Luscote et Branton. Pat. 2 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 18 vel 19. Pat. 3 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 12 vel 13. Pat. 20 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 19 vel 20. Pat. 27 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 26. Pat. 30 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 10. Pat. 40 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 8. Pat. 10 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 1. Pat. 2 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 36. Claus. 13 Hen. IV. m. 27. de ten. in Wechford. Rec. in Scacc. 5 Hen. V. Pasch. rot. 9. Rec. in Scacc. 6 Hen. VI. Mich. rot. 5. pro terris et ten. in Dunster. Pat. 24 Hen. VI. p. 1, m. 6 vel. 7. Pat. 6 Edw. IV. p. 1, m. 2. pro mercat. et ii. feriis, scil. diebus S. Jacobi et exaltationis Sanctæ Crucis. Pat. 8 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 20." See also Plac. de quo war. pp. 108, 167. Rot. Hundred. vol. i. p. 69. vol ii. pp. 121, 134. Abbrev. Plac. p. 194."

Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office in the Exchequer is "Carta Regis Abbati de Clive in comitatu Somerset. Pasch. Rec. 7. Edw. III. rot. ."

No COMMON SEAL has been found of this Abbey.

Collinson says the Ruins of the Abbey are extensive, and gives an engraved View of them, adding that the spot in which they stand has been called in old charters Vallis Florida, or the Flowery Valley. The Scite now belongs to Sir James Langham, Bart.

Cartae ad Clivense Coenobium, in agro Somersetensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta de primâ Fundatione Abbatiae de Clyva.

[Ex Registro Abbatiae de Cliva in com. Somerset. penès Hugonem Windham equ. aur. unum justic. ad plac. coram rege tenenda an. 1677, fol. 1 a.]

ARCHIEPISCOPIS, episcopis, abbat. monachis, et canonicis, comitibus, baronibus, militibus, clericis et laicis, et omnibus sanctae matris ecclesiae filiis tam praesentibus quam futuris, Willielmus de Romara salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et concessisse, et hac carta confirmasse totam terram meam de Clyvâ, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis et libertatibus, et consuetudinibus quae debentur de eadem terrâ, excepto solo servitio militum meorum ejusdem terrae, ad construendam unam abbatiam, per manum Hugonis abbatis de sancto Laurentio de Revesby, pro salute animae meae et patris mei, et matris meae et omnium antecessorum meorum. Haec omnia dedi et concessi et confirmavi, ad construendam ipsam abbatiam, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, libera et quietâ à me et hæredibus meis, et soluta ab omni terreno servitio et consuetudine et exactione seculari, et placitis, et causis, et querelis in perpetuam et puram elemosinam. Et volo et præcipio ut ipsa abbatia hæc omnia habeant et possideant plenariè et integrè, in benè et in pace, in villâ et extra villam, cum toftis et croftis, et ecclesiis et capellis, terris arabilibus et mariscis, et bruariis, et jannetis, et pratis, et pasturis, et boscis, et planis, et alnetis; et moris, et viis, et semitis, et aquis; et rivis, et stagnis, et molendinis, et libertatibus, et communiis, et omnibus eidem tenuræ pertinentibus, aliis rebus et consuetudinibus. Hiis testibus, Reinaldo episcopo de Bada, Rogero de Benigewrth, Radboto dapifero, David de Thochington, Roberto de Engain, Rogero clerico.

NUM. II.

Carta Willielmi de Romare de Terra Dominico et Rusticis de Clyva.

[Ibid. 6. 1 b.]

RICARDO Dei gratia illustri regi Angliæ, archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, baronibus, et omnibus liberis hominibus regni, et omnibus filiis sanctae matris ecclesiae, Willielmus de Romara salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et dedisse, et hac praesenti carta confirmasse Deo et sanctae Mariae et monachis de S. Laurentio de Revesby, in manu Hugonis abbatis ejusdem loci, ad unam abbatiam construendam de ordine Cisterciensi, pro salute et animâ domini mei Ricardi regis Angliæ, et pro animâ regis Henrici patris sui, domini mei, qui me nutrit, et omnium antecessorum et hæredum meorum, et pro anima meâ, et Philippæ sponsæ meae, et pro animabus omnium antecessorum, et hæredum nostrorum, et successorum nostrorum, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, totam terram meam de Clyvâ, in villa et extra villam, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; viz. totam domini-cum, cum omnibus rusticis meis in eadem villâ manentibus, et cum terris quas ipsi tenent plenariè in boscis et planis, et pratis et pasturis, et aquis et molendinis, et viis et semitis, et omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus prædictæ villæ pertinentibus: liberos autem homines meos ejusdem villæ, et servitium eorum, retinui in manu meâ. Cætera omnia prædicta concessi et dedi prædictis monachis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, libera et quietâ ab omnibus consuetudinibus, et placitis et causis et querelis à me et hæredibus meis, et successoribus meis, et soluta ab omni terreno servitio, et seculari exactione imperpetuum; tenenda ita benè, in pace, et honorificè sicut aliqua elemosina liberius, quietius, honorificentius ab aliquo dari vel teneri potest. Et

ego et hæredes mei et successores mei hæc omnia warrantabimus prædictis monachis contra omnes homines.

Hiis testibus, domino Hugone Lincolniensi episcopo, domino E. abbate Riovallis; domino R. abbate de Kirkestede, Joscelino priore de Spauding, magistro Hugone de Stikeswald: Gregorio clerico de Beningword; Rogero capellano, Rogero clerico, Widone de Veer, Gilberto de Beningword senescallo, Radulfo de Braibo, Willielmo filio ejus, Josleno de Autebarg, Nicholao de Henne, Willielmo le Ostriter, Willielmo filio Ricardi de Haltune, Willielmo de Kales, Philippo de Kales, Johanne filio Gerardi, Alano de Stikeneiâ, Alano filio Reingoti, Renero clerico de Haltune, Hugone de Warewich, Willielmo Bachun, Johanne Carbunel, Radulfo Carbunel, Thomâ de Horrebi, Gilberto filio Richardi de Wadingwrd, Hugone de Gurneie.

NUM. III.

Carta Regis Johannis Donationem Huberti de Burgo Camerarii sui ratificans.

[Ibid. fol. 3 b.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, dux Normanniæ et Aquitanniæ, comes Andegaviæ, archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, comitibus, baronibus, justiciariis, vicecomitibus et omnibus ballivis et fidelibus suis salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse, et praesenti cartâ confirmasse Deo et sanctae Mariae, et monachis de Clyva, de ordine Cisterciensi ibidem Deo servientibus, donationem quam eis fecit Willielmus de Roumara, de sede abbatiae suae de Clyva et de tota terra de Clyva, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Et donationem quam Hubertus de Burgo camerarius noster eis fecit de libero tenemento in Clyvâ, cum pertinentiis suis; et de ecclesia de Kammel cum pertinentiis suis. Et de servitio et tenemento Adæ de Wachedford, cum pertinentiis suis, et omnes alias donationes eis factas, sicut cartæ donatorum rationabiliter testantur. Quare volumus, &c. Dat. per manum H. Cantuar. archiepiscopi cancellarii nostri apud Loch xxviij. die Januarii, regni nostri anno tertio.

NUM. IV.

Carta Ricardi Comitis Cornubiæ de Libertatibus super omnes Terras et Tenementa in Cornubiâ.

[Ibid. fol. 7 b.]

OMNIBUS ad quos praesens scriptum pervenerit, Richardus comes Pictaviæ et Cornubiæ salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me concessisse, et hac praesenti cartâ meâ confirmasse, pro me et hæredibus meis, abbati de Clyva, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, intuitu caritatis, et pro salute animae meae, et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, totas terras quas habuerunt in Cornubiâ, die nativitatis sancti Johannis Baptistæ, anno regni Henrici regis fratris mei, decimo nono, viz. Pochewille, et Treglastan, cum pertinentiis quas prius habuerunt ex dono domini Huberti de Burgo comitis Kanc.; et terram quam prius habuerunt apud Pundestoke, ex dono Will. de Pundestoke, habendas et tenendas eisdem abbati et monachis liberè et pacificè, cum infangendethef, et utfangendethef. Concessi etiam eisdem, quod prædictæ terræ suae quietæ sint de hidagiis, et schyris, et hundredis, exercitibus, assisis, et summonitionibus de thesauro ducendo, et auxilio vicecomitis et servientium suorum, de turno vicecomitum, et de omnibus aliis auxiliis; et de misericordiâ comitatus, passagio, pontagio, et de operibus castellorum, pontium, vivariorum, murorum, parcorum, et de omnibus clausuris; et de thething-peny. Et quod præ-

dictæ terræ suæ quietæ sint de essartis, wasto, et regardo forestæ, et de theloneo, de placitis forestæ, de scutagiis, et de omnibus occasionibus, consuetudinibus, et secularibus exactionibus me vel hæredes meos tangentibus. Quare volo, &c. Hiis testibus, venerabili patre meo Jocelino Dei gratia Bathoniensi episcopo, domino Willielmo de Ralegh . . . , Ricardo de Curry, Johanne filio Johannis, Gwydone de sancto Amando, Henrico Theutonico, Johanne Bretach, et Nicholao de Anna clerico, Roberto de Esthall clerico et aliis.

NUM. V.

Carta Huberti de Burgo de Terra de Rugham.

[Ibid. fol. 13 b.]

SCIANT præsentis et futuri, quod ego Hubertus de Burgo domini regis camerarius, dedi, concessi, et hac præsentis carta me confirmavi, Deo et beatæ Mariæ et monachis de Cliva ibidem Deo servientibus et servituris, pro salute animæ meæ, et patris et matris meæ, et omnium antecessorum et parentum, et hæredum meorum, in perpetuam elemosinam, totum dominicum quod habui in Rugeham, et homagia et servicia omnium liberorum hominum et hæredum suorum, et rusticos cum terris eorum quos habui in Rugeham; et quicquid ad me et ad hæredes meos pertinebat de toto tenemento quod habui de donatione domini mei Hugonis de Fogingtone in Rugheham, benè et in pace, liberè et quietè, plenariè et integrè, et honorificè, in bosco et plano, in pasturis, et bruariis; in aquis et molendinis, in stagnis et vivariis; in viis et semitis, et cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, et cum omnibus libertatibus et liberis consuetudinibus eidem villæ pertinentibus. Hæc omnia præfata homagia et servicia et tenementa, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, dedi præfatis monachis libera et quietæ a me et hæredibus mei, et soluta ab omni terreno servicio et seculari exactione; salvo tamen dom. regis servicio eidem terræ pertinente. Et ego et hæredes mei warrantizabimus hæc omnia prædicta tenementa præfatis monachis contra omnes homines et feminas. Hiis testibus, Henrico Biset, Waltero de Evermue, Roberto Aguilun, Ricardo fratre ejus, Rogero la Veile, Ricardo fratre ejus, Alano de Wichtone, Alexandro de Rugham, Johanne de Yngeworth, Ricardo Russel, Willielmo Crakef . . . , et multis aliis.

NUM. VI.

Carta Reginaldi de Mohun de Terrâ quæ fuit aliquando Ricardi de Slaworth, quam dedit Abbatia.

[Ibid. fol. 82 a.]

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, Reginaldus de Mohun salutem. Noveritis me dedisse et concessisse, et præsentis cartæ meæ confirmasse Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et monachis Vallis Floridæ quæ vulgò dicitur Clyva, ibidem Deo servientibus, et servituris, pro salute animæ meæ, et Hawisiæ uxoris meæ, et hæredum meorum, et omnium prædecessorum, et successorum meorum, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, totam terram meam de Slaworth, quæ fuit Ricardi de Slaworth, et Rogcri filii ejusdem; tenendam et habendam de me et hæredibus meis imperpetuum, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; in viis et semitis; in bosco et plano, et aquis et turbariis, et pasturis et nahunis, et omnibus aliis, sibi et omnibus animalibus et averiis suis, cum libero ingressu et egressu, liberè, quietè, pacificè et honorificè, et quietam et solutam ab omni servitio et exactione seculari; salvo regali servicio; scilicet quantum pertinet ad octavam partem feudi unius militis in feudo de Dunstorre. Si quid autem aliud servitium debetur, vel debebitur inde ulli hominum, ego et hæredes mei acquietabimus de tenemento nostro de Dunstorre, warrantizabimus totam prædictam terram de Slaworth, prædictis monachis, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, contra omnes homines et feminas, sicut ulla elemosina potest et debet liberius acquietari et warrantizari, salvo regali servicio sicut prædictum est. Et ut hæc mea donatio et concessio stabilis et inconcussa permaneat imperpetuum, præsentis scripto sigillum meum dignum duxi apponendum. Hiis testibus, &c.

NUM. VII.

Confirmatio Domini Reginaldi de Mohun de Terrâ de Stortmanford.

[Ibid. fol. 115 a.]

OMNIBUS hominibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, Reginaldus de Mohun salutem. Noveritis me dedisse et concessisse, et præsentis cartæ meæ confirmasse Deo et beatæ Mariæ, et monachis Vallis Floridæ quæ vulgò dicitur Clyva, ibidem Deo servientibus, et servituris, pro salute animæ meæ, et Hawisiæ uxoris meæ, et hæredum meorum, et omnium prædecessorum, et successorum meorum, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, totam terram meam de Slaworth, quæ fuit Ricardi de Slaworth, et Rogcri filii ejusdem; tenendam et habendam de me et hæredibus meis imperpetuum, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; in viis et semitis; in bosco et plano, et aquis et turbariis, et pasturis et nahunis, et omnibus aliis, sibi et omnibus animalibus et averiis suis, cum libero ingressu et egressu, liberè, quietè, pacificè et honorificè, et quietam et solutam ab omni servitio et exactione seculari; salvo regali servicio; scilicet quantum pertinet ad octavam partem feudi unius militis in feudo de Dunstorre. Si quid autem aliud servitium debetur, vel debebitur inde ulli hominum, ego et hæredes mei acquietabimus de tenemento nostro de Dunstorre, warrantizabimus totam prædictam terram de Slaworth, prædictis monachis, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, contra omnes homines et feminas, sicut ulla elemosina potest et debet liberius acquietari et warrantizari, salvo regali servicio sicut prædictum est. Et ut hæc mea donatio et concessio stabilis et inconcussa permaneat imperpetuum, præsentis scripto sigillum meum dignum duxi apponendum. Hiis testibus, &c.

nerit, Reginaldus de Mohun salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra, me pro salute animæ meæ, patris et matris meæ, et piæ memoriæ Havisæ de Mohun, et omnium antecessorum et successorum meorum, concessisse et confirmasse totam donationem Willielmi de Mohun, fratris mei, quam dedit monachis de Clyva, de terra de Stortmanforde, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, quas idem Willielmus habuit et possedet de dono meo, sicut ejusdem carta prædictis monachis inde confecta testatur. Et ego et hæredes mei prædictam terram dictis monachis, sicut liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam nostram, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, warrantizabimus imperpetuum. Quod sit ratum et stabile imperpetuum, præsens scriptum sigilli mei impressione roboravi. Hiis testibus, &c.

NUM. VIII.

Carta Regis Henrici Tertii de Hundredo de Bramptone in Com. Devon.

[Ibid.]

HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, &c. archiepiscopis, &c. salutem. Noveritis nos, intuitu Dei, et pro salute animæ nostræ, et animarum antecessorum et hæredum nostrorum, concessisse, et hac præsentis cartâ confirmasse, dilectis nobis in Christo abbati et conventui de Clyvâ, in comitatu Sumersetiæ, manerium nostrum de Brantone, in comitatu Devonæ, cum hundredo forinseco, et aliis pertinentiis suis; habendum et tenendum de nobis et hæredibus nostris; reddendo singulis annis ad scaccarium nostrum, per manum suam, viginti et duas libras ad duos terminos; viz. ad festum S. Michaelis undecim libras, et ad Pascham undecim libras; salvâ hominibus ejusdem manerii, et aliis hominibus, qui non sunt de eodem manerio, communi pasturâ suâ, quam habuerunt in eodem manerio, ante hanc concessionem nostram. Quare volumus, &c. Datum per manum venerabilis patris R. Cicistrensis episcopi cancellarii nostri, apud Glocestriam xxv°. die Junii, anno regni nostri tertio decimo.

NUM. IX.

Genealogia Fundatoris.

[Ex Codice MS. in bibl. Cotton. sub effigie Tiberii E. 8. fol. 208 a.]

HERE after followeth the trewe lyne petigrewe and names, as well of the descent and consanguinitie of the right honirable founder of the monastery of our blessed Ladey the Virgin, and seynt Laurans of Rewisbey in the countie of Lincolne, as of the trewe line petigrewe, names and descent of the consanguinitie of the founder of the monastery of our seyde blessyd Laday the Virgyn of Clyve, in the countie of Somerset.

William de Romare toke to his wyff Luce, then beyng countas of Lincolne, and had issue between them.

Luce, countas of Lincoln esposed and married, and toke to husbände William de Romare, and had issue betwene them.

William, eldest son of the seid William Romare and of Luce his wyff, the which William the son dyed without issue before his fader.

William, youngest son of William de Romare, and of Luce his wyff, toke to his wyff Philippe daughter of Hubert de Burgo, erle of Kent, and chancellor of England; and had issue.

NUM. X.

Revesbye Abbey, in the Countie of Lincolne, found, founded, and the Founderys Name.

[Ibid.]

THIS William de Romare founded the seid abbey and monastery of our blessed Ladey the Virgin, and seynt Larans of Rewisbye aforeseyde, in the countie of Lyncolne, the heith yere of the reigne of Kyng Stephyn, late kyng of Engelande, and is tumbled and lyeth beryed in the seid monastery ther, before the high aulter, and these versis following be wretyn appon his seide tumber.

“Hic jacet in tumba Willielmus de Romare comes Lincolnæ, fundator istius monasterii sancti Laurencii de Rewisby.”

This seid William, eldest son of the forseid William de

Romare, and of the seyde Luce his wyff, died without issue, in the lyff of the forseid William de Romarc his fader, and is tumbed and beryed in the forseid monastery of Rewisby aforeseid, and lyeth there in the north side of the forseid tumb of the foreseyd William de Romare his saide fader ; and these versis followyng be there writyn upon the tumb of the seide William eldest son.

“Hic jacet in tumba Willielmus de Romare filius Willielmi comitis Lincolnæ, qui ante patrem obiit sicut Deus voluit.”

NUM. XI.

Clyve Abbey, in the Countie of Sumerset founded, and the Founder's Name.

[Ibid.]

THIS William, youngest son of the forescid William de Romare, and of the seid Luce hys wyff, found the abbey and monastery of our seid blissed Lady of the Cliff, in the forseid countie of Somerset, in the nyenth yere of the reigne of King Richard the First, late king of England, and that by the hondes and over-sight of oone Hugh, then abbat of the foreseyd monastery and abbey of Rewesby, the which stalled and made then first abbot of the foresyd monastery of Cliff aforeseid, oone Raff, as hit apperith by old wretyngs in the seide abbey of Cliff. And this seide William, youngest son, died, and is tumbed and beryed in the foreseyd monastery and abbey of Rewisbey, and lyeth ther in the south side of the tumb of the foreseide William de Romare, his seide fader ; and theis versis following be wretyn appon the tumb of this foreseyd William the yongest son.

“Hic jacet in tumba Willielmus de Romare filius Lucie comitissæ Lincolnæ fundator monasterii beate Mariæ de Clyve.”

NUM. XII.

Charta Regis Henrici Donaria Loci recitans et confirmans.

[Cart. 11 Hen. III. pat. 2, m. 3.]

H. REX, &c. salutem. Sciatis nos, intuitu Dei, &c. concessisse et hac carta nostra confirmasse Deo et beate Mariæ et monachis de Clyve terras et tenementa subscripta, videlicet ex dono Huberti de Burgo, tempore quo fuit camerarius domini J. regis, patris nostri, totam terram quæ fuit Walteri filii Mathæi de Beningeworth in Clyva, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Ex dono ejusdem Huberti, tunc camerarii ejusdem patris nostri, homagia et servicia omnia omnium liberorum hominum suorum de Clyva, et hæredum suorum, cum omnibus pertinentiis, excepto servicio Radulfi filii Willielmi et hæredum suorum. Ex dono etiam ejusdem Huberti, postea comitis Kancie, totam terram suam de Treglastan et de Pothwell, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis. Quare volo, &c. Hiis testibus, A. Conventr. Th. Norwicensi episcopis, R. comite Cestr. et Lincoln. W. mariscallo, comite Penbroch. J. constabulario Cestriæ, Osverto Giffard, Radulpho filio Nicholai, Hugone Dispenser, Galfrido Dispenser, et aliis. Dat. per manum venerabilis patris R. Cicestrensis episcopi, cancellarii nostri, apud Windlesoram iij. die Septembris anno, &c. xj.

NUM. XIII.

Carta alia Henrici III. Regis.

[Rot. Fin. 23 H. III. m. 7.]

REX concessit et carta sua confirmavit abbati et conventui de Cliva in comitatu Sumerset manerium de Bramton cum hundredo forinseco in comitatu Devonæ, cum aliis pertinentiis suis. Habendum de rege et hæredibus suis imperpetuum ad firmam xxij. lib. per annum. Et mandatum est vicecomiti Gloucestriæ quod de manerio de Bramton plenam seisinam habere faciat, &c. Teste rege apud Glouc. xxv. dic Junii.

NUM. XIV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

MONASTERIUM DE CLYVE IN COM̃ SOMERSET.

Summa totalis valoris omnium possessionum tam temporalium quam spiritualium clare . 155l. 9s. 5d. q.

NUM. XV.

COMPUT. MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 29 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

MONASTERIUM DE CLYVA.

Com' Somers', &c.	£.	s.	d.
Clyva Vet'—Reddir' assis' . . .	12	3	2 ob.
Capellæ Beatæ Mariæ—Reddit' .	9	3	4
London—Reddit' ten' . . .	1	10	11
Bilbroke—Rcddit' ten' . . .	7	1	4
Washeford—Reddit' ten' et mol' .	14	3	4
Hungreforde—Reddit' ten' et terr' .	2	1	4
Golsyncoote—Reddit' ten' . . .	4	11	10
Roodewater—Reddit' ten' . . .	6	3	8 ob.
Lunda—Firm' decim' . . .	0	10	0
Ligh—Reddit' assis' . . .	11	8	5
Ligh—Firma grangia . . .	18	0	0
Treborowe—Reddit' assis' . . .	2	10	4
Browne—Reddit' ten' . . .	6	6	4
Octro et Smalcombes—Reddit' ten' .	2	0	0
Blacforde—Reddit' un' ten' . . .	0	13	4
Northcombe—Reddit' . . .	0	1	6
Luxborowe et Sloworthy—Reddit' ten' . . .	3	16	7
Dunstar et Marshe—Reddit' ten', &c.	4	10	8
Carmoremede—Redd' prat' . . .	0	6	8
Sandell—Reddit' un' ten' . . .	1	15	0
Wachet—Reddit' terr' . . .	0	3	0
Williton—Reddit' prat' . . .	0	11	0
Bristoll—Reddit' ten' . . .	0	13	4
Taunton—Reddit' ten' . . .	2	11	0
Petibagborowe—Reddit' terr' . . .	0	8	0
Camell Regina—Firma rector' . .	15	0	0
Bynham—Reddit' terr' . . .	14	18	8
Porlock—Penc' de cantar' . . .	0	10	0
Braunton Abbatis—Reddit' assis' et lib' ten'	37	2	6 ob.
Braunton Abbatis—Perquis' cur' .	2	2	5

Cistercian Cell of Horewelle, near Coventry,

IN WARWICKSHIRE.



MR William Dugdale, in his History of Warwickshire, noticing the petty villages and decayed places then existing in the neighbourhood of Coventry, gives the following account of

HOREWELLE.

“ This is also now, and hath been long depopulated. But in 7 Edw. I. Oliver de Aubeny, lord of Asthull, was owner thereof, and held

it of Roger de Montalt; having at that time one carucate of land and a half in demesn, and suit of court twice a year, with seven freeholders, who held twenty-nine acres of land, paying certain rent, and doing suit to his three weeks court.^a

But it seems that the *Monks of STONLEY* had it soon after: for in 12 Edw. I. they obtained a charter of free warren in all their demesn lands of Stonley, and divers other places, whereof this is one.^b That which they had here being two carucates of land, as in 19 Edw. I. was certified, and a *certain CELL*; ^c which petty Cells were made use of by the abbats in those days as places of penance or punishment to such monks as either for any offence committed, or some displeasure from their superior were hither sent.^d But more of Horewelle I find not, other than it is included within the county of this city by King Henry the Sixth's charter.”^e

In the Taxation of 1291 the Cell of Horewelle is thus noticed in the enumeration of the temporal possessions of the abbey of Stoneley:

“ Item habet apud Horwelle *quæ est quedam CELLA* in eodem decanatu duas virgatas terræ et valent per annum 14s.”^f

Cistercian Cell of Bleatarn, in Westmoreland.



OF this Cell we know scarcely any thing. The Abbey of Byland, say Nicolson and Burn in their History of Westmoreland and Cumber-

land, had a Cell of monks here at Bleatarn, the manor of which place belonged to the abbey. The buildings covered a large space of ground. Among other vestiges of this Cell they mention fish-ponds, and a ground S.E. from the ponds, which went by the name of the Abbey Park.^g

Llanlunan Nunnery, in Montgomeryshire.



ANNER says that the Nunnery of Llanlunan was founded before the year 1239, as in that year Hugh bishop of St. Asaph, appropriated the Church of Llanvain to it.^h

The following is the notice of this House in Pope Nicholas's Taxation:

“ DIOC. ASSAVEN. Bona Abbath. de Lanlunan; Abbatisa habet ii. carucat. terræ et dim. cum parvo redd. et aliis commodit. 17. 1s. Abbatisa habet octo vaccas exitus 8s. Summa bonorum Abbathiæ de Lanl. 17. 9s.”ⁱ

The value of the annual Revenues of this House in the 26th Hen. VIIIth. amounted to 227. 14s. 8d.

No SEAL of this Nunnery has been met with: nor any references to Records concerning it. Nor are there any REMAINS of this Nunnery, but some of its painted glass is now in the chancel window of the parish Church.

^a Inq. per. H. Nott., &c. fol. 46 b.

^b Cart. 12 Edw. I. n. 39.

^c Mat. Par. in vit. Ab. p. 112.

^d See Dugd. Hist. Warw. edit. 1656, p. 128.

^e Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. p. 255 b.

^f MS. in Scacc.

^g Nicolson and Burn, Hist. Westm. et Cumberl. vol. i. p. 618.

^h Tann. Notit. Monast. *Montgom.* i. from Wharton de episc. Lond. et Assav. p. 320, Godwin. de Præsul. p. 657. and Willis's Survey of St. Asaph, p. 43.

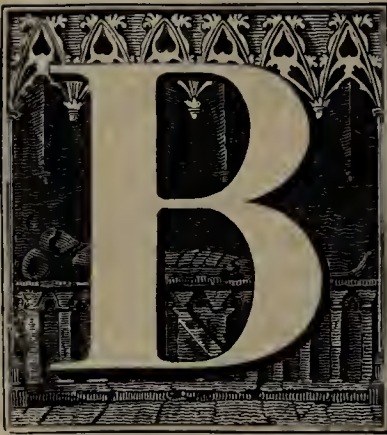
ⁱ Taxat. P. Nicholai IV. p. 289.

Coenobium de Llanlugin, in agro Montgomeriensi.

NUM. I.			
Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.			
DOMUS MONIALIUM de LLANLUGAN in dominio et decanatu de Kydewyn in Dioc' Assaven'.			
Habet in Temporalibus	9l.	6s.	0d.
Spiritualibus	13l.	8s.	8d.
	22l.	14s.	8d.
NUM. II.			
COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.			
[Abstract of Roll, 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]			
LLANLLYGAN NUPER ABBATHIA.			
	£.	s.	d.
Llanllyghan—Firma terrarum domini-			
calium	0	10	0

	£.	s.	d.
Ehudan—Reddit' un' ten' voc' Teddyn			
Ehudan	0	3	4
Nauntfert—Redd' un' ten'	0	8	0
Ehudan—Reddit' duorum' molend'	1	6	8
Ehudan—Reddit' divers' tenen'	1	3	8
Bowden—Reddit' un' ten'	0	7	0
Llanllygan—Reddit' divers' ten'	1	3	8
Llanllygan—Reddit' decimarum	3	3	0
Llanllygan—Reddit' duorum tenemen-			
torum	0	4	4
Conway—Reddit' ten' ac' volunt'	1	10	4
Montgomery—Reddit' terr'	0	9	0
Llanllygan—Reddit' x ^{marum}	4	13	4
Llanner—Reddit' x ^{marum}	8	15	4

Nunnery of Cokehill, in Worcestershire.



ISHOP TANNER says, this Nunnery is mentioned in the old List of Religious Houses ascribed to Gervase of Canterbury, and consequently ought to be as ancient as the time of King Richard the First: but it is said to have been founded A.D. 1260, by Isabella, countess of Warwick, who afterwards became a Nun here. So, Dugdale's Warw. p. 389, b. 768, edit. 1730, and Baron. tom. i. p. 227. Tanner, however, observes, that "She might be stiled foundress, as having the patronage of this Priory by descent, or perhaps as restoring it after it might have been forsaken, or as she might be a considerable benefactress; but she could not be the original foundress, for in MS. Macro. 12. ii. 18, a. there is the abstract of a deed of William Beauchamp earl of Warwick, confirming to the Nuns of Cokehill the gift which Isabel the countess his mother, William the earl her brother, and Waleran the earl her grandfather, who died 6 Joan. as Dugd. Baron. tom. i. p. 71, made unto them, viz. the Church of Netelton."a It is to this Charter that Nash alludes, when he speaks of Cokehill Nunnery being as old as 1198.

There are three entries in Pope Nicholas's Taxation illustrative of Cokehill; two of them are erased, the Nuns on account of their poverty being discharged from payments. The third is a portion in the Church of Sparnore in the diocese of Worcester, rated at 1l.^b

a Tann. Notit. Monast. Worc. vi.
b See the Taxat. P. Nich. iv. pp. 217 b. 218 b. 239 b.
c Tanner has recorded the following references to the Patent Rolls concerning Cokehill: "Pat. 11 Hen. III. m. . de eccl. de Alcester.

PRIORESSES of COKEHILL.

AGNES DE ALYNCESTRE resigned in 1288.
CECILIA DE SAMESEND was installed the same year by the Prior of Aulcester.
SARAH.
CECILIA occurs in 1331.
CHRISTIANA DURVASSAL unduly elected, but approved by the bishop of Worcester, 1349.
ALICE ROUS appointed, 1361.
ELIZABETH HUGHES was the last Prioress.

Tanner says this House consisted of six Nuns only. In the 26th Henry VIIIth. its total revenues amounted to 35l. 9s. 3d. The temporalities to 16l. 5s. 4d.: the spiritualities to 19l. 3s. 11d.

The Scite was granted in the 34th Henry VIIIth. to Nicolas Fortescue and Catherine his wife, whose lineal descendants are still in possession of it.

Nash, vol. ii. p. 15—17, has given different Extracts from the Worcester Registers relating to this Nunnery.^c

An impression of the COMMON SEAL, of the time of Hen. VIII. on red wax, is in the Augmentation Office. It is somewhat homely, and more than half of it imperfect; the subject is a Female Figure holding a book in her left hand. No more of the Inscription can be read than SIGILL. SANCTE. MARIE

Cokehill was situated at a short distance from Intebrook in Worcestershire. The Nunnery stood about forty yards south west from the Chapel, the remains of which have been engraved by Nash. The reputed foundress's tomb remained here in Habingdon's time with this inscription: "Isabel de Beauchamp git ici: Deu de s'alme eit mercie."

Pat. 19 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 13. pro eccl. de Bishampton perquirenda de Roberto de Somery, et eadem approprianda. Pat. 36 Hen. VI. p. 2, m. 8 vel 9."

Coenobium Monialium de Cokehill, in agro Wigorniensí.

NUM. I.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

PRIORATUS SIVE DOMUS ABBATHIÆ MONIALIUM DE COKEHYLL.

ELIZ. HEWYS, Priorissa ibidem.

Summa totalis tam temporalium quam spiritualium ab-			
bathiæ de Cokehyll de clar'	35l.	9s.	3d.
Unde in temporalibus	16l.	5s.	4d.
Et in spiritualibus	19l.	3s.	11d.

NUM. II.

[From a Pension Book in the Augmentation Office.]

NUP' P'ORAT' MONIAL' DE COKEHILL IN COM' WIGORN' SORSU' REDDIT' ET DISSOLUT'.

Pençõns assigned vnto the late Pioresse and Nunes ther by Robert Sowthwell. Esquyer and other the kyng^e highñes Coñmissioners appoyntede to take Surrender. of the Religious houses in the Countie of Woroc^tr to be payde vnto the saide late Pioresse and Nunes ther duryng their naturall. Lyffe. at the Ffeaste of thannū- ciacõn of o^r blessed Lady. the virgyn and Saynt Michael' tharchangell' by equall' porçõns. the Fyrst payment to begyn'. at the feast of thannūciacõn of o^r Lady. next ensuyng this Daie. viz the xxvjth daie of Januarij in the xxxjth yere of the Reigne of o^r so^uaigne lorde kyng. Henry. the viijth viz' to.

Dame Elizabeth' Hugh ^e s. Pioresse	viij ^{li} .
Dame Anne Morga ^u i	lxvj ^s . viij ^d .
Dame Joha ⁿ i Belamy	liij ^s . iiij ^d .
Dame Alice Wastle	liij ^s . iiij ^d .
Dame Margaret Dyso ⁿ	liij ^s . iiij ^d .
Dame Anne Reve	liij ^s . iiij ^d .
Dame Elȳz Owley	liij ^s . iiij ^d .
S ^m a penc' p annu'	xxiiij ^{li} . xiiij ^s . iiij ^d .

RYCHARD RYCHE.

ROBERT SOWTHWELL.
RI. GWENT.
JOHN LONDON.
JOHN AP RICE.
THOMAS ACTON.
JOHN SCUDAMORE.
ROBT. BURGOYN.

NUM. III.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 33 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

COKEHYLL NUPER PRIORATUS.

Com' Wigorn'	£.	s.	d.
Cokehyll—Scit' nuper priorat' cum terr' dominical'	7	8	4
Cledeshaw et Astwood—Reddit' assis'	0	4	4
Cokehyll—Redd' ten' ad vol'	1	14	0
Meaton under Hyll—Redd' ten' ad vol'	0	2	0
Astwood—Redd' ten' ad vol'	0	4	8
Cokehyll—Diversæ firmæ	4	3	8
Churchlench—Firma decim'	4	13	4
Astlench—Firma decim'	1	13	4
Cokehyll—Oblationes	0	0	8
Com' Warr'			
Warr' Com'—Lib' reddit'	0	3	4
Com' Heref'			
Westhyd—Lib' reddit'	0	8	0
Kempley—Lib' reddit'	0	3	0
Com' Warr'			
Alcester—Lib' reddit'	0	2	8
Alcester—Redd' un' claus'	0	4	0
Morton Bagott—Firma mes' terr', &c.	0	9	8
Com' Glouc'			
Condycotte—Firma mesuag'	0	6	8
Campden—Firma terr'	0	4	0
Com' War'			
Alcester—Firma un' mesuag'	2	0	0
Com' Glouc'			
Campden—Firma mol' et prat'	0	15	0
Com' War'			
Spernall—Firma mes' sive capell'	2	0	0
Alcester—Penc' de rector'	1	6	8
Com' Wigorn'			
Bishampton—Firma rector'	13	6	8



HIS Priory, of seven or eight Nuns, situated in the north part of the city of Worcester, in the parish of Claines, was founded, according to Nash,^a by Walter de Cantilupe, bishop of Worcester.

Its endowment consisted of fifty one acres of arable land and two acres of meadow at Aston, of the tithes of half the demesne lands at Norwike and Newland, and of the lands of Richard Blund and Peter la Flagge

in Claines: all of which were confirmed, together with the Scite of the House, by the prior and convent of Worcester, in 1255.^b On the 2d of the ides of July in the same year, the church was dedicated to St. Mary Magdalen.

Habingdon's Manuscripts inform us that bishop Giffard

gave to these Nuns the manor and patronage of Eston; but he quotes no authority for the gift, and Dr. Thomas could find nothing in the bishop's register confirming it. That Bishop Giffard, however, was a considerable benefactor appears in several places of the record called his Domesday: it is there said that he gave them twelve acres of arable land in Little Furlong which he bought of Peter de la Flagge.^c

Joan Talbot, lady of Richard's Castle, gave these nuns lands in Flagge, in 1331.^d

In the 8th Edward III. that king gave them licence to purchase lands to the value of 100s. a year: at the same time granting leave to Sir William Beauchamp to give them twenty acres of land in Northwick, and to Hugh de Hanford, chaplain, to give them two acres more in the same village.^e

Bishop Clifford, in 1407, appropriated to them the church of Weston: and King Edward the Fourth, in 1461, granted them 10l. a year out of the rents and profits of the county of Worcester.^f

The following is Nash's List of the

^a Hist. Coll. for Worcestershire, vol. i. p. 209.
^b Lib. alb. fol. 62.
^c Nash, ut supr.
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^d Ibid.
^e Ibid.
^f Ibid.

PRIORESSES of WHISTON.

JULIANA, 1262.
AGNES DE BROMWICK died in 1308.
ALICE FLAGGE succeeded in the same year.
JULIAN LE POWER, 1328.
AGNES DE MONYNTON, 1349.
ELIZABETH HAMBURY, upon whose death
ELIZABETH TEWKYSBURY was chosen in 1428.
ELIZABETH WOTTON occurs in 1461. She died, 1472.
MARGARET SWINFEN succeeded in 1473.
JOAN MORTON was the next prioress.
JANE BURGHILL the last prioress was elected in 1535.
She had a pension granted to her at the Dissolution of 5*l.* 10*s.* which she still received in 1553.^a
This Nunnery does not appear to be noticed in Pope Nicholas's Taxation, probably upon account of the low ebb of its revenues.^b Its gross income in 1535 was 56*l.* 3*s.* 7*d.*; the clear revenue 53*l.* 3*s.* 7*d.*^c

The Scite of this Nunnery with the lands belonging to it in Claines were granted in the 35th of Henry VIII. according to Tanner, to one Richard Callowhill; Nash says, to Richard Callowhill, John Callowhill, John Callowhill the elder and John Callowhill the younger. The Scite of the Nunnery at present, which, from the dress of the Cistercian Nuns, retains the name of White Ladies, is held under the governor of a charity founded soon after the Reformation, as Nash believed by Queen Elizabeth, for the support of a blue-coat school in the city of Worcester.^d
No REGISTER of this foundation is known to exist.^e Some Proceedings as to this Nunnery *temp.* Hen. VIII. are in the Augmentation Office.
Nash has given very copious extracts in his Appendix of Records relating to this Priory, vol. i. p. 211—224, from the Registers of the Bishoprick of Worcester, chiefly relating to the appointment and confirmation of Prioresses.

Coenobium Monialium de Whiston in Com. Wigorn.

NUM. I.	
<i>Valor Ecclesiasticus</i> , 26 Hen. VIII.	
PRIORATUS SIVE DOMUS ALBARUM MONIALIUM DE WHISTON JUXTA WIGORNIAM.	
Summa totalis omnium tam temporalium quam spiritualium dicti prioratus	56 <i>l.</i> 3 <i>s.</i> 7 <i>d.</i>
Deductiones	3 <i>l.</i> 0 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>
Et remanet ultra clare	53 <i>l.</i> 3 <i>s.</i> 7 <i>d.</i>
NUM. II.	
COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS <i>temp.</i> HEN. VIII.	
[Abstract of Roll, 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]	
PRIORATUS MONIALIUM DE WISTON IN COM' WYGORN'.	
Com' Wigorn'	£. s. d.
Wigorn' civit'—Reddit' assis'	0 11 8

Com' Wigorn'	£.	s.	d.
Wigorn' civit'—Reddit' ten' ad volunt'	2	17	4
Wigorn' civit'—Diversæ firmæ	8	19	4
White Lady Aston—Reddit' assis'	0	5	0
White Lady Aston—Reddit' ten' ad vol'	0	4	0
White Lady Aston—Reddit' custum' ten'	2	14	8
White Lady Aston—Firma rector'	2	0	0
Claynes—Reddit' ten' ad volunt'	0	7	8
Claynes—Diversæ firmæ	4	5	8
Claynes—Decim' vicar'	8	18	0
Wiston—Elimosina domini regis	10	0	0
Wiston—Situs, nuper priorat' cum terr' dominical'	7	1	5
Com' Warw'			
Weston—Firma rector'	3	6	8

Nunnery of Kirklees, or Kirklegthes, anciently Kuthales, near Wakefield, in Yorkshire.



HAT this was a Cistercian House, and not a Benedictine, as stated in the former edition of the Monasticon, we have the authority of the Registers of the See of York. Tanner says it was built in the time of Henry the Second. The founder was Reynerus Flandrensis. The edifice was dedicated to the honor of the Virgin Mary and St. James.
Reynerus's charter, with a confirmation from William earl of Warren as his superior lord, will be found in the Appendix,^f together with a general confirmation of the endowments of this Nunnery by King Henry the Third.^g
This Nunnery is not mentioned in the Taxation of Pope

Nicholas the Fourth, A.D. 1291, probably on account of its small endowment.
The church of Mirfield in Yorkshire was appropriated to it in 1403.^h
The following are the only names of the
PRIORESSES of KIRKLEES
which have occurred:
ELIZABETH DE STAYNTON, some time in the thirteenth century. Her tomb, which was found at Kirklees, is engraved by Hearne in the second volume of Leland's Itinerary, App. p. 96.: it had the following inscription in old French: "*Douce Jhesu de Nazaret fites mercy a Elizabeth de Staynton jadis Prioires de cest Maison.*"
MARGARET DE CLAYWORTH, confirmed 4 kal. Oct. 1306.ⁱ
ALICIA DE SCREVYN, confirmed 4th id. Jan. 1307.^k
CECILIA HILL, upon whose death

^a Nash, ut supr.
^b See Num. I.
^c Histor. Collect. ut supr.
^d Tanner gives these references to public Records concerning Whiston: "*Vide* Pat. 1 Edw. I. m. 6. d. de terris in Aston episcopi. Pat. 29 Edw. I. m. . . Pat. 4 Edw. III. p. 1, m. . . Pat. 8 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 11 vel 12. Pat. 9 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 9 vel 10. Pat. 46 Edw. III.

p. 2, m. 14. Pat. 8 Hen. IV. p. 1, m. 30. pro mess. in Wigorn. Ibid. p. 2, m. 22. pro eccl. de Weston super Avon approprianda. Pat. 1 Edw. IV. p. 5, m. . ."
^e See the Appendix, Numm. I. II.
^f Reg. Serope archiep. Ebor.
^g Harl. MS. 6972. fol. 8. è Reg. Ebor.
^h Harl. MS. 6970. fol. 209.
ⁱ Num. III.

JOANNA STANSFELLD was elected in 1491.^a On her death,

MARGARET TARLTON was elected. She received confirmation as prioress April 24th, 1499.^b

MARGARET FLETCHER was confirmed March 10th, 1505.^c

CECILIA TOPCLIFFE, the last prioress, was confirmed in her office July 9th, 1527.^d

At the time of the Suppression, the Nunnery of Kirklees was valued at 20*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.* a year gross, and 19*l.* 8*s.* 1*d.* clear income.

The Scite was granted in the 36th Hen. VIII. to John Tasburgh and Nicholas Savill.

No REGISTER of this priory is at present known to exist.^e Nor has any SEAL been met with.

Kirklees came into the possession of the Armitages 8th Eliz. by purchase from Robert Pilkinton, and in this family it has continued to the present day, Kirklees Hall being now the seat of Sir George Armitage, Bart.

Cartae ad Kirkleense Coenobium, in agro Eboracensi, spectantes.

NUM. I.

Carta Reineri Flandrensis de Fundatione Domus Sanctimonialium de Kirkleghe.

[Ex autog. in custodia Johan. Armitage Ar.]

OMNIBUS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis Reinerus Flandrensis, filius Willielmi Flandrensis, salutem. Notum sit vobis omnibus quod ego Reinerus Flandrensis, dedi, concessi, et hac præsentis carta confirmavi, in liberam, et puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, Deo, et sanctæ Mariæ, et sanctimonialibus de Kutbales, locum in quo manent, scilicet, Kuthelagam, et Hednesleyam, sicut aqua de Kelder vadit, usque ad vetus molendinum, et sic per viam, quæ ducit usque ad vetus molendinum, usque ad rivulum petrosi f. . . lannus et sic ad Blacheland, et de Blachelana usque ad Wagestan, et de Wagestan sic per divisam Liverseg et Herteshenet, et Mirfeld; totum infra nominatos terminos, in terris, et in aquis, in pascuis, et in pratis, et in silvis, et in planis. Et præter hæc duodecim acras terræ liberè et quietè teneudas de me, et hæredibus meis, pro anima patris mei, et predecessorum meorum, pro salute mea, et amicorum meorum. Hujus donationis et confirmationis testes sunt Aufridus et Elgas sacerdotes, Walterus Flandrensis, Adam filius Ormy, Sucnus de Holland, Robertus de Lacy, Henricus filius Dolphini, et Robertus frater ejus, Helias de Winelai, Johannes de Peningistun, et Willielmus frater ejus, Willielmus de Wambwelle, Nicholaus filius Alani de Wirtleia, Reinerus Mallet, et alii plures.

NUM. II.

Carta Willielmi comitis Warrenæ.

[Ibid.]

NOVERINT præsentis et futuri, quod ego Willielmus comes Warrenæ concessi, et præsentis cartæ meæ testimonio confirmavi donationem quam Reynerus Flandrensis filius Willielmi Flandrensis dedit et concessit sanctæ Mariæ de Kirkeleya et sanctimonialibus ibidem Deo servientibus, in terris, in aquis, in pascuis, in pratis, in silvis, et in planis, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, de eo et hæredibus suis prout carta prædicti Reineri exinde habita, testatur. Hiis testibus, Osberto Gefferd, Ankerio de Freschenvill, Willielmo de Albo-monasterio, Richardo Medvar, Baldwyn de Hersay, Thoma de Herbury, tunc temporis senescalco meo, Willielmo de Livet. Jordano de Heton, Johanne de Pleiz, clerico et aliis.

^a Harl. MS. 6972. fol. 38.

^b Ibid.

^c Ibid. fol. 42 b.

^d Ibid. fol. 46.

^e Tanner says, "*Vide Inter Collect. MSS. Dodsworth, vol. viii. p. 248. Cartam Joannis de Burgh, dantis licentiam dom. Willielmo Mirfeld et aliis dandi duo messuagia et quatuor acras terræ, &c. in Kexburgh Priorissæ et Monialibus de Kirkleghe. In Registro Scrope archiepisc. Ebor. f. . . Ordinationem vicariæ in Eccl. de Mirfeld appropriata hisce Priorissæ et Monialibus, A.D. 1403. Cartas, Rentialia, &c. penes dom. Jo. Armitage de eadem. Pat. 47 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 1. pro ten. in Hertisheved. Pat. 49 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 5. pro maner. de*

NUM. III.

Carta Regis Henrici tertii Donationes quasdam confirmans.

[Cartæ 20. Hen. III. mem. 1.]

REX archiepiscopis, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse, et hac carta nostra confirmasse Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ, et monialibus de Kirkelay, omnes donationes subscriptas, videlicet, ex dono Reynerii filii Willielmi Flandrensis, locum in quo manent, scilicet, Kerkeley, et Hedenesley. Ex dono Ex dono Adæ filii Petri, tres bovatas terræ in Cullingworth, cum pertinentiis suis, et communam in Hereden, ad ædificia sua restauranda, et ad ignem suum, et pasturam ad averia sua in Cullingewurth, et ad porcos suos in eadem villa nutritos nutrimenta sine pannagio. Ex dono Roberti filii Gilberti de Barkeston, quoddam toftum in Barkeston, quod Henricus Faber quondam tenuit, et triginta acras terræ arrabilis, et unam acram prati in territorio ejusdem villæ. Ex dono Henrici Teutonici unam marcatam annui redditus in molendino de Hathweyte. Ex dono filii Johannis filii Amandi quasdam partes terræ in Shelf, scilicet, unam terram quæ vocatur Weteeroft, et aliam quæ vocatur Hallecroft, et alteram quæ vocatur Northcroft, et communem pasturam quæ ad præfatam villam pertinet, ad quadringentas oves, per magnum centum, cum tot agnis, et ad decem vaccas, cum tot vitulis, et ad octo boves, et ad unum equum. Ex dono Agnetis de Flamevill redditum trium solidorum, de dimidia bovata terræ et quarta parte unius bovatae terræ in Marton in Burgshire. Ex dono Reimundi de Medelay, quatuor solidatas et tres denaratas redditus, de una bovata terræ quam Willielmus de Barneburn tenuit de ipso Reimundo. Ex dono Roberti filii Gilberti dimidiam eskeppam frumenti. Quare volo, &c. Teste, &c.

NUM. IV.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

PRIORATUS MONIALIUM DE KIRKLEYS.

Temporal' et spiritual'	.	.	.	20 <i>l.</i>	7 <i>s.</i>	8 <i>d.</i>
Reprise	.	.	.	0 <i>l.</i>	19 <i>s.</i>	6 <i>d.</i>
Et valet clare	.	.	.	19 <i>l.</i>	8 <i>s.</i>	2 <i>d.</i>

NUM. V.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS *temp.* HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 34 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

KIRKLEYS NUPER PRIORATUS.

Com' Ebor'	£.	s.	d.
Kirkleys—Situs cum terris dominicalibus	6	13	4

Westhaghe, et pro ten. in Keisburgh, Heggeholm, Clayton, Westbreton, Derton, &c. Pat. 19 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 12. pro advoc. Eccl. de Murefeld."

There is a Paper Survey of the lands of this Nunnery, temp. Hen. VIII. in the Augmentation Office.

In the Lord Treas. Rem. Office:

Kirkelies—De Johanne Armitage, Gen. occasionato ad ostendendum quo titulo tenet situm nuper Prioratus de Kirkelces et alia in Com. Ebor.

Mich. Rec. 9 Eliz. Rot. 39.

Com' Ebor'	£.	s.	d.	Com' Ebor'	£.	s.	d.
West Haye, juxta West Byrton—Reddit'				Hokynngwyk—Reddit' et firm'	0	3	4
et firm'	4	6	8	Kexburgh—Reddit' et firm'	0	7	6
Huddersfelde—Reddit' et firm'	1	4	0	Emley—Reddit' et firm'	0	8	0
Wekeyley—Reddit' et firm'	2	6	2	Saddleshworth—Reddit' et firm'	0	6	8
Cullyngworth—Reddit' et firm'	0	17	7	Salkthwaite—Reddit' et firm'	0	13	4
Shelfe—Reddit' et firm'	0	13	4	Lyttle Towne, alias Leversage—Reddit'			
Leveyage—Reddit' et firm'	2	2	2	et firm'	0	5	0
Hartishede—Reddit' et firm'	2	6	6	Hokynwk—Reddit' et firm'	0	0	6
Scooles—Reddit' et firm'	0	5	0	Hoton—Reddit' de terr' Abb' de Fontibus	0	2	4
Danbye Grange—Reddit' et firm'	0	6	8	Mirfelde—Firma rector'	6	6	8
Darton—Reddit' et firm'	0	4	0				

Margan Abbey, in Glamorganshire.



UGDALE gives the date of 1147 as the year when this Abbey was founded by Robert earl of Gloucester, who dedicated it to the blessed Virgin. In this date, also, the Annals of Margan agree, and mention it as the year of the earl of Gloucester's death.^a

The Chronicle printed in the second volume of Gale's *Scriptores*, called the "*Annales de Margan*," is a History of general scope, from 1066 to 1232, and throws but little light upon the particular affairs of the Monastery in which it was written. It gives the names, however, of four abbats; mentions three or four incursions of the Welsh, one in 1161, the others in 1123, 1124, and 1127, upon the property of the house;^b and remarks that Margan and Beaulieu in Hampshire, were the only Monasteries among the Cistercians released from King John's extortions in 1210. Margan was released upon the particular score that King John had been entertained there that year in his passage both to and from Ireland.

A portion in the church of Olveston, in the diocese of Worcester, of 10s., arising from tithe of hay and small tithes, is the only spiritual possession of the Abbey of Margan named in Pope Nicholas's Taxation. Temporalties, in the diocese of Worcester, are entered to the amount of 12*l.* 0s. 10½*d.*; and in the diocese of Llandaff in two distinct entries, to the amount of 243*l.* 6s. 6*d.*^c

Leland ascribes to this abbey the privilege of sanctuary:

"Habet privilegium sanctuarii, sed quo rarissime aut nunquam utuntur Cambri."

"Morgan," he adds, "habet iv. filiales domus in Hibernia, Kyrieleyson, S. Crux, Maio, Chorus benedictus."^d

ABBATS of MARGAN.

WILLIAM, the first abbat, died in 1153.^e

ANDREW, the second, died on the 11th kal. Jan. 1155.^f It was probably in the time of this abbat, or in that of his successor, that the altar of the Holy Trinity in the abbey church was consecrated by William bishop of Llandaff, 4th kal. Nov. 1187.^g

GILBERT resigned on the 15th kal. July, 1213: and died in the following year at Kirksted.^h

JOHN was his successor.ⁱ

Tanner speaks as if more than one REGISTER of this abbey was in existence. He says, *Vide* "*REGISTRA et Cartas penes Thomam dom. Mansel de Margan.*"^k

An Indenture between the abbat of Margan and J. ap W. as to tithes, oblations, &c. in the churches of Enys Avon, Glincorrock, and Margan, is recited in Proceedings in Hil. 12 Eliz. rot. 490. in the King's Remembrancer's Office in the Exchequer.

A large Collection of original Charters belonging to this abbey is still preserved with the Harleian Manuscripts in the British Museum. The titles of the most important among them will be found with their references in the note below.^l

The COMMON SEAL of this abbey, appendant to a Deed dated 1518, has been elegantly lithographed by the care (as is believed) of the Rev. Mr. Traherne.

^a The MS. *Annals of Parcolude* date this Monastery in 1146. *Lel. Itin.* vol. viii. p. 49. "Ex annalibus incerti autoris," says, "A.D. 1151 fundata est Abbatia de Margan à Roberto com. Gloucestricæ:" and Speed says temp. Hen. II., who did not begin to reign till 1154, whereas Robert died Oct. 31, 1147. *Quare*, therefore, whether Robert might not begin this house only a little before his death, and William, his son and successor, finish it some time after. *Tann. Notit. Monast. Glamorg.* vii. note n.

^b "M.C.LXI. Combusserunt Wallenses horreum nostrum mense Octobris; divina tamen vindicta sequente.

"M.C.CXXIII. Concremaverunt perversi homines oves nostras plusquam mille, cum duabus domibus, in una septimana.

"M.C.CXXIV. Occiderunt Wallenses famulos nostros, in operibus manuum suarum occupatos duos in una die, et cito postea puerum quendam pastorem ovium occiderunt.

"M.C.CXXVII. Hoc anno combusserunt Wallenses grangiam nostram de Pennuth funditus, cum animalibus multis, pluresque boves ibi occiderunt, postea grangiam de Rossaulin depopulati sunt, ibique oves multas cremaverunt, vaccas nonnullas abduxerunt, et quendam de famulis nostris illic occiderunt. Iterum animalia grangiæ Theodori ceperunt, ex quibus multa in itinere occiderunt, cæteraque secum duxerant. Rursum diversis in locis domos nostras succenderunt, in quibus igne greges ovium magni perierunt."

Annales de Margan, script. a T. Gale, tom. ii. pp. 7, 16, 17.

^c *Taxat. P. Nich.* IV.

^d *Lel. Collectan.* tom. i. p. 104.

^e *Ann. de Margan.* p. 7.

^f *Ibid.*

^g *Ibid.* p. 10.

^h *Ibid.* p. 15.

ⁱ *Ibid.*

^k His other References to Records are, "Cart. 9 Joan. m. 8, n. 78. confirm. donationes Galfridi Sturmy. *Ibid.* n. 79. Fin. 9 Joan. m. 5. Claus. 19 Hen. III. m. 22 d. Cart. 21 Hen. III. m. 6, et ult. Cart. 12 Edw. I. n. 2 et 18. Pat. 20 Edw. II. m. 6. de maner. de Kenton. Pat. 51 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 27. pro eccl. de S. Fagano in excambio pro Hasbrugge. Gloucestr. Pat. 1 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 26. Pat. 8 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 9. pro eccl. de Anegen. in dominico de Glamorgan."

A Memoir relating to this abbey was communicated to the Society of Antiquaries by Dr. S. R. Meyrick in 1820.

^l Cart. antiq. Harl. 75 A. 1. Bulla Urbani III. Papæ, A.D. 1186. de confirmatione. 75 A. 6. Sententia de lite inter Domos de Margan et Kerlyon de communia pasturæ in Hirwenwogen, A.D. 1252. 75 A. 10. Carta Henrici III. regis a. r. xij^o. de protectione. 75 A. 12. Carta Henrici VIII. regis sub sigillo Ducatus Lancastriæ, de confirmatione possessionum dat. 13 Julii anno regni vicesimo sexto. 75 A. 25. Finalis Compositio inter Domum de Margan et Resum Gop super terra quæ jacet inter aquam de Garwe et aquam de Uggemore. A.D. m.cc.xxxiiij. 75 A. 26. Carta E. Landav. episcopi Conventui de Margan concessa ut in grangia sua de Melis divina possint celebrare. A.D. 1239. 75 A. 32. Compositio inter Domos de Kaerlyun et Margan super Heneynewhet et pasturis inter Neht et Taph. A.D. 1203. 75 A. 37. Finalis Concordia inter Domos de Margan et Karlyun super controversia de assignatione et limitatione centum acrarum terræ in pastura de Hyrwenwurgan. A.D. 1256. 75 A. 40. Examinatio Testium ex parte Abbatibus et Conventus de Margan de decimis in parochia de Lankarvan. A.D. 1262. 75 A. 48. Indentura de una vacua placea terræ ad edificandum Molendinum Fullonicum apud Margan. 17 Hen. VIII. 75 B. 3. Judicium de Ecclesia de Sturmi.

At the Dissolution the total of the revenues of Margan Abbey amounted to 188*l.* 14*s.* The clear income to 1817. 7*s.* 4*d.*

The Scite was granted to Sir Rice Maxwell, Knt. The

abbey was afterwards the seat of Thomas lord Mansell. It now belongs to a family of the name of Talbot.

Heretofore the buildings of this abbey were very superb; but the present remains are insignificant.

Abbatia de Margan, in Wallia.

NUM. I.

De Fundatione.

[Ex Chron. in princip. codicis vocat. Domesday penes Remem. Regis in Scacc.]

ANNO M.CXLVIJ. fundata est abbatia de Margan à Roberto comite Glouc. qui construxit castrum et turrim et prioratum sancti Jacobi Bristoll: qui comes eodem anno obiit et sepultus est in dicto prioratu.

NUM. II.

Carta Regis Johannis.

[Cart. 8 Joh. n. 5.]

JOHANNES Dei gratia, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse, et hac carta nostra confirmasse Deo, et ecclesiæ sanctæ Mariæ de Margan, et monachis ibidem Deo servientibus, omnes subscriptas donationes eis rationabiliter factas; scilicet, ex dono R. comitis Gloucestriæ, et Williemi filii ejus, terras inter Avene et Kenefeg, cum pertinentiis, et unum burgagium in Kenefeg, et unum burgagium in Lan, et unum burgagium in Novoburgo, et unum burgagium in Bristoll, ex dono eorundem. Et ex dono Hugonis de Hereford c. acras. Ex dono Rethereth, et hæredum ejus centum acras. Ex dono Gilberti Germus, et hæredum ejus, l. acras. Ex dono Williemi Gille, et hæredum ejus xl. acras. Ex dono Warini filii Kadigan xx. acras. Ex dono burgensium et liberorum hominum de Kenefeg quicquid habent in villa de Kenefeg vel extra. Ex dono Morgani filii Oeni et Havedhaloch quicquid continetur inter Kenefeg et Baytham. Ex dono Williemi Scurlagge et hæredum ejus, feodum de Langwy. Ex dono Nicolai Puniz, et concessione David Scurlagg, totum feodum illud de Langwy. Ex dono Thomæ de Laghell c. acras. Ex dono Morgani filii Cradoci, et hominum ejus, quicquid habent in territorio Novi-castelli. Ex dono Henrici de Hunfravill, apud Landmanti, c. et lx. acras. Ex dono Johannis de Bonevill l. acras. Ex dono Templariorum xl. acras. Ex dono Morgani filii Cradocy, Puntlimor. Ex dono Hugonis de Langkarnan et hæredum ejus xxx. acras. Ex dono Urbani sacerdotis de Pondewelin xij. acras. Ex dono burgensium sive liberorum hominum de Kaerdif, quicquid habent in villa de Kaerdif vel extra. Ex dono Morgani filii Cradocy quicquid habet in marisco de Aven, et Rossamerin, et communem pasturam in montanis inter Taf et Nethe. Ex dono Gistelard et hæredum ejus terram quam idem Gistelard tenuit extra Kenefeg. Habenda et tenenda imperpetuum sicut cartæ donatorum quas inde habent rationabiliter testantur. Concessimus etiam, et confirmamus eis, omnes alias donationes, venditiones, et invadiationes, eis rationabiliter factas, vel faciendas, sicut cartæ donatorum, venditorum, et invadiatorum, quas inde habent, vel habituri sunt testantur, vel testabuntur. Quare volo, &c. T. domino H. Cantuariensi archiepiscopo, domino E. Eliensi episcopo, G. filio Petri, &c. Saero de Quency, Symone de Pateshull, Petro de Stoks, Reginaldo de Cornhill, Fulcone de Kantilupo. Datum per manum J. de Well. apud Westmonasterium xv. die Maii anno R., &c. vj.

NUM. III.

[Ex Chron. de Stanley in Wiltes. in bibl. Bodleiana.]

Anno M.CC.XLIJ. Herbertus filius Mathei lapidibus obrutus est in Wallia juxta abbathiam de Margan, in qua sepultus jacet.

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NUM. IV.

The Grant of Thomas de Aven, to the Abbey of Margan, as I found it translated into English, among the Collections of the late Mr. Hugh Thomas, without mentioning whence he had it.

[Steevens's Contin. of Monasticon, vol. ii. p. 53.]

To all christian people to whose knowledge this present writing shall come, Thomas de Avene, the son of Sir John de Avene, Knight, lord of Avene, wisheth eternal happiness. Be it known unto you that I have, for the salvation of my soul, and for the souls of my father and mother, and of all my ancestors and successors, granted, released, and entirely quitted claim, for myself and my heirs and assigns for ever, to God and the church of St. Mary of Margan, and the monks serving God therein, as a free and perpetual alms, all the title I have had, or might any way have, to three acres and an half of meadow land, with its appurtenances in the marsh of Avene, which I have had from the Lady Margaret de Avene, in her free and legal widowhood, in exchange for five acres of meadow, in the same marsh of Avene, by the advice and consent of the aforesaid Sir John de Avene, my father. Which three acres and an half of meadow, begin at the highway eastward, and reach westward to John Dany's meadow, and to his arable land in Clandsannan northward, and southward to a meadow of the house of Margan, called Smith's Mead. The said three acres and a half, to have and to hold, as a free and perpetual alms, in such manner, that neither I the said Thomas de Avene, nor my heirs, nor assigns, nor any one in our name can ever require or claim any right or title to the said three acres and an half of meadow; but are by this present writing perpetually excluded. And furthermore, I the said Thomas de Avene, and my heirs and assigns, shall for ever defend, warrant, and maintain the said three acres and an half of meadow, with the appurtenances thereunto belonging, against all men. Moreover, I the said Thomas de Avene, having, after a diligent view thereof, considered the noble and magnificent structure of the walls continually made in the said monastery, have granted, and by these presents confirmed, unto the said monks all donations, grants, confirmations, and sales whatsoever, which they enjoy by the bounty of all my predecessors and their vassals; namely, whatever they have by the gift of Morgan ap Cradoc, as well in Rhos Onlyn, as in the marsh and moor of Avene, in lands, meadows, herbage, pastures, and in all the woods and appurtenances thereof, according to the tenor of the charters of the said Morgan. Also whatever they have by the gift of Leysan and Owen, the sons of the same Morgan; and all they have by the gift of Morgan Cam and his heirs. Also all they enjoy by the bounty of Morgan Vaghan, and Sir Leysan, the sons of the said Morgan Cam. Likewise whatever they have by the gift of Sir John de Aven, my father, as well in Rhos Onlyn, as in the marsh of Avene. All these donations, grants, confirmations, and sales, by all my ancestors, and their vassals, in what manner soever made over to the said monks, I bestow, grant, and confirm, and by this my present writing, ratify in my own name, and also for my heirs and assigns, in such manner that they are to have and enjoy for ever, all that is above specify'd, in as free and quiet a possession, as any other alms whatever may be held and enjoy'd. Granting nevertheless, and confirming to the said monks, for myself and heirs, and assigns for ever, all the hurdles or rods they shall have occasion for, on all the lands of my lordship, towards fishing in their water of Avene, without any lett or hindrance; and also, that they have free ingress and egress over all my lands, as well in the summer as winter, for their carriages from Rossonlyn to

their abby, without giving them any lett or molestation, on that account, at any time whatsoever. In testimony of all which premisses, I have affix'd my seal to this present writing. Dated at Avene, the tenth of February, One thousand three hundred forty-nine.

NUM. V.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

MONASTERIUM BEATÆ MARIÆ DE MORGAN UNACUM VERO.			
Valor ejusdem tam spiritualium quam temporalium.			
Summa totalis	.	.	188 <i>l.</i> 14 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>
Deduct'	.	.	7 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i>
Et remanet clare	.	.	181 <i>l.</i> 7 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i>

NUM. VI.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll, 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]
NUPER MONASTERIUM DE MORGANI INFRA EPISCOPAT. LLANDAVEN.

	£.	s.	d.
Margam—Firma terr' dominical'	13	4	8
Bonvilston—Reddit' burgag' terr' &c.	13	7	0 ob.
Laliston—Reddit' assis' tam lib' quam ad volunt'	8	2	1
Resolen—Reddit' ten' tam per indentur' quam ad vol'	5	18	11
Kenfige—Reddit' tenen' per cop' cur' et per indentur'	5	16	7
Pile—Reddit' tenen' per cop' cur' et per indentur'	4	12	3
Thegistowe—Reddit' lib' ten' per indentur' per copiam cur' et ad volunt'	2	15	3 ob.

	£.	s.	d.
Horgro—Reddit' lib' ten' per indentur' per copiam cur' et ad volunt'	4	11	4 ob.
Paullyn—Reddit' per indentur'	1	13	4
Langweire—Redd' un' molend'	6	13	4
Kenfigge—Reddit' decimarum	5	16	8
Penllyn—Reddit' decim'	6	13	4
Laliston—Reddit' decim'	6	13	4
Chep Mille—Reddit' un' molend' aquat'	1	6	8
Garrowe Mille—Redd' un' mol' gran'	1	6	8
Seynt Mighe'l Mille—Red' un' mol' aquat'	2	0	0
Trike Mille—Redd' un' mol' gran'	0	13	4
Cocowes Mille—Redd' un' molend'	0	9	0
Courte Colman—Reddit' per cop' et per indentur'	12	0	0
Grendowne—Firma grangiae	3	6	8
Mere—Firma grangiae	6	13	4
Kybwor'd et Kaerdiff—Reddit' assis' tam per indentur' quam ad volunt'	6	19	6
Hergro—Firma grangiae	2	0	0
Hawodporth—Reddit' per copiam cur' per indentur' et ad volunt'	53	13	2
Llangonwode—Reddit' decimarum	16	13	4
Guys Abon et Glincorroke—Reddit' decim'	6	13	4
Marcrose—Redd' terr'	0	12	0
S. Michell's Grang'—Reddit' frumenti	8	0	11
Tangeluslonde—Redd' frumenti	2	11	0
Llangeweth—Reddit' frumenti, &c.	14	8	8
Scorime—Redd' frumenti, &c.	6	13	4
Nohcourt—Firma grangiae	5	10	0
Witecrose—Redd' orde'i, &c.	1	14	8

Kinner, or Kemmer Abbey, in Merionethshire.



IR WILLIAM DUGDALE'S error relating to this Monastery, has been unfortunately perpetuated in the present edition. The confirmation of the possessions of Kemmer Abbey by Llewelin, Prince of North Wales, in 1209, has been printed in the Appendix to Cumhyre Abbey. See the present volume, p. 458.

Speed ascribes the foundation of Kemmer to this Llewelin: but Bishop Tanner thinks he was a benefactor only, and that the time of the foundation of the Abbey is not clear. Llewelin became Prince of North Wales in 1195, and died in 1240. Tanner says this Abbey was in a flourishing condition in 1231,

when, in the wars of King Henry III. d. with the Welsh, the English would have burnt it, but the Abbat gave them three hundred marks to spare it.^a

The Harleian Manuscript 696. fol. 119. preserves a Pleading in Quo Waranto relating to the Liberties claimed by the Abbat of Kimmer in the time of King Edward the First.

Tanner says "*Vide* Cart. 11 Edw. I. n. 3. Pat. 9 Edw. II. p. 1, m. 4. pro terris in Newgall. Pat. 17 Edw. II. p. 2, m. 23. Pat. 6 Edw. III. p. 2, m. 11 vel 12."

Not any SEAL of this Abbey has been yet met with.

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the clear income of this House was 58*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.*; the net revenue 51*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Kemmer is a mile distant from Dolgelly, and near to the banks of the river Mowthy. The walls of the Church yet remain.^b

^a Hist. of Wales, 8vo. Lond. 1702. p. 252.

^b See a more particular account, with an engraving of the ruins, in Moore's Monastic Remains, p. 109.

Abbatia de Kinner, in Com. Merioneth.

NUM. I.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

MONASTERIUM BEATÆ MARIÆ VIRGINIS DE KYMMER IN COM. MERION. DIOC. BANGOR.			
Valor temporalium et spiritualium	58l.	15s.	4d.
Reprisæ	7l.	2s.	0d.
Et valct clare communibus annis	51l.	13s.	4d.

NUM. II.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll, 29 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]
KYMMER NUPER MONASTERIUM INFRA EPISCOPAT.
BANGOR.

Com' Merion'	£.	s.	d.
Kymmer—Reddit' terr' dominical'	2	14	4

Com' Merion'	£.	s.	d.
Newgull—Reddit' tenentium per inden- turam	10	6	8
Rederewe—Reddit' tenentium tam per indentur' quam ad volunt'	3	5	4
Llanneltid—Reddit' tenent' per inden- tur' et ad volunt'	10	15	2
Legelthy—Reddit' tenent' tam per in- dentur' quam ad vol'	2	8	4
Cumkaydion—Reddit' tenent' tam per indentur' quam ad vol'	3	2	0
Transebryn—Reddit' tenent' tam per in- dentur' quam ad vol'	5	0	0
Llanvchel—Reddit' tenent' tam per in- dentur' quam ad vol'	2	18	0
Llaneltyde—Reddit' decim'	5	13	4
Llaneryn—Firma decimarum	13	13	4
Kadio—Reddit' capell'	0	10	0

Nunnery of Marham, or Marham Barbara, in Norfolk.



LOMEFIELD, in his History of Norfolk, vol. iv. p. 125, says, This Abbey, for so he calls it, was founded by Isabel, widow of Hugh de Albini, earl of Arundel; and dedicated to the Virgin Mary, St. Barbara, and St. Edmund the King, by Richard de la Wiche, bishop of Chichester, Jan. 27th, 1249. The foundation Deed will be seen in the Appendix.

On St. Bartholomew's day, 1252, this Nunnery was incorporated into the Abbey of Waverley by the Abbats of Waverley and Beaulieu in Hampshire. This Incorporation, Blomefield's continuator conceives, was the reason of some author's asserting this House to have been founded in 1252. Walter, bishop of Norwich, granted licence for this Incorporation Sept. 6th, 1251.

The Foundress endowed this House with the manor and lands which her father had in Marham, and which he gave her in frank marriage, as appears by his deed in Blomefield: and this gift of the Foundress was confirmed by John earl of Warren her brother. She also gave a rent of twenty-two shillings to these Nuns, which she had purchased of Sir Roger de Wymples of Thuringthon for fifteen marks of silver; together with a messuage, land, and the whole tenement which Thomas de le Wro, chaplain, once held of her in Marham, and a tenement there, and land, meadows, &c. in Sulddham, which she had of Ralph de Waleys.

King Henry the Third confirmed the foundation deed and grants of the Foundress Sept. 3d, in his 36th year.

Walter, bishop of Norwich, in 1251, granted the Nuns free sepulchre in their Chapel here, with power to perform divine offices, reserving their proper rights to the parochial Churches of the Holy Trinity and St. Andrew in Marham; which was ratified in 1294 by the Prior and Convent of West Acrc, and the Vicar of the said Churches.

Other benefactors of small portions of property in Marham, Schulddham, Kentford, Gaysle, Needham, Her-

ingswell, Besthorp, and Stow Bedon, are enumerated in Blomefield.

King Richard the Second confirmed the charters of this House in the 9th year of his reign. In his 18th year, the convent had an additional patent for fifty acres of land in Waynflete.

The churches appropriated to this Nunnery were, Carlton Forhowe in Norfolk, Stow Bedon, Dedlington, Hackford, and Rockland St. Peters.

In the 12th Edw. II. a fine was levied by John earl of Warren and Surrey, by which he settled the advowson or patronage of this house, which came to his family on the death of the foundress without issue, on the Earl of Lancaster; and, in 1347, the said Earl John died seised of the patronage, leaving Alice his sister and heir, married to Edmund Fitz Alan, earl of Arundel; but the patronage came to the house of Lancaster by the aforesaid fine; and, in the 34th Edw. III. it was settled by Henry duke of Lancaster on Maud his daughter and coheir, married to William earl of Hainault. In the 40th Edw. III. Blanch, the other daughter and coheir of Duke Henry, with her husband John Duke of Lancaster, were possessed of it.

The Abbess had the power of proving the Wills of those who died within the jurisdiction of the House.

ABBESSES of MARHAM.

MARY occurs about A.D. 1251.

SARAH, 17 Edw. II. and 1316.

AGATHA HOWARD, 16th Edw. III. In the 39th Edw. III. called late Abbess.

MARY DE INGHAM, adm. 7th July 1363.

EGIDIA HOWARD occurs 3 Rich. II.

ELIANOR WEYLAND occurs 1384, and 6th Hen. V.

MARGERY, 5 and 6 Hen. IV.

JOAN NARBURGH occurs 1453 and 1467.

JOAN HEIGHAM, in 1486 and 3 Hen. VII. and 1501.

BARBARA MASON occurs in 1511. She was the last Abbess.^a

This Nunnery appears to have been but meanly endowed, and was therefore often pardoned and excused from the payment of tenths, and more particularly by King Edward the First, in the 10th year of his reign.^b

^a Compare Blomef. iv. p. 125—129.

^b Taxat. P. Nich. IV. fol. 305 b.

The only entry of the property of this house in Pope Nicholas's Taxation, is in an article among the temporalities of the diocese of York: "Priorissa de Marham habet apud Eston, 1*l*. 0*s*. 0*d*." ^a

In the 26th Hen. VIII. the gross revenue of this House was returned at 42*l*. 4*s*. 7*½d*. the net revenue at 39*l*. 0*s*. 1*¾d*. At the Dissolution, strange crimes were laid to the charge of some of the nuns of this House, in the "Compendium Compertorum."

The Scite of Marham Nunnery, with various other lands in the counties of Norfolk and Suffolk, was granted in the 38th Hen. VIII. to Sir Nicholas Hare, knight, and to John Hare, citizen and mercer of London. ^b

Tanner notices a REGISTER of Marham Nunnery as in the possession of Sir John Hare of Stowhall in Norfolk in 1632. Some Collectanea of family history from it,

taken by Sir Symonds D'Ewes in 1637, are preserved in the Harleian MS. 294. fol. 173 b. Tanner's other references will be seen below. ^c

A Rental of Marham Abbey is in the Library of the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos, at Stow. Press iv. num. liii. ^d

There is a Paper Survey of Marham, of the time of Henry the Eighth, in the Augmentation Office.

An Impression of the SEAL of this Nunnery is said to be among the evidences of the family of Hare. Blomefield, and Mr. Taylor in the Index Monasticus after him, have described an imperfect Impression.

Sir Thomas Hare, Baronet, is the present owner of Marham.

Coenobium Monialium de Marham, in agro Norfol-

ciensi.

NUM. I.

Carta Foundationis Prioratus de Marham, per Isabellam de Albin Arundellie Comitissam.

[Cart. 15 Edw. II. n. 8. Claus. 36 Hen. III. m. 4. per Inspeximus.]

UNIVERSIS sanctæ matris ecclesiæ filiis præsens scriptum visuris vel auditoris Isabella de Aubeni comitissa de Arundell, salutem in Domino sempiternam: Noverit universitas vestra, quod ego, in viduitate et ligiâ potestate meâ, pro salute animæ meæ, et pro animâ Matildis comitissæ Warrenniæ matris meæ; et pro animâ Hugonis comitis Arundellie quondam viri mei; et pro animabus antecessorum et successorum meorum dedi, concessi, et hac præsentî cartâ meâ confirmavi abbatissæ et conventui beatæ Mariæ de Marham, ad abbatiam ordinis Cisterciensis ibidem fundandam, totam terram meam in manerio de Marham, cum pertinentiis, quam prædictus Willielmus pater meus dedit mihi in liberum maritagium. Habendum et tenendum dictis abbatissæ et conventui, et sibi successuris, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Quare volo, quod prædicta abbatissa et moniales, cum sibi successuris, dictam terram cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in dominicis homagiis, servitiis, libertatibus, aisiamentis, et universis pertinentiis in omnibus locis et rebus dictam terram contingentibus, ita liberè habeant et teneant, sicut ego eam liberiùs et pleniùs habui, et tenui, vel habere seu tenere potui, et sicut aliqua elemosyna ab aliquo mortali liberiùs et quietiùs potest dari, vel possideri. Et ego Isabella et hæredes mei prædictam terram, cum omnibus et omnimodis pertinentiis suis dictis abbatissæ et conventui, et sibi successuris, warrantizabimus, acquietabimus, et defendemus contra omnes gentes imperpetuum: Et ut hæc mea donatio et concessio, et præsentis cartæ meæ confirmatio, ac warrantizatio perpetuæ firmitatis robur optineat, præsens scriptum sigilli mei impressione roboravi. Hiis testibus, domino Waltero de Suthfeld, episcopo Norwicensi; domino Ricardo de Wicio, episcopo Cicestrensi: Magistro Waltero de London. archidiacono Norff. domino Rogero Bigod, comite Norff. et mareschallo Angliæ, fratre meo; domino Hugone Bigod, et Johanne de Warrennâ fra-

tribus meis; magistro Willielmo de Shirwood, domino Radulpho de Hauvill, domino Alexandro de Harisk, et aliis.

[Lel. Collect. tom. ii. p. 375.]

A. D. M.CC.LII. domus de Marham sanctimonialium incorporata est ordini Cisterc.

NUM. II.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

MONASTERIUM SIVE ABBATHIA DE MARHAM.

BARBARA MASON, Abbatissa ibidem.

Valet in spiritualibus et temporalibus 42*l*. 4*s*. 7*d*. ob.q.

Allocationes and deductiones 3*l*. 4*s*. 6*d*.

Et remanet ultra 39*l*. 0*s*. 1*d*. ob.q.

NUM. III.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.

[Abstract of Roll, 28 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

MARREHAM NUPER ABBATIA.

Com' Norf'	£.	s.	d.
Marreham—Reddit' assis' liber' et custum' ten'	9	17	9 ob.
Marreham—Firma terr' dominicalium	7	8	8
Com' Suff'			
Kentford et Nedeham—Firma terr'	1	6	8
Heryngswell—Firma ten' et terr'	0	9	0
Com' Norf'			
Marreham Hall in Wymondham—Firma maner'	2	0	0
Besthorpe—Firma un' claus'	0	4	0
Shaldeham—Firma prat'	0	2	0
Marreham—Firma molend'	6	13	4
Dudelyngton—Firma rector'	2	13	4
Stowkedon—Penc' vicar'	0	10	0

^a Taxat. P. Nich. IV. fol. 305 b.

^b Repert. Orig. 9 July, 38 Hen. VIII. MS. Donat. Mus. Brit. num. 6366. fol. 251 b.

^c Vide "In Registro principali Episc. Norvic. lib. instit. ii. fol. 85. Appropriationem Eccl. de Hakford per Will. Episc. A. D. 1329. Lib. ix. 62. Resignationem ejusd. Ecclesiæ per Moniales propter exilitatem, &c. A. D. 1433.

^d Cart. 36 Hen. III. m. 4. Fin. Norf. 5 Edw. I. n. 89. pro ten. in Hakeford, et advoc. Eccl. ibid. Cart. 20 Edw. I. n. 49. pro Eccl. de Stowbydown. Pat. 31 Edw. I. m. ult. vel penult. Cart. 14 Edw. II.

n. 8. Rec. in Scacc. 15 Edw. II. Mich. rot. . . pro terris in Marham. Pat. 1 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 9 vel 19. pro Eccl. de Hakford approprianda. Pat. 21 Edw. III. p. 1, m. 33. et p. 2, m. 20. pro Eccl. de Rokland Toftes. Fin. div. com. 35 Edw. III. n. 78. de advocacione. Pat. 9 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 19. pro Eccl. de Hakford approprianda. Ibid. m. 20. pro maner. de belets in Marham. Pat. 18 Ric. II. p. 2, m. 5. Pat. 20 Ric. II. p. 1, m. 15. pro cantaria infra Heremitagium S. Guthlaci. Inquis. Norf. 4 Hen. IV. n. 29."

^d See the Bibliotheca Stowensis, printed by the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos, vol. ii. page 226.

Elreton, or Ellerton-upon-Swale Nunnery,

IN YORKSHIRE.



ANNER says, "On the south side of the Swale, a mile beneath Maryke, was a small Priory of White-cloathed or Cistercian Nuns, thought to have been founded by Warnerius, dapifer to the Earl of Richmond, or his son Wymerus, temp. Hen. II."^a

Burton, in the Monasticon Eborascense says,

"By Kirby's inquest it appears that the Prioress of this place held two oxgangs of land here in 15 Edw. I.^b And, by the same inquest, it likewise appears that this Prioress, with the heirs of Thomas de Hereford, were joint lords of Ellerton cum Staynton."^c

Tanner gives the following MS. references relating to

this Nunnery: *Vide* "In MSS. Dodsworth, vol. lxxiv. fol. 162. Cartam Brithivæ fil. Normanni de Elreton et Adami nepotis, de terris in Alretona concessis Priorissæ et Monialibus. Fin. Ebor. lig. I. 52 Hen. III. n. 57. Plac. assis. apud Ebor. 14 Edw. I. rot. 22. de ten. in Melsomby. Pat. 21 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 2."

The revenues of Ellerton appear to be unnoticed in Pope Nicholas's Taxation. In the 26th Hen. VIII. the gross income was 15*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.*, the net income 15*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.*

Tanner says that the Scite was granted, in the 33d Hen. VIII. to John Aske (of Aughton); but Burton says this is a mistake.

The COMMON SEAL of this Nunnery has not yet been discovered.

Its small remains are situated a little below the Priory of Marrick. The shell of the church is entire.

Coenobium Monialium de Ellerton super Swale, in Com. Ebor.

NUM. I.

Valor Ecclesiasticus, 26 Hen. VIII.

ELLERTON.

Valet	15 <i>l.</i>	14 <i>s.</i>	8 <i>d.</i>
Reprisæ	0 <i>l.</i>	4 <i>s.</i>	2 <i>d.</i>
Et valet clare	15 <i>l.</i>	10 <i>s.</i>	6 <i>d.</i>

NUM. II.

COMPUT' MINISTRORUM DOMINI REGIS temp. HEN. VIII.
[Abstract of Roll, 29 Hen. VIII. Augmentation Office.]

ELLERTON NUPER PRIORATUS.

Com' Ebor'	£	s.	d.
Ellerton—Firma terr' dominical'	8	1	4

Com' Ebor'	£	s.	d.
Wodhouse—Firma grangiae	2	17	7
Ellerton—Firma duorum ten'	2	7	0
Ellerton—Liber' firma	0	2	8
Horneby—Lib' redd' terr'	0	2	0
Beiford—Firma cert' terr'	2	13	4
Carrelton—Firma un' ten'	1	0	0
Melsomby—Firma un' ten'	0	10	0
Barton—Firma cotag'	0	8	0
Richemond—Firma un' burgag'	0	10	4
Walborne—Firma un' ten'	1	0	0
Stodhow—Firma un' ten'	0	6	0
Bellerby—Firma un' ten'	0	15	0
Burton Constable—Firma un' ten'	0	10	0
Whixeley—Firma un' ten'	1	0	0
Brompton Patrike—Firma terr'	0	0	8

St. Bernard's College of Cistercians, in Orford.



WITH this House we close our account of the Cistercian Monasteries.

The following was extracted relating to it, by Stevens in his Supplement, from the Manuscripts of Antony à Wood. MS. in Musæo Oxon. 8491. See also Pat. 15 Hen. VI.

"Henry Chichely, archbishop of Canterbury, and primate of all England, considering that the schollers of

the Cistercian Order, as well of England and Wales, as of Ireland, studying in the university of Oxon, had no place to them or their order, appointed within the said university in which they might dwell together, and for which cause they inhabited separate, and dispers'd in divers inns and halls therein, and for the same cause did not perform the dues of divine service, or laudably would, or could, fulfill the customs and statutes of their order as they ought to do: for which reason, I say, some devout scholars, finding themselves troubled in their consciences, have formerly refrain'd the university, and some, though they were elected according to the custom of their order to go to Oxon to obtain philosophical learning, have notwithstanding refus'd so to do, to the great detriment of science and renown belonging to that order.

^a Tanner adds, "See, in Mon. Angl. tom. ii. p. 370. two grants of these, Warner and his son Wymer, to the Hospital of St. Leonard or St. Peter, in York, of the ninth sheaf of their demesne lands in Elreton; after the recital of which, Mr. Dodsworth, MS. vol. vii. fol. 30, adds, 'Opinor prædictum Wymerum seu Warnerum patrem suum fuisse fundatores Monialium de Ellerton.' Mr. Thoresby, in Ducat. Leod. p. 72, saith JOHN BARDEN (who lived in the time of

king Edward III. or Richard II.) was sole founder. But the Records shew that the House was much older. Mr. Gale saith, Append. to Richmond, p. 245, he hath heard, that the foundation charter was in the hands of Henry Drax, Esquire, owner of this place, A.D. 1722."

^b Registr. Hon. de Richmond, p. 43.
^c Burton, Monast. Ebor. p. 263.

This then the archbishop considering, desir'd King Henry the VIth. that he might perform some acceptable thing to God, in helping or contributing towards the necessities of these holy Cistercians, in building them a place where they might gain humane and heavenly knowledge. Wherefore the said king, by his letters patents, dated at Lambeth, 20 March, the 15 year of his reign, that is, 1437, gave him leave to erect a college to the honour of the most glorious Virgin St. Mary, and St. Bernard, in the street commonly call'd Northgate-street, in the parish of St. Mary Magdalene without Northgate, and on the ground of the said archbishop, containing five acres, or thereabouts, which he held of the king in capite. This he did building it of free stone, in the same place aforespecify'd, on the east side of that street, and after the same mode and fashion, for matter of workmanship, as his college afterwards of All Souls was built.

"Dr. Houden, in the Life of Chichely, MS. tells us, that he intended this college at first for scholars, but disliking the situation, left it to the Cistercians, and built All Souls.

"The lands that these monks did enjoy as belonging to this college: I have not as yet met with any, for those that inhabited here were as those of St. Mary's College, maintain'd by the abbies of their orders, at their own particular charges. They were govern'd by a provisor, and he and they subordinate to the chancellor,* who I find was their visitor. They had their logick and philosophy readers maintain'd by stipends rais'd from the monks, and were chosen by the provisor, and three of the seniors of the said house, and when they had gotten a competency of university knowledge, were to be sent for home, and exercise the same in their own abbies, and others sent in their places, amongst whom I find^b one or two that were always maintain'd here, at the charges of the abbat and convent of Rewley, paying thereto 7*l.* per annum. This it seems they were enjoyn'd by their statutes so to do, as also by the ordination of King Henry the VIIIth. and which was reckon'd among their revenues in that fatal survey in the 26 of the said king; amongst divers exercises that I find^c these monks perform'd in the university were that they preach'd at the church of St. Peter, in the East Oxon, twice in Lent time, which probably may be the reason why St. John's College Fellows, who succeeded these monks in their college, do usually to this day perform the same custom.

"PRIORS of ST. BERNARD'S COLLEGE.

"1. JOHN STAYNBORNE supervisor, 1 Ed. 4. 1461.

"2. JAMES KEPAS provisor. Anno 1498. sic. Regist. Univers. p. 6. 1.

"3. THOMAS STORNAY provisor. Anno 1502. v. Regist. p. 161. 2.

"4. JOHN FORD senior monk. Anno 1514, Regist. p. 256. 1.

"5. ARNOLD GYE, alias BUCKFAST, provisor. S.T.B. Anno 1528, Regist. p. 102.

"6. ROBERT CUMBE provisor. Anno 1532, Regist. p. 282.

"7. Father PHILIP ACTON, about the year 1535, as I think.

"As for the buildings and lodgings they enjoy'd, was at first only the front, and the south side of the college, the hall and some other small edifices; being (as I find by a controversy between the abbat of Treynties of this order, and certain masons) not built till anno 1502, or thereabouts; the chapel also, which is yet standing, was not consecrated till anno 1530, which was by Robert King, bishop of Reonen. suffragan to John Longland, bishop of

Lincoln, in whose diocese Oxon then was, and somewhat before which time they were free from mortuaries, and other exactions, due to the vicar of Magdalene Church, in whose parish they were. Adjoining to their lodgings they had pleasant walks, enlarg'd with land purchas'd (by several long leases to succeed each other) of the master and fellows of University College, as also a parcel of ground, rented of Durham College, for which they paid an annual pension, and all, both lodgings, chambers, edifices, and gardens, were, as I have seen, in a roll concerning the particulars of St. Frideswyde's Monastery, in King Henry the VIIIth's reign, esteem'd in length and breadth but two acres, and worth, if let to farm, but 20*s.* per annum; by which we may understand (considering the premisses) how this place, at or about the time of its dissolution, was so much (as 'tis here express'd) undervalu'd, and therefore sold, I verily believe, as they say, for Robin Hood's pennyworths.

After its suppression, from the use of the monks, though not of buildings, which I find was not till after the year 1539, was, viz. all its buildings, gardens, enclosures, &c. excepting the bells and lead, in the 38 of Henry the VIIIth. granted to his new erected college and cathedral of Christ Church, which college afterwards, upon the pious intention of Sir Thomas White, citizen of London, did, by their writing, dated 25 May, in the 1 and 2 of Phil. and Mary alienate it to him, for the use of a college of students, which he did endow, calling it by the name of St. John Baptist's College.

"Arms in St. Bernard's College Chapel, against the South Wall at the upper end, cut in Stone.

"1. Three chevrons.

"2. A bend chequy, surmounted of a crosier in pale.

"3. Three horse-shoes.

"4. A lion's face in dexter canton, 'a fleur-de-lis in base dexter, a crosier in pale on the sinister side of the escocheon.

"All the arms in the chapel, besides these, were set up since the chapel was restor'd by Sir Thomas White."

Warton, Lif. of Sir Tho. Pope, 2d edit. p. 295, note 6, says:

"Bernard College was inhabited by students under that name, in the year 1549; and as I conjecture two or three years afterwards. I find a Manciple of Bernard College suing for battels in the Vicechancellor's Court, 1549. Registr. Cur. Cancell. Oxon. GG. fol. 37. Its last prefect, called *Provisor*, before its endowment by Sir Thomas Whyte, was Dr. Kennall. It had been an academical convent of Bernardines built by Archbishop Chichely. Pat. ann. 15 Henr. VI. membr. 24. [A.D. 1437.] The king sets forth, that whereas Henry Chichely, archbishop of Canterbury, intends to found 'quoddam congruum et notabile mansum collegiale in honorem gloriosissimæ Virginis Mariæ sanctique Bernardi, in vico vulgariter *Northgates strete*, vel saltem prope dictum vicum, in parochia sanctæ Mariæ Magdalænæ, juxta et extra portam borealem villæ Oxon. in solo ipsius archiepiscopi, continente quinque acras terræ vel circiter, quæ de nobis tenentur in capite,' &c. In a roll in the Court of Augmentations, the scite and garden of Bernard College, containing two acres, with all its edifices, and the garden of Durham College, is valued at xxx. per annum. Pyx S. Frideswyde, Oxon."

King Richard the Third's Letters to the Abbats of the Cistercian Order in England for the encouragement of the buildings of this Monastery, dated May 24th, and Dec. 2d, in the first year of his reign, may be seen in the Harleian Manuscript 433, foll. 125 b. 230 b.

* Regist. Univers. B. p. 200. v. et p. 203.

^b 2 Record. primitiarum et decimarum de an. 26 Hen. 8.

^c Regist. Univers. B. p. 363.

Collegium Monachorum Ord. Cisterc. Oxon. S. Bernardi.

Carta Henrici VIII. Regis de Scitu Collegii vulgariter nuncupati "Barnarde's College."

[Wart. vit. Tho. Pope mil. p. 295. Ex orig. in Capell. Rot.]

REX, &c. salutem. Sciatis quod nos de gratia nostra speciali, ac ex certa scientia et mero motu nostris, dedimus et concessimus, ac per præsentes damus et concessimus Decano et Capitulo Ecclesiæ Cathedralis Christi Oxon. ex fundatione nostra, inter multa alia, totum illum scitum, septum, circuitum, ambitum, et præinctum totius illius collegii vulgariter nuncupati Barnarde's Colledge in civitate nostra Oxon. cum suis juribus, membris, et pertinentiis universis; ac omnia et singula domos, ædificias, structuras, ortos, po-

meria, gardina, stagna, vivaria, terras, et solum nostra, infra dictum scitum, septum, circuitum, ambitum, seu præinctum, dicti collegii vocati Barnarde's College, existentia, ac omnia et singula, muros, mænia, fossata, parietes, et cætera inclosamenta quæcunque, eundem scitum, septum, circuitum, ambitum seu præinctum, ambientia aut quocumque modo includentia; ac etiam dimidium, sive medietatem totius illius horti collegii vocati Durham College in parochia sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ in suburbiis dictæ civitatis Oxon. collegio vocato Durham College dudum spectantis et pertinentis: habend. tenend. et gaudend. prædictum scitum, et cætera præmissa prædicta, eisdem Decano et Capitulo, et successoribus suis imperpetuum. Teste R. apud Westmon. xi. die Decembris anno R. Hen. Octavi, xxxviii.

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